

## A multi-stage approach to screen Amyloid status using plasma p-Tau<sub>217</sub> prior to confirmatory Imaging applied to the Bio-Hermes Trial.

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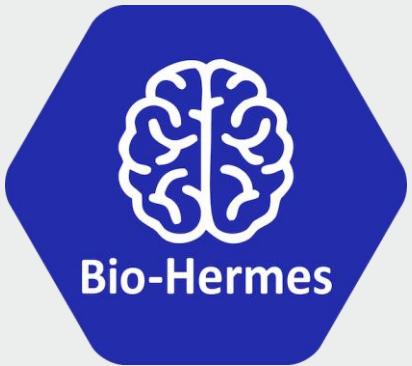
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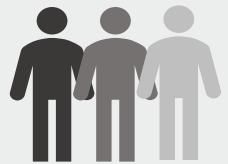
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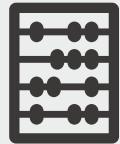
# Bio-Hermes study



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MMSE  
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pTau217  
pTau181  
A $\beta$ 42/40



18F-AV-45  
PET



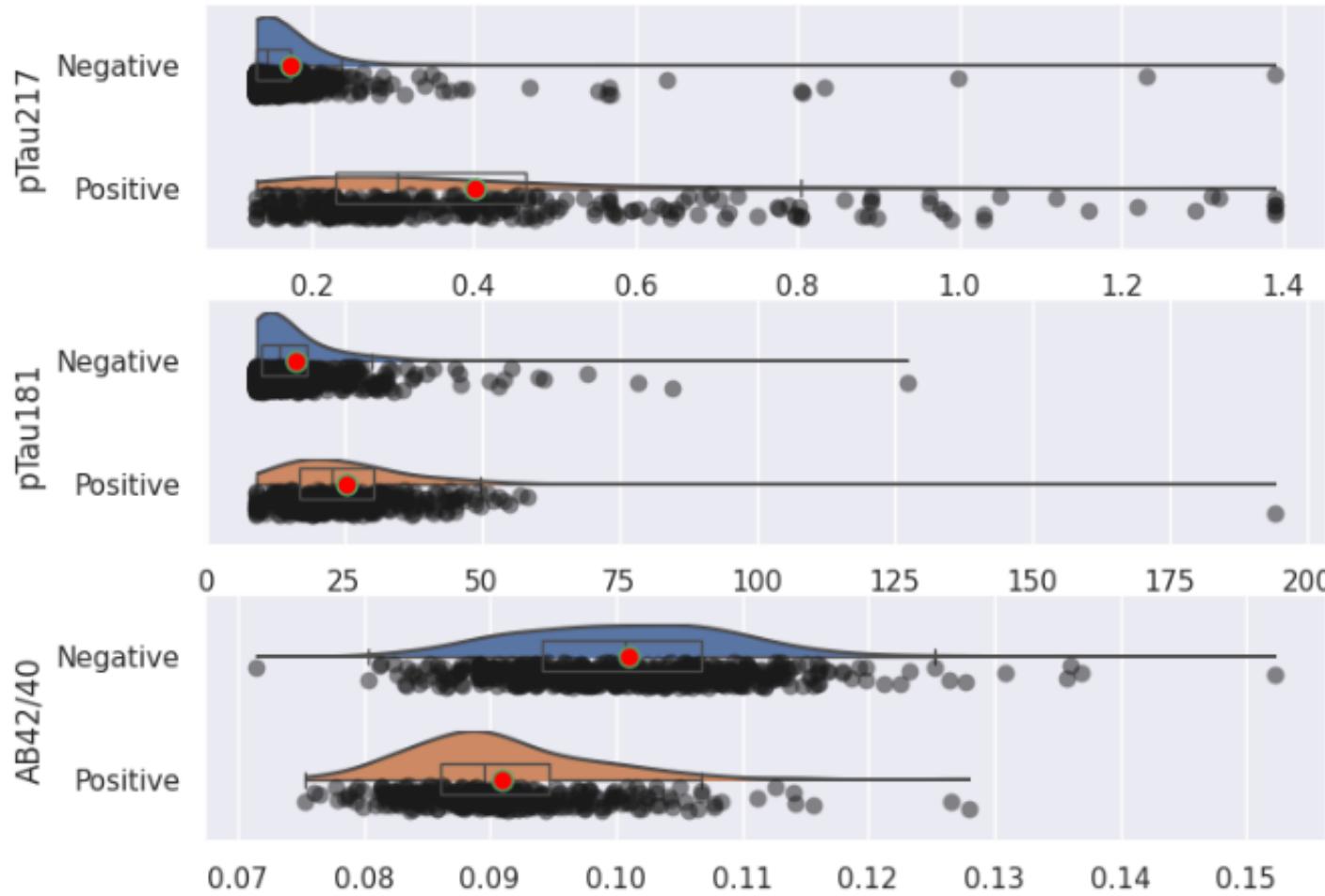
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842 dataset of participants with complete plasma biomarkers, PET reads, and clinical scores were included in this analysis

	Total	White non-Hispanic	Black non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Other
Number	842	620	97	93	32
Age mean (std)	72.3 (6.7)	72.9 (6.6)	70.2 (6.1)	70.4 (6.9)	72.5 (6.4)
Female %	56.9%	53.7%	73.2%	61.3%	56.2%
MMSE mean (std)	26.5 (2.9)	26.9 (2.8)	25.3 (2.8)	25.4 (3.1)	26.4 (3.2)
APOE e4 carries %	37.2%	37.3%	39.2%	30.1%	50.0%
AB+ vis read %	37.5%	39.2%	25.8%	35.5%	46.9%

# BBM distribution: amyloid status

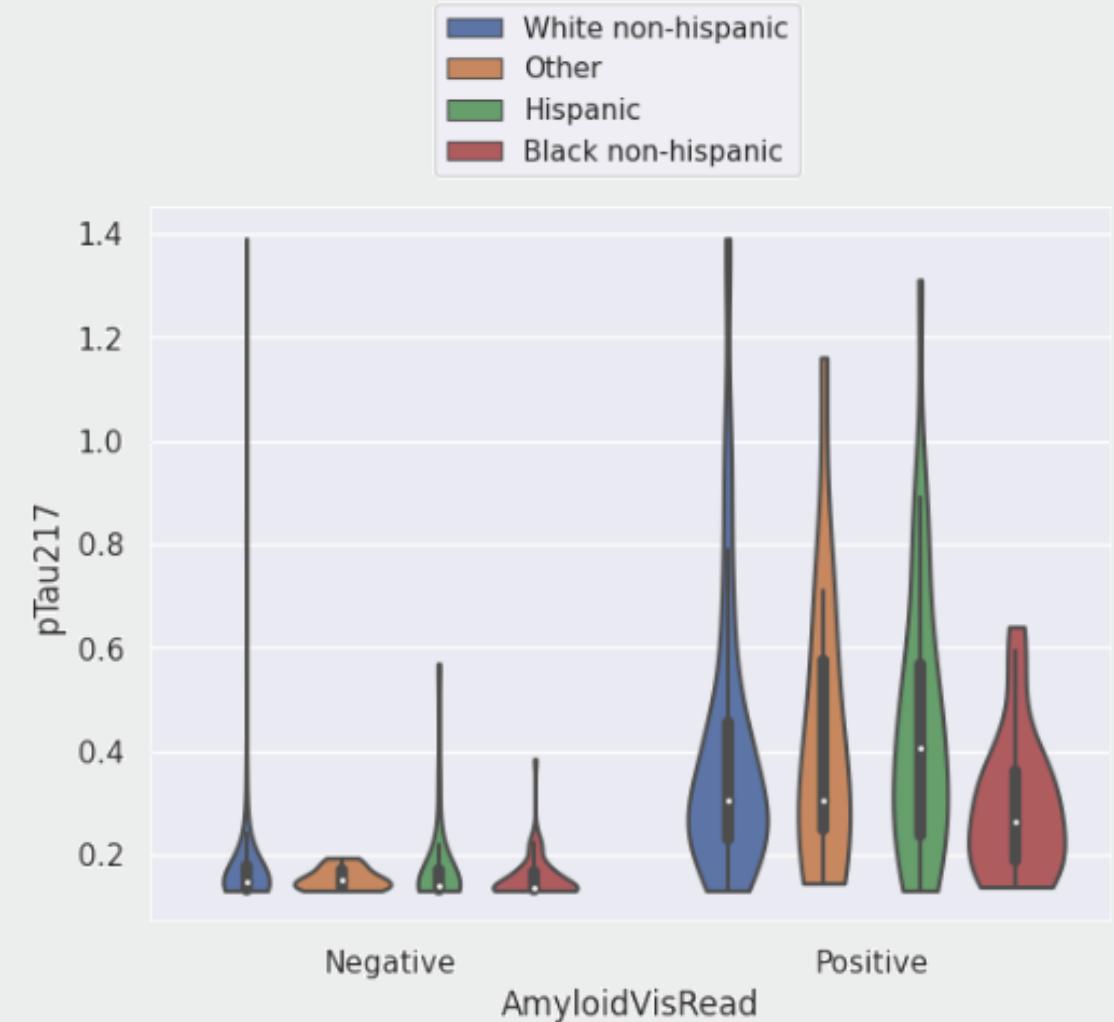


Plasma biomarker	Amyloid Positive	Amyloid Positive	p-value
pTau217 (pg/ml)	0.403 (0.264)	0.174 (0.110)	<0.001
pTau181 (U/ml)	25.269 (14.234)	16.157 (10.528)	<0.001
AB42/40	0.091 (0.008)	0.101 (0.009)	<0.001

# BBM distribution: ethnic and racial groups

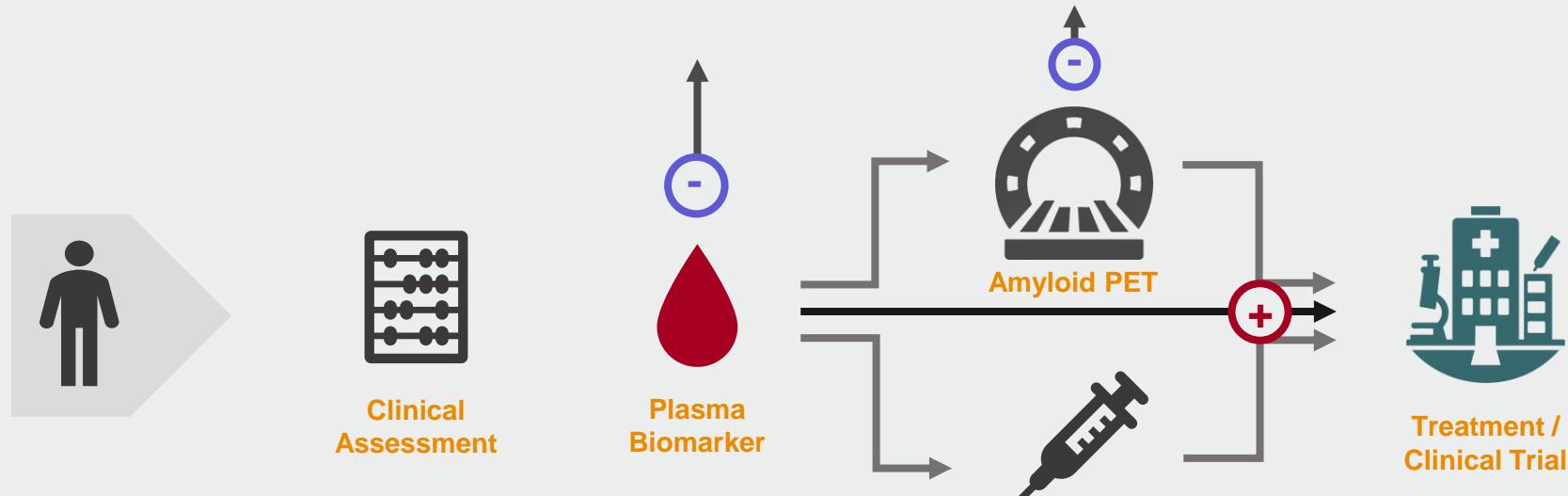
Plasmas Biomarker mean (sd)	White non-Hispanic		Black non-Hispanic	
	AB-	AB+	AB-	AB+
n	377	243	72	25
pTau217 pg/ml	0.178 (0.123)	0.407 (0.271)	0.156 (0.040)	0.293 (0.135)
pTau181 U/ml	17.016 (11.714)	25.940 (15.273)	14.382 (6.440)	21.271 (7.583)
AB42/40	0.100 (0.009)	0.090 (0.007)	0.105 (0.010)	0.095 (0.008)

Differences between AB- and AB+ groups across both populations are significant with Mann-Whitney U test and p<0.05



# Potential screening process utilising BBMs

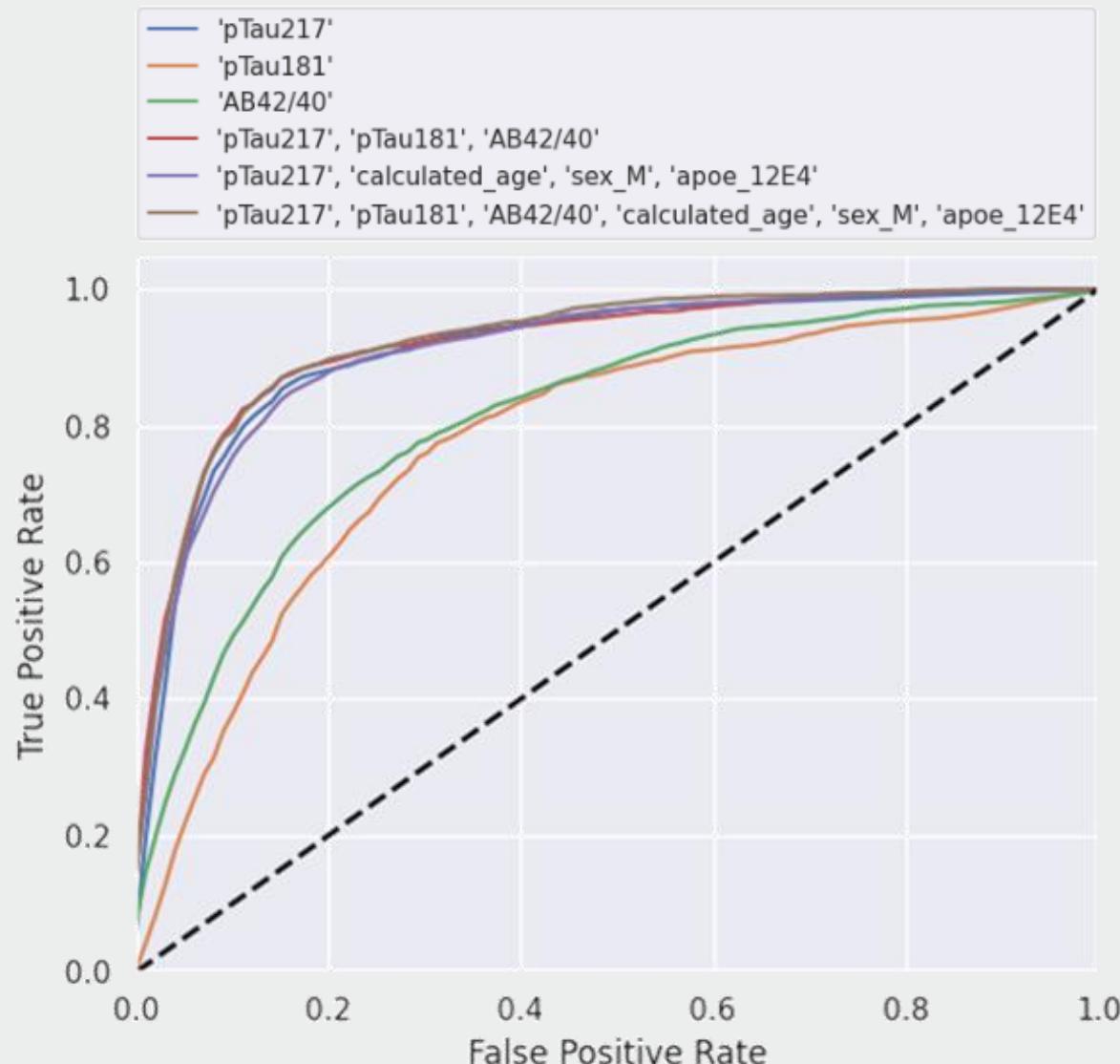
Plasma Biomarkers provide an attractive possibility of a **staged screening** approach, **reduce inefficiency** and patient burden



## Measure variability management

Hansson; Alzheimers Dement; 2022  
Schindler; Nature; 2024  
Brum; Nature Aging; 2023

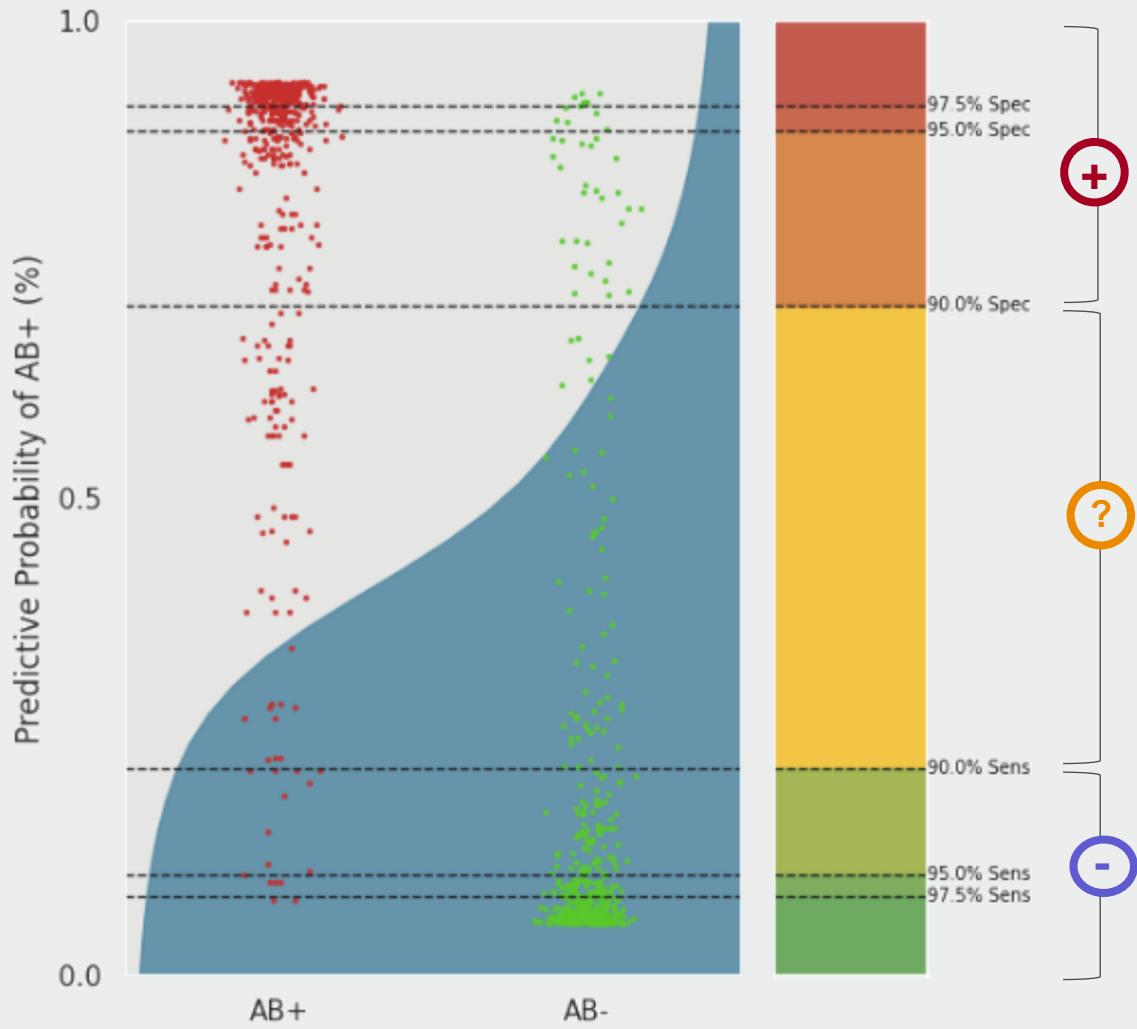
# ROC analysis to predict amyloid status



Feature set	AUC	95% Confidence
pTau217	0.908	[0.878 – 0.945]
pTau181	0.777	[0.734 – 0.834]
AB42/40	0.810	[0.739 – 0.860]
pTau217, age, sex, apoE $\epsilon$ 4	0.910	[0.875 – 0.941]
pTau217, pTau181, AB42/40	0.917	[0.888 – 0.948]
pTau217, pTau181, AB42/40, age, sex, apoE $\epsilon$ 4	0.921	[0.893 – 0.950]

Detailed analysis in:  
Mohs et al, Alzheimers Dement. 2024 Apr;20(4):2752-2765

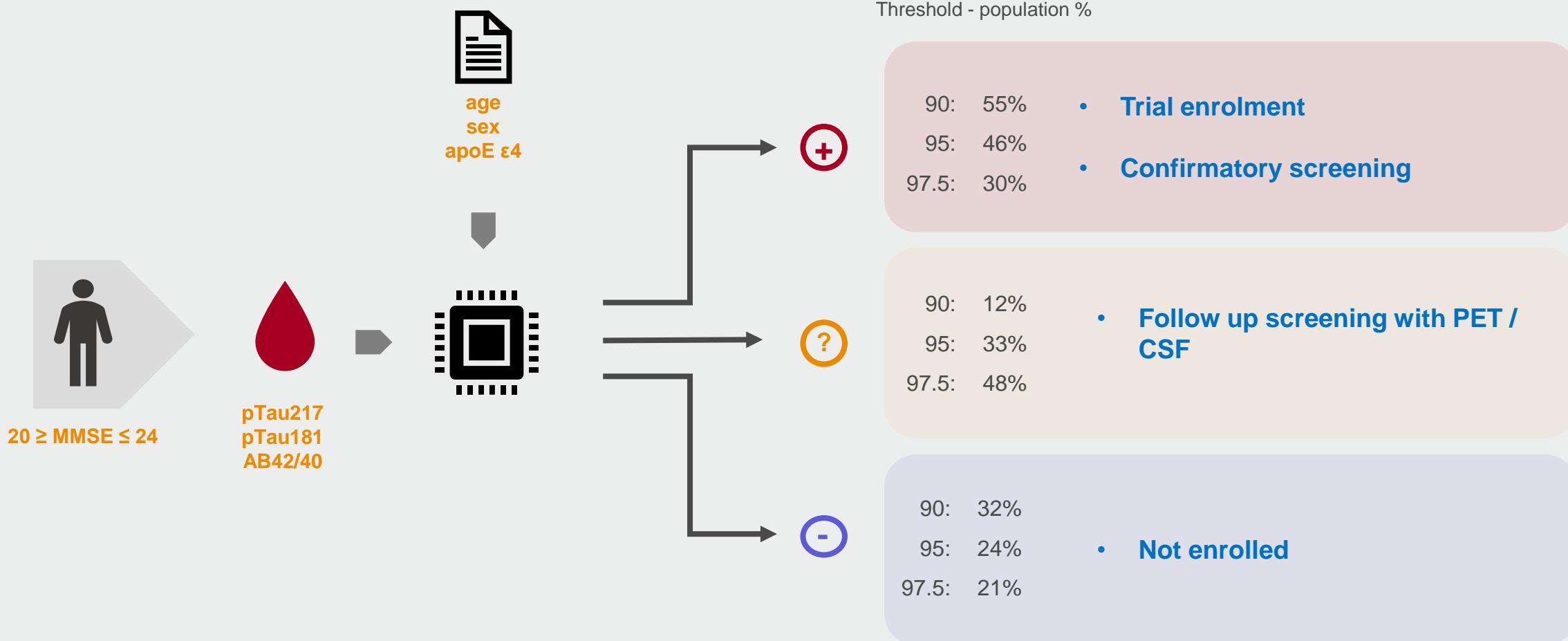
# Application of two-stage screening scenarios



Varying thresholds based on patient and care setting  
Brum; Nature Aging 3, 1079-1090 (2023)

Threshold	90	95	97.5	90	95	97.5
Model	Accuracy Median (sd)			Ambiguous % Median (sd)		
pTau217	<b>0.88</b> (0.04)	0.92 (0.03)	0.93 (0.04)	<b>12</b> (4.3)	33 (5.2)	49 (10.3)
pTau181	<b>0.78</b> (0.07)	0.76 (0.13)	0.71 (0.18)	<b>49</b> (7.1)	69 (10.2)	79 (12.3)
AB42/40	<b>0.80</b> (0.06)	0.82 (0.07)	0.83 (0.10)	<b>38</b> (7.3)	65 (6.6)	73 (6/7)
pTau217 age, sex, ε4	<b>0.90</b> (0.04)	0.94 (0.03)	0.96 (0.03)	<b>15</b> (3.7)	33 (6.4)	53 (8.5)
pTau217, pTau181, AB42/40 Age, sex, ε4	<b>0.91</b> (0.04)	0.93 (0.03)	0.93 (0.04)	<b>8</b> (2.7)	31 (5.2)	47 (6.5)

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Example CSF/PET screening rates for a target recruitment of 1,000 participants, based on Bio-Hermes population characteristics and an initial clinical screening criteria of  $20 \geq \text{MMSE} \leq 24$  and a BBM Model

Threshold	90	95	97.5	90	95	97.5	
BBM Model	AB- Rejection, Confirmation of AB+ N Second stage screening			AB+ Enrolment, AB- Rejection N Second stage screening			
pTau217	1174	<b>1243</b>	1346	257	<b>673</b>	1006	
pTau181	1404	<b>1525</b>	1568	1000	<b>1361</b>	1462	
AB42/40	1407	<b>1563</b>	1607	1008	<b>1434</b>	1529	
pTau217 age, sex, ε4	1199	<b>1281</b>	1403	350	<b>783</b>	1138	
pTau217, pTau181, AB42/40 Age, sex, ε4	1163	<b>1255</b>	1370	212	<b>709</b>	1063	

PET/CSF only screening pass rate = 57%, n screened = 1,750

# Summary and conclusion

A **staged screening** process utilising a multi-threshold approach with plasma biomarkers enables potential **savings in screening measures**

Combining multiple plasma biomarkers has minor reduction of uncertainty in prediction of AB status in the brain depending on thresholds used

Reduction in potential population bias when combining multiple biomarkers?