

# Spatial Biology Market Report

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# DeciBio Spatial Market Report 2022 - Introduction

## Purchase Overview

Thank you for your purchase of DeciBio's Spatial Biology Market Report. This report provides a summary of the current spatial biology market landscape as well as a forward-looking perspective of the spatial biology market from 2022 to 2027. Content includes a rigorous assessment of industry market size and growth, as well as key drivers, moderators, and trends. In addition, we provide detailed segmentation by technology, customer type, application, plex level, competitor, and geography.

This report was informed by a comprehensive primary and secondary research campaign, as well as the insights and expertise of DeciBio's experienced consultants, who monitor, evaluate, and assess the market on an ongoing basis.

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# DeciBio forecasts the WW Spatial Biology market to grow at 30% p.a., reaching ~\$1.2B in 2027

## Spatial Biology Market Report Abstract

This report provides an overview of the spatial biology market from 2022 to 2027. The spatial biology market, as defined in this report, is comprised of revenue from instruments and reagents sold to academic, biopharma, and CRO customers, along with service revenues generated by CROs and reference labs. This market is moderately consolidated today, with the top vendors including 10X Genomics, NanoString, and Akoya Biosciences making up ~50% of the market, however, multiple other mid-sized and smaller-sized players (e.g., Standard BioTools, Leica Microsystems, Ultivue, and Vizgen) are poised to capture share as the market grows and evolves.

For this report, we leverage a combination of secondary research (e.g., analysis of quarterly and annual reports, earnings call transcripts, clinical trials, congress abstracts, company websites, etc.) and primary research (e.g., 23 interviews with key spatial biology stakeholders from academia, biopharma, and leading specialty CROs) to assess the current and expected future adoption and utilization of spatial biology tools and technologies, and to characterize the key market dynamics. From our research and analysis, we estimate that the spatial biology market is ~\$320M in 2022 and is expected to grow 30% p.a. in the next 5 years, to reach ~\$1.2B by 2027.\*\* Our analysis indicates continued market growth within academia and rapid expansion in use by biopharma and CROs, particularly for use within clinical trials.

For each of the subsegments analyzed, we present forecasted data from 2022-2027. In addition, we detail market drivers (e.g., increased adoption in certain customer segments) and moderators (e.g., high cost of instruments and reagents), market trends (interest in combining spatial transcriptomics with proteomics), a high-level customer breakdown (academia, large pharma, small pharma, CROs), and offer key information on top competitors.

All analyses are based on publicly reported data and DeciBio research and analysis.\*

Notes: \* Disclaimer: Some of the companies listed in this report may be DeciBio Consulting clients and customers; \*\* We do believe that uncertainty to these forecasts exist (potential range: 20-45% p.a.), considering that the field is relatively young and pivotal developments may occur within the forecasted period that could determine future adoption of the technology.

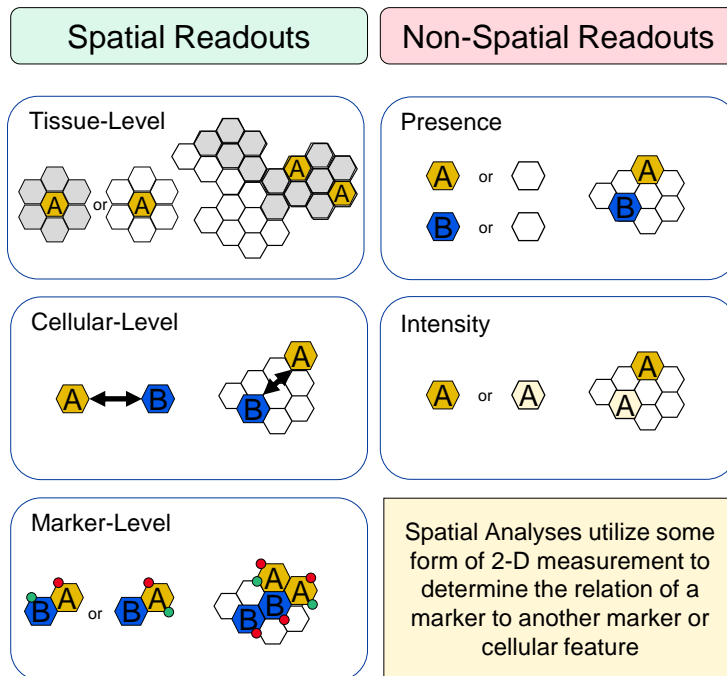
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# Spatial biology provides a new dimension of biological insight to tissue analysis which can be leveraged to develop better therapeutics and diagnostics

## What is spatial biology?

- Spatial Biology can be defined as the **analysis** of a target analyte(s) in tissue in a spatial context (i.e., the expression of the marker in context to its location within the tissue and/or other markers)
  - Spatial analysis provides for a more nuanced understanding of the interactions / biology within the tissue microenvironment
- Spatial biology is often (though not exclusively) driven by **multiplex analysis** of biomarkers and enabling technologies, e.g., mIF, mIHC, spatial transcriptomics, multiplex FISH, imaging mass cytometry, and others
- Today, most spatial analyses are **proteomic** or **transcriptomic** (e.g., mRNA transcripts); spatial genomics (e.g., **DNA**) also exists but is less common
  - While some recent product launches and partnerships target multi-omic analyses (e.g., combined transcriptomics and proteomics)\*, spatial technology utilization is primarily single-omic today
- Academia currently comprises the largest customer segment of spatial biology analysis, and in many cases their use of spatial-omics is for basic research; pharma use of spatial biology for translational / clinical studies is rapidly on the rise
  - Although pharma is utilizing spatial biology for biomarker and CDx development, the clinical utility of spatial biology has yet to be validated; as such, the technological, regulatory and payor infrastructure to support clinical use is not yet established
  - Nonetheless, clinical use of spatial technology for therapy selection is expected within 3 - 5 years



Notes: \* NanoString GeoMx platform and Akoya / Bio-Techne partnership allow multi-omic analyses; see company profiles for more details; \*\* diagram is for illustrative purposes only

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# Spatial technology is primarily used in basic and translational research today; it's use in clinical trials is expected to grow, with Dx applications on the horizon

## Spatial Biology Applications

<5% Market Share, Overall Spatial Activity >50%

### Basic Research / Discovery Research



- Basic research, typically performed by researchers in biopharma and academia, aims to address hypotheses developed to better understand biology and disease pathology
  - Examples include: understanding cellular / receptor localization, regulation, or interactions
- Research topics span various fields of study\* due to relative ease of tissue collection from biobank clinical samples and animal models
- These experiments typically involve using higher plex levels (e.g. >20 markers, or whole transcriptome) to address broad questions and/or discover novel insights

### Translational & Clinical Research



- Translational and clinical research, which leverage human / patient samples with ties to clinical outcomes, aims to address hypotheses specifically related to human health and treatment
  - Examples include: drug target identification, biomarker identification, therapeutic development
- Research is primarily focused in oncology (especially immuno-oncology) today
- Exploratory / discovery experiments favor high plex (>20 markers); late-stage research favors targeted, smaller panels (e.g., 2 – 6 markers)

### Routine Clinical Use / Diagnostics



- For routine clinical use, a spatial technology and biomarker / signature must show robust analytical and clinical validation; a high bar requiring large trials and numerous samples, which is limited by cost and analysis requirements today
- Early data suggests a role for spatial signatures as both prognostic and predictive for therapeutic benefit
- The first spatial (C)Dx is expected to be for immuno-oncology due to relevance of spatial information in the underlying biology and pathophysiology of immuno-oncology; some assays are in early stages of development / exploration in clinical trials

Notes: \* Primary fields of study include immuno-oncology, oncology, neurology, cardiology, autoimmune disease, infectious disease, and others

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# 1<sup>st</sup> Edition: What does it include?

## Qualitative Analyses

- Analysis of the market drivers, moderators, and trends in the spatial biology market, based on interviews with experts and extensive secondary research
  - Verbatim quotes from primary research to illustrate a variety of viewpoints and experiences
- Market insights for each of the market segments analyzed, including:
  - Customer
  - Technology
  - Application
  - Plex Level
  - Competitor
  - Geography
- Deep-dive profiles of select key competitors

## Quantitative Analyses

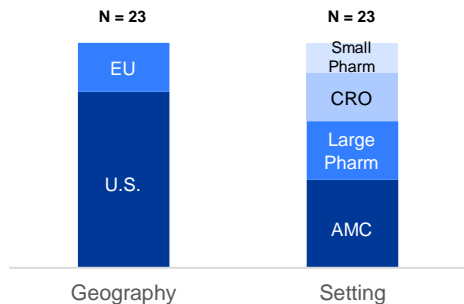
- Bottom-up market model (based on number of customers by type, and annual spend), informed by primary and secondary research (e.g., public filings)
- Market sizes for each of the market segments analyzed, including:
  - Customer
  - Technology
  - Application
  - Plex Level
  - Competitor
  - Geography
- Market forecast from 2022 - 2027

# The quantitative and qualitative analysis was informed by an extensive secondary research and 23 interviews with spatial biology stakeholders

## Research Methods



### Primary Research



### Secondary Research



### Proprietary Databases / Analysis

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- DeciBio conducted 23 interviews with various spatial biology stakeholders across the U.S., and EU to assess current and expected future utilization of spatial biology and understand preferences by technology and vendor
- DeciBio reviewed SEC filings, conference abstracts, publications, clinical trials, earnings call transcripts, press releases, funding databases, company websites, and more to capture information about assays, technologies, company roadmaps / strategies, revenues, growth projections, market trends, etc.
- DeciBio leveraged proprietary internal databases and tools, as well as our domain expertise in precision oncology, to inform quantitative and qualitative market perspectives and trends

# We segmented the spatial biology market along the following 8 segments

## Market Segmentation Overview

Segments	Subsegments			
Customer	• Academia	• Large Biopharma*	• Small Biopharma	• CRO
Technology	• mIF	• mIHC	• Spatial Transcriptomics	• Other^
Plex Level	• 2-3 Plex	• 4-8 Plex	• 9-10 Plex	• 20+ Plex
Analyte	• Protein	• RNA	• Other	
Application	• Basic / Discovery Research	• Translational / Clinical Research	• Routine Clinical Diagnostic	
Therapeutic Area	• Oncology • Cardiology	• Immuno-oncology • Other	• Neuroscience	• Infectious Disease
Competitor (grouped into buckets)	• 10X Genomics • Ionpath • Vizgen	• Advanced Cell Diagnostics • Leica Microsystems • NeoGenomics	• Akoya Biosciences • NanoString • Other	• Standard BioTools • Ultivue
Geography	• United States	• Europe	• Rest of World (ROW)	

Notes: \* Large pharma includes only biopharmaceutical companies with revenues >\$10B; ^ Other includes technologies such as Imaging Mass Cytometry, MERFISH, etc.  
Source: DeciBio Analysis

# This report focuses on spatial biology products and services market, with an emphasis on wet-lab, image analysis is not included in the scope of the analysis

## Report Scope

### Technologies and Revenues Included

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- **Spatial Biology** - the study of biology and pathophysiology in which the spatial context of the analytes is taken into consideration (including both single- and multiplex spatial analyses)
- **Technology classes which are designed to profile and analyze multiplex biomarkers *in situ*** including includes mIF, mIHC, digital-spatial profiling, multiplex FISH, and imaging mass cytometry
- **Instrument, reagent revenues** associated with the purchase of spatial biology platforms or reagents / kits used to run the assays, and **service revenues associated with wet-lab processing of spatial slides** (e.g., by CROs / Reference Labs)
- **Sales of products and services to academic, biotech / pharmaceutical companies, and CRO customers** including both therapeutic companies and diagnostic / analytical tools companies

### Technologies and Revenues Excluded

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- **Digital pathology / image analysis** in which automated image analysis, algorithms, or pathologist-supported software is used to perform whole slide image analysis of any sort
  - **3rd Party Image Analysis** image analysis performed by a standalone image analysis company not included in pricing
- **Service revenue** related CDx development
- **Histology testing without spatial analyses** including multiplex assays which analyze presence or intensity of analytes only

# Abbreviations used in this report

## Index of Abbreviations

Term	Definition	Term	Definition	Term	Definition	Term	Definition	Term	Definition
Abs	Antibodies	DSP	Digital Spatial Profiler	IA	Image Analysis	ROI	Region of Interest	WW	Worldwide
AI	Artificial Intelligence	EA	Early Access	IBD	Inflammatory Bowel Disease	RRMM	Relapsed / Refractory Multiple Myeloma	MIBI-TOF	Multiplexed Ion Beam Imaging by Time of Flight
AMC	Academic Medical Center	E2E	End-to-End	IDS	Image Data Services	RUO	Research Use Only	mIF	Multiplex Immunofluorescence
AST	Advanced Solid Tumors	FF	Fresh Frozen	IMC	Imaging Mass Cytometry	smFISH	Single-Molecule FISH	mIHC	Multiplex Immunohistochemistry
CDx	Companion Diagnostics	FFPE	Formalin-Fixed Paraffin-Embedded	I/O	Immuno-Oncology	SMI	Spatial Molecular Imager	MS	Mass Spectrometry
CRC	Colorectal Cancer	FIH	First-In-Human	ISH	In Situ Hybridization	TAP	Technology Access Program	MTA	Multiplex Tissue Analysis
CRO	Contract Research Organization	FISH	Fluorescent In Situ Hybridization	LOD	Limit of Detection	TIL	Tumor Infiltrating Lymphocytes	NCI	National Cancer Institute
CSP	Certified Service Provider	FISSEQ	Fluorescent In Situ Sequencing	MERFISH	Multiplexed Error-robust Fluorescence In Situ Hybridization	TME	Tumor Microenvironment	NSCLC	Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer
DA	Data Analysis	G / GEJ	Gastric / Gastroesophageal End Junction	MGH	Massachusetts General Hospital	UC	Urothelial Carcinoma	PCNSL	Primary Central Nervous System Lymphoma
DAS	Data Analysis Service	GOG	Gynecologic Oncology Group	IA	Image Analysis	WM	Waldenstrom Macroglobulinemia	PICI	Parker Institute for Cancer Immunotherapy
DL	Deep Learning	HCC	Hepatocellular Carcinoma	IBD	Inflammatory Bowel Disease	WSI	Whole-Slide Imaging	WW	Worldwide

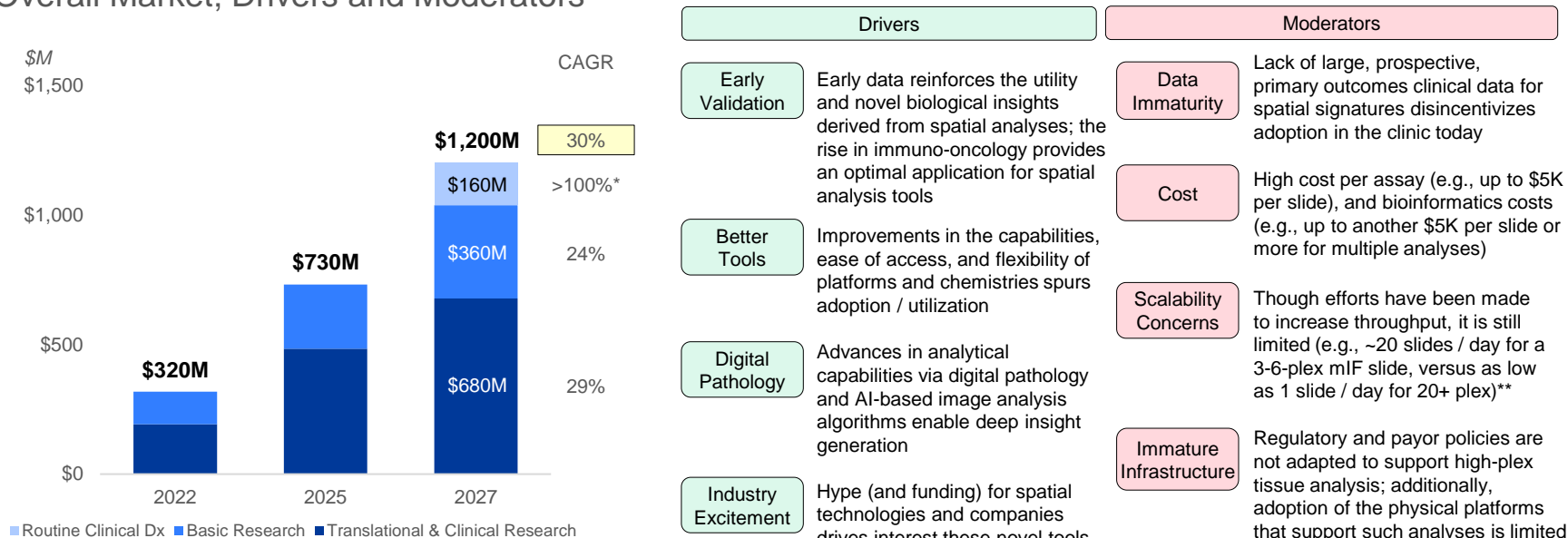
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## Overall Market; Drivers and Moderators



**Moving Forward:** spatial biology is expected to see rapid growth; customers across segments express excitement about spatial technologies across all stages of the R&D pipeline; incorporation of spatial into pivotal studies by pharma and anticipated approvals will drive the next wave of growth

Notes: \* Excludes multiplex tissue analysis in clinic today (e.g., PIN4, Uro-3 assays) excluded due to primarily non-spatial analysis

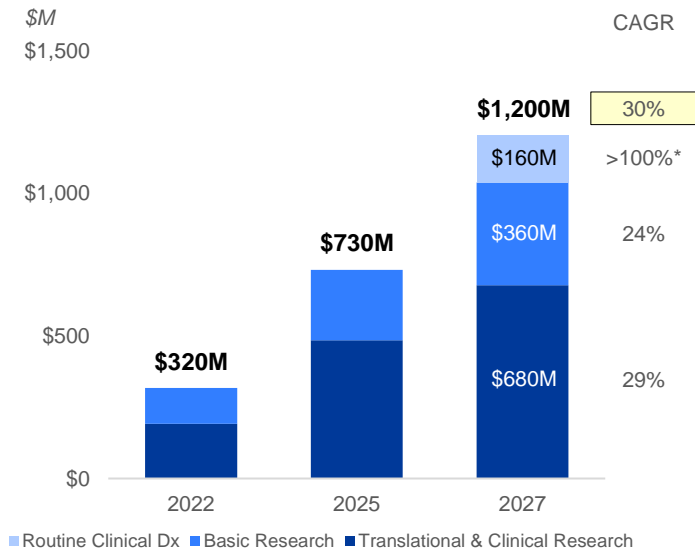
\*\* Standard BioTools Hyperion+ claims 20 slides / day for 40+ plex proteomic analysis, though this method is somewhat discounted for scalability due to high per assay cost

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## Spatial Biology Market Trends



- While initial traction has been strong, especially in basic and translational research, spatial biology is in early stages of adoption today; customers are still evaluating and validating various platforms for broader use
  - Key research applications include:
    - Assessment of the tumor microenvironment, including analysis of the immune cell contexture within a tumor before and/or after treatment with immunotherapy, to understand pathophysiological mechanisms of disease
    - Assessment of tissue inflammation processes across multiple tissue types (e.g., infectious diseases, autoimmune diseases)
    - Single-cell gene expression patterns and cell-type characterization
    - Identification of spatial signatures that can predict response to treatment
- Over the next 5 years, researchers expect to increasingly transition from pilot / exploratory studies to larger scale validation / registrational studies; this will be a key driver of growth
  - Improvements in workflow, cost, and standardization will be needed to support the investment in spatial technologies as a clinical trial and CDx tool
- Diagnostic use is limited today; a CDx approval is expected in 3 – 5 years for a low-plex (e.g., 3 – 6 plex) assay; significant Dx upside remains beyond 2027

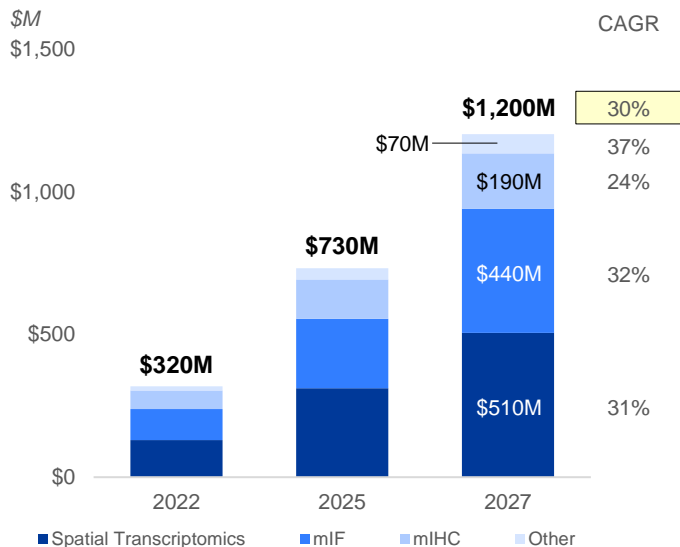


**Moving Forward:** significant market upside is expected beyond the forecast window of this report as spatial signatures gain more traction in the clinic and the clinical infrastructure evolves to support broader adoption of spatial biology Dx globally



# Spatial transcriptomics analysis drove the spatial biology market in 2022; mIF and multi-omic approaches are expected to accelerate growth toward 2027

## Spatial Biology Market Technologies



- Spatial RNA:** spatial transcriptomic platforms enable high-plex (e.g., up to whole transcriptome) discovery research and increase the data per slide
  - Newer spatial transcriptomic platforms introduce competitive pricing dynamics, though absolute price per slide is expected to remain high
  - Low-plex RNA-ISH (e.g., 1 – 3 plex) also has relevant spatial clinical / research applications, and is being explored for CDx applications
  - At single-cell resolution, spatial methods will compete with traditional single-cell methods
- mIHC/mIF\*:** proteomic phenotyping is especially useful in immuno-oncology where cell surface expression dictates immune response and may inform prognosis / Tx response
  - mIHC / mIF is optimal for smaller signatures of 2 – 8 plex; mIHC is best suited for 2-4 plex, while mIF is optimal for 4 – 8 plex
  - Initial positive data\*\*, new and more robust platforms, and potential clinical use will likely drive use during the forecasted period
  - High cost versus traditional (non-spatial) IHC techs may moderate adoption; the lack of a spatial signature for Dx / CDx would be a moderator as well
- Other Spatial-Omics:** techs such as imaging mass cytometry offer high plex proteomic capabilities and will carve out niches in research segments



**Moving Forward:** all spatial techs are likely to see expanded use, though increased biopharma utilization of mIF in clinical research (e.g., as they de-plex from high-plex translational signatures to lower-plex clinical signatures) will be one of the key drivers

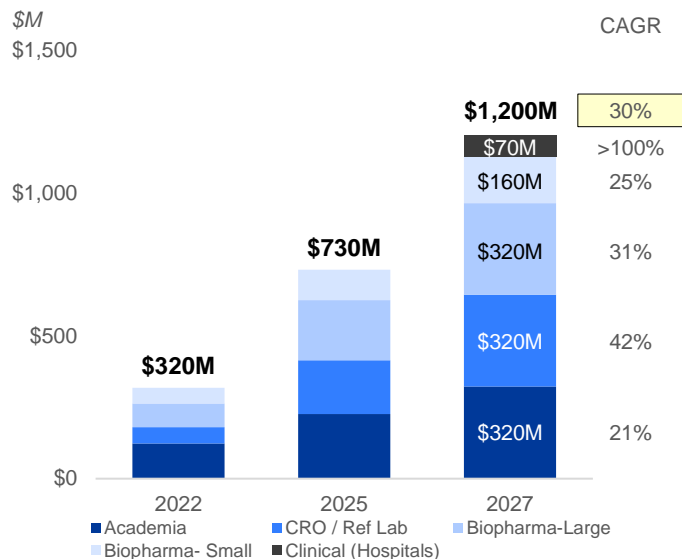
Notes: \* Market share split does not necessarily reflect test volume split due to differences in cost between technologies \*\* See early validation slide for top early validation data

Source: DeciBio Analysis

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# The spatial biology market is expected to be balanced across key customer types however, utilization will vary; clinical adoption is expected on the ~5 year horizon

## WW Spatial Biology Market by Customer\* (2022-27)



- **Large Biopharma:** expected to maintain high spatial biology market share at ~25% of 2027 spend; they spend significantly on spatial services for transcriptomics and mIF, utilizing these techs primarily for biomarker discovery, response prediction, and prognosis in immuno-oncology
- **Small-Mid Biopharma:** expected to make up ~15% of 2027 spend; while nearly all large biopharma are exploring spatial analysis to some extent, we estimate that ~25% of small biopharma are leveraging spatial analyses in their research and trials
- **Academia:** expected to make up ~25% of 2027 spend; academic customers access spatial technologies through core labs and have driven a significant portion of early spatial research; this early establishment is expected to moderate growth
- **CROs / Ref Labs:** do not regularly initiate their own spatial biology research (<10%) but support much of biopharma spatial testing (>50%); CROs / ref labs are a key market enablers given high CapEx; they are expected to support most clinical testing
- **Hospitals / Clinical:** In-house clinical testing expected to come online in ~2026; these customers are expected to make up ~\$70M of the market (~5%) in 2027, most likely for mIHC and mIF assays on fully automated platforms / existing equipment



**Moving Forward:** As spatial signatures become analytically and clinically validated, and move further into clinical trial pipelines (e.g., registrational studies), CROs are expected to take on increasing volume share; mIF utilized in clinical trials will likely make up a significant portion of this growth

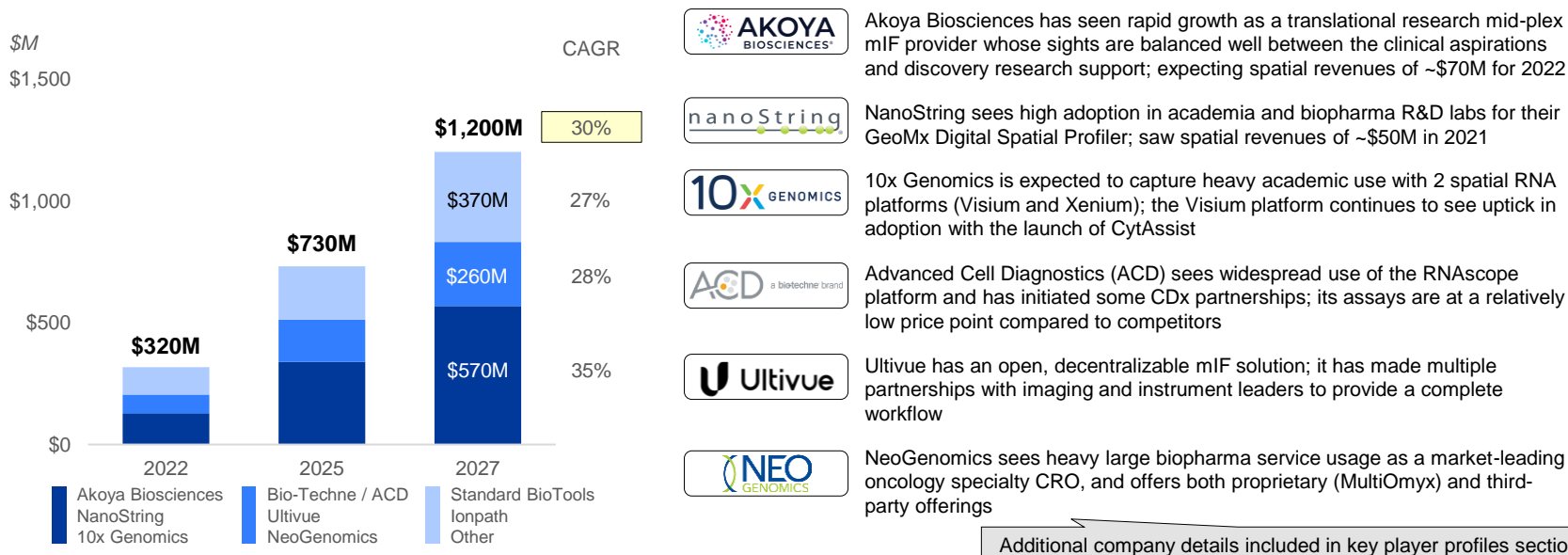
Notes: \* Market share not necessarily reflective of volume share due to price discrepancies; academic and pharma markets comprise purchases of products and services; CRO market consists of purchases of products only

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# NanoString, Akoya Biosciences, and 10x Genomics are projected to be spatial biology market leaders in 2027, though the market will support multiple players

## Spatial Biology Competitor Overview



**Moving Forward:** NanoString, Akoya, and 10x Genomics are expected to remain revenue leaders through 2027, though multiple other players will capture share as new platforms are validated; a services-oriented market will enable researchers to explore multiple providers and technologies









































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# The spatial biology field is burgeoning, with technologies covering multiple analyte types; the space has attracted interest from multiple players

## Spatial Biology Field By Analyte – Select Players\*

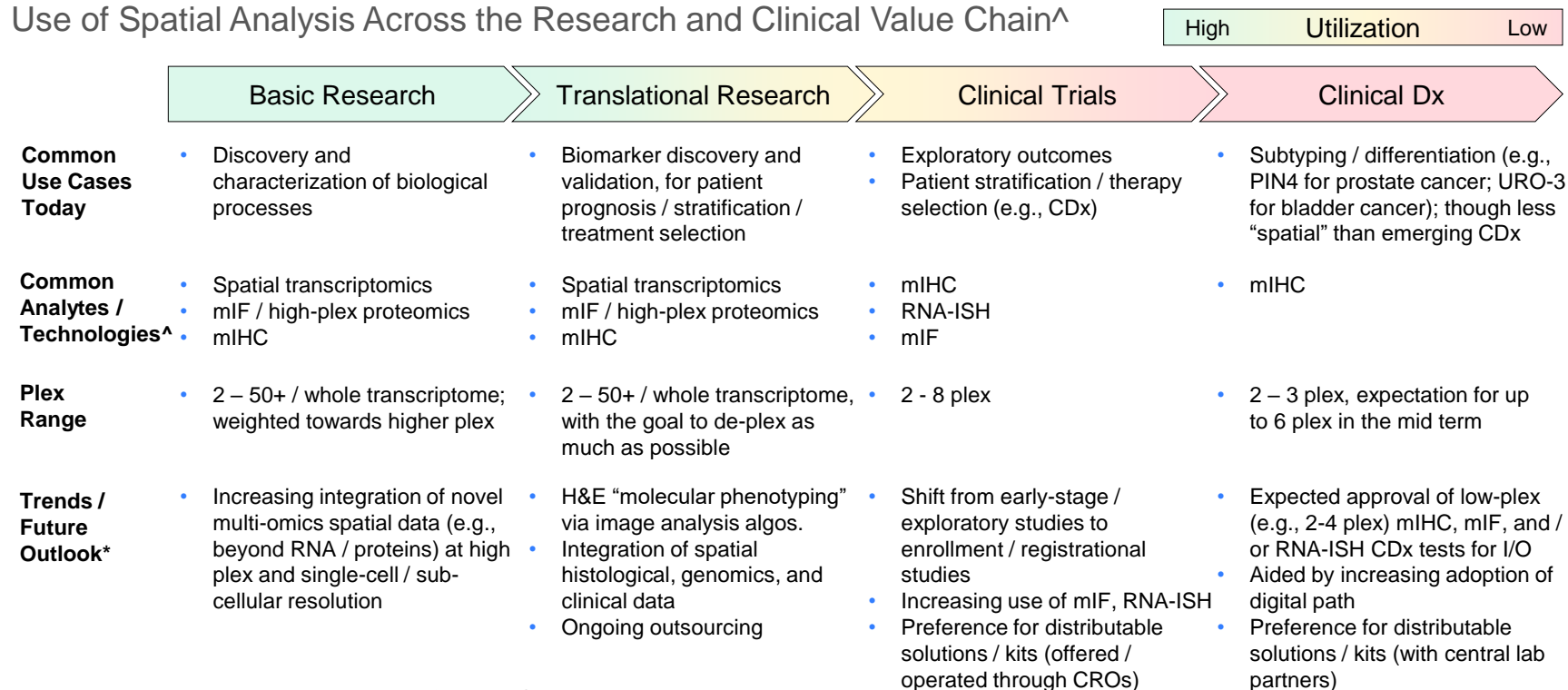
RNA / DNA <sup>^</sup>		RNA + Protein		Protein			
							
							
							
All-Omic / Services*							
							
							
							
				<p>Note: the spatial biology market consists of an ecosystem of companies, including those offering imaging / scanning / microscopy equipment as well as those offering image analysis products and services – this report focuses on companies with proprietary multiplex / spatial chemistries or methods, and service providers that offer multiplex / spatial wet-lab services</p>			

Notes: \* Non-exhaustive; includes companies with proprietary spatial technology platforms / chemistries as well as service providers / CROs offering spatial profiling services; companies included were those that came up most prominently in our secondary and primary research; excludes companies that offer assay components (e.g., antibodies, dyes) but not products packaged and marketed for multiplex or spatial analysis; also excludes companies with primarily image analysis / digital pathology offerings or with primarily imaging / microscopy offerings

Source: DeciBio Analysis

# Spatial biology is being implemented in distinct ways across the research and clinical value chain, with lower-plex, simpler assays nearest to the clinic

## Use of Spatial Analysis Across the Research and Clinical Value Chain<sup>^</sup>



Notes: \* Based on secondary analysis and interviewee feedback; <sup>^</sup> Current day use  
Source: DeciBio Analysis

# While spatial biology has most been applied to basic / discovery research applications to-date, there are signs of progress towards clinical utility

## Translational / Clinically-Oriented Spatial Research and Commercial Activity\*



### Translational Studies / Analytical Validation (Select Examples)



- [Study showing mIF spatial signature outperforms TMB and GEP for predicting response to anti-PD1/L1 CPI](#)
- [A six-plex mIF panel showed 90% equivalence with IHC across all markers, and high inter- and intra-lab concordance, as is needed for clinical adoption](#)
- [Study showing that a spatial PD-L1 / CD8 signature predicts response to neoadjuvant treatment in rectal cancer](#)



- [Study showing that select expressed genes in distinct tissue compartments can predict survival to ICI](#)
- [Study showing that B-cell rich tertiary lymphoid structures enrich for responders to pembrolizumab in sarcoma](#)
- [Study showing that a classifier trained on the spatial distribution of cell types can predict response to a CPI combination therapy in NSCLC at >90%](#)



### Commercial-Clinical Developments



- [Akoya Acrivon partnership to develop OncoSignature test as ACR-368 CDx](#)



- [Akoya secures CLIA lab certification for its spatial biology assays to serve pharma trials](#)



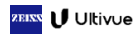
- [Akoya partners with AstraZeneca to develop predictive spatial assays for clinical trials](#)



- [Roche, BMS, and PathAI partner on a spatial CD8 biomarker assay and algorithm](#)



- [Massachusetts General Hospital partners with Lunaphore to develop spatial diagnostics to predict response to PARPi](#)



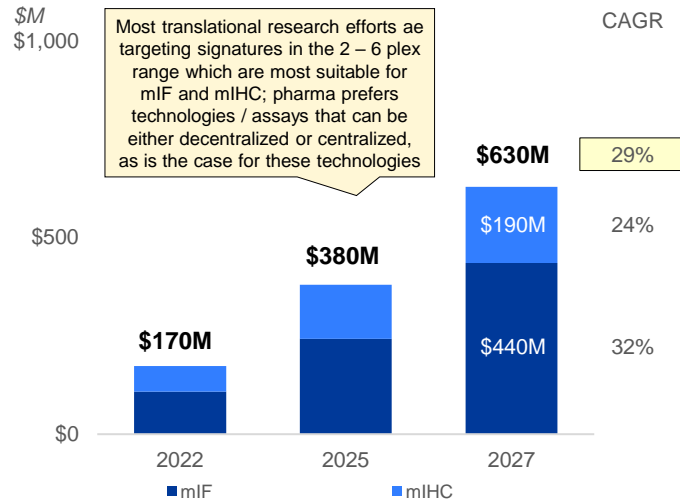
- [Ultivue partners with Zeiss to co-market complete solution for spatial phenomics with clinical aims](#)

Notes: \* Selected translational / commercial activity, not exhaustive of initial positive data for spatial; \*\* Spatial Signature Panels

Source: DeciBio Analysis

# mIHC / mIF is poised to see continued clinical research use; the increase in robustness of mIF platforms supports the movement toward an early spatial CDx

## WW mIHC / mIF Market (2022-27)\*



“...As we move closer to the clinic, reducing the panel size to fit on a more manageable and robust tech, like mIHC or mIF, will be necessary...”

- Executive Director, Translational Research, Large Biopharma

### Forecast

### Drivers

### Moderators

### Trends

~29% growth

The mIHC / mIF market is expected to grow ~29% p.a., from ~\$170M to ~\$650M in 2027, with mIF accounting for the majority of growth

Clinical Infrastructure

mIHC and mIF leverages more standard lab equipment and workflows than higher-plex approaches, making it more accessible, even in the clinic

Increased Automation

An increase in the robustness of products and systems which automate staining and imaging processes lowers the barrier of entry for users

Nascent Clinical Utility

Though initial data is positive, spatial signatures are not commonly used in prospective late-stage trials with registrational potential today; additionally, some spatial profiles can be reduced to bulk gene expression signatures, which are simpler to implement clinically

Cost

Cost for multiplex spatial assays is usually higher than running multiple single-plex assays to cover the same markers; reimbursement for multiplex diagnostics is unfavorable

De-Plexing

De-plexing of signatures identified from high-plex analyses into the few biomarkers that drive the meaningful signal so that it can be adapted to mIHC or mIF and existing instrumentation

DigPath Enablement

mIF players are making efforts to partner with leading digital pathology providers to gain the most insight from multiplex assays

Notes: \* Other bucket consists of IMC, GeoMx proteomics extension, and other technologies, and is valued at <\$100M to grow at similar market rates but is not detailed in this section

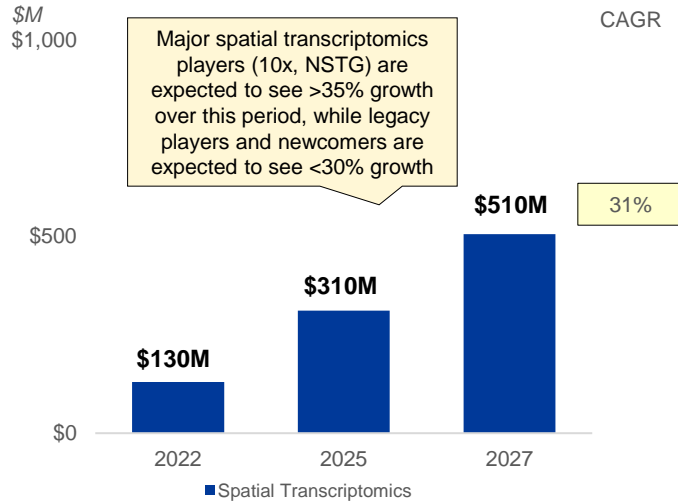
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# Spatial transcriptomics is used in academia and biopharma discovery today, though cost and data analysis barriers limits scaling to high-volume applications

## WW Spatial Transcriptomics Market (2022-27)



“...Sure, [spatial transcriptomics] is a more expensive platform, but the amount of data we get from a few samples can fuel months of investigation...”

- Executive Director, Translational Research, Large Biopharma

### Forecast

### Drivers

### Moderators

### Trends

~31% growth

Spatial transcriptomics market is expected to grow ~31% p.a., from ~\$130M to ~\$510M in 2027

scRNA Market Conversion

As spatial technologies achieve single-cell resolution, they are expected to capture share from the established traditional single-cell omics market

RNA-ISH Performance

RNA-ISH is as sensitive, if not more so, than IHC, and can be run on standard clinical pathology equipment; it is robust and validated for Dx use

Bioinformatics Improvements

Commercially-available / open-source bioinformatics solutions are increasingly accessible and improving, facilitating complex data analysis

High Cost

Capital and per-sample costs are often high (e.g., up to ~\$4K / slide), with substantial analytical costs as well, limiting use to small projects

Difficult Data Analysis

Despite improvements, the analytical burden and time requirement (for high-plex analyses) is too high for routine clinical use

Workflow Complexity

Assay protocols are not analytically validated for Dx use; additionally, throughput is too low for Dx use

Spatial Multiomics

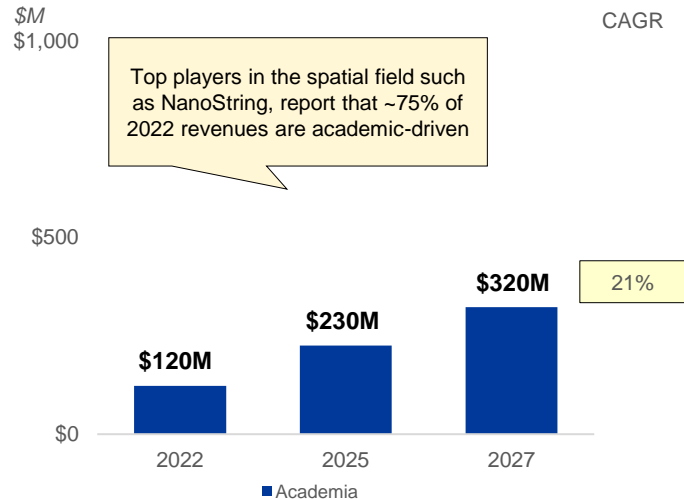
Utilization of multi-omic solutions which include both proteomic and transcriptomic markers, largely in preset panels, is emerging

Increased Competition

NanoString will see spatial transcriptomic instrument competition from 10x Genomics with the launch of the CytAssist and Xenium platforms

# Growth in academia will be driven by broad core lab adoption, new technologies, and higher utilization as data analysis improves; cost remains prohibitive

## WW Academic Spatial Market (2022-27)



*"...[Spatial Biology] is inherently an enabling tech class. We're asking entirely new questions..."*

- PI, Academia

### Forecast

### Drivers

### Moderators

### Trends

~21% growth

The established academic spatial biology market is expected to grow ~21% p.a., from ~\$120M to ~\$320M in 2027

Bioinformatics Enablement

Better data analysis enables researchers to ask more questions and explore more hypotheses, and decreases analysis time, allowing researchers to analyze more samples

Novel Capabilities

New platforms with novel capabilities (e.g., increasing resolution, novel analytes, multi-omics capabilities) will enable exploration of new hypotheses

Cost

Higher plex methodologies often increase cost significantly; high CapEx and service prices limit the scale of experiments and adoption

Complex Analysis

Data analysis capabilities seem to be lagging the rate of advancement in plex, resolution, and multi-omics data generation

Non-Oncology Use

Increasing recognition of spatial-omic value in non-oncology therapeutic areas (e.g., neuroscience, infectious disease) increases the breadth of applications

Multi-Omics

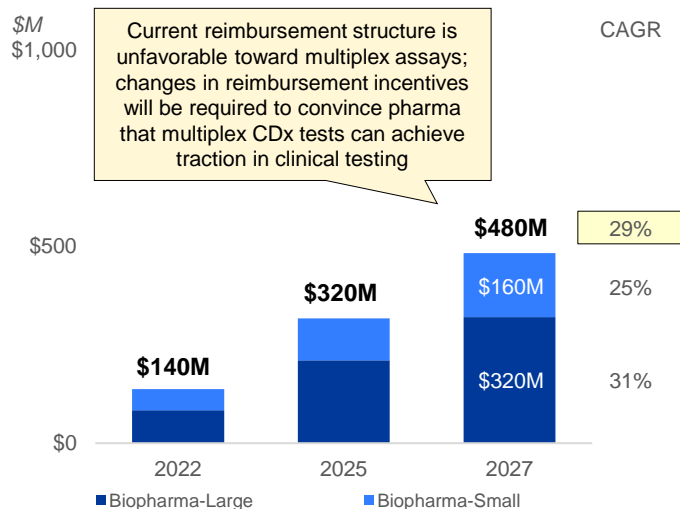
Increased adoption of spatial technology with proteomic sub-analyses or combined transcriptomic-proteomic analyses

Outsourcing Image Analysis

As the technology improves / evolves, image analysis requirements are exceeding internal capabilities of researchers, driving reliance on 3rd-party image analysis companies; AI is becoming a common need

# Biopharma is positioned to drive high growth in spatial biology use, however widespread and long-term adoption hinges on demonstration of clinical utility

## WW Biopharma Spatial Market (2022-27)\*



*"...The past couple years have been focused on turning these small-scale retrospective insights to larger-scale prospective studies..."*

- Head, Oncology Translational Research, Large Biopharma

### Forecast

### Drivers

### Moderators

### Trends

~29% growth

Biopharma will use more spatial analysis in translational / clinical work, and is expected to grow ~29% p.a., from \$140M to reach ~\$480M in 2027

CLIA-grade CROs

CROs / ref. labs offering spatial are maturing clinically (e.g., gaining CLIA accreditation, validating assays), enabling them to support registrational trials

Initial Positive Data

Richness of initial spatial biology data and signals of clinical utility have increased interest in the field and encourage more use of the technology\*\*

Evolving Treatments

Emerging analyte classes and combinations (e.g., checkpoint inhibitors, PARPi, bi-specifics, cell therapies, etc.) drive the need to understand complex processes; additionally, a shift of precision medicine to earlier lines provides access to optimal tissue samples (e.g., resected tumor, rather than biopsies)

Lack of Scalability

Cost and throughput limitations can moderate the number of patients from which spatial data is collected; costs are perceived as too high to be used across all patients in a registrational study

Regulatory Uncertainty

Validation requirements for a spatial signature are unknown, incentivizing pharma to translate signals to validated methods (e.g., GEP) when possible

Integration w/ Genomics

Many pharma have banked samples containing comprehensive genomic and clinical data, integration of spatial biomarker data significantly scales the analytical space

Translating to Lower Plex

As research advances toward later translational stage, pharma will continue to favor lower-cost lower-plex methods (e.g., mIHC, RNA-ISH, mIF)

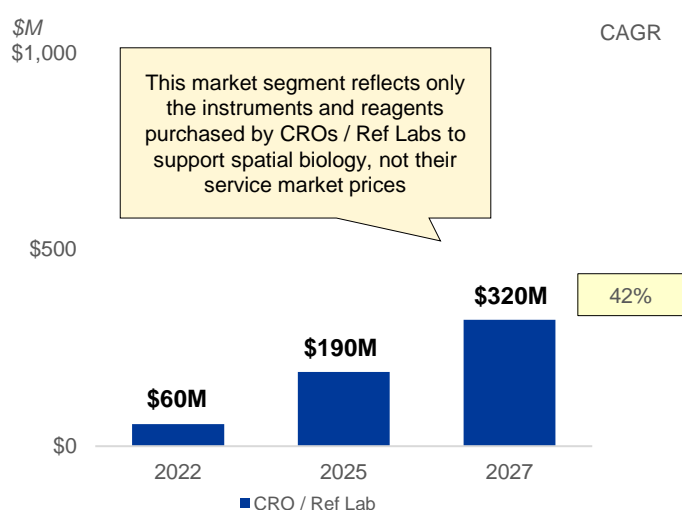
Increased Service Use

Across all stages of research and development, reliance on service providers is expected to be high, especially as multiplex / spatial signatures gain more traction in prospective clinical trials

Notes: \* Includes both spend on instruments and reagents for in-house research as well as spend on services paid to CROs / ref labs; \*\* Additional detail on initial positive data given on slide 22  
Source: DeciBio Analysis

# Due to the rapidly-evolving pace of advancement, increasingly complex analyses, and increasing use in prospective studies, the role of service providers will grow

## WW CRO / Ref Lab Spatial Market (2022-27)\*



*"...We're seeing large biopharma come in as repeat customers with larger and larger spatial projects. It's only a matter of time before we see clinical scaling..."*

- CEO, Specialty Spatial CRO

### Use Case

### Drivers

### Moderators

### Trends

~42%

CROs / Ref Labs are tooling-up to support maturing pharma research, growing ~42% p.a., from ~\$60M to ~\$320M in 2027

*Differentiating Expertise*

Expertise in spatial technology can be used to differentiate service offerings from generic CRO competitors

*Standardization*

Centralization of analysis provides more consistent, standardized, reproducible data from complex workflows, both for research and ultimate clinical Dx use

*Clinical Utility / CDx*

Clinical validation of a spatial CDx signature is expected within the forecast window, most volumes for such a test are likely to be centralized

*Geographic Reach*

Specialty CROs / Ref Labs are less established globally and may lack access to international markets needed to support global trials

*Lack of Scalability*

As use of spatial matures and the size of studies increase, throughput may become an issue for specialty labs; few have the scale and quality systems in place to support registrational studies or clinical testing

*Partnership Ecosystems*

Spatial platform / chemistry developers, CROs, and imaging providers are partnering to provide best-in-class, streamlined workflows

*One-Stop-Shop-ification*

CROs are adopting multiple types of spatial platforms (e.g., proteomics, transcriptomics, low-mid plex, high plex) to support pharma as they continue to explore various modalities

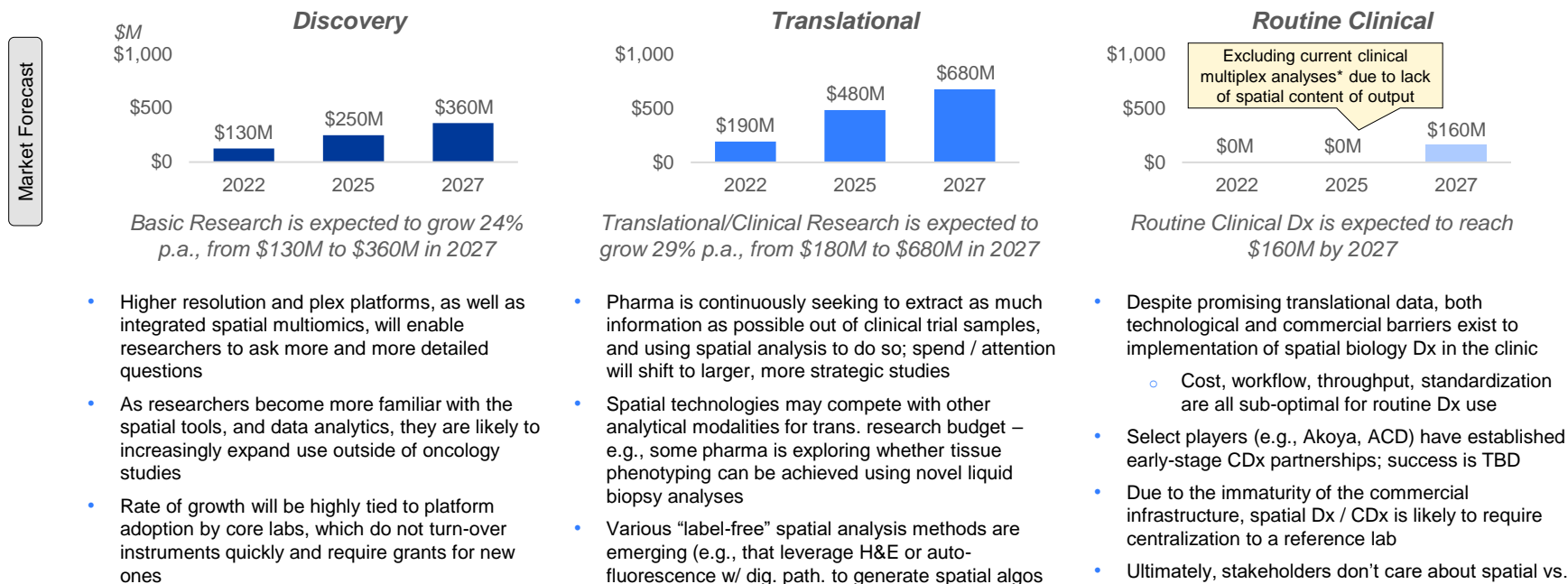
Notes: \* Includes spend on spatial biology instruments and reagents; does not include revenues generated by the provision of services

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# Spatial biology is expected to remain primarily a translational research tool for the near-mid term, and see initial traction in the clinic within 5 years

## WW Spatial Biology Market by Application (2022-27)



Notes: \* e.g., PIN4, Uro-3 triple stain; \*\* see slide 22 for additional support on clinical spatial biology developments

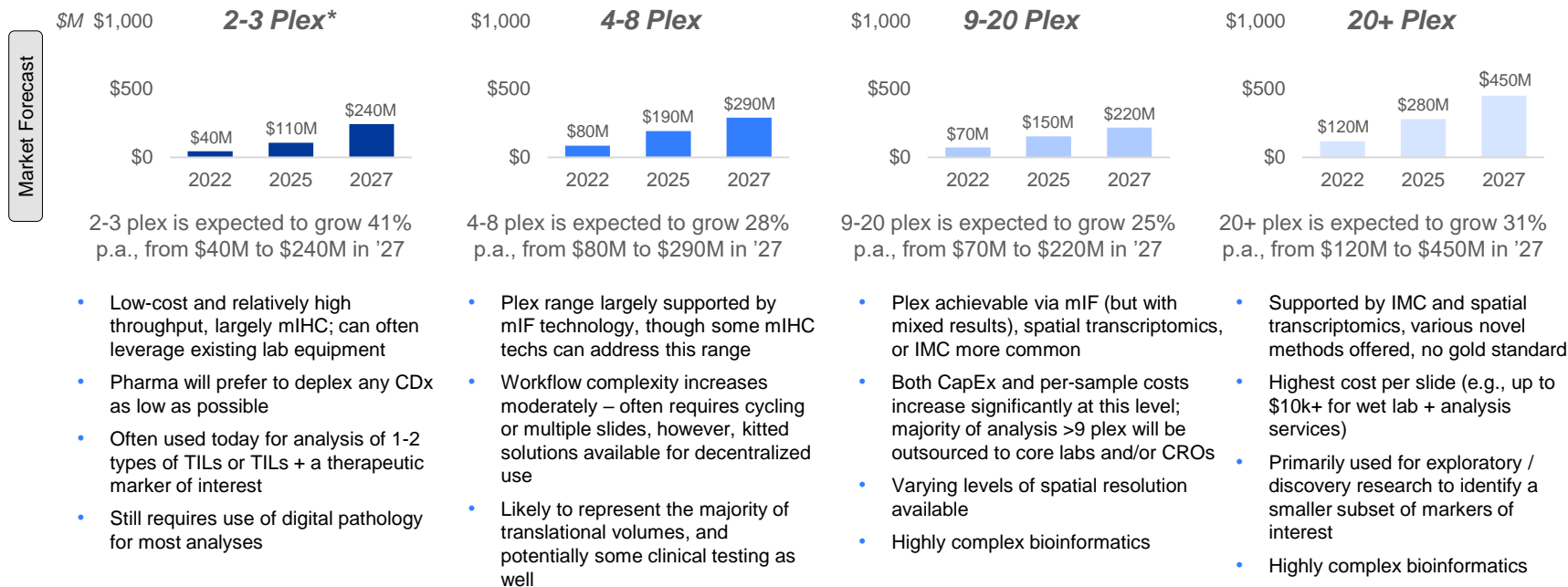
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# Use of plex varies by research stage; basic and discovery research utilize high-plex panels, while plex decreases along the clinical trial pipeline

## WW Spatial Biology Market by Plex (2022-27)

Market share not reflective of volume share due to significant price discrepancies between low- and high-plex tests and reliance on services (vs. kits) for the latter



Notes: \* Due to the low relative cost of 2-3 plex assays, the volume share of the 2-3 plex assay market is significantly higher than the \$ value; does not include assays without spatial readouts  
Source: DeciBio Analysis

# The U.S. is expected to remain the market leader through 2027; research applications are expected to be similar globally, though clinical Dx dynamics would differ

## WW Spatial Biology Market by Geography (2022-27)

Recently, global supply chain disruption, foreign exchange pressures, and macroeconomic headwinds have weighed on ex-U.S. revenues of U.S. manufacturers of spatial products – this may persist in the near term



- The majority of spatial biology instrument / assay manufactures and service providers are U.S.-based
- Large number of academic medical centers will drive basic and translational research
- Existing centralized reference lab testing infrastructure and regulatory pathways (e.g., single-site PMA) are amenable to the incorporation of complex tests into clinical care
- Willingness to adopt and pay for premium biomarker / diagnostic solutions is higher than in the EU or ROW
- Similar to the U.S., spatial biology research is likely concentrated in academic centers (core labs) and pharma; investment in innovation remains high\*
- Lack of a robust centralized laboratory infrastructure may favor technologies that can be more readily decentralized (at least to key academic labs) – e.g., mIF, mIHC, RNA-ISH
- Generally more advanced adoption of digital pathology in the clinical setting than the U.S., reducing one of the barriers to clinical use; however, coverage of novel Dx tests generally trails the U.S.
- Growing access to precision therapies, including immunotherapies, will drive growing interest in the tumor microenvironment among local research institutions
- Adoption by pharma and AMCs / large research hospitals in China and Japan expected to drive ROW growth
- May favor mIHC and mIF, which can be adopted in-house more readily, due to restricted access to U.S.- and EU-centric CROs and, in some cases, barriers sending samples across borders

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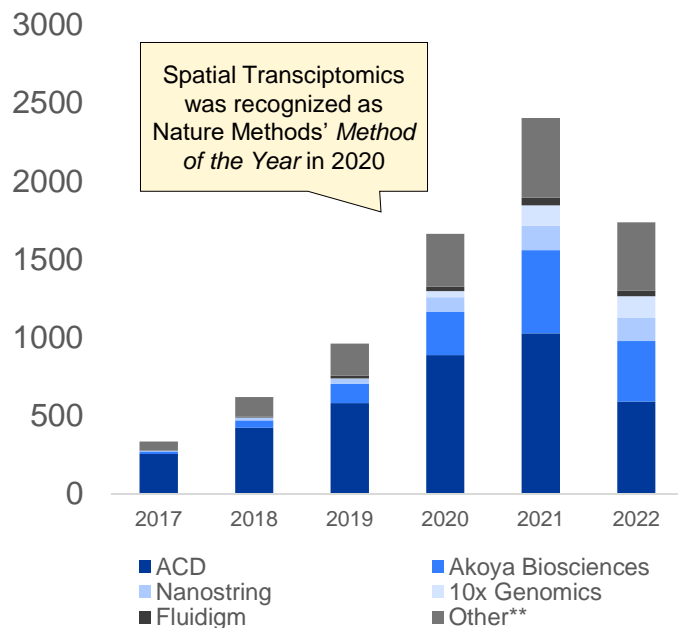
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# Spatial biology research has been growing steadily, driven by the launch of novel platforms as well immunotherapies, which drive research interest in the TME\*

## Annual Spatial Biology Publications\*\* (2017-2022)

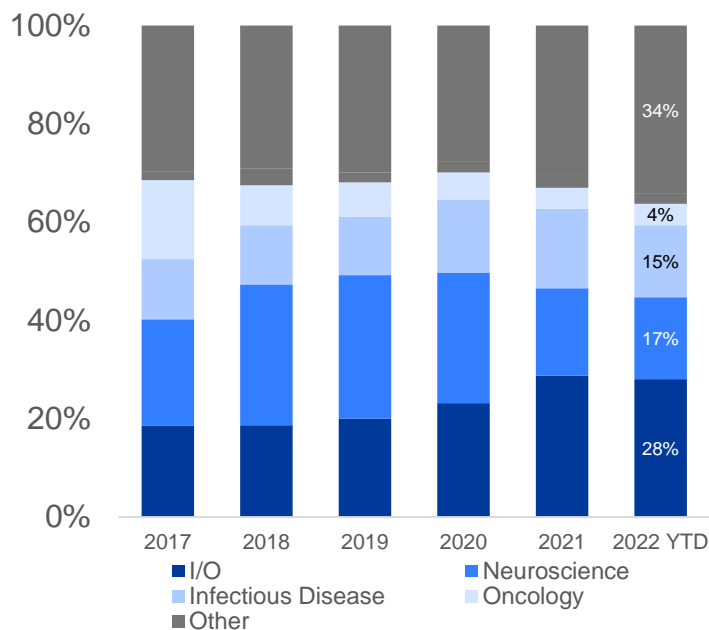


- Fast growth through the past five years, including the period of general economic downtrend during COVID; 2022 YTD is on pace to continue growth at or above 2021 growth rate
- **Akoya Biosciences** saw the highest growth through this time period, fueled by new product launches, high-profile partnerships with large biopharmaceutical players, and consistent marketing
  - Akoya acquired the PerkinElmer Phenoptics brand in 2018, one of the legacy mIF brands with a strong track record of adoption
- **Advanced Cell Diagnostics (ACD)** maintains top publication share with RNAScope, though many of its publications are in the low / single-plex space; RNAScope may also see an additional bump in activity due to inclusion in Akoya panels
- **10x Genomics** and **NanoString** platforms are newer (e.g., both NanoString's DSP and 10X's Visium platforms were launched in 2019), and the pace of publication has quickly ramped since then
- New entrants continue to expand their publication counts by offering novel technologies differentiated by higher plex capabilities; this fragmentation is expected to continue, though consolidation may occur during this time period

Notes: \* Tumor microenvironment; \*\* Non-exhaustive publication search prioritizes companies included in the model – other includes Ultivue, Vizgen, Leica Cell Dive, and Ionpath  
Source: DeciBio Analysis; PubMed Central.gov

# Immuno-oncology continues to drive spatial biology forward, though emerging therapeutic areas also show increased market share

## Field-of-Study Driving Publications (2017-2022)


















- **Immuno-oncology**: top therapeutic area in 2022, driven by interest in identifying markers in the tumor microenvironment that can predict response to immune checkpoint blockade
- **Neuroscience**: though total publication share has tapered, neuroscience is still a significant portion of the publications due to the inherent need to tracking spatial context in neurological diseases\*\*
- **Infectious Disease**: moderate increase in publication share since 2019 due primarily to COVID-19 research
- **Oncology**: non-immunotherapy oncology has seen a declining share of spatial publications, potentially due to the adoption of non-spatial molecular methods
- **Other**: therapeutic areas outside of those above have increased and are expected to continue to grow as manufacturers and researchers continue explore novel areas

# Recent research and commercial activity illustrates the active investment and progress in moving spatial biology closer to the clinic

Top 2022 YTD Activity – Top 5 Pharma<sup>1</sup> (1/2)

Key:  Product Launch  Trial Launch  Partnership  Clinical Data  Other

	Company	Development	Industry Partners	Indication / Geography	Summary / Implications
	 	<a href="#">Roche / BMS collaboration to deploy AI-based DP solutions into clinical trials</a>		Not Specified 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collaboration to advance 2 DP assays for prospective use in clinical trials via Roche's NAVIFY platform: (1) pathologist support for the on-market VENTANA PD-L1 (SP142) assay and (2) a spatial CD8 algorithm developed by PathAI</li> </ul>
		<a href="#">AACR 2022 - 6176 - CD56 dim+ immune infiltration and reprogrammed TME<sup>2</sup> associated with response to neoadj. anti-PD-1 + chemo in G/GEJC</a>	N/A	G/GEJC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prospective 10-plex mIHC for TME evaluation in G/GEJC patients treated with Sintilimab in a Ph 4 SHARED trial (ChiCTR1900024428)</li> <li>Several predictors of Tx response to anti-PD-1 identified</li> </ul>
		<a href="#">AACR 2022 - 1235 / 7 - Presence of TLS<sup>3</sup> and combined high densities of PD-L1+ macrophages &amp; CD8+ T cells predict OS<sup>4</sup> for Durvalumab-treated NSCLC</a>	N/A	NSCLC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Computational IA<sup>5</sup> following IHC &amp; 6-plex mIF to identify OS drivers in Durvalumab-treated NSCLC patients in a Ph 1 2 AZ trial (NCT01693562)</li> <li>Several multi-parametric drivers of long-term OS identified</li> </ul>
		<a href="#">AACR 2022 - 5222 - Biomarkers associated with CMR<sup>6</sup> to Nivo<sup>7</sup> + BV<sup>8</sup> for treatment of CAYA<sup>9</sup> with R/R cHL in the CheckMate 744 study</a>		cHL <sup>10</sup> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Retrospective mIHC for predictive biomarker analysis of cHL patients treated with Nivo+BV in a Ph 2 BMS trial (NCT02927769)</li> <li>CD163+ CD68+ TAMs<sup>11</sup> in the baseline TME<sup>2</sup> were associated with CMR</li> </ul>

Notes: 1 – Top 5 Pharma determined via spatial biology activity in 2022 (publications, abstracts trials); 2 – TME = Tumor Microenvironment; 3 – TLS = Tertiary Lymphoid Structure; 4 – OS = Overall Survival; 5 – IA = Image Analysis; 6 – CMR = Complete Metabolic Response; 7 – Nivo = Nivolumab; 8 – BV = Brentuximab Vedotin; 9 – CAYA = Children, Adolescents, and Young Adults; 10 – cHL = classical Hodgkin lymphoma; 11 TAMs = Tumor-associated Macrophages














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# Recent research and commercial activity illustrates the active investment and progress in moving spatial biology closer to the clinic

Top 2022 YTD Activity – Top 5 Pharma<sup>1</sup> (2/2)

Key:  Product Launch  Trial Launch  Partnership  Clinical Data  Other

	Company	Development	Industry Partners	Indication / Geography	Summary / Implications
		<a href="#">ASCO 2022 - 2626 - Automated tumor immunophenotyping and response to immunotherapy in NSCLC using a spatial statistics approach</a>	N/A	NSCLC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o <b>Automated predictive biomarker:</b> AI-based classifier, LATIS<sup>2</sup>, to stratify TME<sup>3</sup> into 3 classes<sup>4</sup> w/ different PFS / OS following Atezo<sup>5</sup></li> <li>o Developed / validated on samples from 2 Atezo<sup>5</sup> trials in NSCLC: POPLAR (NCT01903993, Ph 2) and OAK (NCT02008227, Ph 3)</li> </ul>
		<a href="#">NCT05281003 - Pembrolizumab Plus Chemo in Neoadjuvant Treatment of ESCC<sup>5</sup></a>	N/A	ESCC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o <b>Prospective</b> mIHC in Ph 2 Merck-sponsored trial of neoadjuvant Pembrolizumab + Chemo in ESCC<sup>5</sup></li> <li>o <b>Exploratory endpoint to study mechanisms of Tx response / resistance</b></li> </ul>
		<a href="#">ASCO 2022 - e18033 - Ph 1/2 study of Pepinemab, an inhibitor of Semaphorin 4D, in combination with Pembrolizumab as first-line treatment of HNSCC</a>		HNSCC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Retrospective mIHC to evaluate the TME in an early-stage trial of Pepinemab + Pembrolizumab in HNSCC (KEYNOTE-B84, NCT04815720)</li> <li>o <b>Ongoing trial, response correlation analysis planned</b></li> </ul>
		<a href="#">ASCO 2022 - 2596 - Identification of super-exhausted T cells: A novel population predictive of response to immunotherapy</a>	N/A	AST 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Retrospective mIF profiling of ASTs treated with anti-PD1/PD-L1 ICIs<sup>6</sup> as part of an institutional molecular profiling program (NCT02534649)</li> <li>o <b>Presence of super-exhausted T cells identified as a new predictive biomarker of response to ICIs</b></li> </ul>

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# Customers across all segments expect to roughly double the number of spatial projects and annual spend over the next 5 years

## Stakeholder Feedback on Utilization of Spatial Biology

	Estimated # of Samples per Project*		Primary Feedback (select, representative quotes)
	2022	2027	
Academia	3-15	5-20	<p><i>"... I could see our use of spatial technology increasing to be 5 times greater than what we currently use. However, our use will depend on if we are getting the biological insights that justify routinely using the assays. Is the spatial context as important as the field thinks it is?..."</i></p> <p>- Principal Investigator, AMC, U.S.</p>
Pharma	5-15	10-30	<p><i>"... In our Phase 1 studies, it's hard to cover everything we want to. But once we move into Phase 2 trials, we will increase our spend on spatial technology by 3-8x what we currently spend. We'll be moving from 10 - 20 patients per trial, to over 100 patients ..."</i></p> <p>- Head of Immunology, Small Pharma, Finland</p> <p><i>"... If spatial technology shows a benefit, I could see us increasing our use by 30-50% in the next 5 years. But it could also go down by 30-50% if there is no benefit to using it. Right now, the use of spatial is a fishing expedition, with no clear trend for better or worse. We will need to continue to fish for a while until we have more data..."</i></p> <p>- Executive Director of Translational Medicine, Large Pharma, U.S.</p>
CROs	20-150	30-500	<p><i>"... There's been a reasonable amount of adoption within CROs because of the wealth of information you can get out of the analysis. We're still at the point where we're sorting through to see what's relevant, but I can see growth exploding in the next 5 years..."</i></p> <p>- Scientific Director, CRO, U.S.</p>




Notes: \* Directional estimate based on average responses from primary research campaign; pharma estimates correspond largely to projects run in-house

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# For academia, cost and data analysis remain key barriers to broader utilization (despite noted improvements in the latter)

## Stakeholder Feedback on Current Pain Points in Academia

		Academia Key Pain Points	Academia Primary Feedback
Increasing Intensity of Pain Point	 Cost	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instrument and reagent cost is prohibitive for many labs, limiting the size of experiments and frequency of use</li> <li>Service offerings increase cost significantly, depending on the ancillary QC and analysis offered on the front and back end of spatial biology workflows</li> </ul>	<p><i>"... The entry cost to buy a machine and run samples is very high compared to other technology, like single-cell sequencing. These instruments are primarily placed within shared core facilities because individual labs don't have the budget necessary to buy and maintain the instruments, in addition to the high cost of reagents..."</i></p> <p>- Director, Core Pathology Lab, Academia, U.S.</p>
	 Data Analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complexity of analyses increases significantly versus non-spatial methods, often requiring additional staff or software</li> <li>Length of time required for analysis increases significantly and can delay deliverables, or change rhythm of publication</li> </ul>	<p><i>"... Data interpretation is a complex process. In order to do it, you need a bioinformatician and that in and of itself is limiting because bioinformatics is an exploding field..."</i></p> <p>- Core Laboratory Pathologist, AMC, U.S.</p>
	 Ease of Use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Significant expertise is required throughout workflow which may take months or years to acquire</li> <li>Steepness of the learning curve may deter some from bringing spatial in-house, incentivizing centralization of these tools</li> </ul>	<p><i>"... Many of my collaborators are hesitant to use this technology because it is not user-friendly. There is a lot of optimization required for each experiment and once the tissue is placed on the slide, there is no way of knowing if the experiment is working until you receive the final results..."</i></p> <p>- Computational Biologist, AMC, Canada</p>

# Validation and technology standardization are key unmet needs for Pharma and CROs; TAT and scalability also need to improve to support clinical trials and Dx

## Stakeholder Feedback on Current Pain Points across Pharma / CROs

		Pharma / CRO Key Pain Points	Pharma / CRO Primary Feedback*
Increasing Intensity of Pain Point	 Validation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need for both proof-of-concept data showing analytical validation (sens. and spec.), as well as longitudinal data showing predictive / prognostic superiority over other technologies</li> </ul>	<p><i>"... Platform validation is a key issue that needs to be addressed. Spatial providers need to work with pharma and biotech companies to develop technology that can analyze samples in real-time and to produce prospective data sets..."</i></p> <p>- Translational Oncology Lead, Large Pharma, U.S.</p>
	 Standardization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Standardization across the entire workflow (i.e. staining, image capture, data analysis) is needed; The burden to develop standardized workflows is on the spatial vendors</li> </ul>	<p><i>"... The changes you can apply to slides during image analysis can completely change the resulting data. There is currently no standardized way to perform image analysis- everyone uses different methods and algorithms. We need to have general policies and guidelines..."</i></p> <p>- Head of Immunology, Small Pharma, Finland</p>
	 Scalability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Current TAT is longer than ideal for key pharma applications (i.e., patient enrollment in clinical trials)</li> <li>Current throughput is too low to support routine use in clinical trials; lack of automation and high hands-on time for initial QC, ROI selection are top bottlenecks currently</li> </ul>	<p><i>"... Oncologists need to be able to get to the right decision at the right time. They need technology that can help them assign or change therapeutic dosing in time. There are critical timepoints throughout a patient's journey, beginning from sample collection, and we always need to get the results faster..."</i></p> <p>- Scientific Director, Small Pharma, U.S.</p> <p><i>"... I would like to see an end-to-end approach. For routine use, the technology needs to be scalable and produce accurate data. Automation in the process would be helpful..."</i></p> <p>- Scientific Director, Small Pharma, U.S.</p>



# Across stakeholder groups, ideal spatial solutions would include improved customizability, automation, and data analysis

## Stakeholder Feedback on Ideal Spatial Offerings

	Academia	Pharma	CROs
Instruments / Assays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A selection of validated pre-built panels, with the ability to customize as necessary</li></ul> <p><i>"... I would like to see an 80/20 split, where 80% of the panels are validated, with standard backbone measurements, and the remaining 20% of panels can be customized for individual experiments..."</i></p> <p>- Instructor, AMC, U.S.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A validated platform that allows investigation of broader hypotheses</li></ul> <p><i>"... A lot of the assays aren't capturing the biology effectively... we're setting up panels based on a set of a priori hypotheses and not able to go into experiments truly agnostically..."</i></p> <p>- Senior Director, Clinical Biomarker Innovation &amp; Development, Large Pharma, U.S.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A turnkey solution with a fully integrated / automated workflow from sample prep to insights</li></ul> <p><i>"... The product offering that will succeed in any of these spaces will be one that allows you to stain, image and analyze all in one instrument- this is true regardless of what stage of research you are in..."</i></p> <p>- VP Molecular Diagnostics, CRO</p>
Software	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A combination of integrated analysis solutions and third-party services</li></ul> <p><i>"... For simple questions, integrated analysis software will be fine. For more sophisticated experiments, there is a huge space for third-party companies to form and provide complex analysis on a contract basis..."</i></p> <p>- P.I., AMC, U.K.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The analytics software should be offered along with the database for storage</li></ul> <p><i>"... Everyone is focused on improving the instrument and the resolution of their offering. If a vendor could develop the analysis software and offer it along with the database component, it would be a huge differentiator..."</i></p> <p>- Director of Precision Oncology, Large Pharma, U.S.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Software that enables the user to perform analysis independently of a third-party</li></ul> <p><i>"... Vendors that focus on the analysis portion are in a position to win because many systems that currently offer on-board analysis software leave the customer needing additional help..."</i></p> <p>- VP Molecular Diagnostics, CRO</p>

# The combination of spatial proteomics and transcriptomics, along with increased resolution at the single-cell level, will define the next wave of spatial biology

## Stakeholder Feedback on Future Spatial Advancements

### Spatial Proteomics and Transcriptomics

*"... An offering that combines spatial transcriptomics with proteomics is the future of the spatial biology field..."*

- Pathologist, AMC, U.S.

*"... At one point, we will need to combine proteomics with transcriptomics for a clinical diagnostic assay, but this is currently a very big challenge..."*

- Scientific Director, Small Biotech, U.S.

*"... It's no longer sufficient to describe heterogeneity in the transcriptome alone- we need to move beyond the genome and incorporate the proteome as well..."*

- PI, AMC, U.K.

*"... The ability to profile the transcriptome and proteome in 2D at the same time would be huge. RNA expression doesn't always correspond to protein expression and this would give us the insights we need into cell behavior..."*

- Professor, AMC, U.S.

### Increased Resolution

*"... If we can truly have single-cell RNA and protein on the same slide, that would be transforming. Thinking past that is difficult..."*

- Director of Precision Oncology, Large Pharma, U.S.

*"... If companies can provide single-cell resolution, we would have a large shift in spending. We would no longer need transcriptomics- it would be a game changer..."*

- Computational Biologist, AMC, Canada

*"... I currently don't see any innovation in this space, but high-resolution imaging, on the order of 40x magnification, would advance the field..."*

- VP, Molecular Diagnostics, CRO

*"... Currently, you can get information on thousands of genes, but you can't say if they are expressed by one cell or another. Companies are beginning to address this by developing platforms with single-cell resolution..."*

- Associate Professor, AMC, Italy

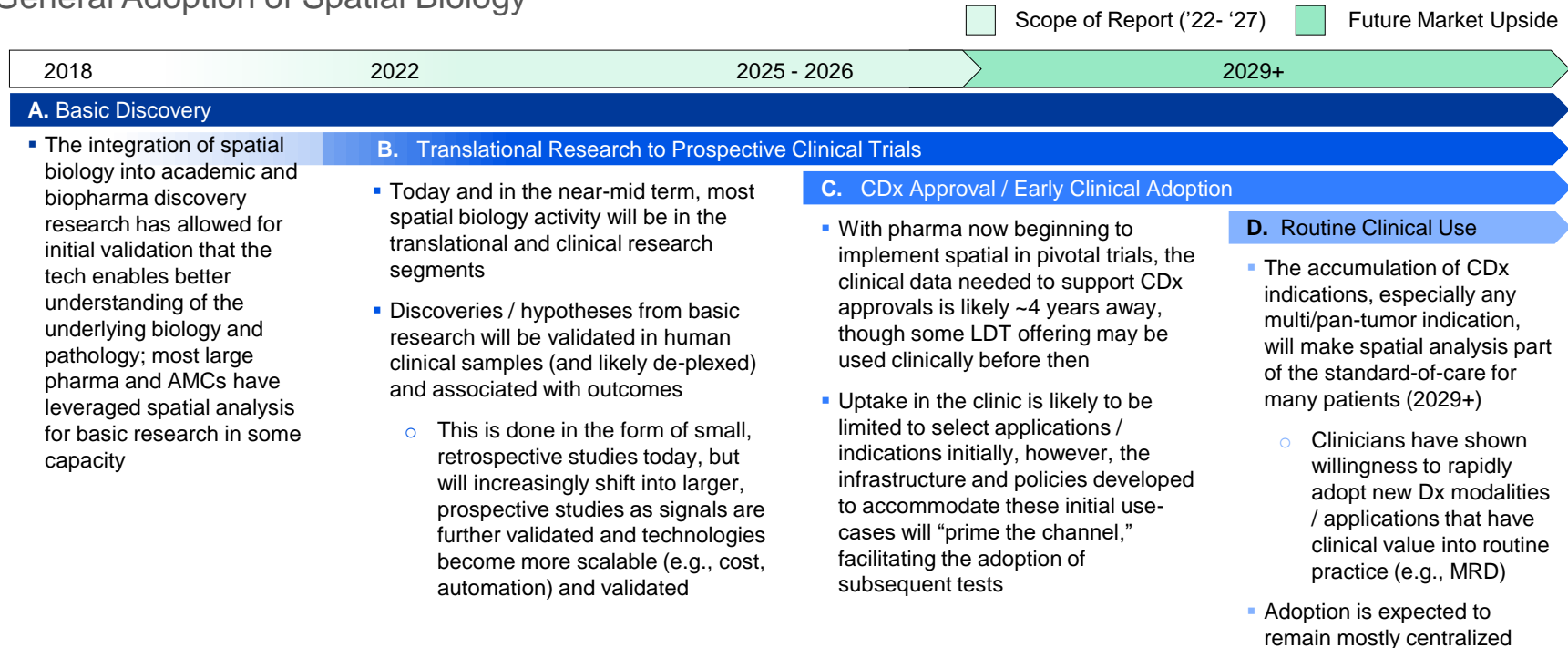
# Experts expect that the first spatial Dx test will likely be a 4 - 8 plex mIF / mIHC assay for use in immuno-oncology; such tests are actively being explored

## Stakeholder Feedback on Hypothetical First Spatial CDx Characteristics

Technology	Plex	Workflow
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>mIF or mIHC has the best chance of early success; spatial transcriptomics is regarded as too complex for clinical Dx</li></ul> <p><i>"...mIF and mIHC are the future of CDx. With the help of DP and ML, there could be an assay on the market in the next 5 years..."</i></p> <p>-Executive Director of Biomarkers and CDx, Small Pharma, U.S.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A panel of &lt;5 plex, with well-validated analytes, the lower the plex, the higher the likelihood of adoption</li></ul> <p><i>"...Anything looking at 8+ markers is discovery work. When it comes to the clinic, history shows that it should be 4-plex or less..."</i></p> <p>- Senior Director Clinical Biomarker Innovation &amp; Development, Large Pharma, U.S.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A straightforward assay; likely an end-to-end solution that incorporates some level of automation in the workflow</li></ul> <p><i>"...Clinicians need simplicity. Without it, I don't see spatial technology being used for clinical diagnostics..."</i></p> <p>- Computational Biologist, AMC, U.S.</p>
Application	Indication	Reporting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The primary focus will be in immuno-oncology, most likely for use with a checkpoint inhibitor or combination therapy</li></ul> <p><i>"...The immune response is inherently spatial, so it only makes sense to use diagnostics which indicatively utilize that information..."</i></p> <p>- Professor, AMC, U.K.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Driven by the use-case, indications which are considered "hot" tumors from an immune infiltration perspective, such as lung, melanoma will likely see the first CDx</li></ul> <p><i>"...The use of spatial will depend on the indication. Expect the usual suspects to see the initial spatial diagnostic activity..."</i></p> <p>- Executive Director, Large Pharma, U.S.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The data will need to be reported in a format that is easy to interpret, with clear and actionable results</li></ul> <p><i>"...The results need to be actionable and easy to understand. The assay will need to have an AI backbone to tell clinicians yes or no..."</i></p> <p>- Professor, AMC, U.S.</p>

# The spatial biology market is expected to continue to maintain high growth beyond the forecast window of this report (e.g., 2027) as clinical applications come online

## General Adoption of Spatial Biology\*



Notes: \* Timeline included for illustrative purposes – not to scale  
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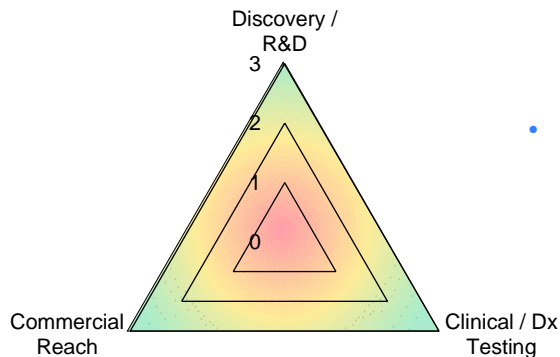
# Agenda

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- Introduction & Methodology
- Executive Summary
- Market Analysis
- Publication Analysis
- Primary Market Research
- **Competitive Analysis**

# The following profiles contain secondary information as well as a DeciBio assessment of positioning; relative scoring is used such that leaders receive a 3

## Spider Graph Key



0 = N/A      1 = Trailing  
2 = Competitive      3 = Leading

These are examples, and not all parameters apply to every company, scoring based on DeciBio's judgement and interviewee feedback

### • Discovery / R&D:

1. Low-plex, single-omics, seldom mentioned in discovery applications in primary research, low publication activity
2. Mid-plex, mentioned in discovery applications in primary research, mid-level publication activity
3. Highest plex / multi-omics capabilities, most often discussed in discovery applications in primary research, highest publication activity

### • Clinical / Dx Testing:

1. Low-level clinical-commercial activity, seldom mentioned in clinical / diagnostic applications in primary research, minimal clinical / Dx experience on team, high cost / low throughput solution
2. Mid-level clinical-commercial activity (e.g., early (C)Dx partnerships, active communication of Dx aspirations), mentioned in clinical / diagnostic applications in primary research, some clinical / Dx team expertise, moderate cost / throughput
3. High clinical-commercial activity, most often discussed in clinical / diagnostic applications in primary research, multiple and/or active / ongoing (C)Dx partnerships, some clinical / Dx certification or validation (e.g., CLIA lab status, analytical assay validation, strong clinical / Dx expertise on team, low cost / high throughput solution

### • Commercial Reach:

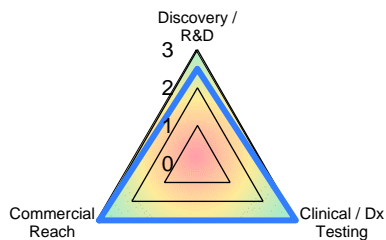
1. Low installed base or existing customers, limited international reach, small or non-existent commercial team, limited funding
2. Moderate installed base / existing customers, moderate international reach, commercial team, and funding
3. Significant install base / existing customers, high international reach, strong commercial team, significant funding / sales / resources

# Akoya is a market-leading mIF provider with strong clinical focus, whose recent rebranding aims to streamline diagnostic development

## DeciBio Analysis

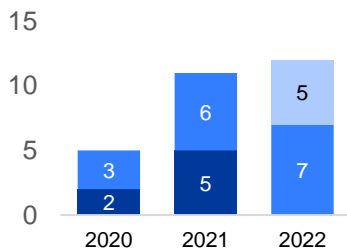
Akoya offers comprehensive end-to-end spatial solutions across the R&D development timeline, and is currently focused on enhancing workflow speed, expanding its biomarker menu, and entering the clinical market; Akoya is a top mIF provider to date; Akoya continues tech evolution with the recently launched Fusion platform offering tunable plex, higher throughput, and multi-omic capabilities via a Bio-Techne collab; Akoya shows significant partnering activity to build a spatial biology ecosystem and drive platform adoption; their internal CLIA lab service offering supports the initial development phase of the first formal CDx partnership with Acrivon

## Forward-Looking Positioning\*



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





## Activity Snapshot\*\*



■ Trials ■ Abstracts ■ Other

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## Key Activity Overview^

		<b>Acrivon:</b> Jun 2022, CDx for ACR-368 via PhenolImager
		<b>PhenoCycler-Fusion:</b> April 2022, data showcase, re-brand, E2E workflow
		<b>iCura Dx:</b> Apr 2022, designation as qualified CRO
		<b>Bio-Techne:</b> Jan 2022, integration with RNAScope
		<b>PathAI:</b> Dec 2021, AI biomarker discovery focus
		<b>AstraZeneca:</b> Jun 2021, translational I/O focus
		<b>Nikon, CrestOptics and Andor:</b> Jun 2021, CODEX integration with I <sup>2</sup> Network
		<b>Johns Hopkins:</b> Mar 2021, I/O biomarkers via AstroPath platform
		<b>UCSF:</b> Jul 2020, I/O biomarker focus
		<b>Phenoptics:</b> Oct 2018, acquired from PerkinElmer

 Partnership  M&A  Product Launch

Notes: \* Competitive positioning indicates readiness for future developments in a particular area, see structure on slide 45; \*\* Company activity counts include only activity explicitly related to spatial biology;

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# Akoya's offerings are competitively favorable, and the Phenolmager product is well-suited for clinical trial support

Products and Services Offered		
	Name / Description	Competitive Analysis
Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>PhenoCycler</b> (prev. CODEX): automated <i>in-situ</i> cycling platform (compatible with standard microscopes, incl. confocal), protein/RNA*, 100+ plex, 10-30 samples/week, FF/FFPE</li> <li><b>Phenolmager</b> (prev. Phenoptics): high-speed multispectral imaging platform, protein/RNA*, 6+ plex, single-cell/subcellular (down to 250 nm), 100 samples/week, FF/FFPE</li> <li><b>PhenoCycler-Fusion</b> combines PhenoCycler and Phenolmager into an E2E solution for spatial phenotyping; flexible tuning from high-plex to high-throughput**; single cell to subcellular resolution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Tunable plex-throughput configurations for discovery, translational and clinical applications</li> <li>+ WSI imaging for unbiased tissue phenotyping down to sub-cellular resolution</li> <li>+ Automated workflow-enabled; sample preserved</li> <li>+ Moderate install base of Phenolmager systems (Vectra Polaris)</li> </ul>
Reagents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PhenoCycler (prev. CODEX)-conjugated Abs (mIF); Opal antibodies (Phenolmager, mIF); Universal Chemistry (<i>in dev.</i>); compatible with RNAScope HiPlex v2 for RNA detection</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Off-the shelf &amp; custom panels, validated antibodies available</li> <li>- Proprietary reagents, Ab conjugation required (PhenoCycler)</li> </ul>
Bioinformatics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internal software for image management (Proxima), WSI (Phenochart), IA (inForm) and reporting (phenoptReports); IA integration with Visiopharm and Indica Labs offerings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ E2E solution with integrated bioinformatics</li> <li>+ Open to 3<sup>rd</sup> party integration for downstream analysis</li> </ul>
Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internal CLIA-certified lab offers Advanced Biopharma Solutions (ABS) that include custom assay development, proprietary IA and CDx development</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Enables initial phases of CDx co-development with pharma partners</li> </ul>

Key Trials / Studies	Technology	Description
I-SPY 2 / <a href="#">NCT01042379</a> : Recruiting   Comp: Dec 2031	mIF (Phenolmager)	Biomarkers of response to neoadj. I/O therapeutics in breast cancer   Ph 2   4,000 pts   Retrospective (UCSF collab.)
<a href="#">NCT02785250</a> : Active   Comp: May 2025	mIF (Phenolmager)	Biomarkers of response to Maveropemiput-S (DPX-Survivac) in ovarian cancer   Ph 1 2   85 pts   Retrospective^
<a href="#">NCT04688658</a> : Recruiting   Comp: Oct 2027	mIF (Phenolmager)	Biomarkers of response to Duvelisib / Nivolumab combination in Melanoma   Ph 1 2   42 pts   Prospective
<a href="#">NCT04963283</a> : Recruiting   Comp: Feb 2025	mIF (Phenolmager)	Biomarkers of response to Cabozantinib / Nivolumab combination in colorectal cancer   Ph 2   46 pts   Prospective
Phase II Master Protocol: Planned   Comp: N/A	mIF (Phenolmager)	Patient stratification via OncoSignature ACR-368 CDx in ovarian, endometrial, urothelial   Ph 1 2   N/A   Prospective
MITRE / Taube et al., 2021 ( <a href="#">PMID: 34266881</a> )	mIF (Phenolmager)	Multi-site mIF standardization study across 6 academic and pharma institutions

Notes: \* PhenoCycler-Fusion workflow is compatible with the RNAScope HiPlex v2 assay; \*\* Fusion upgrade that doubles throughput expected by YE 2022; ^ CT.gov mentions TIL measurement, but does not specify method

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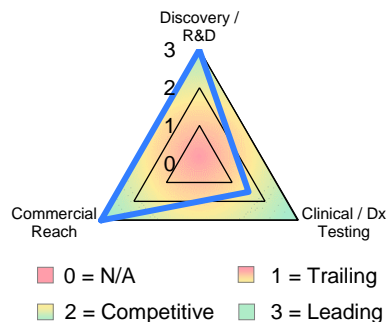


# NanoString is a leader in spatial transcriptomic activity with strong presence in academia as a discovery tool

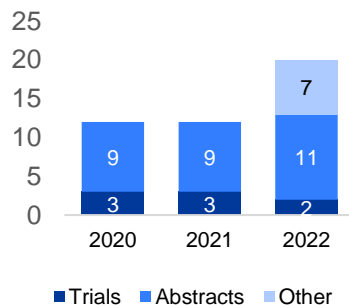
## DeciBio Analysis

NanoString is a tools provider working to deliver a menu of end-to-end solutions for unbiased multi-omic spatial phenotyping at scale; considered the market leader in the academic spatial biology market; discovery-focused, but looking to expand further into the translational market segment; currently evolving the product portfolio and building an ecosystem of end-to-end solutions with workflow and bioinformatics automation through internal developments and diagnostics partnerships; strong R&D capabilities, but lack of clinical diagnostics testing capabilities to date; high publication and conference activity in both oncology and non-oncology applications

## Forward-Looking Positioning\*



## Activity Snapshot\*\*



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## Key Activity Overview

		<b>CosMx SMI:</b> Expected launch Fall 2022, high-plex <i>in situ</i> analysis platform providing spatial multi-omics
		<b>AtoMx SIP:</b> Commercial unveiling June 2022, bioinformatics portal
		<b>BioChain:</b> Apr 2022, qualified CRO
		<b>Leica:</b> Feb 2022, workflow automation, Bond Rx autostainer
		<b>Illumina:</b> Aug 2020, NGS readout for GeoMx; March 2022, cloud-based analytics, DRAGEN Bio-IT platform
		<b>Abcam:</b> Apr 2019, Abs for GeoMx
		<b>GeoMx DSP:</b> March 2019, flexible and robust spatial biology solution

Partnership M&A Product Launch

In a 2022 Q2 earnings call, NanoString CEO Brad Gray mentions that 2/3 GeoMx placements are with translational researchers, though the whole transcriptome assays that are often run on the GeoMx platforms are associated more closely with discovery work; additional comments at UBS mention ~75% academic GeoMx instrument placements

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# NanoString's GeoMx platform pushes toward clinical research, but proprietary technology and workflow complexity reinforce its translational positioning

Products and Services Offered		
	Name / Description	Competitive Analysis
Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>GeoMx DSP</b>: imager and molecular profiler (compatible with nCounter and NGS readouts), RNA/protein, ~18,000-plex (RNA) / 140+ plex (protein), multi-cell/single-cell (ROI, 1 µm), 10 slides per day*, FF/FFPE</li> <li><b>CosMx SMI</b><sup>**</sup>: automated cyclic <i>in-situ</i> imager (smFISH), RNA/protein, up to 1000-plex (RNA) / 100-plex (protein), single-cell/subcellular, tunable from high-plex to high-throughput, FF/FFPE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Ultra-high plex available for discovery applications</li> <li>+ Tunable plex-throughput configurations (CosMx)</li> <li>+ Sample preserved</li> <li>- Workflow complexity; high CapEx</li> <li>- GeoMx not considered true single-cell</li> </ul>
Reagents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Off-the-shelf and custom RNA and protein panels, incl. Cancer Transcriptome Atlas (CTA, ~1,800 RNA), Whole Transcriptome Atlas (WTA, ~18,000 RNA), IO and Neurobiology protein panels</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Large off-the-shelf menu, customization available</li> <li>+ Proven multi-omic detection capability</li> <li>- Proprietary reagents</li> </ul>
Bioinformatics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internal: AtoMx Spatial Informatics Portal (SIP) expected to launch Fall 2022, cloud-based solution for IA, DA, visualization, global collaboration, storage</li> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> party: GeoMx workflows available on Illumina's DRAGEN Bio-IT platform for secondary DA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ E2E solution with integrated bioinformatics</li> <li>+ Open to 3<sup>rd</sup> party integration for downstream analysis</li> </ul>
Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Technology Access (TAP) and Data Analysis (DAS) for pilot studies / technology evaluation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No internal CLIA-certified laboratory for clinical applications</li> </ul>

Key Trials / Studies <sup>^</sup>	Technology	Description
<a href="#">FinXX / NCT00114816</a> : Completed   Comp: 4/07	GeoMx	Prognostic biomarker discovery in breast cancer patients treated w/ 2 chemo regimens   Ph 3   1,500 pts   Retrospective
<a href="#">NCT02731729</a> : Completed   Comp: 2/19	GeoMx	Exploratory biomarker profiling of immune checkpoint inhibitor-treated melanoma   Ph 2   20 pts   Retrospective
<a href="#">NCT02923180</a> <sup>^^</sup> : Active   Comp: 9/22	GeoMx	Longitudinal biomarker analysis of response to enoblituzumab in prostate cancer   Ph 2   33 pts   Retrospective
<a href="#">NCT04895761</a> : Recruiting   Comp: 6/26	GeoMx	Safety (immunogenicity) neoadjuvant aromatase inhibitor in breast cancer   Ph 1b   18 pts   Prospective
Moutafi et al., 2022 ( <a href="#">PMID: 35490853</a> )	GeoMx	Biomarker discovery using the protein-based molecular compartmentalization in NSCLC patients treated w/ ICI   Retrospective

Notes: \* Throughput from 2021 NanoString 10-K filing; \*\* Currently available through TAP, full commercial launch in Q4 2022; ^ 223 GeoMx/CosMx publications listed on the company website; ^^ Additional biomarker information for this trial [here](#)

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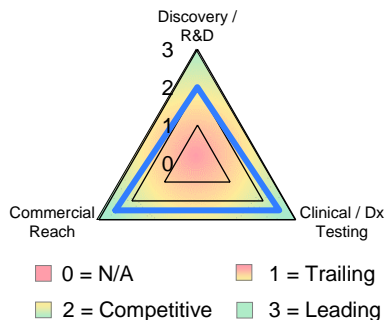
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# With a reagent-only offering, Ultivue may see gated adoption in later translational work where the customizability of the workflow presents standardization issues

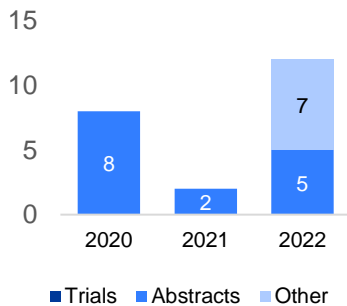
## DeciBio Analysis

Ultivue is a spatial biology reagents provider that offers platform-agnostic low-to-mid plex mIF kits; Ultivue is expanding their offering through image analysis services and AI partnering; activity is centered around building ecosystem partnerships for a modular end-to-end offering for spatial phenomics; Ultivue is currently R&D focused, but reagents are well suited for translational research and, ultimately, diagnostics; internal CLIA-lab and qualified specialty CRO partnerships support expansion of InSituPlex reagent utilization for MTA biomarker development and clinical applications; decentralizability, customizability, and openness are key differentiators

## Forward-Looking Positioning\*



## Activity Snapshot\*\*



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## Key Activity Overview

	<b>nucleai</b>	<b>Nucleai:</b> Jun 2022, AT platform provider
	<b>zegami</b>	<b>Zegami:</b> May 2022, AI platform provider
	<b>Paige</b>	<b>Paige:</b> Apr 2022, AI platform provider
		<b>FlexVUE panels:</b> Apr 2022, 4- or 8-plex mIF
	<b>KeenEye</b>	<b>KeenEye:</b> Mar 2022, AI platform provider
	<b>AGNOSTICS</b>	<b>Agnostics:</b> Mar 2022, AI platform provider
	<b>Sirona Dx</b>	<b>Sirona Dx:</b> Mar 2022, qualified CRO
	<b>FLUIDIGM</b>	<b>Fluidigm:</b> Aug 2021, co-marketing with IMC products
	<b>VISIO PHARM</b>	<b>Visiopharm:</b> Mar 2021, IA for I/O panels
	<b>OracleBio</b>	<b>OracleBio:</b> Jul 2020, qualified CRO
	<b>Leica</b>	<b>Leica:</b> Oct 2018, co-marketing with BOND RX
	<b>indica labs</b>	<b>Indica Labs:</b> Sep 2018, IA, initially through IDS

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## Ultivue's InSituPlex offerings are well-suited for diagnostics, though the relative limitation in plex may moderate adoption during the discovery phase

Products and Services Offered		
	Name / Description	Competitive Analysis
Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No internal instrument offering</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Compatible with standard microscope detection</li> <li>- Demonstration of compatibility with workflow components required</li> </ul>
Reagents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ready-to-use (FixVUE, 4- and 8-plex) and customizable (FlexVUE and U-VUE) mIF panels utilizing <b>InSituPlex</b> technology (up to 12-plex*, same slide-H&amp;E), optimized for the BOND RX autostainer</li> <li>Working on multi-omic detection capabilities (initially available as a service offering)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Off-the-shelf menu and various levels of customization available</li> <li>+ Platform agnostic, able to plug into standard laboratory workflows</li> <li>+ Sample preserved</li> <li>- Currently protein detection only</li> <li>- Lower plex compared to research-oriented proteomics tools</li> </ul>
Bioinformatics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internal: UltiStacker software (image alignment/initial processing)</li> <li>Partner offerings for downstream IA/DA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Open to 3<sup>rd</sup> party integration for downstream analysis, various image analysis partnerships in place</li> <li>- Limited internal bioinformatics</li> </ul>
Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internal CLIA-certified lab offers custom assay development, staining, imaging (IDS) and clinical trial services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Enables initial phases of CDx co-development with pharma partners</li> </ul>

Key Trials / Studies	Technology	Description
<a href="#">AACR 2022 – 3868 / 13</a>	mIF (FlexVUE)	Introduction to novel 8-plex FlexVUE mIF panels coupled to UltiStacker software for TIME analysis
<a href="#">AACR 2022 – 3866 / 11</a>	mIF (InSituPlex)	Demonstration of Ultivue InSituPlex integrated workflow for co-detection of protein and RNA; workflow automation with Leica Biosystems BOND RX autostainer and Indica Labs HALO analytics
<a href="#">AACR 2022 – 1709 / 6</a>	mIF (InSituPlex)	Exploratory tissue phenotyping workflow combining 4-plex InSituPlex PD-L1 mIF panel, 40-plex IMC panel (Standard Biotech) and Visiopharm IA to study the TME in PDAC
Montanari et al. 2022 ( <a href="#">PMID: 35218813</a> )	mIF (InSituPlex)	Exploratory analysis of human liver correlates leukocyte infiltration with chronic HBV

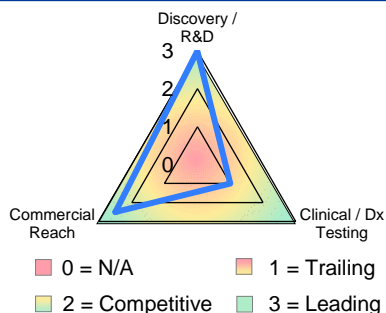
Notes: \* InSituPlex technology is available in 4, 8, 12-plex panel options; ^ Internal service lab utilizes Zeiss AxioScan for whole slide scanning and imaging;  
Source: DeciBio Analysis

# 10X Genomics is quickly growing its presence in spatial transcriptomics, particularly in academic labs and earlier stage translational work; it has a large research footprint

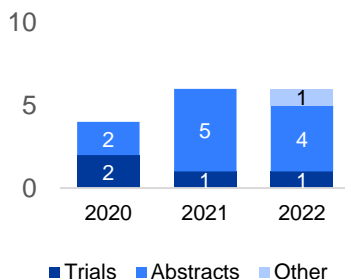
## DeciBio Analysis

10X Genomics is a tools provider leveraging market leadership and sales channels in single-cell genomics to expand into spatial biology; currently focused on growing its product portfolio of integrated solutions for unbiased discovery applications; 10x spatial capabilities were developed through in-licensing / M&A; key spatial activity includes evolving the flagship Visium spatial product line with FFPE compatibility, automated sample prep, improved resolution, integrated bioinformatics and multi-omic detection; next steps are developing a turnkey spatial phenotyping solution to address emerging translational / clinical market needs w/ Xenium *in situ* E2E platform

## Forward-Looking Positioning\*



## Activity Snapshot\*\*



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## Key Activity Overview

		<b>Visium HD, Xenium <i>in situ</i> platform:</b> YE'22
		<b>Visium CytAssist:</b> mid-2022, automated sample processing
		<b>Expanded CSP network of CROs:</b> Jan 2022
		<b>Visium FFPE:</b> June 2021, whole transcriptome analysis
		<b>Tetramer Shop:</b> Feb 2021, T-cell detection
		<b>PICI:</b> Jan 2021, IO research
		<b>ReadCoor:</b> Oct 2020, <i>in situ</i> FISSEQ
		<b>Cartana:</b> Sep 2020, <i>in situ</i> sequencing
		<b>Visium:</b> Nov 2019, spatial gene expression data analysis / visualization tools
		<b>Spatial Transcriptomics:</b> Dec 2018, Visium tech
		<b>Epinomics:</b> Aug 2018, ATAC-seq tech
		<b>Illumina:</b> Feb 2016, Long read application

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# 10x's Visium platform has helped its push toward clinical research, though high price and immense data creation maintains its discovery positioning

Products and Services Offered		
	Name / Description	Competitive Analysis
Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No instrument required: Visium reagents compatible with 3<sup>rd</sup> party NGS instrument readout</li> <li><b>Visium CytAssist</b> for automated sample processing</li> <li><b>Xenium</b> (technology access in 2022, commercial launch in 2023): <i>in situ</i> imaging platform, RNA/protein, subcellular, high-throughput, FF/FFPE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Limited amount of CapEx required for the Visium product line</li> <li>- Workflow complexity (CytAssist to drive simplification)</li> <li>- Destructive technology (sample not preserved)</li> </ul>
Reagents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Visium</b> (4x*, multi-cell ROI, 50 µm), Visium FFPE, Visium HD (improved resolution, 1,500x) for whole transcript. analysis, low throughput (spatial gene expression reagents &amp; slide kits)</li> <li>High parameter multi-omic offering (incl. protein co-detection) in development</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Ultra-high plex for unbiased spatial profiling</li> <li>+ Fresh-frozen and FFPE compatible</li> <li>+ Supports RNA + protein analysis**</li> </ul>
Bioinformatics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Visium Spatial Gene Expression Software Suite, incl. Space Ranger (initial analysis) and Loupe Browser (visualization and downstream analysis); 10x Genomics Cloud platform for data management, analysis, and collaboration (<i>currently supports single-cell data only</i>)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Integrated bioinformatics offering</li> <li>- Visium not considered true single-cell</li> </ul>
Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No internal service offering</li> <li>Certified Service Provider (CSP) Network (incl. Q<sup>2</sup> Solutions, Azenta Life Sciences, CellCarta)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Large qualified CRO network available to support large-scale clinical trials for pharma partners</li> <li>- No internal service lab for pilot projects</li> </ul>

Key Trials / Studies^	Technology	Description
LiMeT / <a href="#">NCT04622423</a> : Recruiting   Comp: 06/26	Spatial Transcript.	Evaluation of molecular and cellular composition of CRC and PDAC liver MTS by spatial transcriptomics technologies (NICHE-seq and Visium)^   Observational   475 pts   Prospective
TIOB / <a href="#">NCT05371756</a> : Recruiting   Comp: 09/52	Spatial Transcript.	Collection of patients' biospecimens for Texas Immuno-Oncology Biorepository (TIOB)   Observational   100,000 pts   Prospective
<a href="#">SITC 2021 – 83</a>	Spatial Transcript.	Multi-omic tumor analyses of breast cancer samples with Visium FFPE with multiplex protein enablement (IO antibody panel developed with Abcam conjugated antibodies)
<a href="#">AACR 2022 – 2130</a>	Spatial Transcript.	Novel bioinformatics pipeline to infer molecular changes from tumor & immune cell interactions in the TME from Visium ST data

Notes: \* Resolution defined as number of spots per unit area; \*\* Compatible with immunofluorescence staining / imaging upfront of Visium spatial gene expression workflow; ^ 104 spatial gene expression publications listed on the company website; ^^ Study also lists spatial proteomics technologies, such as GeoMx DSP (NanoString), for sample characterization

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# Standard Biotech supports discovery and early-stage clinical research via their high-plex, high-cost imaging mass cytometry platform

## DeciBio Analysis

Standard Biotech is a life science research tools provider (formerly known as Fluidigm) with a low-moderate throughput, high-plex spatial proteomics solution sees lower activity versus other spatial biology providers; imaging mass cytometry (IMC) technology is used largely for exploratory applications, but has been deployed prospectively in early-stage trials; Standard Biotech is building an integrated tissue phenotyping workflow with IMC profiling and 3<sup>rd</sup> party analytics; commercial reveal of the next generation IMC instrument with higher throughput and sensitivity at AACR 2022; looking to re-invigorate and expand the product portfolio by acquiring de-risked complementary assets

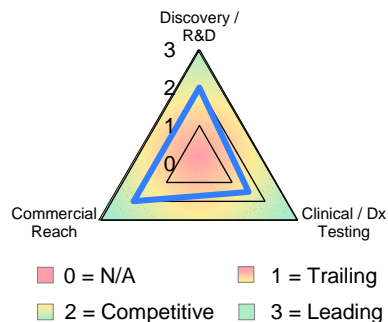
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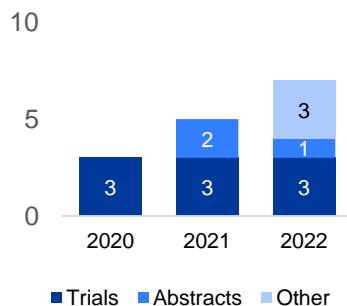
		<b>Hyperion+:</b> April 2022 commercial reveal, next-gen IMC instrument
		<b>Visiopharm:</b> Oct 2021, IA
		<b>ImaBiotech:</b> Aug 2021, qualified CRO
		<b>Ultivue:</b> Aug 2021, co-marketing for InSituPlex products
		<b>Indica Labs:</b> Feb 2019, IA
		<b>Hyperion Imaging System:</b> Oct 2017, IMC platform

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## Forward-Looking Positioning\*



## Activity Snapshot\*\*



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# New instruments offered by Standard Biotech address throughput issues, increasing the potential for clinical research use

Products and Services Offered		
	Name / Description	Competitive Analysis
Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Hyperion Imaging System:</b> imaging mass cytometry (IMC) platform*, up to 40-plex, single-cell (1 <math>\mu\text{m}</math>), low-to-medium throughput (ROI-based, 1 <math>\text{mm}^2</math> / ~2 hours)**; FF/FFPE</li> <li><b>Hyperion+</b>: next-gen IMC instrument, protein, 40+ plex, subcellular, 2x higher throughput (100 samples/week)^, improved sensitivity (up to 1.6x LOD improvement), FF/FFPE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Higher throughput relative to other high-plex methods</li> <li>- Large CapEx required</li> <li>- Destructive technology (sample not preserved)</li> </ul>
Reagents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Maxpar</b> metal-conjugated antibodies^^ and kits</li> <li>Custom antibody labeling service</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Capable of ~40-plex proteomic analysis</li> <li>+ Custom and off-the-shelf options</li> <li>- Proprietary reagents, Ab conjugation required</li> <li>- Protein-only detection</li> </ul>
Bioinformatics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internal: CyTOF Software 7.0 (initial analysis), MCD Viewer, histoCAT (downstream analysis)</li> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> party secondary analysis (Visiopharm and Indica Labs)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Open to 3<sup>rd</sup> party integration for downstream IA/DA</li> <li>- Internal bioinformatics perceived as insufficient</li> </ul>
Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PRO Services (incl. custom conjugation and assay design, scientific consultation, laboratory optimization)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No internal CLIA-certified laboratory for clinical applications</li> </ul>

Key Trials / Studies†	Technology	Description
<a href="#">NCT03299946</a> : Completed   Comp: 10/21	IMC	Biomarkers of response to neoadj. Cabozantinib / Nivolumab combination in HCC   Ph 1b   15 pts   Retrospective
ATRIUM / <a href="#">NCT03669601</a> : Recruiting   Comp: 9/24	IMC	Biomarkers of response to Ceralasertib / Gemcitabine combination in AST   Ph 1   55 pts   Retrospective
PICT-01 / <a href="#">NCT04009967</a> : Recruiting   Comp: 5/23	IMC	Biomarkers of response to neoadjuvant Pembrolizumab in prostate cancer   Ph 2   30 pts   Prospective
<a href="#">NCT04393285</a> : Active   Comp: 9/24	IMC	Biomarkers of response to Abemaciclib / Letrozole combo in endometrial cancer   Ph 2   50 pts   Prospective
<a href="#">NCT04951154</a> : Recruiting   Comp: 6/25	IMC	Expl. biomarker analysis in untreated NSCLC bronchoscopic biopsies   Observational   50 pts   Prospective

Notes: \* Imaging module connected to the Helios mass cytometer system; \*\* ROI-based throughput figure via *Baharlou 2019* ^ 100 samples per week via company website; ^^ Off-the-shelf catalog of > 800 metal-conjugated antibodies (no autofluorescence); † >130 publications utilizing IMC technology referenced on the company website

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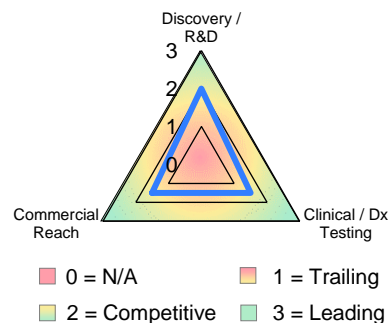


# IONpath offers the discovery-enabling high-plex IMC platform MIBIscope, which shows lower activity than other IMC platforms

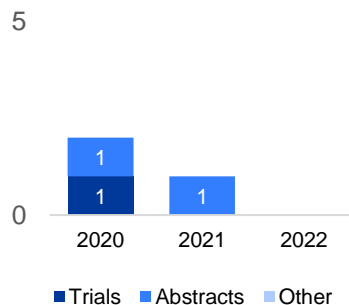
## DeciBio Analysis

Early-stage spatial proteomics platform and service provider commercializing Multiplexed Ion Beam Imaging (MIBI) technology for high-definition spatial analysis of the tissue microenvironment; Offers MIBIscope instruments and reagents, as well as an internal end-to-end spatial proteomics service for biopharma immuno-oncology applications; Low level of conference and publication activity; Recent strategic investment by Thermo to continue to scale the organization; Focused on the near-term potential of spatial proteomics in oncology biomarker development and diagnostics

## Forward-Looking Positioning\*



## Activity Snapshot\*\*



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## Key Activity Overview

		<b>Thermo Fisher Scientific:</b> May 2022, Strategic Investment
		<b>MIBIscope:</b> Nov 2019, multiplexed ion beam imaging system
		<b>Indica Labs:</b> Apr 2019, IA

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# MIBIscope sees prospective use in NCI-led trials and has proven concordance to single-plex IHC up to 16-plex

Products and Services Offered		
	Name / Description	Competitive Analysis
Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>MIBIscope:</b> mass cytometry imaging platform (MIBI-TOF), protein, 40+ plex, subcellular (down to 350 nm)*, high-throughput (up to 90 800x800 μm<sup>2</sup> ROIs per day, 100s of samples/week), FF/FFPE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Single step high-resolution imaging for quantitative single-cell phenotype mapping</li> <li>+ Reliability to run 24/7 enables studies on large clinical cohorts</li> <li>+ Sample preserved</li> </ul>
Reagents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pre-conjugated Abs (metal-tags, single-step standard IHC protocol) and Conjugation kits (MIBItag Conjugation Kits)</li> <li>IO biomarker panels (30-marker Checkpoint Panel, validated add-on markers)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Off-the shelf validated reagents, customization available</li> <li>+ Capable of ~40-plex proteomic analysis</li> <li>- Proprietary reagents, Ab conjugation required</li> </ul>
Bioinformatics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MIBItracker cloud-based data management and visualization platform</li> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> party downstream IA/DA (e.g., Fiji, HALO (Indica Labs), VisioPharm, QuPath)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Open to 3<sup>rd</sup> party integration for downstream IA/DA</li> <li>- Limited internal bioinformatics</li> </ul>
Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In-house E2E service offering: Spatial Proteomic Services (Feb 2020, IO focus), Spatial Proteomics Pilot Program for biopharma R&amp;D (Aug 2021, IO focus)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No internal CLIA-certified laboratory for clinical applications</li> </ul>

Key Trials / Studies	Technology	Description
<a href="#">NCT04053673</a> ** <sup>*</sup> : Recruiting   Comp: Jan 2023	MIBI	Expl. analysis of the TME in ASTs treated with a PARP7 inhibitor RBN-2397   Ph 1   130 pts   Retrospective
<a href="#">NCT04068194</a> : Recruiting   Comp: Dec 2022	MIBI	Exploratory TIL biomarkers in Pepsotertib + Avelumab-treated patients with AST and Hepatobiliary Malignancies   Ph 1 2   39 pts   Prospective
Liu et al., 2022 ( <a href="#">PMID: 35351966</a> )	MIBI	NCI concordance study of MIBI-TOF and digitized, single-plex IHC for 16 targets
Risom et al., 2022 ( <a href="#">PMID: 35063072</a> )	MIBI	Application of 37-plex MIBI profiling of the TME in Ductal carcinoma in situ (DCIS)
Ptacek et al., 2020 ( <a href="#">PMID: 32203152</a> )	MIBI	Application of 15-plex MIBI profiling of the TME in FFPE samples (BMS collaboration, co-authored)

Notes: \* Ability to scan the whole tissue section faster at low resolution, then re-scan ROIs at higher resolution; \*\* additional biomarker information [here](#)

Source: DeciBio Analysis

# Vizgen recent commercial launch of MERSCOPE has moderated research and commercial activity to-date; multi-omic platform has generated significant hype

## DeciBio Analysis

Spatial transcriptomics startup commercializing the recently-launched MERSCOPE platform based on Multiplexed Error-Robust Fluorescence In Situ Hybridization (MERFISH); represents the next generation of genomics tools, and expands on the capabilities of spatially-resolved transcriptomics with an automated high-resolution *in situ* platform; platform fit for discovery research applications, and suitable for large-scale transcriptomic projects (e.g. cell atlas generation); broad research applications beyond oncology with neurology case studies presented at recent conferences. Workflow automation and on-board analysis address key spatial biology needs / pain points raised by stakeholders

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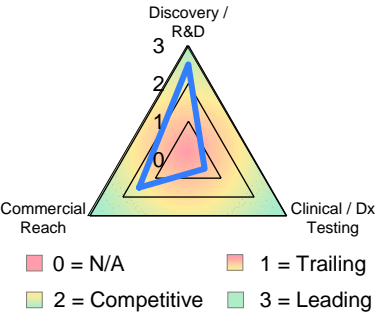
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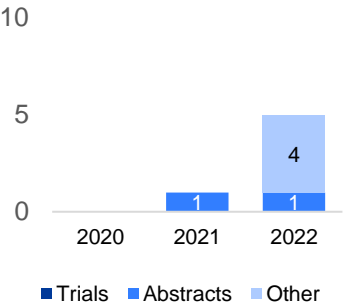
**MERSCOPE:** Aug 2021 limited release, Jan 2022 broad US availability; high multiplexing, high resolution *in situ* platform combining single-cell and spatial genomics analysis

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## Forward-Looking Positioning\*



## Activity Snapshot\*\*



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# Presence at AACR and AGBT 2022 for MERFISH serves as proof of concept for high resolution spatial transcriptomics

Products and Services Offered		
	Name / Description	Competitive Analysis
Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MERSCOPE: automated fluidics and imaging smFISH platform (MERFISH method exclusively licensed from Harvard University), RNA, up to 500-plex, subcellular (<math>\leq 100</math> nm), high-throughput, FF currently, FFPE planned for H2 2022</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ High spatial resolution of 100s of RNA transcripts</li> <li>- Recent commercial availability, small installed base</li> </ul>
Reagents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MERSCOPE reagents: custom MERFISH gene panels in 3 sizes (up 140, 300 or 500 genes), 1000-gene panels planned for H2 2022</li> <li>Protein co-detection on roadmap (H2 2022)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Custom validated reagents</li> <li>- Proprietary reagents</li> <li>- Currently lacks multi-omic capabilities</li> </ul>
Bioinformatics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MERSCOPE Vizualizer software (and a free web-based version - MERSCOPE Web Vizualizer) for data visualization</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Limited internal bioinformatics</li> </ul>
Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lab services (in-house sample processing and data analysis)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No internal CLIA-certified laboratory for clinical applications</li> </ul>

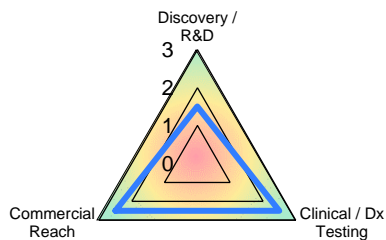
Key Trials / Studies	Technology	Description
<a href="#">AACR 2022 – 2030 / 8</a>	Spatial Transcriptomics (MERFISH)	Exploratory single-cell spatially-resolved 450+ plex MERFISH gene expression analysis in the TME of CRC samples (commercial or obtained through Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH))
<a href="#">AGBT 2022 – 593</a>	Spatial Transcriptomics (MERFISH)	Demonstration of in situ single-cell transcriptomic Imaging in FFPE tissues with MERSCOPE (FFPE sample compatibility)

# Leica Cell DIVE mIF offers flexibility via compatibility with third-party reagents and utilizes existing BOND RX equipment

## DeciBio Analysis

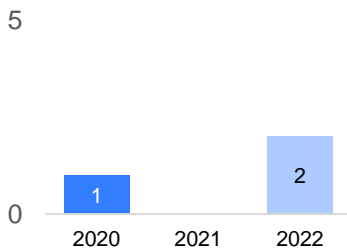
Microscope manufacturing company with a broad portfolio of microscopes and imaging systems; Cell DIVE cyclic multiplexed imaging platform is an open E2E system compatible with 3<sup>rd</sup> party reagents; Targeting the clinical market with spatial phenotyping and digital pathology solutions; Cell DIVE utilizes an established scalable mIF technology well suited for translational and clinical applications, but clinical adoption of the platform is lagging despite significant commercial reach via existing install base of scanners. Leica also has select multiplex IHC kit / reagent offerings. Leica can leverage its existing clinical Dx and DP presence to being spatial into the clinic.

## Forward-Looking Positioning\*



0 = N/A      1 = Trailing  
2 = Competitive      3 = Leading


## Activity Snapshot\*\*



■ Trials ■ Abstracts ■ Other

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## Key Activity Overview

		Cell IDx, Inc.: Nov 2022, UltraPlex mIF / mIHC kits to run on BOND RX platform
		<b>Indica Labs**</b> : Sep 2022, digital pathology workflow solutions
		<b>NanoString</b> : Feb 2022, workflow automation, Bond RX autostainer
		<b>Cytiva</b> : Mar 2020, biopharma business of the GE Life Sciences division, acquired by Danaher*
		<b>Cell DIVE</b> : Sep 2019, via acquisition of Cytiva
		<b>Ultivue</b> : Oct 2018, co-marketing with BOND RX
		<b>ACD</b> : Jan 2016, automation partner (BOND III & RX)

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Note: activity focuses on Leica Microsystems Cell DIVE offering, but includes some high-impact activity regarding Leica Biosystems' BOND RX platform

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# Research and clinical activity lack for Cell DIVE, which has likely fallen behind due to lack of extreme marketing efforts seen by other mIF players

Products and Services Offered		
	Name / Description	Competitive Analysis (Cell Dive)
Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Broad portfolio of microscopes</li> <li>Digital pathology solutions (e.g., Aperio GT 450 digital pathology slide scanner)</li> <li><b>Cell DIVE</b>: automated multiplex imaging platform (cyclic imaging*, 4 Abs per cycle), protein, 60+ plex, single-cell (ROI-based, down to ~400 nm), high-throughput (whole slide in 2.25 hours, 45x20 mm area, 20x, 4-channels); FF/FFPE</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Automated E2E platform for whole tissue imaging</li> <li>+ Sample preserved</li> <li>+ Scalability and flexibility of iterative staining/imaging approach</li> <li>- Throughput decreases with increased panel size</li> </ul>
Reagents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compatible with 3<sup>rd</sup> party reagents (open platform)</li> <li>Validated antibodies (350+) available for custom biomarker panel design</li> <li>mIHC (3-4 plex) and mIF (4-plex) kits leveraging a novel chemistry for 1° antibody independent multiplexing; acquired from CellIDx; off-the-shelf kits and custom reagents</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Open-source reagents</li> <li>+ Proprietary multiplexing chemistry for both mIHC and mIF that is optimized for Leica's instruments</li> <li>- Protein-only detection</li> </ul>
Bioinformatics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internal analysis software (primary analysis)</li> <li>Downstream 3<sup>rd</sup> party analytics: HALO (Indica Labs)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Open to 3<sup>rd</sup> party integration for downstream IA/DA</li> <li>- Limited internal bioinformatics</li> </ul>
Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No service offering</li> </ul>	

Key Trials / Studies	Technology	Description
Pachynski et al., 2021 ( <a href="#">PMID: 33771855</a> )	mIF (Cell DIVE)	Exploratory TME profiling in prostate cancer to determine spatial underpinnings of radiographic heterogeneity
Kanwar et al., 2021 ( <a href="#">PMID: 34711609</a> )	mIF (Cell DIVE)	Determination of intra-tumoral spatial heterogeneity and host immune response in the TME of breast cancer
Stachteia et al., 2021 ( <a href="#">PMID: 34732839</a> )	mIF (Cell DIVE)	Evaluation of immune signatures in the tumor / TME and their correlations with patient outcomes in CRC
Pourmaleki et al., 2022 ( <a href="#">PMID: 35013003</a> )	mIF (Cell DIVE)	Novel IO biomarker development via multi-omic evaluation of intralesional IL2 response in melanoma

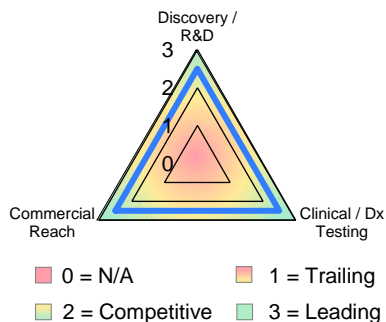
Notes: \* ClickWell slide carrier allows staining and dye inactivation solutions to be applied without placing or removing coverslips, ensuring minimal tissue damage over many rounds of imaging  
Source: DeciBio Analysis

# NeoGenomics is a leading spatial biology service provider which offers access to many platforms across the research continuum

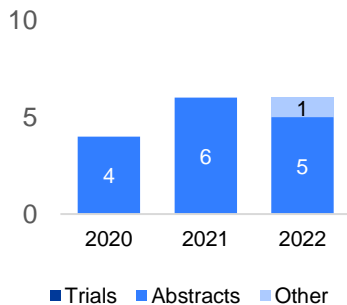
## DeciBio Analysis

Largest oncology-focused U.S. CRO offering comprehensive biomarker testing services, including mIF profiling; global CAP-accredited / CLIA-certified lab network supporting oncology clinical trials; pharma services business offers 2 mIF platforms: internal MultiOmyx for high-order ( $\geq 7$ -plex) protein measurements and Phenolmager HT (Akoya) for low-order (2-6 plex) measurements; established partnership w/ NanoString offers use of DSP & additional platforms; Leader in mid-plex MTA service with advanced internal bioinformatics, including deep learning-based cell classification; partnership with Biognosys to expand multi-omic solutions for biopharma customers

## Forward-Looking Positioning\*



## Activity Snapshot\*\*



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## Key Activity Overview

		<b>Akoya:</b> Current, end-to-end Phenolmager™ service solution using optimized / high-throughput workflow
		<b>Biognosys:</b> Apr 2022, joint scientific / technical initiatives
		<b>Nanostring:</b> Jul 2020, deliver analysis system and pharma services to oncologists
		<b>Clariant, Inc.:</b> Dec 2015, acquisition, GE Healthcare
		<b>MultiOmyx:</b> Feb 2013, protein characterization / visualization in FFPE tissue section

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# MultiOmyx, a proprietary NeoGenomics platform, sees significant clinical use, while other platforms serve the discovery space

Products and Services Offered		
	Name / Description	Competitive Analysis
Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No instrument offering</li> </ul>	
Reagents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>MultiOmyx</b>: proprietary mIF staining protocol (cyclic imaging, 2 Abs per cycle), protein, up to 60-plex, single-cell, FFPE</li> <li>Broad array of verified MultiOmyx panels (IO focused)</li> <li>Custom assay design / verification</li> <li>Integrated with FISH, RNAScope, and NGS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Comprehensive test menu, customization available</li> <li>+ Standardized workflow</li> <li>+ Sample preserved (non-destructive)</li> <li>+ Multi-omic capabilities through platform integration</li> <li>- Only available as a service offering</li> </ul>
Bioinformatics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internal IA / visualization tools</li> <li>NeoVUE image and data visualization software for end-users</li> <li>NeoLYTX internal DL-based cell classification platform (optimized for MultiOmyx, RUO)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Advanced internal bioinformatics, including AI</li> </ul>
Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pharma services* offered through an internal network** of CAP-accredited, CLIA-certified labs; wide array of instruments / methods (e.g., NanoString DSP, Akoya Phenolmager, RNAScope)</li> <li>Include CDx services (from assay development through commercialization)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Clinical CRO capabilities available for biopharma partners</li> <li>+ CDx development and commercialization expertise</li> </ul>

Key Trials / Studies	Technology	Description
<a href="#">NCT02528357</a> : Completed   Comp: May 2021	mIF (MultiOmyx)	Biomarkers of response to GSK3174998 ± pembrolizumab in ASTs   Ph 1   141 pts   Retrospective
<a href="#">NCT03291002</a> : Active   Comp: Feb 2023	mIF (MultiOmyx)	Exploratory TME characterization following intra-tumoral CV8102 in solid tumors   Ph 1   98 pts   Retrospective
<a href="#">NCT03506373</a> : Active   Comp: May 2025	mIF (MultiOmyx)	Exploratory TIL immunophenotyping of effects of ibrutinib + ixazomib on the TME in WM patients   Ph 2   23 pts   Prospective
<a href="#">NCT05163041</a> : Recruiting   Comp: May 2025	mIF (MultiOmyx)	Monitoring of Nectin-4 and CD137 expression in BT7480-treated ASTs   Ph 1 2   200 pts   Prospective^
<a href="#">AACR 2021 – 2681</a>	mIF (MultiOmyx)	Integration with RNAScope (ACD) RNA profiling for multi-omic analysis of the TME in NSCLC
<a href="#">AACR 2022 – 33801 / 1</a>	mIF (MultiOmyx)	Integration with GeoMx spatial transcriptomics (NanoString) for multi-omic analysis of CRC-associated IBD

Notes: \* Pharma Services offer two mIF platforms: MultiOmyx (internal, ≥ 7plex) and Phenolmager HT (Akoya, 2-6plex); \*\* internal network of 14 global locations; ^ Likely prospective, as MultiOmyx deployment in BT7480 FIH clinical trial mentioned in [SITC 2021 – 2](#)

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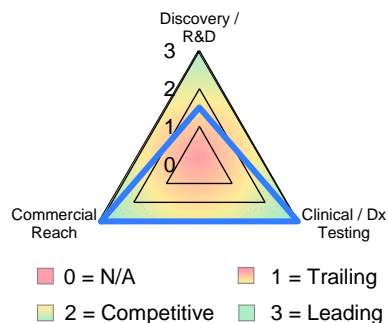


# As a legacy player in spatial transcriptomics, Bio-Techne / ACD sees large market share and high utilization with low per-sample costs for low-plex (duplex) assays

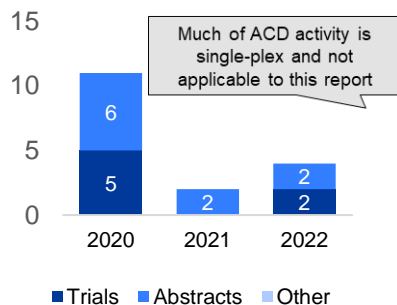
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Reagents and services provider for *in situ* genomic analysis commercializing RNA-ISH technology for biomarker applications in both the research and the diagnostic markets; established solutions for tissue-based gene expression analysis supporting a broad range of pre-clinical and clinical applications in every therapeutic area; Technology is CE-IVD marked for clinical diagnostic use in Europe; building E2E multi-omic solutions through workflow automation and downstream analytics partnerships; biopharma-focused internal service offering provides E2E biomarker assay development / validation and CDx development

## Forward-Looking Positioning\*



## Activity Snapshot\*\*



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## Key Activity Overview

		<b>NeoGenomics, Flagship, Hematogenix:</b> Current CRO partnerships
		<b>Leap Tx / Leica Biosystems:</b> Jan 2022, CDx partners
		<b>Akoya:</b> Jan 2022, RNA partner (PhenoCycler-Fusion)
		<b>miRNAScope:</b> Nov 2020, detect small non-codingRNAs such as microRNAs
		<b>Roche Diagnostics:</b> May 2019, automation partner (DISCOVERY LTRA & HT)
		<b>Nanostring:</b> Mar 2019, workflow partner (GeoMx)
		<b>BaseScope:</b> Sep 2016, builds on RNAscope RNA ISH allowing detection of exon junction/splice variants, etc.
		<b>Bio-Techne:</b> Jul 2016 acquisition
		<b>Leica Biosystems:</b> Jan 2016, automation partner (BOND III & Rx)
		<b>Indica Labs:</b> Jun 2015, software partner (HALO)
		<b>RNAscope:</b> 2011 launch, ISH kit

Partnership M&A Product Launch

Notes: \* Competitive positioning indicates readiness for future developments in a particular area, see structure on slide 46; \*\* Company activity counts include only activity explicitly related to spatial biology; ^ Top activity prioritized via presence of biomarker-matched clinical outcomes data, journal impact factor, and are ultimately subject to DeciBio writer discretion

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# RNAscope sees significant activity in clinical trials and has seen previous use in CDx development

Products and Services Offered		
	Name / Description	Competitive Analysis
Instruments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No internal instrument offering</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Compatible with standard microscope detection</li> </ul>
Reagents*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>RNAscope</b> Fluorescent Multiplex Assays: multiplex RNA-ISH* , RNA, up to 12-plex in FFPE and up to 48-plex in FF (HiPlex V2), resolution / throughput are microscope dependent, CE-IVD**</li> <li>Automated assays for Leica systems and Roche Discovery platforms</li> <li>Protein co-detection available (integrated and sequential IHC, Akoya PhenoCycler-Fusion)</li> <li>Integration with single-cell RNA sequencing workflows (service offering)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Established platform technology for RNA detection, validated for clinical applications</li> <li>+ Automation partnerships to simplify workflow / increase throughput</li> <li>+ Multi-omic offering, sample preserved</li> <li>- Lower plex than other leader spatial RNA companies</li> </ul>
Bioinformatics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> party informatics: Aperio RNA ISH Algorithm (Leica Biosystems), and HALO (Indicia Labs) for quantitative RNA-ISH analysis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Partnered 3<sup>rd</sup> party informatics available</li> <li>- No internal bioinformatics</li> </ul>
Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Internal Professional assay services (PAS): E2E solutions for biomarker assay development / validation, CDx development and digital pathology IA</li> <li>CRO network of CLIA-certified providers (Certified Services Provider Program)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>+ Internal expertise in clinical biomarker and CDx development</li> <li>+ Clinical trial services through a network of qualified CROs</li> </ul>

Key Trials / Studies	Technology	Description
SHERLOC / NCT02387216: Terminated^   Comp: Jan 2019	ISH	Heregulin mRNA for patient selection in a study of MM-121 in Heregulin+ NSCLC   Ph 2   153 pts   Prospective
FORT-2 / <a href="#">NCT03473756</a> : Active   Comp: Dec 2023	ISH	FGFR1/3 mRNA for patient selection in a study of rogaratinib + atezolizumab in FGFR+ UC   Ph 1   37 pts   Prospective
DisTinGuish / <a href="#">NCT04363801</a> : Recruiting   Comp: Jun 2023	ISH	DKK1 mRNA for patient selection in a study of DKN-01 + Tislelizumab in G/GEJ Cancer   Ph 2   72 pts
<a href="#">AACR 2022 – 1723 / 20</a>	ISH/IHC	Demonstration of integrated RNAscope ISH/IHC co-detection workflow and reagents for multi-omic TME phenotyping
<a href="#">AACR 2022 – 3865 / 10</a>	ISH	Exploratory application of 12-plex RNAscope HiPlex v2 ISH assay followed by HALO IA for TME evaluation
Ferreri et al., 2021 ( <a href="#">PMID: 33620087</a> )	ISH	IL-6 and IL-10 mRNA assessment in PCNSL biopsies from PAMINA observational trial

Notes: \* In addition to RNAscope, ACD offers BaseScope and miRNAscope reagents, totaling over 30,000+ ready-to-use RNA probes available (RUO); \*\* RNAscope ISH Detection System is CE-IVD marked for clinical diagnostic use in Europe; ^ Failed trial, part of the Leica Biosystems / Merrimack CDx partnership (Apr 2016);

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