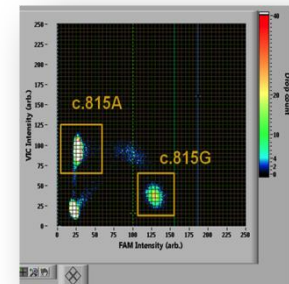
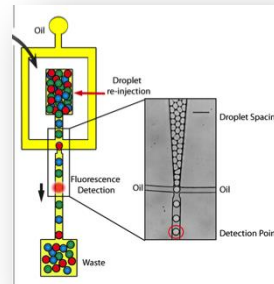
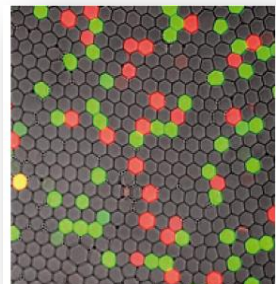
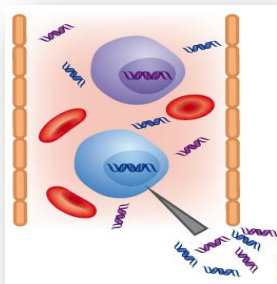


Biomarkers of primary resistance to targeted therapies

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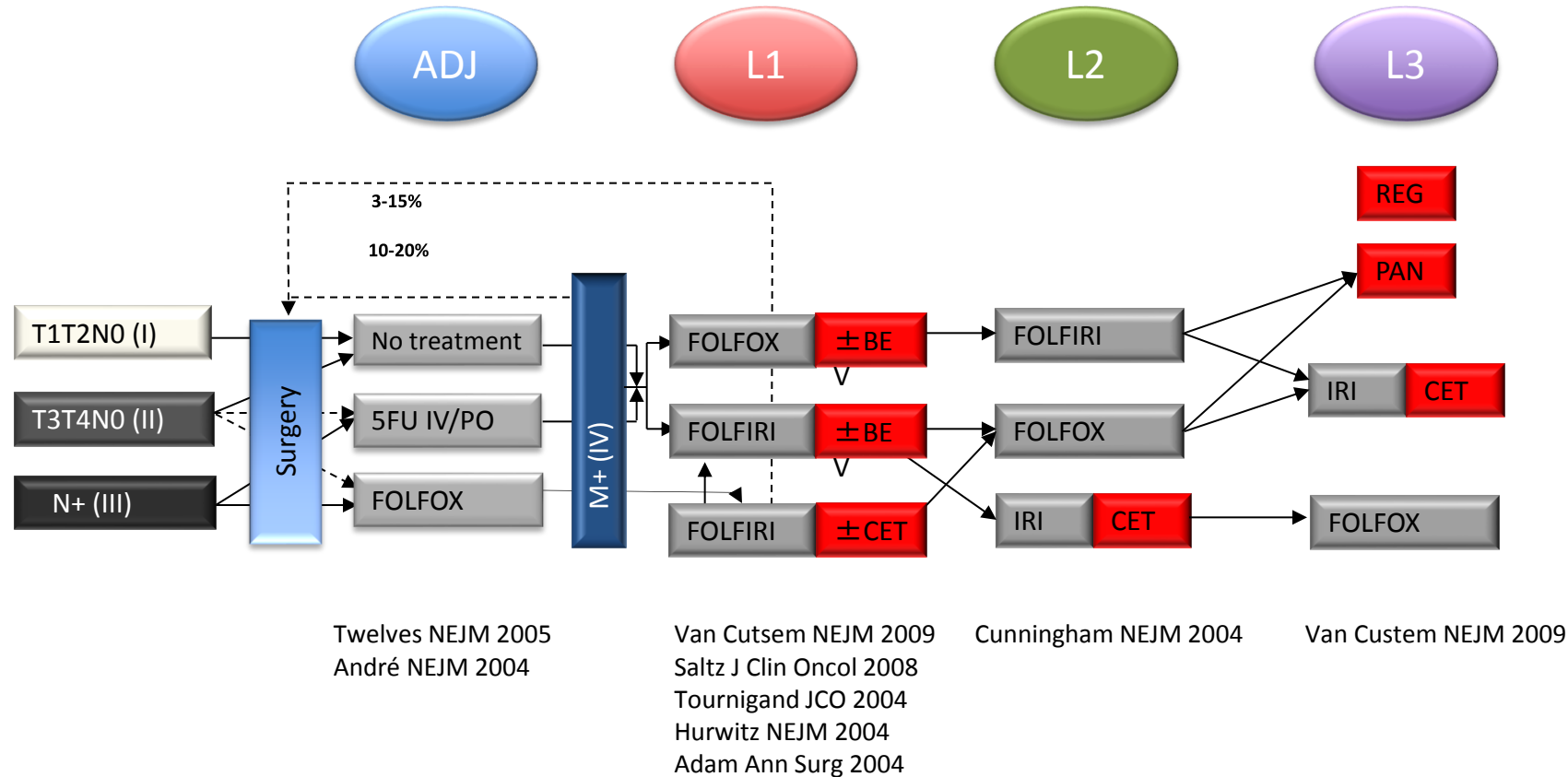
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Link of interest

- AstraZeneca
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- InteGragen
- Merck-Serono
- Sanofi

Landscape of colorectal cancer treatment

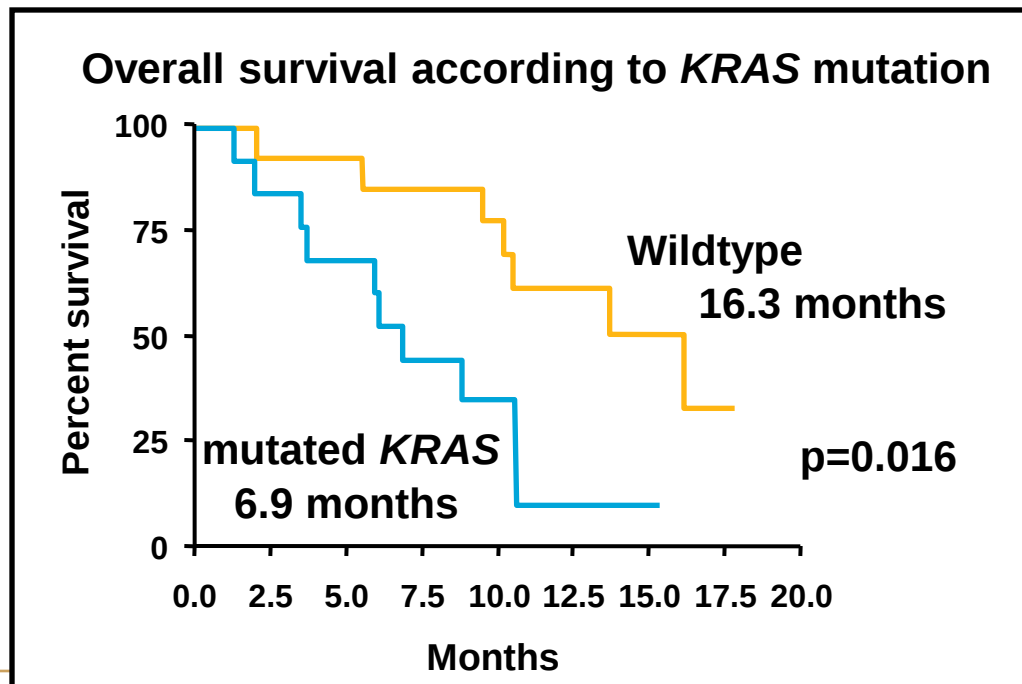


BEV: Bevacizumab (Avastin Roche)
 CET: Cetuximab (Erbitux. Merck KGaA/Imclone/BMS)
 IRI: Irinotecan
 PAN: Panitumumab
 REGO Regorafenib

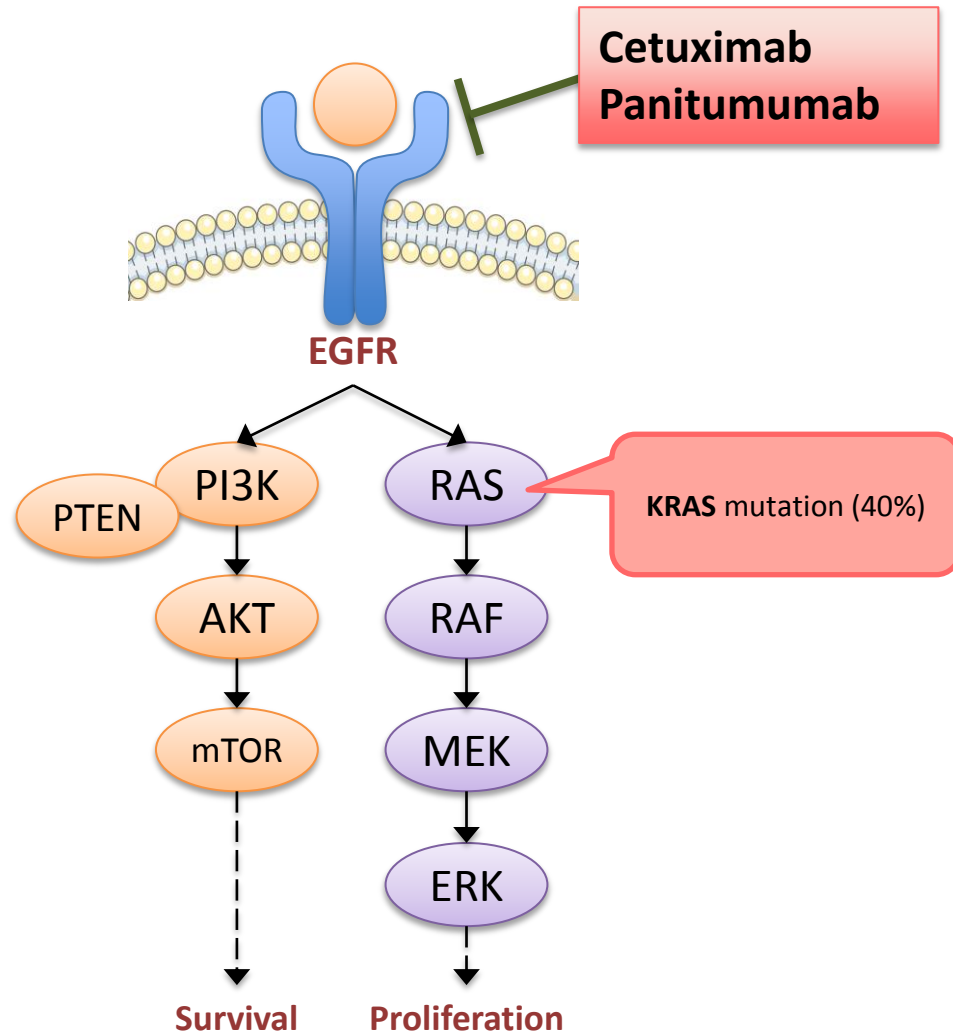
KRAS Mutation and Anti-EGFR therapy in advanced colorectal cancer

<i>KRAS</i> Status	Responders*	Non responders*	Total
<i>KRAS</i> mutation (%)	0 (0)	13 (100)	13
Wildtype (%)	11 (65)	6 (35)	17

p=0.0003



Target therapies



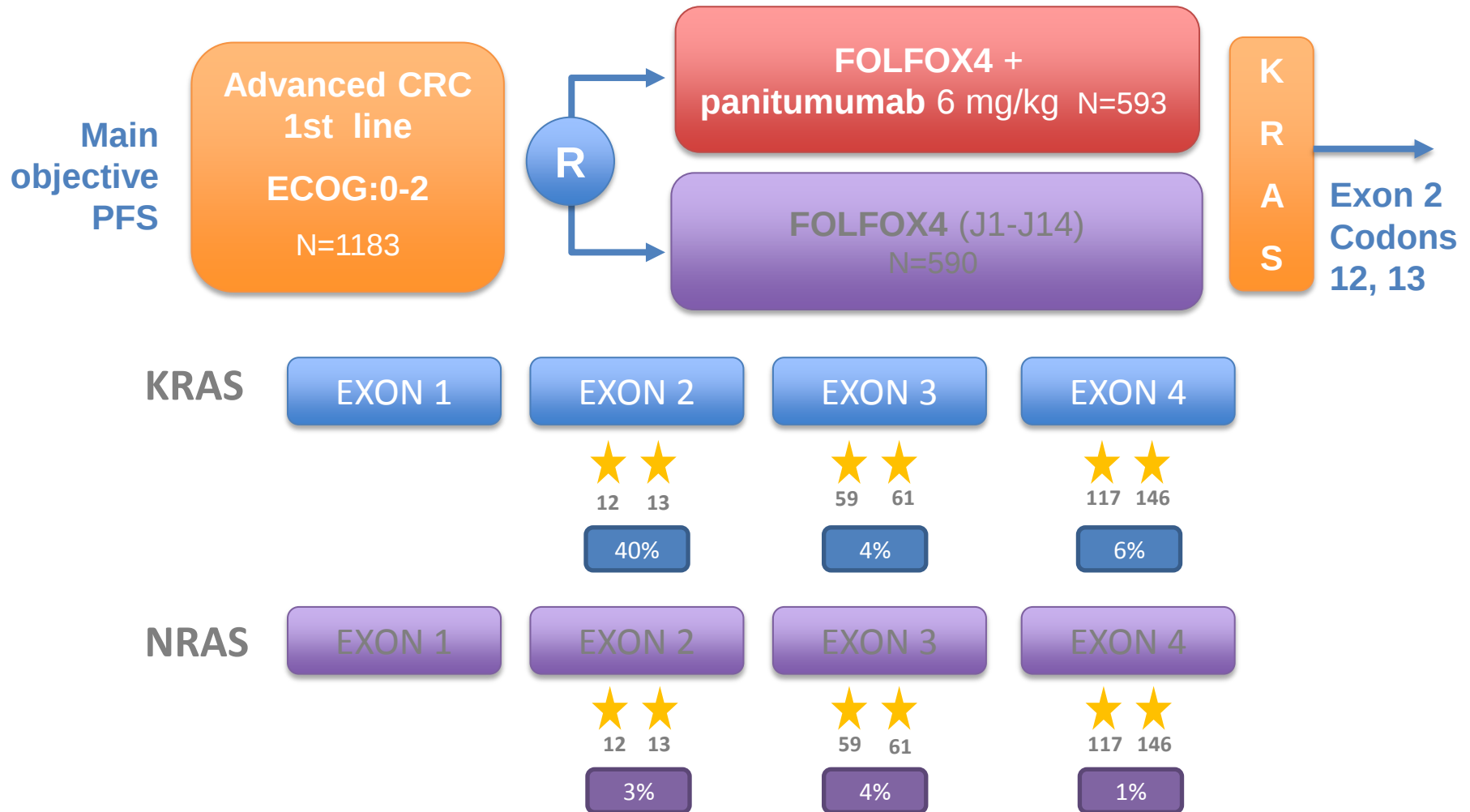
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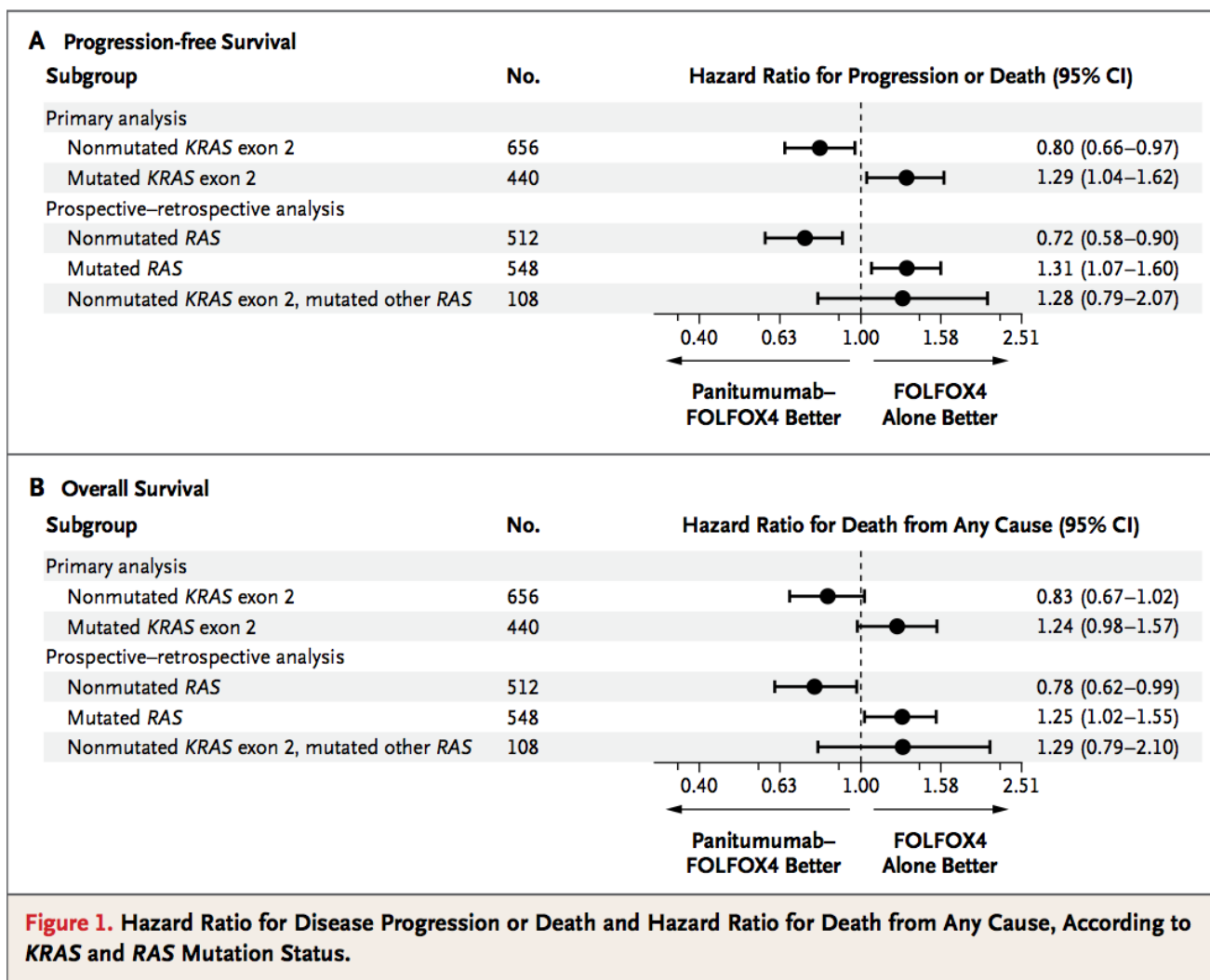
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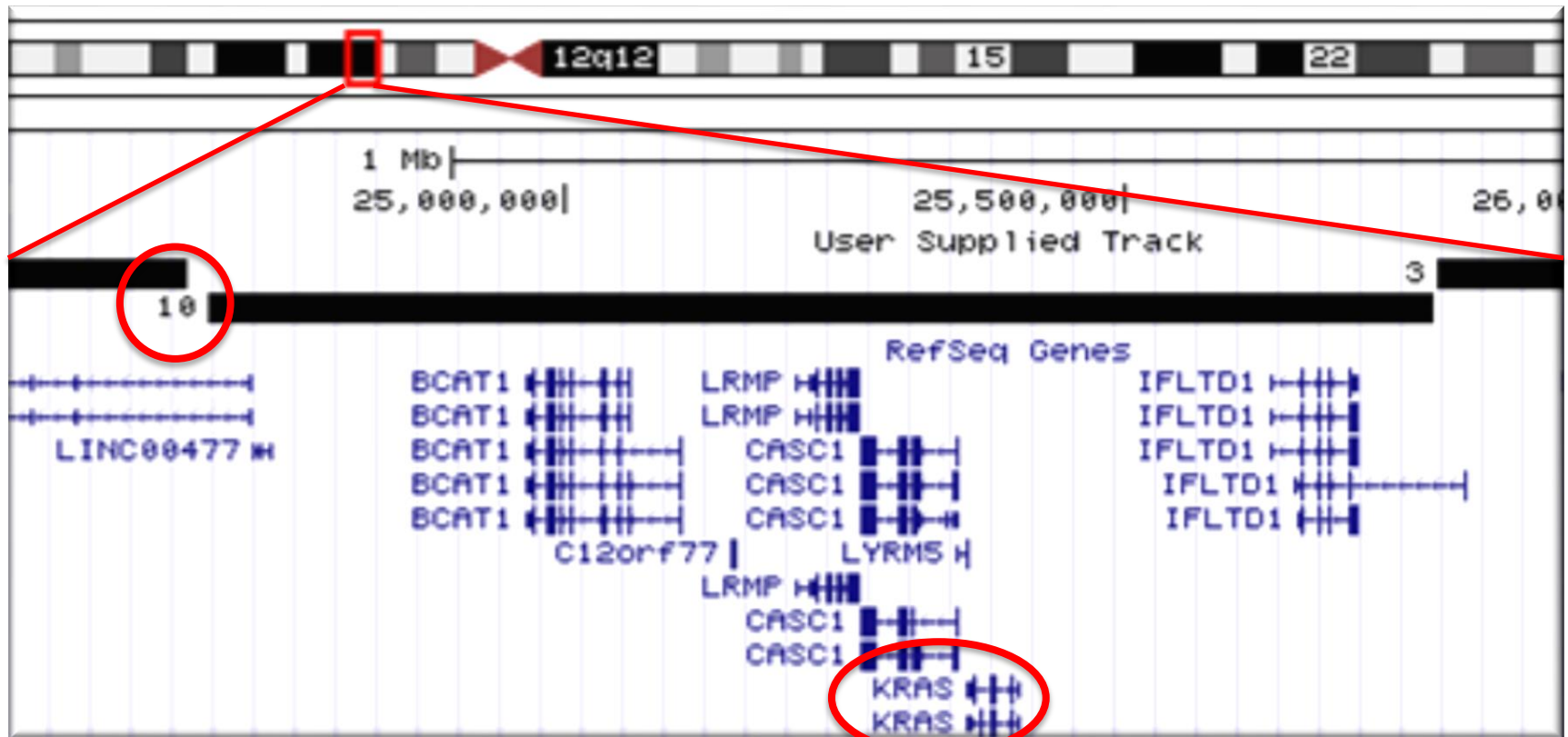
		Panitumumab+FOLFOX	FOLFOX
No KRAS mutation in exon2			
	PFS	9.6 CI _{95%} [9.2 – 11.1]	8 CI _{95%} [7.5 – 9.3]
	OS	23.8 CI _{95%} [20.0-27.7]	19.4 CI _{95%} [17.4 – 22.6]
KRAS mutated in exon 2			
	PFS	7.3 CI _{95%} [6.3 – 8]	8.8 CI _{95%} [7.7 – 9.4]
	OS	15.5 CI _{95%} [13.1 – 17.6]	19.2 CI _{95%} [16.2 – 21.5]
No RAS mutation			
	PFS	10.1 CI _{95%} [9.3 – 12.0]	7.9 CI _{95%} [7.2 – 9.3]
	OS	25.8 CI _{95%} [21.7-29.7]	20.2CI _{95%} [17.6 – 23.6]
No KRAS mutation in exon 2, other RAS mutation			
	PFS	7.3 CI _{95%} [5.3 – 9.2]	8.0 CI _{95%} [6.4 – 11.3]
	OS	17.1CI _{95%} [10.8 – 19.4]	17.8 CI _{95%} [13.0 – 23.2]

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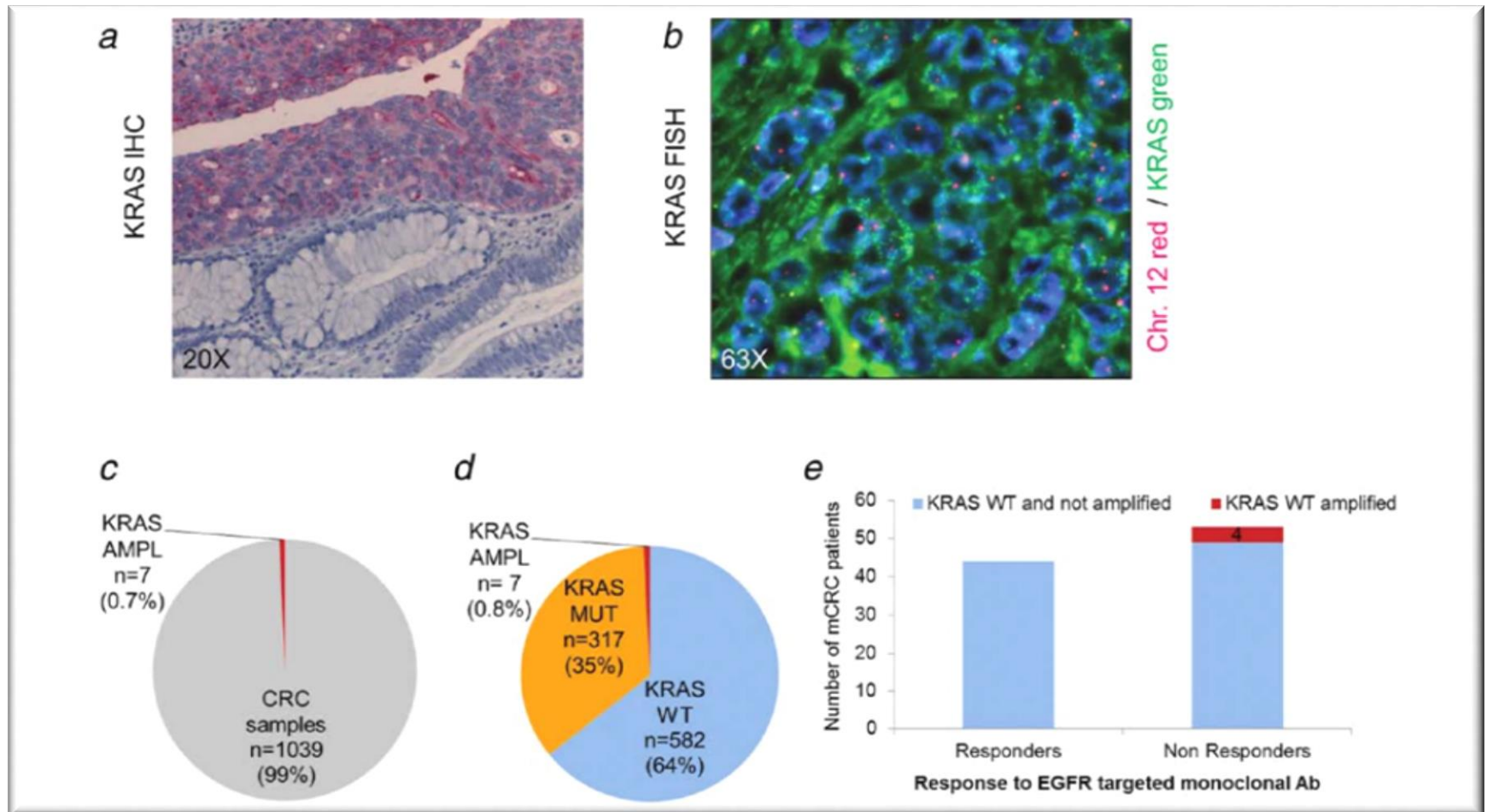
Other KRAS alterations



KRAS gene amplification in colorectal cancer and impact on response to EGFR-targeted therapy

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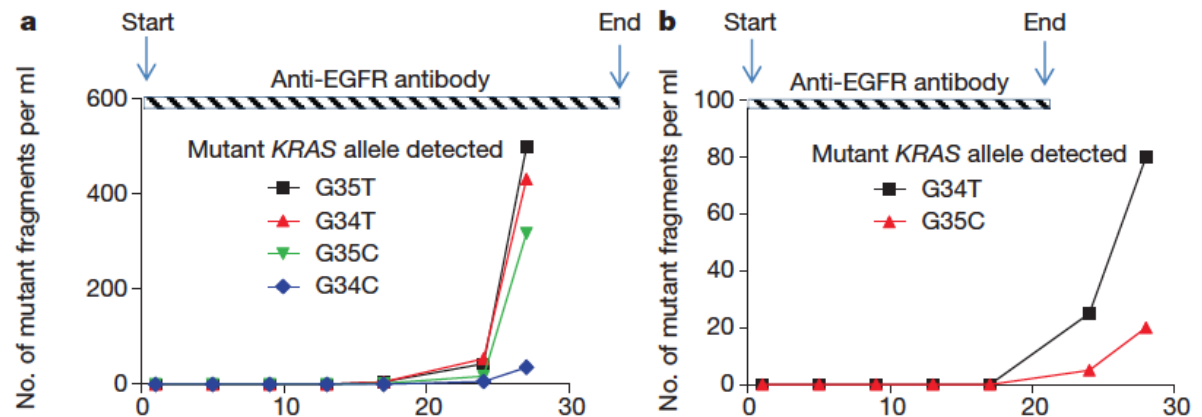
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Role of intra tumor heterogeneity in response to antiEGFR therapy

- Can we go further in the prediction ?
- Recent papers showed
 - secondary resistance to anti EGFR is associated with
 - KRAS selected clones or
 - acquired KRAS mutant clones



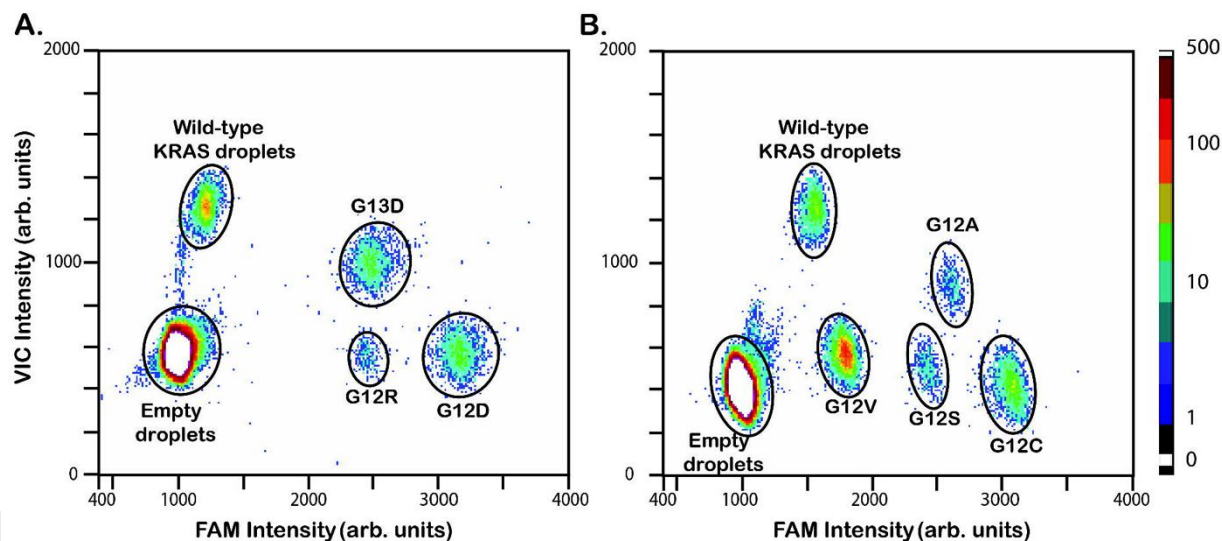
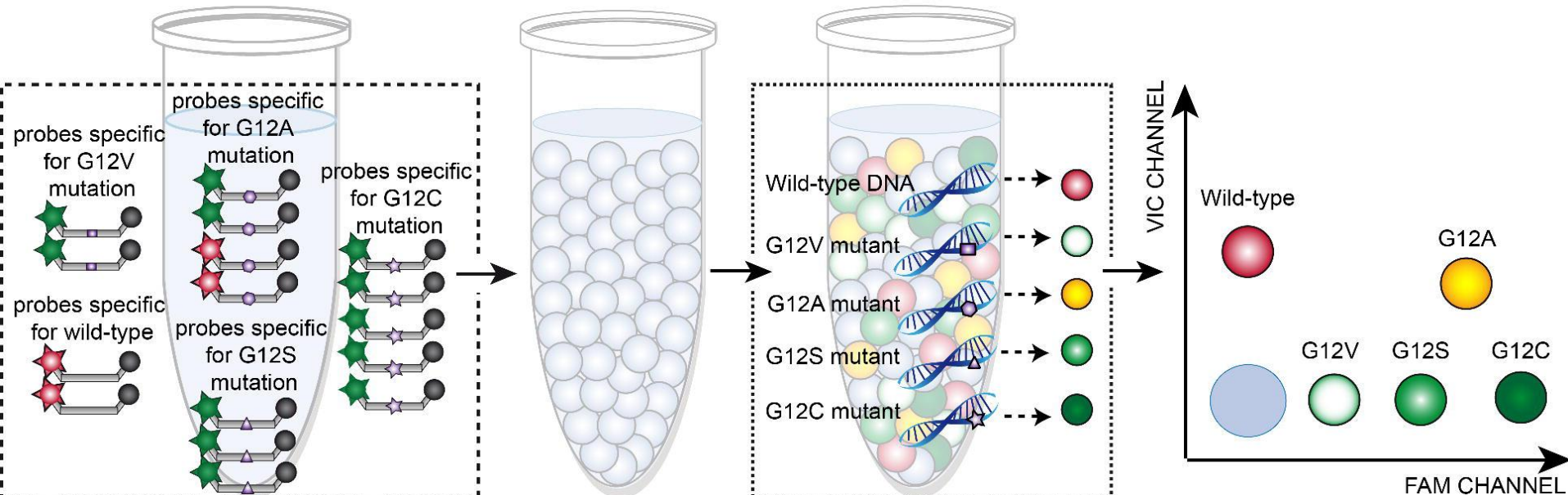
- We decided to explore the intra tumor KRAS heterogeneity
 - By exploring the existence of KRAS minority sub clones
 - We used a digital droplet PCR (Raindance technologies)
 - By studying the clinical impact in response and in PFS and OS in advanced colorectal cancer patients treated by antiEGFR therapy.

Multiple assays and DNA sample are mixed and compartmentalized into droplets

The emulsion is thermocycled to amplify targets

Endpoint fluorescence is measured from each droplet

Data analyzed by counting the number of droplets corresponding to each assay



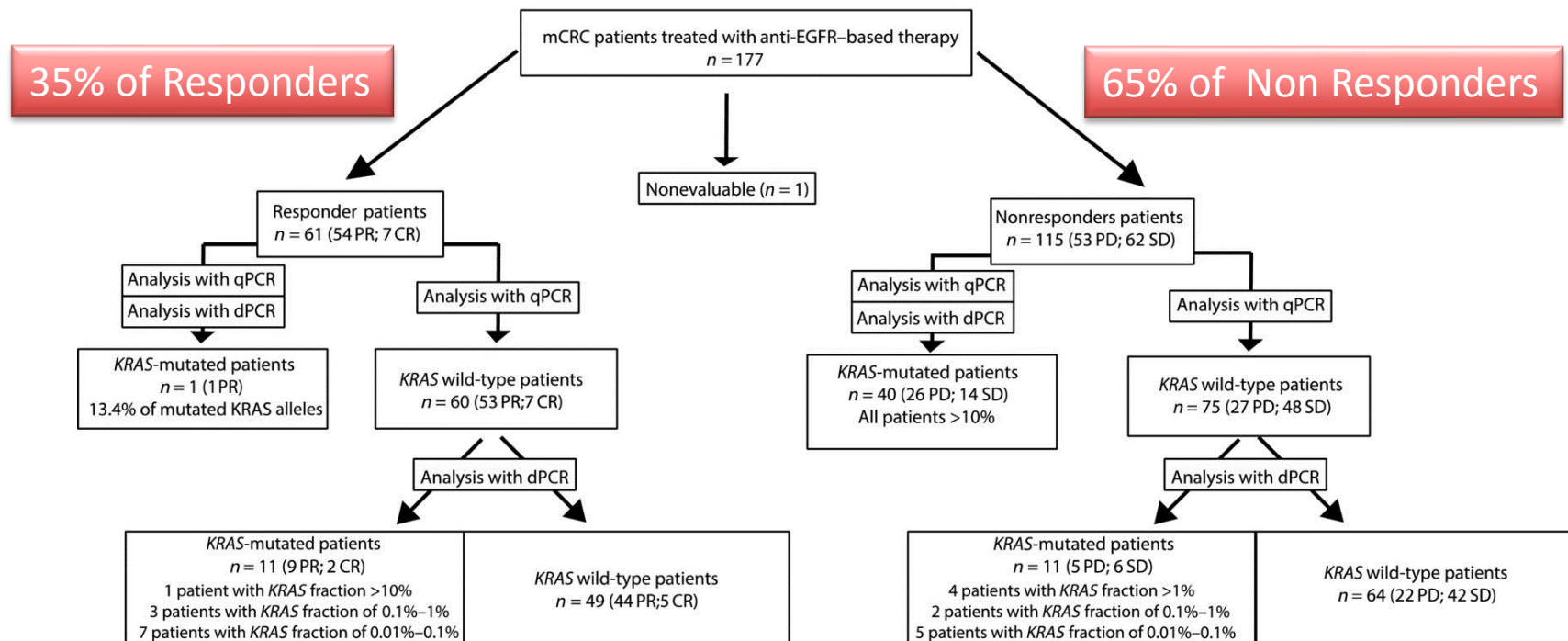
2 Multiplex Panels developed covering KRAS Codon 12 & 13¹

¹ Laurent -Puig et al. J Clin Oncol 2009

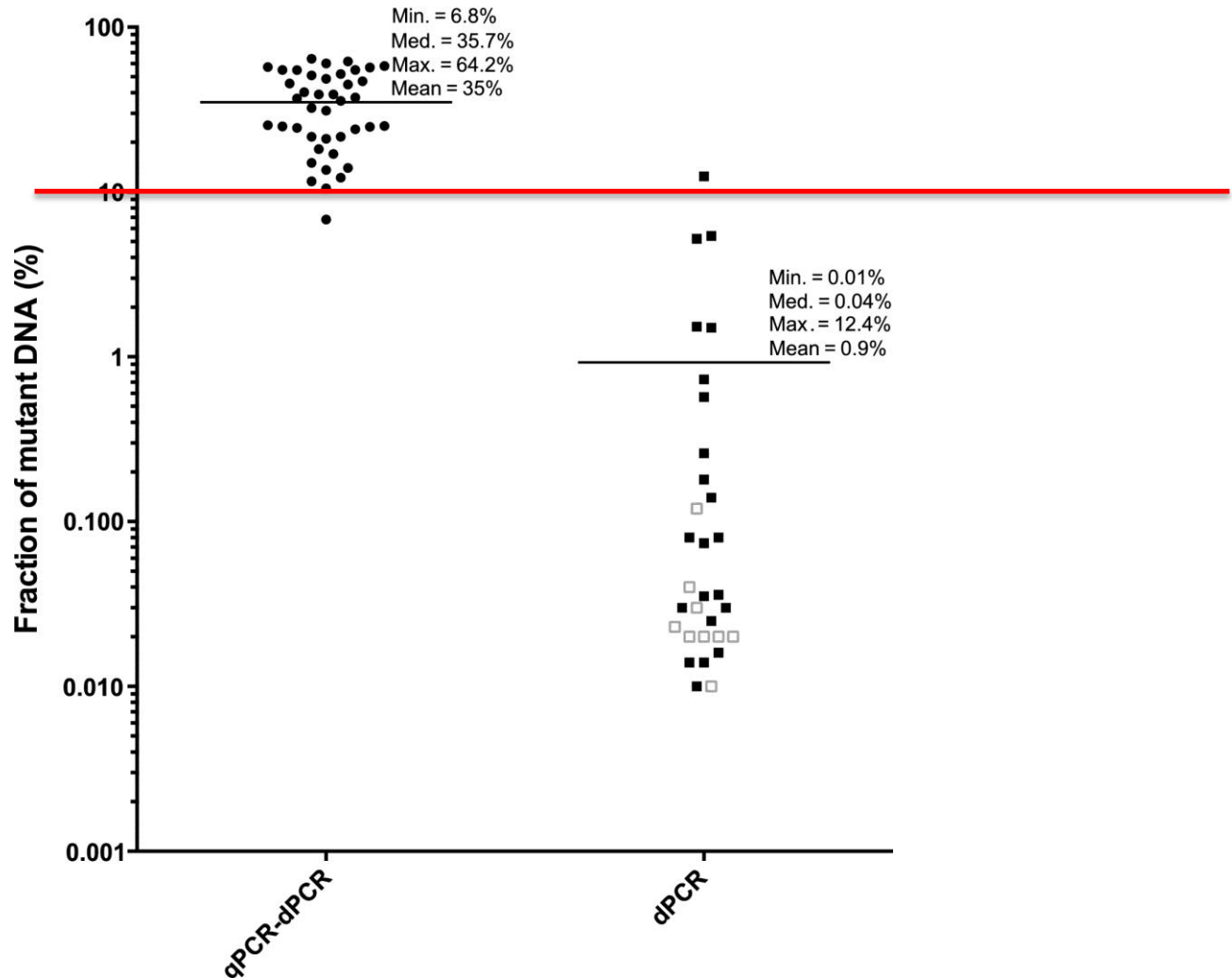
Patients' characteristics

Patients' characteristics (<i>n</i> = 177)	Cases (<i>n</i>)	Percentages
Age, y		
≤65	104	58.7
>65	73	41.3
Gender		
Male	101	57.1
Female	76	42.9
Number of previous chemotherapy treatments		
None	1	0.6
1	22	12.4
2	86	48.6
3	44	24.9
4	16	9.0
5	5	2.8
6	3	1.7
EGFR-targeted therapies		
Cetuximab	2	1.1
Cetuximab + chemotherapy	144	81.4
Panitumumab	10	5.6
Panitumumab + chemotherapy	21	11.9
Response to EGFR-targeted therapies		
Complete response	7	4.0
Partial response	54	30.5
Stable disease	62	35.0
Progressive disease	53	29.9
Not evaluable	1	0.6

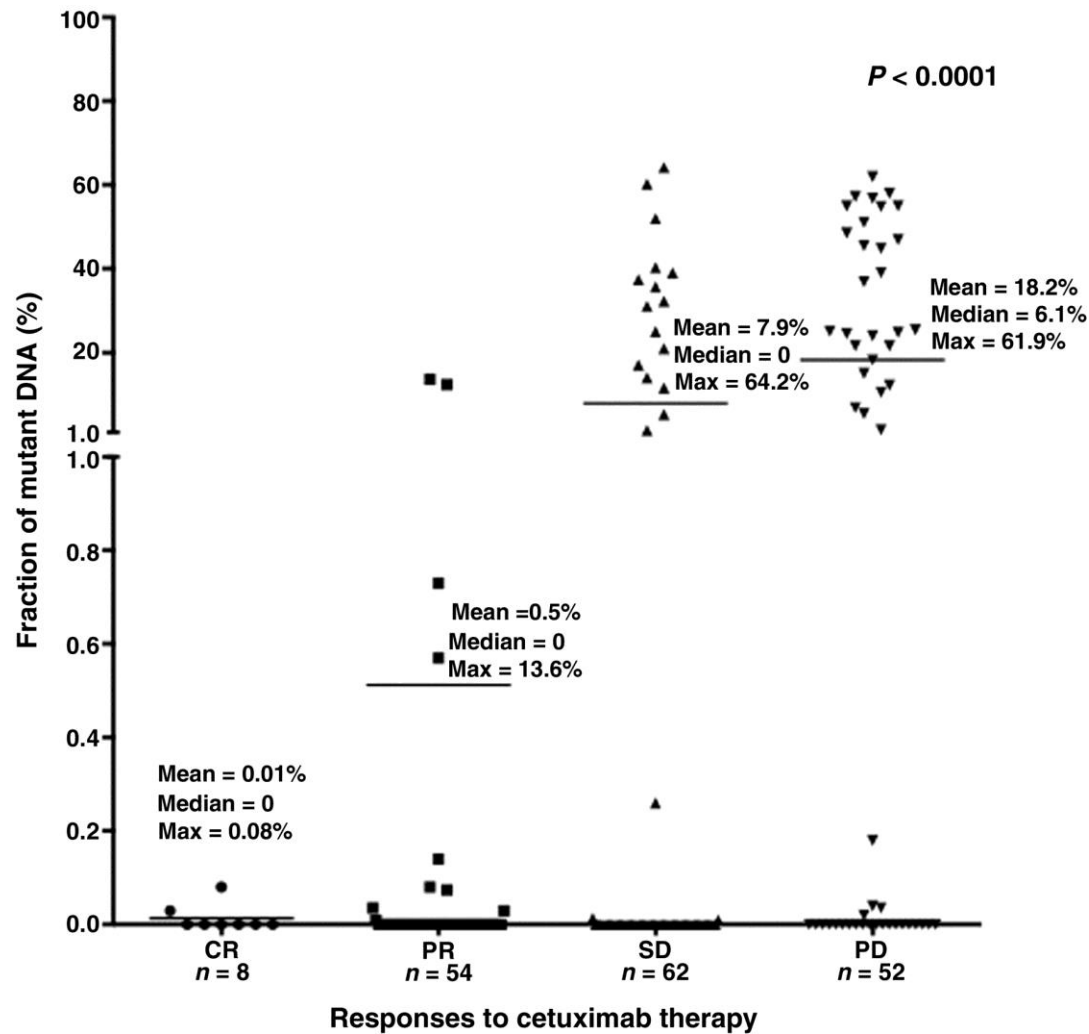
Responses to anti-EGFR–based therapies and KRAS mutational status as determined by conventional procedures (qPCR) or droplet-based dPCR.



Fraction of mutated KRAS alleles (including multiple subclones) in the patients detected by both conventional and droplet dPCR procedures.



Patients response to cetuximab according to the fraction of KRAS-mutated alleles.



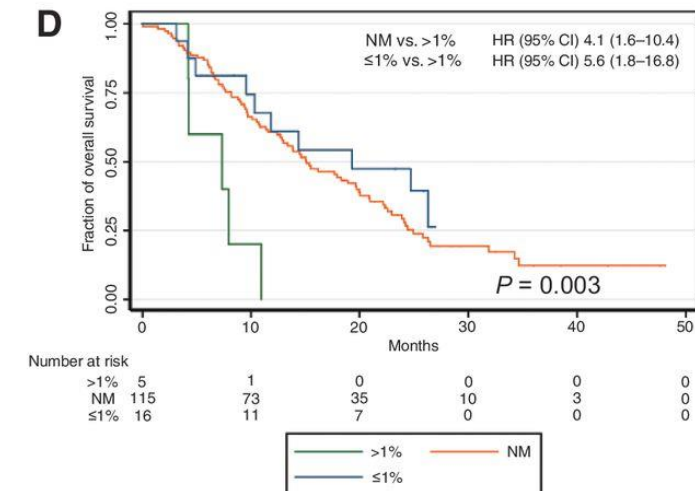
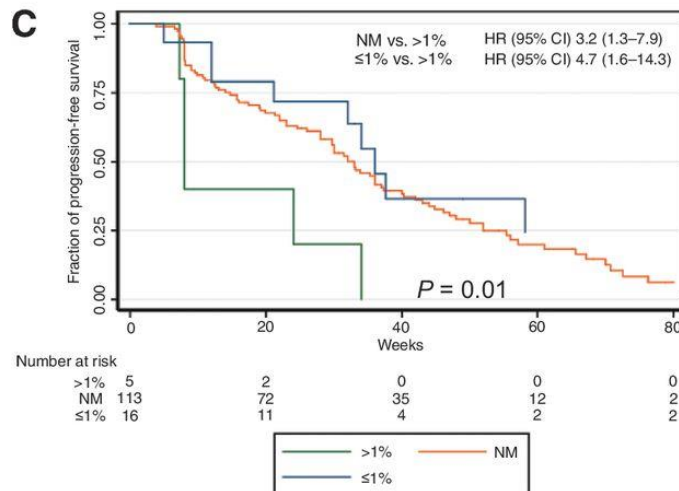
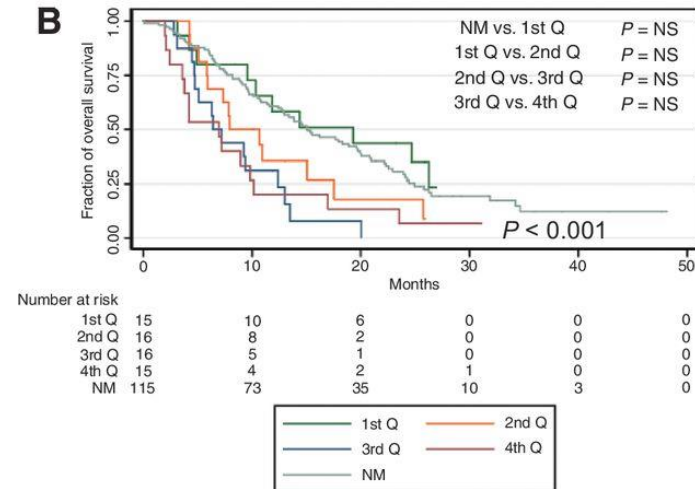
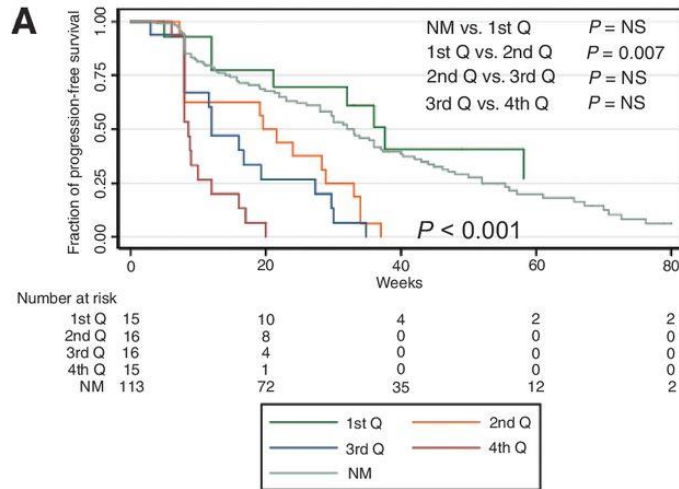
Association between fraction of KRAS mutant allele and survival

- In a Cox model :

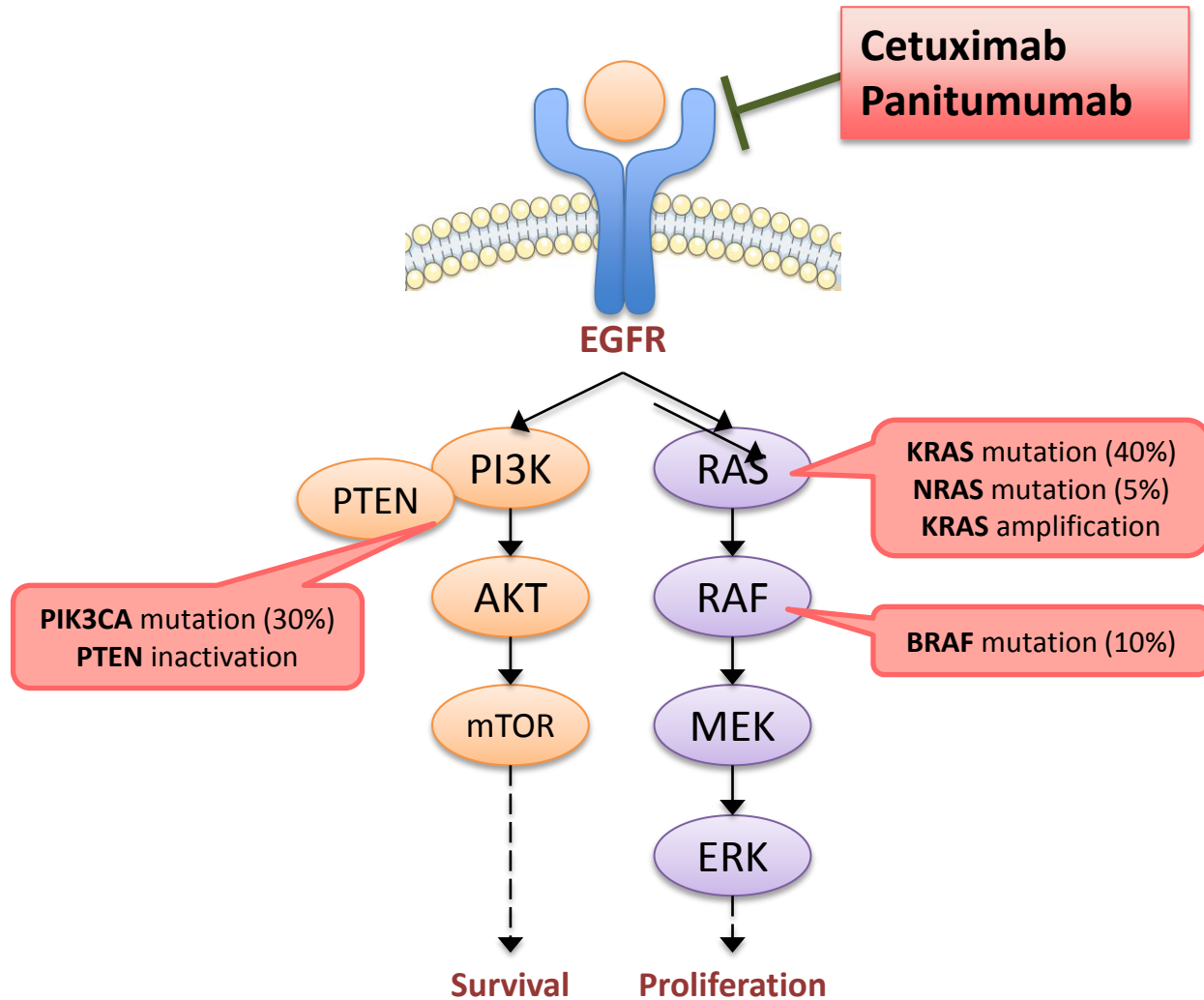
the fraction of allelic KRAS mutant is associated with a shorter PFS and a shorter OS

- Considering an incremental of 1% mutant allele:
- The hazard ratio of PFS was 1.03 ($CI_{95\%}[1.02 - 1.04]$, $P < 0.001$)
- The hazard ratio of OS was 1.02 ($CI_{95\%}[1.01 - 1.03]$, $P < 0.001$)

Correlation between the fraction of mutated KRAS alleles in the tumor and patient survival.



Target therapies



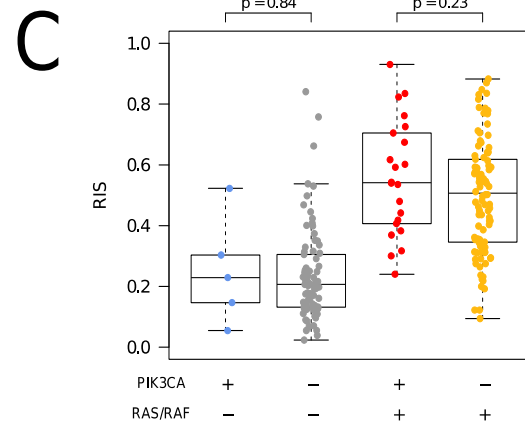
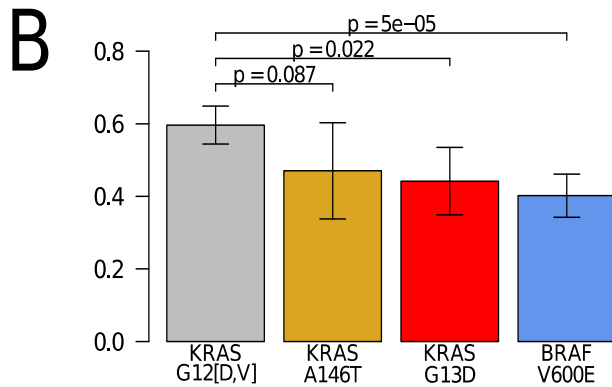
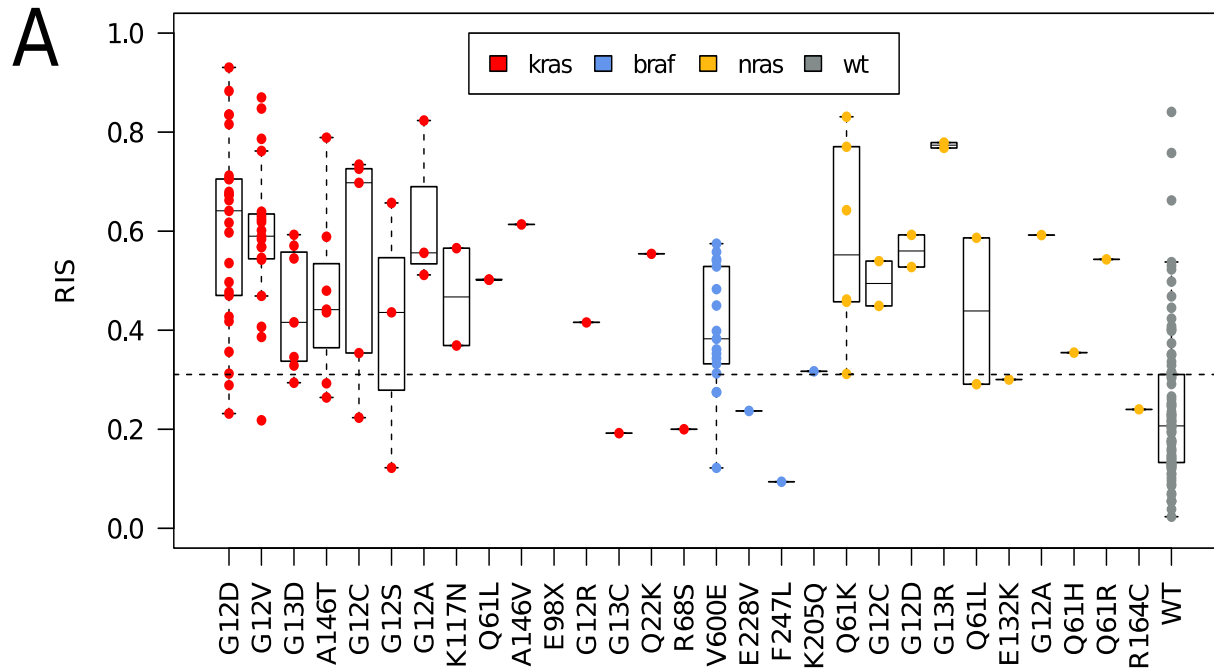
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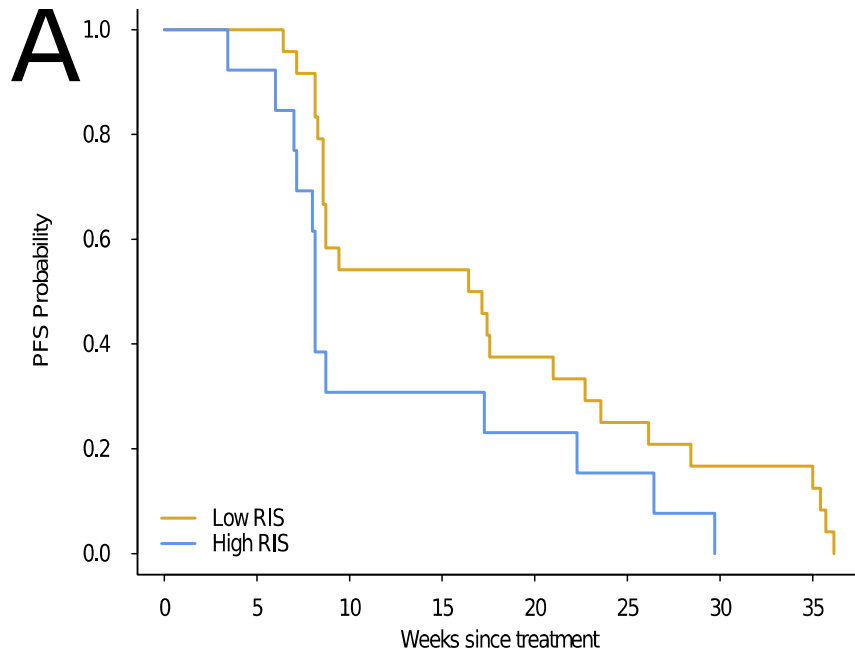
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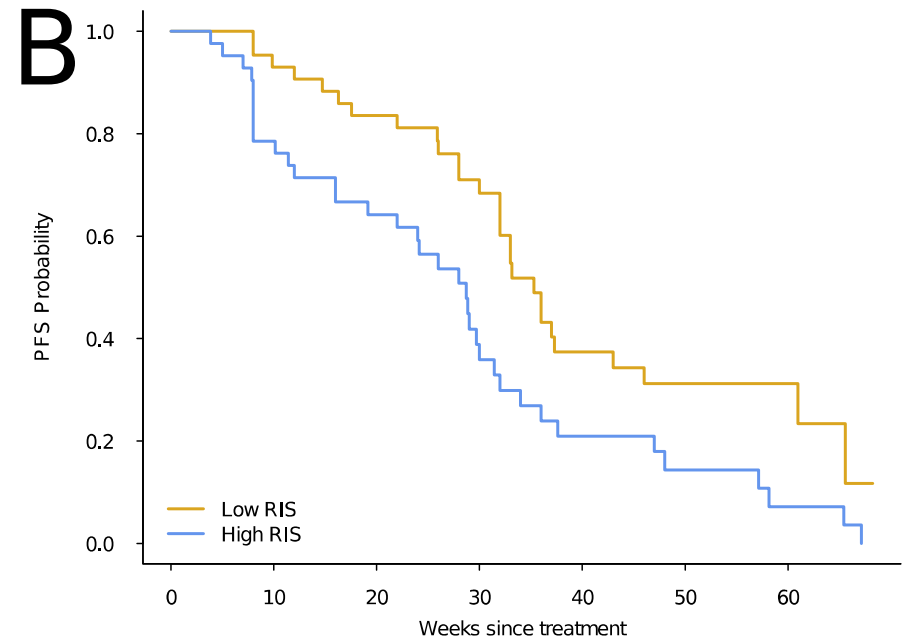


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Low RIS — 24 24 13 13 9 6 4 4
 High RIS — 13 12 4 4 3 2

HR=2.3, CI_{95%} [1.2-4.9], p=.016

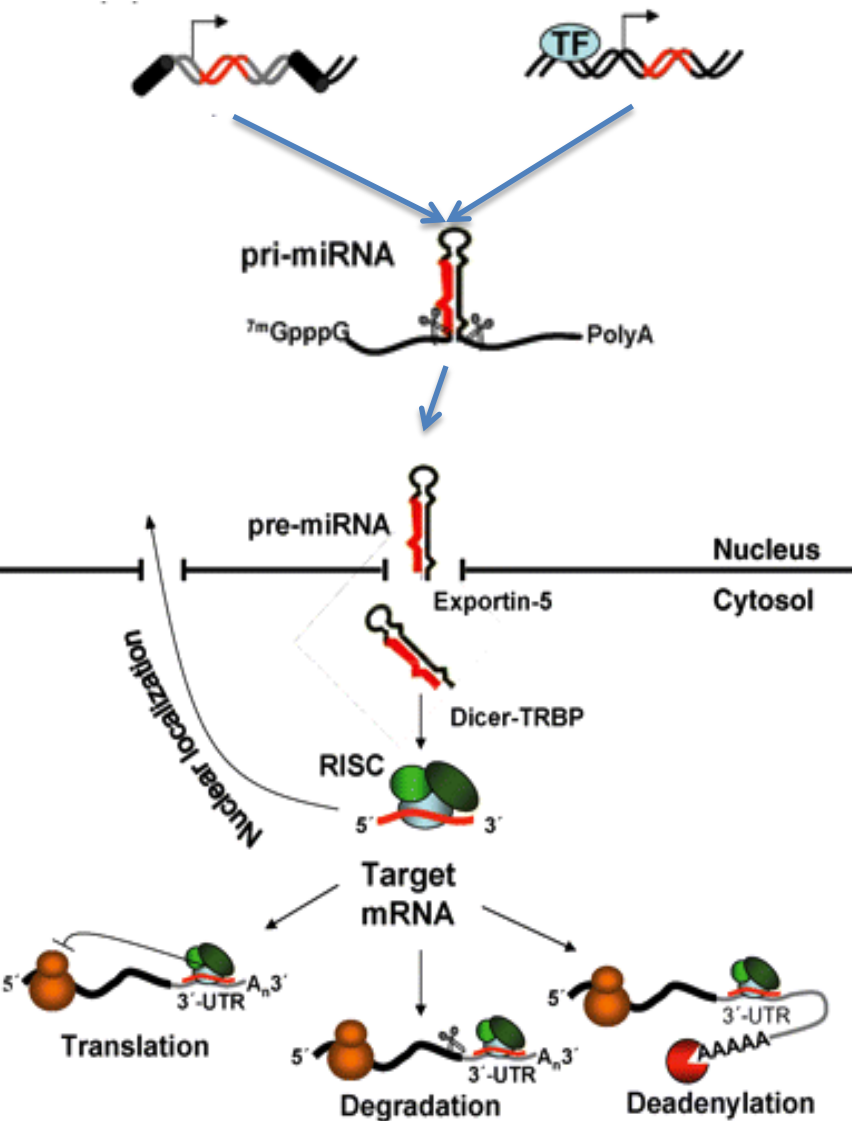


Low RIS — 42 33 26 13 7 4 2
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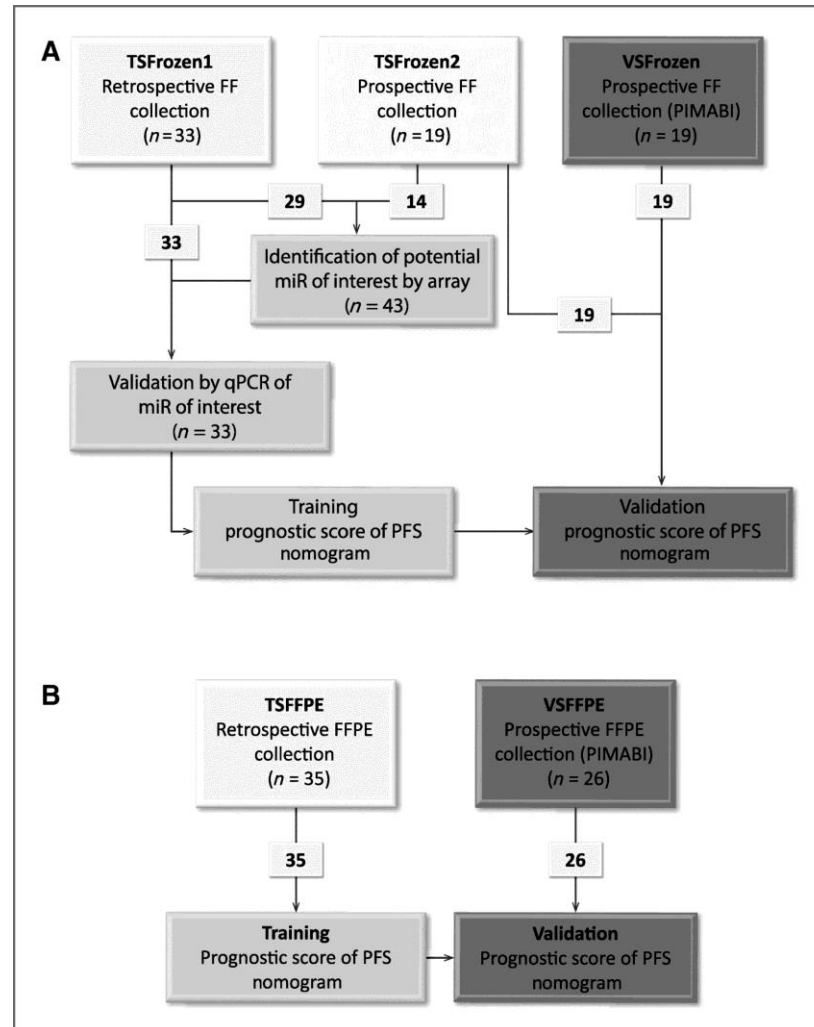
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microRNAs



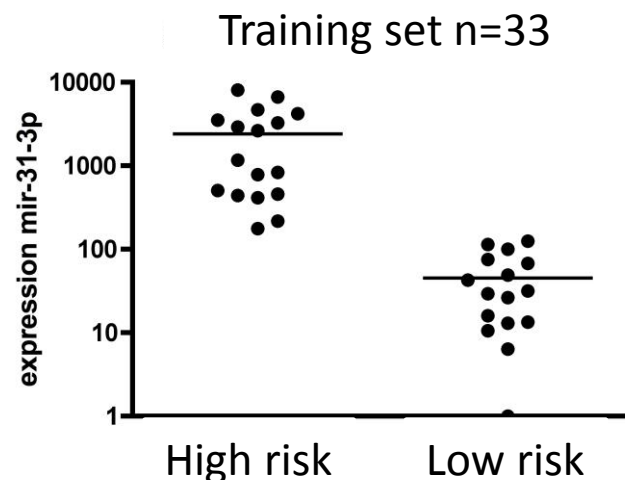
- microRNAs are non coding RNA of 22 nucleotides
- Around 1000 microRNAs have been identified in human genome
- These microRNA linked to transcribed RNA in their 3' end non translated
- The role of these microRNA is to regulate gene expression mostly by inhibiting the RNA translation and/or by promoting the RNA degradation
- 60% of human genes are regulated by microRNA.

Flow chart.

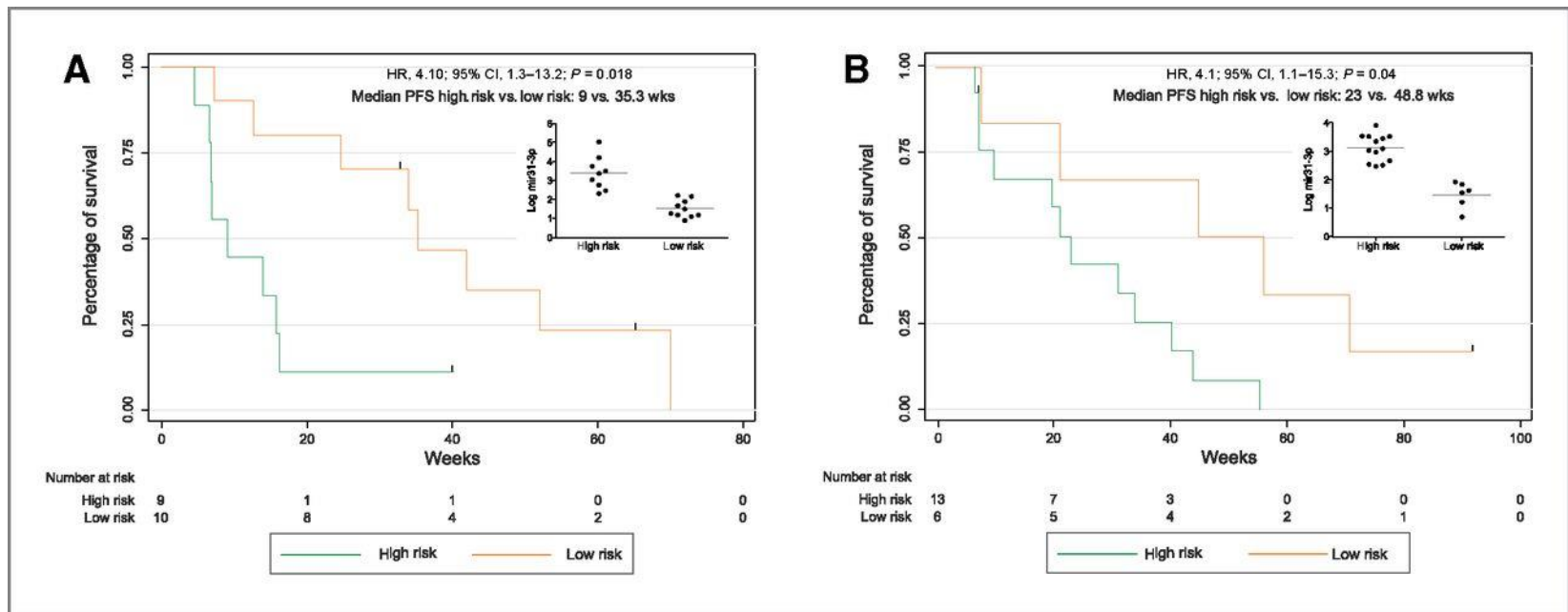


Identification of microRNA associated with survival

- We analyzed 1154 microRNA on a Illumina microarray, 11 were associated with PFS according to a Cox model and principal component analysis allowing to calculate a progression score
- Among these 11 microRNA tested by qPCR, only one (hsa-mir31-3p) has a significantly different expression between patients with high and low risk ($p < 0.0004$)

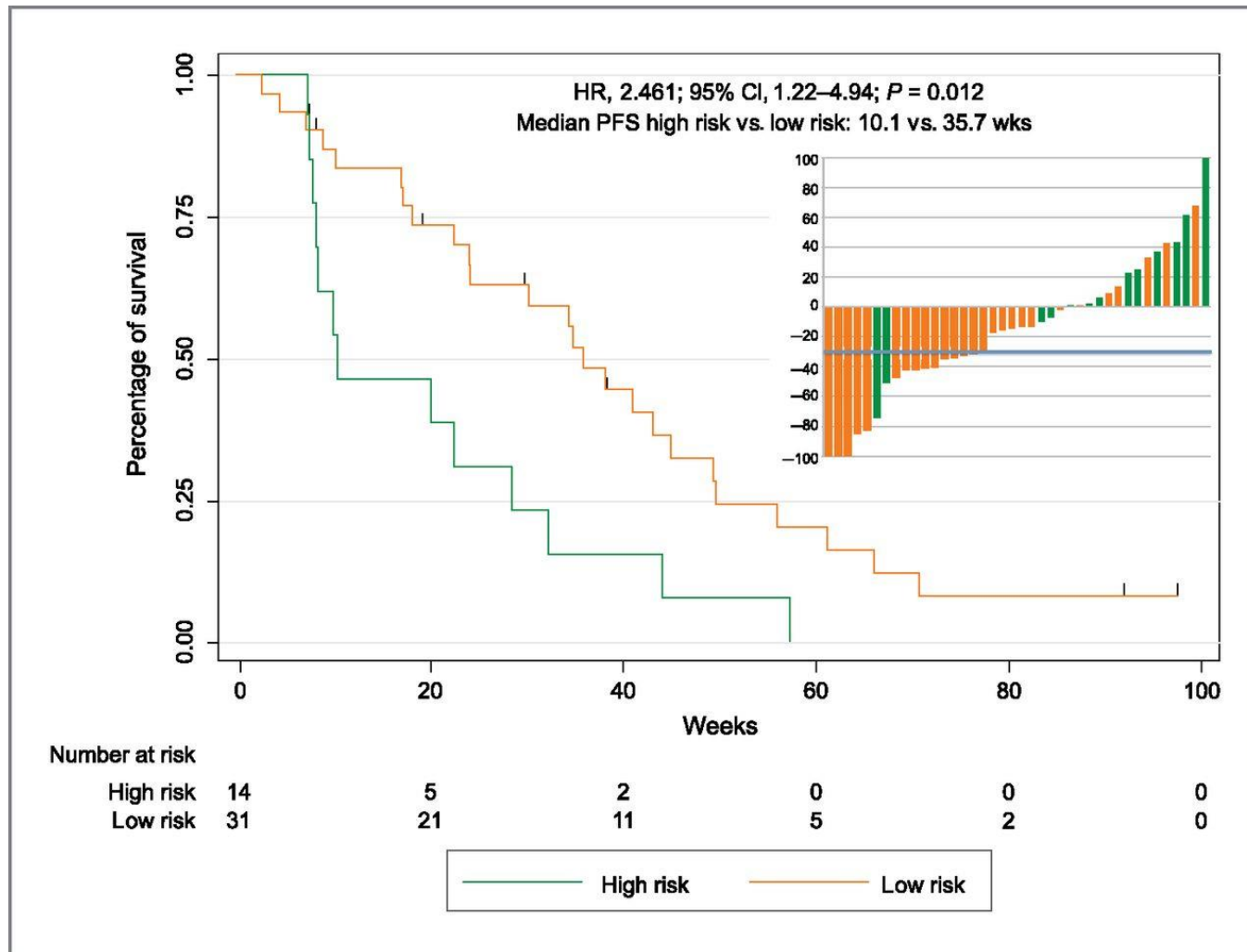


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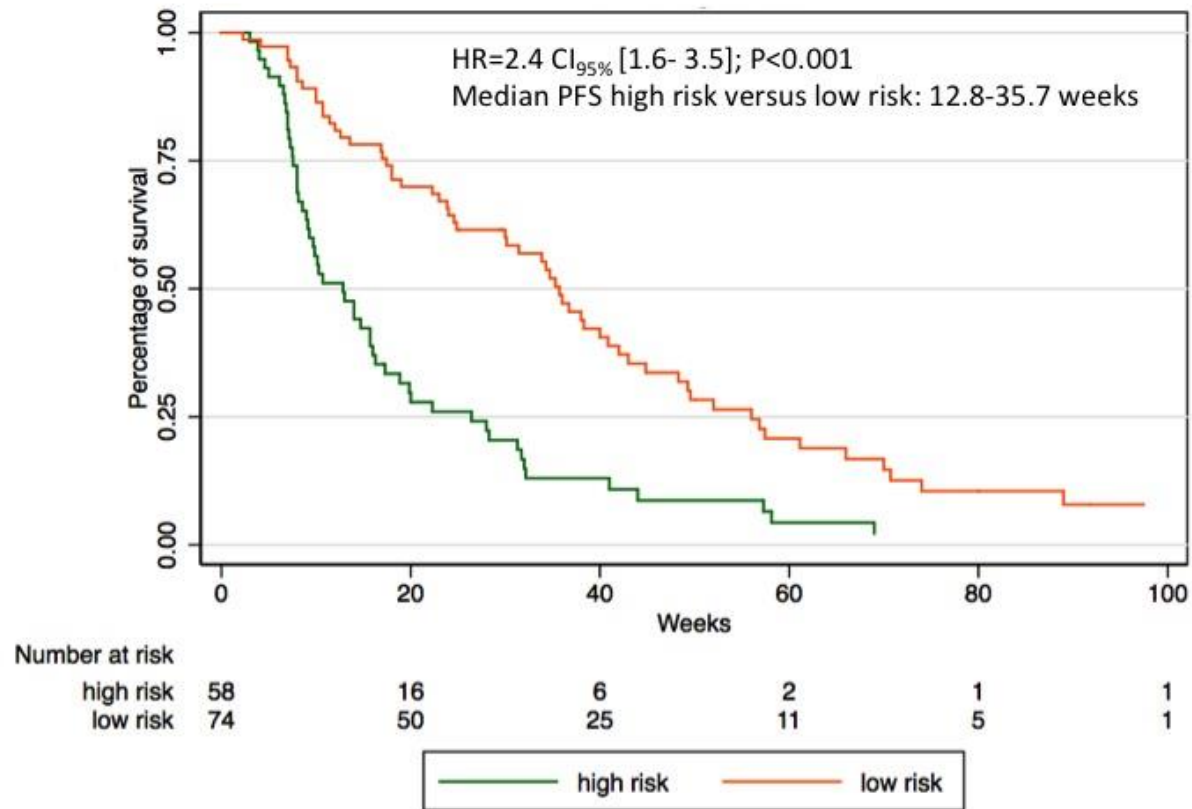
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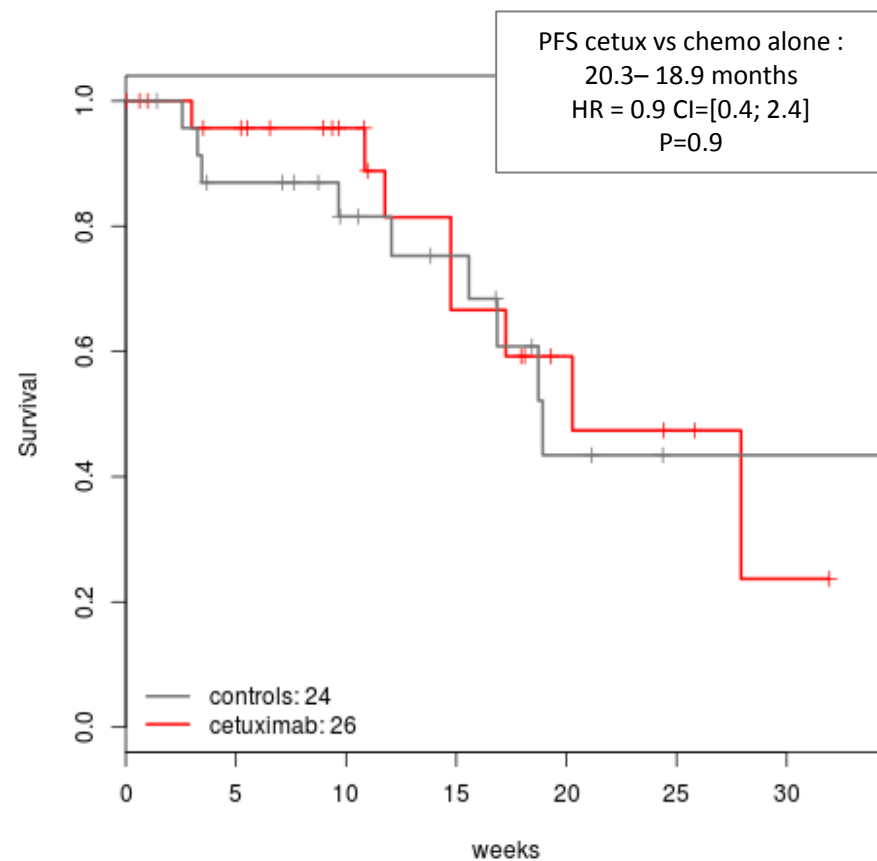
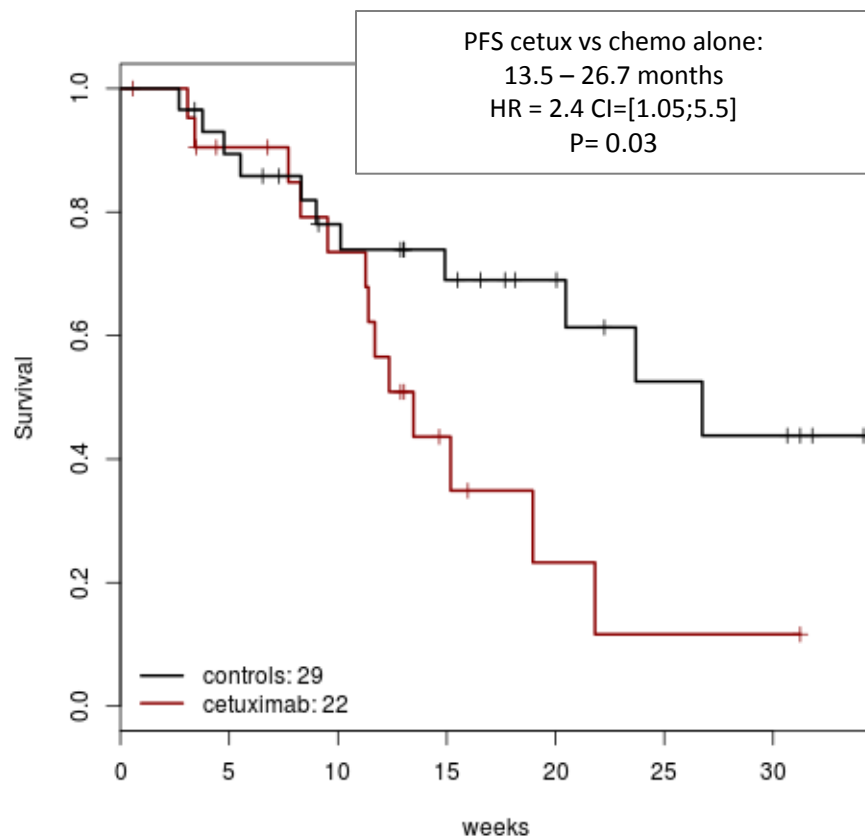


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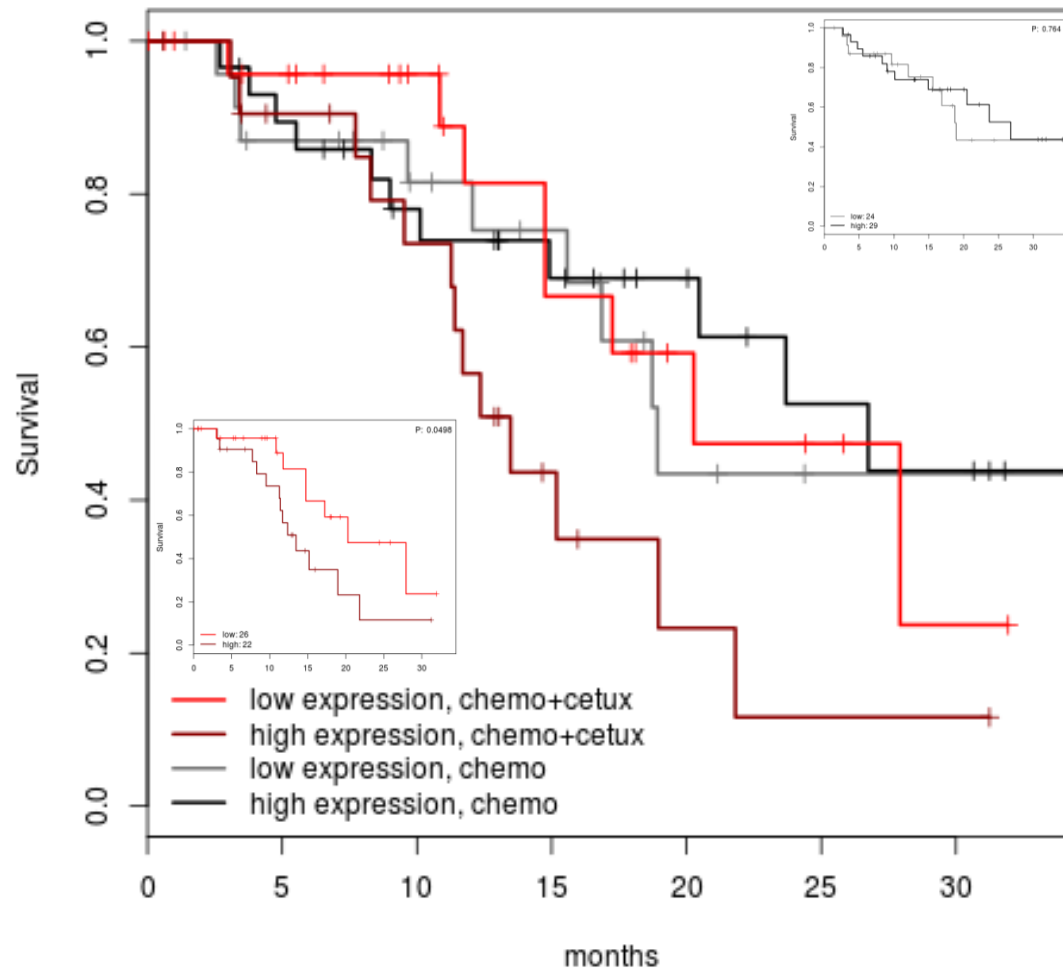
All patients



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P = 0.12
HR = 1.7 CI=[0.88- 3.08]

hsa-mir31-3p maturation regulated by AGO2

MicroRNAs (miRNAs) are generated by two-step processing to yield small RNAs that negatively regulate target gene expression at the post-transcriptional level

Among those some have large loop for which the maturation is negatively controlled by AGO2 which is phosphorylated by EGFR in hypoxia condition

hsa-mir31-3p is one of these microRNA

High level of these microRNA suggested the absence of EGFR response to hypoxia in tumors

It should be linked to the absence of effect to anti-EGFR therapy

EGFR modulates microRNA maturation in response to hypoxia through phosphorylation of AGO2 Nature Med 2013

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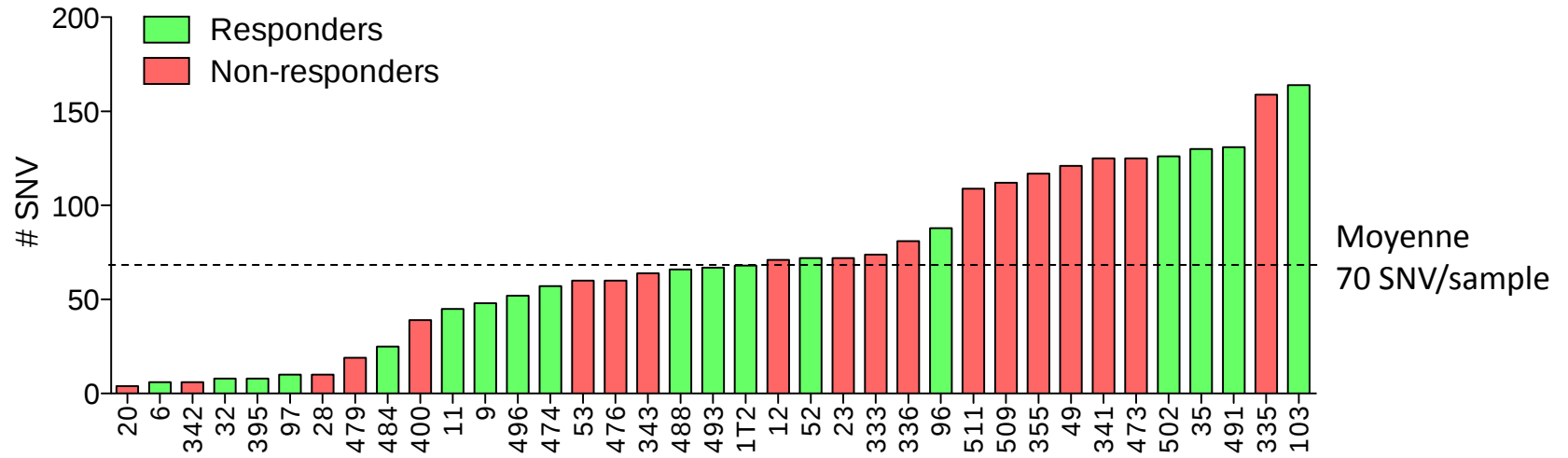
37 tumours and normal DNA

All treated by cetuximab

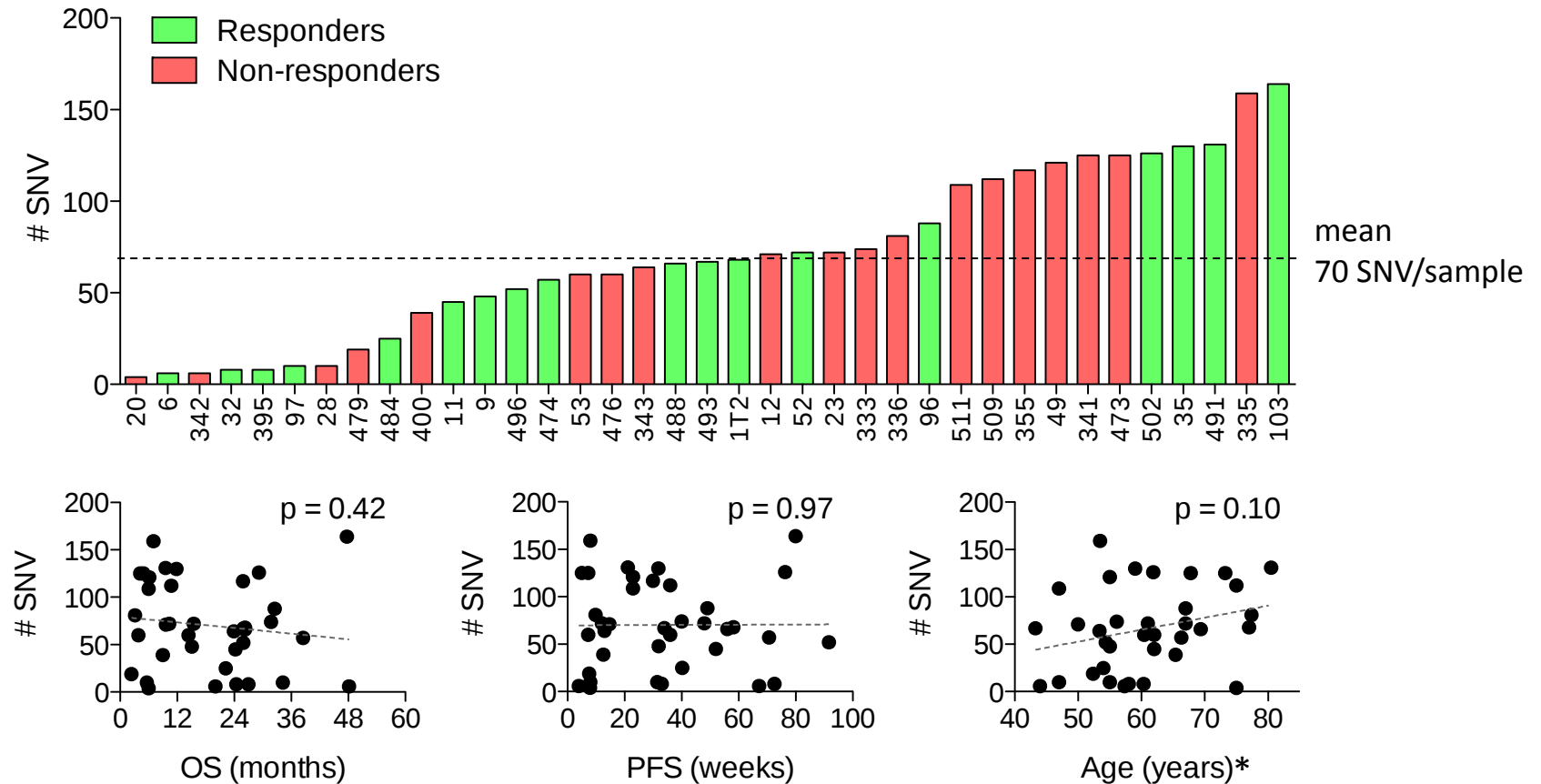
All *KRAS*, *NRAS*, *BRAF* WT

- 18 responders
- 19 non responders

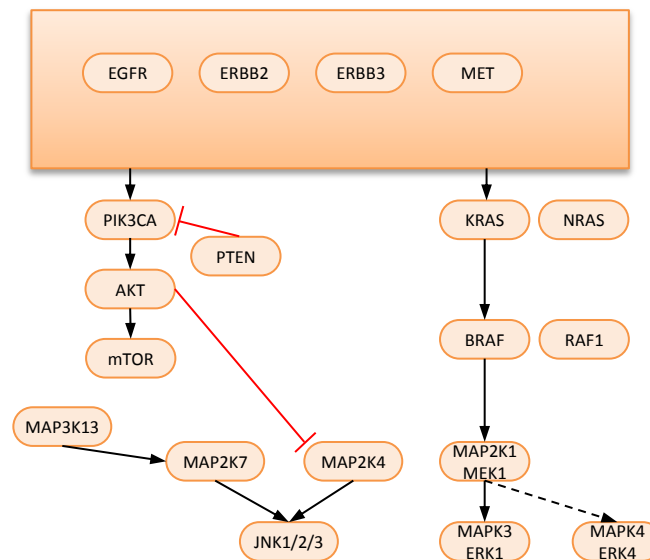
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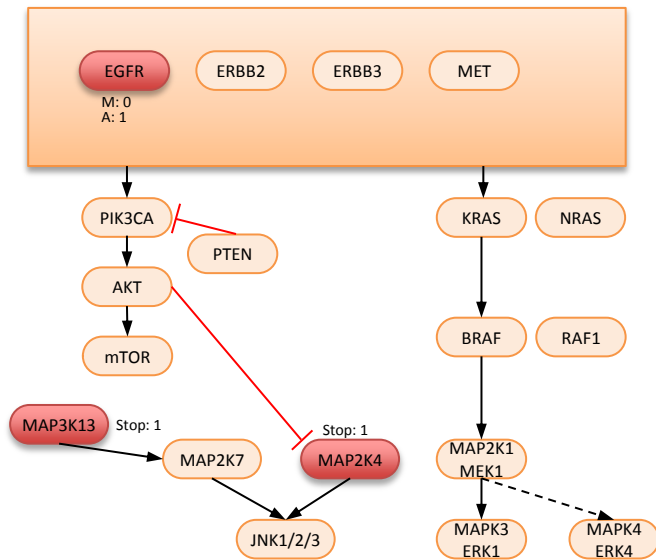


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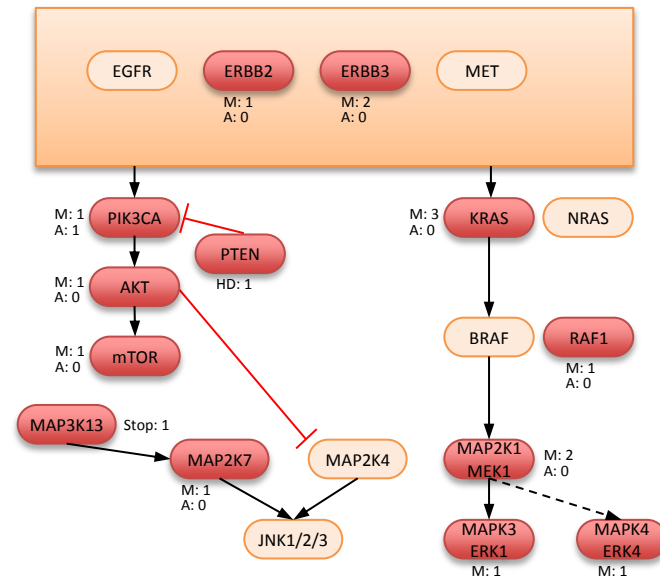


The mapkinase pathway mutations in responders and non responders patients

Responders n=18



Non-Responders n=19



Conclusions

- Need of **INTEGRATION**
- **The unique marker for a clinical problem is probably an illusion**
- **Different faces of the same god**

Sanjusangendo temple Kyoto
1001 God of Mercy

