



2023 Free, Live Streamed Webinar Highlights of the 2023 International Invasive Lobular Carcinoma (ILC) Symposium



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Today's Agenda

Welcome and Agenda Review – Laurie and Claire
Basic Science - Patrick Derksen, PhD and Peter Simpson, PhD
Translational Science - Bhuvaneshwari Ramaswamy, MD
Imaging Science - Matthew Covington, MD
Clinical Science - Priscilla McAuliffe, MD, PhD
Moderated Q&A – All panelists



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Session 1: Pathology, Diagnosis, ILC Variants and Lobular Neoplasia

Session 2: E-cadherin and the ILC Tumor Microenvironment

Session 3: Modelling ILC



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Stuart Schnitt, MD (Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, MA)
– The Leigh Pate Memorial Lectureship on Lobular Breast Cancer
Invasive Lobular Carcinoma: Where Have We Been and Where Are We Going?

Tari King, MD (Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston, MA)
Lobular Carcinoma In Situ – Current Concepts and Challenges

Maxim De Schepper, MD, PhD (KU Leuven, Belgium)
Homogenization of Pathological Diagnosis of ILC

Lounes Djerroudi, MD (Institut Curie, Paris)
E-cadherin inactivation shapes tumor microenvironment specificities in ILC

Osama Shah, PhD (UPMC Hillman Cancer Center)
Spatial profiling of mixed invasive ductal-lobular carcinoma reveals intrinsic molecular subtype and oncogenic signaling heterogeneity

Stuart Schnitt

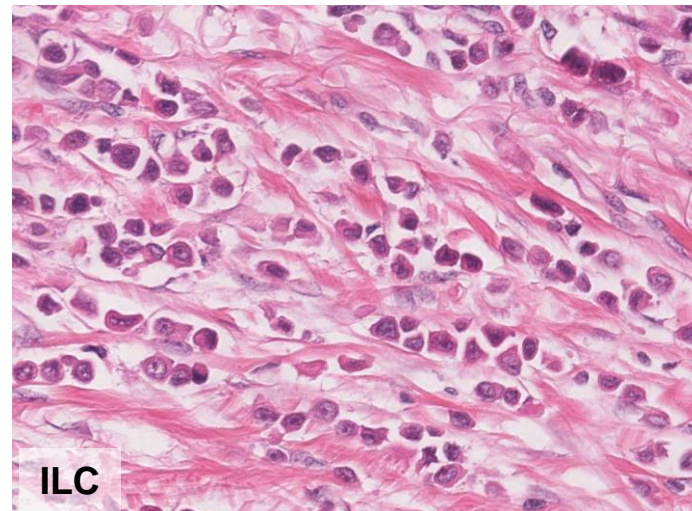
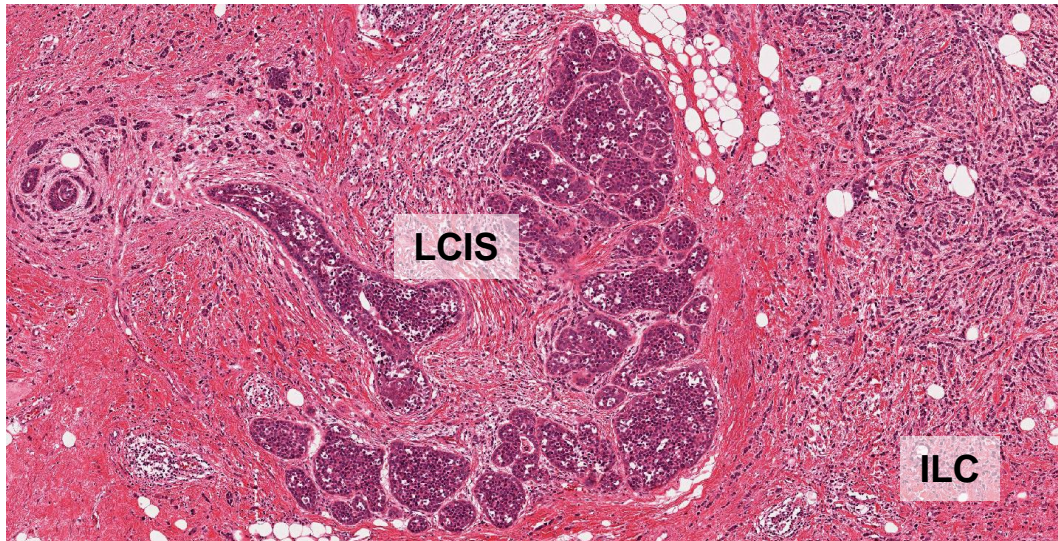
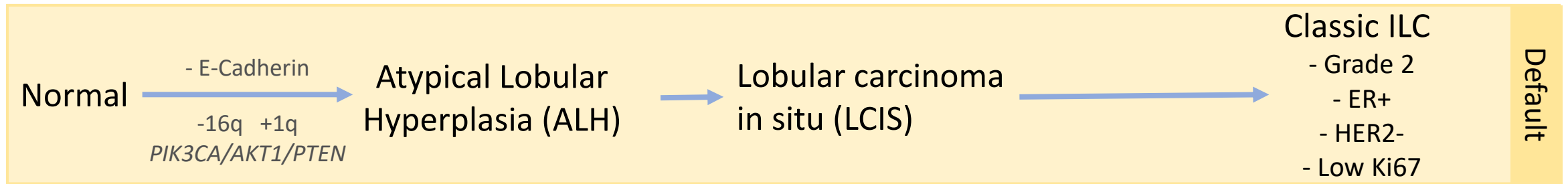
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- 'Rogue' variants

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- classification/diagnosis

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- LCIS

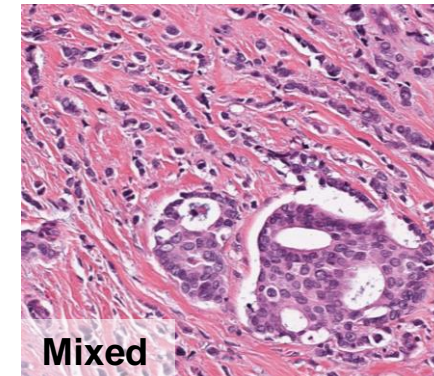


Lounes Djerroudi

- biology of 'stroma'

Osama Shah

- biology of mixed ductal-lobular carcinomas



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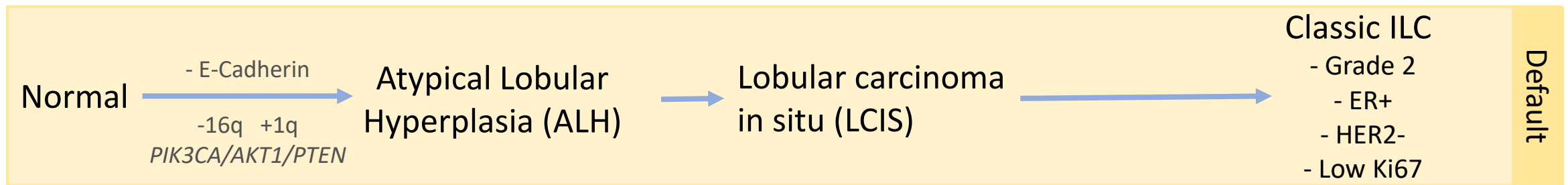
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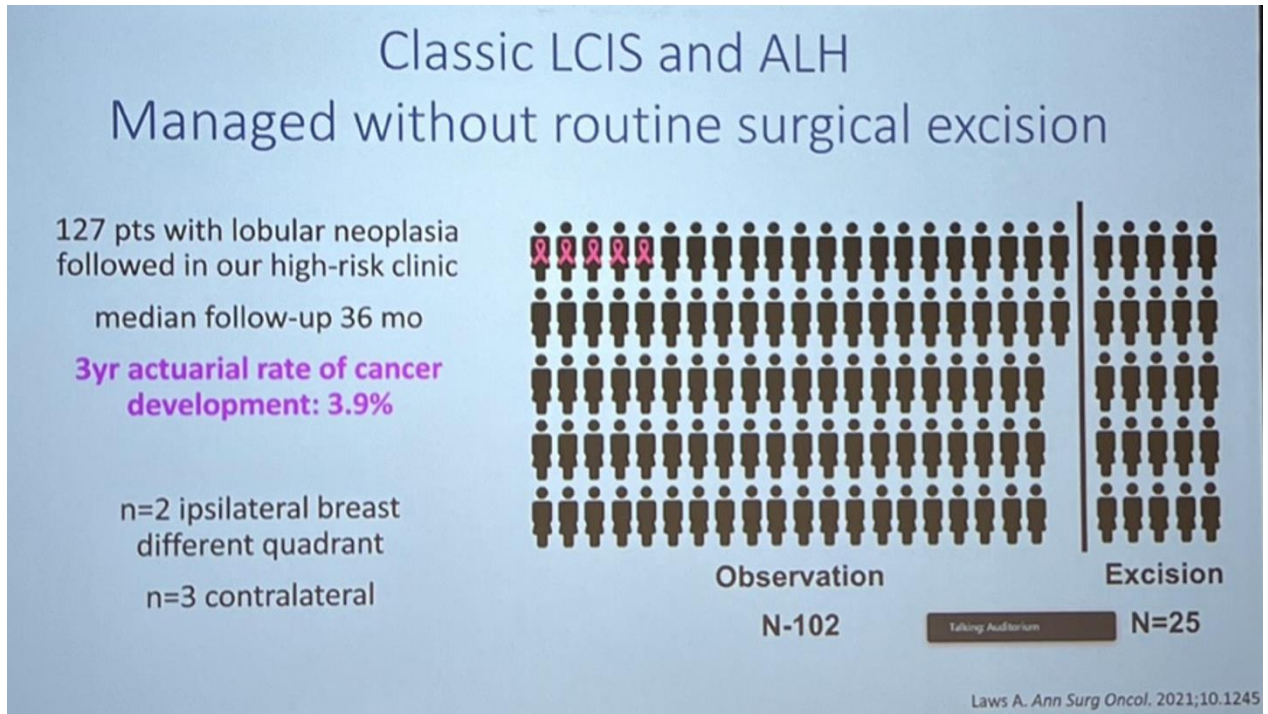
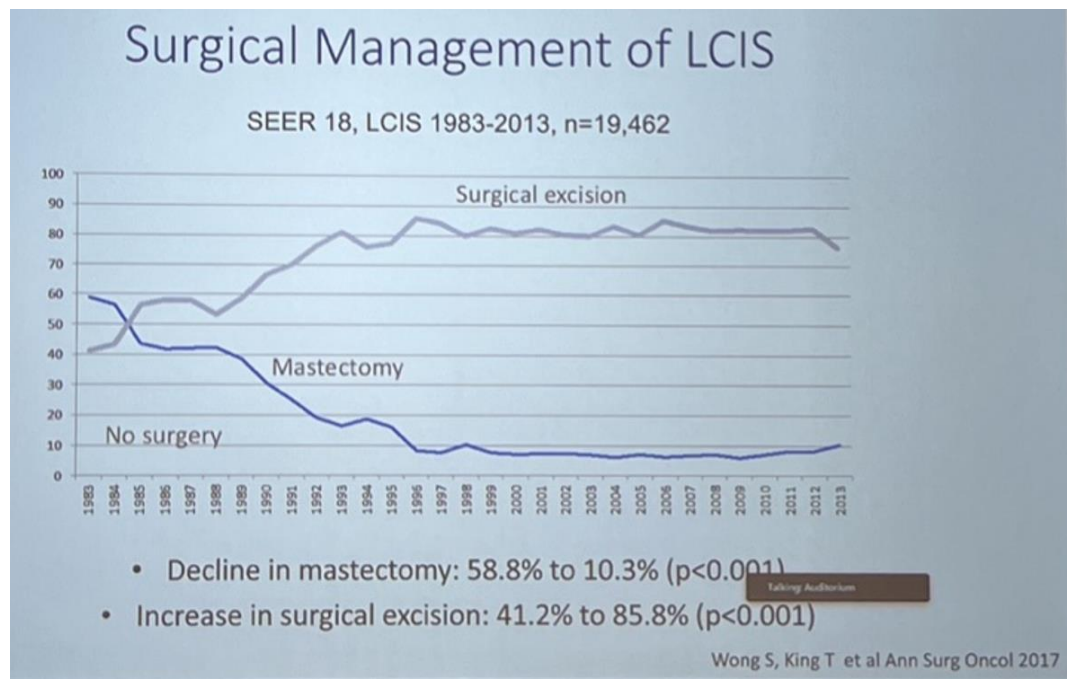


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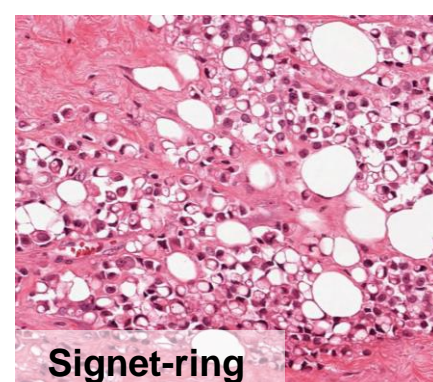
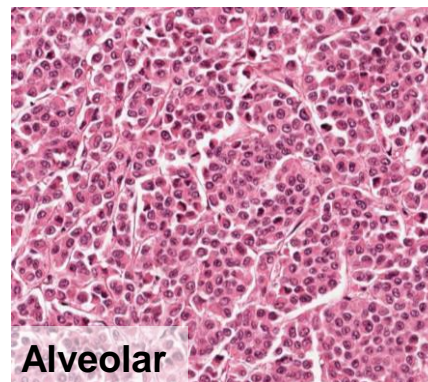
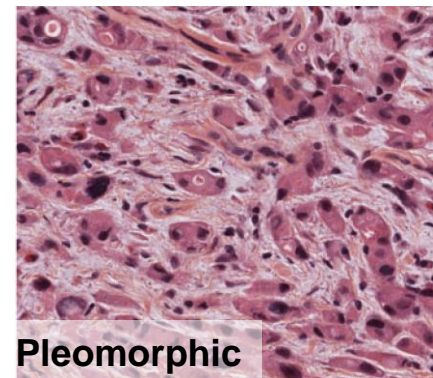
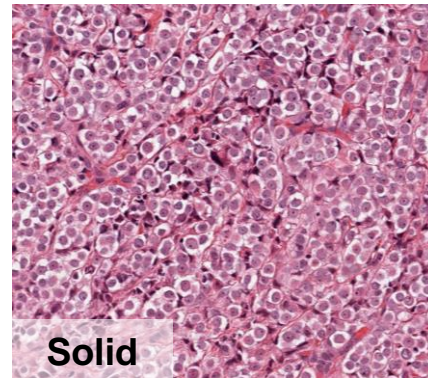
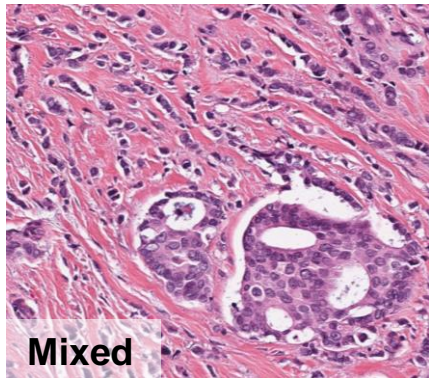
- Not all LCIS progress to ILC – how to predict? How to manage?
- Some LCIS have variable morphological features – how to manage them?
- ILC can be difficult to classify at diagnosis – what tools can help?
- Not all ILC are 'classic' type – what are 'Rogue' variants, how do we define/identify them?

- Risk of upgrade / progression to inv ca ~2%/yr
- Risk is for lobular and ductal types (ILC and DCIS/IDC)
- Risk for ipsilateral but also contralateral breast
-> LCIS is a risk lesion for both breasts
- LCIS and ILC are genetically v similar
-> LCIS is a non-obligate precursor to cancer
- **Challenge** - what to do if LCIS identified in a biopsy
– bilateral mastectomy, mastectomy, wide local excision or observe??!

- **cLCIS**
 - selective excision only
 - observation with imaging
 - chemoprevention possible
- **PLCIS**
 - natural history less clear, but upgrade rate higher
 - excision and clear margins
 - ie treat like DCIS



- ILC is a pathological diagnosis, made based on the morphological appearance under the microscope.
- Correct classification is critical – for clinical management, epidemiological and biology studies
- Diagnosis is challenging, despite guidelines from the WHO
- There is a large variability in practice between pathologists worldwide for the diagnosis of ILC.
- Helpful tools – recognizing **morphological variants**, and using **Immunohistochemistry & Artificial Intelligence**

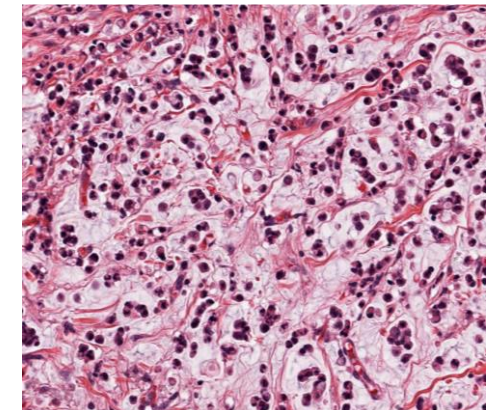


Collectively the morphological variants have worse prognosis to classic ILC
But not enough data to treatment differently

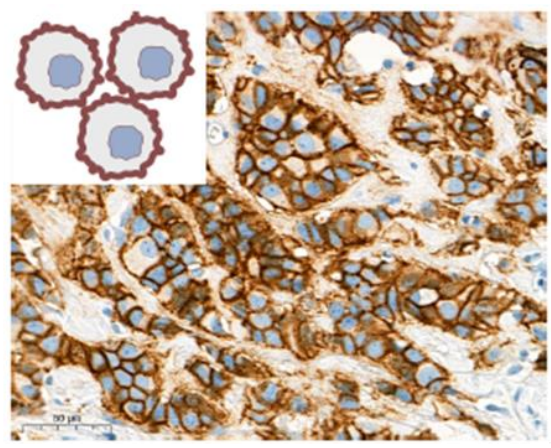
Other ‘**rogue**’ variants:

- grade 3
- ER and/or PR -ve
- TN 2-9%
- HER2+ve <5%
- HER2-low 40-65%
[HER2 mutations]

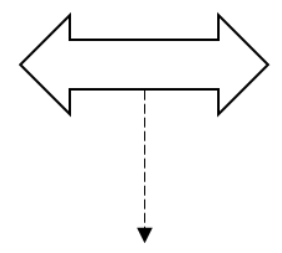
ILC with extracellular mucin



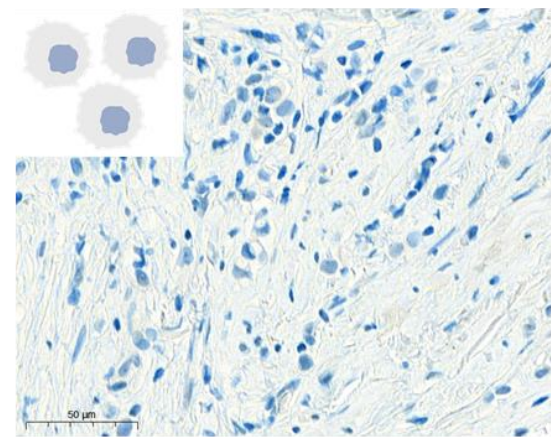
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Complete membranous staining



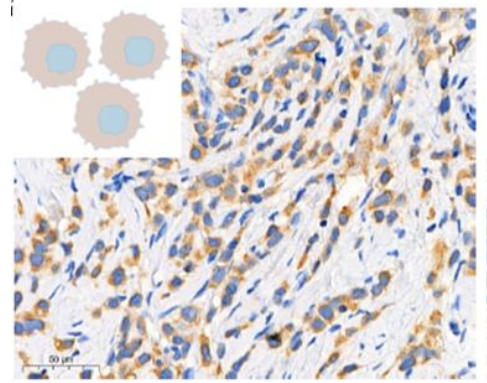
Aberrant



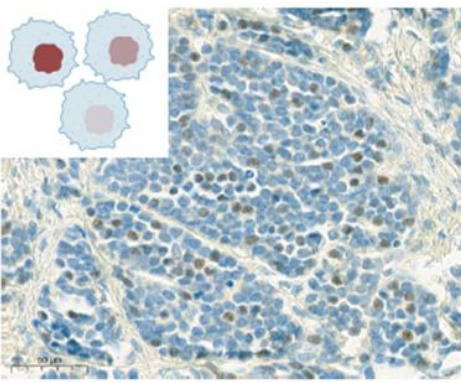
Absent

Maxim De Schepper, on behalf of the ELBCC

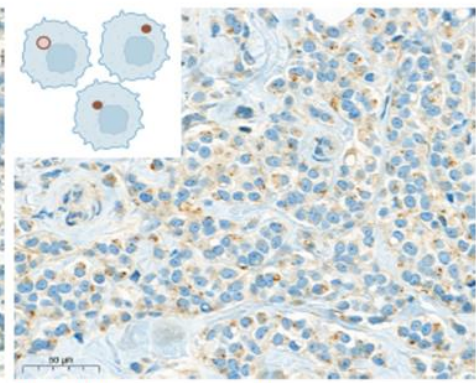
pathology working group



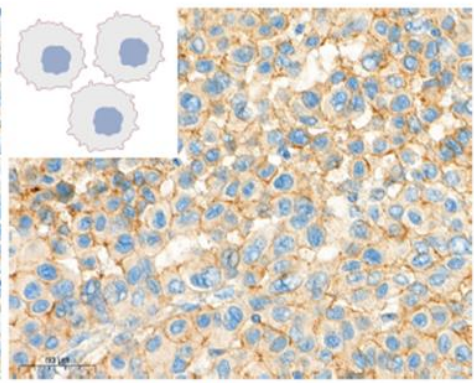
Cytoplasmic



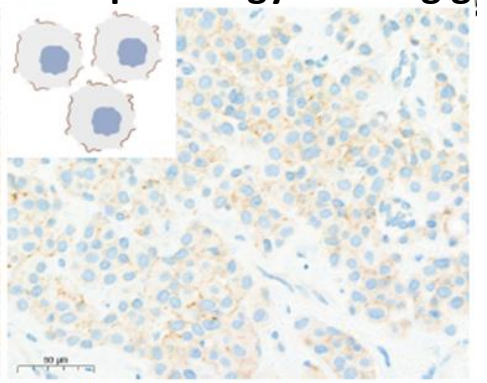
Nuclear



Dot-like perinuclear



Complete, but weak membranous staining



Fragmented, focal or beaded membranous

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Validation and real-world clinical application of an artificial intelligence algorithm for breast cancer detection in biopsies

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Invasive ductal ca vs Invasive lobular ca

N= 153 cases (98 IDC; 55 ILC)

95% Confidence Interval		Performance	
0.996	0.948	0.973	AUC
97.1%	85.8%	92.9%	Sensitivity
97.1%	82.7%	92.7%	Specificity
98.3%	89.6%	95.8%	PPV
95.0%	76.7%	87.9%	NPV

205 Detection of Invasive Lobular Carcinoma Using an Artificial Intelligence Algorithm Based on Genetic Ground Truth

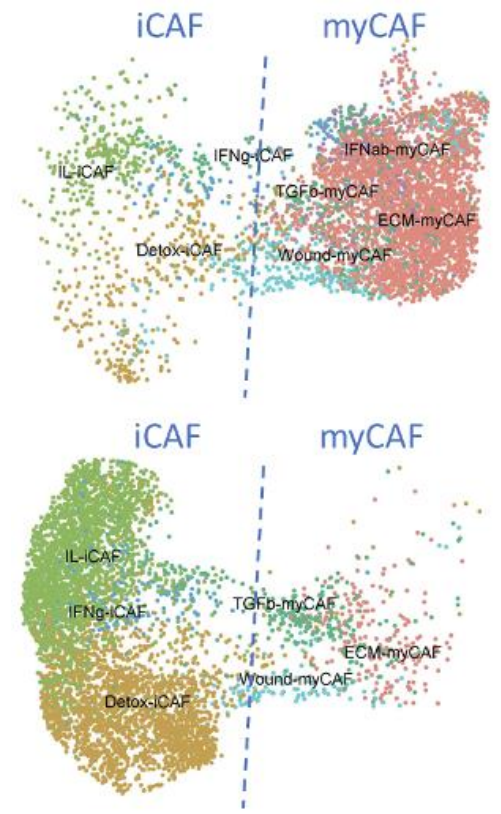
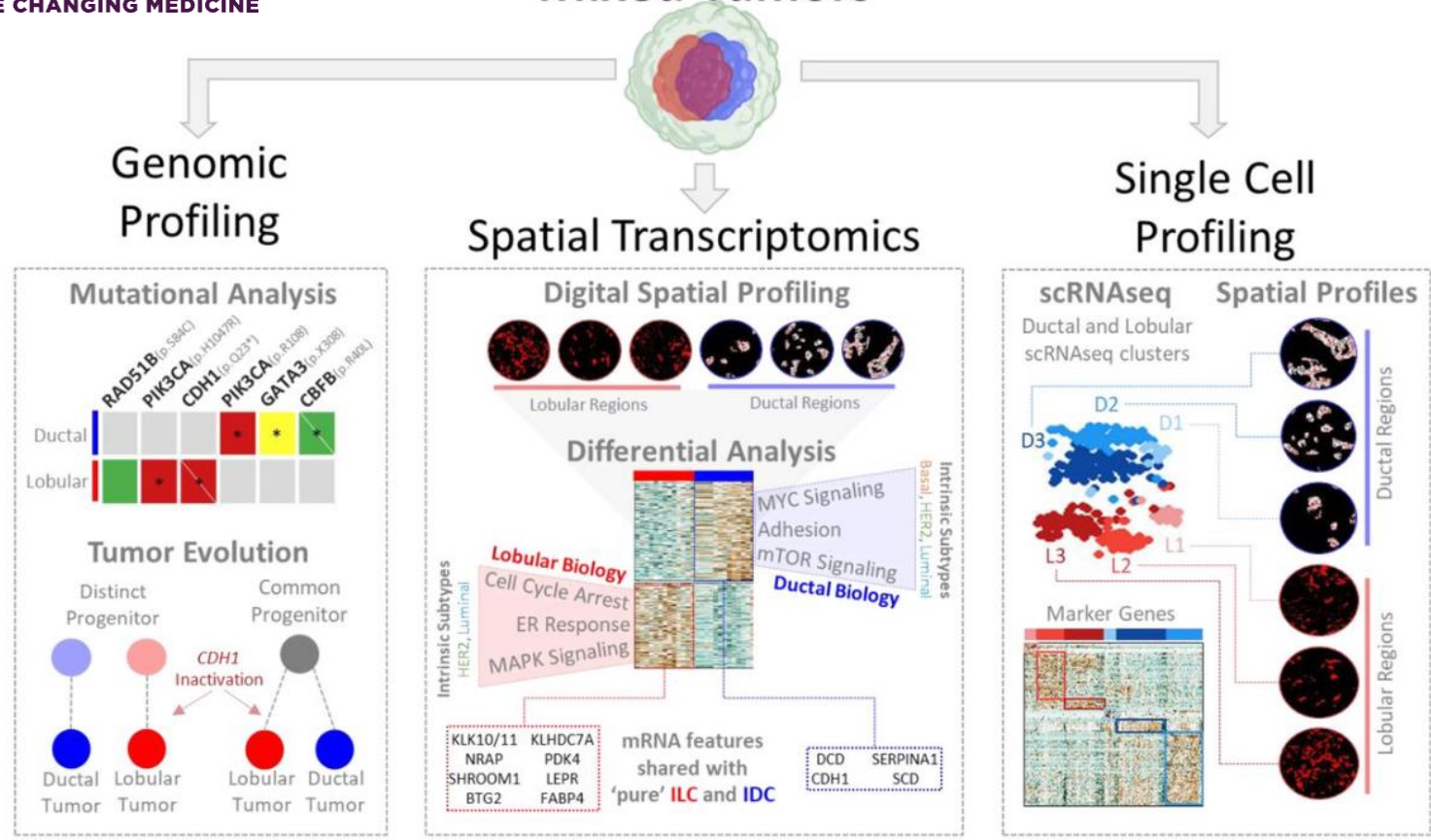
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- **CDH1 bi-allelic inactivation (rather than histologic features) used to establish ground truth for ILC**
- **WSI of 1057 invasive breast cancers with targeted sequencing data**
- **AI algorithm predicted presence of CDH1 bi-allelic inactivation with:**
 - AUC 0.966
 - Accuracy 0.95
 - PPV 0.97
 - NPV 0.93

Mixed Tumors



ER+ IDC
(N=15, from public data*)
*Croizer et al. SUBMITTED

ILC
(N=6)

Clinical Significance

Distinct Histology ↔ Distinct Biology ↔ Distinct Prognosis
(Important to Profile Individual Regions)

Intrinsic Subtype Heterogeneity ↔ Therapy Dilemma
(Chemotherapy for Basal & Endocrine therapy for Luminal Regions)



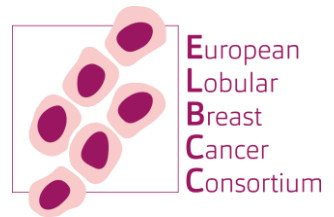
RECAP OF SESSION 2:

E-CADHERIN, GROWTH FACTORS, AND THE ILC TUMOR MICROENVIRONMENT

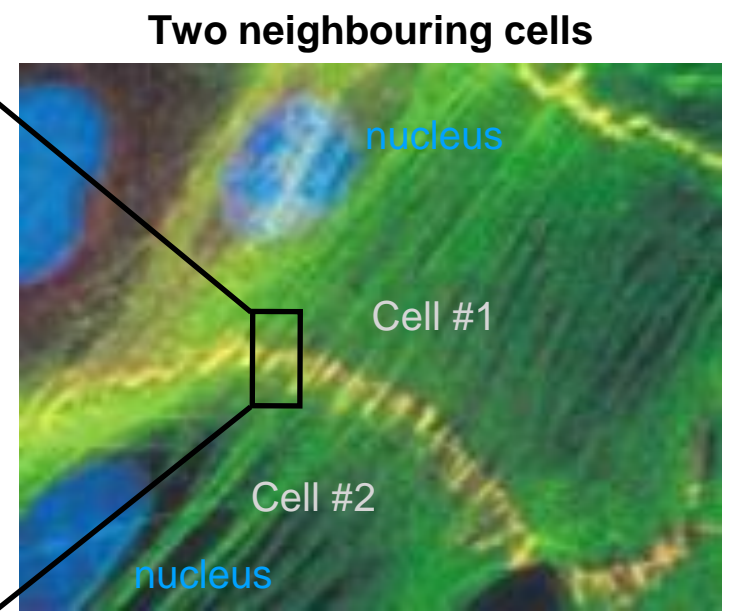
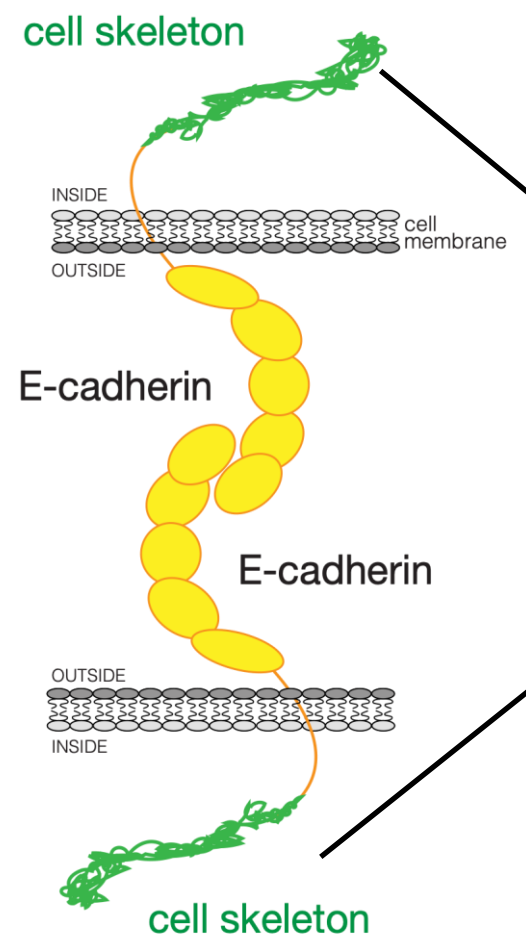


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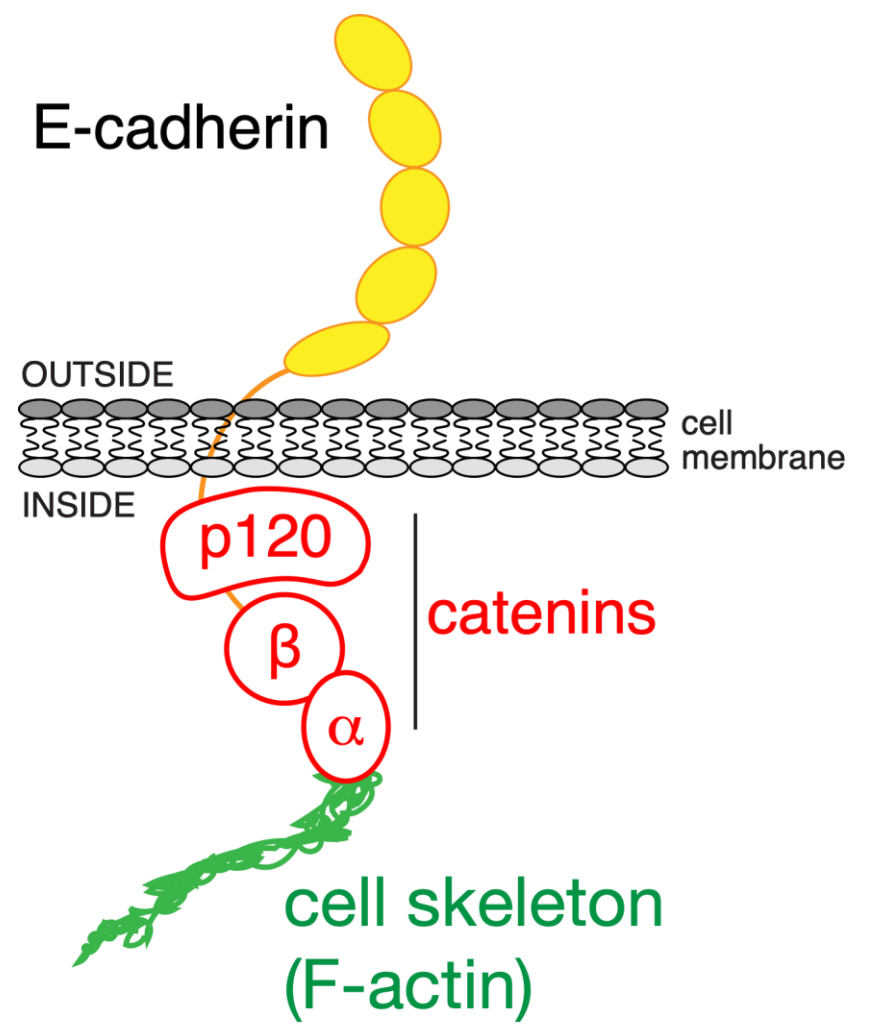
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adapted from: Faezi *et al.* *Dev Cell* (2002)



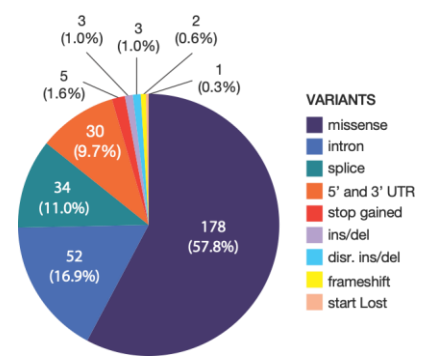
histological ILC (154 samples)
RATHER
Michaut M. ...Bernards R Cell Rep (2016)

exon capture (~100 genes)
passing grade seqs. (146 samples)

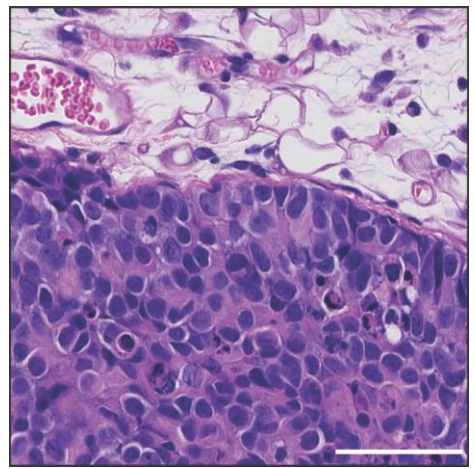
62 *CDH1*^{WT}
(43%)

84 *CDH1*^{MUT}
(57%)

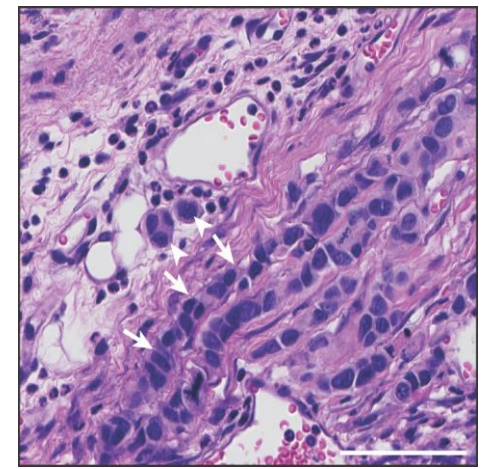
308 candidates



tumor in
mouse model
(control)



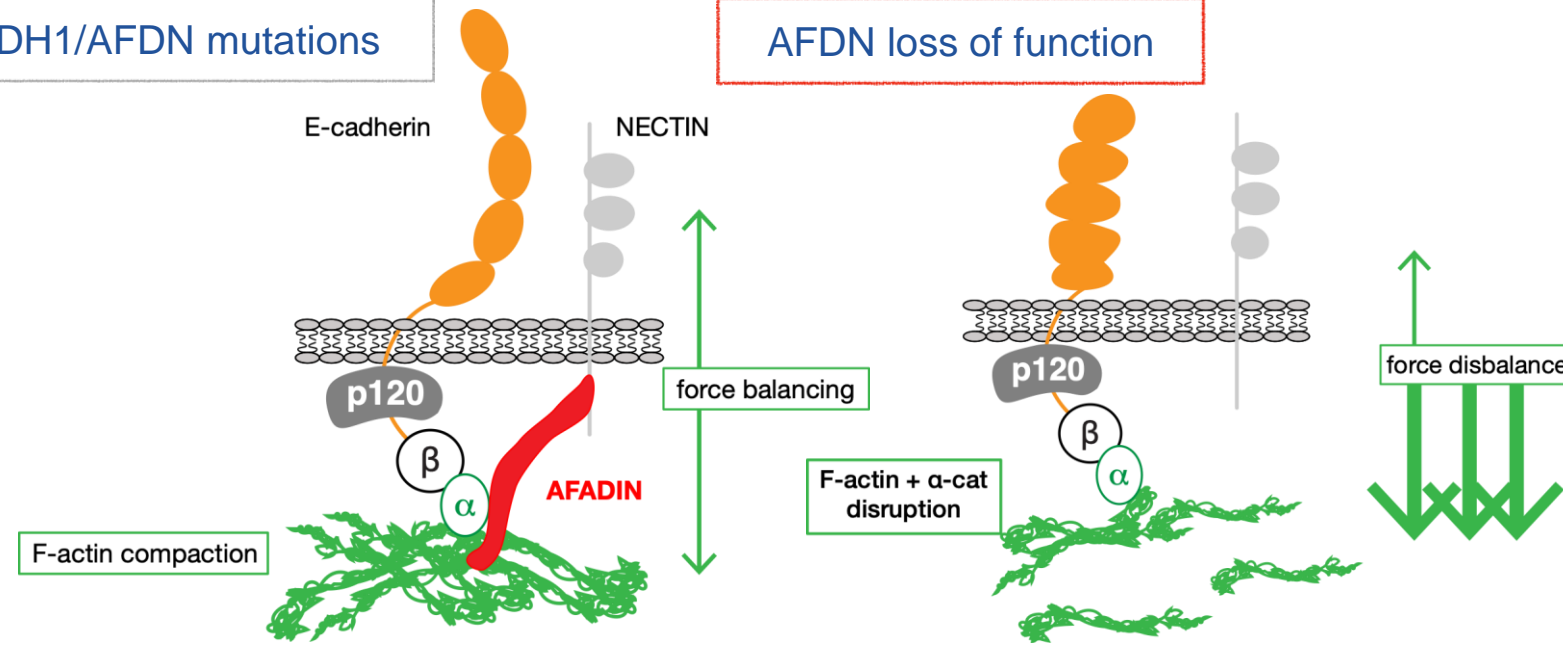
tumor in
mouse model
(AFDN knockout)



no *CDH1*/*AFDN* mutations

AFDN loss of function

ILC R-L1047-D
(*CDH1*^{WT}; *AFDN* p.Phe629fs)

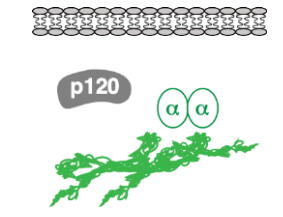


**CLINICAL
RAMIFICATIONS:**
Define biomarkers for:

- Breast cancer diagnosis
- Inclusion and treatment

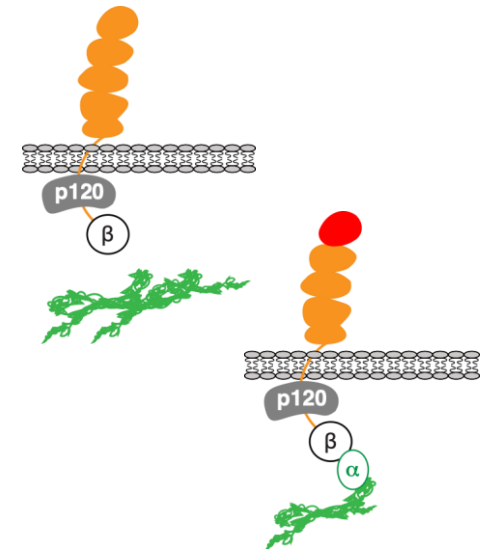
classical ILC

TYPE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ E-cadherin mutation <i>CDH1 (nonsense, fs, epigenetic?)</i>
BIOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ F-actin disruption ◦ GFR activation ◦ cell cycle repression



non-classical ILC

TYPE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Adhesome mutation <i>CNTTA1, AFDN, CDH1^{S180Y}</i>
BIOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ F-actin disruption / aberrant function ◦ GFR activation (?) ◦ cell cycle repression



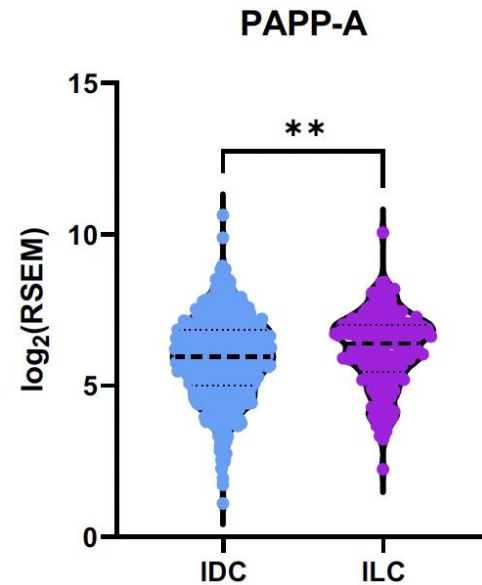
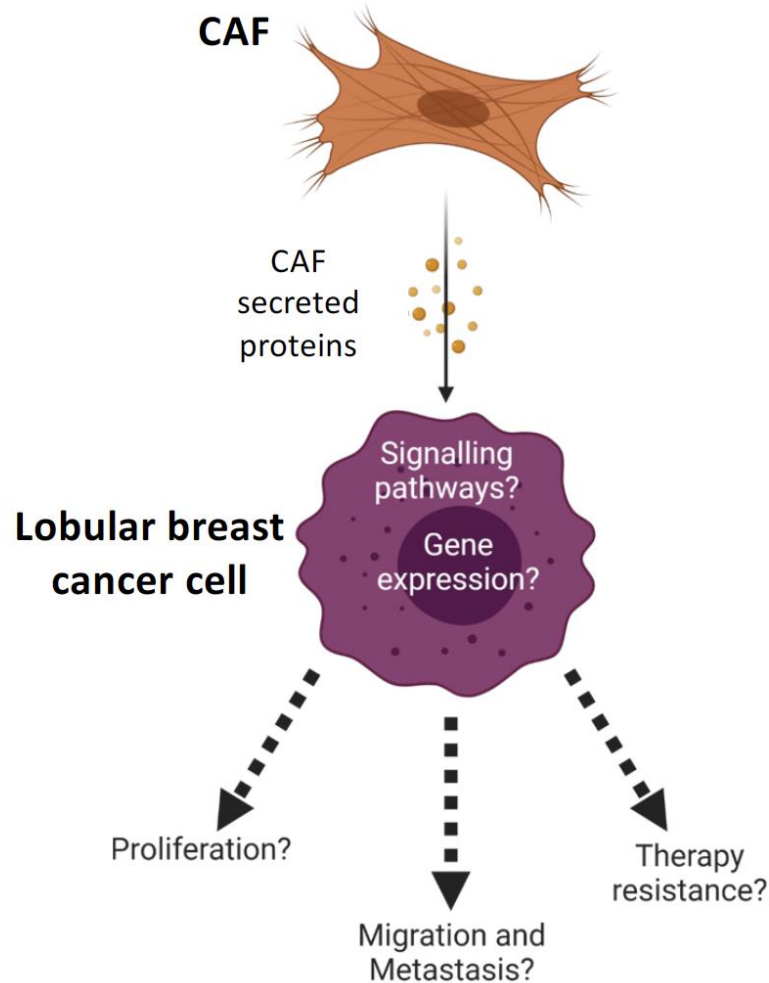
Cancer associated fibroblasts (CAFs) are ‘healthy’ cells that can support breast cancer progression but until recently haven’t been investigated in Invasive Lobular Cancer

Valerie Brunton

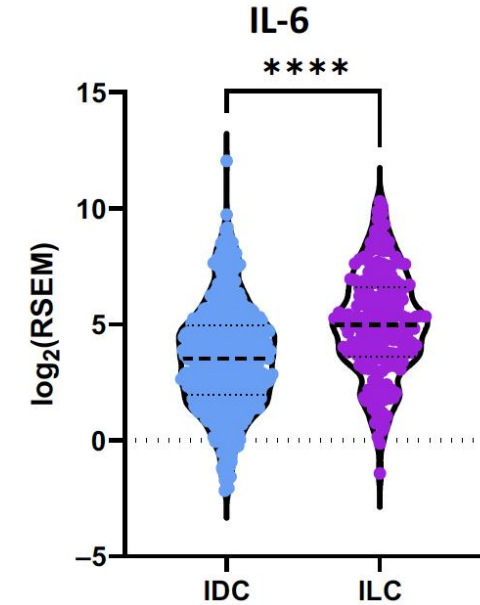


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We have identified two ILC CAF secreted proteins – **PAPP-A** and **IL-6** – that are more highly expressed in Invasive Lobular (ILC) than Invasive Ductal (IDC) Cancer

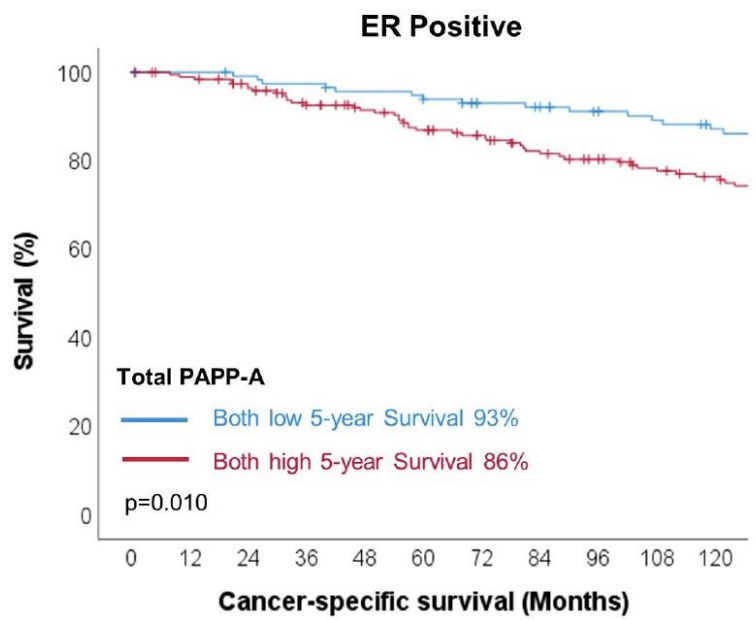


PAPP-A cuts IGF-1 binding proteins so more IGF-1 is available and can activate the tumour promoting IGF-1/PI3K pathway

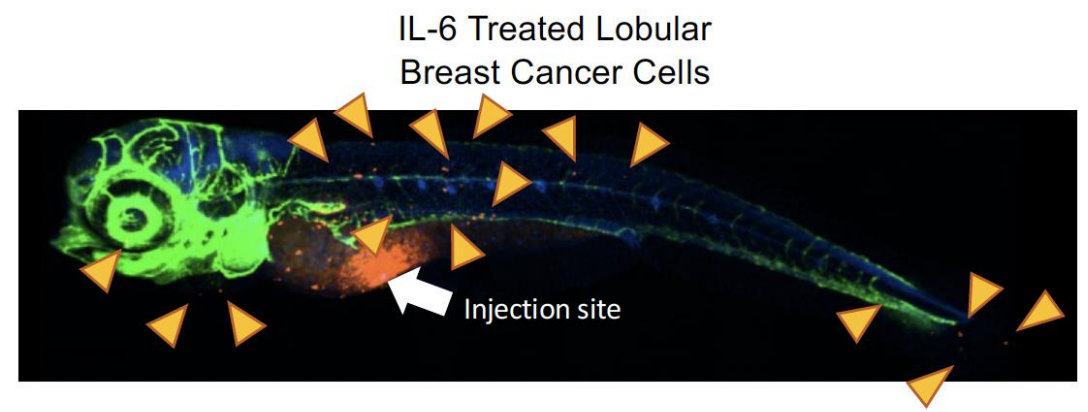
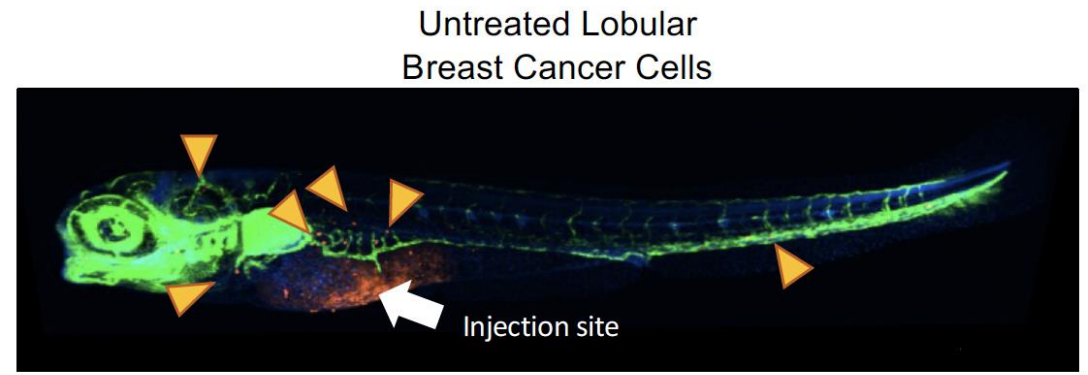


IL-6 switches on genes in Lobular Breast Cancer cells that can promote increased migration and metastasis

High levels of **PAPP-A** are associated with poorer survival for ER+ Breast Cancer patients



IL-6 treated Lobular breast cancer cells more readily migrate away from the injection site in this Zebrafish model of metastasis



Human Lobular Breast Cancer Cells Zebrafish blood vessels Human and fish nuclei
 ► Breast cancer cells that have migrated away from the injection site

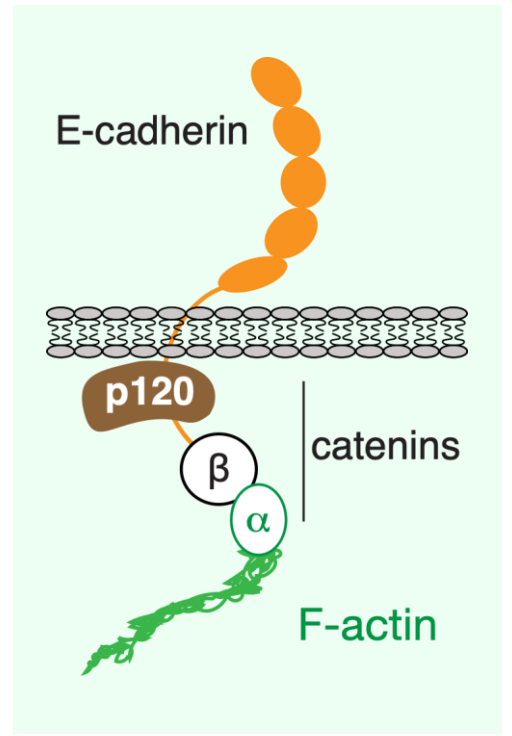


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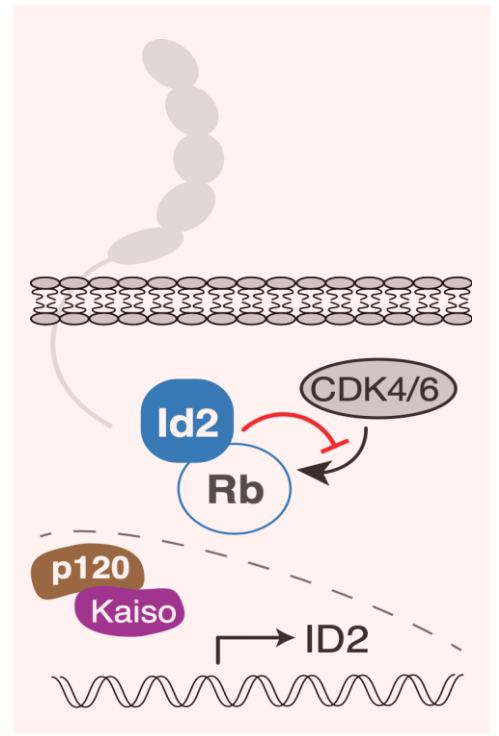
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CUES IN ILC

E-cadherin loss

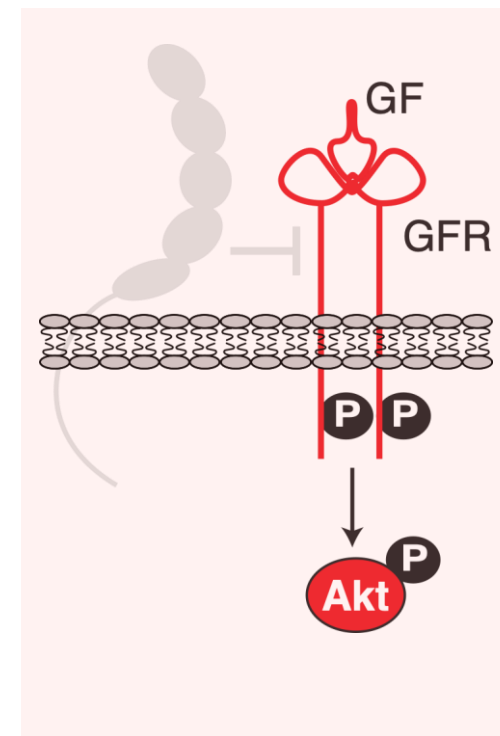


activation of KART

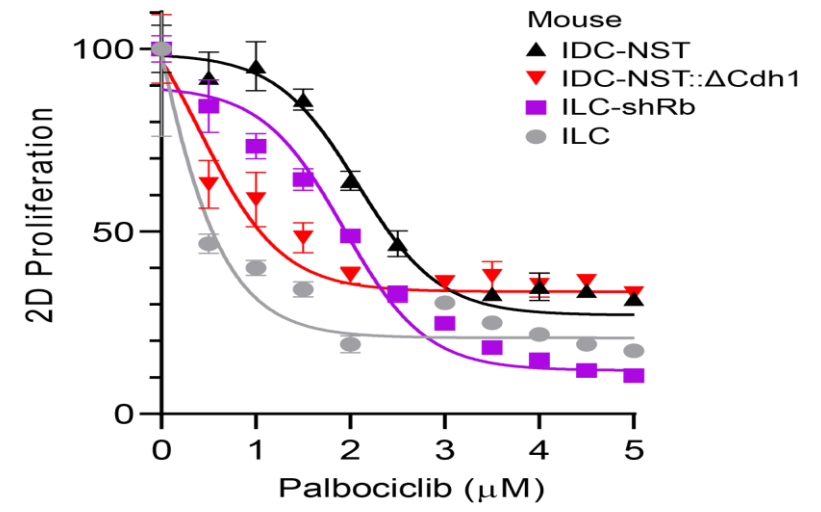
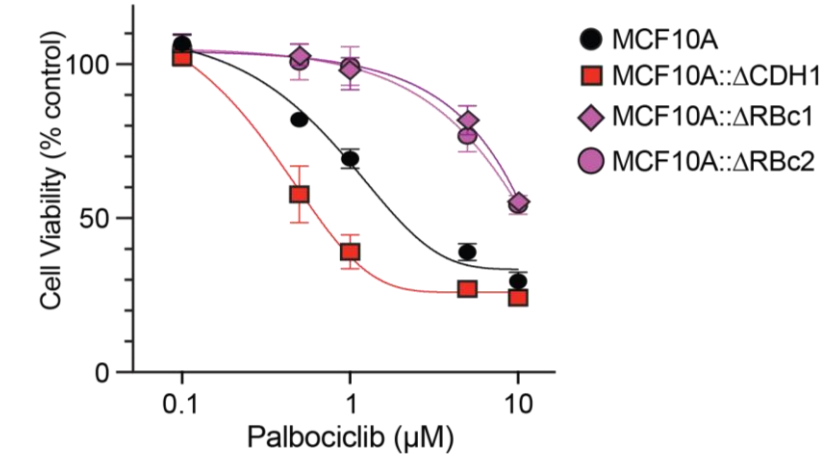


slow growth

GFR/AKT Activation



survival



Rätze & Koorman *et al.* *Oncogene* (2022)
Sijnesael *et al.* *J Pathol* (2023)

Hornsveld *et al.* *Cell Death Differ* (2016)
Teo *et al.* *Sci Rep* (2018)

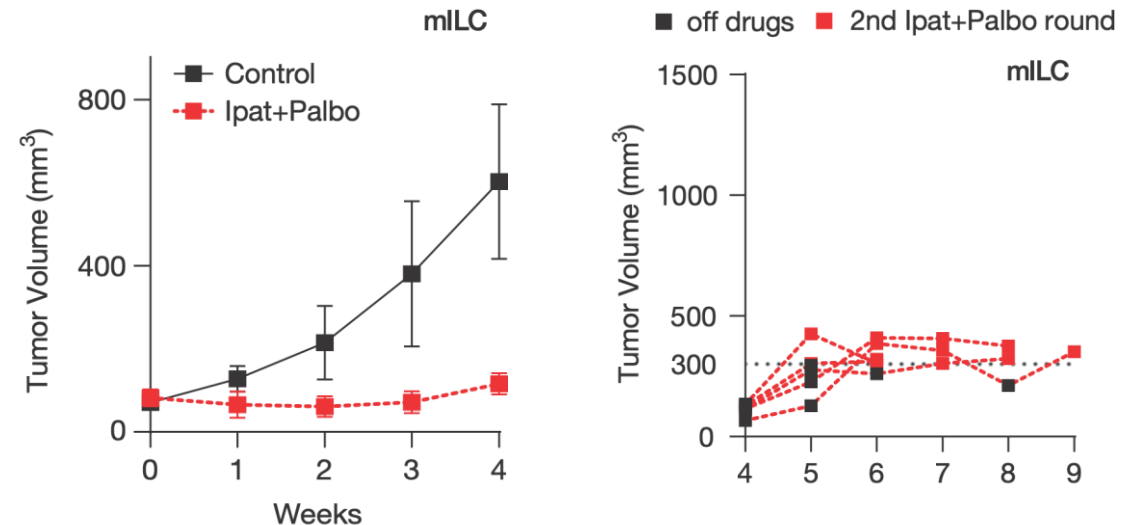
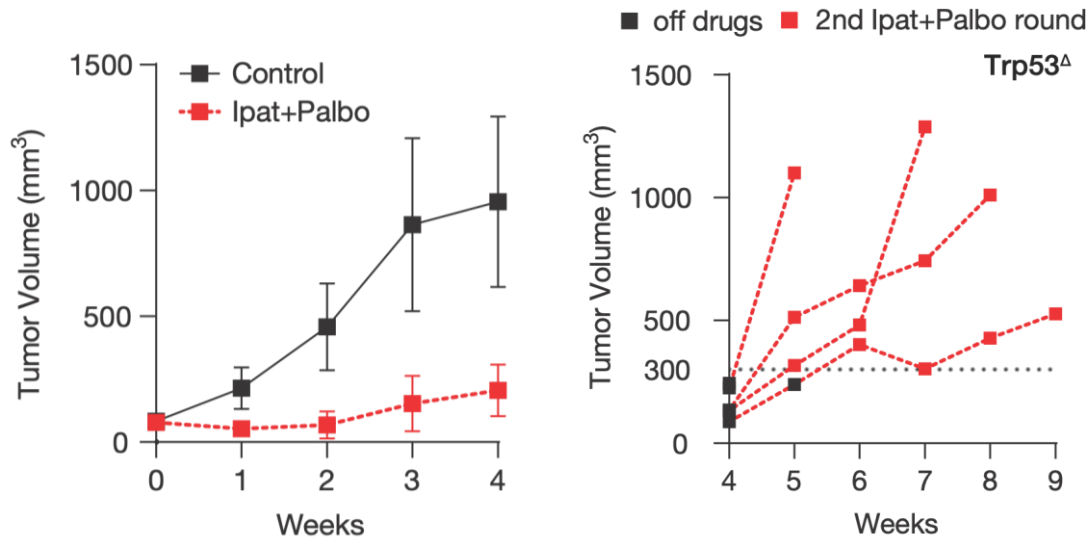
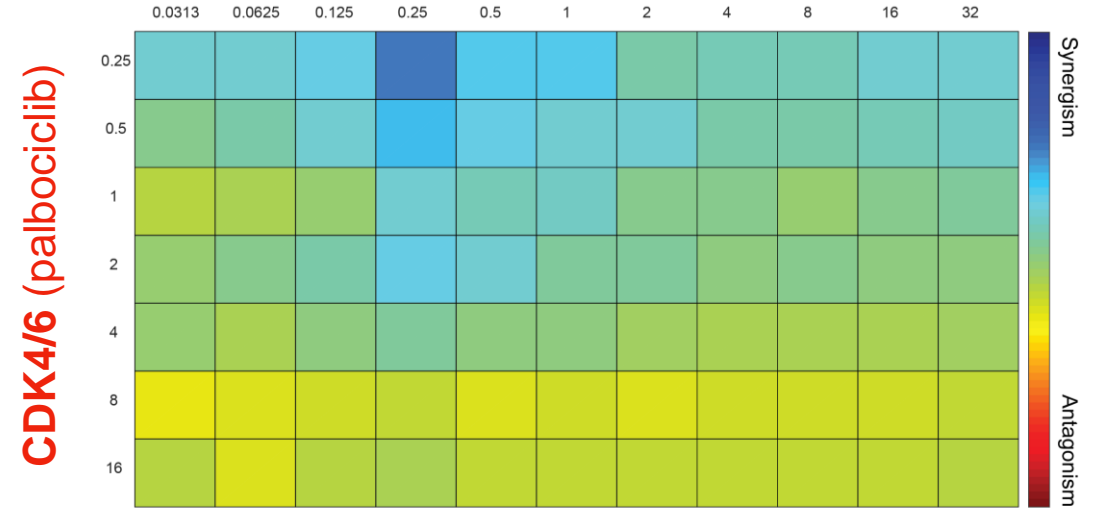
Invasive Ductal BC cells

AKT (ipatasertib)



Invasive lobular BC cells

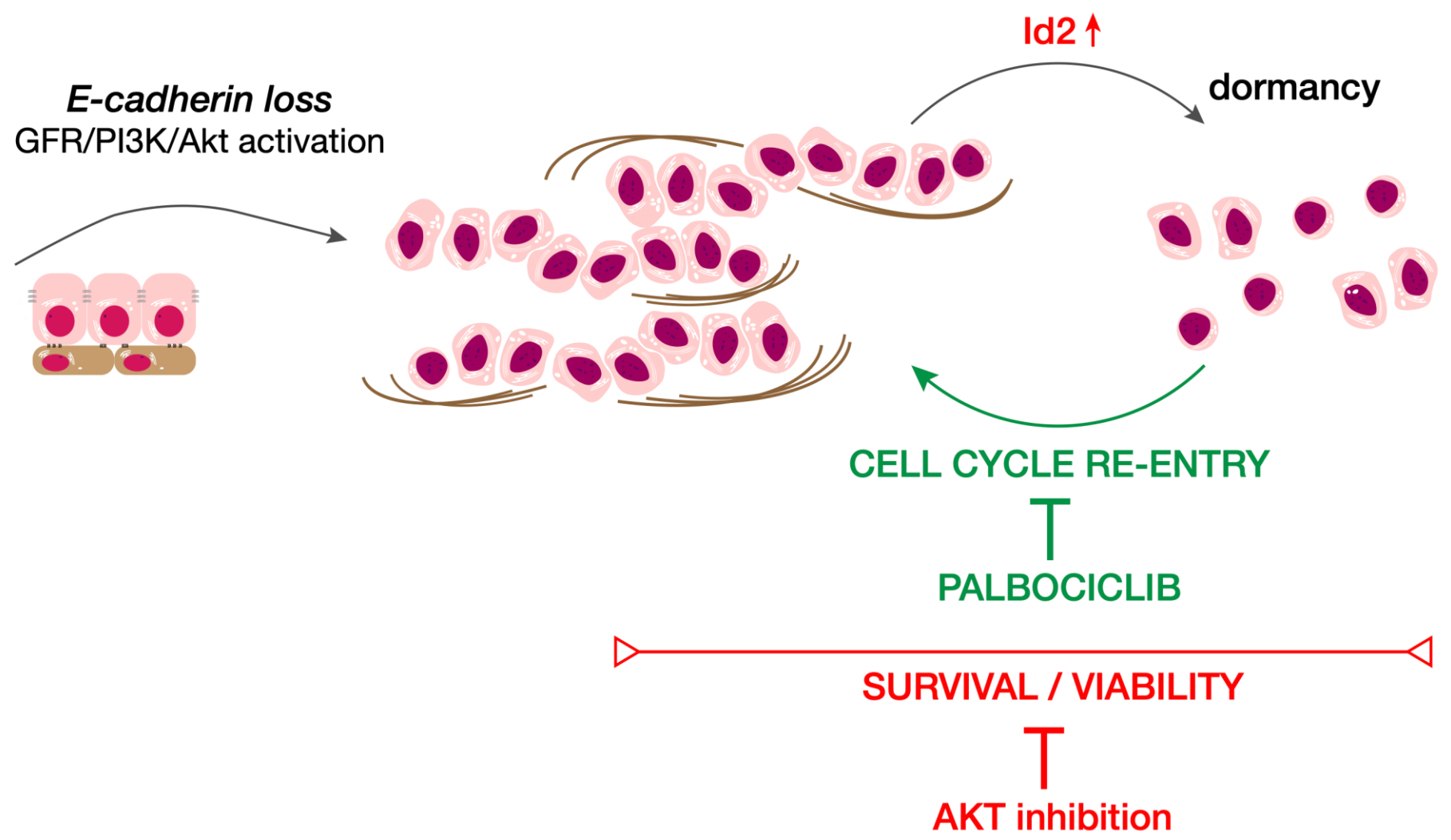
AKT (ipatasertib)



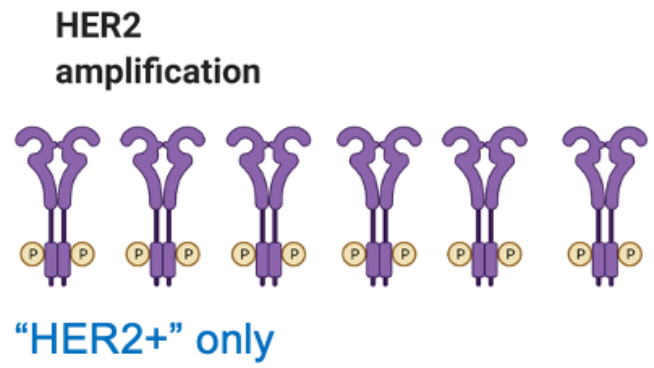
precursor lesion

primary tumour / metastatic site

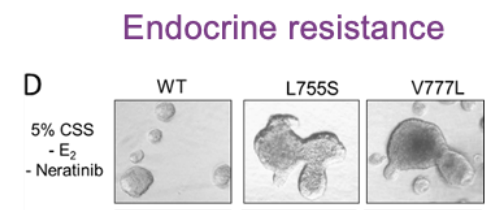
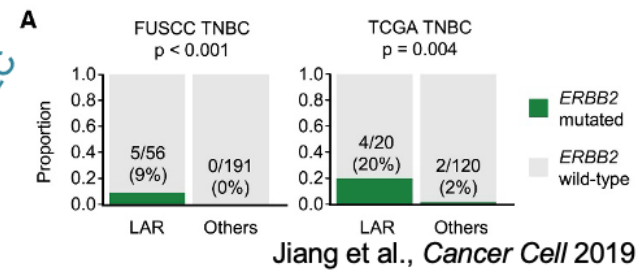
disseminating cells



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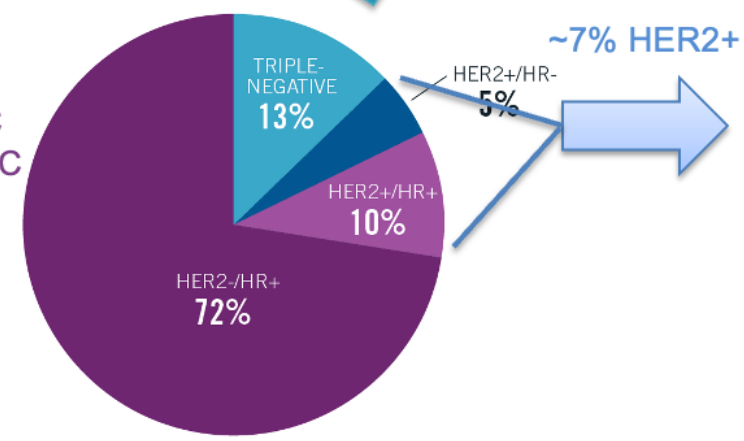


~2% TNBC
~9-20% LAR subtype
~20% triple-negative ILC



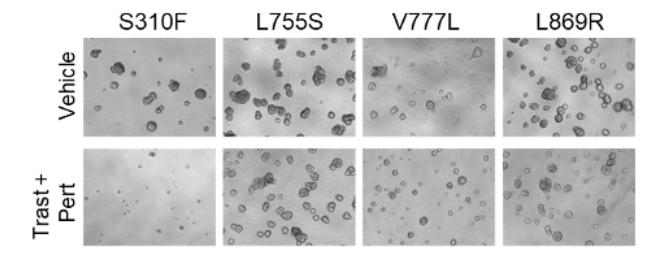
Croessmann et al., *Clin Cancer Res.* 2019
Razavi et al., *Cancer Cell* 2018
Nayar et al., *Nat Genet.* 2019
Kalra et al., *Cancer Res.* 2022

~5% HER2-/ER+ MBC
~10% lobular ER+ MBC



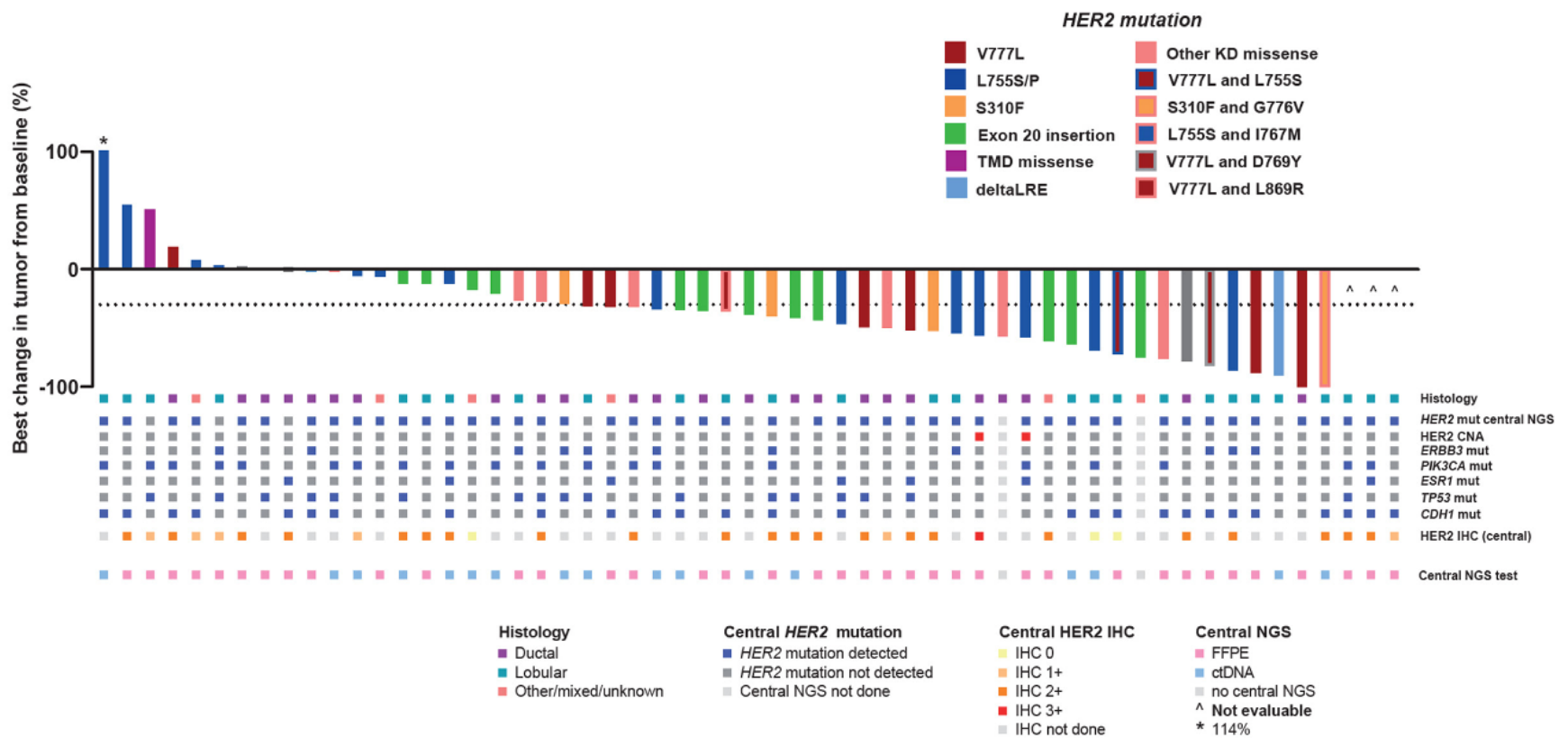
HR+ = hormone receptor+
(ER+/PR+)

Resistance to anti-HER2 therapies



Hanker et al., *Cancer Cell* 2021
Cocco et al., *Sci Signal.* 2018
Smith et al., *Nature Commun.* 2021

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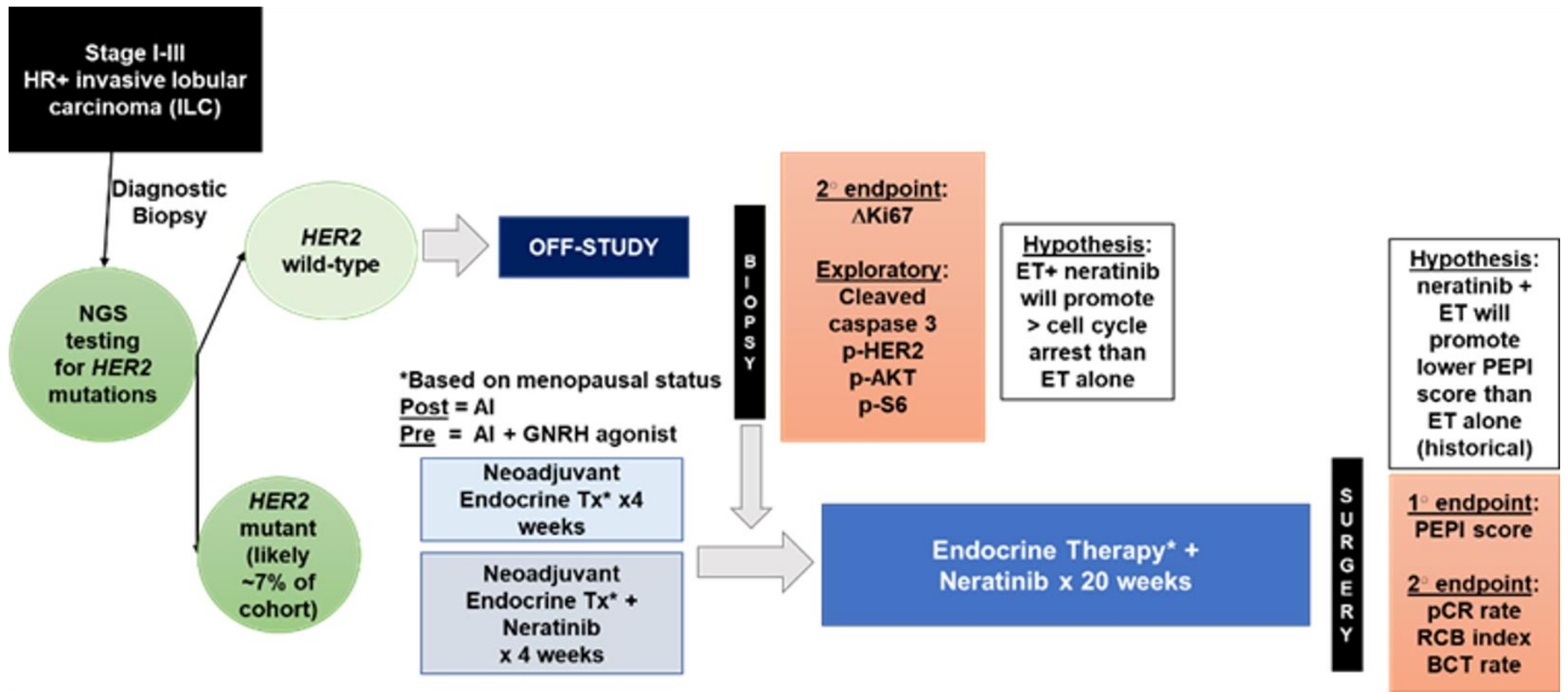


- Patients previously treated with CDK4/6i + endocrine therapy
- ILC ORR: 41%
- CBR: 52%
- Median PFS: 8.3 months
- Median DOR: 14.4 months
- Acquired HER2 mutations (including gatekeeper mutation) identified at progression, suggesting that resistant tumors remain dependent on mutant HER2

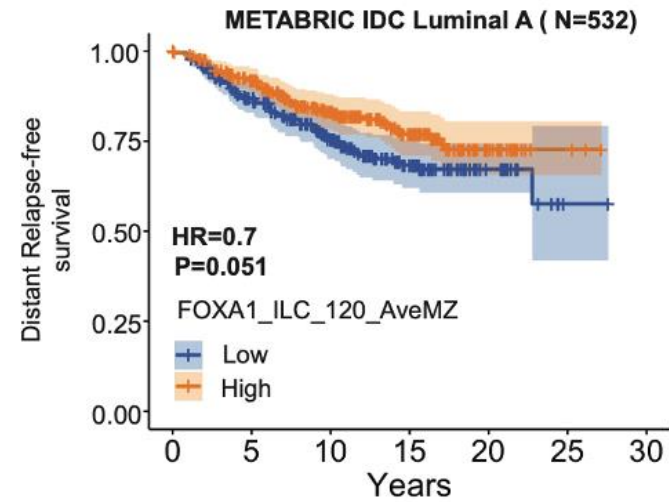
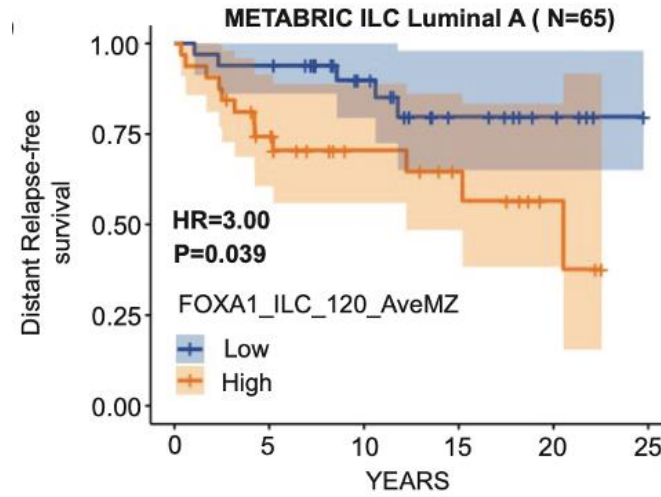
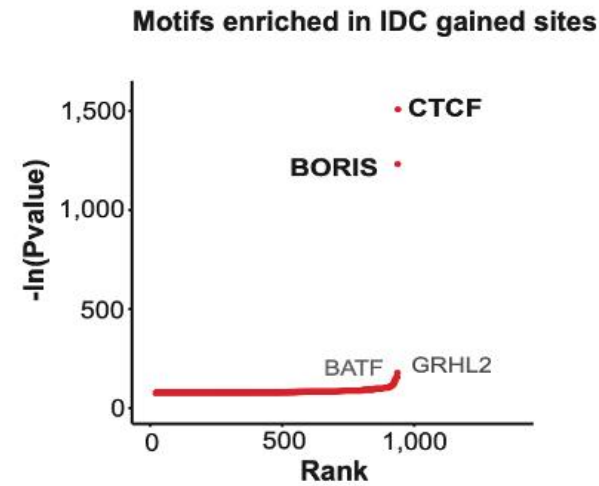
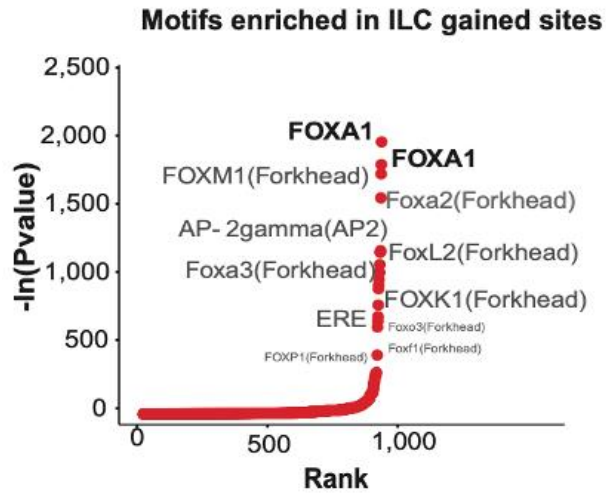
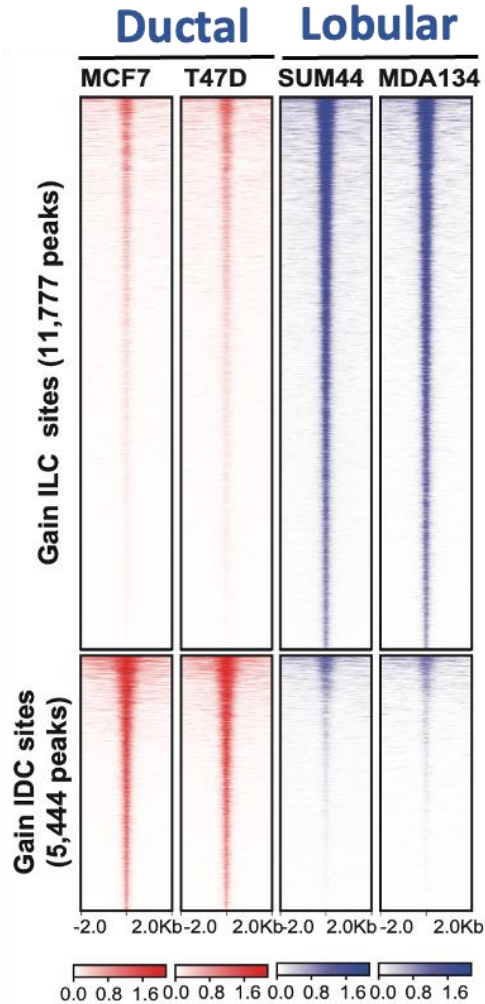
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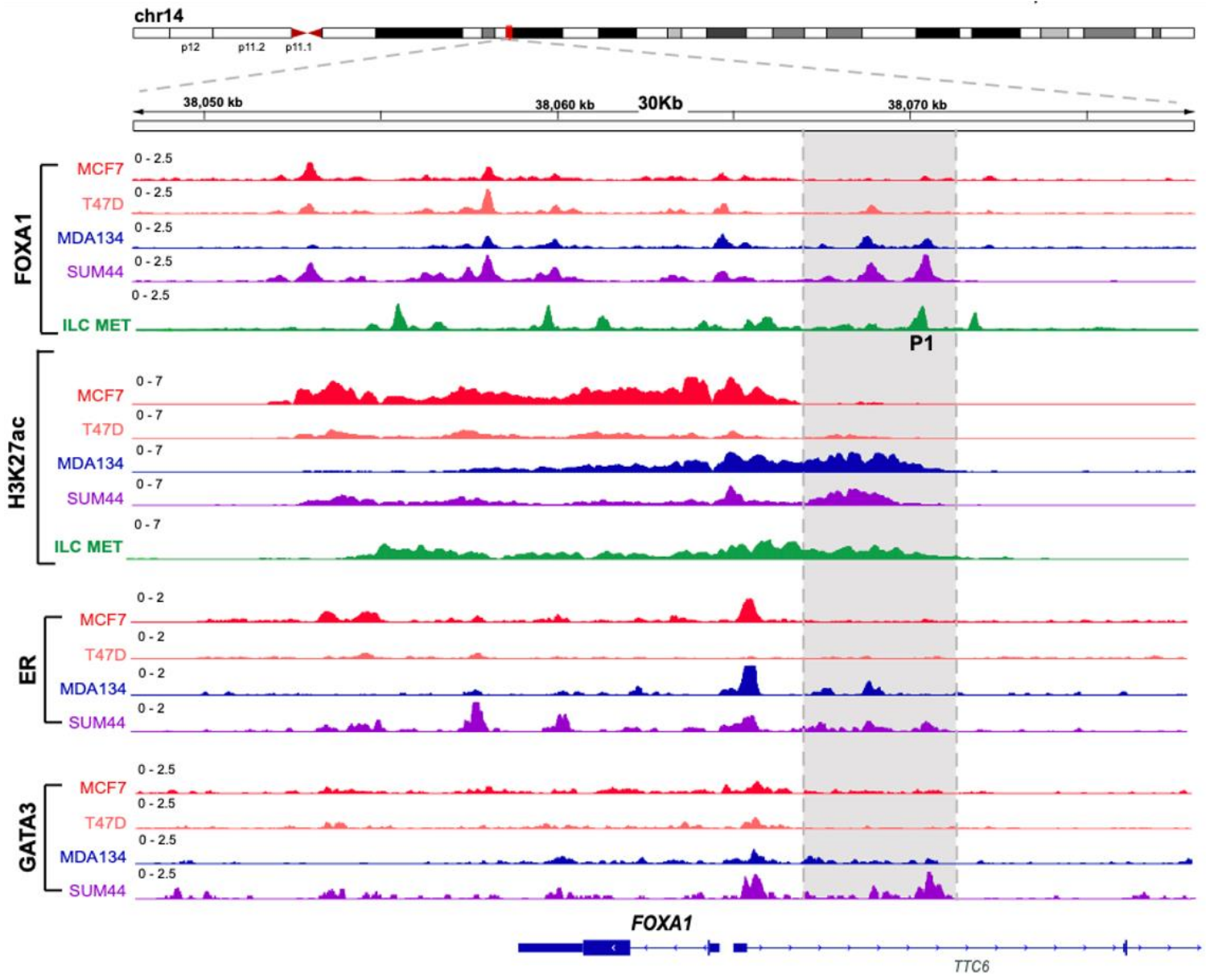
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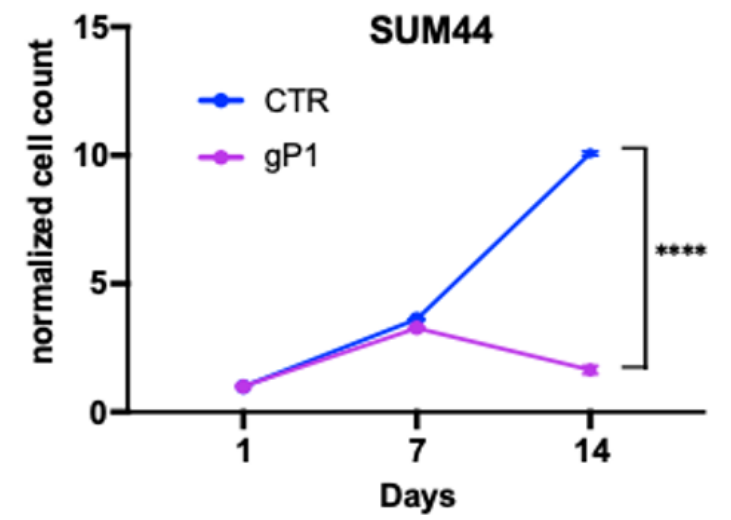
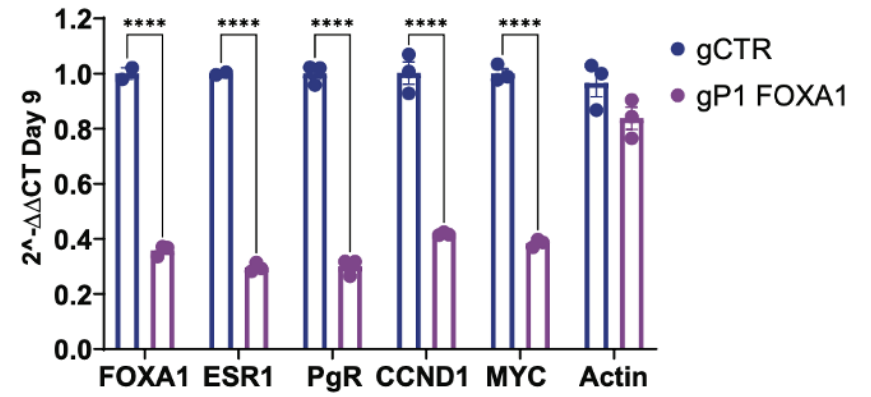


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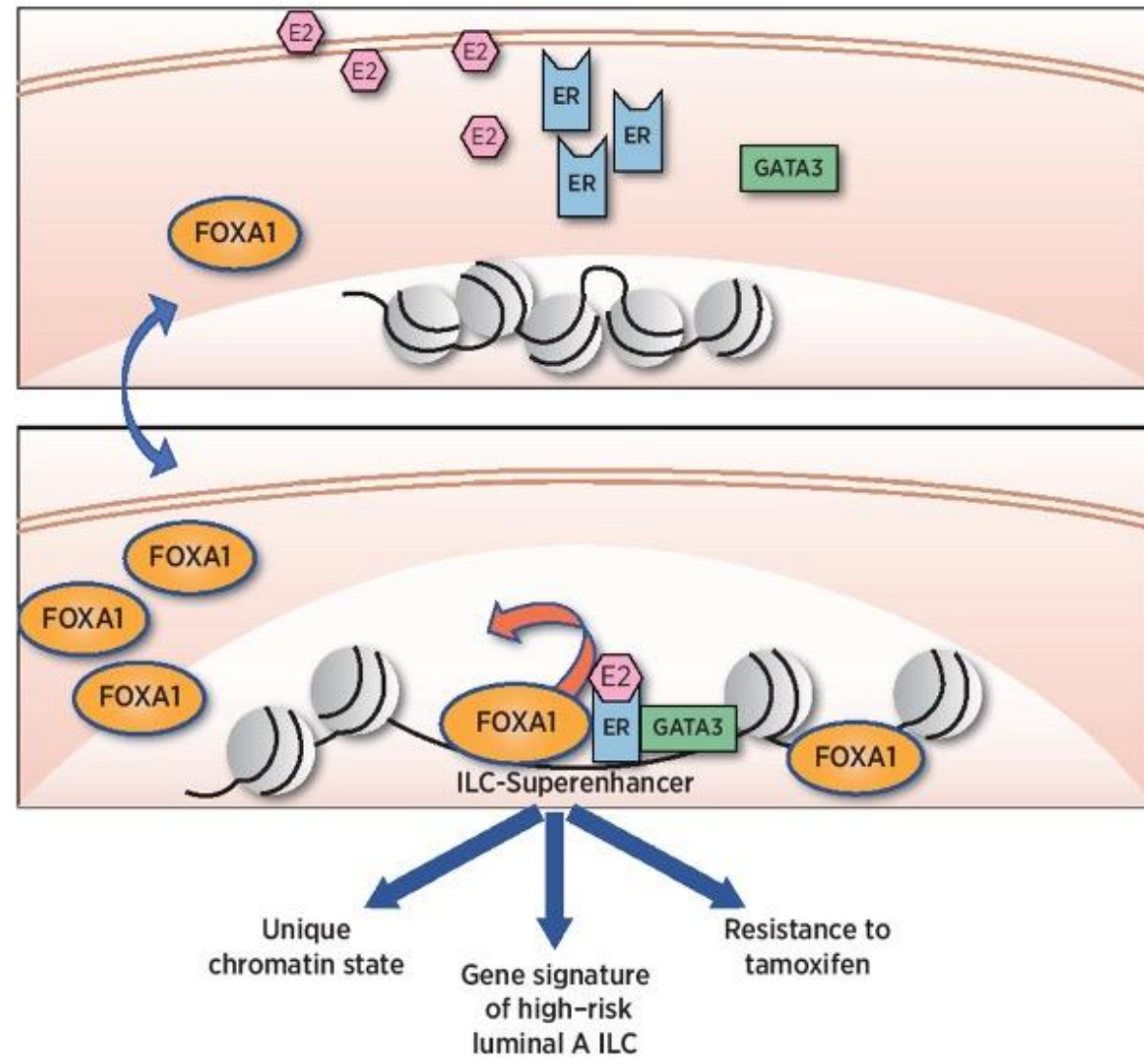




FOXA1 peak knockout



RESISTANCE



Epigenomic analysis of invasive lobular breast cancer reveals an altered chromatin state and a FOXA1-ER axis, which drives therapy resistance and tumor progression.

MIND MODELS OF ILC

Lobular Carcinoma *In Situ*

Invasive Lobular Carcinoma

Metastastatic Disease

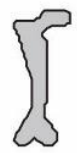
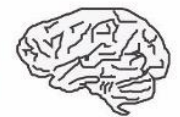
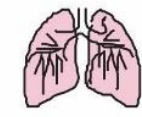
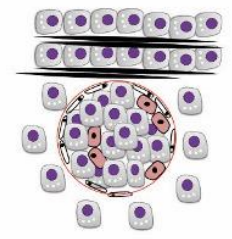
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Pagetoid spread

single cell files

cell line:

MM134
SUM44



time (months)

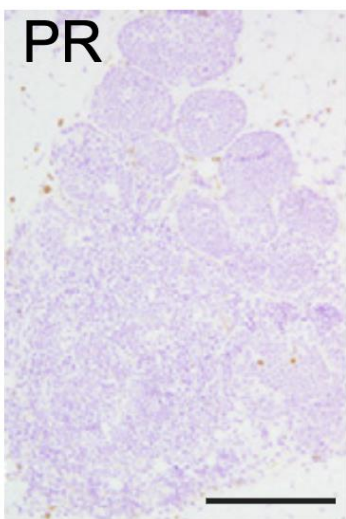
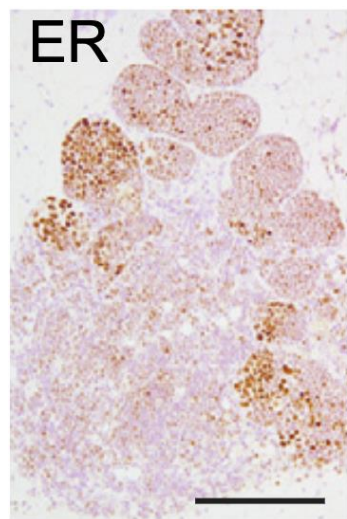
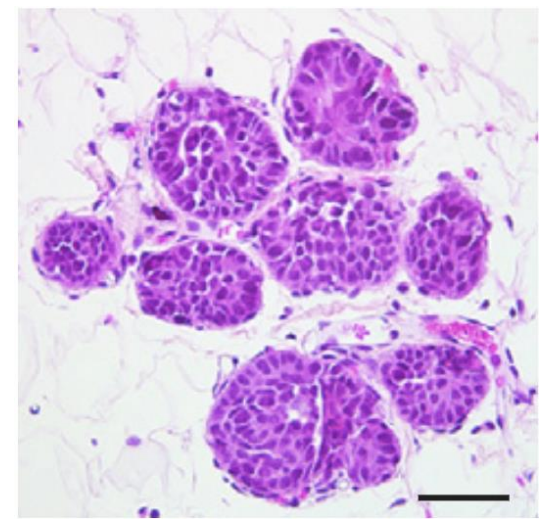
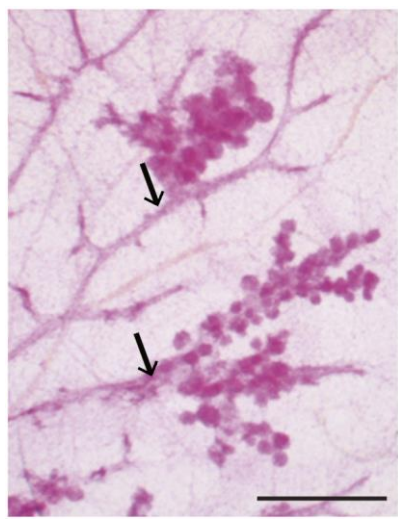
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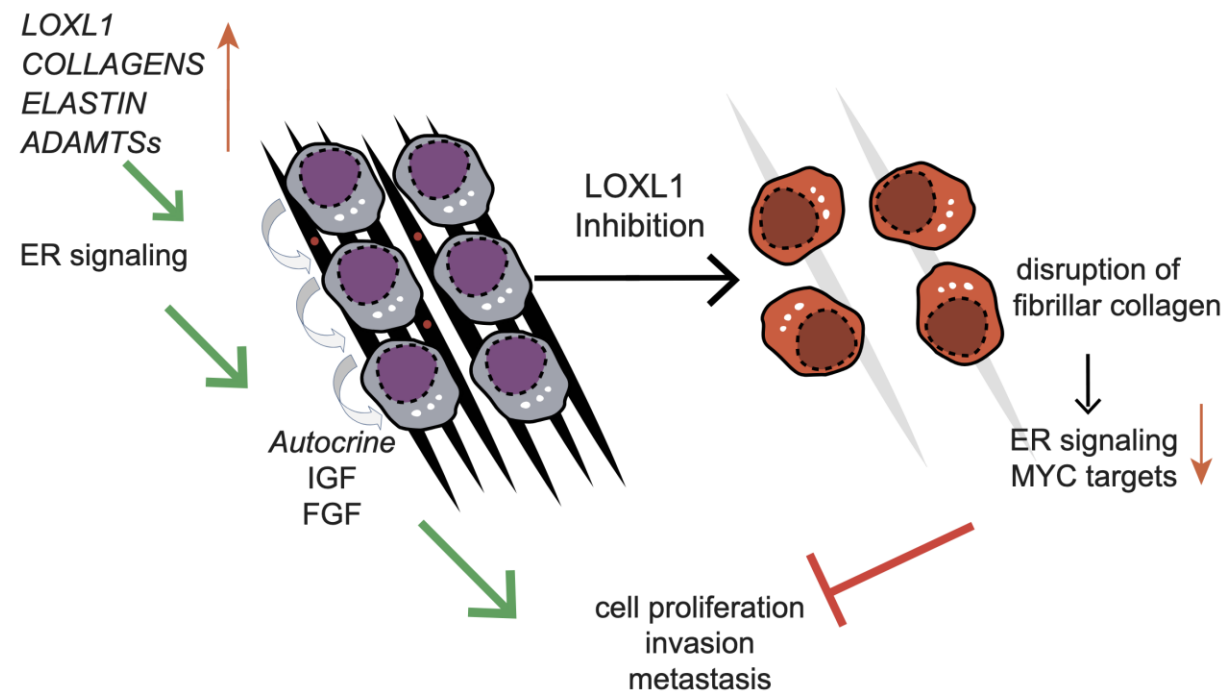
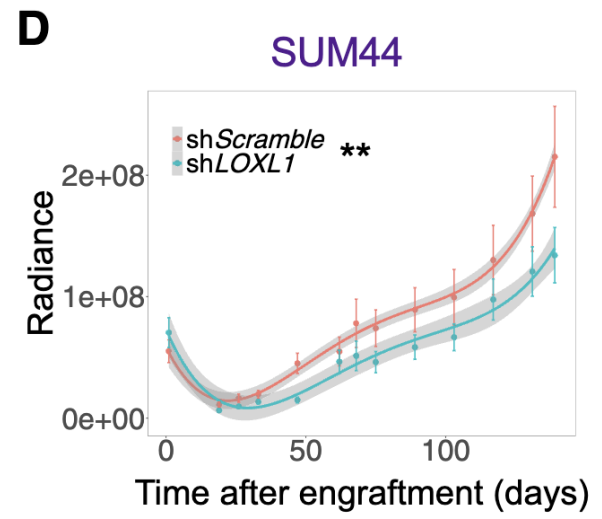
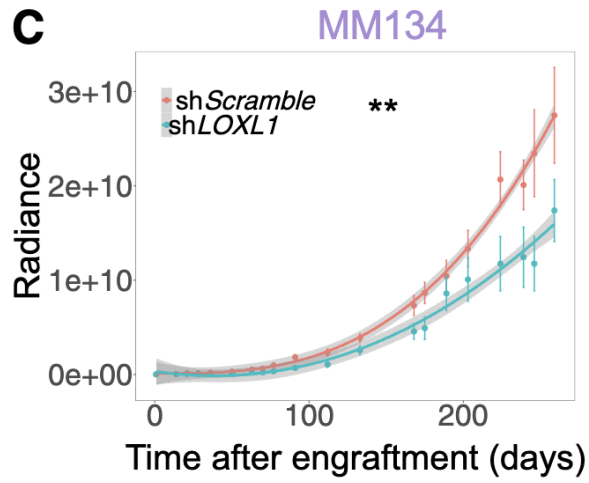
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(ILC cell line)

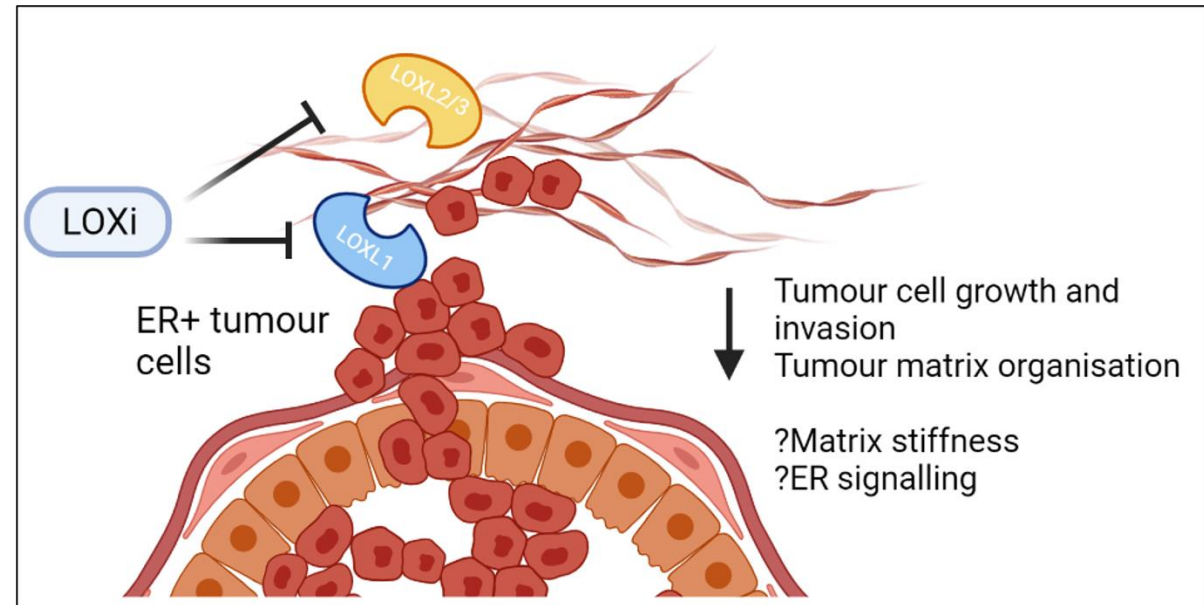


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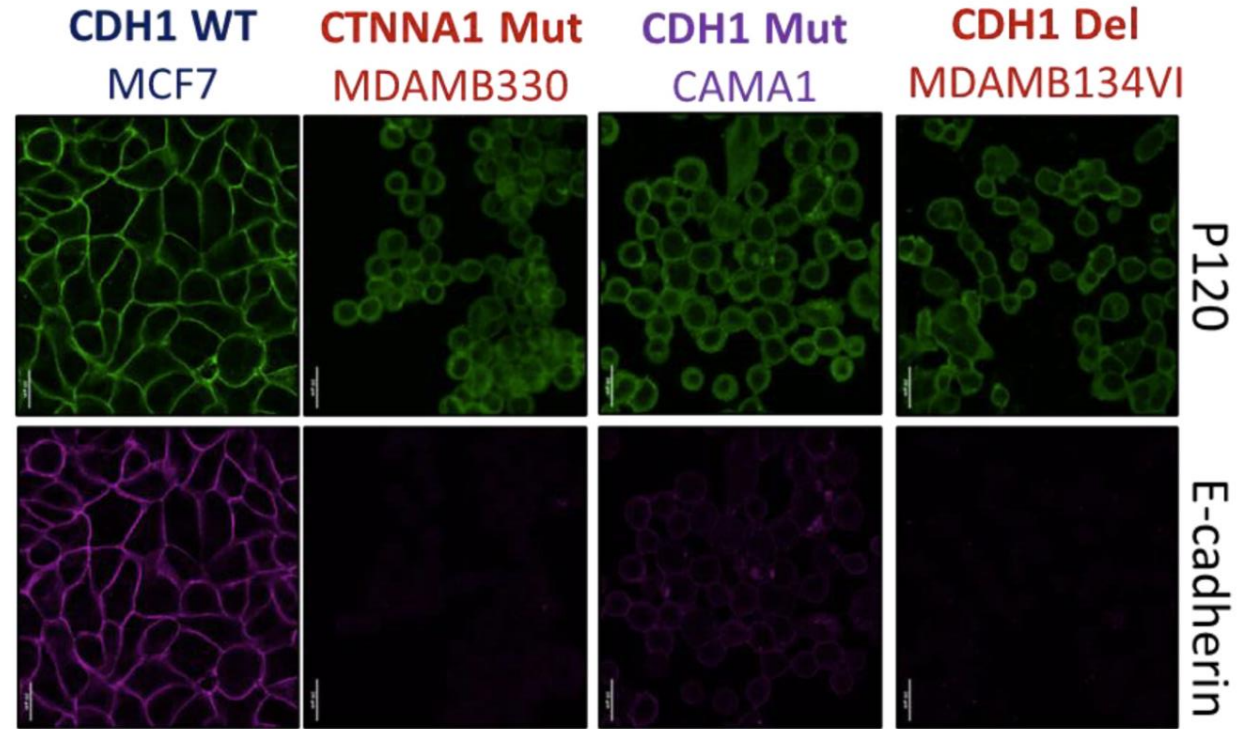
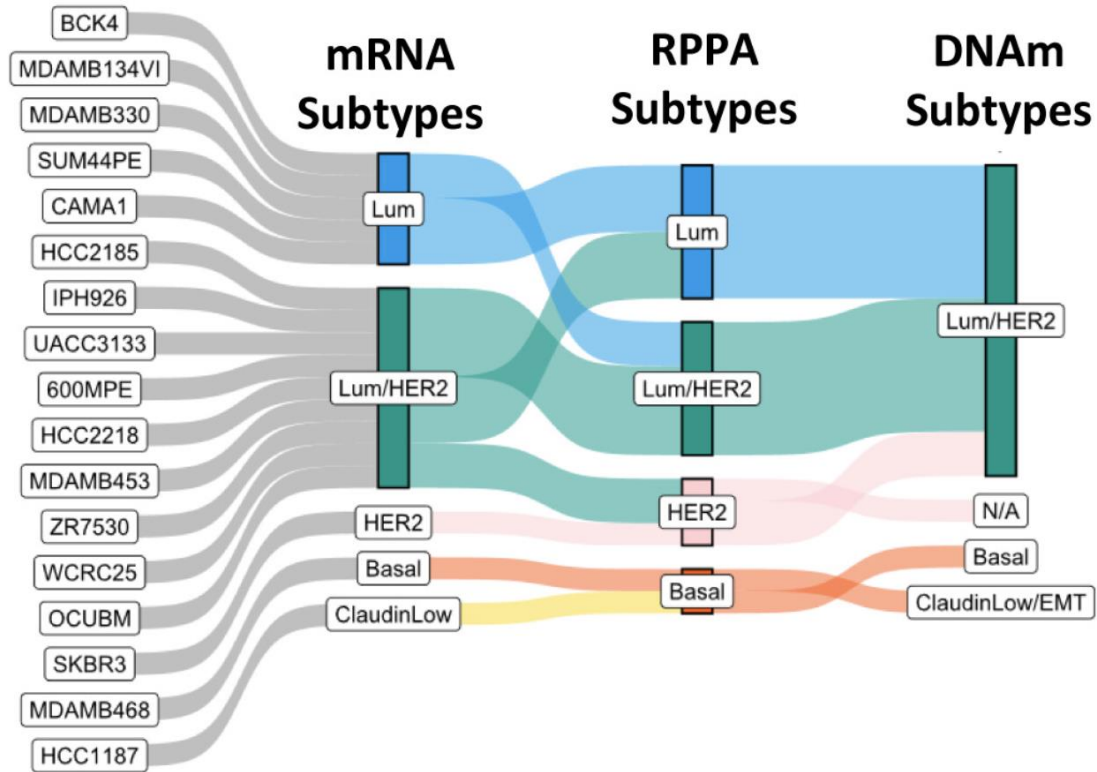
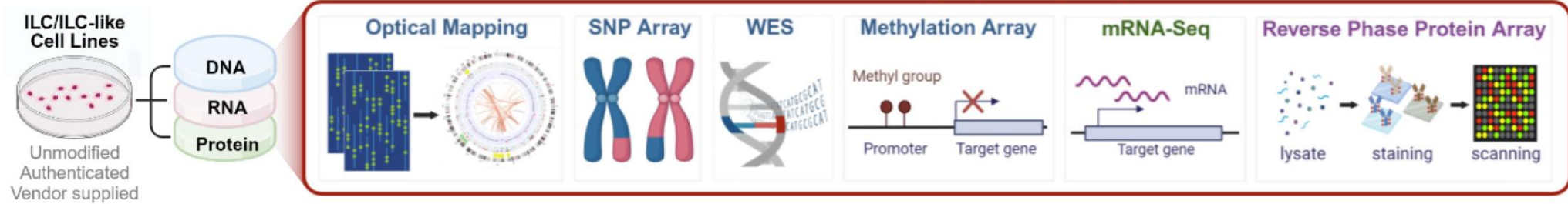
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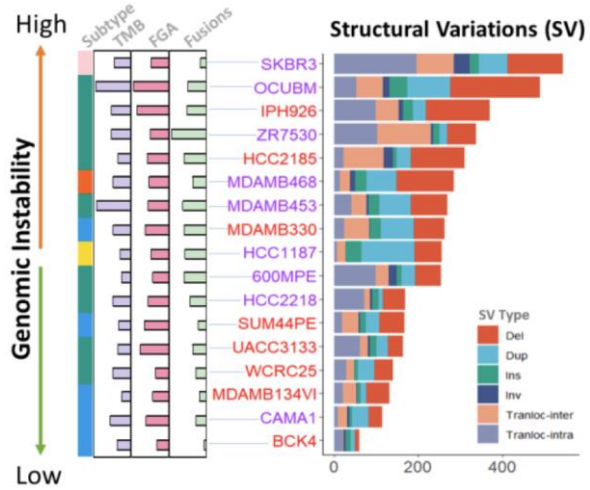
The LOX inhibitor PXS-5505 inhibits tumor progression in preclinical xenograft models



ILC Cell Line Encyclopedia (ICLE)



Genomics

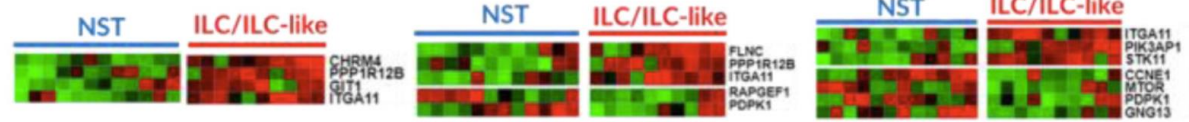


Pathway Dependencies

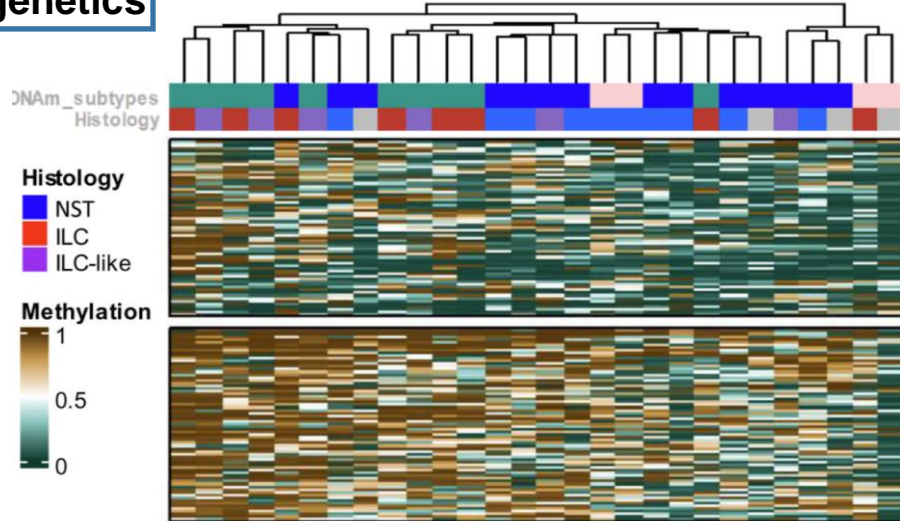
Actin Cytoskeleton		
Gene	LogFC	Dependency
PPP1R12B	0.5	High
GIT1	0.2	High
CHRM4	0.2	High
ITGA11	0.3	High

Focal Adhesion		
Gene	LogFC	Dependency
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FLNC	0.2	High
PPP1R12B	0.5	High
PDPK1	-0.2	Low
RAPGEF1	-0.2	Low

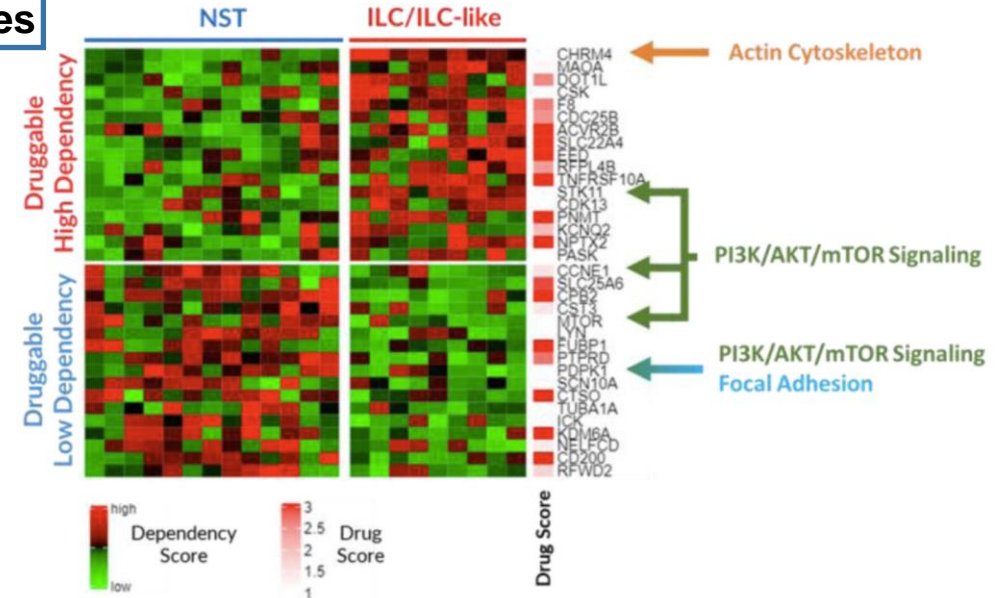
PI3K/AKT/mTOR Signaling		
Gene	LogFC	Dependency
ITGA11	0.3	High
PIK3AP1	0.2	High
STK11	0.1	High
MTOR	-0.4	Low
PDPK1	-0.2	Low
GNG13	-0.2	Low
CCNE1	-0.2	Low



Epigenetics



Pathway Dependencies



Cell Line	Molecular Subtype	ILC Driver Alterations		Other Altered Genes					Molecular Similarity to ILC Patient Tumors		Suitable Model for ER+/Luminal ILC Disease
		CDH1	CTNNA1	TP53	PIK3CA	ERBB2	PTEN	FOXA1	Copy Number	RNA Expression	
BCK4	Lum	MUT;LOH			MUT	MUT			0.5	0.6	Yes
CAMA1	Lum	MUT		MUT;LOH			MUT;LOH		0.3	-0.1	Yes, but low RNA similarity
MDAMB134VI	Lum	EXON6;LOH		MUT;LOH					0.5	0.3	Yes
MDAMB330	Lum		MUT	MUT;LOH		AMP			0.2	0.2	Yes
SUM44PE	Lum	MUT;LOH		MUT;LOH				AMP	0.4	0.2	Yes
600MPE	Lum/HER2	MUT;LOH		MUT;LOH					0.6	0.3	Yes
HCC2185	Lum/HER2	DEL		MUT	MUT;AMP				0.2	NS	Yes, but low RNA similarity
HCC2218	Lum/HER2	DEL		MUT;LOH		AMP			0.5	0.3	Yes
IPH926	Lum/HER2	MUT;LOH		MUT;LOH					0.2	0.3	Yes
MDAMB453	Lum/HER2	MUT;LOH		DEL	MUT;GAIN		MUT	AMP	0.3	0.1	Yes
OCUBM	Lum/HER2	EXON2;LOH		MUT;LOH	MUT;GAIN	AMP			0.3	-0.2	Yes, but low RNA similarity
UACC3133	Lum/HER2	MUT;LOH		MUT;LOH		MUT;GAIN			0.5	0.3	Yes
WCRC25	Lum/HER2	MUT;LOH		MUT;LOH					0.5	0.3	Yes
ZR7530	Lum/HER2	MUT;LOH				AMP			0.5	0.1	Yes
SKBR3	HER2	DEL		MUT;LOH		AMP			0.1	NS	No, HER2 subtype
HCC1187	ClaudinLow		MUT	MUT					0.3	-0.3	No, claudinLow subtype
MDAMB468	Basal		EXON4,5;MUT	MUT;LOH		MUT;LOH	MUT;GAIN		NS	-0.4	No, basal subtype

Alteration

- AMP
- DEL
- MUT
- MUT;AMP
- MUT;DEL
- MUT;GAIN
- MUT;LOH

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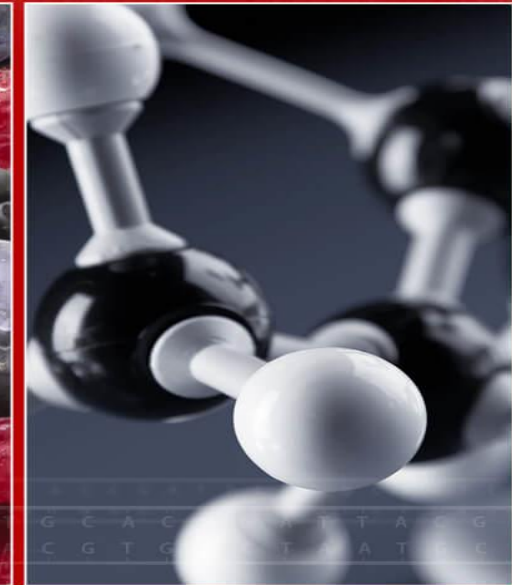
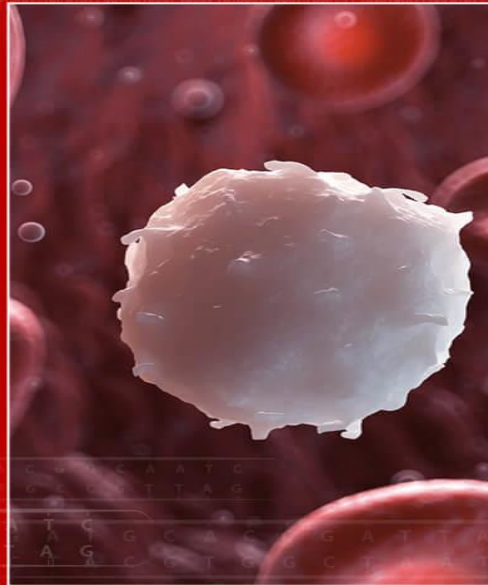
**BENCH-BEDSIDE- CAN WE TRANSLATE OUR
DISCOVERIES TO IMPROVE LIVES OF PATIENTS
WITH INVASIVE LOBULAR CANCERS?**

**Bhuvaneshwari Ramaswamy MD
Professor**

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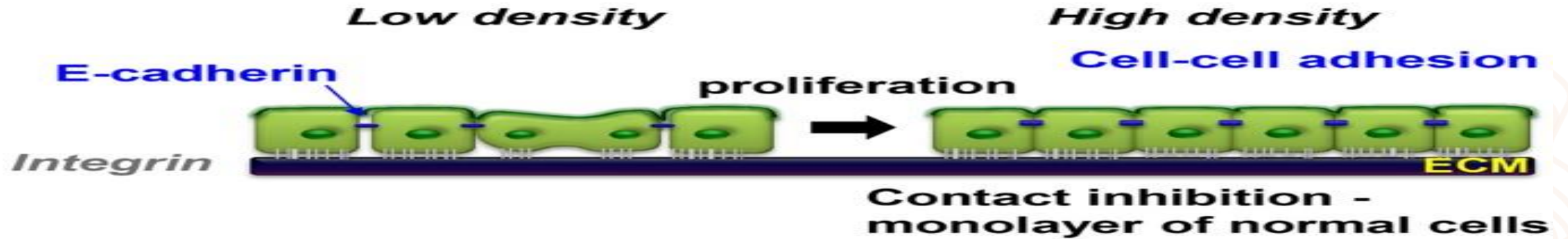
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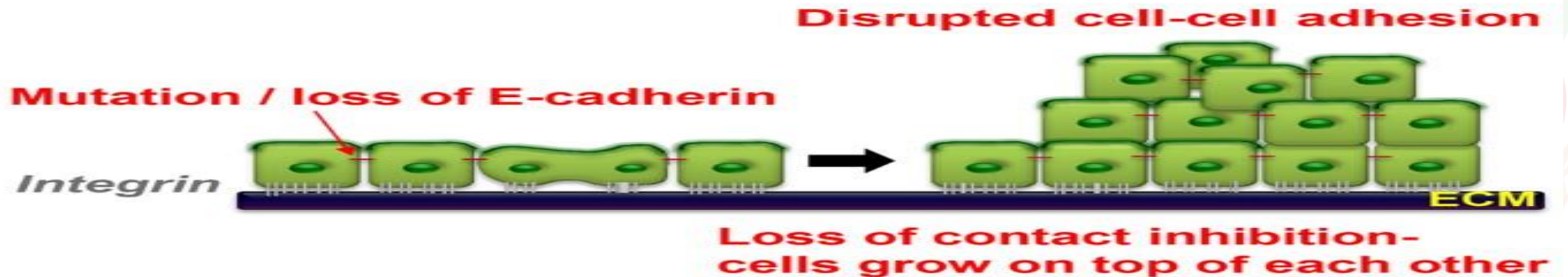
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DISTINCT MOLECULAR FEATURE: LOSS OF E-CADHERIN

Normal cell



Loss of E-cadherin / mutation in E-cadherin



CLINICAL CHALLENGES ONCOLOGIST FACE IN MANAGING ILC.

Delayed/late diagnosis

Local Therapy
-Distinct molecular features

Choice of Adjuvant Therapy
Role of Oncotype

Late recurrence
Role of Disseminated tumor cells/dormancy

Unusual metastatic sites.
Why??

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COMMON THEME FOR THE CHALLENGES

Giovanni Corso, MD, PhD

Hereditary lobular breast cancer syndrome associated with germline CDH1 variants

Ethan Sokol, PhD

Identification of Targetable Vulnerabilities in ILC Using Comprehensive Genomics Profiling

Massimo Cristofanilli, MD

Liquid biopsy in ILC: What can we learn about clinical and molecular evolution?

Peter Simpson, PhD

ILC-focused biomarkers of progression and prognosis

Karen Van Baelen, MD

Metastatic Spread in Patients with Mixed ILC/NST: Results from Post-Mortem Tissue Donation Programs

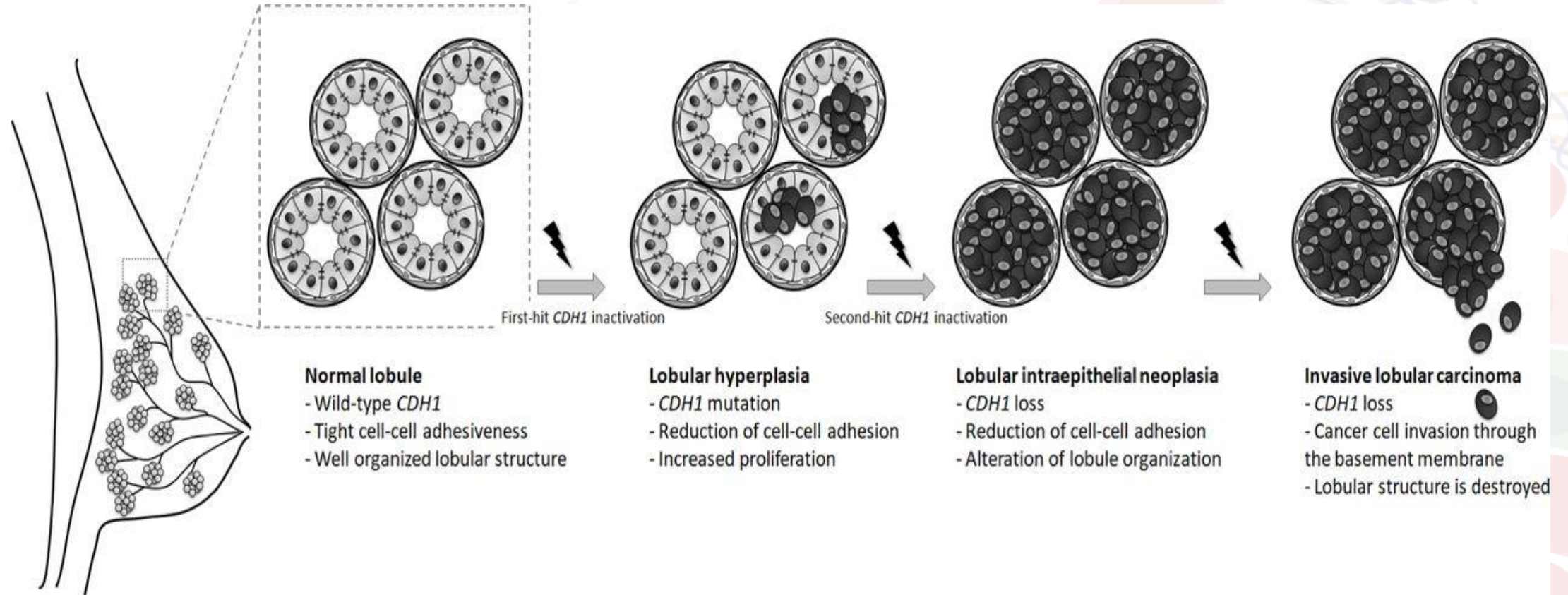
- Few clinical studies for patients with ILC alone. **Use of retrospective data and tissue.**
- Treatment Resistance and Metastases- **Finding markers of dormancy and resistance and using it as a therapeutic target.**
- **Tissue donation.**

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HEREDITARY LOBULAR BREAST CANCER (HLBC) SYNDROME ASSOCIATED WITH GERMLINE CDH1 VARIANTS, CORSO ET AL

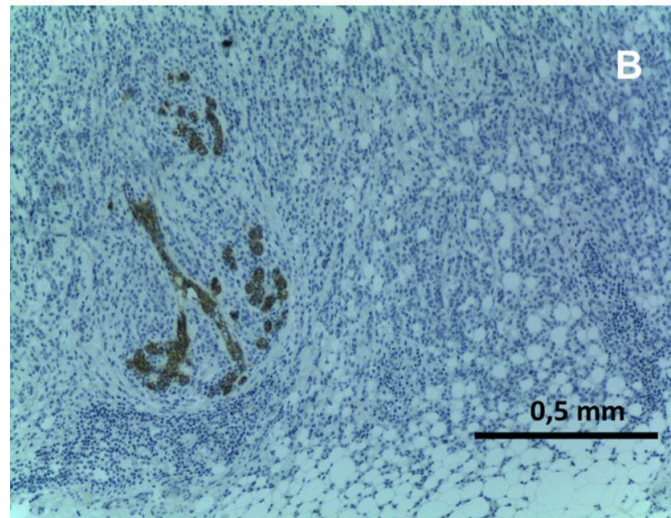
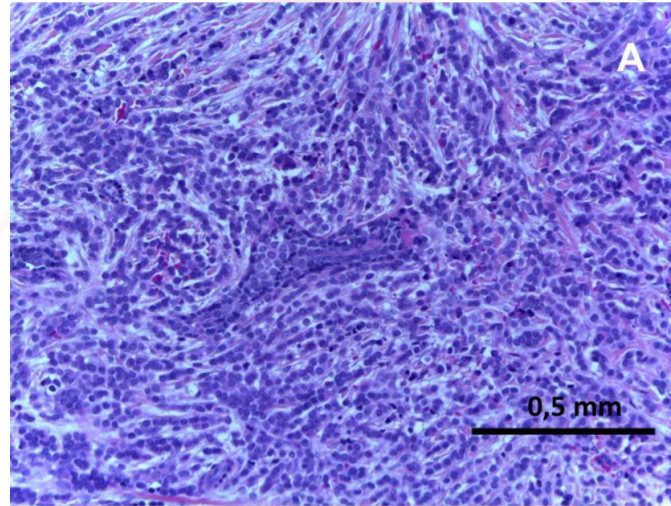
- Considering the 'so-called' HLBC, without family history of gastric tumour, E-cadherin genetic test should be proposed in the following cases: (A) bilateral LBC with or without family history of LBC, with age at onset <50 years, and (B) unilateral LBC with family history of LBC, with age at onset <45 years. Whenever possible, *BRCA1/2* germline mutations should be excluded in both groups, since they are mutually exclusive with *CDH1* germline mutations.
- Given the high prevalence of ILC in *CDH1* germline mutation carriers, and the histopathological and imaging features of these tumours, ***breast screening in CDH1-mutated patients should be performed annually with DM (possibly with DBT), ultrasound and contrast-enhanced MRI.*** A 6-month interval between the US and the MRI is preferable but not mandatory.

Representative model of lobular breast cancer (LBC) progression in CDH1 mutation carriers.



Giovanni Corso et al. J Med Genet 2018;55:431-441

Invasive lobular carcinoma.



Giovanni Corso et al. J Med Genet 2018;55:431-441

IDENTIFICATION OF TARGETABLE VULNERABILITIES IN ILC USING COMPREHENSIVE GENOMICS PROFILING- ETHAN SOKOL

Loss of function of NF1 is a mechanism of acquired resistance to endocrine therapy in lobular breast cancer
Sokol, E, Annals of oncology 2011

Key Message

This study identifies an enrichment of *NF1* loss of function alterations and high tumor mutational burden in metastatic, therapy-refractory ILC. Our findings reveal potential targeted interventions in this population, with possible sensitivities to RAS/RAF inhibition or Immune checkpoint inhibitors

FGFR4 overexpression and hotspot mutations in metastatic ER+ breast cancer are enriched in the lobular subtype. *Levine K et al, NPJ breast cancer*

Targeting FGFR with Dovitinib (TKI258):
Preclinical and Clinical Data in Breast Cancer

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APOBEC Mutational Signatures in Hormone Receptor–Positive Human Epidermal Growth Factor Receptor 2–Negative Breast Cancers Are Associated With Poor Outcomes on CDK4/6 Inhibitors and Endocrine Therapy

Sammos. S et al JCO Precis Oncology

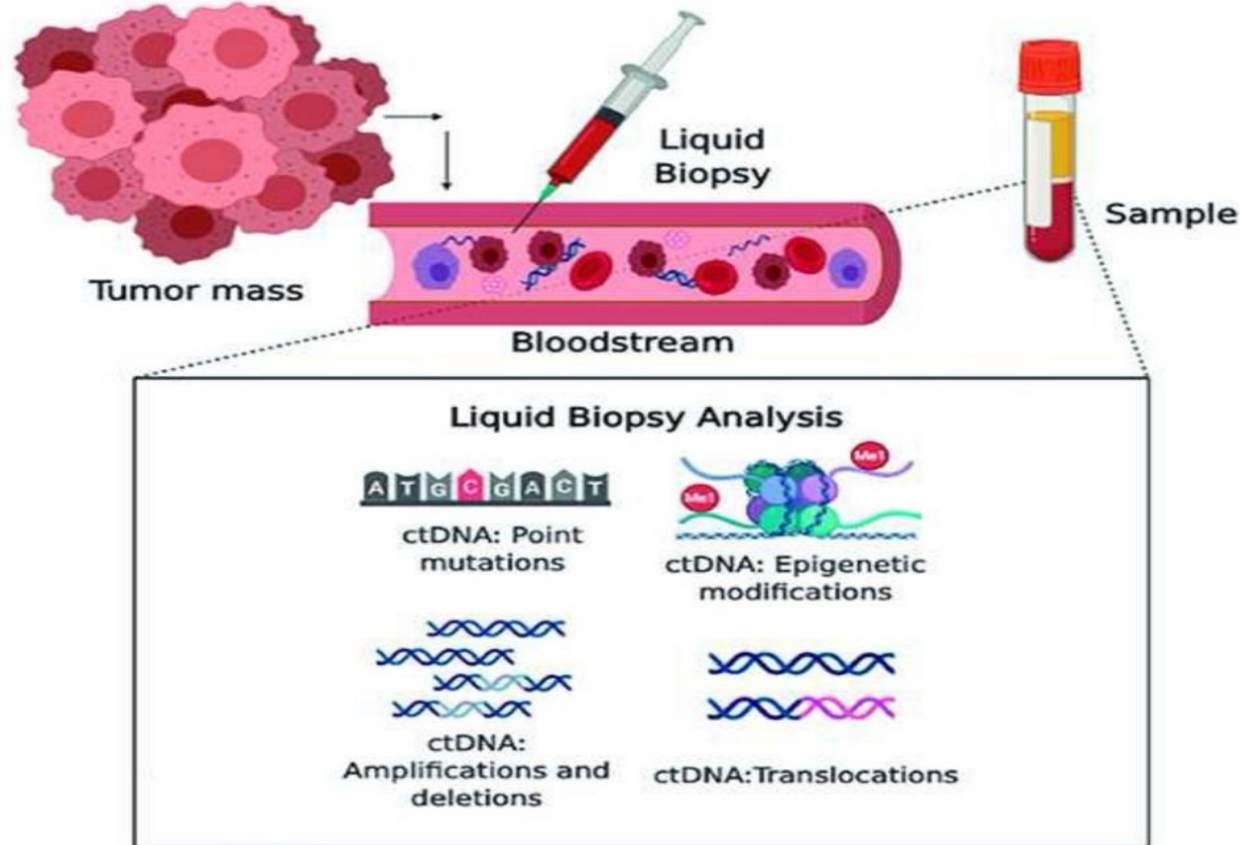
Key Message:

APOBEC mutational signatures were common and identified in 16.7% of lobular and 10% of metastatic HR+/HER2– tumors. APOBEC+ HR+ HER2– patients had a significantly shorter time-to-treatment discontinuation and numerically shorter overall survival on first-line ET and CDK4/6i relative to APOBEC– patients. The clinical benefit of immune checkpoint inhibition was observed in a series of APOBEC+ patients. **APOBEC or apolipoprotein B mRNA-editing enzyme catalytic polypeptides are a family of cytidine deaminases, which protect against viral infection by degrading viral genomes via cytosine deamination.**

PARTICIPATION IN CLINICAL TRIALS, EVEN FOR A TISSUE COLLECTION STUDY, IT WILL IMPROVE SCIENTIFIC PROGRESS!

ROLE OF LIQUID BIOPSY AND GENOMIC SEQUENCING IN ILC

- L. Pessoa et al ,Nov 2020



CLINICAL IMPLICATIONS OF ctDNA LIQUID BIOPSY IN CANCER INCLUDING ILC

- ctDNA – Diagnosis of cancer- ??
- ctDNA-- To help to monitor disease and response to treatment.
- Genomics on ctDNA- This is the greatest advantage to identify targetable mutations, such as PI3K , ESR-1, FGFR, Tumor mutational burden.

ILC BASED PROGNOSTIC MARKERS.

- Dr. Simpson et al had undertaken an integrative analysis of gene expression and DNA copy number to identify novel drivers and prognostic biomarkers, using in-house (n = 25), METABRIC (n = 125) and TCGA (n = 146) samples.
- Using in silico integrative analyses, a 194-gene set was derived that is highly prognostic in ILC —we named this metagene ‘LobSig’.
- Assessing a 10-year follow-up period, LobSig outperformed the Nottingham Prognostic Index, PAM50 risk-of-recurrence (Prosigna), OncotypeDx, and Genomic Grade Index (MapQuantDx) in a stepwise, multivariate Cox proportional hazards model, particularly in grade 2 ILC cases which are difficult to prognosticate clinically.
- Importantly, LobSig status predicted outcome with 94.6% accuracy amongst cases classified as ‘moderate-risk’ according to Nottingham Prognostic Index in the METABRIC cohort. Network analysis identified few candidate pathways, though genesets related to proliferation were identified, and a LobSig-high phenotype was associated with the TCGA proliferative subtype ILC with a poor outcome as predicted by LobSig were enriched with mutations in ERBB2, ERBB3, TP53, AKT1 and ROS1. LobSig has the potential to be a clinically relevant prognostic signature and warrants further development.
- npj Breast Cancer (2019) 5:18 ; <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41523-019-0113-yd>

ILC-FOCUSED BIOMARKERS OF PROGRESSION AND PROGNOSIS

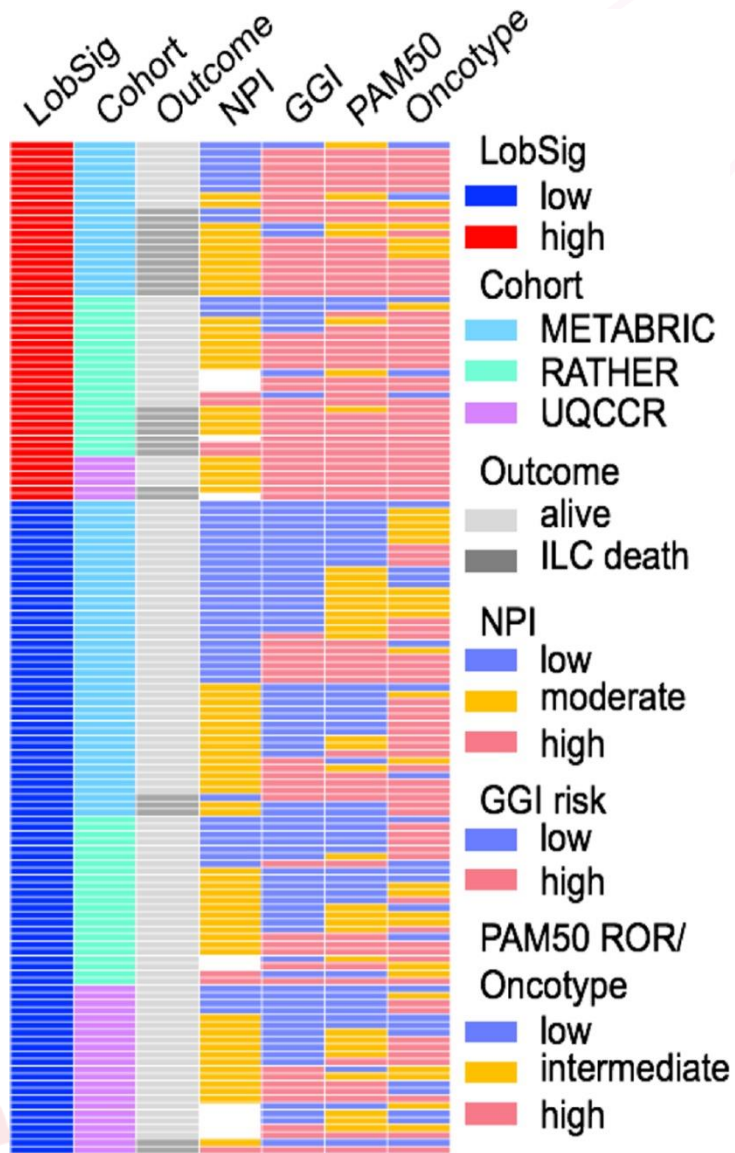
There was a notable prevalence of ERBB2 (20%), ERBB3 (14.28%), AKT1 (8.57%) and ROS1 (8.57%) mutations in the LobSig high group, raising exciting possibilities for applying targeted therapies in LobSig high tumors, with evidence emerging of the value of anti-HER2 therapies, AKT inhibitors and the recently described ROS1 inhibitors via synthetic lethal interaction with CDH1 mutant ILC.

Multivariate analysis demonstrated the significant value of LobSig above individual clinico-pathology features, but more importantly, the value of this signature resides in its ability to stratify the NPI moderate tumors—effectively moving from the ‘intermediate’, unclear group, into one of two groups with clear prognostic outcomes.

The data presented supports LobSig low-risk patients need not receive adjuvant chemotherapy. Our signature is not predictive for chemotherapy administration per se, but likely identifies a group of ILC patients in whom chemotherapies may be beneficial.

A paucity of highly annotated ILC cohorts with sufficient follow-up, as well as molecular profiling data in a clinical trial setting, precludes us from determining if and whether there are specific therapies that may have efficacy.

*LobSig is a multigene predictor of outcome in invasive lobular carcinoma Amy E. McCart Reed , Samir Lal1, Jamie R. Kutasovic ,,,and **Peter T. Simpson** npj Breast Cancer (2019) 5:18*



In conclusion, the molecular signature, LobSig, which captures the peculiar genomic landscape of ILC tumors, and together with clinico-pathology information, provides a robust mechanism for prognostication in ILC. This signature warrants further analysis and development, and validation on expanded retrospective cohorts of ILC with detailed treatment information.

POSTMORTEM TISSUE DONATION PROGRAM : KAREN VAN BAELEN

Background. Research in metastatic breast cancer is hampered by limited sample availability. Post-mortem tissue donation programs can help to overcome this problem but are logistically challenging and have thus far mainly focused on histopathological and genomic research. We here present the UPTIDER program (NCT04531696), aimed at the multilevel characterization of advanced breast cancer and generation of tumour models.

Patients and Methods. Patients with stage IV breast cancer receiving their last line(s) of treatment are eligible for participation. Blood, urine and saliva samples are collected upon inclusion. Upon death, a post-mortem MRI (when possible) followed by a rapid autopsy is performed. Liquid biopsies from all body fluids and tissue samples from all macroscopically identified metastatic sites are collected. Samples are processed as mirrored biopsies in different conditions, such as fresh frozen for omics analyses, formalin fixed paraffin-embedded for histopathology, and slowly frozen in freezing medium or fresh for generation of xenograft and organoid models.

POSTMORTEM TISSUE DONATION PROGRAM :

KAREN VAN BAELEN

- Results. A post-mortem MRI was performed in 6 patients. Peripheral blood, central blood and bone marrow were collected from all patients; urine, ascites, cerebrospinal, pericardial and pleural fluid all in more than 2/3 of patients. On average, 232 (range 90-406) tissue samples of which 164 (45-303) pathological from 42 (15 – 79) metastases were collected for each patient. Most often sampled metastatic sites were lymph nodes, liver, bones, pleura and peritoneum. Samples from the primary tumour could be retrieved from all patients, either during the autopsy (n=6) or from historical archives.
- In total, 133 tumour samples were sent to collaborating partners for patient-derived xenograft creation. Already some have been successfully established and stored, including models derived from a patient with invasive lobular carcinoma (ILC) and one with metaplastic squamous cell carcinoma. When correlating microscopic and macroscopic findings, patients could largely be divided into three main categories. Eleven patients presented with overt and extensive disease burden, often characterized by diffuse visceral, pleural, peritoneal, bone and lymph node involvement. **Two patients, both with ILC, presented with underestimated yet extensive disease burden. While gross examination and cross sectioning of organs did not reveal clear involvement, microscopical invasion of stomach and liver, amongst others, was found. Lastly, limited disease burden was seen in two patients, both with leptomeningeal involvement. In those patients, massive tumoral infiltration in the subarachnoid space and along the blood-brain barrier was seen microscopically, with no grey matter invasion**

POSTMORTEM TISSUE DONATION PROGRAM : KAREN VAN BAELEN

They have launched a new and comprehensive post-mortem tissue donation program for patients with metastatic breast cancer, enrolling ~ 1 patient per month. Post-mortem tumour samples already resulted in successful establishment of some patient-derived xenografts. From a clinical point of view, vast underestimation of the disease extent on imaging during life as well as macroscopically during the autopsy was observed in some patients with metastatic ILC. For patients with leptomeningeal metastasis, they showed that the highly aggressive nature of their disease might be explained by extensive meningeal infiltration disrupting the blood-brain barrier. Further work on multi-omics will reveal tumor heterogeneity.

WHAT CAN WE ALL DO?



ADVOCACY- This becomes very important for any rarer tumor

SCIENTISTS- More Basic research to understand markers of dormancy and identify therapeutic targets and development of patient derived cell lines and murine models.

PATIENTS- Participate in clinical trials including tissue collection studies

Clinical Investigators- Identity ILC as Unique disease and open ILC specific clinical trials

GOVERNMENT/NCI- Recognize ILC as rare cancer

INDUSTRY- Focus on discovering novel therapies in ILC

FUNDING AGENCIES- Allocate funds for ILC research.

CHALLENGES- DISPARITY IN OUTCOMES



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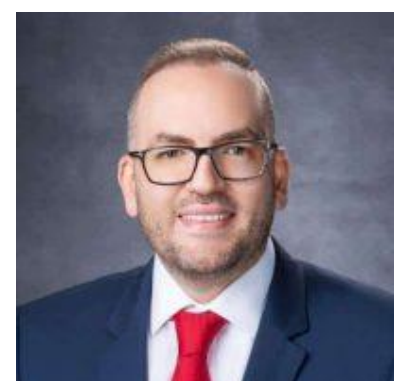
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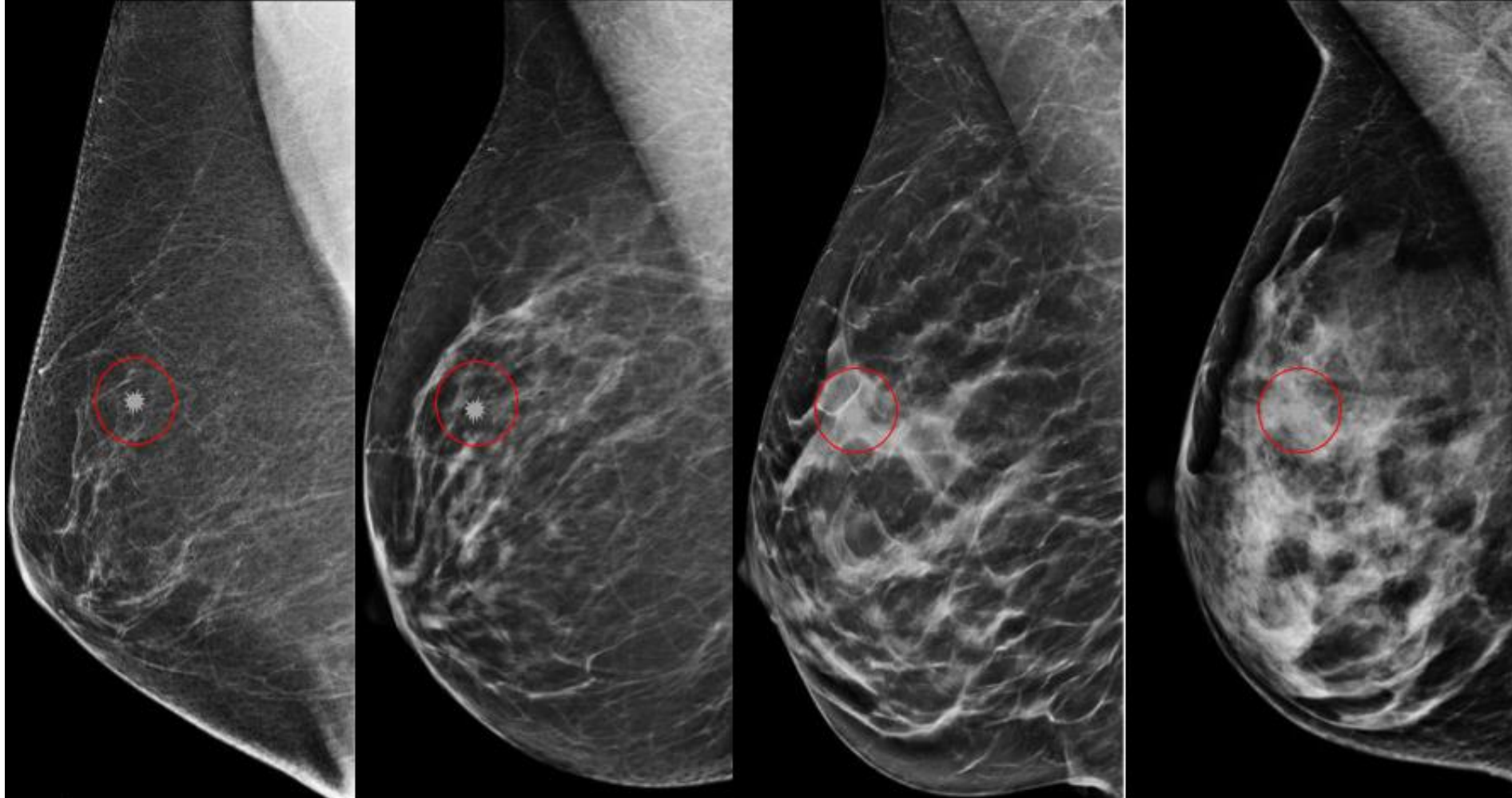


ILC Imaging Science Summary

- Imaging of ILC was a hot topic at the 2023 ILC Symposium
- Formal imaging session:
 - Speakers:
 - Matt Covington, MD: Challenges and Potential Solutions for Imaging of ILC
 - Huntsman Cancer Institute, University of Utah
 - Hannah Linden, MD: Imaging and ILC, Advances and Opportunities
 - Fred Hutch Cancer Center, University of Washington
 - Gary Ulaner, MD: ER-targeted PET: Clinical Applications and Interpretation
 - HOAG Family Cancer Institute, University of Southern California
 - Vincent Vandecavaye, MD, PhD: Whole body diffusion-weighted MRI in Lobular Breast Cancer
 - KU Leuven, Belgium

Challenges in imaging of ILC

- It starts with detection of ILC on screening mammography and clinical breast exam
- It continues throughout the course of diagnosis, treatment, and monitoring for many individuals with ILC



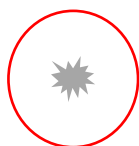
Fatty Breast Density

Scattered Breast Density

Heterogeneously Dense

Extremely Dense

Hypothetical cancer in red circle, also placed in the mammograms above. This is easily seen in the breasts with fatty and scattered density but is obscured on the heterogeneously and extremely dense breasts.



ILC challenges for pre-surgical staging

- Problems:

- Common understaging due to failure to detect disease on mammography, ultrasound, MRI, FDG PET/CT
- Lymph nodes may be involved with ILC but not enlarged
- FDG PET/CT may have reduced sensitivity for ILC compared to IDC
- High rate of surgical re-excisions due to positive margins

- Solutions:

- Leverage other imaging technologies to include 18F-Fluoroestradiol PET/CT
- Increased education to radiologists on challenges of ILC detection
 - Lower thresholds for calling disease potentially positive

ILC challenges for surveillance

- Problems

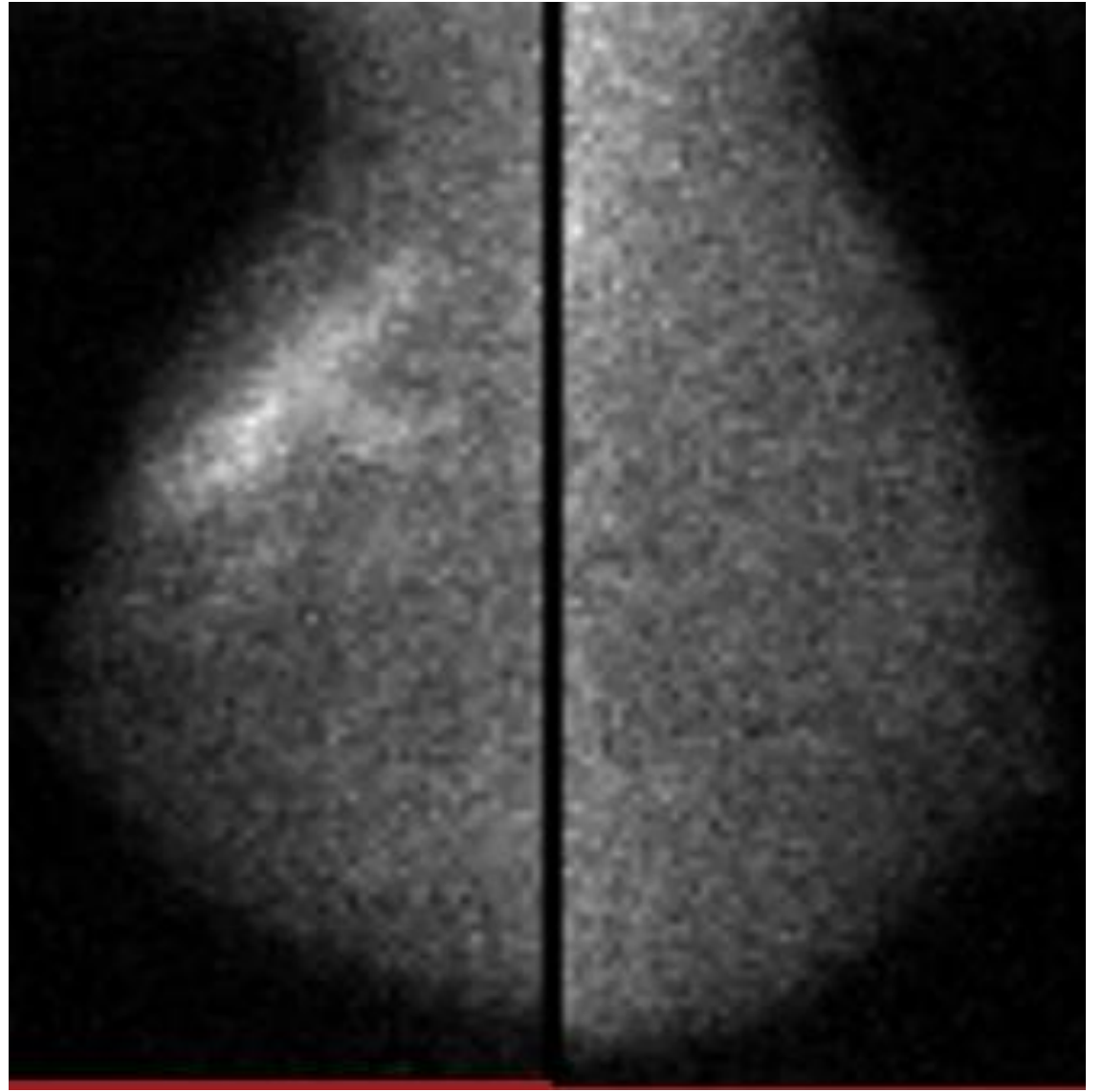
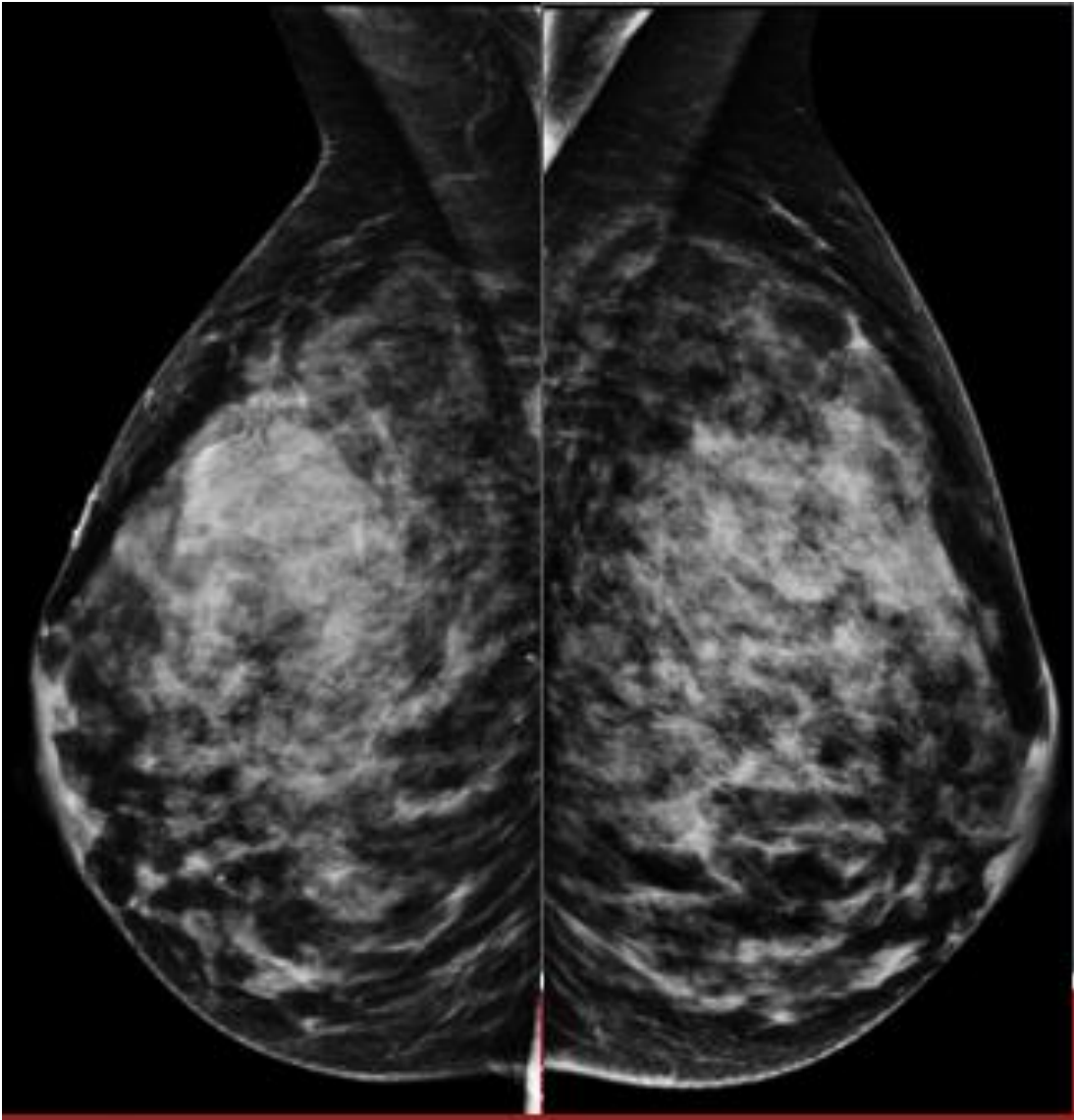
- Same as before and
- ILC metastasizes to areas difficult to detect on imaging
 - GI tract, CSF, peritoneum, blastic bone lesions
- Disseminated cancer cells may transition to active disease at 5-20 years after diagnosis
 - Long latency likely leads to less aggressive monitoring

- Solutions

- Improved importance of imaging for local staging compared to IDC
- Circulating tumor DNA and other blood tests

How to improve ILC detection on imaging

- Leverage every technological advance available!
- Breast imaging:
 - breast MRI (abbreviated and full-protocol)
 - contrast-enhanced mammography
 - molecular breast imaging
 - whole breast ultrasound
 - breast CT
- Systemic imaging:
 - Fluoroestradiol PET/CT (and other emerging PET radiopharmaceuticals)
 - DWI whole-body MRI

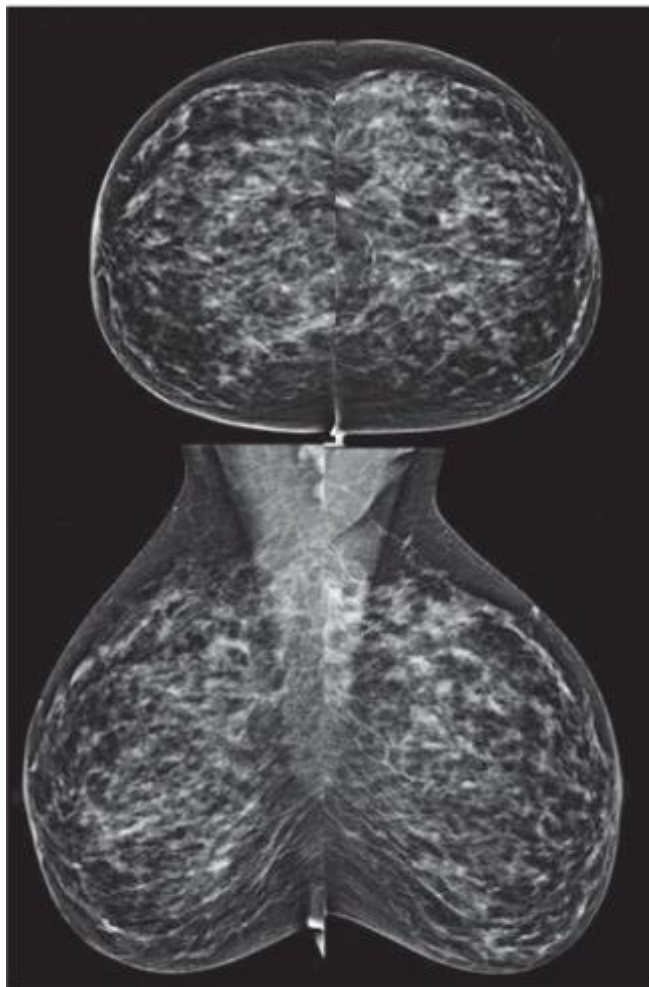


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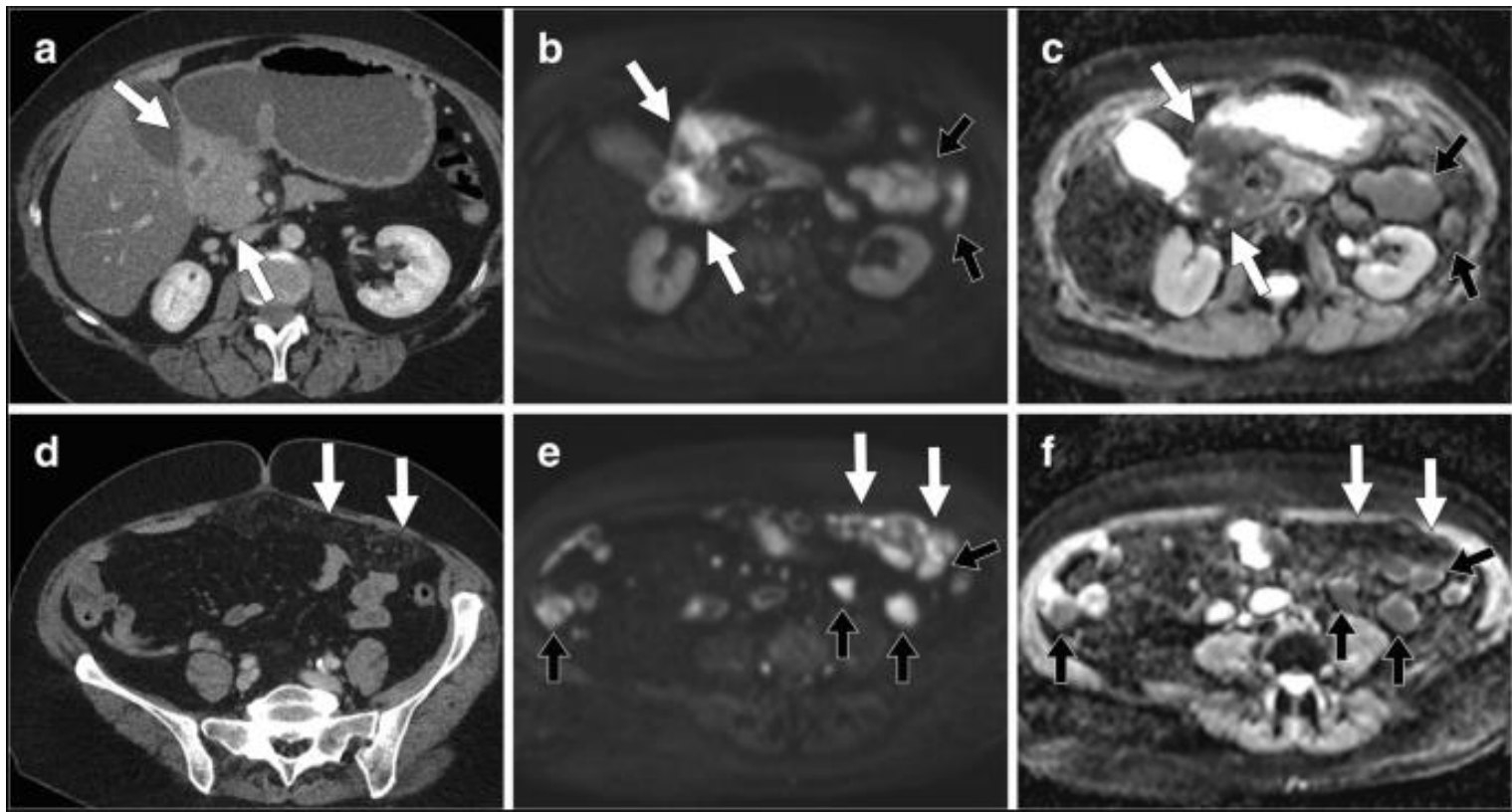
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The Future of Contrast-Enhanced Mammography.

[Covington MF](#)^{1,2}, [Pizzitola VJ](#)¹, [Lorans R](#)¹, [Pockaj BA](#)³, [Northfelt DW](#)⁴, [Appleton CM](#)², [Patel BK](#)¹.

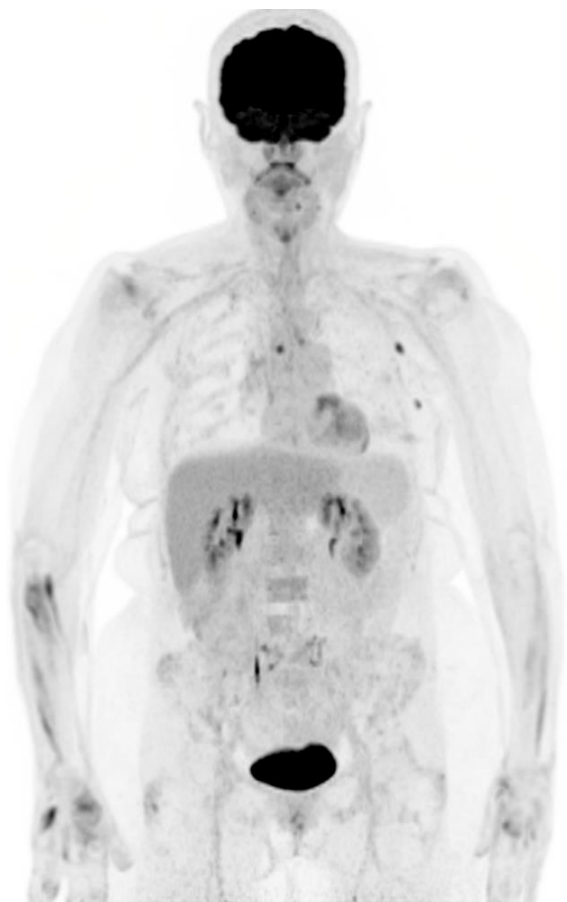


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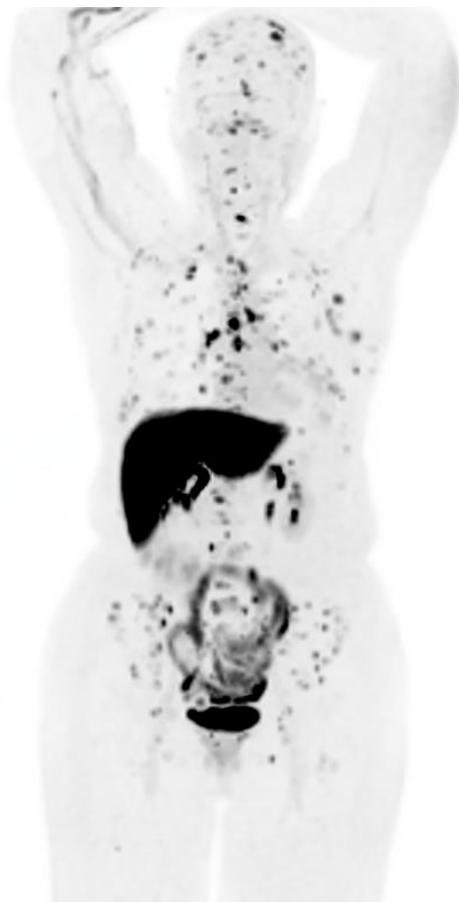
A review on the added value of whole-body MRI in metastatic lobular breast cancer

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FDG



FES



75-year-old with prior ILC, prior bilateral mastectomies, recurrence biopsy-proven in left chest wall

FDG revealed 2 left chest wall masses and some indeterminate mediastinal lymph nodes

FES revealed additional disease:

- >100 bone metastases
- Metastatic lymph nodes (left axilla, mediastinum, left internal mammary)

FDG

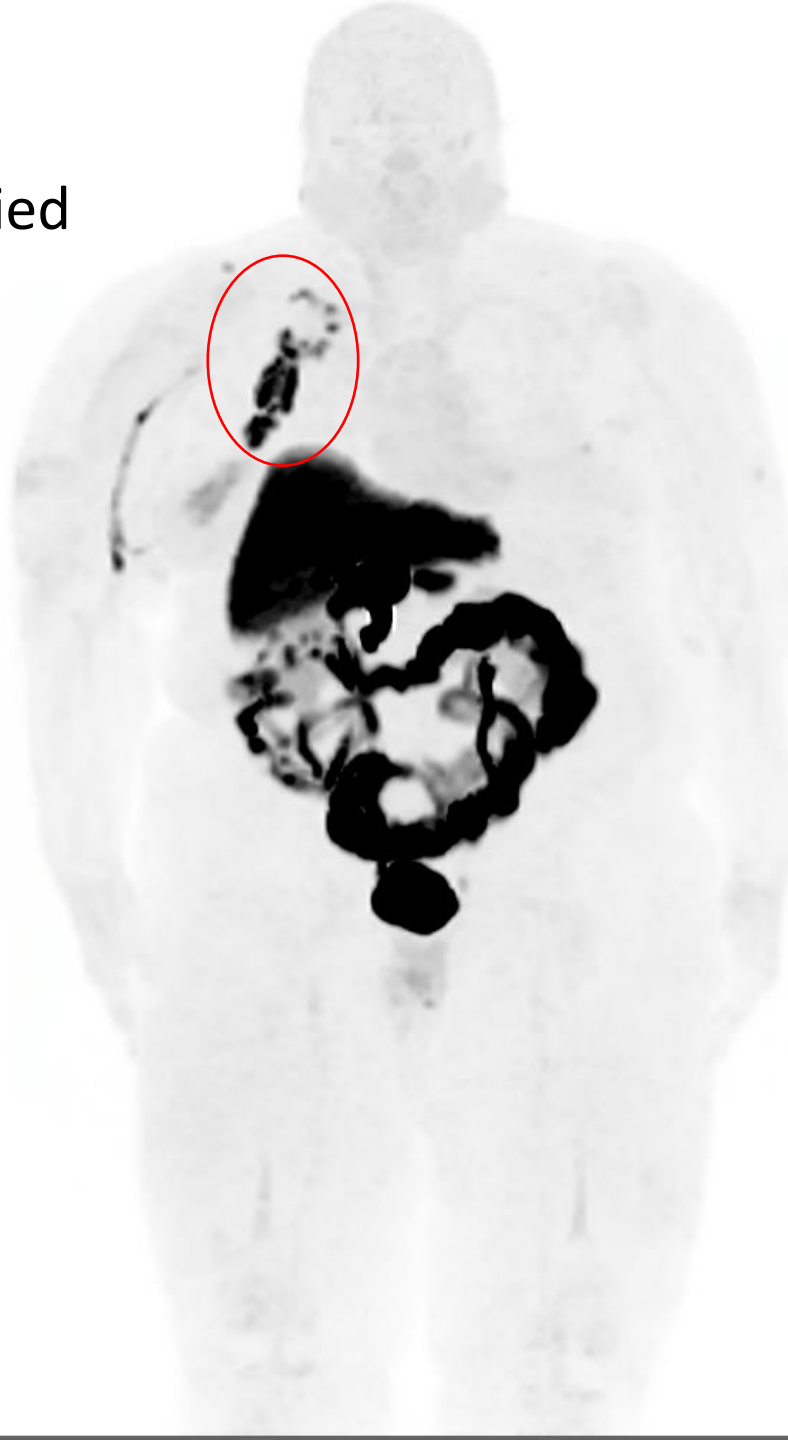
No disease identified



FES

Extensive
nodal
metastatic
disease

Osseous
metastatic
disease



Restaging of ILC



Summary

- We need to shake things up!
- We must use ILC-specific imaging strategies
- More aggressive use of technologies with higher rates of ILC detection used earlier in presentation of disease
 - If dense breasts: supplement screening to allow earlier detection (3D mammography doesn't count, breast MRI highest detection rate, other options: CEM, MBI, US)
 - Upon initial detection: breast MRI, CEM, or MBI for local staging
 - Fluoroestradiol PET/CT for staging locally advanced ER+ disease at initial presentation and subsequently for monitoring/recurrence
 - Especially if FDG negative at initial presentation

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Clinical take-aways from the ILC Symposium

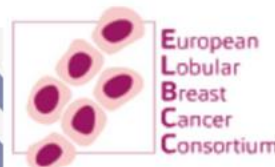
Session 6: Challenges in Treatment of ILC

Session 7: Local Treatment of ILC

4:35pm	Session 6: Challenges in Treatment of ILC Chair: Vikram Gorantla, MD (UPMC, Pittsburgh)
4:40pm-5:00pm	Suzanne Fuqua, PhD (Baylor College of Medicine, Houston) <i>When the Breast Cancer Researcher Becomes the Patient with ILC</i>
5:00pm-5:20pm	Jason Mouabbi, MD (University of Texas, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston) <i>Differential Genomic and Transcriptomic Analysis of Invasive Lobular Carcinoma Versus Invasive Ductal Carcinoma</i>
5:20pm-5:40pm	Julia Foldi, MD, PhD (University of Pittsburgh, UPMC, Pittsburgh, PA) <i>Distinct features of ILC vs IDC in four NSABP randomized trials of adjuvant chemotherapy</i>
5:40pm-6:00pm	Kathryn Schmitz, PhD, MPH (University of Pittsburgh, UPMC Hillman Cancer Center, PA) <i>Exercise is Medicine in the Setting of Oncology</i>

8:55am	Session 7: Local Treatment of ILC Chair: Bhuvanewari Ramaswamy, MD (The Ohio State, Columbus, OH)
9:00am-9:20am	Rita Mukhtar, MD (UCSF, San Francisco, CA) <i>Surgical management of ILC: challenges and opportunities</i>
9:20am-9:40am	Priscilla McAuliffe, MD, PhD (UPMC Magee-Womens Hospital and UPMC Hillman Cancer Center, Pittsburgh, PA) <i>Surgical management of the axilla in lobular cancer.</i>

2 hours → 15 minutes??



When the Breast Cancer Researcher Becomes the Patient with ILC

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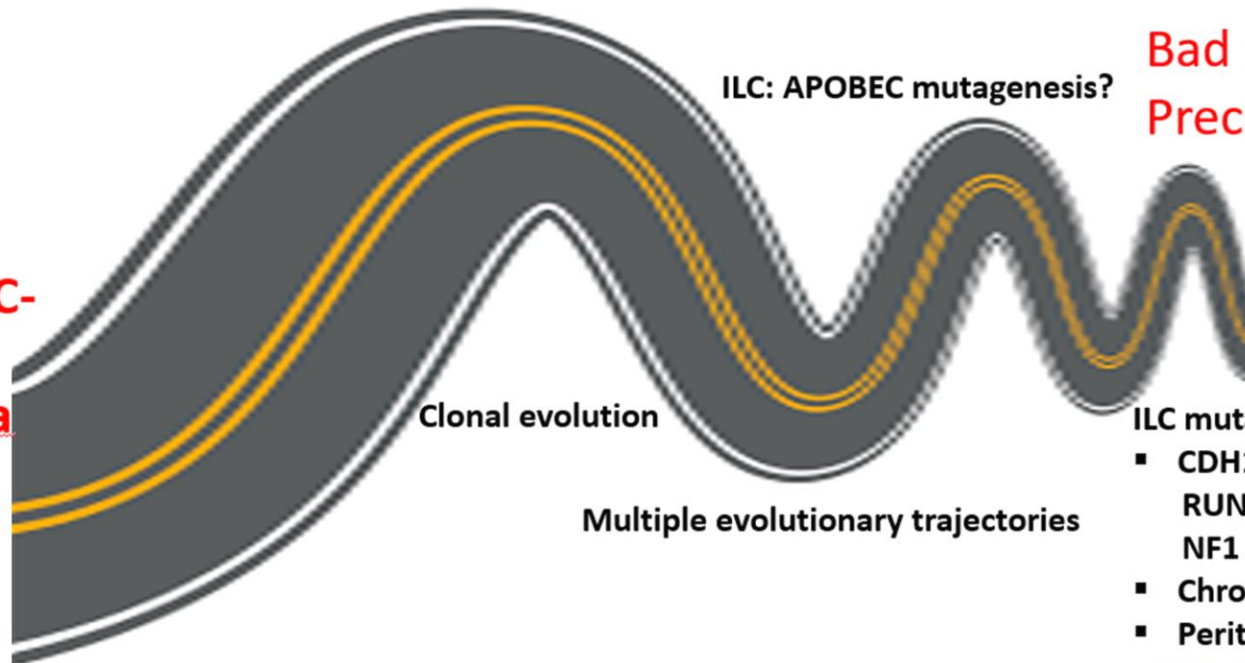


“It’s a long road.”

Adjuvant Endocrine Therapy (ET)

Good ER+ BC- 5-10 yrs AI, Tam, Switch

Bad ER+ BC-
Neo Adj,
Adj Abema



Bad ER+/HER2- MBC
Precision Oncology

ESR1m
PIK3CA
mTOR

ILC mutations:

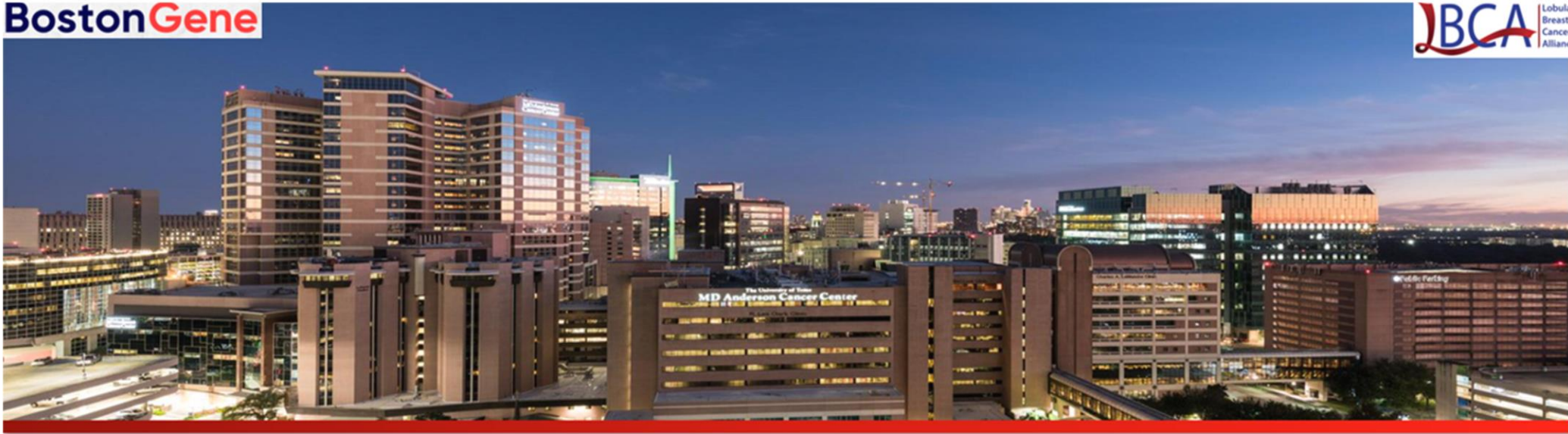
- CDH1, ERBB2, PI3KCA, RUNX1, TBX3, ESR1m, FOXA1, NF1
- Chromatin reprogramming
- Peritoneal metastases

ILC: ROLO trial

HER-2 agents

ILC: ROSALINE
trial

- Goal: Bring precision medicine to ALL moments of ILC care.



Differential Genomic and Transcriptomic Analysis of Invasive Lobular Carcinoma Versus Invasive Ductal Carcinoma

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Introduction: Features of ILC vs IDC – Clinicopathology

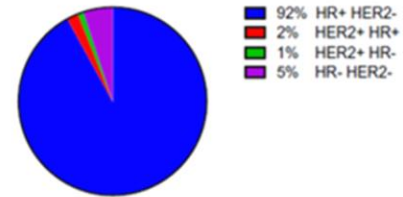
	IDC	ILC
Stage at diagnosis¹		
Stage I	55%	46%
Stage II	35%	33%
Stage III	8%	17%
Stage IV	2%	5%
Grade²		
Grade 1-2	60%	90%
Grade 3	40%	10%
Proliferation Activity (Ki67)³		
Low (<20%)	35%	60%

¹Oesterreich S et al., JNCI, 2022

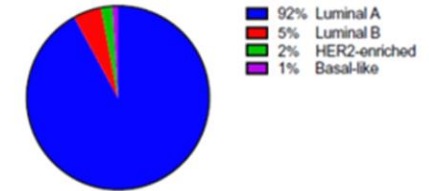
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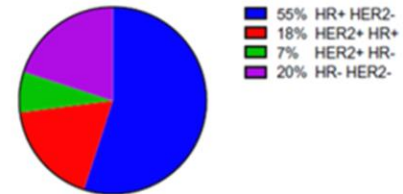
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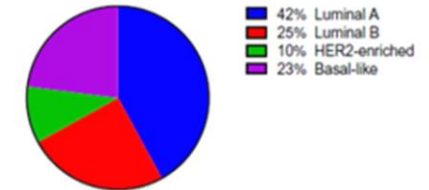
ILC intrinsic subtype by PAM50



IDC subtypes by IHC



IDC intrinsic subtype by PAM50



- **90%** of ILC express **AR** (compared to ~50 of IDC)
- All **TN ILC** (5%) are **lumAR** and have high AR expression

Mouabbi JA et al., BCRT, 2022

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Surgical management of ILC: challenges and opportunities

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Background

- Patients with ILC have **worse surgical outcomes** compared to patients with invasive ductal carcinoma (IDC)
 - Measured by positive margin rates, mastectomy rates, and axillary dissection rates
- Many potential causes:
 - Higher stage at presentation
 - Higher discordance between clinical stage and pathologic stage
 - Lower sensitivity of standard imaging tools

Johnson K et al. Lobular breast cancer series: imaging. Breast Cancer Res 2015

Sledge G et al. Collective Wisdom: Lobular Carcinoma of the Breast. ASCO Educational Book 2016



Should patients with ILC always choose mastectomy?

- Not necessarily!
 - National Cancer Database Analysis of >160,000 showed same or better overall survival with breast conserving therapy (lumpectomy + radiation) compared to mastectomy
 - Swedish study of nearly 50,000 patients showed improved overall survival with breast conserving therapy (lumpectomy + radiation) compared to mastectomy
- Lymph node positivity → increased likelihood of needing post mastectomy radiation
 - Implications for reconstruction and long-term sequelae

- Chen K et al. Comparative effectiveness study of breast-conserving surgery and mastectomy in the general population: A NCDB analysis. Oncotarget. 2015
- Boniface J et al. Survival After Breast Conservation vs Mastectomy Adjusted for Comorbidity and Socioeconomic Status: A Swedish National 6-Year Follow-up of 48 986 Women. JAMA Surgery 2021

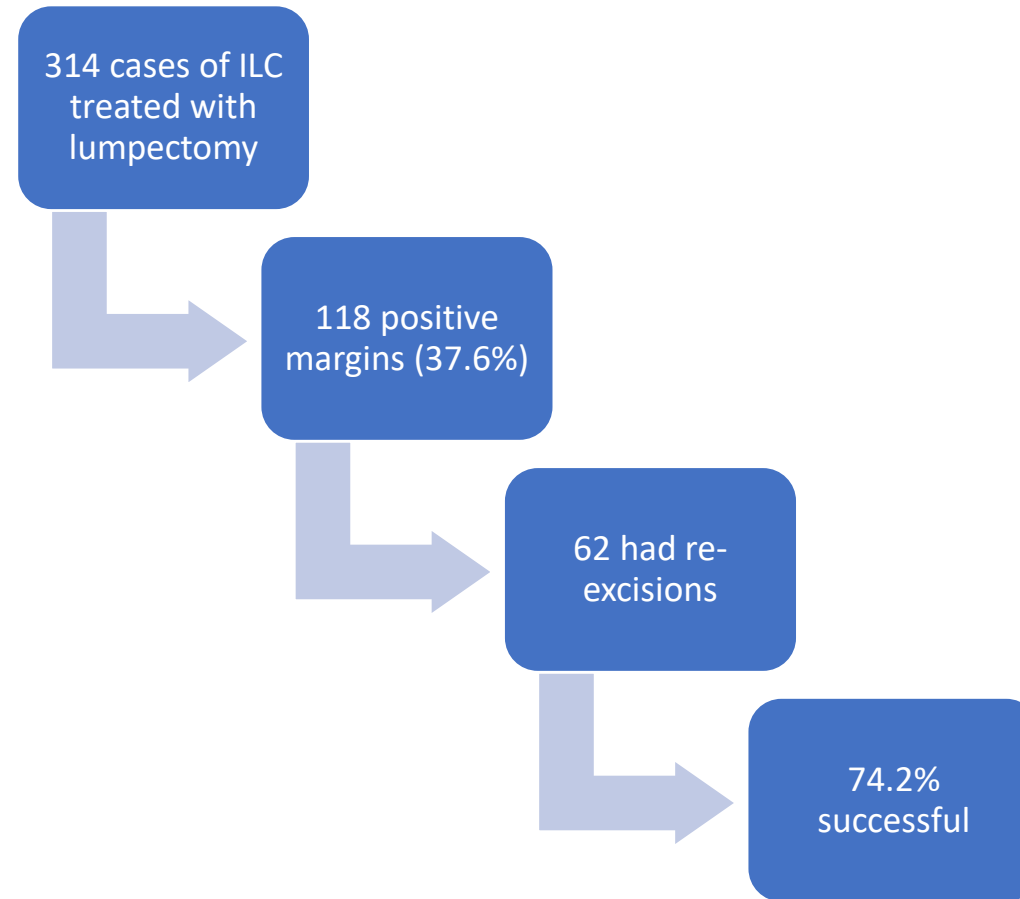
Positive margins have negative consequences

- Significantly higher rates of surgical site infection, seroma, hematoma, and fat necrosis
- Significantly lower breast satisfaction and sexual well being
- Healthcare costs increased 4-fold for patients requiring re-excision
- Increased risk of recurrence if negative margins NOT achieved

- Chakedis J et al. Economic impact of reducing reexcision rates after breast conserving surgery in a large, integrated health care system. *Ann Surg Onc* 2022
- Matar-Ujvary R et al. The Impact of Breast-Conserving Surgery Re-excision on Patient-Reported Outcomes Using the BREAST-Q. *Ann Surg Onc* 2023
- Metcalfe L et al. Beyond the margins—Economic costs and complications associated with repeated breast conserving surgeries. *JAMA Surgery* 2017



If a positive margin occurs, what is the chance of success for re-excision in ILC?



Good success rates!

Piper M et al. Success rates of re-excision after positive margins for invasive lobular carcinoma of the breast. NPJ Breast Cancer 2019

Summary

- Breast conservation therapy (lumpectomy + radiation) is safe for ILC, even for ILC >4 cm; positive margins are common
 - Goal is to achieve negative margins
 - Consideration for oncoplastic techniques for re-contouring/cosmesis
 - Level 1: local tissue rearrangement only
 - Level 2: parenchymal flaps and skin resection (reduction mastopexy)
- Importantly, for T3 (>5 cm) ILC, even mastectomy can have high positive margin rates. Has implications related to reconstruction, radiation.
- TAKE AWAY: Underscores the need for better imaging for ILC and better systemic therapy for ILC to shrink tumors pre-operatively



Surgical management of the axilla in lobular cancer

Priscilla McAuliffe, MD, PhD, FACS



Axillary management in ILC: Background

- Why is axillary nodal surgery important?
 - Accurate breast cancer staging
 - Major prognostic predictor for breast cancer outcomes
 - Helps determine the extent of oncologic surgery, reconstructive surgery, radiation therapy and systemic therapy



- Why can axillary nodal surgery be a problem?

Morbidity

- Paresthesia (~20-70% of patients)
- Lymphedema (~3-25% of patients)

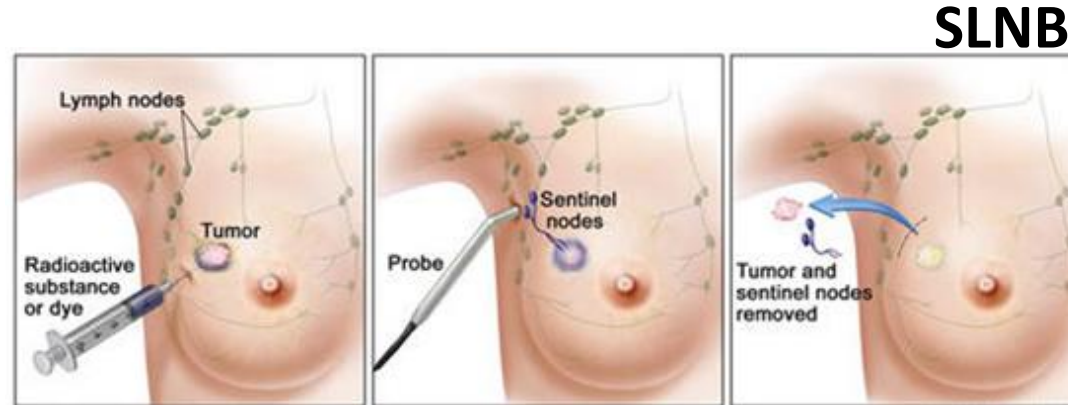
No significant impact on relapse-free or overall survival

- NSABP B04 study
- Do current data support similar management of the axilla in ILC, as with IDC?
 - Lobular histology independently predicts risk of micrometastatic axillary disease

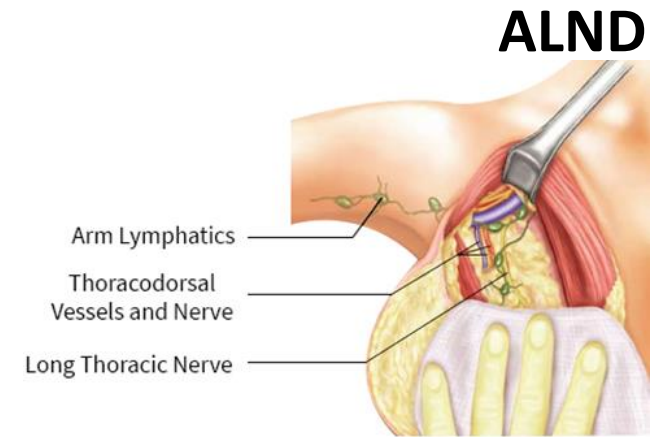
Fisher B, et al. N Engl J Med. 1985;312:674–81.

Axillary management in ILC – take away

- For patients who present with a normal axilla on physical exam and imaging:
 - Sentinel lymph node biopsy (SLNB) adequately stages the axilla



- Surgical results:
 - If no lymph node involvement: no further axillary surgery needed
 - If low volume lymph node involvement: ~2 or fewer lymph nodes involved, no completion axillary lymph node dissection (ALND)
 - If high volume lymph node involvement: ALND



Axillary management in ILC: Take away

- For patients who present with lymph node involvement on exam/imaging:
 - Generally, ALND is recommended
 - For *appropriately selected patients*, sometimes after a good response to neoadjuvant systemic therapy, ALND can be avoided

Right-sizing axillary surgical management
for lobular cancer is critical and evolving

Systemic therapy



Distinct features of ILC vs NST/IDC in four NSABP randomized trials of adjuvant chemotherapy

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Summary of four large NSABP RCTs

Trial	ILC/NST (IDC) sample size	% ER+	Chemotherapy being tested	Endocrine therapy	Outcome measures	Median follow-up (yrs)	Major clinical conclusion of trial	Ref
B-22	143/1975	66%	AC vs AC with intensification of C	TAM x 5 yrs if age \geq 50 yrs	DFS, OS	15.0	No benefit from C dose intensification.	(1)
B-25	197/2252	60%	AC vs AC with intensification of C	TAM x 5 yrs if age \geq 50 yrs	DFS, OS	12.1	No benefit from C dose intensification.	(2)
B-28	275/2720	66%	AC vs AC \rightarrow T (T=Paclitaxel)	TAM x 5 yrs if age \geq 50 yrs or $<$ 50 if ER+	DFS, OS	11.2	The addition of T to AC led to significant improvement in DFS but not OS, with acceptable toxicity.	(3)
B-30	616/4304	75%	AC \rightarrow T vs AT vs ACT (T=docetaxel)	TAM x 5 yrs if ER+; anastrozole allowed after 10/2002 in postmenopausal patients	DFS, OS	10.2	Sequential AC \rightarrow T improved DFS compared with AT and concurrent ACT; and improved OS compared with AT.	(4)

Abbreviations: ER: estrogen receptor; A: adriamycin; C: cyclophosphamide; T: paclitaxel/docetaxel; TAM: tamoxifen; DFS: disease-free survival; OS: overall survival

1. Fisher B, Anderson S, Wickerham DL, DeCillis A, Dimitrov N, Mamounas E, et al. Increased intensification and total dose of cyclophosphamide in a doxorubicin-cyclophosphamide regimen for the treatment of primary breast cancer: findings from National Surgical Adjuvant Breast and Bowel Project B-22. *J Clin Oncol.* 1997 May;15(5):1858-69.
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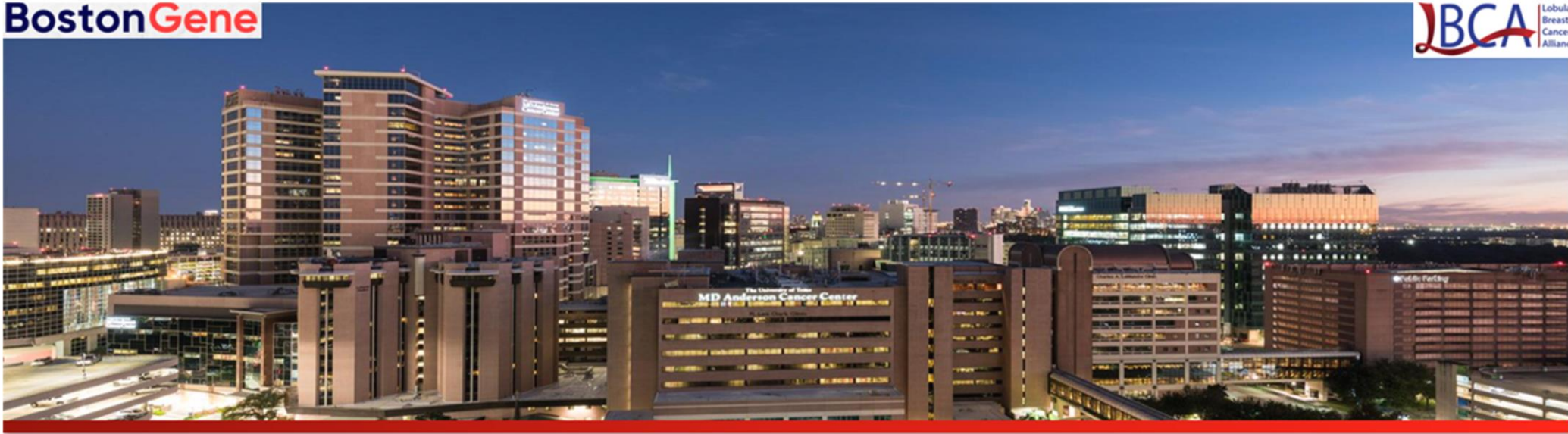
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Summary and conclusions

In four large RCTs conducted by the NSABP including a total of **12,494** patients (**1,233 with ILC**) accrued between 1989 and 2004, we found:

- Significant differences in baseline characteristics between patients with ILC and NST/IDC:
 - Older age, higher prevalence of ER+ disease, higher number of involved LN's and larger tumors
- After propensity matching for age, ER status, tumor size and LN status, we found:
 - Overall, no differences in clinical outcomes of DFS, OS and recurrences
 - When looking at early (0-5 yrs) and late events (5+ yrs) separately, **patients with ILC do better early, while they do worse compared to patients with NST/IDC later in follow-up**
 - **More late recurrences in patients with ILC**
 - Similar pattern of outcomes in patients with ER+ and ER- disease

In this analysis of data from the largest cohort of ILC patients from prospectively randomized clinical trials of adjuvant chemotherapy, long-term clinical outcomes were different between patients with ILC versus NST/IDC despite receiving the same modern adjuvant treatment



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Goal

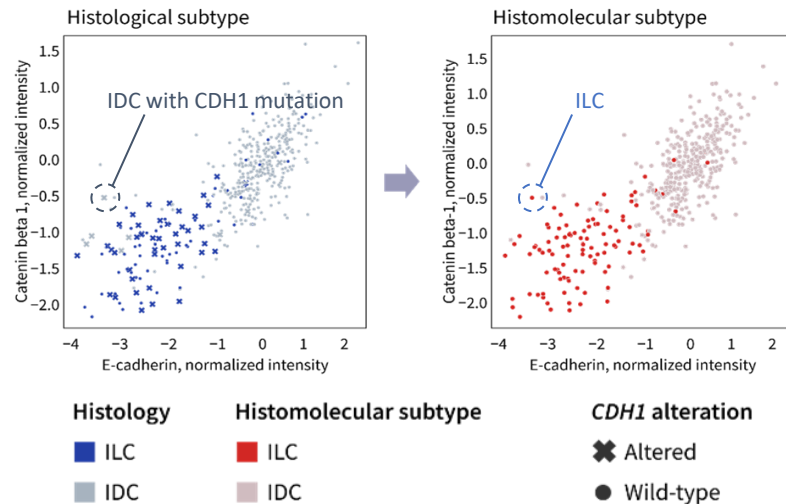
Identify novel biomarkers, genetic alterations, transcriptomic features, and tumor microenvironment (TME) variations to facilitate the development of personalized treatments for patients with ILC

- We collected ILC and luminal IDC samples from two datasets (TCGA, METABRIC) and performed differential expression and gene set enrichment analyses, revealing novel genomic, transcriptomic, and TME differences.
 - We analyzed 1,735 samples: 1,442 luminal IDCs and 293 ILC

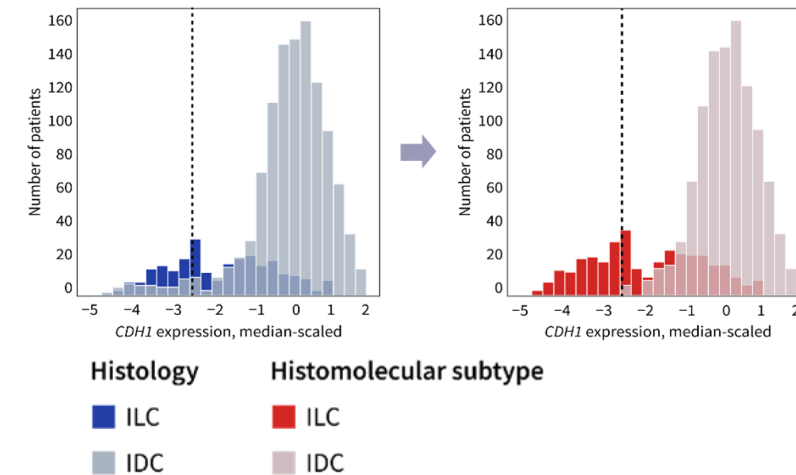
Transition from histological to histo-molecular classification

- In the TCGA and METABRIC samples were labeled “IDC” or “ILC solely on morphological analysis (histology)
- *CDH1* alterations and low *CDH1* and *CTNNB1* (catenin beta-1) expression are well established associations with ILC histology
- We established a **histo-molecular classification** that incorporates histological findings in combination with *CDH1* alterations (mutation, deep deletion, or low expression) and *CTNNB1* low expression

A TCGA, reverse-phase protein array



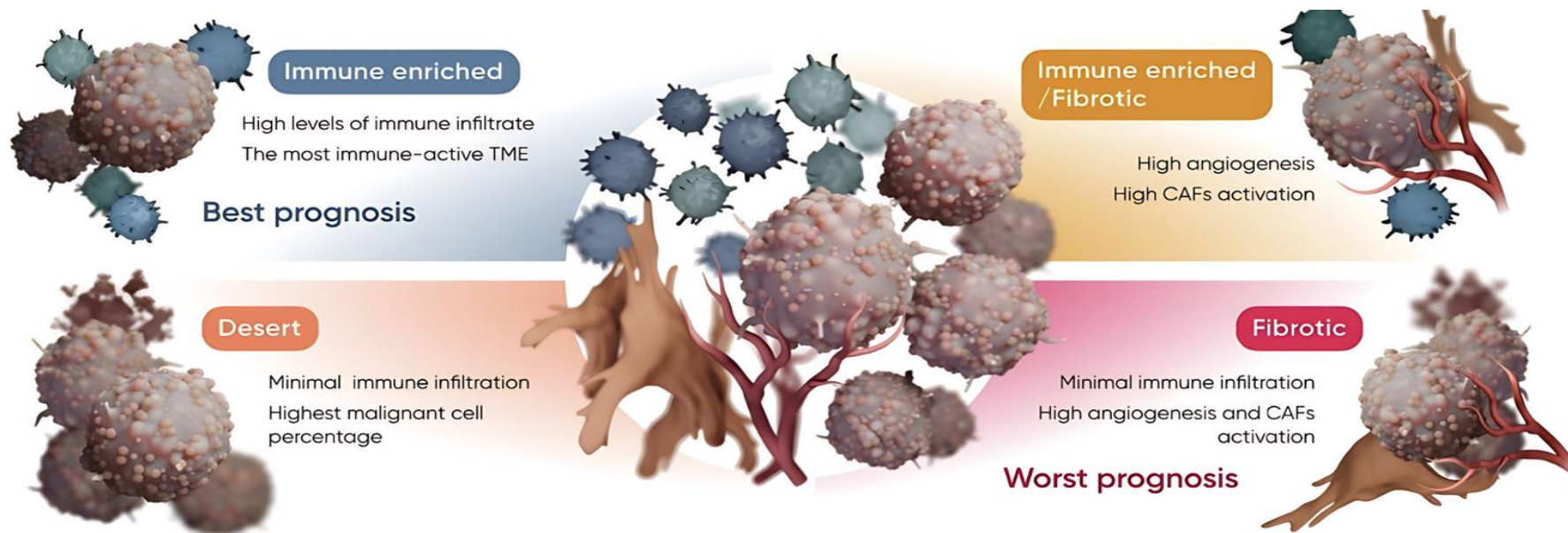
D TCGA and METABRIC, RNA-seq



Tumor Microenvironment Types (TME)

A component of BostonGene Tumor Portrait™ test

- ✓ BostonGene identified 4 distinct Tumor Microenvironment Subtypes by analyzing **29 functional gene expression signatures**
- ✓ There are **4 portrait types** associated with disease prognosis
- ✓ This model is prognostic in **multiple cancer types**

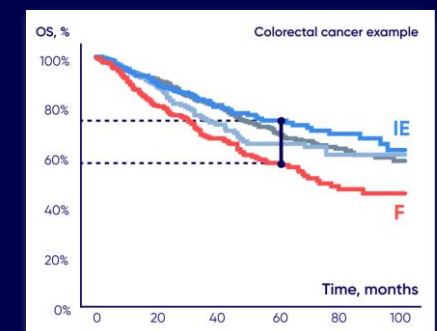


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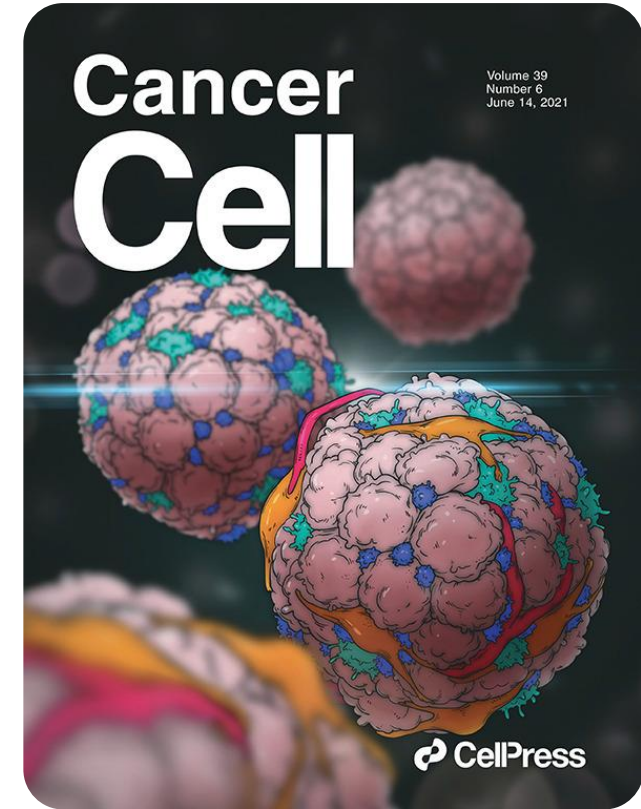
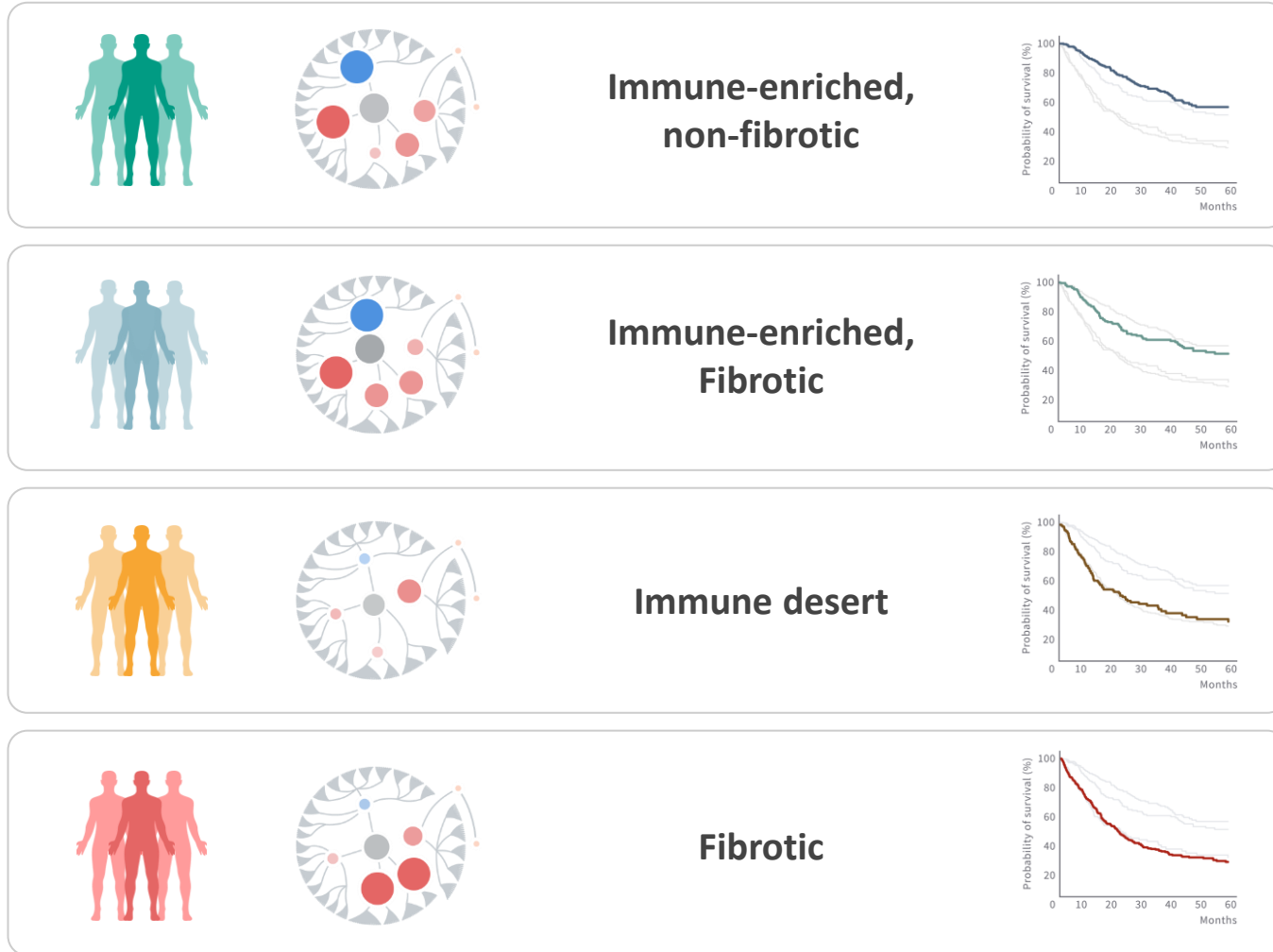
The proprietary model was published in Cancer Cell

Bagaev et al., Cancer Cell, 2021



TME Prognostic tool — predicts survival. GOAL: personalize care!

A component of BostonGene Tumor Portrait™ test




Cancer cell. 2021. Bagaev, et.al.

Conserved pan-cancer microenvironment subtypes predict response to immunotherapy

Tickler: what if lobular pathology could be managed before it was ever invasive? (Session 1)





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Documented Benefits of Exercise during Cancer Tx

- Fatigue
- Sleep
- Quality of life
- Anxiety
- Depression
- Body composition
- Function
- Breast cancer related lymphedema

Outcomes Documented to be Improved by Exercise with Clinical Relevance during Cancer Treatment

Inflammation

- Contributes to infections, diarrhea, nausea/vomiting, fatigue

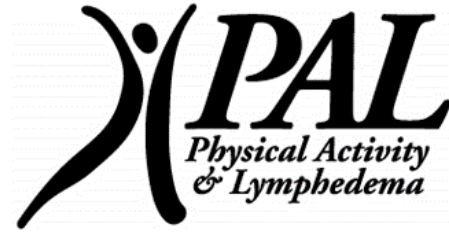
Comorbidities

- Cancer patients with worse comorbidities are more likely to be hospitalized

Frailty

- Frail patients more likely to be hospitalized or visit the ER

Dr. Schmitz's Seminal Contribution: The PAL Trial



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Weight Lifting in Women with Breast-Cancer-Related Lymphedema

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Context Clinical guidelines for breast cancer survivors without lymphedema advise against upper body exercise, preventing them from obtaining established health benefits of weight lifting.

Objective To evaluate lymphedema onset after a 1-year weight lifting intervention vs no exercise (control) among survivors at risk for breast cancer-related lymphedema (BCRL).

Design, Setting, and Participants A randomized controlled equivalence trial (Physical Activity and Lymphedema trial) in the Philadelphia metropolitan area of 154 breast cancer survivors 1 to 5 years postunilateral breast cancer, with at least 2 lymph nodes removed and without clinical signs of BCRL at study entry. Participants were recruited between October 1, 2005, and February 2007, with data collection ending in August 2008.

Intervention Weight lifting intervention included a gym membership and 13 weeks of supervised instruction, with the remaining 9 months unsupervised, vs no exercise.

Main Outcome Measures Incident BCRL determined by increased arm swelling during 12 months ($\geq 5\%$ increase in interlimb difference). Clinician-defined BCRL onset was also evaluated. Equivalence margin was defined as doubling of lymphedema incidence.

Results A total of 134 participants completed follow-up measures at 1 year. The proportion of women who experienced incident BCRL onset was 11% (8 of 72) in the weight lifting intervention group and 17% (13 of 75) in the control group (cumulative incidence difference [CID], -6.0% ; 95% confidence interval [CI], -17.2% to 5.2% ; P for equivalence = .04). Among women with 5 or more lymph nodes removed, the proportion who experienced incident BCRL onset was 7% (3 of 45) in the weight lifting intervention group and 22% (11 of 49) in the control group (CID, -15.0% ; 95% CI, -18.6% to -11.4% ; P for equivalence = .003). Clinician-defined BCRL onset occurred in 1 woman in the weight lifting intervention group and 3 women in the control group (1.5% vs 4.4%, P for equivalence = .12).

Conclusion In breast cancer survivors at risk for lymphedema, a program of slowly progressive weight lifting compared with no exercise did not result in increased incidence of lymphedema.

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Summary of Exercise Guidelines

	During Treatment		Post Treatment	
	Aerobic	Resistance	Aerobic	Resistance
American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM)	30 min 3x/week Moderate	2x week	150-300 min/week Moderate	2x week
American Cancer Society (ACS)	Recommended but not specific		150-300 min/week	No comment
American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO)	Recommended	Recommended	Not the focus of the guideline	

- Intensity:

- “Gone are the days of ‘don’t push yourself, take it easy.’”
- ‘Talk test’ to judge intensity: During exercise, if you cannot talk, you’re working too hard. If you can sing, you’re not working hard enough.”

Clinical take-away from the ILC Symposium?

Session 6: Challenges in Treatment of ILC

Session 7: Local Treatment of ILC

4:35pm	Session 6: Challenges in Treatment of ILC Chair: Vikram Gorantla, MD (UPMC, Pittsburgh)
4:40pm-5:00pm	Suzanne Fuqua, PhD (Baylor College of Medicine, Houston) <i>When the Breast Cancer Researcher Becomes the Patient with ILC</i>
5:00pm-5:20pm	Jason Mouabbi, MD (University of Texas, MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston) <i>Differential Genomic and Transcriptomic Analysis of Invasive Lobular Carcinoma Versus Invasive Ductal Carcinoma</i>
5:20pm-5:40pm	Julia Foldi, MD, PhD (University of Pittsburgh, UPMC, Pittsburgh, PA) <i>Distinct features of ILC vs IDC in four NSABP randomized trials of adjuvant chemotherapy</i>
5:40pm-6:00pm	Kathryn Schmitz, PhD, MPH (University of Pittsburgh, UPMC Hillman Cancer Center, PA) <i>Exercise is Medicine in the Setting of Oncology</i>

8:55am	Session 7: Local Treatment of ILC Chair: Bhuvaneswari Ramaswamy, MD (The Ohio State, Columbus, OH)
9:00am-9:20am	Rita Mukhtar, MD (UCSF, San Francisco, CA) <i>Surgical management of ILC: challenges and opportunities</i>
9:20am-9:40am	Priscilla McAuliffe, MD, PhD (UPMC Magee-Womens Hospital and UPMC Hillman Cancer Center, Pittsburgh, PA) <i>Surgical management of the axilla in lobular cancer.</i>

Precision treatment for ILC is evolving in all clinical areas!



Thank you!



Q & A



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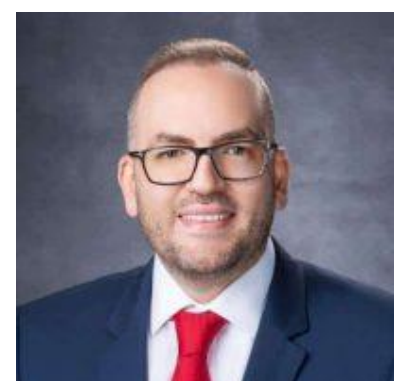
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