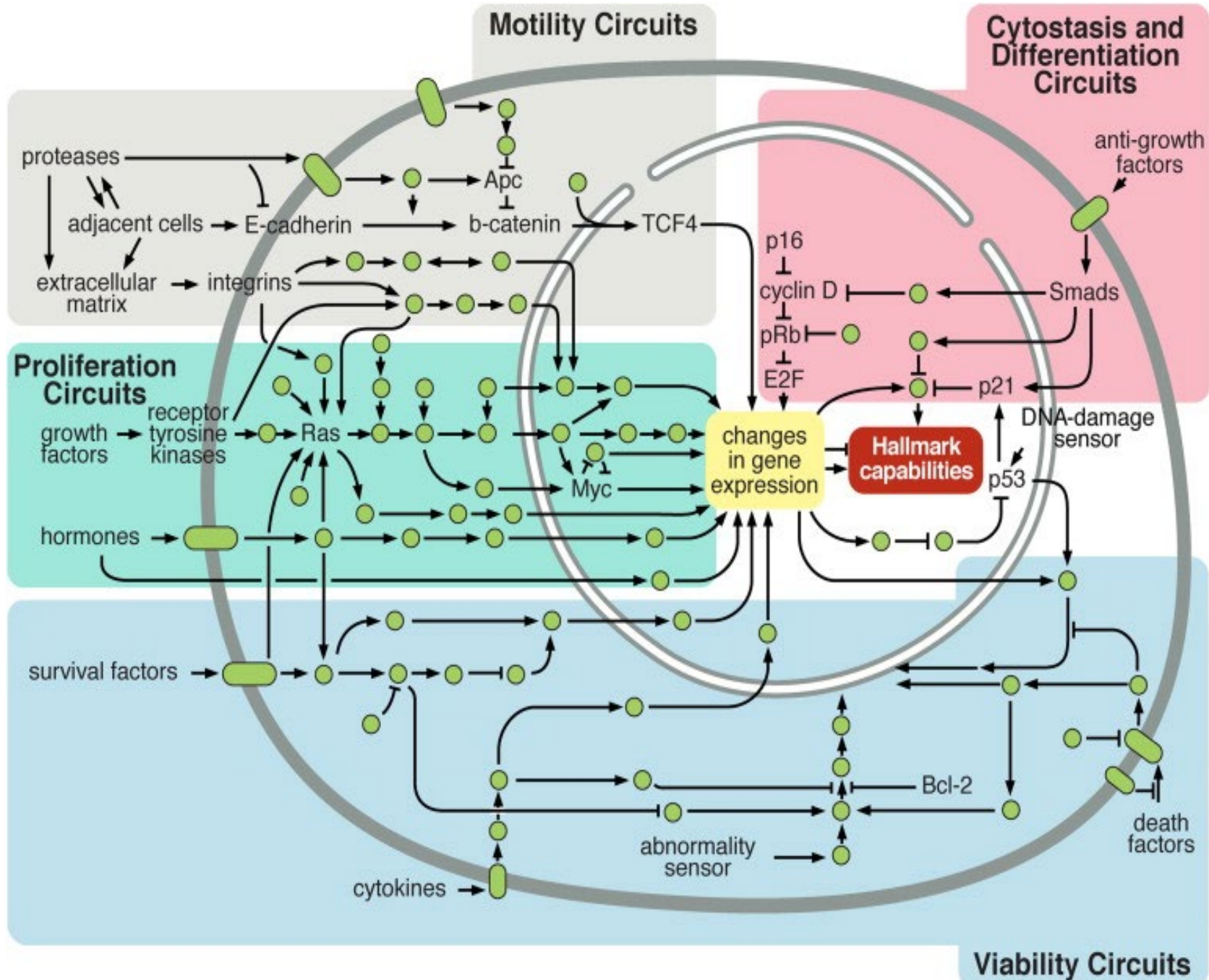


(Signal transduction in cytoplasm)
(Serine/threonine kinase inhibitors)

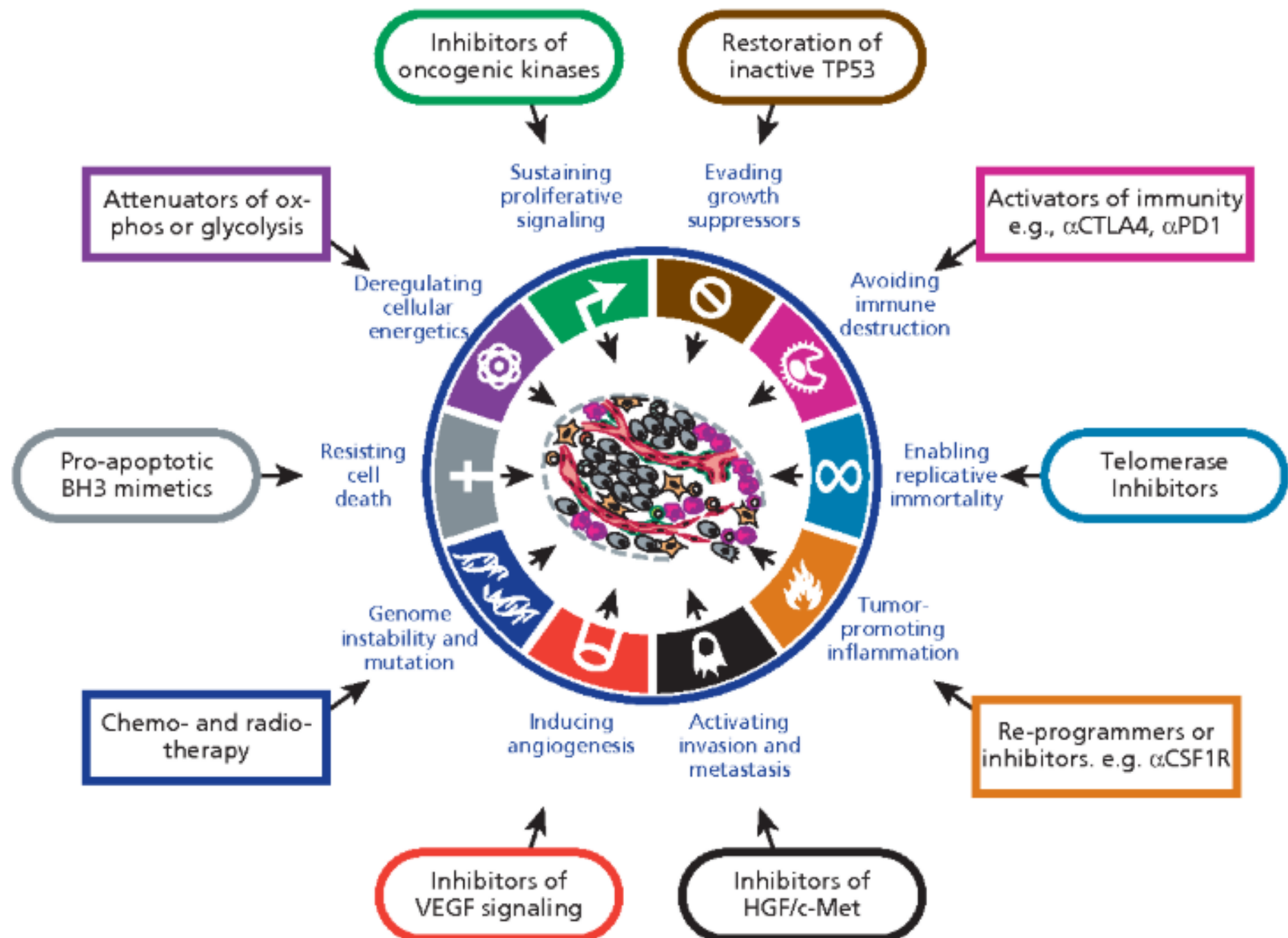
The PI3K-AKT-mTOR
Ras-Raf-Mek-ERK Pathway

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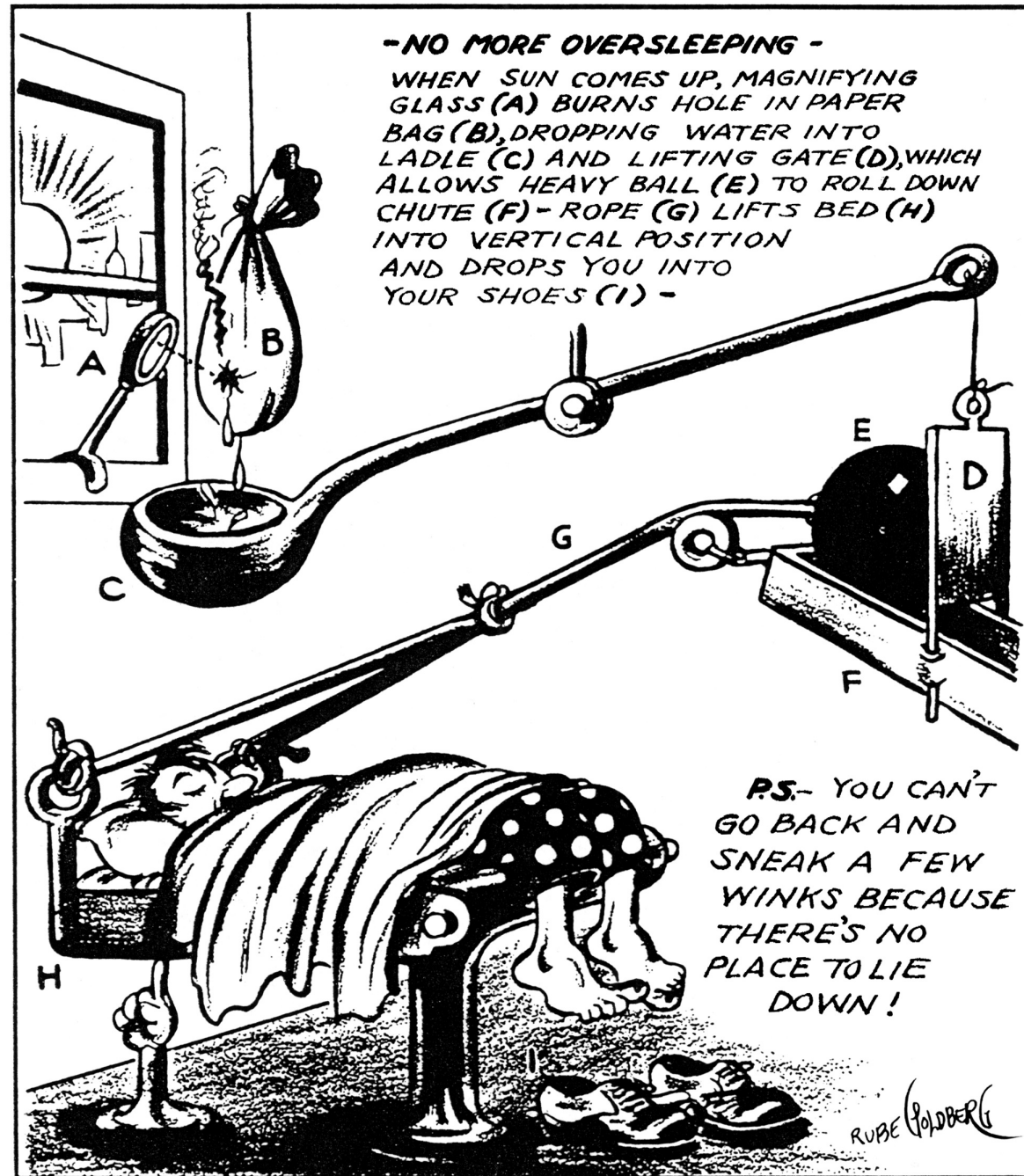
正常細胞內運行如同精細的集成電路，並經過重新編程以調節癌細胞內的標誌性功能。單獨的子電路（此處在不同顏色的區域中進行了描述）專用於協調各種功能。一方面，這種描述是簡單的，因為在這些子電路之間存在相當大的串擾(crosstalk)。此外，由於每個癌細胞都暴露於來自其微環境的信號的複雜混合物，因此這些子電路中的每一個都與來自腫瘤微環境中其他細胞的信號相連。



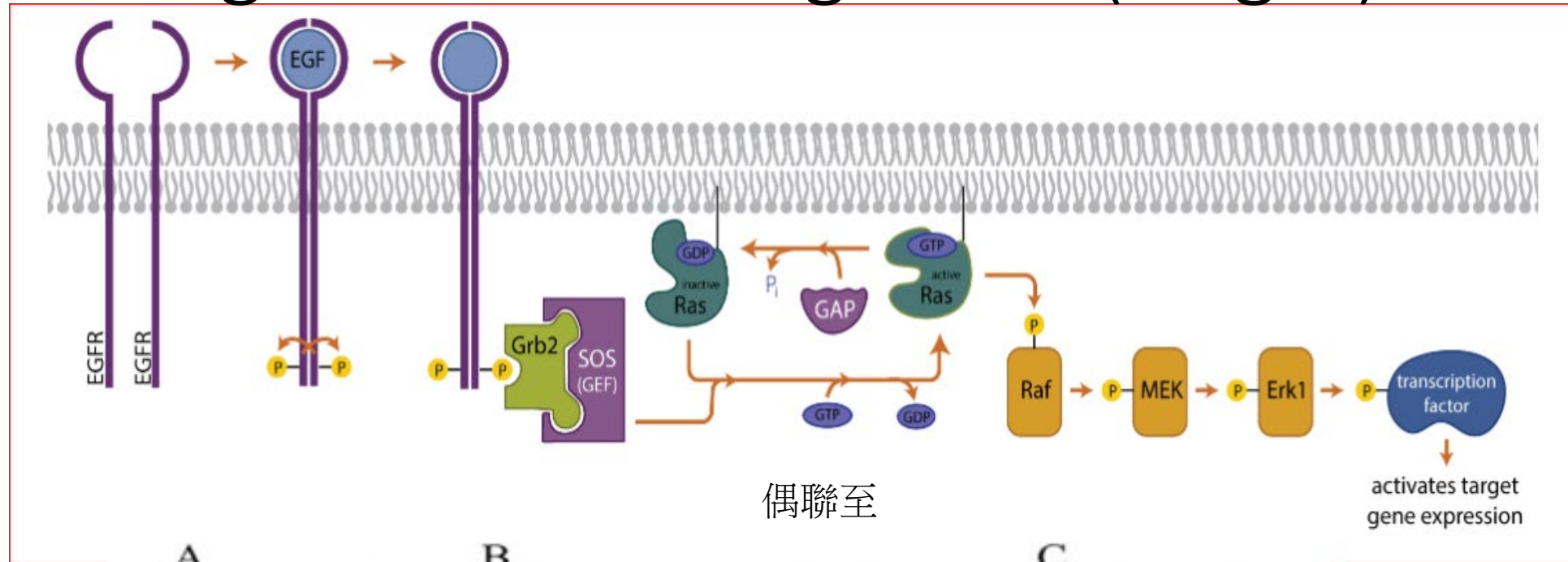
Cancer biology : Rube Goldberg model

The concept of targeted therapy

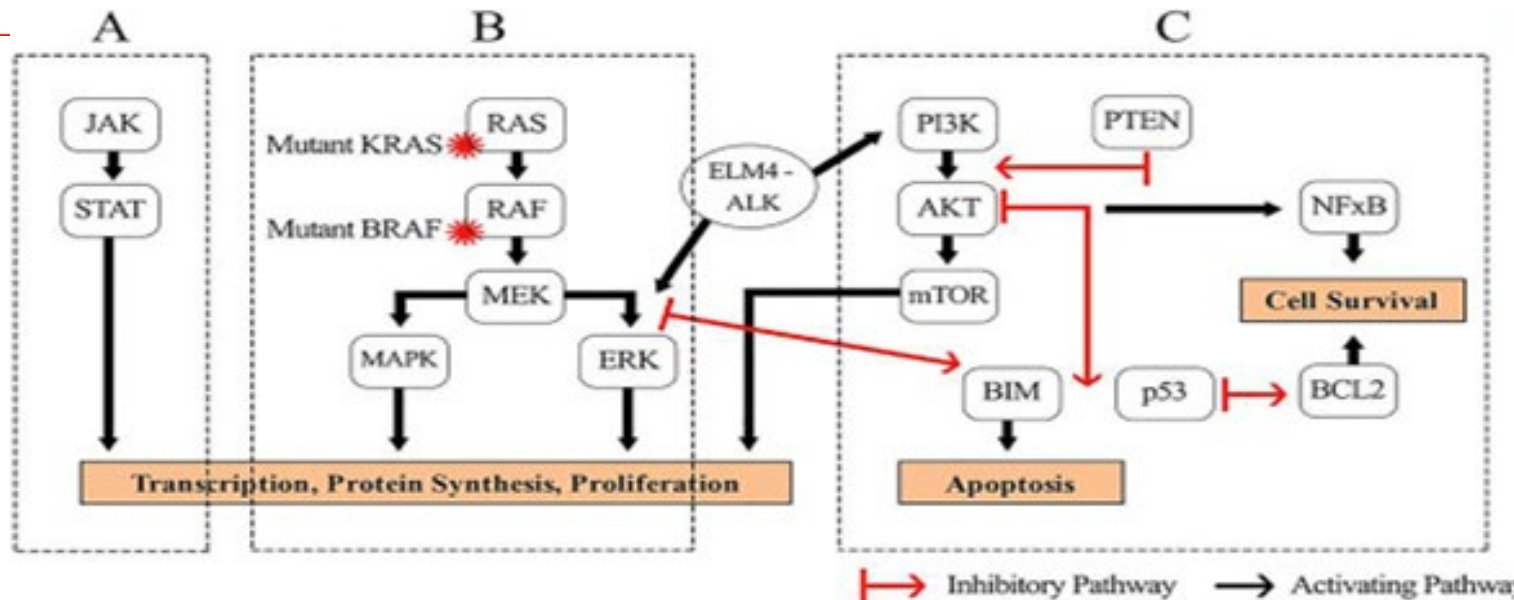
- Find out the message
- Cancer Driven gene
- Resistance is the destiny



Regulation of cell growth (target)



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• SOS : "Son of Sevenless"
 PTEN (Phosphatase and Tensin Homolog Deleted on Chromosome Ten): tumor suppressor gene
 Grb2 : Growth factor receptor-bound protein 2
 GAP = GTPase activating proteins

RAS Signaling Pathways

- The PI3K-AKT-mTOR

- PI3K Inhibitors (-**Lisib**)
 - [Alpelisib](#) (PI3K α)-breast
 - [Copanlisib](#) (Pan-PI3K) follicular lymphoma
 - [Duvelisib](#) (PI3K γ/δ) :CLL, SLL, Follicular lymphoma
 - [Idelalisib](#) (PI3K δ) : CLL, Follicular lymphoma
 - [Umbralisib](#) (PI3K δ , CK1 ϵ (casein kinase 1 epsilon) :MZL, FL
- mTOR inhibitor (-**Limus**)
 - [Everolimus](#), :RCC, breast cancer, Pancreatic cancer
 - [Temsirolimus](#)

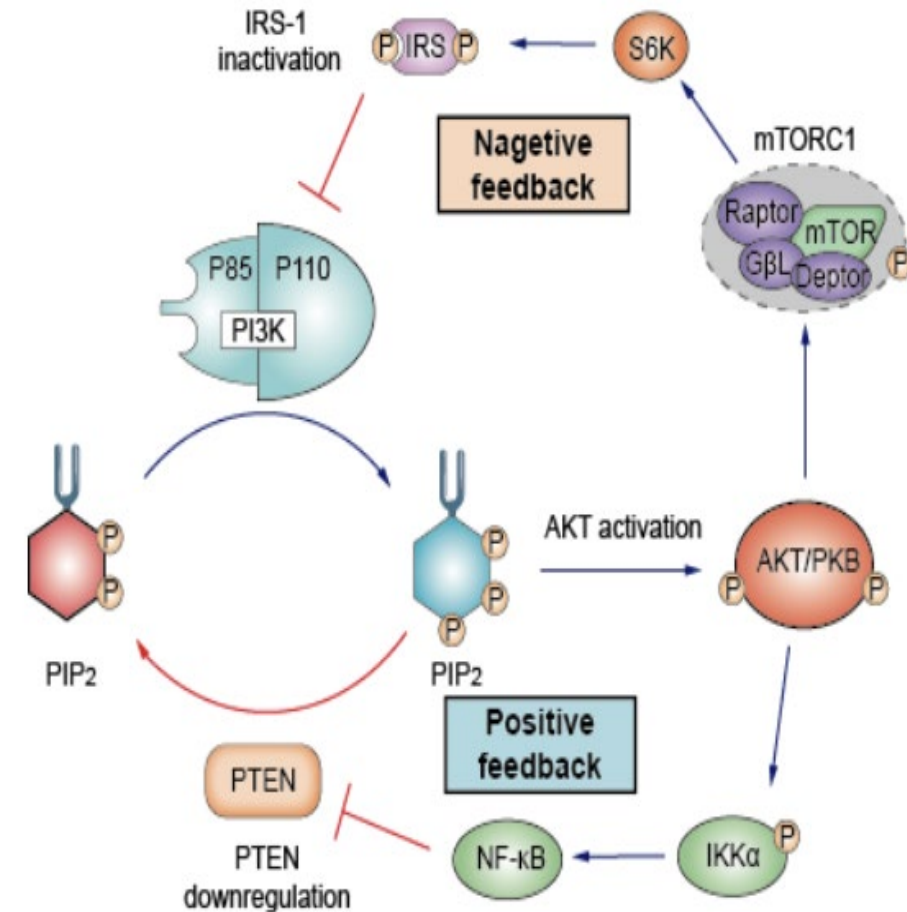
- The RAS-RAF-MEK-ERK (Mitogen-activated protein kinase pathway)

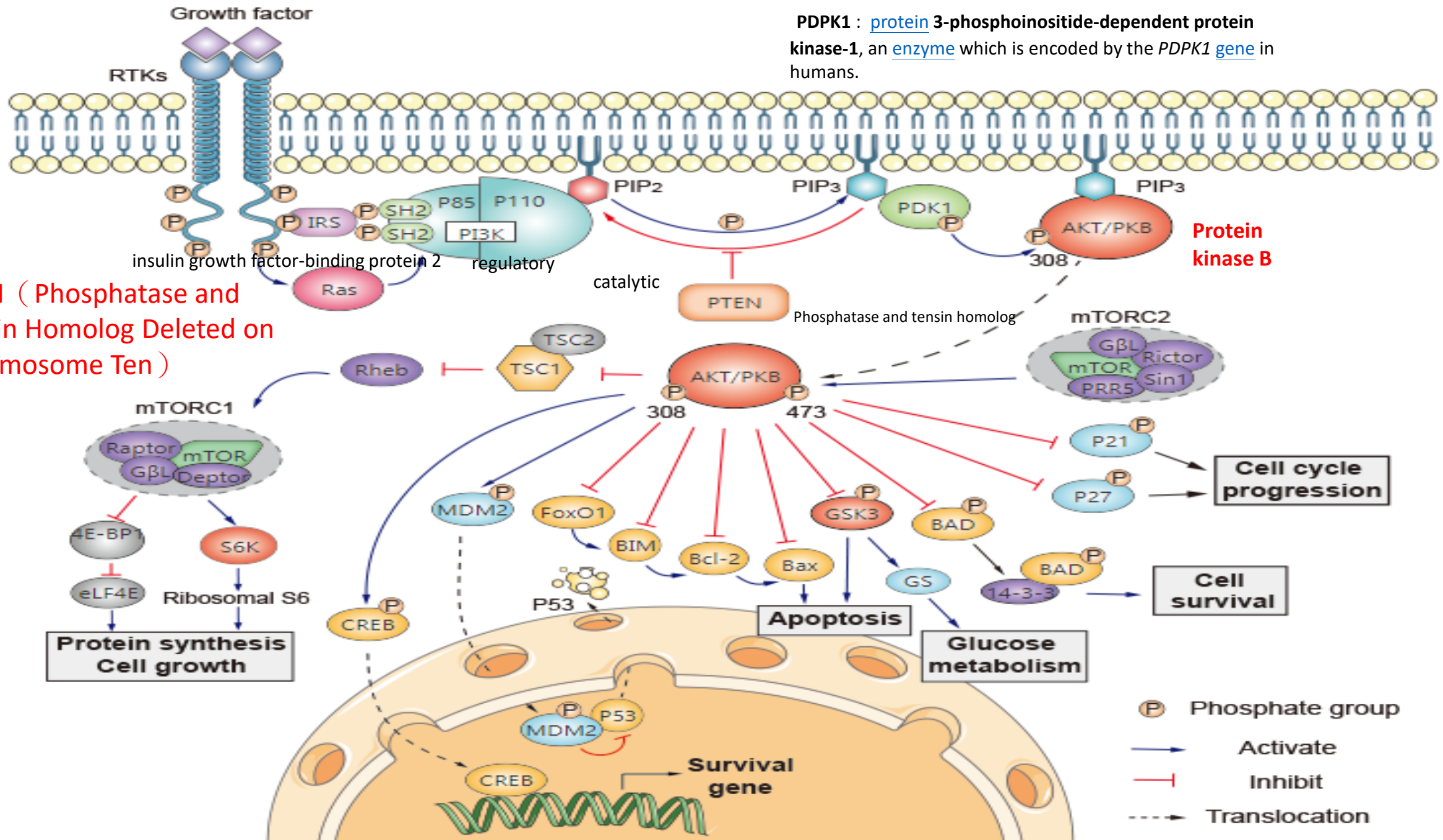
- RAS inhibitors : soto**rasib**, Adagrasib
- RAF inhibitors (**fenib**):BRAF V600E mutation melanoma
 - Vemurafenib
 - Darafenib (BRAF/CRAF) : combination with trametinib (MEK inhibitor),
 - Encorafenib (BRAF) : combined with binimetinib (MEK inhibitor)
- MEK inhibitor (**metinib**)
 - [Binimetinib](#)
 - [Cobimetinib](#) (MEK1/2)
 - [Selumetinib](#) (MEK1/2)
 - [Trametinib](#) (MEK1/2)
- Neurofibromatosis type1 : [Selumetinib](#)
- Plexiform neurofibroma
 - [Trametinib](#) (MEK1/2)

A brief history of AKT signaling

- PI3K-Akt途徑是一種細胞內信號轉導途徑，回應於細胞外信號來促進新陳代謝，增殖，細胞存活，生長和血管生成。
- 通過一系列絲氨酸(**serine**)和/或 (**threonine**)酸磷酸化調解下游物質。
- 涉及的關鍵蛋白有磷脂酰肌醇3-激酶 (PI3K) 和Akt/PKB (蛋白激酶B)。PKB / Akt研究的起源可以追溯到1977年，由Staal和同事發現，這是以前未曾描述過的病毒癌基因ATK8。並分離出該細胞來源的致癌序列並命名為ATK。
- 1991年，三個獨立的研究小組鑑定了與PKB / Akt對應的基因 (The serine/threonine kinase AKT, also known as protein kinase B (PKB)。這三篇論文確立了PKB / Akt作為一種廣泛表達的新型磷蛋白激酶，並奠定了PKB / Akt在多種細胞過程中的作用的方式。
- 一種叫做磷脂酰肌醇3激酶 (The phosphoinositide 3' kinase, PI3K) 的酶是1990年由Cantley小組分離出來的。PI3K產生的PIP3 (膜磷脂)是激活PKB/Akt所必需的組成部分。

Akt: protein kinase-B



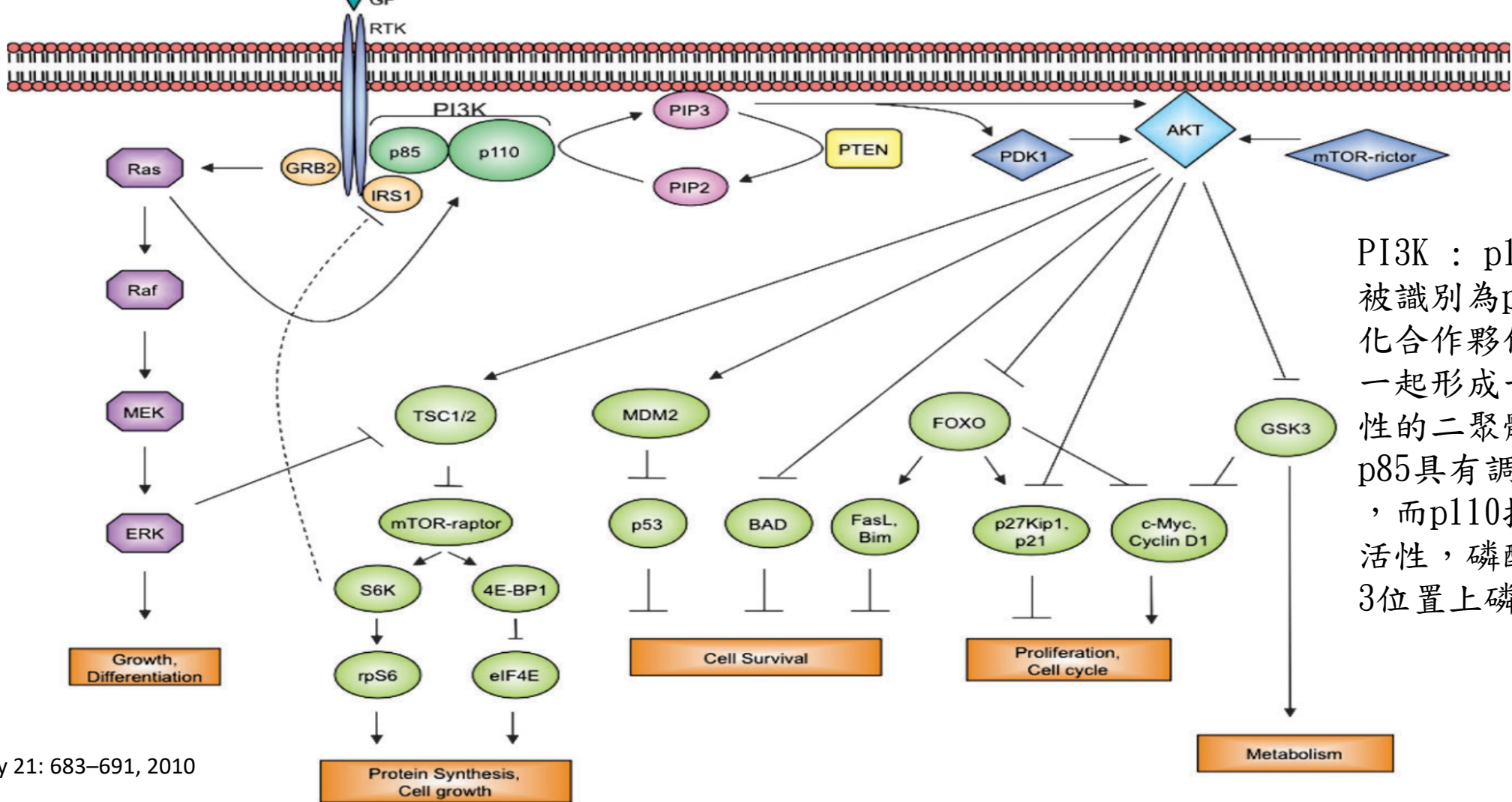


PDK1 : [protein 3-phosphoinositide-dependent protein kinase-1](#), an [enzyme](#) which is encoded by the [PDK1 gene](#) in humans.

Protein kinase B

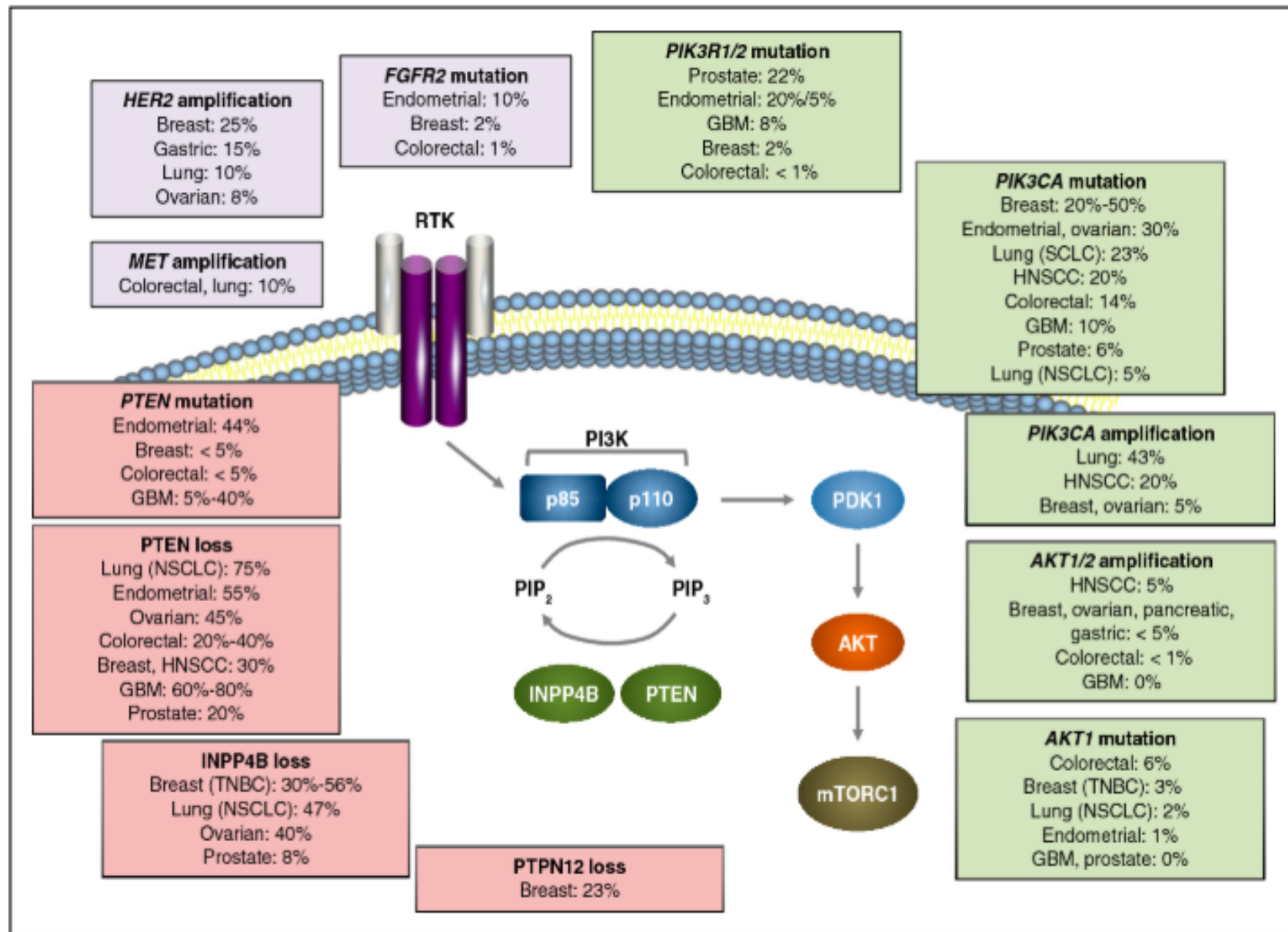
PTEN (Phosphatase and Tensin Homolog Deleted on Chromosome Ten)

- Phosphate group
- Activate
- Inhibit
- Translocation



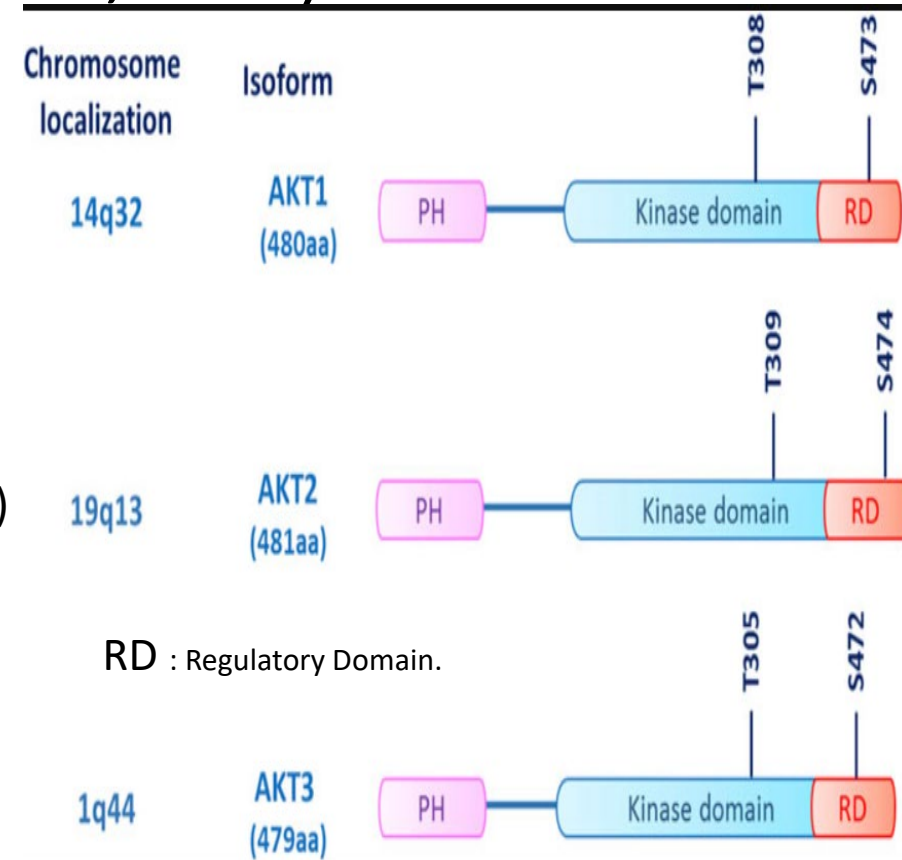
Annals of Oncology 21: 683–691, 2010

Figure 1. Signalling through class I phosphatidylinositol 3-kinases (PI3Ks): a ligand engaged receptor tyrosine kinase binds PI3K, either directly or indirectly via adapter molecules such as insulin receptor substrate 1 (IRS1), removing the inhibitory action of p85 subunit on the catalytic p110 subunit. The active kinase generates PIP3 at the lipid membrane. PIP3 facilitates the phosphorylation of Akt by phosphoinositide-dependent kinase 1, while the mTOR-riCTOR complex contributes a second phosphate residue to Akt. As the central effector of the PI3K pathway, Akt transmits signal to a host of downstream substrates, thus orchestrating a variety of key cellular functions, including growth, metabolism, proliferation and survival. Pathway activity is negatively regulated by phosphate and tensin homologue deleted from chromosome 10, opposing the action of PI3K by converting PIP3 back into PIP2, and the S6 kinase (S6K)-IRS1 feedback loop. The Ras/Raf/mitogen-activated protein kinase cascade also influences signalling through PI3K at various levels, with the small guanosine triphosphatease RAS able to activate the p110 subunit directly, while downstream extracellular signal-regulated kinase negatively affects tuberous sclerosis 2.



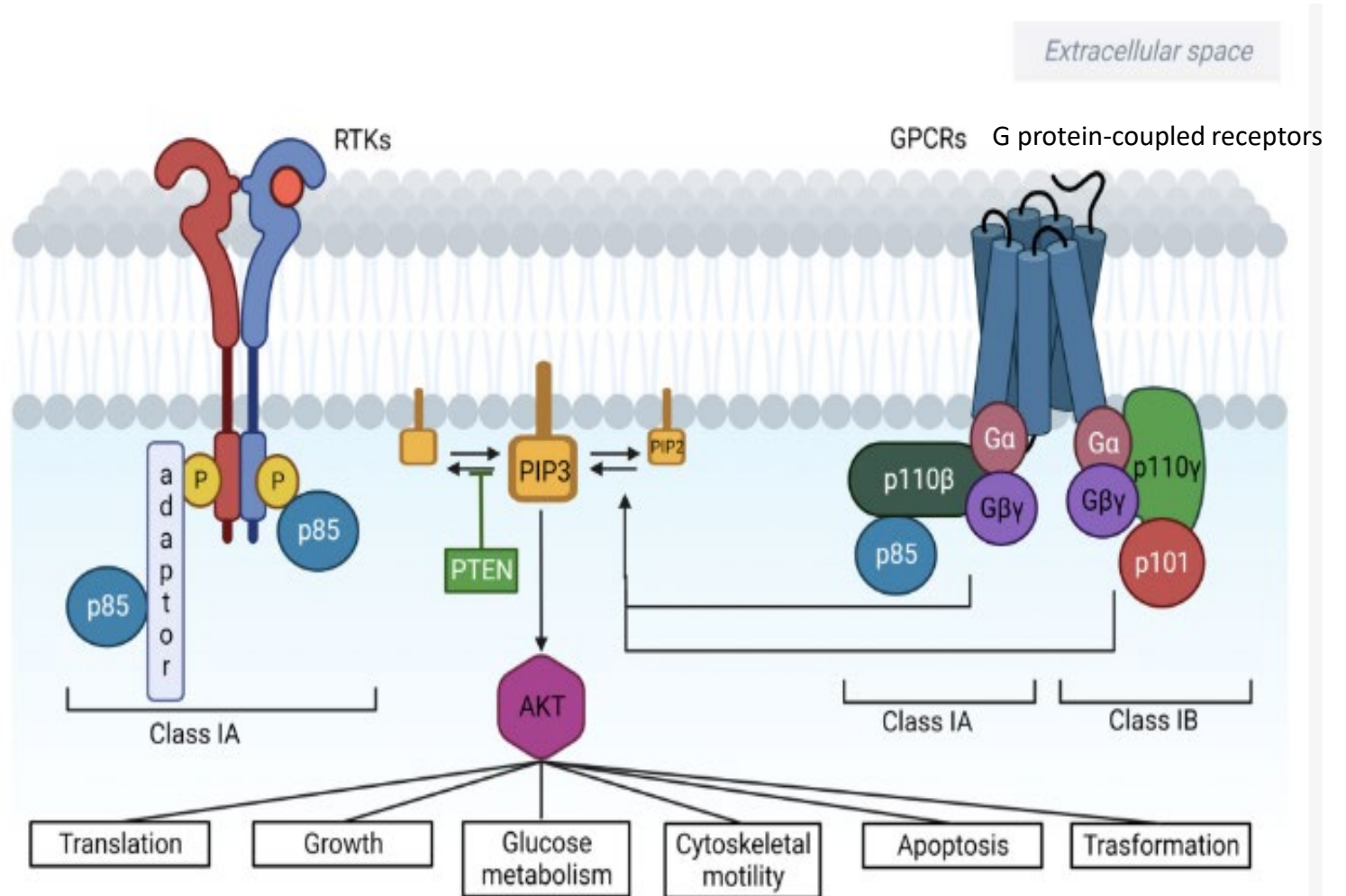
Targeted drugs (breast cancer, FL, CLL)

- PI3K-AKT-mTOR Signaling Pathway
 - PI3K inhibitor
 - Alpelisib, Copanlisib, Duvelisib, Idelalisib
 - mTOR inhibitor (mammalian target of rapamycin)
 - Everolimus , Temsirolimus
 - AKT inhibitor
 - capivasertib (selective ATP-competitive pan-AKT kinase inhibitor)
- AKT target protein
 - FoxO1, **GSK-3** (Glycogen synthase kinase-3), PTEN
 - **Mtor** (a **serine/threonine protein kinase**)
- Three AKT isoforms (AKT1, AKT2, and AKT3)
- AKT1 and AKT2 present a ubiquitous distribution, AKT3 : in neural cells
- Enhanced activation in breast, ovarian, pancreatic, and prostate cancers among others.
- AKT1 is involved in proliferation and growth, promoting tumor initiation and suppressing apoptosis, whereas AKT2 regulates cytoskeleton dynamics, favoring invasiveness and metastatization.
- AKT3 hyperactivation : controversial



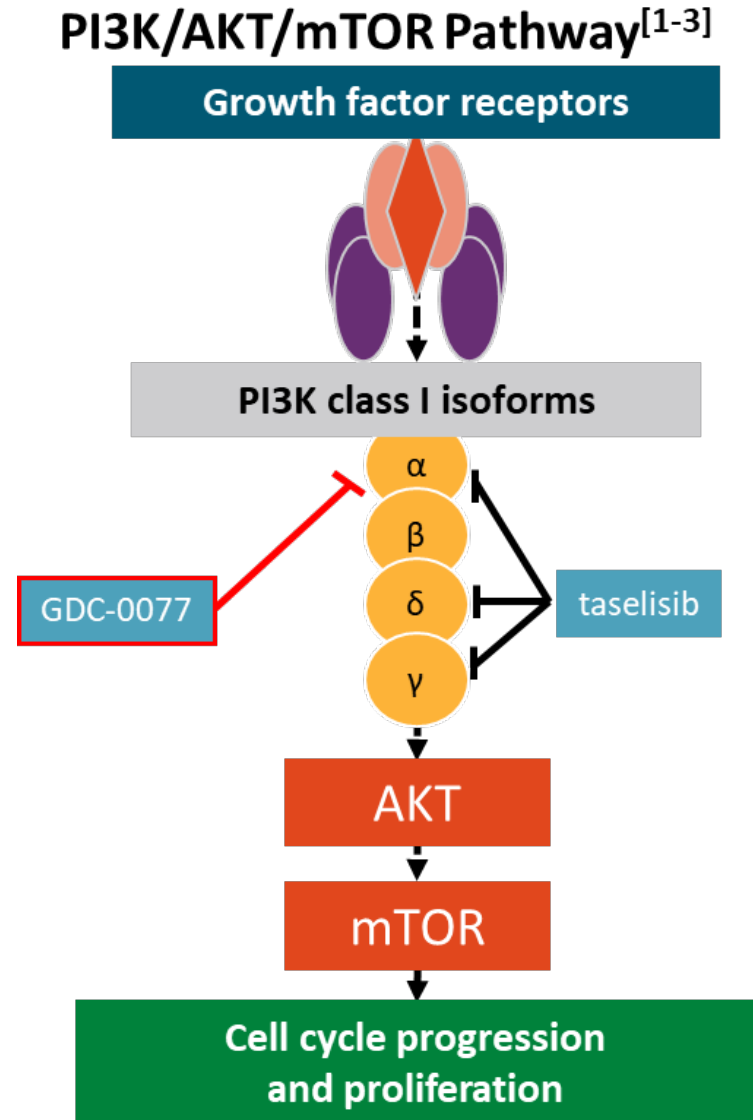
PI3K/AKT (The phosphoinositide 3' kinase/ protein kinase-B)

- PI3Ks are grouped into three classes based on their structures and substrate specificities
- The phosphoinositide 3' kinase (PI3K) family consists of 3 classes of lipid kinases that have a **regulatory** subunit (p85) and a **catalytic** subunit (p110) that phosphor **catylate** the 3'OH group of phosphoinositols.
- Class IA PI3Ks : somatic mutations in the catalytic subunit p110a (*PIK3CA*)
 - 30% of epithelial cancers (breast, colon, prostate, endometrial).
- Class I PI3Ks, which are further divided into four isoforms: α (alpha), β (beta), γ (gamma), and δ (delta).

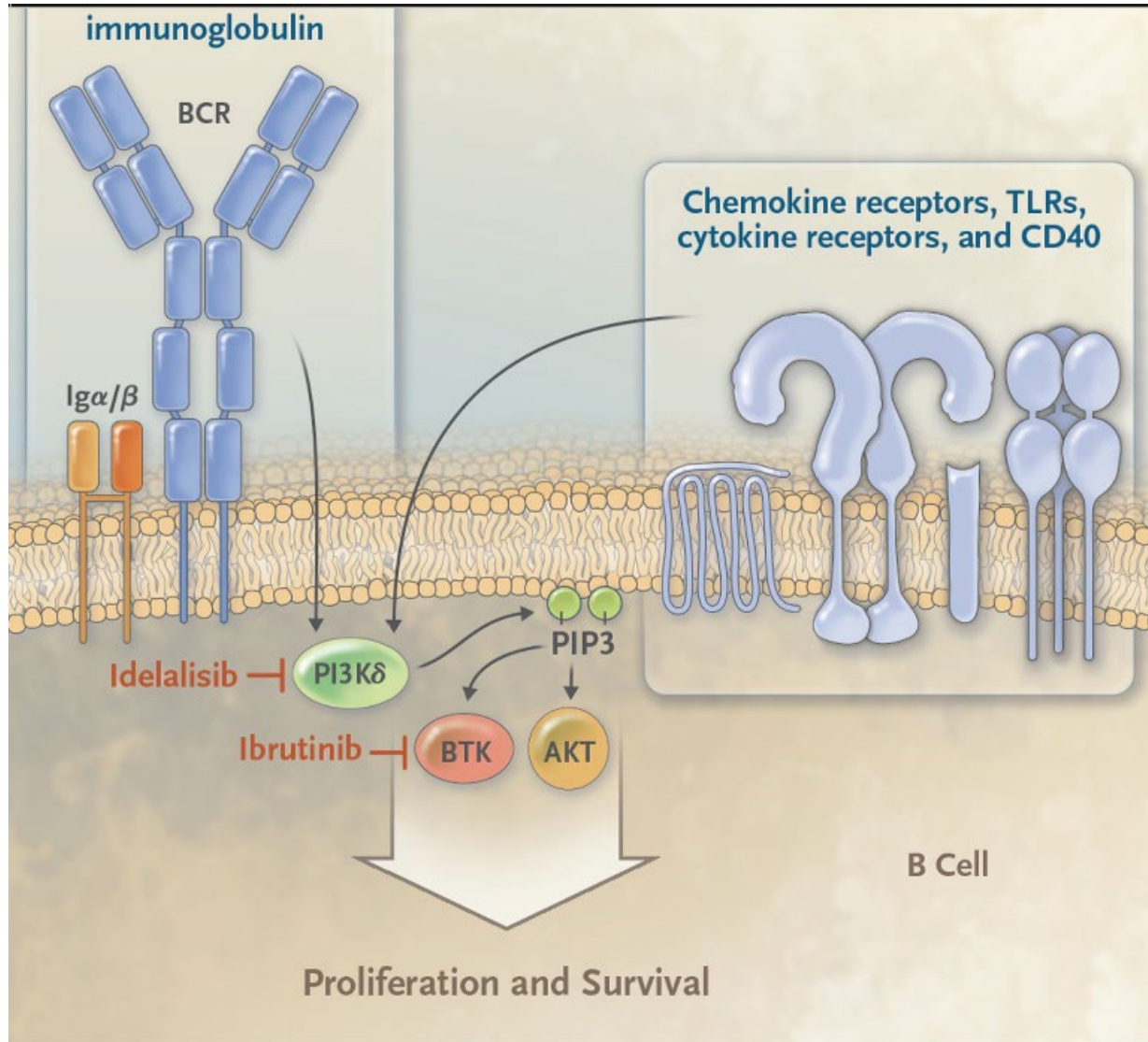


Phosphoinositide 3-kinase (PI3K)inhibitors

- PI3K α (alpha): Widely expressed in tissues, with a notable presence in the insulin-responsive tissues.
- PI3K β (beta): Ubiquitously expressed, but plays a unique role in platelets.
- PI3K γ (gamma): Primarily expressed in leukocytes.
 - hematological malignancies and has roles in certain immune-mediated disorders.
- PI3K δ (delta) : Predominantly found in lymphoid (CLL, Indolent Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma)



A PI3K δ Inhibitor for B-Cell Cancers Idelalisib



B 細胞受體 (BCR) 訊號傳導會活化磷酸肌醇 3- 激酶 (PI3K)，產生第二信使磷酸肌醇 3,4,5- 三磷酸酯 (PIP3)，進而活化布魯頓酪氨酸激酶 (BTK) 和 AKT，AKT 是一種可結合 PIP3 的促生存激酶，在許多實體腫瘤中扮演關鍵角色。Idelalisib 是 PI3K δ 異構型的選擇性抑制劑，針對惡性 B 細胞中 BCR 下游的信號轉導，而 ibrutinib 則針對 BTK。PI3K 和 BTK 也會在 B 細胞上許多其他受體的下流被活化，包括 CD40、細胞激素受體、化學因子受體和 toll-like 受體 (TLR)。BCR 由與 Ig α 和 Ig β 兩種訊號鏈相關的抗體重鏈和輕鏈組成。

PI3K Inhibitors in FL

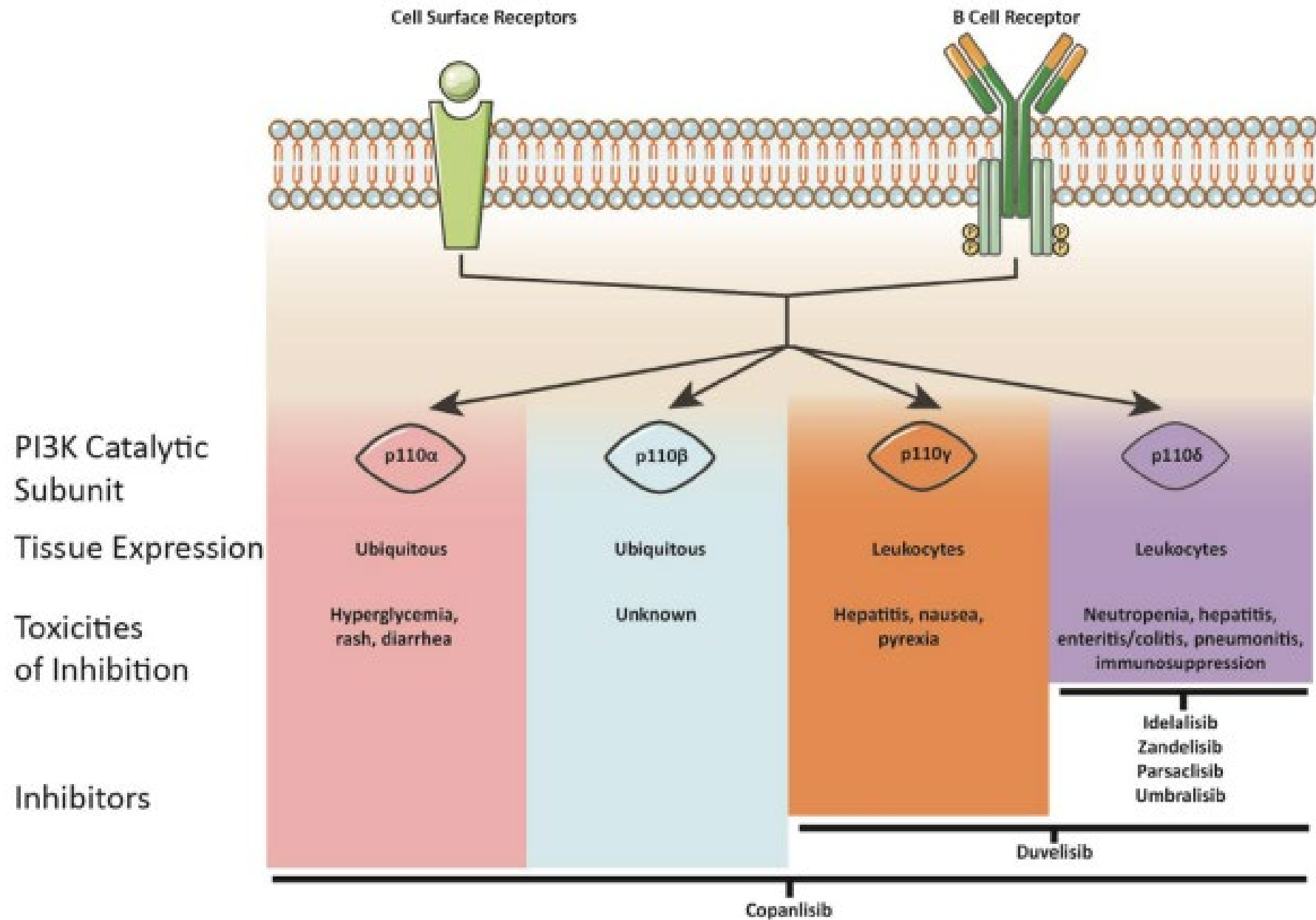
| All patients (patients with FL) | Duvelisib (PI3K- γ , δ) ¹² | Idelalisib (PI3K- δ) ¹³ | Copanlisib (PI3K- α , δ) ¹⁴ |
|---|--|--|---|
| | | 129 (83) | 125 (72) |
| Median prior therapies | 3 (1-10) | 4 (2-12)* | 3 (2-9)* |
| Median time since progression | 3.2 | NA | 8.3 (1-73)* |
| ORR, % | 42 | 57* | 59 |
| - CR | 1 | 6 | 14 |
| - PR | 41 | 50 | 44 |
| - SD | 34.9 | | 34 |
| PFS, months | 9.5 | 11* | 11.2 |
| Discontinued due to adverse events, % | 31* | 20* | 25* |
| Key grade \geq 3 adverse events with frequency >10% | Neutropenia, diarrhea, anemia, thrombocytopenia | Neutropenia, diarrhea, ALT elevation | Hyperglycemia, hypertension, neutropenia, pneumonia |

12. Journal of Clinical Oncology. 2019;37(11):912-922. 13. N Engl J Med. 2014;370(11):1008-1018. 14. J Clin Oncol. 2017;35(35):3898-3905.




PI3K Inhibitors in CLL

| | Phase I: Duvelisib Monotherapy ⁹ | Phase III DUO: Duvelisib vs Ofatumomab ¹⁰ | Phase III: Idelalisib-Rituximab vs Rituximab ²² |
|---|---|--|--|
| N | 55 (R/R CLL) | 160 (Duvelisib), 159 (Ofatumomab) | 110 (Idelalisib-Rituximab), 110 (Rituximab) |
| Median prior therapies | 4 (1-11) | 2 (1-10) vs 2 (1-8) | 3 (1-12) vs 3 (1-9) |
| Median years since diagnosis | 8.5 (0.7-20.9) | 7.5 vs 6.7 | 8.6 vs 9.0 |
| ORR, % | 56.4 | 73.8 vs 45.3* | 83.6 vs 15.5* |
| - CR | 1.8 | 0.6 vs 0.6 | 0 vs 0 |
| - PR | 54.5 | 72.5 vs 44.7 | 83.6 vs 15.5* |
| - SD | 34.5 | 21.3 vs 39.6 | 11.8 vs 64.5 |
| PFS, months | 15.7 | 13.3 vs 9.9 | 19.4 vs 6.5 |
| Discontinued due to adverse events, % | 36.4 | 35.0 vs 4 | 20 vs 10.9 |
| Key Grade ≥3 adverse events with frequency ≥10% | Neutropenia, anemia, thrombocytopenia, pneumonia, transaminitis | Neutropenia, Anemia, Diarrhea/Colitis, Pneumonia | Neutropenia, Pneumonia |

NR = not reached, *p<0.0001



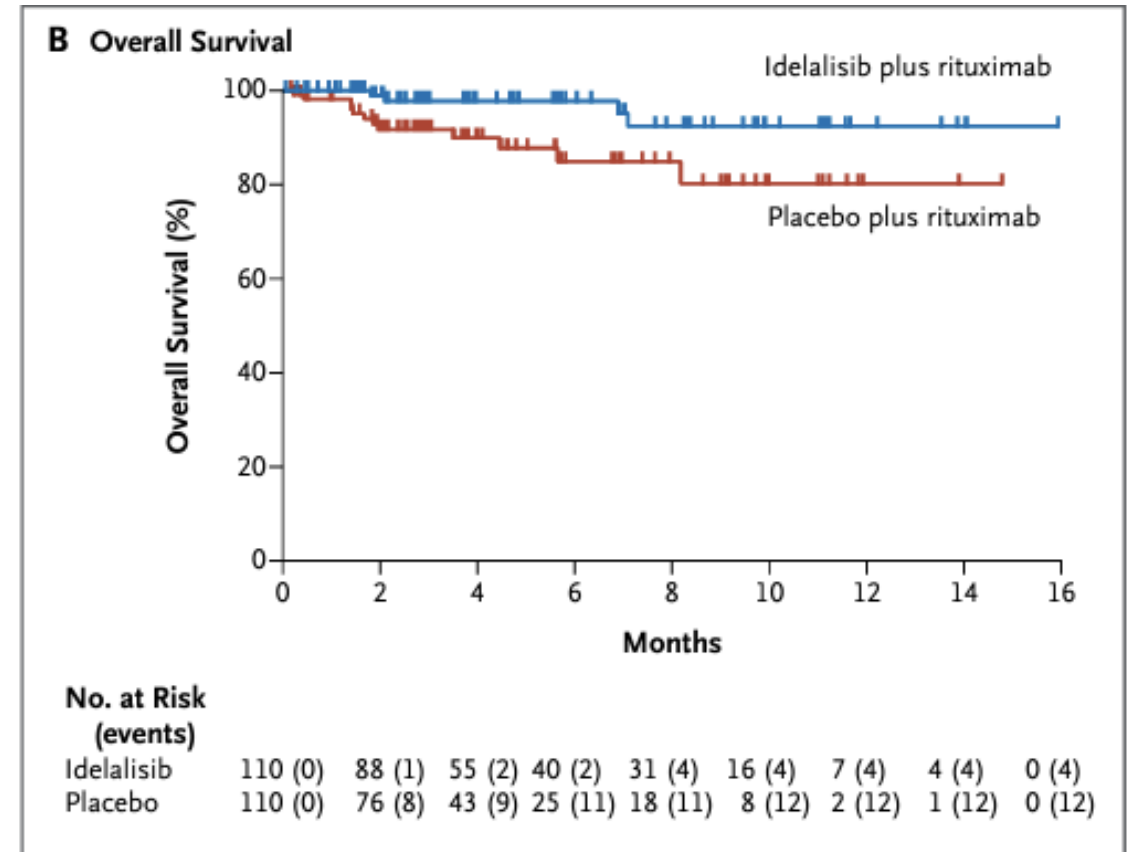
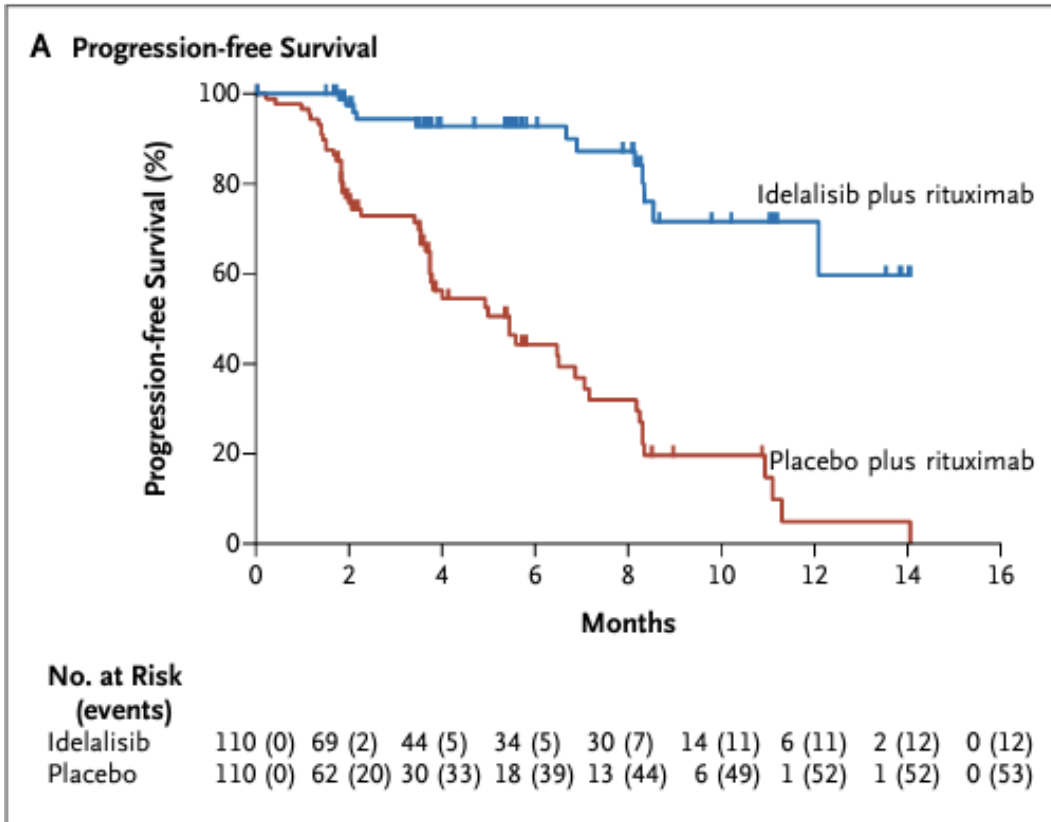
Phosphoinositide 3-kinase (PI3K)inhibitors

- [Idelalisib](#) (PI3K Delta inhibitor) :FDA approved July 2014
 - relapsed or refractory chronic lymphocytic leukemia (CLL) in combination with [rituximab](#)
 - relapsed small lymphocytic lymphoma in patients who have received at least two prior systemic therapies,
 - 3rd line follicular lymphoma in patients who have received at least two prior systemic therapies. 
- [Copanlisib](#) (Inhibitor of PI3K, PI3K- α and PI3K- δ) :Approved in 2017 
 - Relapsed [follicular lymphoma](#) (FL) who have received at least two prior systemic therapies.
- [Duvelisib](#) (an oral dual inhibitor of PI3K-delta and PI3K-gamma) Approved in 2018
 - Adult patients with relapsed or refractory chronic lymphocytic leukemia/small lymphocytic lymphoma (CLL/SLL) after at least two prior therapies
 - Relapsed or refractory follicular lymphoma (FL) after at least two prior systemic therapies. 
- [Alpelisib](#) (alpha-specific PI3K inhibitor) : Approved in 2019
 - combination with fulvestrant for treatment of HR-positive and HER2/neu(-) breast cancer

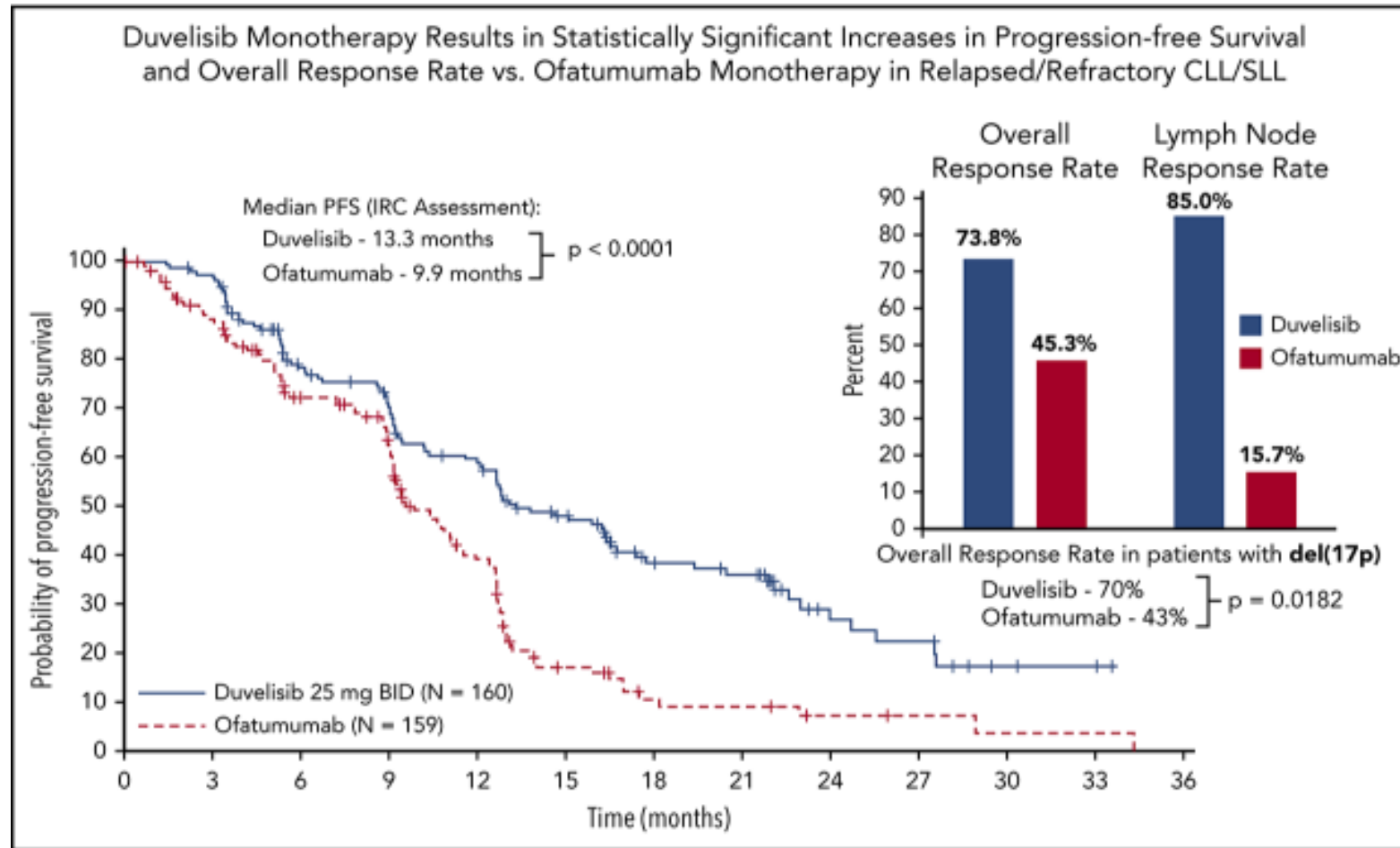
| Drug Name | Trial Name (Study Pts N) | Target Subtype | Indication | Comparative Protocol | Comparative ORR | Comparative PFS (months) | Comparative OS months | Adverse Events | Source Journal |
|---------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|---------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| Idelalisib | Study 116 (220) | PI3K δ | Relapsed Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) | Idelalisib + Rituximab vs. Placebo + Rituximab | 81% vs. 13% | not reached vs. 5.5 months | overall survival at 12 months (92% vs. 80%; P = 0.02). | Diarrhea, hepatotoxicity, pneumonitis, neutropenia | NEJM. 2014 370(11): 997–1007. |
| Duvelisib | DUO Trial (319) | PI3K δ/γ | Relapsed/Refractory CLL/SLL | Duvelisib vs. Ofatumumab | 74% vs. 45% | 13.3 vs. 9.9 months | 38.4 months vs. 31.6 months | Diarrhea, neutropenia, infections, transaminase elevation | Blood (2018) 132 (23): 2446–2455. |
| Copanlisib IV | CHRONOS-3 (458) | PI3K α/δ | Relapsed Indolent Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma | Copanlisib + Rituximab vs. Placebo + Rituximab | 81% vs. 48% | 21.5 vs. 13.8 months (p<0.0001) | Not Reached vs. Not Reached | Hypertension, hyperglycemia, neutropenia, infections | Lancet Oncol. 2021 Jun;22(6):e23 |
| Umbralisib | UNITY-CLL (421) | PI3K δ /CK1 ϵ | Relapsed/Refractory CLL/SLL | Umbralisib + Ublituximab vs. Obinutuzumab + Chlorambucil | 83% vs. 68% | 31.9 vs. 17.9 months | Not Reached vs. Not Reached | Diarrhea, neutropenia, nausea, hepatotoxicity | Lancet Haematology, 2021 |
| Alpelisib | SOLAR-1 (572) | PI3K α | HR+/HER2- Advanced Breast Cancer | Alpelisib + Fulvestrant vs. Placebo + Fulvestrant | 36% vs. 16% | 11.0 vs. 5.7 months | 39.3 months vs. 31.4 months | Hyperglycemia, rash, diarrhea, fatigue | NEJM, 2019 |

Idelalisib + Rituximab vs Idelasib

- Duration of progression-free survival : idelalisib and rituximab : not reached; placebo and rituximab : 5.5 months ($P < 0.001$) (Panel A)
- The median duration of overall survival in the two study groups had also not been reached; the overall survival rate was 92% in the idelalisib group versus 80% in the placebo group at 12 months ($P = 0.02$)



The phase 3 DUO trial: duvelisib vs ofatumumab (CD20) in relapsed and refractory CLL/SLL



The phase 3 DUO trial: duvelisib vs ofatumumab in relapsed and refractory CLL/SLL, Blood, 2018,



PI3K Inhibitor Toxicities

| | Idelalisib N= 146 | Copanlisib N= 244 | Duvelisib N= 442 | Umbralisib N= 371 |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Grade ≥ 3 AE | 71% | 85% | 84% | 51% |
| SAEs | 50% | 51% | 65% | 26% |
| Discontinuations due to AE | 23% | 24% | 35% | 15% |
| Dose Reduction due to AE | 41% | 24% | 23% | 10% |
| Grade ≥ 3 Infection | 23% | 23% | 27% | 20% |
| Grade ≥ 3 Neutropenia | 28% | 29% | 43% | 17% |
| Grade ≥ 3 Diarrhea/Colitis | 14% | 5% | 23% | 7% |
| Grade ≥ 3 AST/ALT increase | 18% | 2% | 8% | 7% |
| Grade ≥ 3 Rash | 4% | 2% | 9% | 3% |
| Grade ≥ 3 Pneumonitis | 5% | 7% | 7% | 1% |
| Grade ≥ 3 Hyperglycemia | - | 34% | - | - |
| Grade ≥ 3 Hypertension | - | 29% | - | - |


Abbreviations: AE- Adverse Event; SAE- Serious Adverse Event



The saga of PI3K inhibitors in haematological malignancies: survival is the ultimate safety endpoint

The Lancet Oncology, Volume 23, Issue 5, 563 – 566

| | Initial approval information* | Post-approval trials | Outcome |
|---|--|---|--|
| Idelalisib (PI3Kδ inhibitor) | | | |
| Regular approval | 2014: in combination with R + idelalisib vs placebo + R in relapsed CLL : progression-free survival HR 0.18 (95% CI 0.10–0.31), OS : immature | <p>2016: three RCTs halted in CLL or indolent non-Hodgkin lymphoma for increased deaths and serious toxic side-effects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● idelalisib + bendamustine + R vs placebo plus bendamustine plus R in untreated CLL ● idelalisib + R vs placebo + R in relapsed or refractory indolent non-Hodgkin lymphoma ● idelalisib with bendamustine + R vs placebo with Bendamustine + R in relapsed or refractory indolent non-Hodgkin lymphoma. <p>Pooled analysis : idelalisib groups vs control: deaths 7.4% vs 3.5%, overall survival HR 2.29 (95% CI 1.26–4.18)¹</p> | Warning and limitations of use added to prescribing information (2016, 2018) |
| Accelerated approval | 2014: relapsed FL and SLL after ≥2 systemic therapies on single-arm trial: FL : ORR 54% , MRD : not reached; SLL : ORR 58% (95% CI 37–77), MDR : 11.9 months | Required post-marketing trial: slow accrual to trial evaluating idelalisib dosage in relapsed or refractory follicular lymphoma | Voluntary withdrawal of FL and SLL indications (2022) |
| Copanlisib (PI3Kα and PI3Kδ inhibitor) | | | |
| Accelerated approval | 2017: relapsed FL after ≥2 systemic therapies based on single-arm trial: ORR 59% (95% CI 49–68), MDR: 12.2 months | CHRONOS-3: RCT of copanlisib + rituximab vs placebo + rituximab in relapsed indolent non-Hodgkin lymphoma: ² progression-free survival HR 0.52 (95% CI 0.39–0.69), interim OS HR 1.07 (95% CI 0.63–1.82) | Voluntary withdrawal of NDA based on CHRONOS-3 |

| | Initial approval information* | Post-approval trials | Outcome |
|--|---|--|--|
| Duvelisib (PI3Kδ and PI3Kγ inhibitor) | | | |
| Regular approval | 2018: relapsed or refractory CLL or SLL after ≥2 therapies based on a RCT of duvelisib vs ofatumumab in relapsed or refractory CLL or SLL: PFS HR 0·52 , OS : immature | Final analysis, duvelisib vs ofatumumab: overall survival HR 1·11 (95% CI 0·80–1·53) | Under FDA review: Not indicated for initial or 2 nd line treatment in CLL or SLL |
| Accelerated approval | 2018: relapsed or refractory FL after ≥2 systemic therapies based on single-arm trial: ORR 42% (95% CI 31–54), 43% of responses were ongoing at ≥6 months and 17% at ≥12 months | Required post-marketing trial: RCT was not initiated for commercial reasons | Voluntary withdrawal of follicular lymphoma indication (2021) |
| Umbralisib (PI3Kδ and CK1ε inhibitor) | | | |
| Accelerated approval | 2021: relapsed or refractory FL after ≥3 systemic therapies and relapsed or refractory MZL after ≥1 anti-CD20-based regimen on single-arm trial: FL : ORR 43%, MDR 11·1 months; MZL : ORR 49% , MDR : not reached | UNITY-CLL: RCT of umbralisib + ublituximab vs obinutuzumab + chlorambucil in untreated and relapsed or refractory CLL : PFS HR 0·55 (95% CI 0·41–0·72); interim OS : HR 1·23 ^{5‡} |  Withdrawal in CLL , June, 2022 |

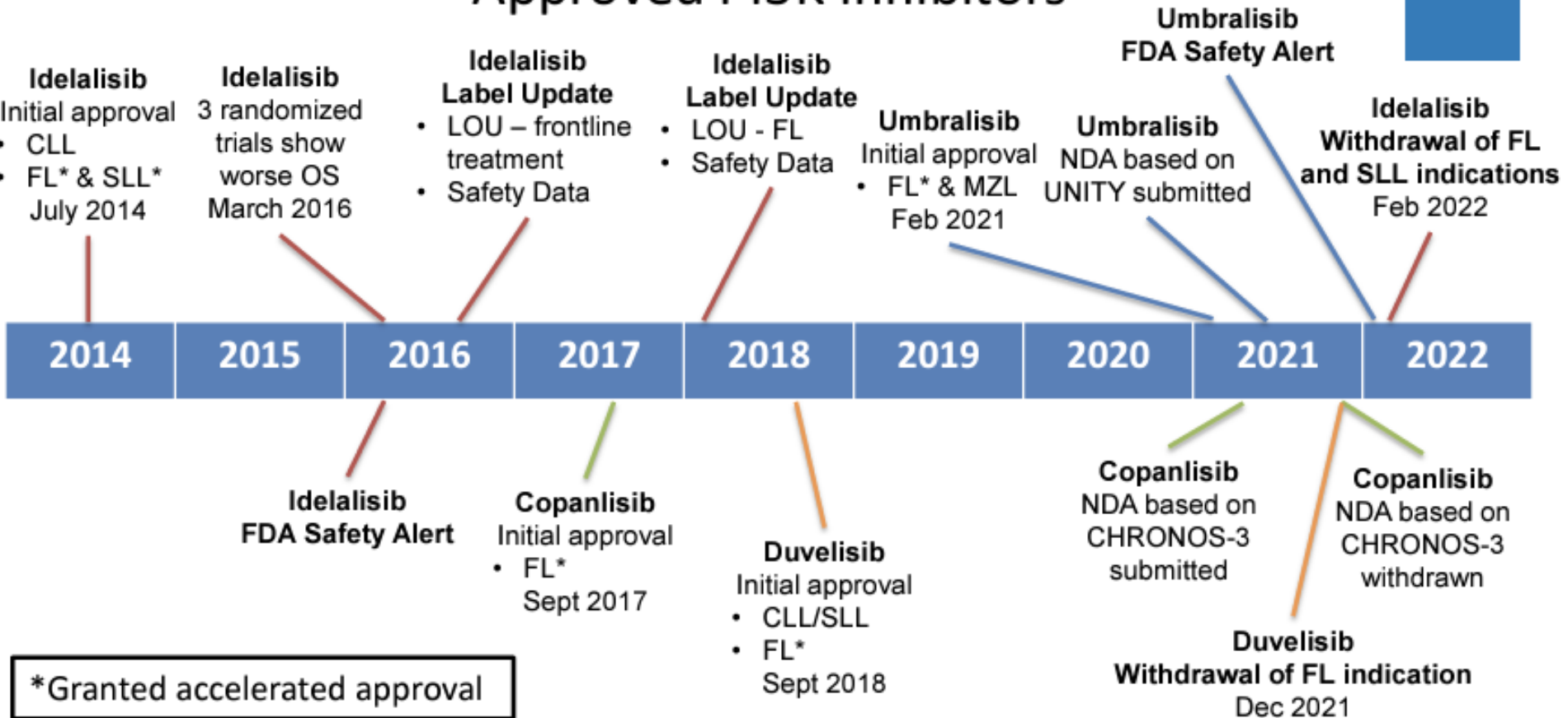
FDA=US Food and Drug Administration. HR=hazard ratio. NDA=new drug application. ODAC=Oncologic Drugs Advisory Committee. RCT=randomised controlled trial. chronic lymphocytic leukaemia (CLL) or small lymphocytic lymphoma (SLL), follicular lymphoma (FL) MZL: marginal zone lymphoma, Median of response duration (MRD)

Multiple Randomized Trials with Concerning Overall Survival



| Study | Population & Treatment | Deaths PI3Ki arm | Deaths Control arm | Hazard Ratio (95% CI) |
|-----------|--|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 312-0123 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Untreated CLL • Bendamustine and rituximab ± idelalisib | 8% (12/157) | 3% (4/154) | 3.34 (1.08, 10.39) |
| 313-0124 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previously treated indolent NHL • Rituximab ± idelalisib | 5% (10/191) | 1% (1/95) | 4.74 (0.6, 37.12) |
| 313-0125 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previously treated indolent NHL • Bendamustine and rituximab ± idelalisib | 8% (27/320) | 6% (9/155) | 1.51 (0.71, 3.23) |
| DUO | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previously treated CLL • Duvelisib vs ofatumumab | 50% (80/160) | 44% (70/159) | 1.09 (0.79, 1.51) |
| CHRONOS-3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previously treated indolent NHL • Rituximab ± copanlisib | 18% (56/307) | 21% (32/151) | 0.87 (0.57, 1.35) |
| UNITY-CLL | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Untreated and previously treated CLL • Umbralisib + ublituximab vs GC | - | - | 1.23 |

Approved PI3K Inhibitors



The status of PI3K inhibitors (忘了吧)

● Toxicity and Safety Concerns

- **Infections:** Higher risk of opportunistic infections (PJP, CMV), **Diarrhea and Colitis:** Significant gastrointestinal toxicities, including severe diarrhea and colitis, **Hepatotoxicity, Pneumonitis**
- **Higher Mortality:** trials revealed a higher mortality rate in patients taking PI3K inhibitors, even though the drugs were effective in shrinking tumors.

● Disappointing Long-Term Efficacy:

- **Shorter PFS:** showed promising progression-free survival (PFS) data, the benefits often did not translate into prolonged overall survival (OS)
- **Relapse and Resistance:** Resistance mechanisms often emerged, leading to early relapse or disease progression .

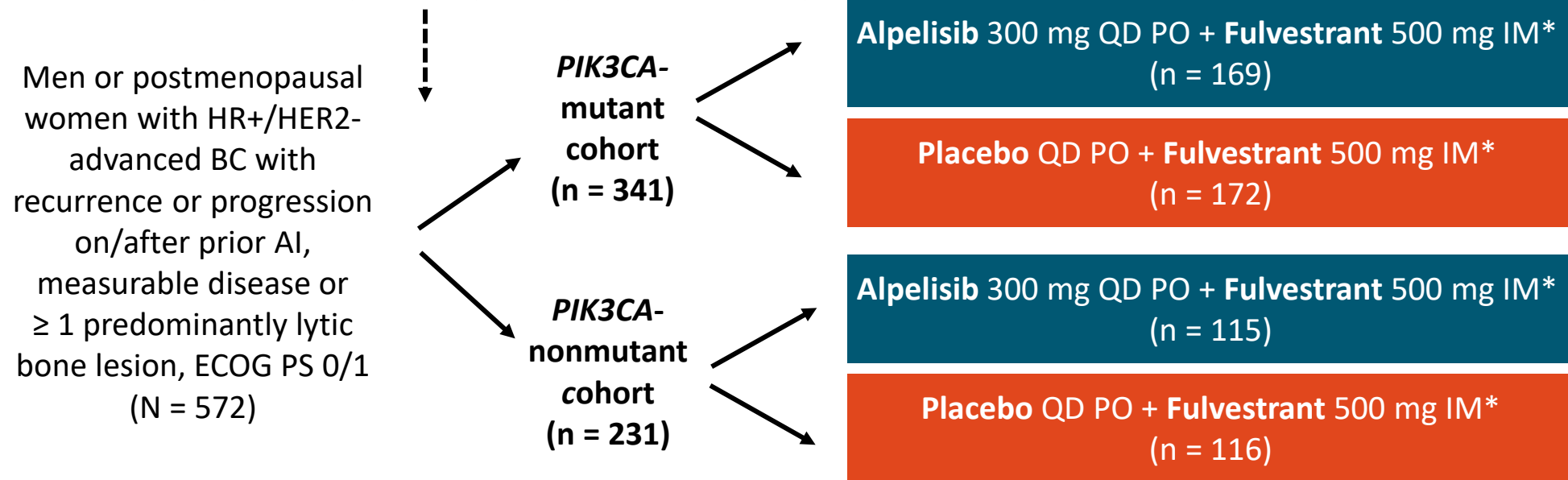
● Regulatory Scrutiny (監管審查) Specific Withdrawals:

- **Umbralisib** (withdrawn in 2022): An interim analysis of the UNITY-CLL trial showed increased risks of death and severe adverse events.
- **Duvelisib:** While still approved, it has faced restrictions and negative recommendations
- **Idelalisib:** Associated with high rates of serious infections and liver toxicity, leading to several clinical trial halts and decreased usage in practice.

SOLAR-1: Alpelisib + Fulvestrant vs Placebo + Fulvestrant in HR+/HER2- Advanced Breast Cancer

- Randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled phase III trial

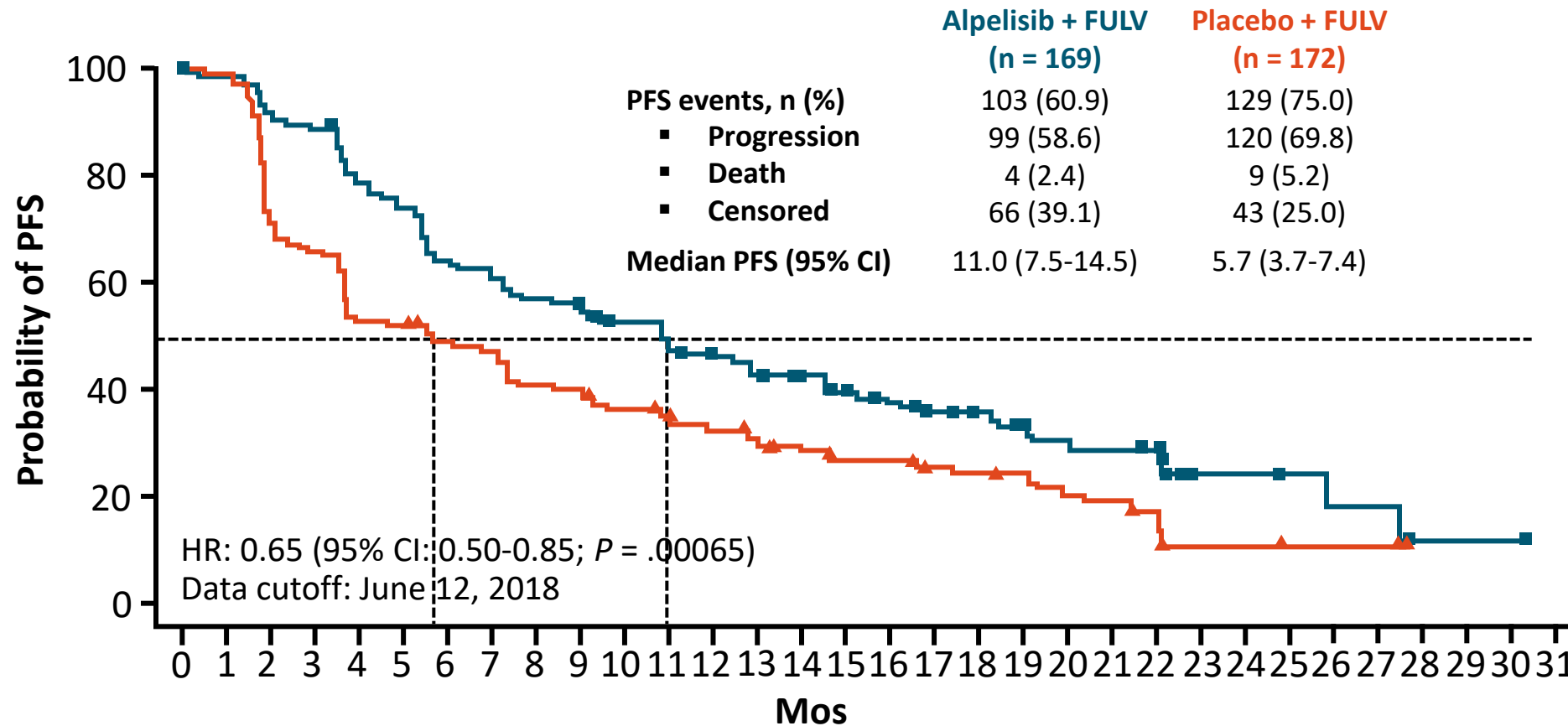
Stratification by presence of liver/lung mets, prior CDK4/6i therapy



*Fulvestrant given on Days 1,15 of 28 in cycle 1, then Day 1 thereafter.

- Primary endpoint:** PFS (locally assessed) in all patients randomized to *PIK3CA*-mutant cohort
- Secondary endpoints:** OS in *PIK3CA*-mutant cohort; PFS in *PIK3CA*-nonmutant cohort (proof of concept); PFS in ctDNA and ORR/CBR for both cohorts; safety for patients with ≥ 1 dose study drug

SOLAR-1: Locally Assessed PFS in *PIK3CA*-Mutant Cohort (Primary Endpoint)



- Mutation status from tissue
- Similar results when mutation status from ctDNA
- Only 6% of patients with prior CD4/6i exposure

Patients at Risk, n

Alpelisib + FULV

169 158 145 141 123 113 97 95 85 82 75 71 62 54 50 43 39 32 30 27 17 16 14 5 5 4 3 3 1 1 1 0

Placebo + FULV

172 167 120 111 89 88 80 77 67 66 58 54 48 41 37 29 29 21 20 19 14 13 9 3 3 2 2 2 0 0 0 0

Before Initiating Alpelisib: Considerations

All Patients^[1]

Verify pregnancy status in women of reproductive potential prior to initiating alpelisib

Consider an antihistamine when initiating alpelisib

- Prophylactic antihistamines administered prior to rash onset on SOLAR-1 decreased incidence and severity of rash

Baseline glucose

Assess **FPG** and **A1C** before initiating treatment with alpelisib

- **Optimize blood glucose** before initiating alpelisib

Plan for glucose monitoring after treatment initiation

Monitor fasting glucose:

- At least weekly during the first 2 wks
- Then at least every 4 wks and as clinically indicated

Monitor A1C:

- Every 3 mos and as clinically indicated

Hyperglycemia Monitoring Schedule^[1,2]

Additional monitoring as clinically indicated



Prediabetic/Diabetic Patients*^[1]

Closely monitor glucose, may require intensified antihyperglycemic treatment

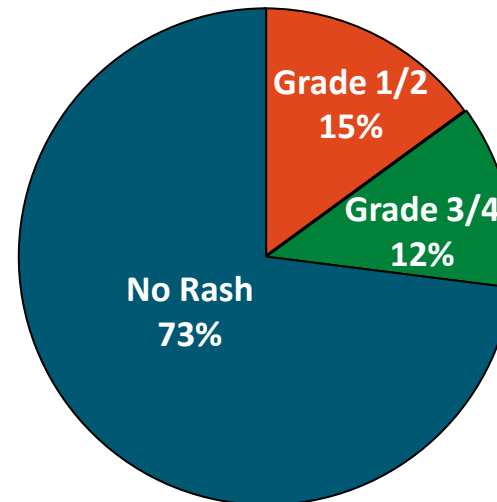
Counsel patients on lifestyle changes related to exercise and dietary intake, as appropriate

*SOLAR-1 excluded patients with type 1 diabetes or uncontrolled type 2 diabetes. At baseline in alpelisib arm, 56% of patients were prediabetic (FPG 5.6 to < 7.0 mmol/L and A1C 5.7% to < 6.5%) and 4% were diabetic (FPG \geq 7.0 mmol/L or A1C \geq 6.5%).^[2,3]

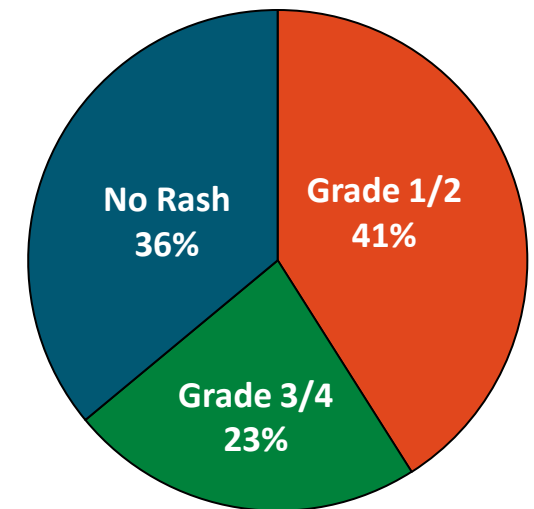
Understanding and Modifying Toxicity Associated With Alpelisib

- For patients who received alpelisib + FULV, antihistamine prophylaxis markedly reduced rash
 - Of patients who received anti-rash prophylaxis
 - 69.8% received antihistamines
 - Rash occurred in 26.7% with prophylaxis and 64.1% without
 - Grade 3/4 reduced by 50%

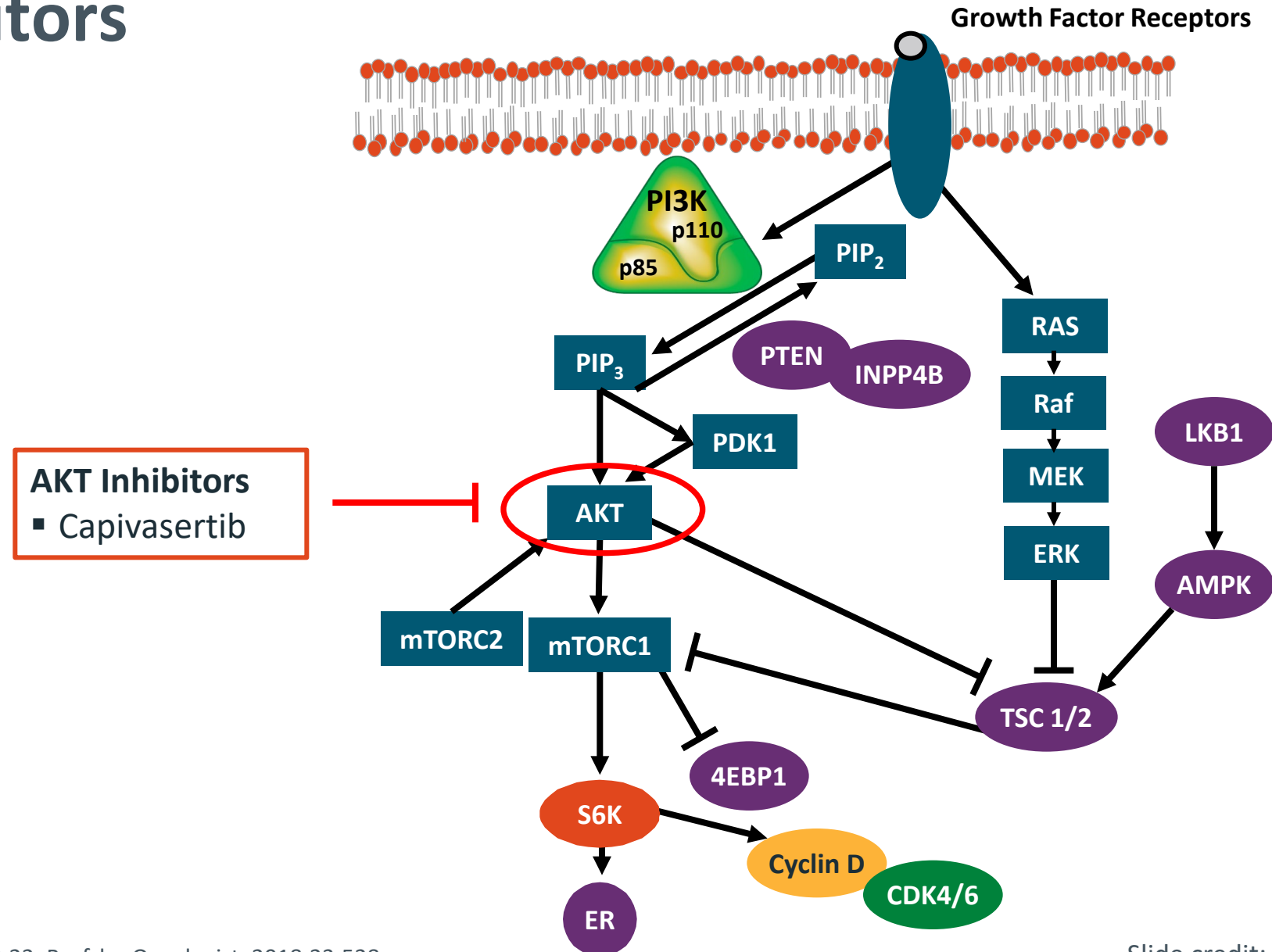
Alpelisib + FULV
Prophylactic Anti-rash Medication
(n = 86)



Alpelisib + FULV
No Prophylactic Anti-rash Medication
(n = 198)



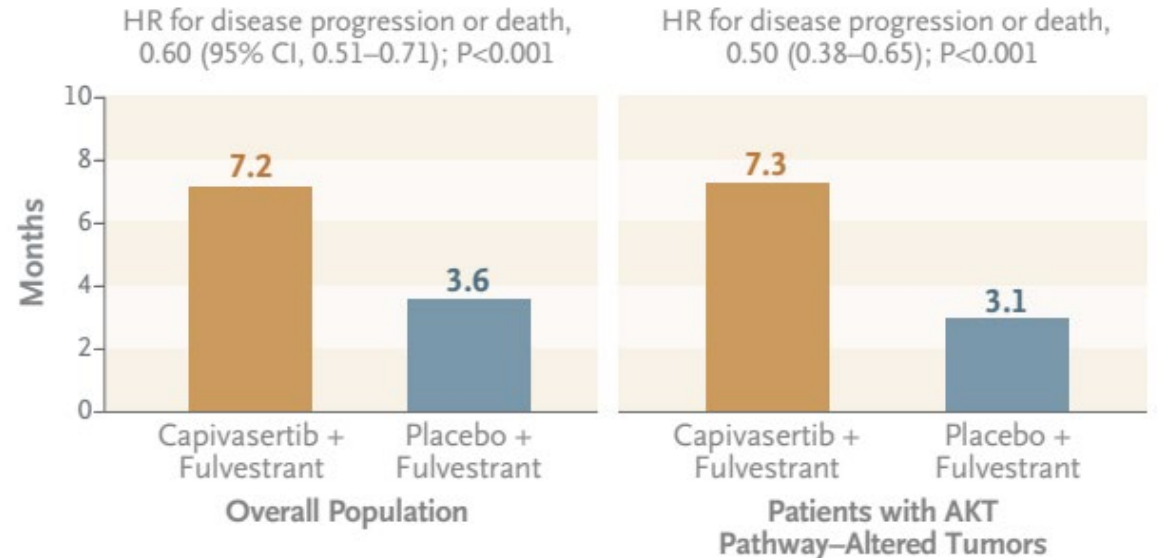
AKT Inhibitors



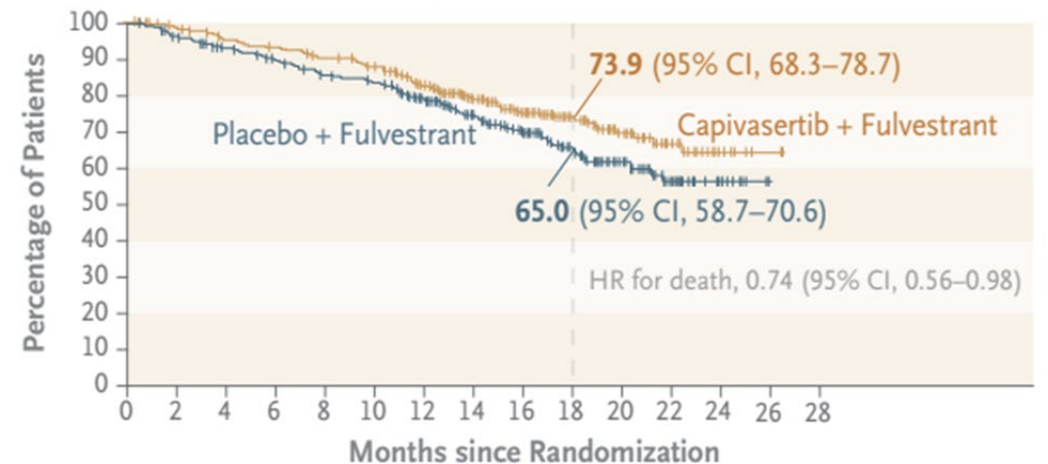
Capivasertib in Hormone Receptor–Positive Advanced Breast Cancer

- HR(+), HER2(-), disease progression after first-line treatment with endocrine therapy, with or without CDK4/6 inhibitors.
- Intervention: 708 women or men
 - oral capivasertib (400 mg bid for 4 days, followed by 3 days off) plus IM fulvestrant (500 mg q 14 days for the first three injections and every 28 days thereafter) VS matching placebo plus fulvestrant.
- PFS, AKT pathway–altered tumors, overall survival.

Median Progression-free Survival

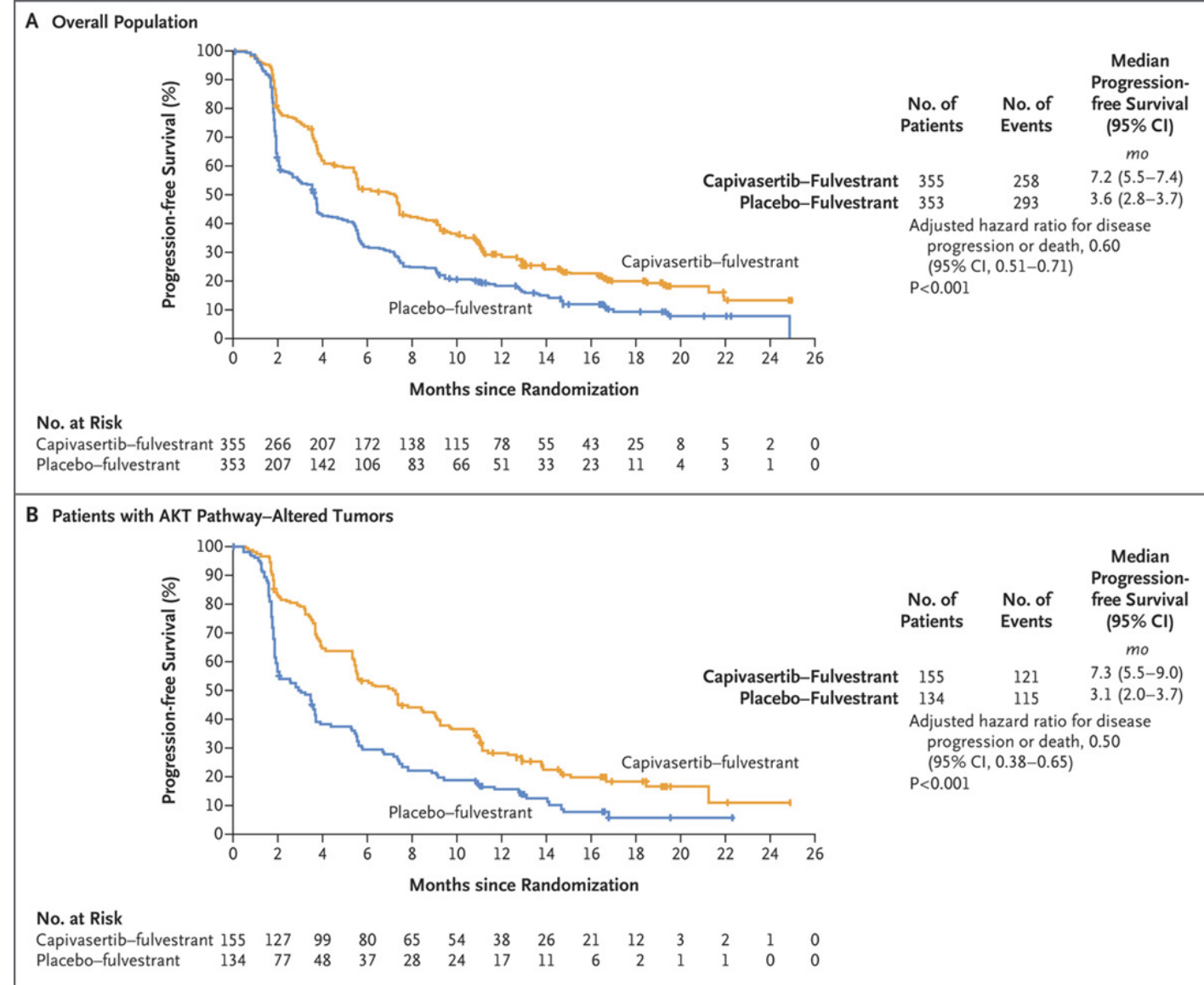


Overall Survival

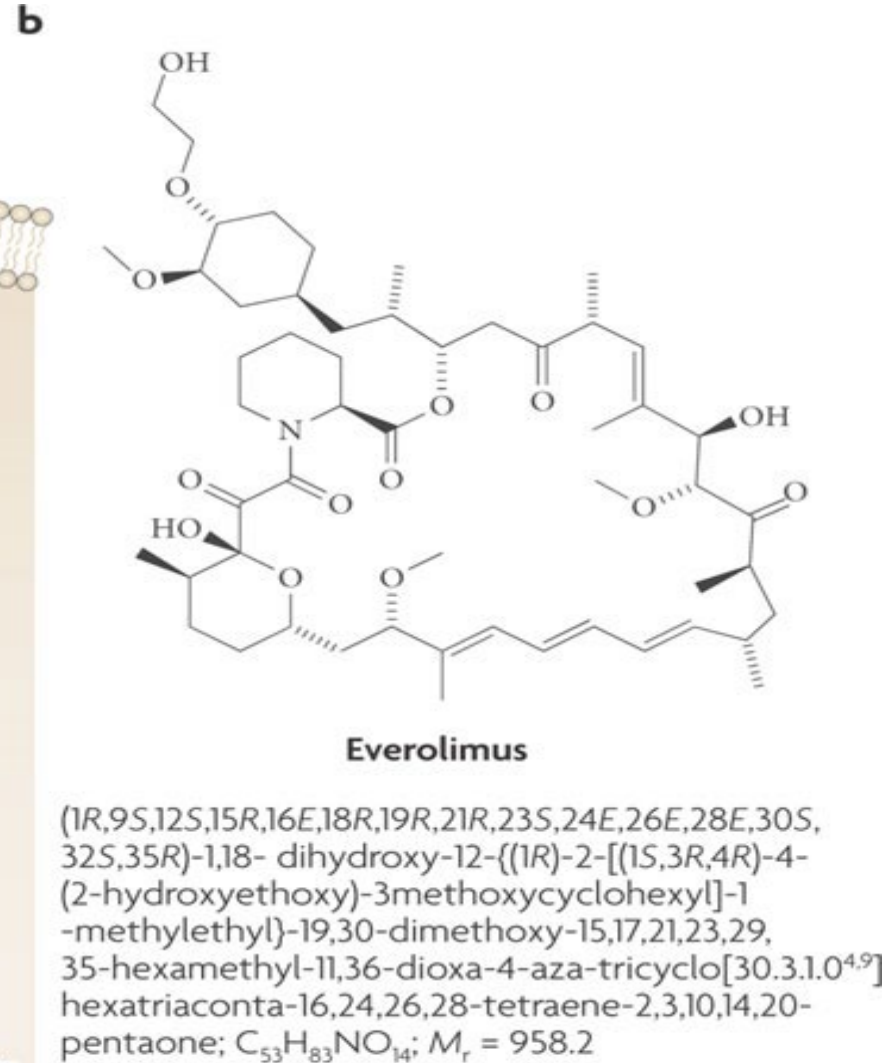
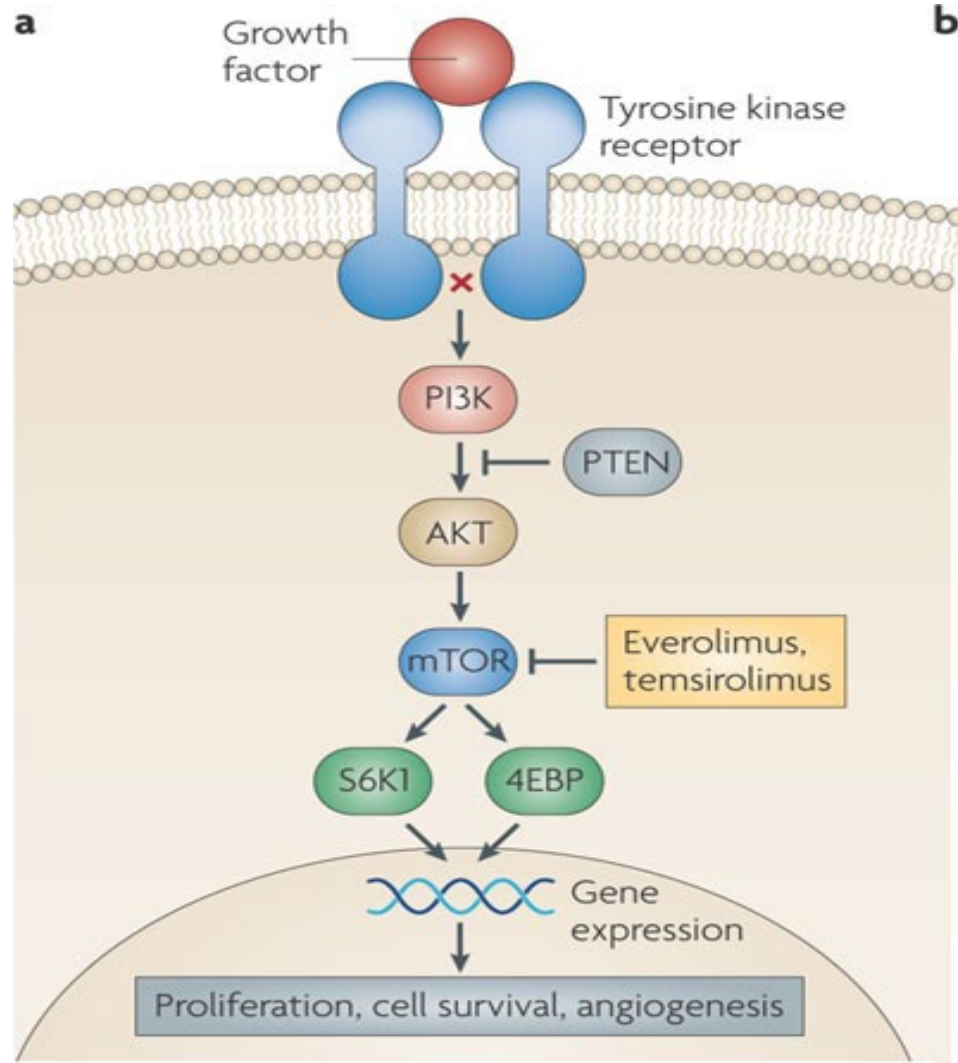


Capivasertib in Hormone Receptor–Positive Advanced Breast Cancer

- **Efficacy:** PFS was significantly longer with capivasertib plus fulvestrant than with placebo plus fulvestrant, both in the overall population and among patients with AKT pathway–altered tumors.
- **Safety:** capivasertib, diarrhea, hyperglycemia, and rash were the most common adverse events, occurring in 72.4% and 38.0% of patients, respectively

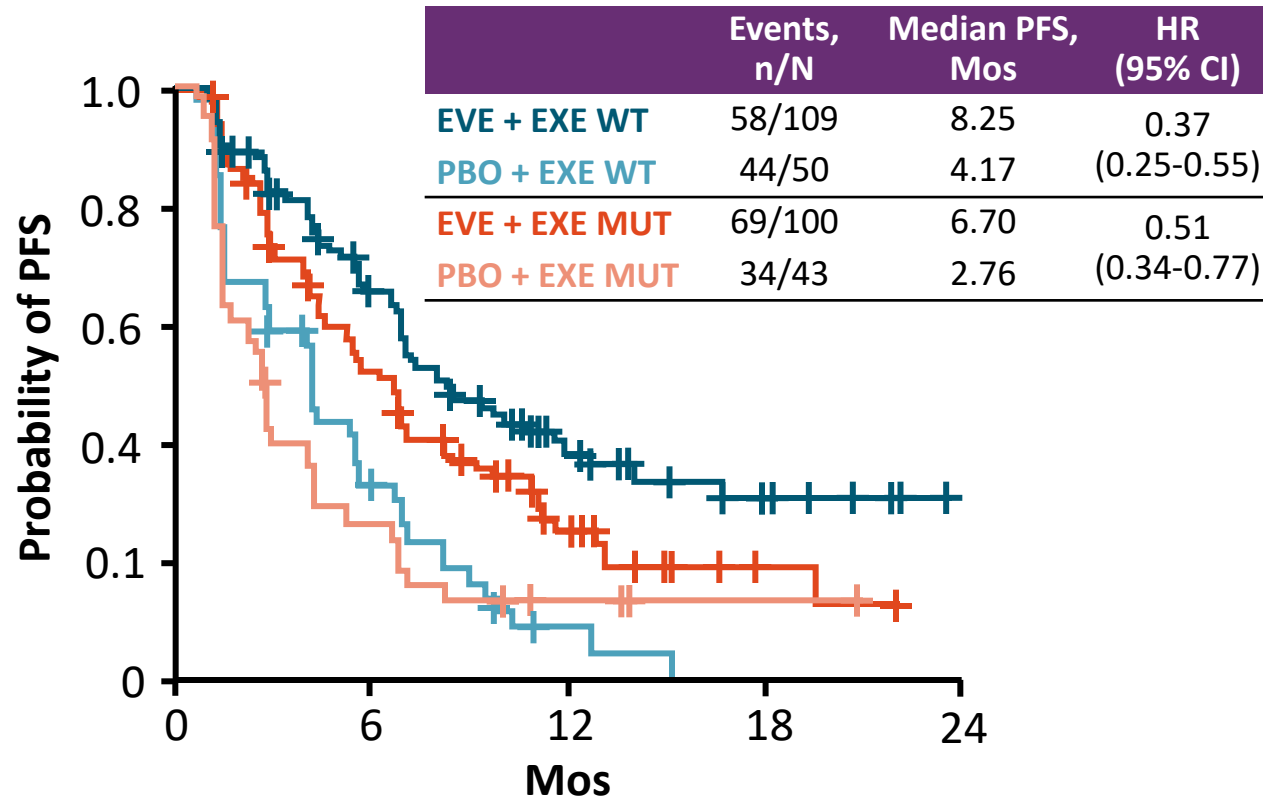


mTOR : is a serine/threonine-specific protein kinase that belongs to the family of phosphatidylinositol-3 kinase (PI3K) related kinases (PIKKs).

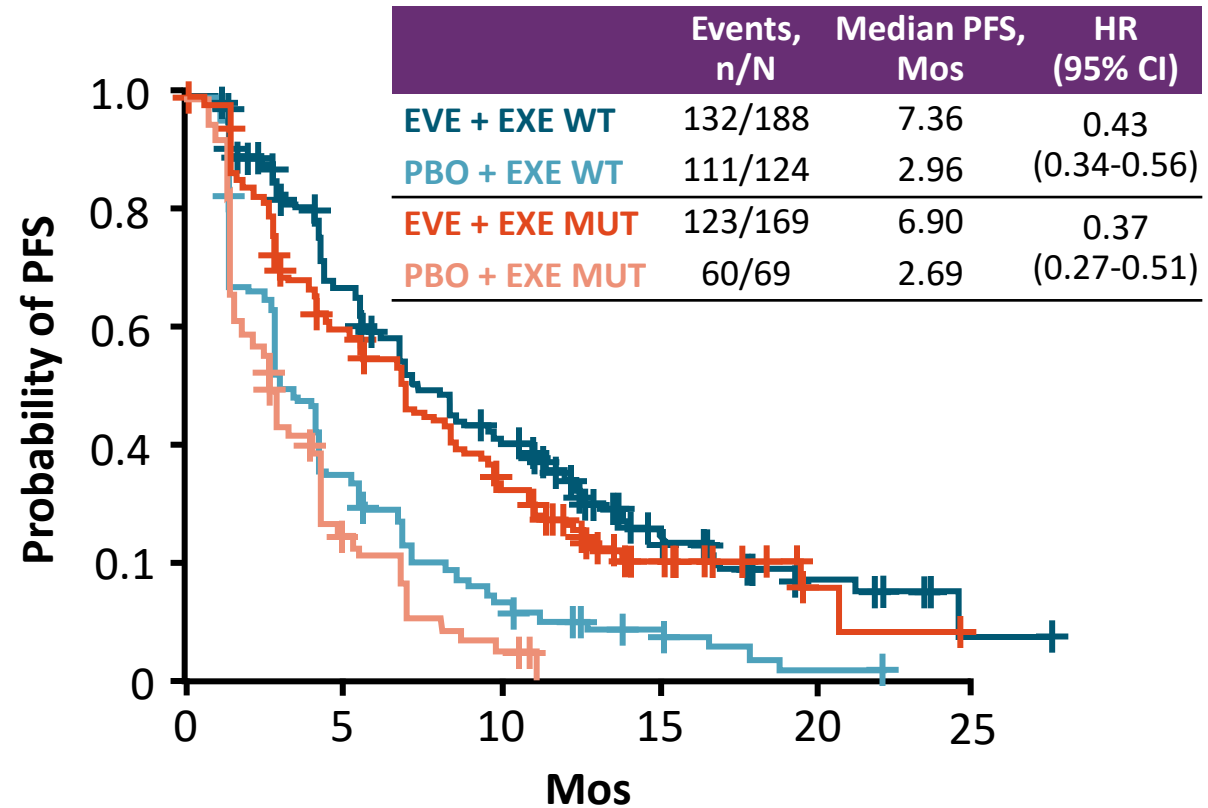


BOLERO-2: PFS by *PIK3CA* Mutational Status

PFS by *PIK3CA* Mutation Status in Tumor Tissue^[1]



PFS by *PIK3CA* Mutation Status in cfDNA^[2]



- Tumor samples (all archival) from 302 (42%) patients had NGS data available for evaluation

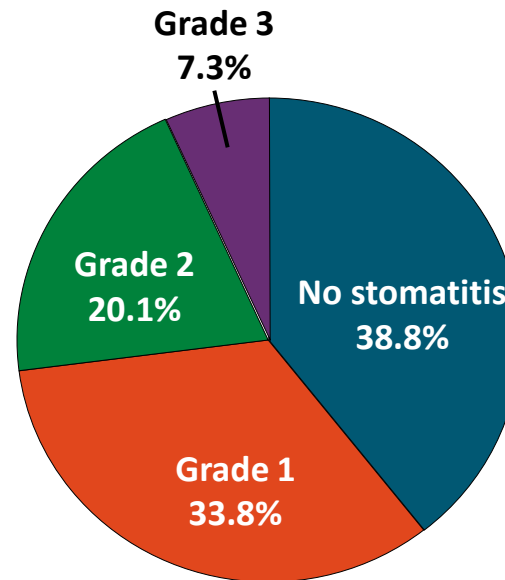
- 550 patients (76%) underwent *PIK3CA* cfDNA analysis

No prior CDK4/6i exposure

Understanding and Modifying Toxicity Associated With Everolimus

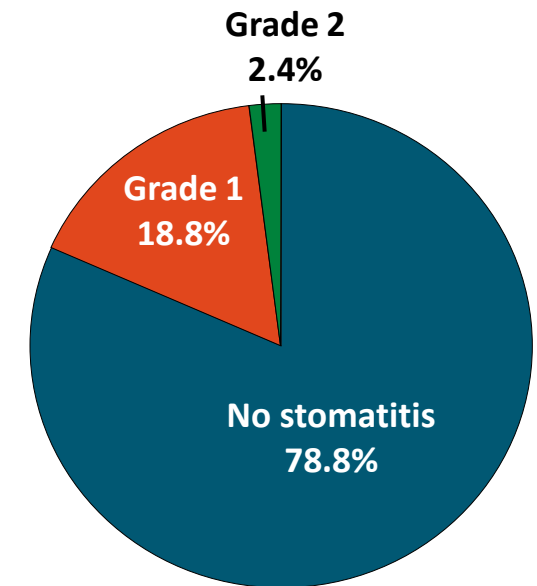
- Understanding timelines and mechanism (to some degree) helps develop effective prophylactic and management strategies for toxicity
- Phase II SWISH trial: steroid mouthwash[‡] essentially eliminated stomatitis in postmenopausal patients with HR+/HER2- MBC receiving everolimus + exemestane
 - Grade ≥ 2 stomatitis was 2.4% (n = 2) by 8 wks in SWISH vs 27.4% by 8 wks in BOLERO-2 (primary endpoint) and 33% over total study duration

BOLERO-2:
Wk 8 Stomatitis* (N = 482)



*No grade 4 stomatitis.

SWISH:
Wk 8 Stomatitis[†] (N = 85)



[†]No grade 3/4 stomatitis.

[‡]Dosing: 10 mL alcohol-free dexamethasone 0.5 mg per 5 mL oral solution. Swish for 2 min then spit. Repeat 4x per day for 8 wks.

The PI3K-AKT-mTOR Inhibition: Summary

- α -specific inhibitor, alpelisib, suggests significant improvements in ORR and PFS and now FDA approved for *PIK3CA* ER+ breast cancer
- Activity of AKT inhibitors with endocrine therapy appears promising from phase 3 data, PFS was significantly longer with capivasertib plus fulvestrant than with fulvestrant alone.
- The addition of everolimus to fulvestrant or exemestane results in a significant improvement in PFS and can be a standard option in patients who progress on CDK4/6 inhibition
- The saga of PI3K inhibitors in haematological malignancies: survival is the ultimate safety endpoint.

Ras-Raf-Mek-ERK Pathway

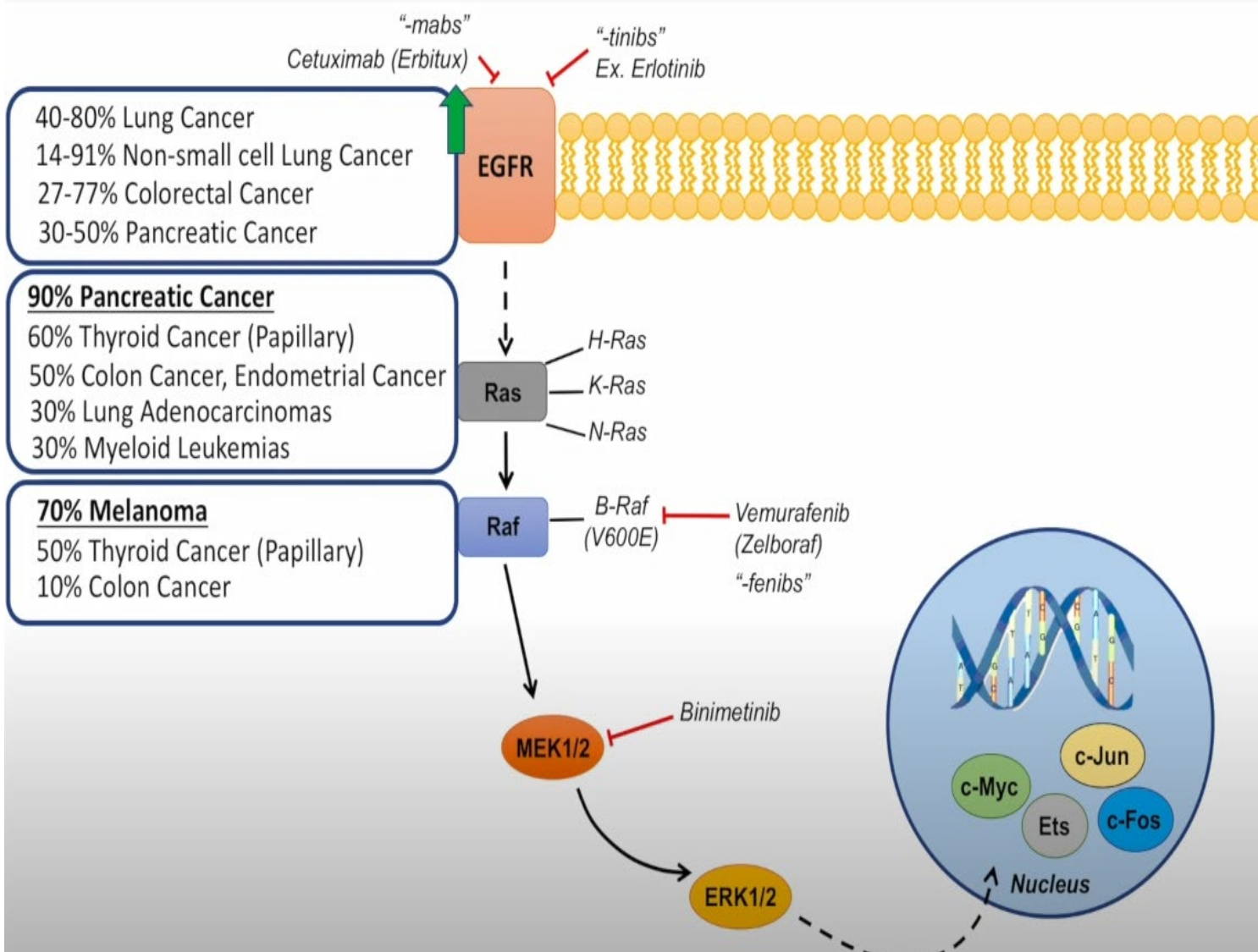
As a critical target in cancer research, particularly because mutations in components of this pathway, especially Ras and Raf (such as BRAF mutations), are commonly found in a variety of cancers.

Development of targeted therapies, such as BRAF and MEK inhibitors, which are now used in the treatment of cancers like melanoma, colorectal cancer, and non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC).

History of The Ras-Raf-MEK-ERK pathway (MAPK pathway)

- Cell signaling pathway (cell division, differentiation, and survival)
- Mutations in this pathway, particularly in the BRAF gene, are implicated in various cancers
- Discovery of Ras proteins (Late 1970s and 1980s): The oncogenes of several retroviruses were identified as homologs of human genes.
 - The Harvey (H-Ras) and Kirsten (K-Ras) rat sarcoma viral oncogenes were discovered.
 - These genes were later found to encode small GTPases, which are central components of the Ras signaling pathway.
- Raf was identified as a cellular protein that associates with Ras (1980). Subsequent work showed that Ras can activate Raf, a kinase that phosphorylates and activates MEK.
- Discovery of MEK and ERK (1990s)
 - MEK as an upstream activator of ERK (extracellular signal-regulated kinase)
 - Three-tiered kinase cascade: Ras activates Raf, which activates MEK, which in turn activates ERK.
- 1990s and 2000s: the regulation of cell proliferation, differentiation, survival, and angiogenesis – all critical processes in cancer development and progression. Followed by Drug Development (Late 1990s onwards)

The RAS-RAF-MEK-ERK (Mitogen-activated protein kinase pathway)



H-Ras : 膀胱癌
 K-Ras : 大腸、胰臟癌。
 N-Ras : 血液腫瘤

- **RAS (Rat Sarcoma)**
 - **Function:** RAS proteins are small GTPases that act as molecular switches.
 - Type of mutation : **KRAS, NRAS, and HRAS Mutations:** common in various cancers, including pancreatic, colorectal, and lung cancers.
 - **RAS Inhibitors:** KRAS G12C inhibitors sotorasib and adagrasib
- **RAF (Rapidly Accelerated Fibrosarcoma)**
 - **Function:** RAF kinases (ARAF, BRAF, CRAF) are serine/threonine-specific protein kinases.
 - Type of mutation : **BRAF Mutations:** Particularly the V600E mutation, in melanomas, thyroid and colorectal cancer.
 - **RAF Inhibitors:** Vemurafenib, dabrafenib, and encorafenib are BRAF inhibitors used in cancers with BRAF V600E mutations.
- **MEK (Mitogen-Activated Protein Kinase)**
 - **Function:** MEK1 and MEK2 are dual-specificity kinases that phosphorylate ERK on both threonine and tyrosine residues.
 - **MEK Inhibitors:** Trametinib, Cobimetinib, and Binimetinib are used in combination BRAF inhibitors to target the pathway more effectively.
- **ERK (Extracellular Signal-Regulated Kinase)**
 - **Function:** ERK1 and ERK2 (serine/threonine kinases) that regulate various cellular processes. ERK translocates to the nucleus to activate transcription factors that promote gene expression.
 - Type of mutation : various cancers, making it a target for therapy.
 - Inhibitors : under development

Protein Mutations in the Ras-Raf Pathway

• EGFR

- Overexpression of EGFR
- Increased activation of Ras-Raf-MEK-ERK pathway

• Ras

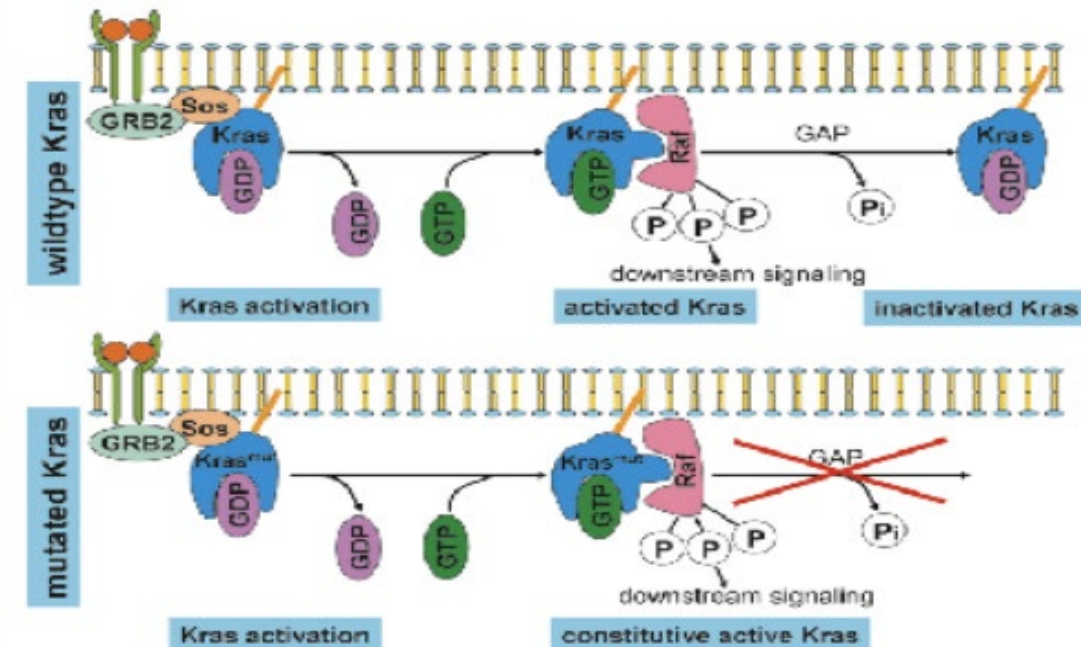
- *Mutated Ras unable to hydrolyze GTP ("On") back to GDP ("Off")*
 - *Permanently Active*
- 3 Ras Proteins (H, K, N)
 - *Mutations in Codons 12, 13, 59, 61*
- H-Ras → *Bladder Tumors*
- K-Ras → *Colon & Pancreas Tumors*
- N-Ras → *Hematopoietic Tumors*

• Raf

- 3 Raf Proteins (A, B, C)
- B-Raf (V600E)
 - *Constitutively Active*



A



B

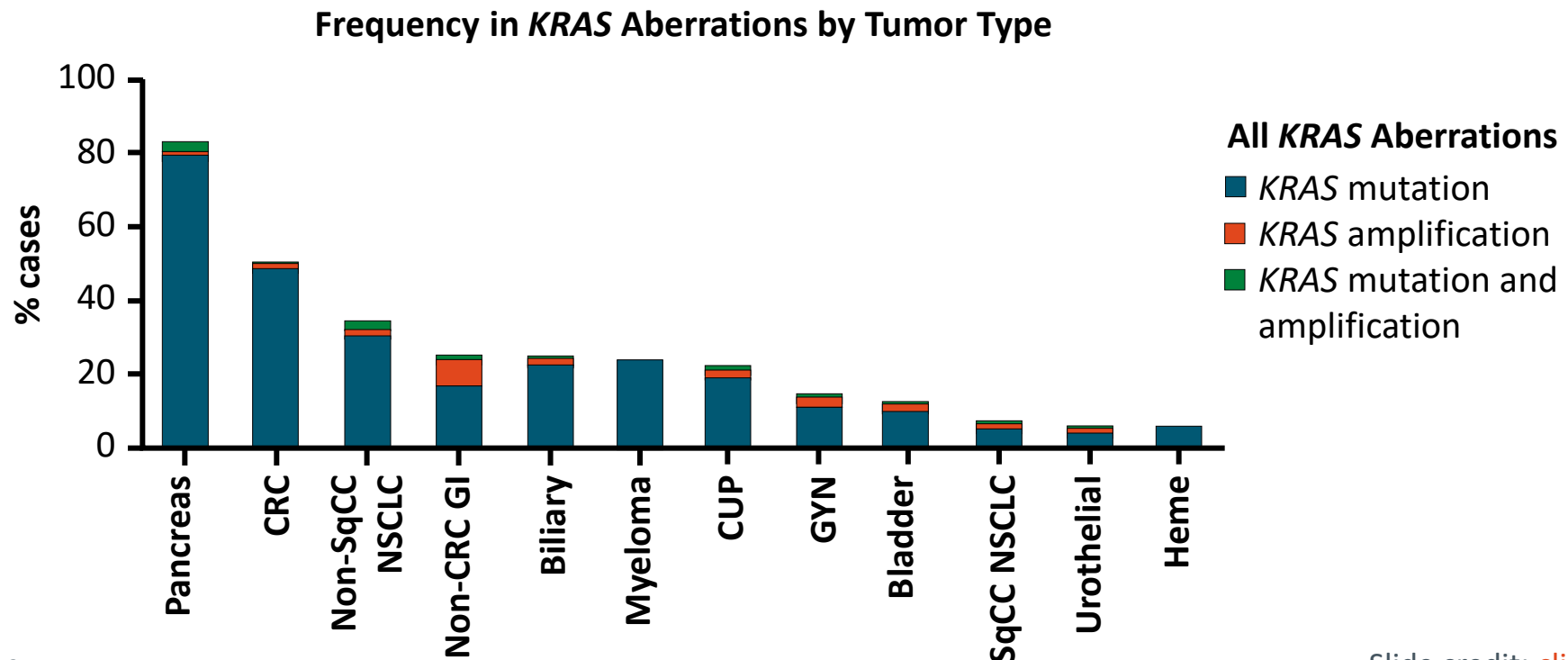
GTPases 通過在活性（GTP 結合）和非活性（GDP 結合）狀態之間進行循環，充當細胞功能調控的計時器或開關。

KRAS in medical history development

- RAS gene family : KRAS, NRAS, and HRAS encode a group of related proteins
 - play a critical role in signal transduction, control cell growth, differentiation, and survival.
- KRAS is located on chromosome 12 in humans.
 - RAF/MEK/ERK and PI3K/AKT/mTOR.
 - Mutations : pancreatic, colorectal, and lung cancers.
- NRAS: is located on chromosome 1 in humans.
 - Like KRAS
 - Mutations: NRAS are common in certain types of leukemia, melanoma, and thyroid cancer.
- HRAS: is located on chromosome 11 in humans.
 - same as KRAS and NRAS.
 - Mutations: HRAS mutations rare. In bladder cancer, head and neck tumors, and some types of skin cancers.

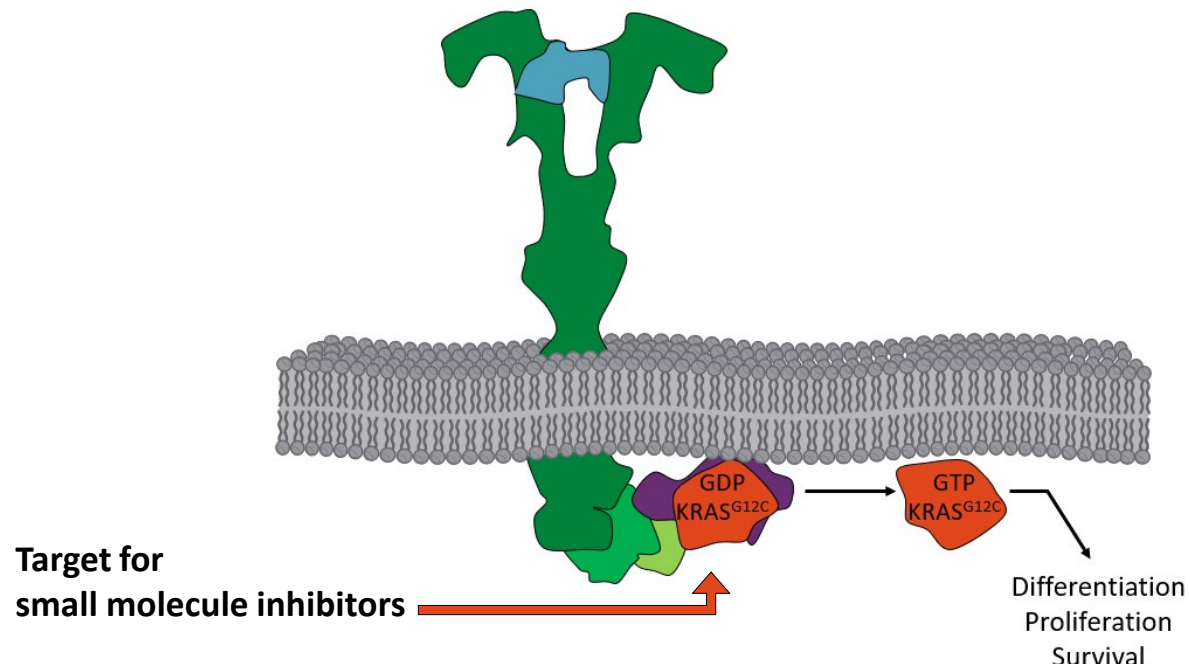
KRAS Mutations in Cancer

- Approximately 30% of all cancers are associated with a *RAS* mutation, suggesting that a mutation in *RAS* oncogenes may be a leading cause of carcinogenesis
 - Of the *RAS* oncogenes, mutation in *KRAS* is the most frequent, followed by *NRAS* and *HRAS*



KRAS p.G12C Mutation: Background

- GTP-bound KRAS^{G12C} enhances downstream signaling and drives tumor growth^[1,2]
- *KRAS* p.G12C mutation in 13% of NSCLC, and 1% to 3% of CRC and other solid tumors^[3]
- To date, sotorasib (AMG 510) and MRTX849 are the only small molecule inhibitors with known clinical efficacy inhibiting this pathway^[3,4]



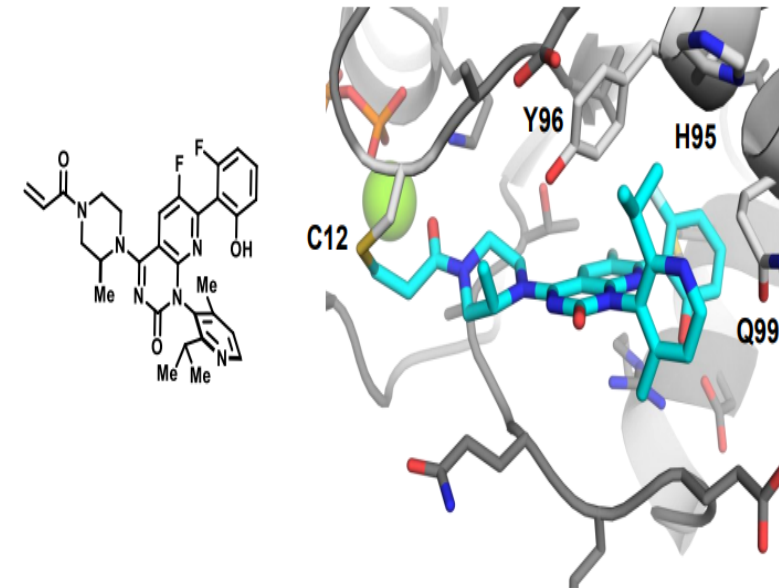
One Step at a Time — Clinical Evidence That KRAS Is Indeed Druggable

- Survival among patients with advanced-stage *KRAS*G12C non-small-cell lung cancer (NSCLC) or colorectal cancer is approximately 1 to 2 years nearly four decades
- RAS has picomolar affinity for guanosine triphosphate (GTP) and intracellular GTP concentrations are exceedingly high, early strategies to find compounds that preferentially bind to the RAS-GTP pocket failed.
- Other strategies have attempted to interfere with RAS activation by preventing its membrane localization or by inhibiting downstream kinase signaling, but these also failed because of resistance stemming from compensatory signaling.
- Shokat and colleagues designed covalent small-molecule inhibitors that irreversibly targeted the cysteine residue at codon 12 of KRAS, locking the protein into an inactive state. This major advance opened the door for a precision-medicine approach to targeting *KRAS*G12C-mutant tumors.
- Sotorasib (AMG510)
- Adagrasib (MRTX849) : a long half-life (23 hours), dose-dependent pharmacokinetics, and central nervous system (CNS) penetration.

Supplementary Figures

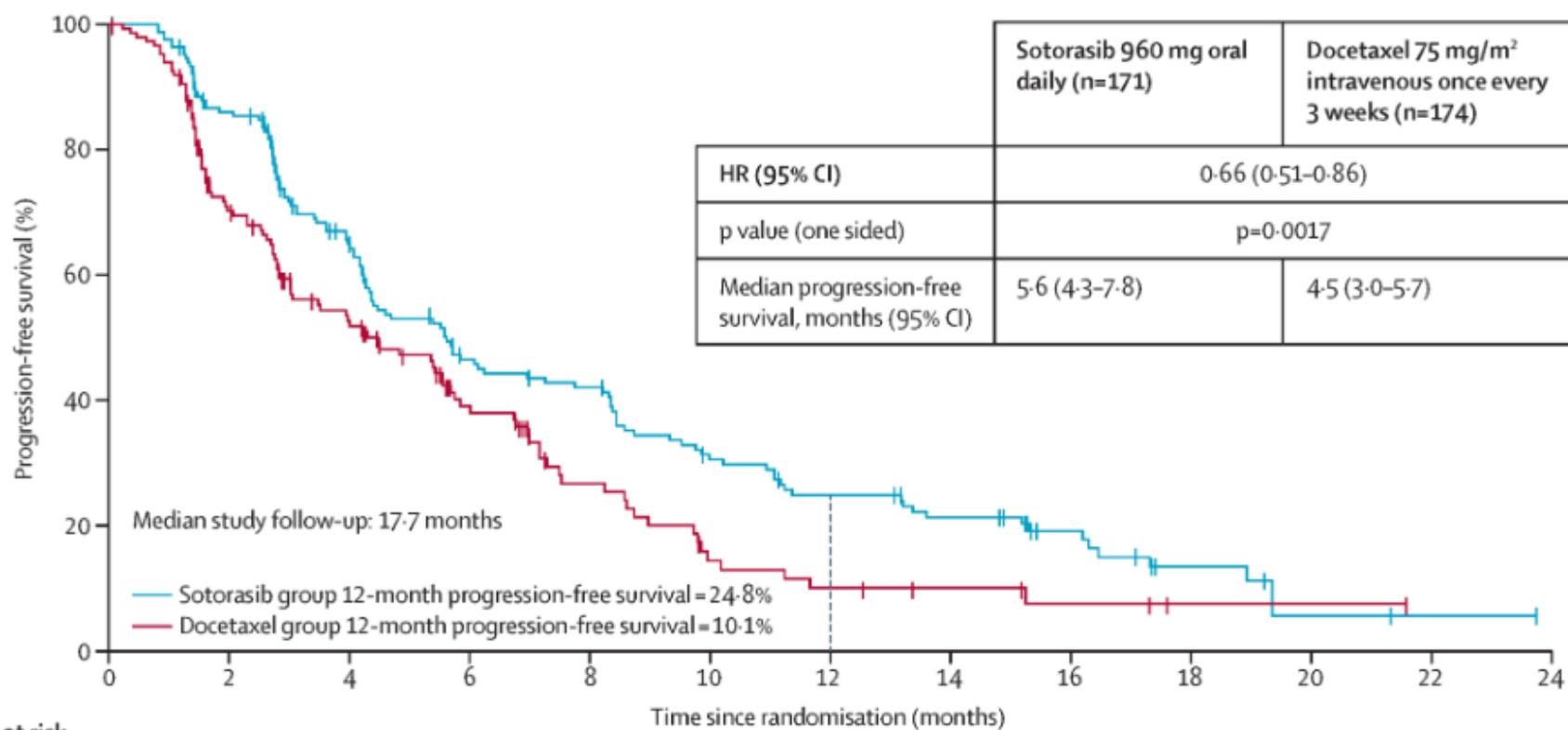
Figure S1. Co-crystal Structure of GDP-KRAS^{G12C} Bound by Sotorasib

Co-crystal structure of sotorasib bound to GDP-KRAS^{G12C}, confirming covalent bond formation between the acrylamide warhead and C12 and illustrating non-covalent contacts between the isopropylpyridine substituent and the H95/Y96/Q99 cryptic pocket. H95 denotes amino acid of histidine at position 95 of KRAS^{G12C}. Y96 denotes amino acid of tyrosine at position 96 of KRAS^{G12C}. Q99 denotes amino acid of glutamine at position 99 of KRAS^{G12C}. C12 denotes mutated cysteine at position 12.



| Drug | Trial Name | Indication | Comparative Protocol | ORR | PFS (months) | OS | Adverse Events | Source Journal |
|----------------------------|---|---|---|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Sotorasib (CodeBreak 100) | Pts : 127 | KRAS G12C-mutated advanced NSCLC | Single-arm | 41% | Mdr: 12.3 PFS : 6.3 | 12.5 months 2-year OS : 33%. | Diarrhea, musculoskeletal pain, nausea, fatigue, hepatotoxicity, cough | J Clin Oncol. 2023 Jun 20; 41(18): 3311–3317 |
| Sotorasib (CodeBreak 200) | Pts : 616 KRAS G12C-mutated NSCLC (2nd line) | mutated advanced NSCLC, after previous platinum-based chemotherapy and a PD-1 or PD-L1 inhibitor. | Sotorasib 960mg qd Vs Docetaxel (75 mg/m2 q 3 weeks) | 28.1% VS 37.1%) | 5.6 vs 4.5 months | 10.6 vs 11.3 months (P: 0.53) | Gastrointestinal AEs : diarrhea, hepatic toxicity, musculoskeletal pain, metabolic changes, pneumonia, rash | Lancet . 2023 Mar 4; 401 (10378):733-746 |
| Adagrasib | KRYSTAL-1 Pts : 116 | KRAS G12C-mutated NSCLC | 600mg q12 (Single-arm) | 48% | 6.5 months | 12.6 months | Nausea, diarrhea, fatigue, vomiting, hepatotoxicity, rash, abdominal pain | NEJM 2022;387:120-131 |
| Adagrasib | KRYSTAL-1 (Pts: 76) | KRAS G12C-mutated heavily pretreated patients with metastatic colorectal cancer | Cetuximab +Agagrasib vs Agagrasib | 46% vs 19% | 6.9 vs 5.6 months | 13.4 vs 19.8 months | Rash, nausea, diarrhea, vomiting, fatigue, musculoskeletal pain, hepatotoxicity, headache, dry skin, abdominal pain, decreased appetite, edema | NEJM 2023;388:44-54 |

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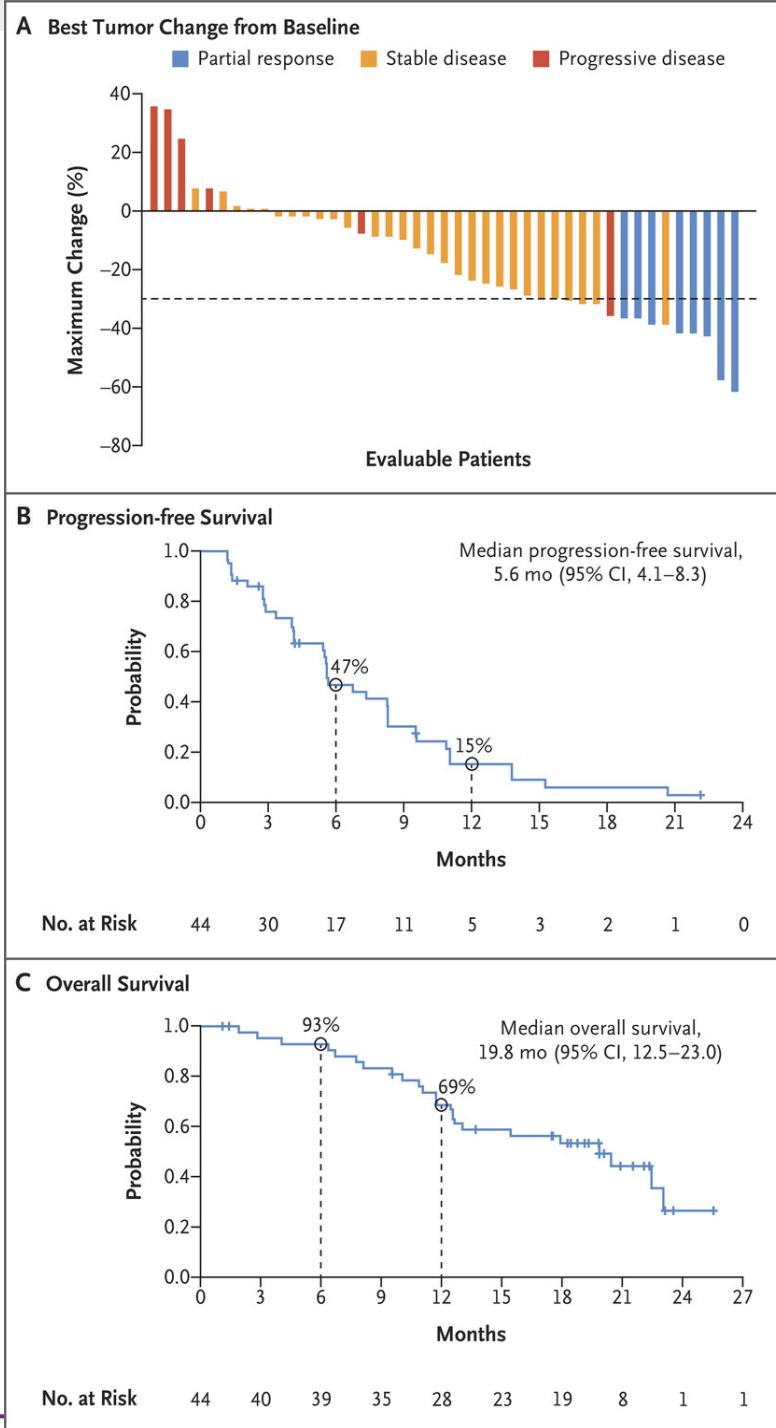
| Number at risk (number censored) | 0 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20 | 22 | 24 |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Sotorasib group | 171 (0) | 139 (9) | 93 (14) | 63 (4) | 56 (1) | 38 (3) | 30 (1) | 24 (2) | 14 (8) | 6 (4) | 2 (1) | 1 (1) | 0 (1) |
| Docetaxel group | 174 (0) | 93 (39) | 62 (9) | 36 (12) | 20 (6) | 10 (1) | 7 (0) | 5 (2) | 3 (1) | 1 (2) | 1 (0) | 0 (1) | .. |

Adagrasib Monotherapy.

43 patients in the population that could be evaluated for clinical activity.

hatch marks indicate data censoring. The data-cutoff date for clinical activity was June 16, 2022; the median follow-up was 20.1 months.

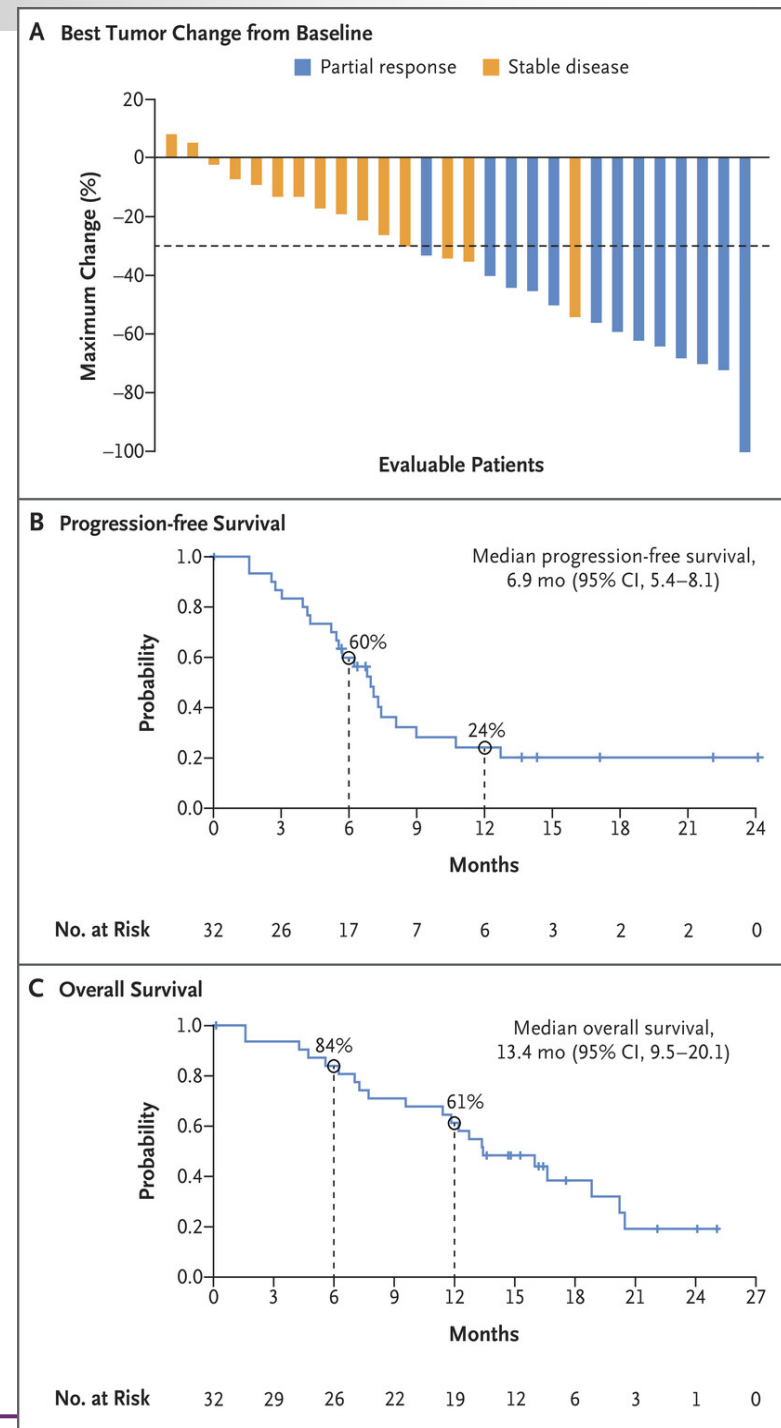
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Adagrasib plus Cetuximab.

The best tumor change from baseline (Panel A) is shown for 28 patients in the population that could be evaluated for clinical activity.

Progression-free survival (Panel B) and overall survival (Panel C) are shown for 32 patients in the full analysis set. The median follow-up was 17.5 months.

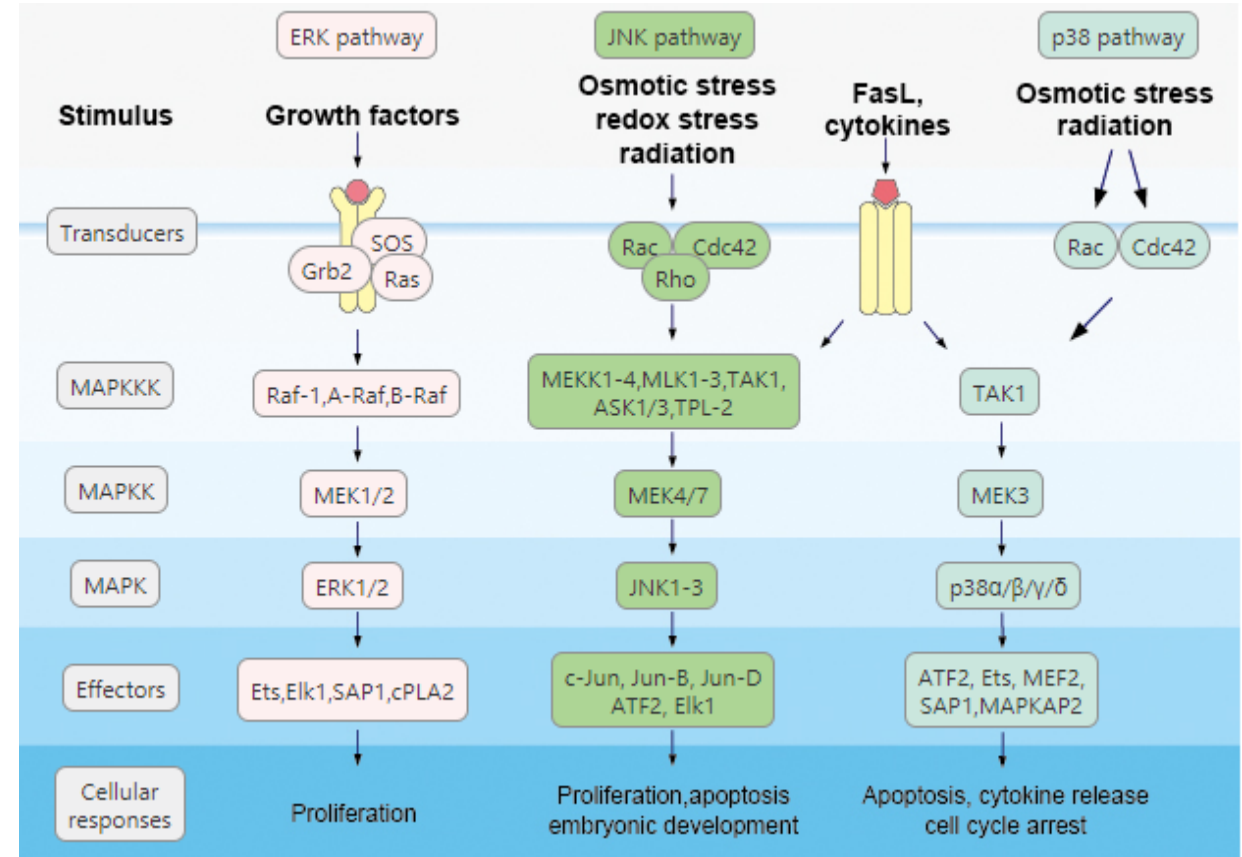
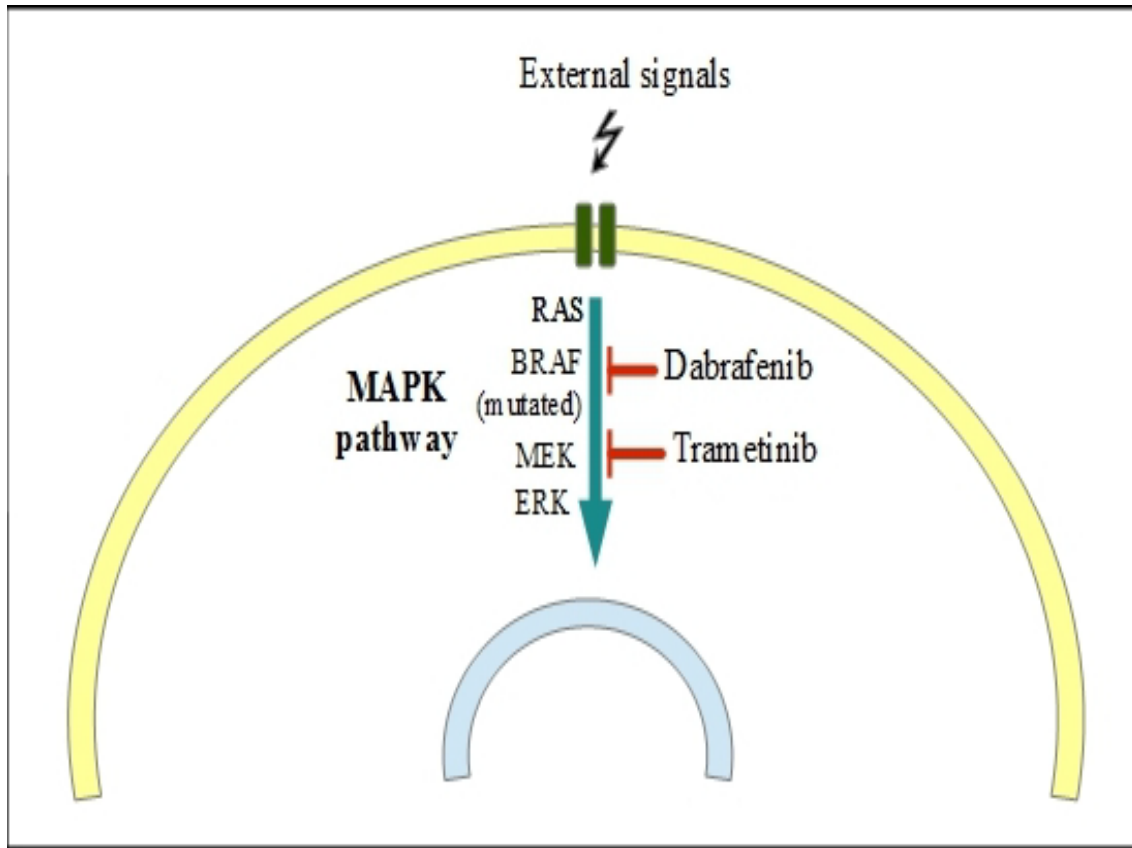


Targeted drugs

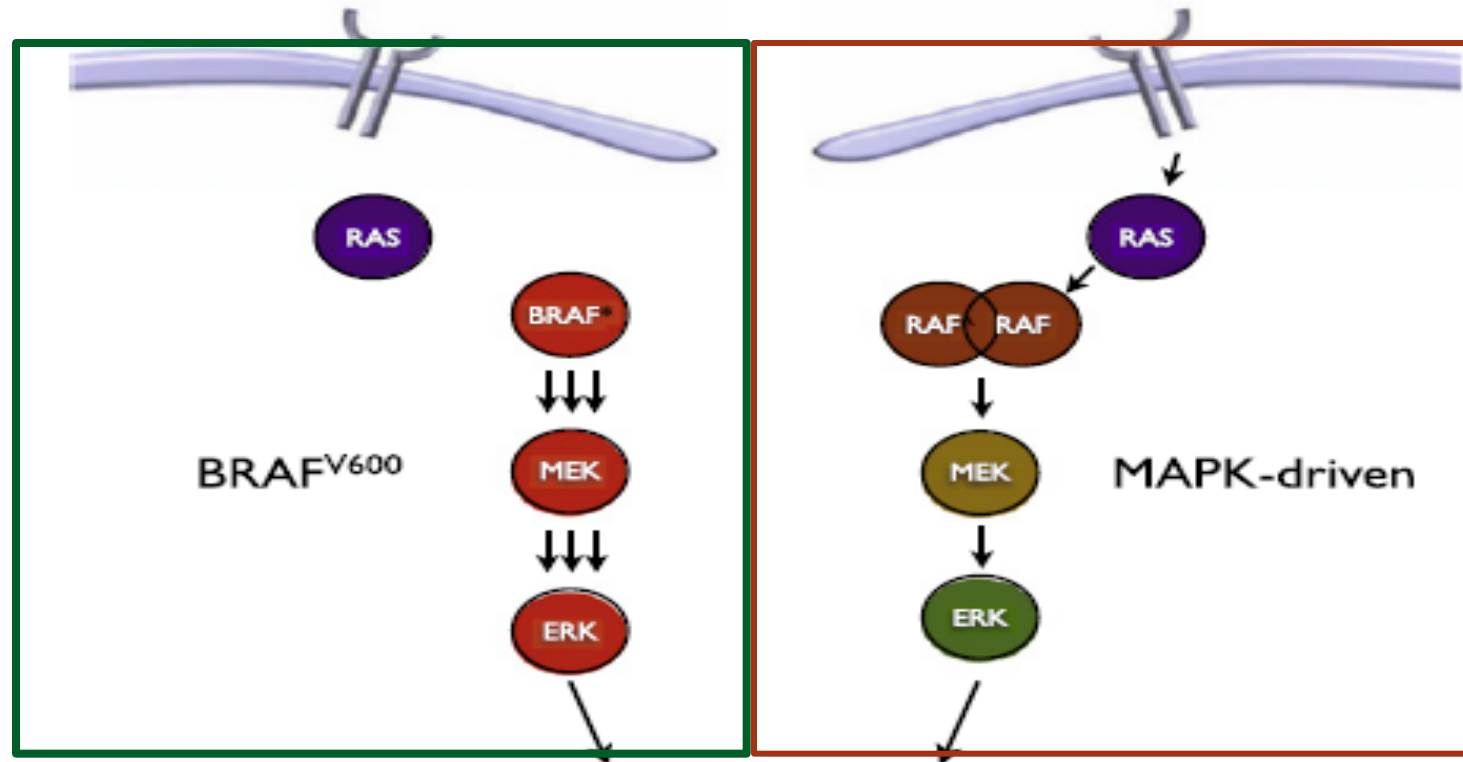
- Ras-Raf-MEK-ERK
 - Raf inhibitors : Vemurafenib, Dabrafenib, Ecorafenib
 - for BRAF-mutated melanomas.
 - MEK inhibitors : Trametinib, Binimetinib, Cobimetinib
 - clinical use in conjunction with Raf inhibitors or other therapies.
 - ERK inhibitors : under investigation in clinical trials.
- Issues with Resistance
 - Resistance mechanisms often emerged, limiting their long-term efficacy.
 - Strategies combining multiple inhibitors to overcome resistance.

MAPK pathway

(Mitogen-activated protein kinase, 絲裂原活化蛋白激酶)



Mitogen-activated protein kinase (MAPK, 絲裂原活化蛋白激酶) pathway

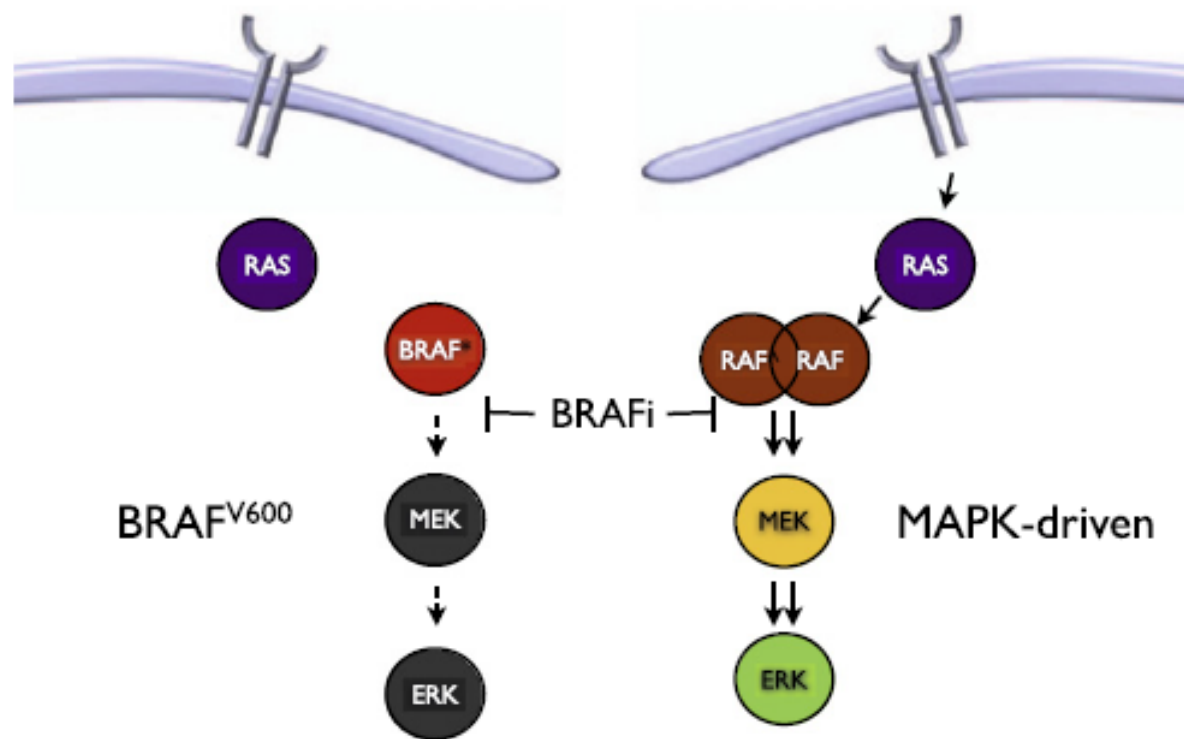


Growth, cell cycle upregulation, anti-apoptosis,
angiogenesis, metabolic regulation, immune suppression

Fig. 1. Differential Signalling: Oncogenic (left) versus Canonical (right)



BRAF inhibitors



- Vemurafenib
- Dabrafenib
- Encorafenib

Fig. 2. The BRAF inhibitor paradox - BRAF inhibitors inhibit the MAPK pathway in BRAF mutant cells but activate the pathway in cells driven by the MAPK pathway other than through oncogenic BRAF mutation.

| Trial Name (Pts Number) | Indication | Comparative Protocol | ORR | PFS (months) | OS (months) | Adverse Events | Source of Journal |
|--------------------------|---|--|-------------|--|------------------------------|---|--------------------|
| COMBI-v (N=704) | Unresectable or metastatic melanoma with BRAF V600E or V600K mutations | Dabrafenib + Trametinib vs. Vemurafenib | 64% vs. 51% | 11.4 vs. 7.3 months | 25.6 vs. 18.0 months | Fever, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, rash | N Engl J Med, 2015 |
| COLUMBUS (N=577) | Unresectable or metastatic melanoma with BRAF V600E or V600K mutations | Encorafenib + Binimetinib vs. Vemurafenib | 63% vs. 40% | 14.9 vs. 7.3 months | 33.6 vs. 16.9 months | Fatigue, nausea, diarrhea, vomiting, rash | Lancet Oncol, 2018 |
| BEACON CRC (N=665) | Metastatic colorectal cancer with BRAF V600E mutation | Encorafenib + Cetuximab vs. Standard of Care | 26% vs. 2% | 4.3 vs. 1.5 months | 9.3 vs. 5.9 months | Fatigue, nausea, diarrhea, abdominal pain | N Engl J Med, 2019 |
| SPRINT (N=50) | Neurofibromatosis type 1 (NF1) with symptomatic, inoperable plexiform neurofibromas | Selumetinib vs. placebo | 68% vs. 0% | Not applicable (due to durable responses and stable disease in majority) | Not reported (ongoing trial) | Nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, fatigue, acneiform rash | N Engl J Med, 2020 |

MEK inhibitor (BRAF V600E, BRA V600K mutation)

- Trametinib : melanoma, Non-small cell lung cancer, thyroid)
- Binimetinib : colorectal, melanoma
- Cobimetinib :melanoma
- Selumetinib : Neurofibromatosis type 1
 - can reduce the size of plexiform neurofibromas (叢狀神經纖維瘤), improving quality of life for patients, especially in cases where surgery is not feasible.

MEK inhibitor :Selumetinib

Neurofibromatosis type 1

| Trial Name | Study Patient Number | Indication | Comparative ORR | Comparative Overall Survival | Adverse Events | Source of Journal |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|--|-----------------|---|---|--|
| SPRINT (NCT01362803) | 50 pediatric patients | Inoperable plexiform neurofibromas in Neurofibromatosis Type 1 (NF1) | 70% (PR) | OS not mature (long-term follow-up ongoing) | Most common: diarrhea, rash, nausea, vomiting, and fatigue. Serious: Cardiac dysfunction | Gross AM, et al. New England Journal of Medicine, 2020 |

Thank you for listening



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