



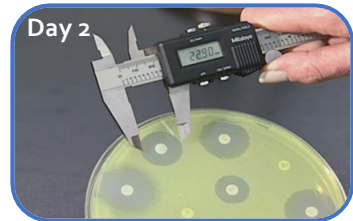
AI diagnostics for  
combating antibiotic resistance

# PhAST - Executive summary

- Boston-based AI imaging startup
- Founded by MIT entrepreneurs
- Secured \$4.5M seed funding, including non-dilutive grants
  - NIH/NIAID SBIR Phase I (\$600k)
  - Massachusetts Life Sciences Center (\$200k)
  - Discovery Award, UK's Longitude Prize committee (\$12k)
- A team of 10 (engineers, biologists, data scientists, MBAs)
- Core IP issued (April, 2019), IP fully owned by PhAST
- Built 6 minimum viable products (MVPs)
- Established 2 collaborations with Partners Healthcare Institutions



# AI diagnostics for combating antibiotic resistance



← Standard of care



→ **PHAST**

*Slow  
Multistep  
Labor intensive  
Culturing required*

*Fast  
All-in-one  
Fully automated  
Directly from sample*

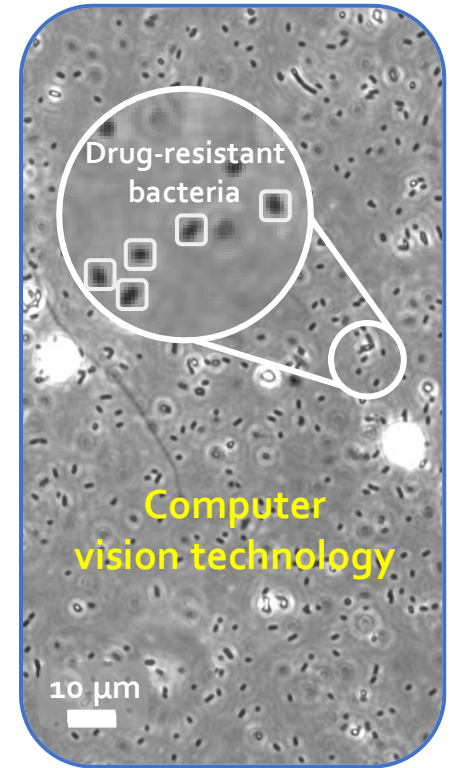
→ Days

Providing answers to:

1. Screening
2. Identification
3. Resistance profile



← Minutes

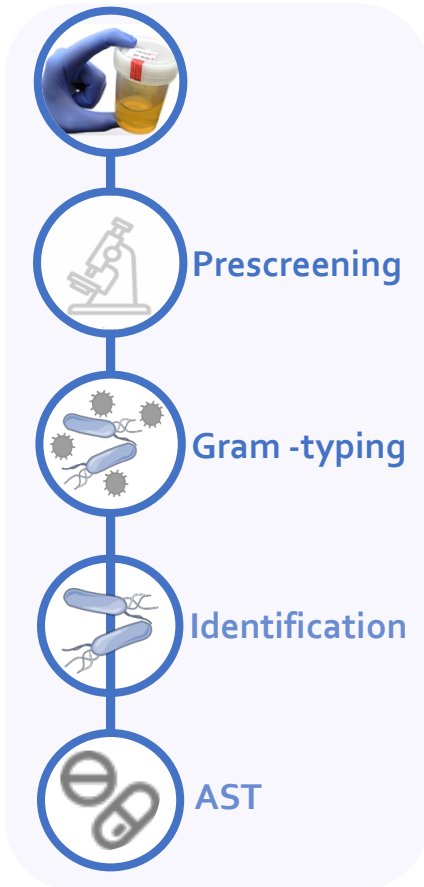


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# Preliminary performance of all-in-one diagnostics



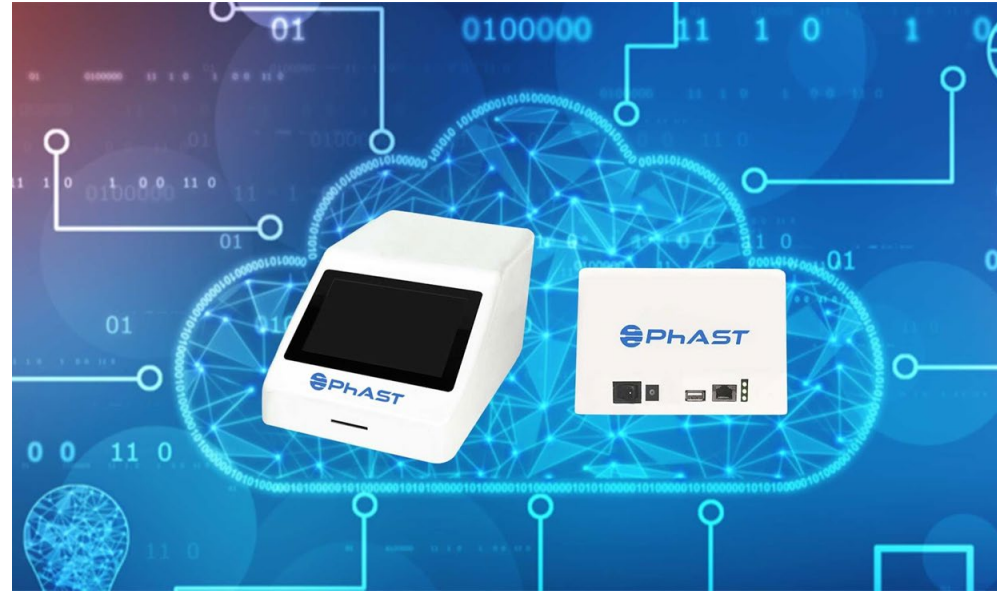
	Sensitivity	Specificity	Time-to-result
<b>Prescreening*</b>	95% (58)	86% (153)	<5 min
<b>Gram-typing*</b>	100% (7)	100% (40)	<5 min
<b>ID (<i>P. aeruginosa</i>)</b>	95% (198)	96% (196)	<5 min

<b>AST: Categorical Agreement# (60-100 min)</b>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	Enterobacterales
Ciprofloxacin (fluoroquinolone)	98% (83)	94% (108)
Meropenem (carbapenem)	90% (123)	99% (89)
Ceftazidime/Ceftriaxone (Cephalosporin)	99% (89)	98% (44)

\* Diagnostic cutoff: > 10<sup>5</sup> CFU/ml

# Low intermediate (I) strain count

# Simple and affordable diagnostic system



- Built-off-the shelf (Nikon TS2R - \$3,800)
- Inexpensive CCD camera (\$750)
- Chips (\$8, off-the-shelf)
- Instrument pricing: \$10,000/unit
- Test pricing: \$10/test
- Cloud-based technology



# PhAST - DUAL impact AI platform

## Drug development platform



Enhancing clinical trial efficiency



Targeted Patient Recruitment<sup>1</sup>

## Diagnostic platform



Clinical decision support



Improve patient outcome



Healthcare savings

## Other applications



Food/companion animal health



Biodefense



Global health (LMICs<sup>2</sup>)

<sup>1</sup> Identifying patients with infection caused by specific pathogens with specific resistance profiles

<sup>2</sup> Low and Middle Income Countries



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