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## Objectives

- Explain the Intelligence Cycle
- Define Big Data
- Discuss the emerging field of Computational Pathology and provide examples of how it is already changing pathology and medicine
- Explain why our leadership in Computational Pathology/Medicine is necessary and important

## Where Are We Coming From?

The "great divide" between AP and CP





#### Anatomic Pathology

- Descriptive and interpretive
- Morphology-based
- Unstructured



#### Clinical Pathology

- Structured and computerized
- Quantitative
- Little interpretation



- More structure in AP
- More interpretation in CP
- Integrated reporting



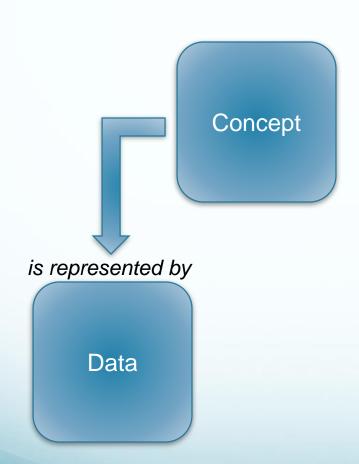
How do we achieve intelligence?





A concept is the representation of an idea

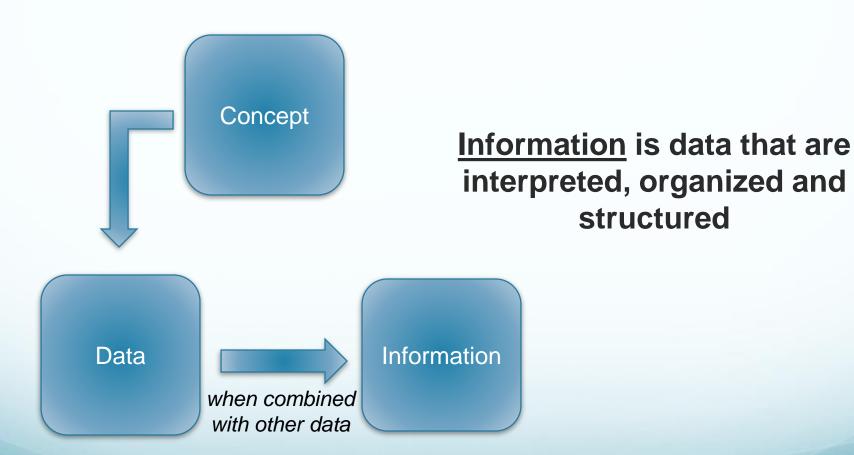
Expression of ideas in healthcare requires detail

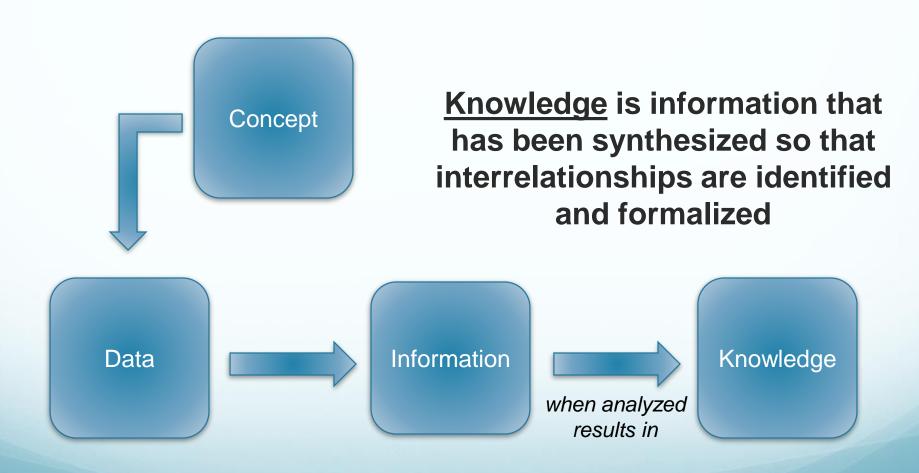


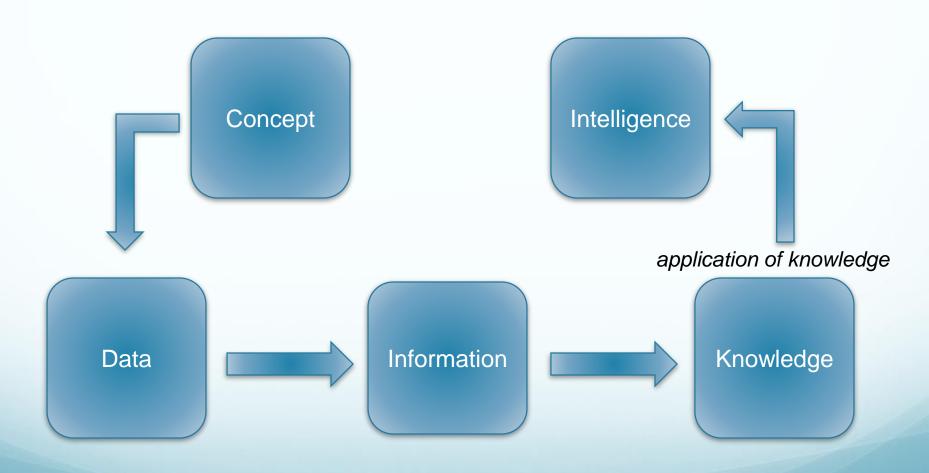
## Data are facts used as a basis for reasoning, discussion or calculation

Examples of health data:

- Patient demographics
- Clinical signs and symptoms
- Medical, family and social histories
- Tests ordered and their results
- Problems and diagnoses
- Treatments provided
- Results of treatments
- Provider data









# What is 'Big Data' from the point of view of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine?

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Q&A

### "Big Data" in Laboratory Medicine

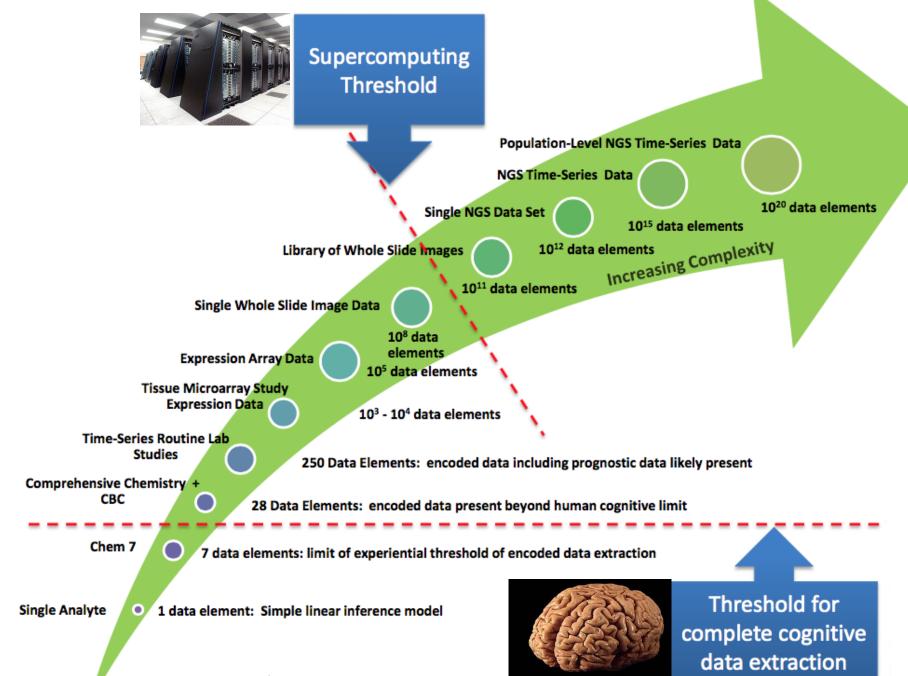
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## "Big Data" from our perspective

- "Anything that challenges an institution's computational infrastructure"
  - "Too much information to process or store on a single computer"
- "I can't do the analysis in Excel"
- "Any data set that challenges or exceeds an individual's ability to manually evaluate all data points for clinical relevance"



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## "Big Data" from our perspective

"The kind of analytics that Google does"

## Detecting influenza epidemics using search engine query data

Jeremy Ginsberg<sup>1</sup>, Matthew H. Mohebbi<sup>1</sup>, Rajan S. Patel<sup>1</sup>, Lynnette Brammer<sup>2</sup>, Mark S. Smolinski<sup>1</sup> & Larry Brilliant<sup>1</sup>

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"One way to improve early detection is to monitor health-seeking behavior in the form of online web search queries, which are submitted by millions of users around the world each day. Here we present a method of analyzing large numbers of Google search queries to track influenza-like illness in a population. Because the relative frequency of certain queries is highly correlated with the percentage of physician visits in which a patient presents with influenza-like symptoms, we can accurately estimate the current level of weekly influenza activity in each region of the United States, with a reporting lag of about one day."



## "Big Data" from our perspective

- "The kind of analytics that Google does"
- "Information we get from our large numbers of patients, samples and analytes in the lab"
  - "Includes all of the non-result data"
- "Assessment of massive amounts of information from multiple electronic sources in unison...to reveal otherwise unrecognized patterns"

## Big Data Definition – 3 V's

 "Big data" is high-Volume, -Velocity and –Variety information assets that demand cost-effective, innovative forms of information processing for enhanced insight and decision making

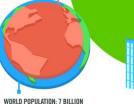
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The fourth 'v' is Veracity



**202n** times from 2005





**SCALE OF DATA** 

Most companies in the U.S. have at least

It's estimated that

[ 2.3 TRILLION GIGARYTES ]

2.5 QUINTILLION BYTES

of data are created each day

#### **00 TERABYTES**

Modern cars have close to

that monitor items such as

fuel level and tire pressure

100 SENSORS

100,000 GIGABYTES 1 of data stored

The New York Stock Exchange captures

#### 1 TB OF TRADE INFORMATION

during each trading session



**Velocity ANALYSIS OF** 

STREAMING DATA

By 2016, it is projected there will be

#### 18.9 BILLION NETWORK CONNECTIONS

- almost 2.5 connections per person on earth



### The FOUR V's of Big Data

break big data into four dimensions: Volume, **Velocity, Variety and Veracity** 

#### 4.4 MILLION IT JOBS



As of 2011, the global size of data in healthcare was estimated to be

#### 150 EXABYTES

[ 161 BILLION GIGABYTES ]



**Variety** 

DIFFERENT **FORMS OF DATA** 



#### 4 BILLION+ **HOURS OF VIDEO**

are watched on YouTube each month



are sent per day by about 200 million monthly active users



30 BILLION PIECES OF CONTENT

are shared on Facebook every month







#### 1 IN 3 BUSINESS

don't trust the information they use to make decisions



in one survey were unsure of how much of their data was inaccurate

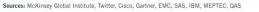


Poor data quality costs the US economy around



Veracity

UNCERTAINTY OF DATA



### Other V's

- <u>Variability</u> Not variety. Variability is when the meaning is changing (rapidly)
- Visualization Challenging. How is data organized and analyzed in a manner that is easy to understand and read?
- Value The data has to generate value. After all, the collection, storage and analysis of data costs a large amount of money. Data needs to be turned into intelligence

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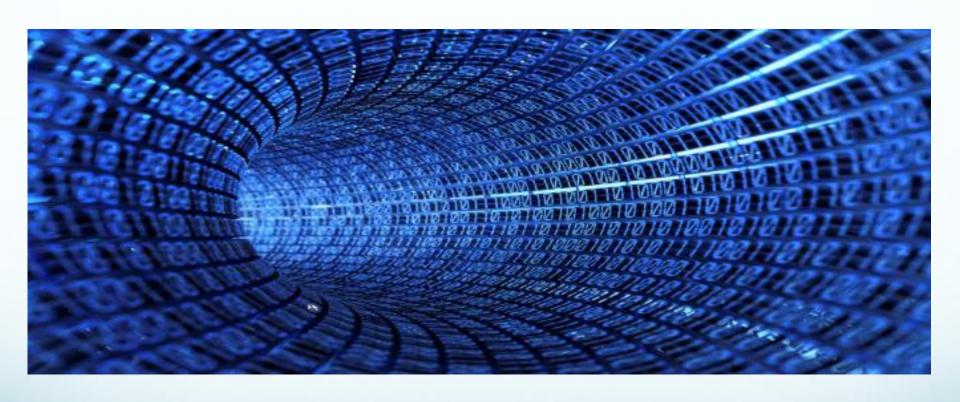
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## Computational Pathology



## Computational Pathology

- Terms 'computational' and 'pathology' have been used together in literature as far back as 1980
- First defined by Fuchs and Buhmann in 2011
   "Computational Pathology investigates a complete probabilistic treatment of scientific and clinical workflows in general pathology."

"It combines experimental design, statistical pattern recognition and survival analysis within a unified framework to answer scientific and clinical questions in pathology."

### **Potential Benefits**

- 1. Minimize surprise of diseases
  - a. Likelihood of disease before onset
  - b. Disease trend before complications
- 2. Improve quality and efficiency of care
- 3. Hub for data-related research
- 4. Better selection of patients for clinical trials

## Comp Path Use-Cases

- Molecular Pathology
- Test utilization
- Hematology
- Surgical Pathology
- Microbiology/Infectious disease
- Visualization of data/SAGE

### **Test Utilization**

- Study of patients in Calgary over 1 year
- Six common lab tests (cholesterol, Hb A1C, TSH, vitamin B12, vitamin D and ferritin)
- Looked at repeat rates at 3, 6 and 12 months
- Found 16% inappropriately repeated tests
- Excess costs of \$2.2 million (Canadian)
- This could be built as rules in CPOE systems

## Hematology

Analyzing populations of CBC data:

1. Predict the onset of anemia before patients have clinical disease

Higgins and Mahadevan. Proc Natl Acad Sci 2010;23;107(47):20587-92

 Identify myelodysplastic syndrome in unselected outpatient populations

Raess et al. Am J Hematol. 2014;89(4):369-374

# Surgical Pathology

- Computational image analysis to differentiate breast intraductal proliferative lesions
  - Differentiate UDH from DCIS
  - Stratify nuclear grade in DCIS
- 116 breast bxs to build classification models
- Applied to 51 breast biopsies
  - AUC of 0.86 for differentiation
  - AUC of 0.98 for low grade v. high grade

# Antibiogram

- Antibiograms
  - Microorganism specific
  - Single antibiotic
  - Not patient specific
- Use computational pathology and informatics to change frame of reference
  - from will this drug work for this bug
  - to will this regimen work for this patient

### Weighted Incidence Syndromic Combination Antibiogram

## WISCA

1. Reorganize from organism-antibiotic table to patient-infection-regimen

Organism	Antibiotic 1	Patient	Syndrome	Regimen 1
E. coli	R	1	ABI	1
E. coli	S	2	ABI	0
E. coli	S	3	ABI	0
E. coli	S	4	ABI	0
E. coli	S	5	ABI	0
E. coli	S	6	ABI	1
E. coli	S	7	ABI	0
E. coli	S	8	ABI	1
E. coli	S	9	ABI	0

### Weighted Incidence Syndromic Combination Antibiogram

### **WISCA**

- 1. Reorganize from organism-antibiotic table to patient-infection-regimen
- Create a model that uses clinical and previous test data to predict the probability of coverage of each regimen
- 3. Input new patient's characteristics and WISCA engine outputs probabilities for regimens
- Models automatically recalculated based on continuously collected data

## WISCA for UTI

200	Base	patient							
Characteristics	case	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Age	45	45	75	75	75	75	75	75	75
Gender	F	M	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
Hospital	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1
≥4 positive UCx in prior yr	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Albumin <2.5 g/dL	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no
≥2 recent hospitalizations <sup>a</sup>	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Cephalosporins in last 30 d	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no
FQ in last 30 d	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes
Antibiotic Regimens	Calculated probability of Coverage								
TMP-SMX	71%	61%	73%	63%	60%	71%	75%	66%	56%
Cefazolin	77%	60%	81%	78%	78%	75%	79%	66%	61%
Ertapenem	84%	66%	85%	90%	81%	80%	79%	69%	60%
Ciprofloxacin	85%	80%	85%	72%	77%	82%	88%	90%	56%
Ceftriaxone	85%	67%	86%	85%	84%	82%	83%	74%	65%
Ceftazidime	87%	75%	89%	87%	88%	85%	84%	80%	66%
Ampicillin + Gentamicin	93%	91%	93%	90%	89%	91%	94%	93%	87%
Ampicillin-Sulbactam	94%	85%	95%	95%	92%	91%	95%	90%	88%
Ceftazidime+ vancomycin	96%	94%	96%	95%	95%	94%	96%	94%	89%
Pip-Tazo	97%	95%	96%	97%	95%	94%	95%	93%	88%
Meropenem	98%	95%	97%	98%	96%	95%	96%	95%	90%

# Visualizing BIG Data

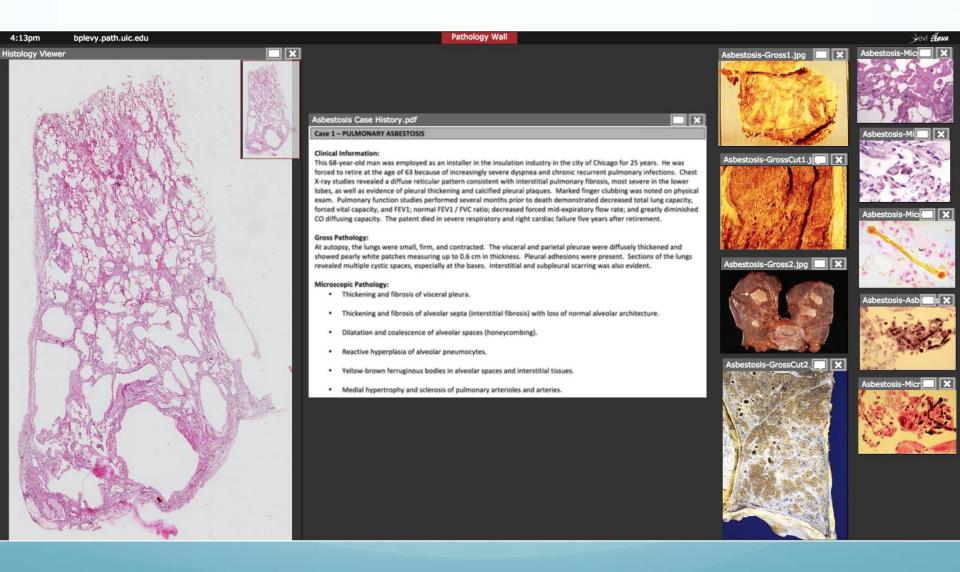
Including Whole-Slide Images

## Scalable Adaptive Graphics Environment

- Access, display, share and collaborate in real time
  - Data-intensive information
  - Variety of resolutions and formats
  - Multiple simultaneous user input
  - Multiple drivers, no passengers
- Cloud based and web browser enabled
- Open source



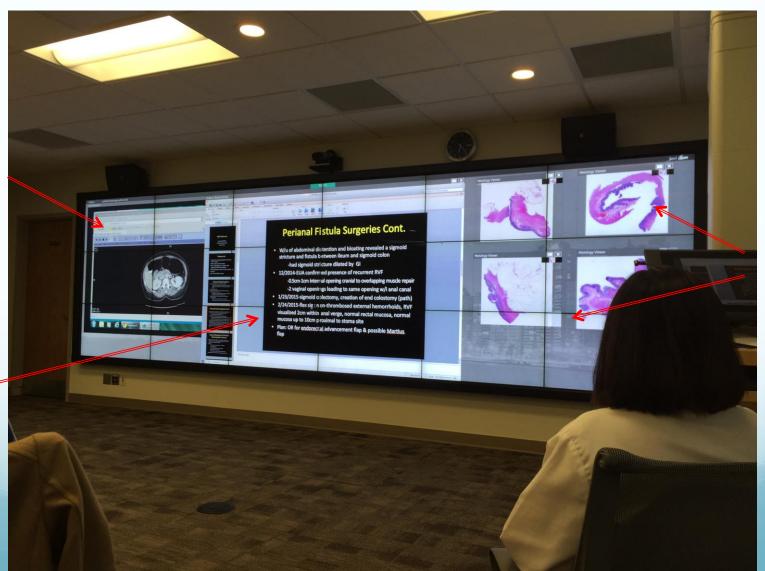
### **Medical Education**



## Multidisciplinary Case Conference

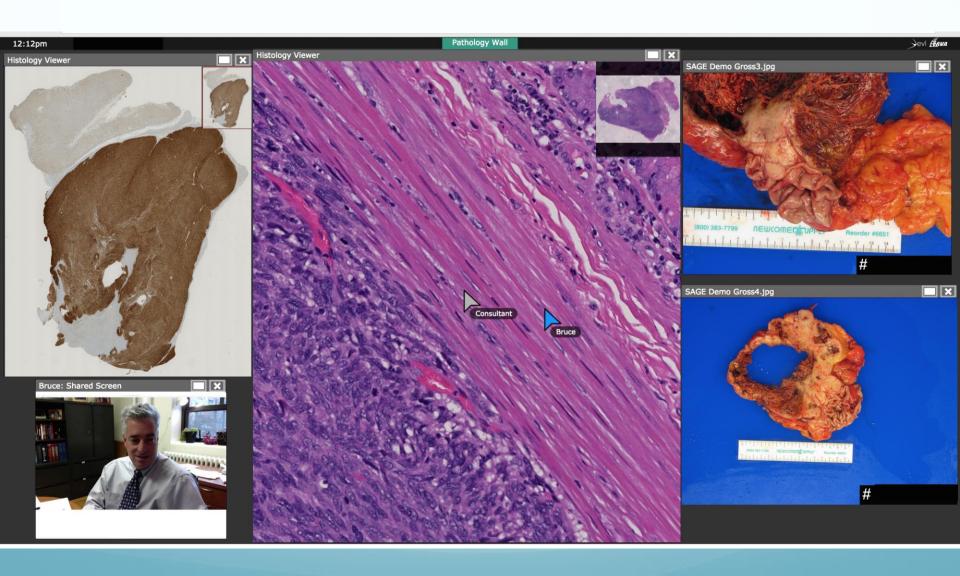
Radiology PACS

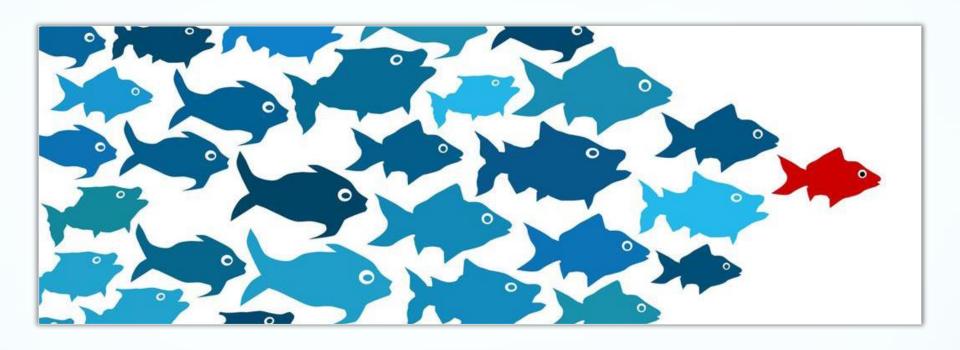
Clinical, Info



WSIs

## **Medical Consultation**





# Leadership of Computational Medicine

# We need to recognize and assume our proper place in the leadership of health care

# "All Physicians are Leaders"



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70% Rule

"All Physicians are Leaders"



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70% Rule

"All Pathologists are Leaders"



## Operational Leadership

- Electronic Health Record
  - Participate in EHR selection/implementation
    - Leverage experiences with LIS vendors
  - Be involved with EHR committees and groups
  - Develop EHR expertise among lab professionals
- Clinical Decision Support and test utilization
- Document and communicate lab's contributions and successes
- Institutional Leadership



# Educational Leadership

Undergraduate and Graduate Medical Education

## Undergraduate Med Ed

- Evolution of undergraduate medical education from the Flexner model is an opportunity for pathology, not a challenge
- Pathologists should lead sections of the systems-based model of medical school education
- Required lab medicine rotation
- Informatics education for medical students

### PIER: Model for all Residents

### **PIER Scope and Sequence**



#### **PIER Essentials 1**

- · Informatics in Pathology Practice
- Information Systems Fundamentals
- Importance of Databases
- Introduction to Data Standards
- Data Availability & Security

Entry-Level Proficiency ACGME Milestone Level 1 Instructional Hours: 4-6



Essentials For Residents

### E-2

#### **PIER Essentials 2**

- LIS Components & Functions
- Specialized LISs & Middleware
- Data & Communication Standards
- Digital Imaging
- Basics of the Health Care Information Ecosystem

Basic Proficiency ACGME Milestone Level 2 Instructional Hours: 8-10



### **PIER Essentials 3**

- Pathologist Role in LIS & EHR Projects
- LIS Installation & Configuration
- Information Systems & Laboratory Performance
- Data Security, Regulatory & Accreditation Requirements

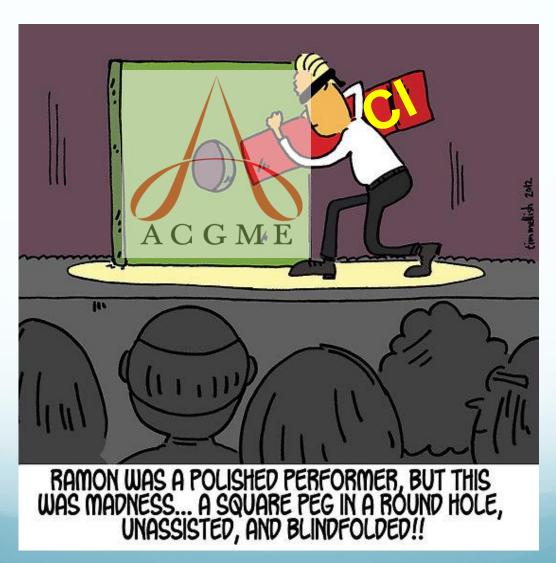
Intermediate Proficiency ACGME Milestone Level 3 Instructional Hours: 10-12

### PIER Essentials 4

- LIS Management & Oversight
- · Order and Results Management
- Laboratory Data for Quality Improvement & Research
- Laboratory Data & Enterprise Health Care Analytics

Advanced Proficiency ACGME Milestone Level 4 Instructional Hours: 10-14

# Clinical Informatics Fellowships



# Summary

- Intelligence in health care depends on big data
- Computational Medicine is heavily reliant on Pathology and Informatics
- Leadership of Computational Medicine is ours if we are willing to work for it
- Leadership requires us to be willing to look beyond the walls of our labs and understand our critical role in the care of patients and populations



Questions?