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# Overcoming resistance in oncogenic-driven disease

## BRAF – HER2

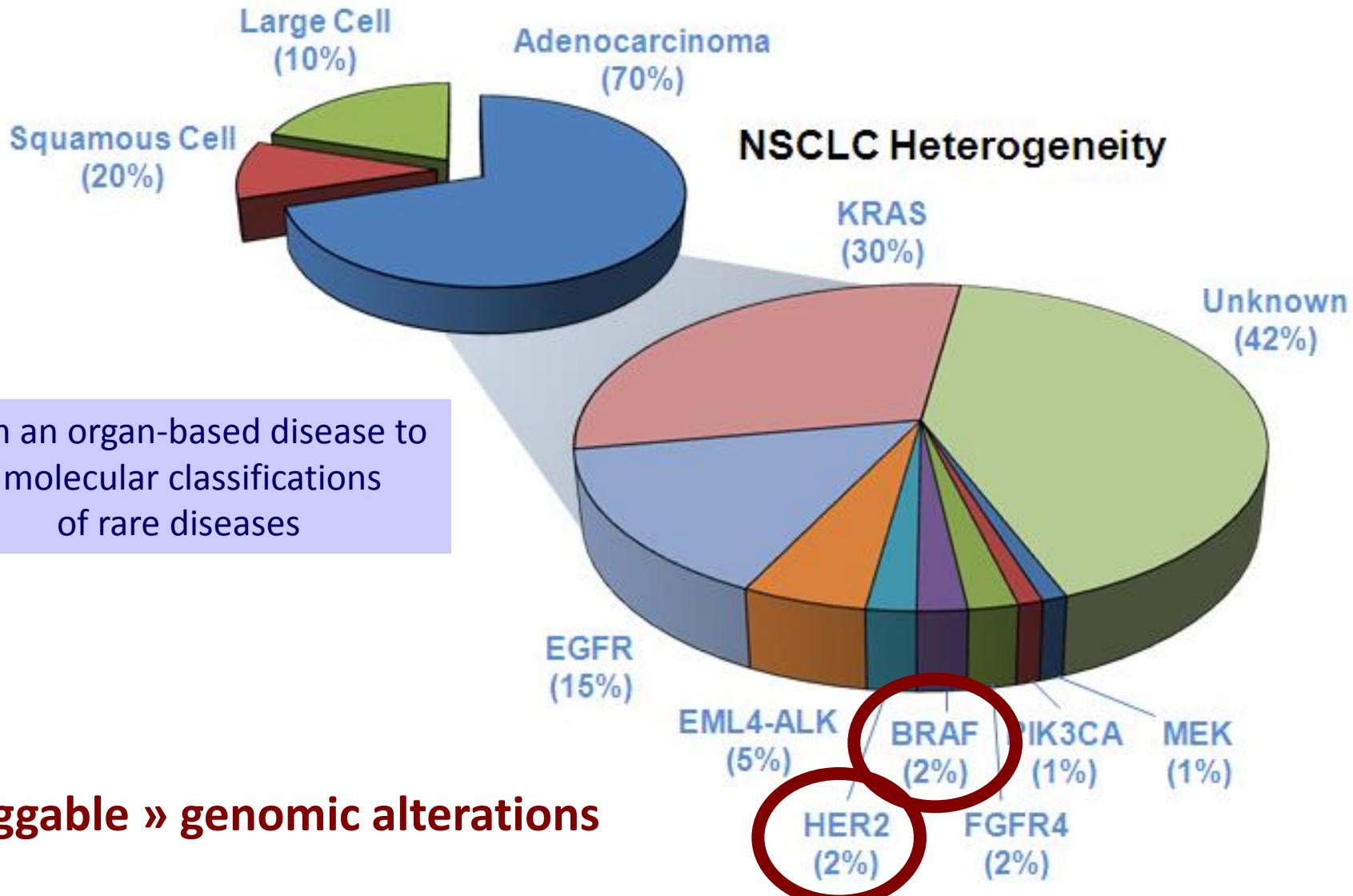
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# Disease segmentation based on oncogenic events

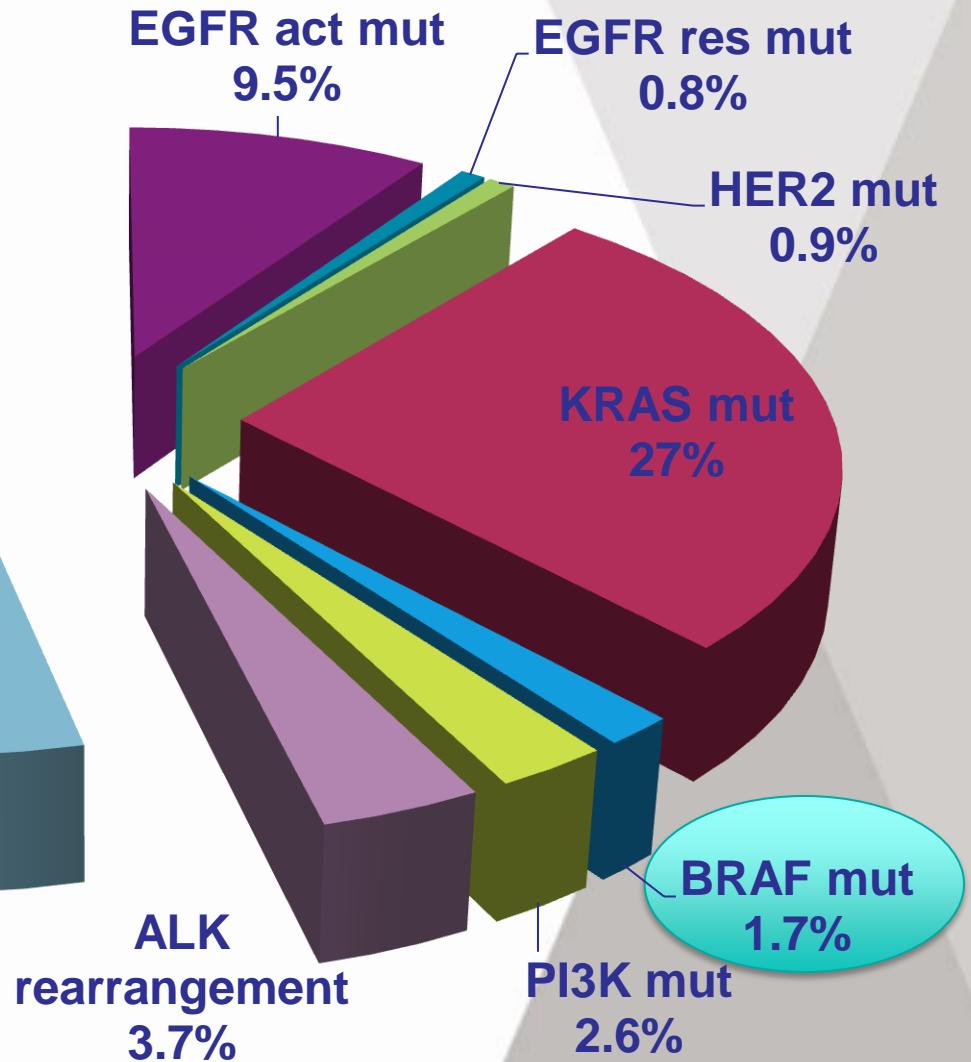
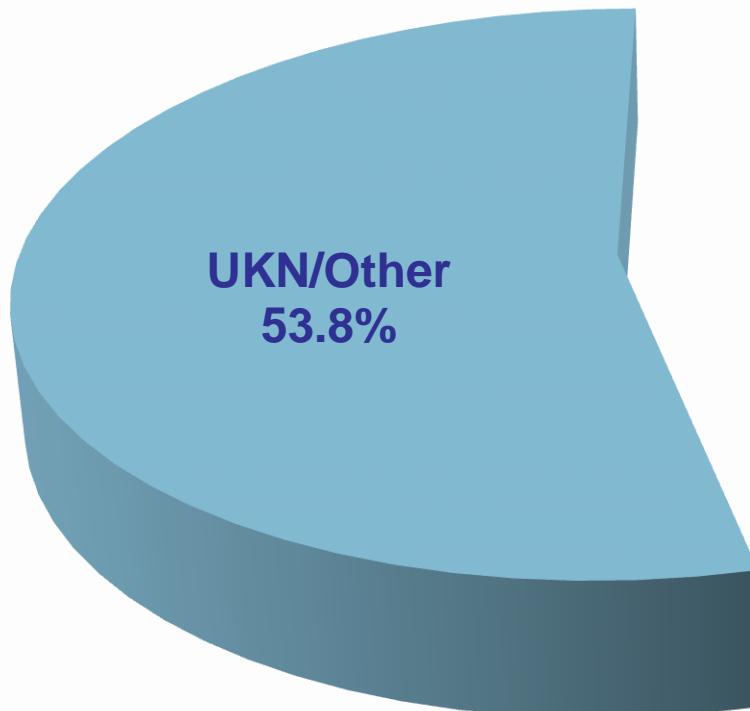


- BRAF

# Frequency of BRAF mutations In various cancer

Tumor Type	Percentage of Patients With BRAF Mutations
Melanoma	30-70
Papillary thyroid cancer	40-70
Cisplatin-refractory testicular cancer	25
Cholangiocarcinoma	10-20
Colorectal cancer	5-20
Ovarian cancer	5-10
Prostate cancer	5-10
Glioblastoma, NSCLC, HNSCC, breast cancer, and pancreatic cancer	1-5

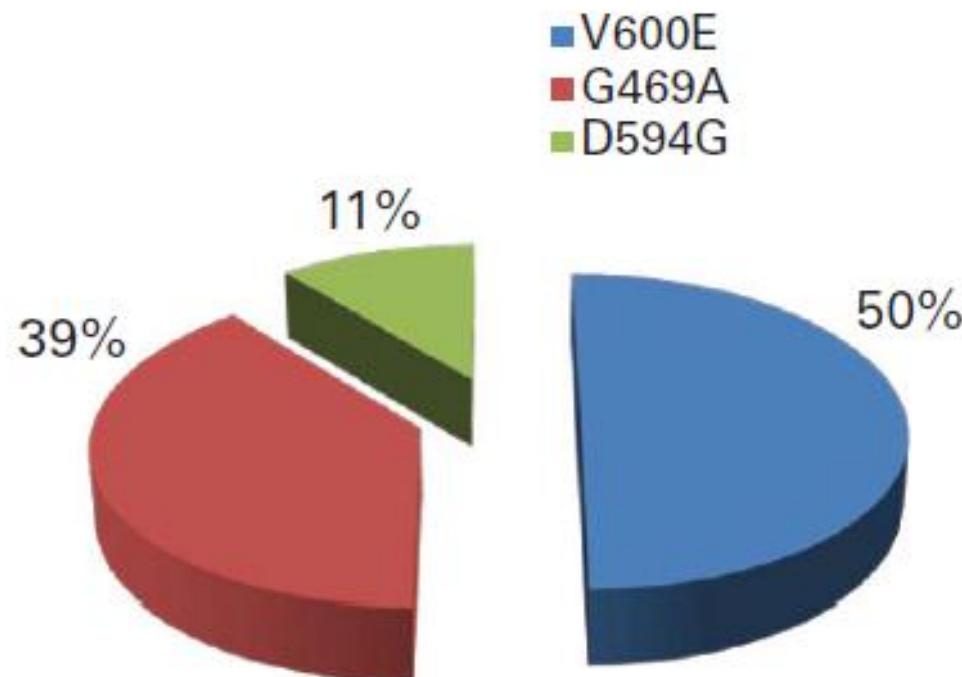
# Biomarqueurs France (n=9911)



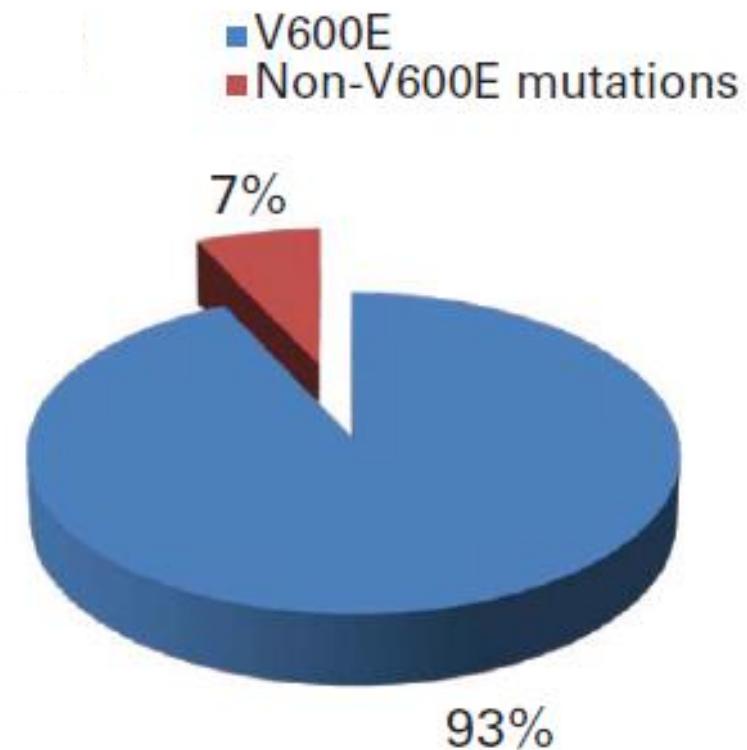
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# BRAF mutation in NSCLC vs Melanoma

## NSCLC



## Melanoma

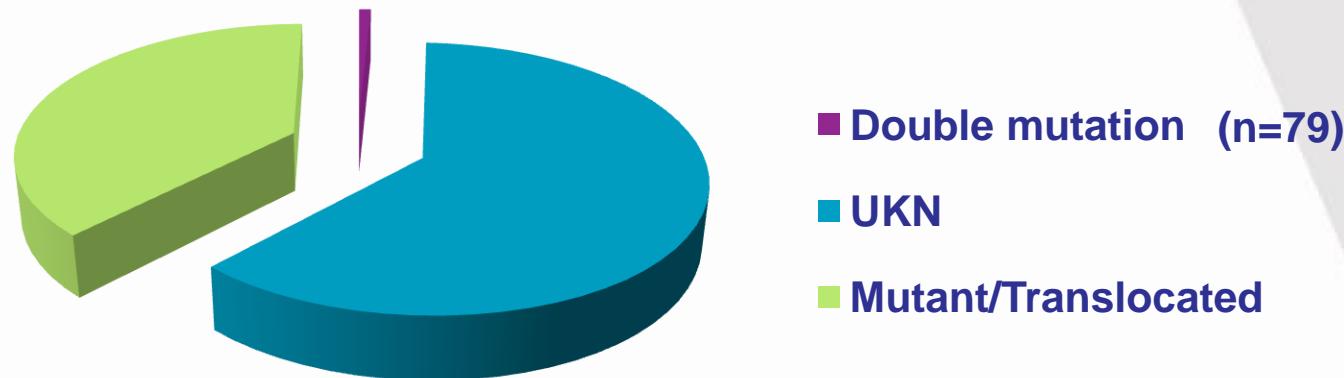


# Genomic mutation in BRAF Gene

BRAF Mutation	Change		Histologic Type		P
	Nucleotide	Aminoacid	ADC	SCC	
Exon					.001
15	T1799A	V600E	21	—	
	A1781G	D594G	2	—	
	T1790G	L597R	2	—	
	C1789G	L597V	1	—	
	T1790A	L597Q	1	—	
	G1798T	V600L	1	—	
	A1801G	K601E	1	—	
	A1803T	K601N	1	—	
	T1810A	W604R	—	1	
	G1817C	G606A	1	—	
11	G1817T	G606V	1	—	
	G1397T	G466V	2	—	
	G1406C	G469A	1	—	
Total	G1406T	G469V	1	—	
	No.		36	1	.001
	%		4.9	0.3	

Retrospective series of 1,046 NSCLCs (739 adenocarcinomas and 307 SCC)

# Double mutation Biomarqueurs France (n=9911)



	EGFR	ALK	KRAS	BRAF	PI3K	HER2
EGFR	-					
ALK	3	-				
KRAS	5	10	-			
BRAF	2	1	6	-		
PI3K	16	1	33	1	-	
HER2				1		-

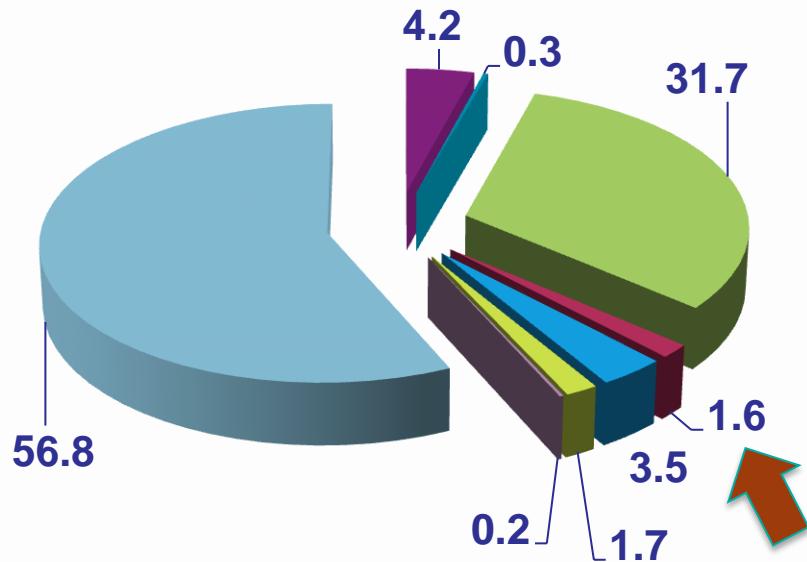
# Patient Clinical Characteristics

	<b>Paik et al n = 697</b>	<b>Marchetti et al. N = 739</b>	<b>Brustugun et al. N= 979</b>	<b>Kinno et al. N=2001</b>
BRAF mut. V600E	18 (3%) 50%	21 100%	17 (1.7%) 100%**	26 (1.7%) 31%
Stage I-III*	8 (44%)	19 (90%)	11 (65%)	26 (100%)
IV	10 (56%)	2 (10%)	6 (35%)	0
Female	11 (61%)	16 (76%)	10 (58%)	13 (50%)
Age	64	67.7	71	63
Smoking status never current/former	0 18 (100%)	11 (52%) 10 (48%)	5 (29%) 12 (71%)	12 (46%) 14 (54%)
Pathology Adenoc. SCC LCC	18 (100%) N/A N/A		15 (88%) 0 2 (12%)	25 (96%) 1 (4%) 0

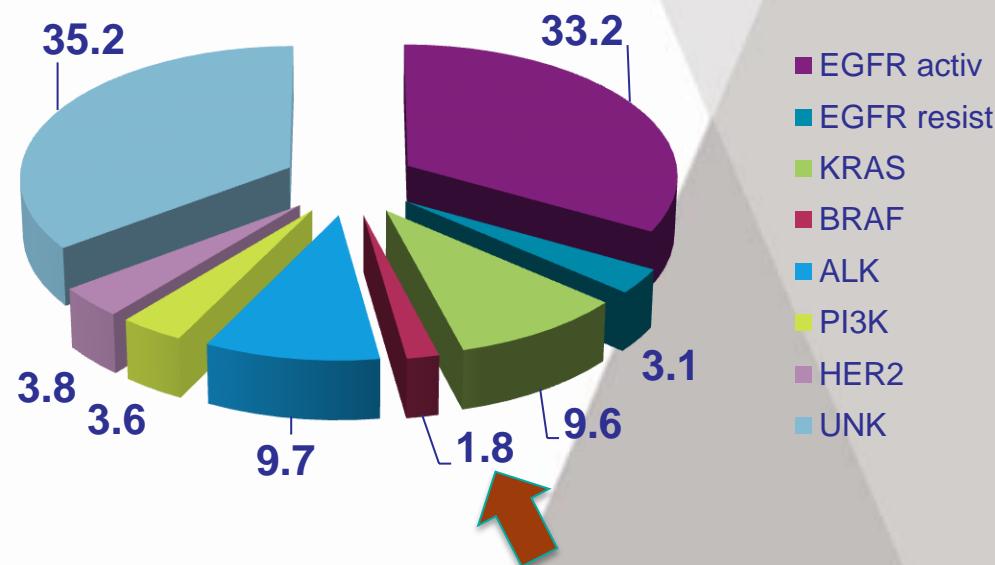
\*IIA \*\*BRAF V600E/K  
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# Biomarkers by smoking status (n=9911\*)

Smokers



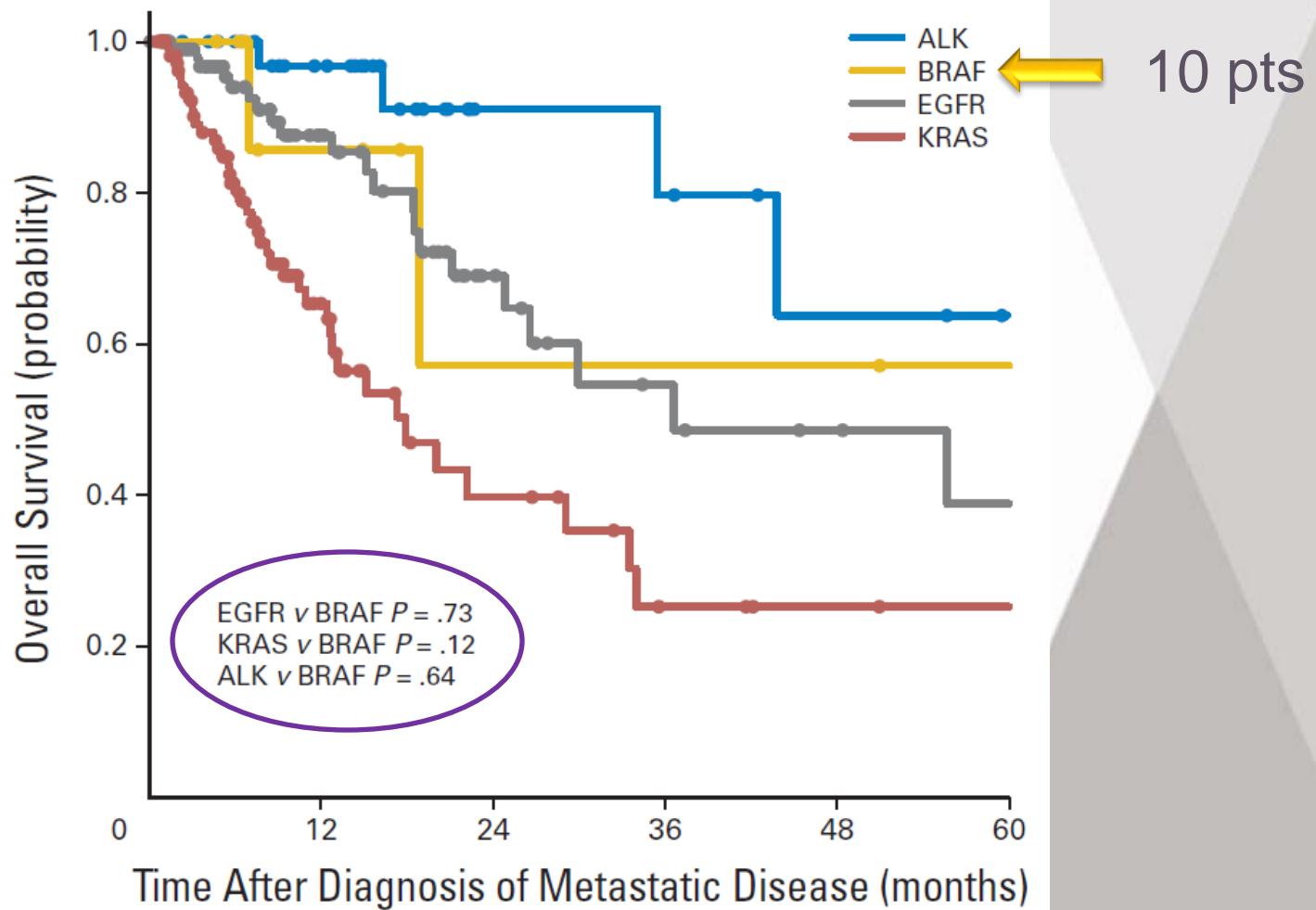
Never smokers



- EGFR activ
- EGFR resist
- KRAS
- BRAF
- ALK
- PI3K
- HER2
- UNK

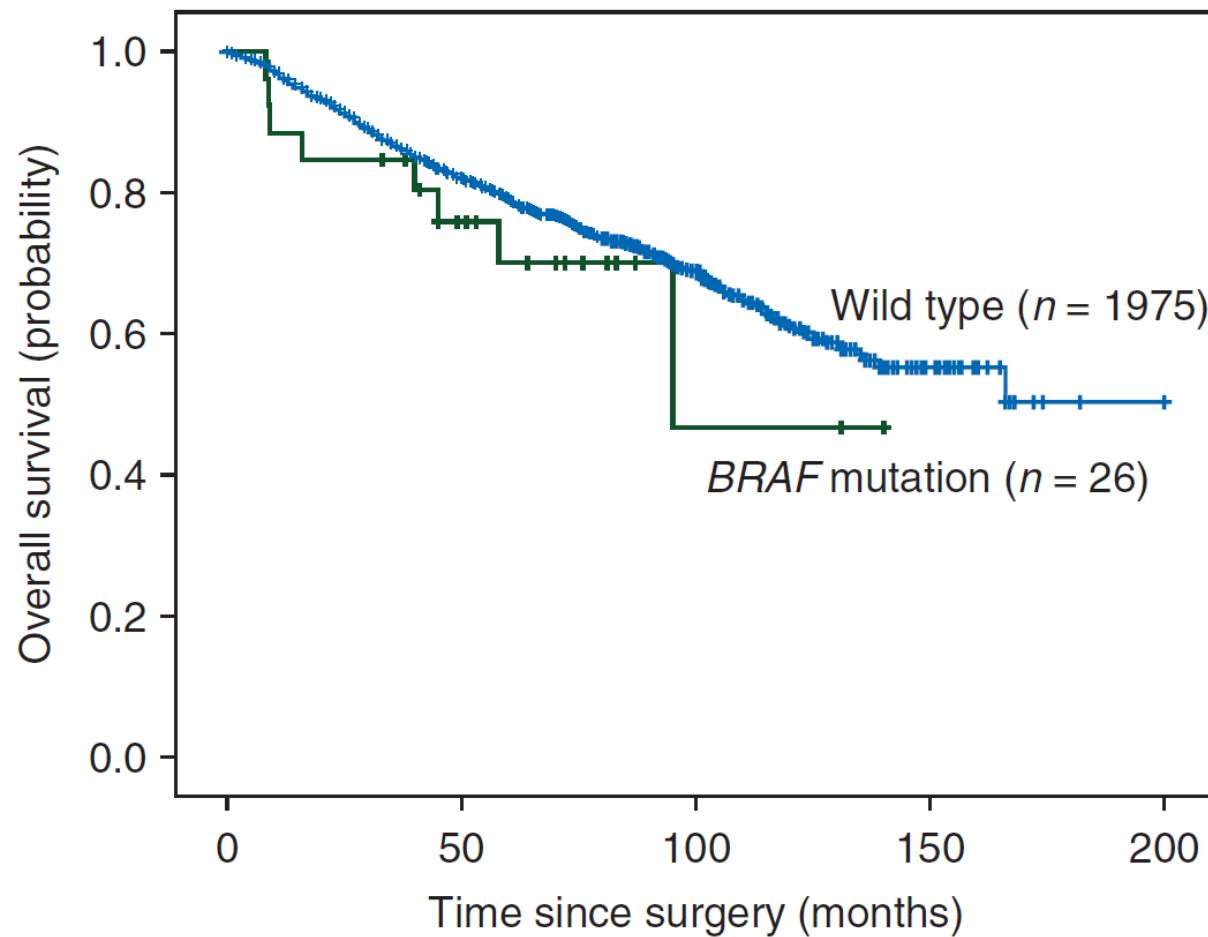
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# Overall survival in patients with advanced stage (IIIB/IV)



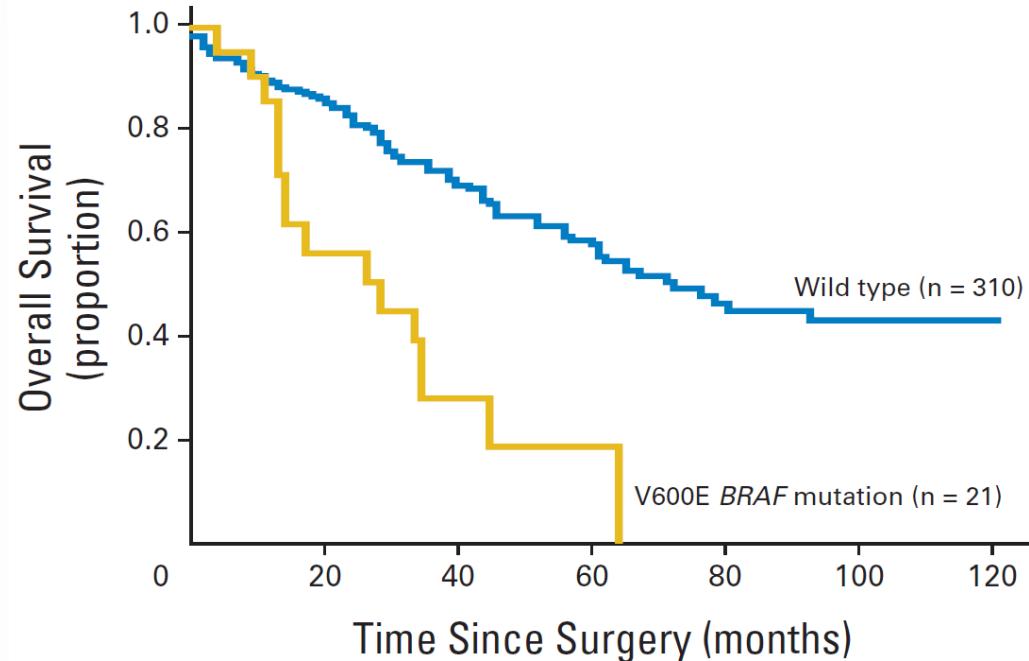
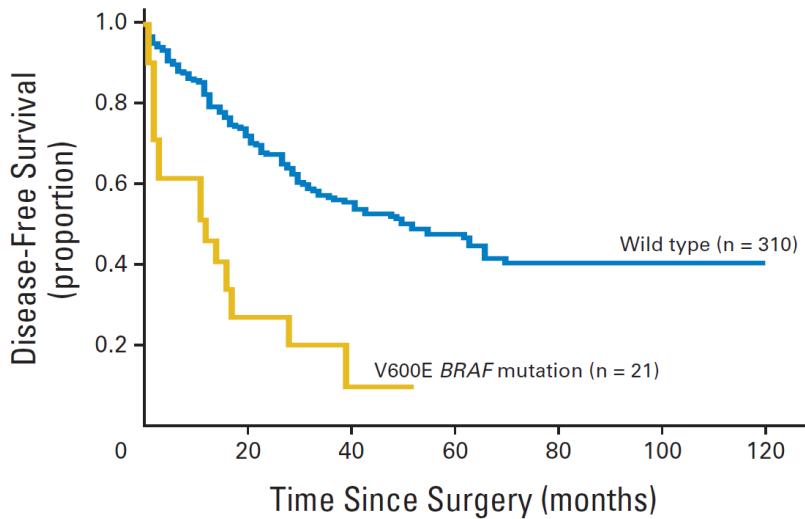
450 patients with stage IIIB/IV lung adenocarcinoma

# Clinicopathological features of NSCLC with BRAF mutations



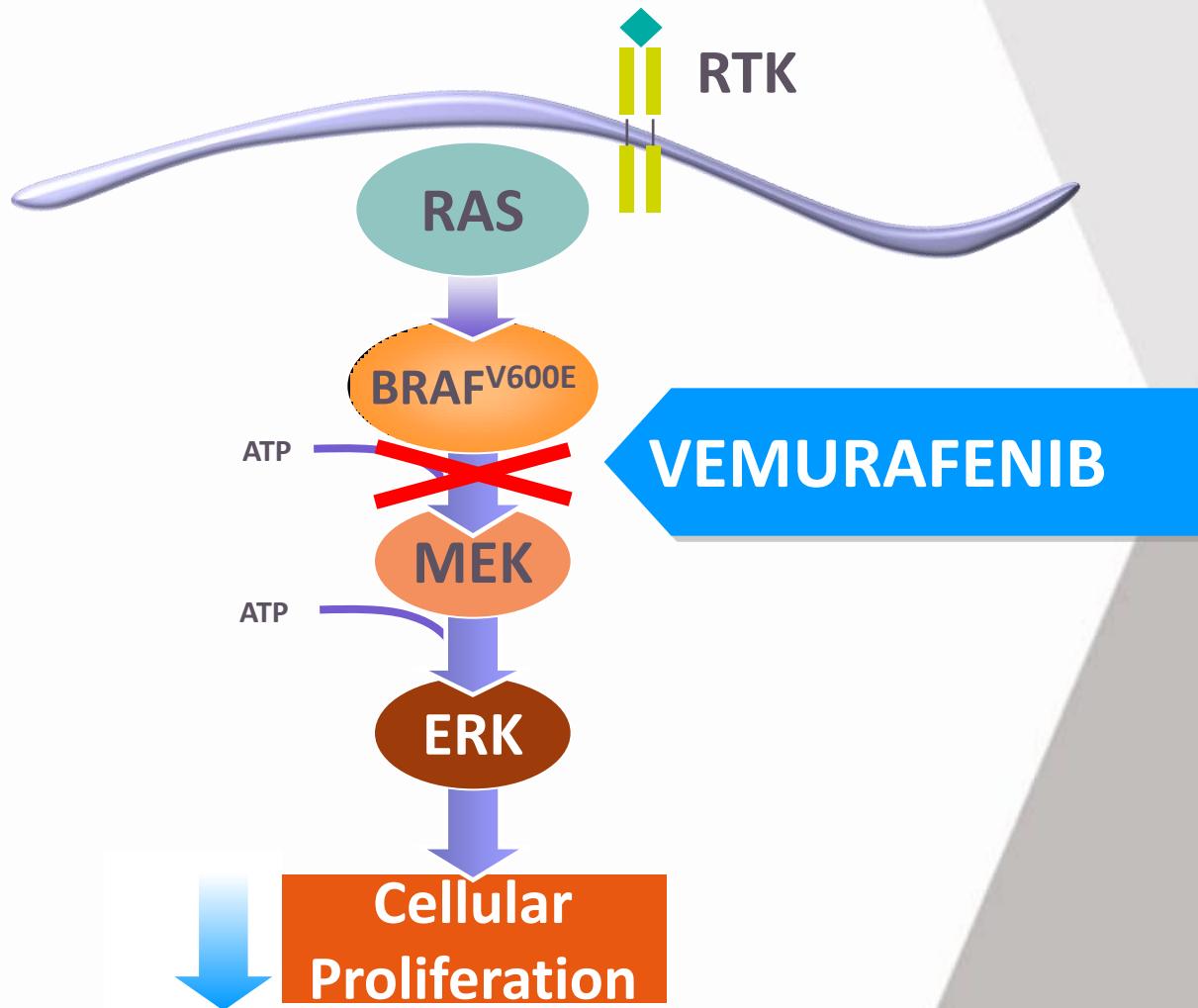
**BRAF mutations in 26 (1.3%) of 2001 resected NSCLC**

# Outcome of Patients BRAF Mutations



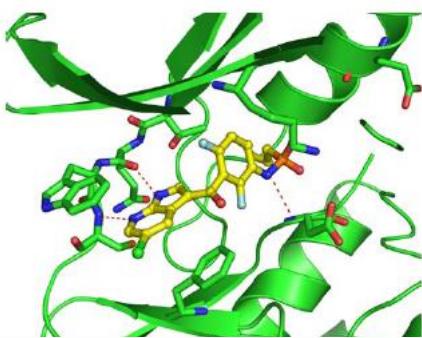
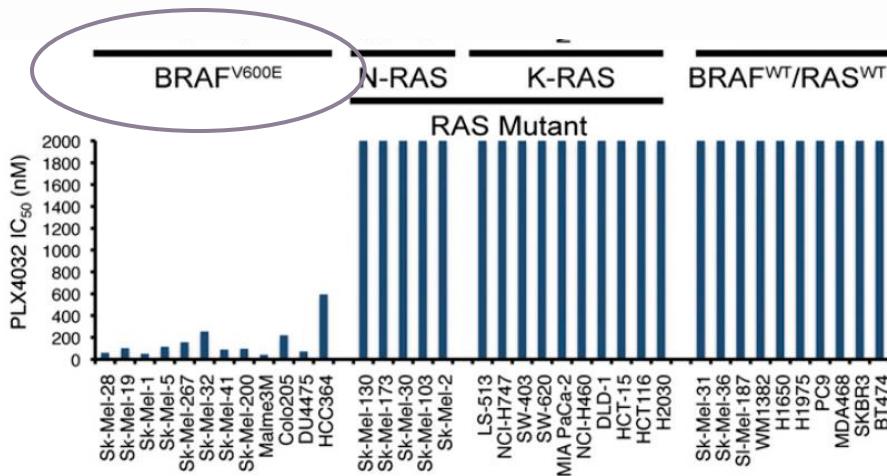
331 lung adenocarcinoma based on presence or absence of V600E BRAF mutation - NSCLC Pulmonary surgery

# BRAF<sup>V600E</sup> Kinase

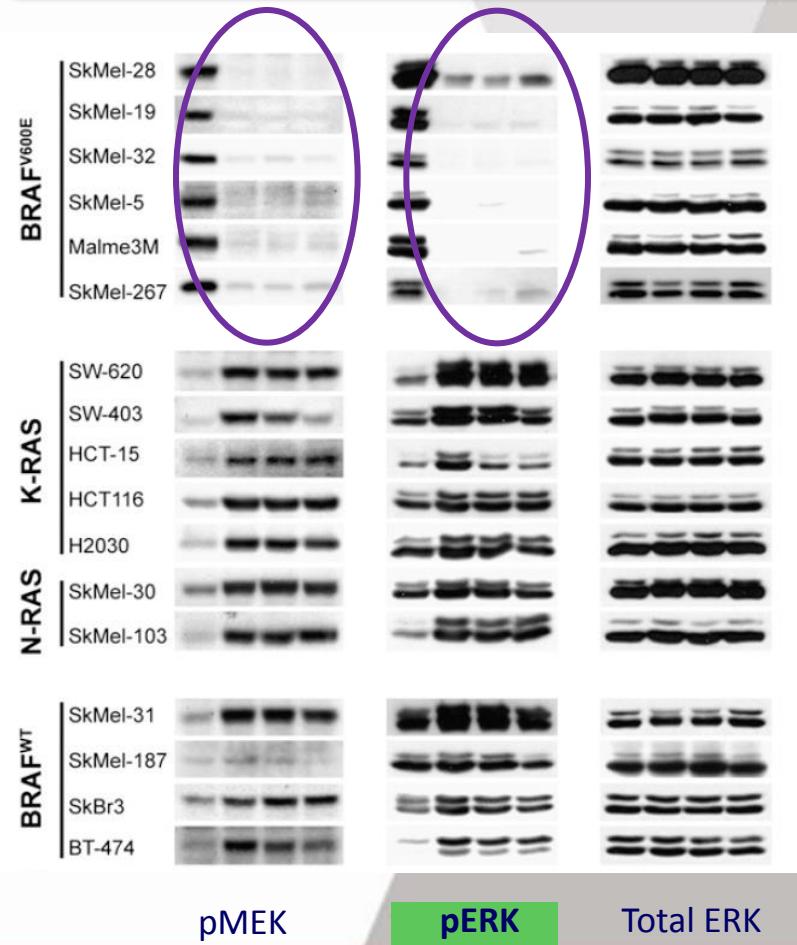


# RAF inhibitor vemurafenib

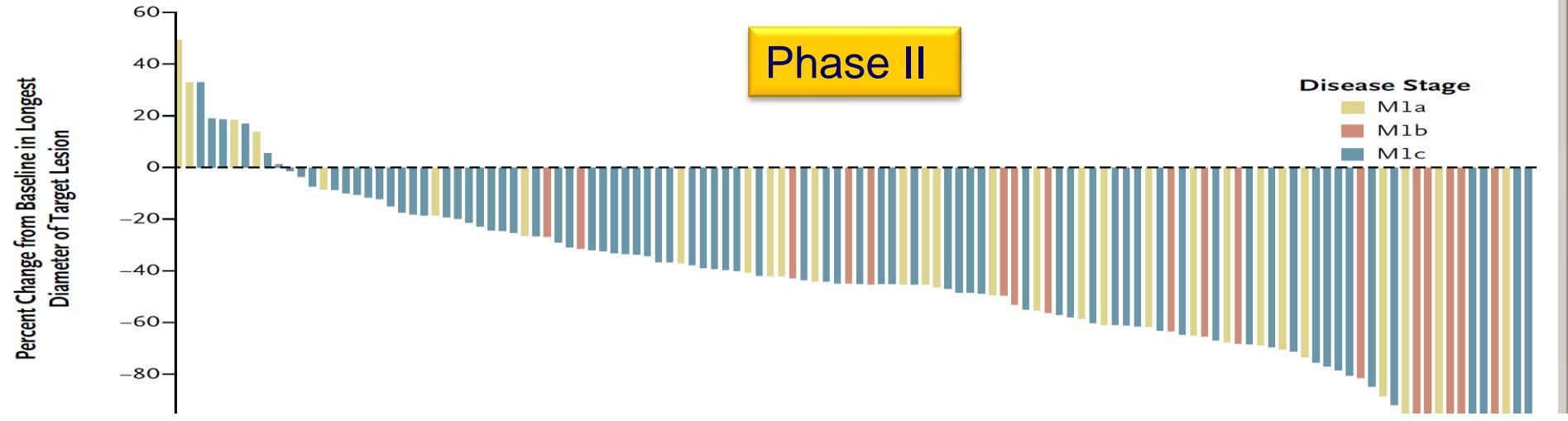
Selectively inhibits growth of BRAFV600E-mutant cell lines



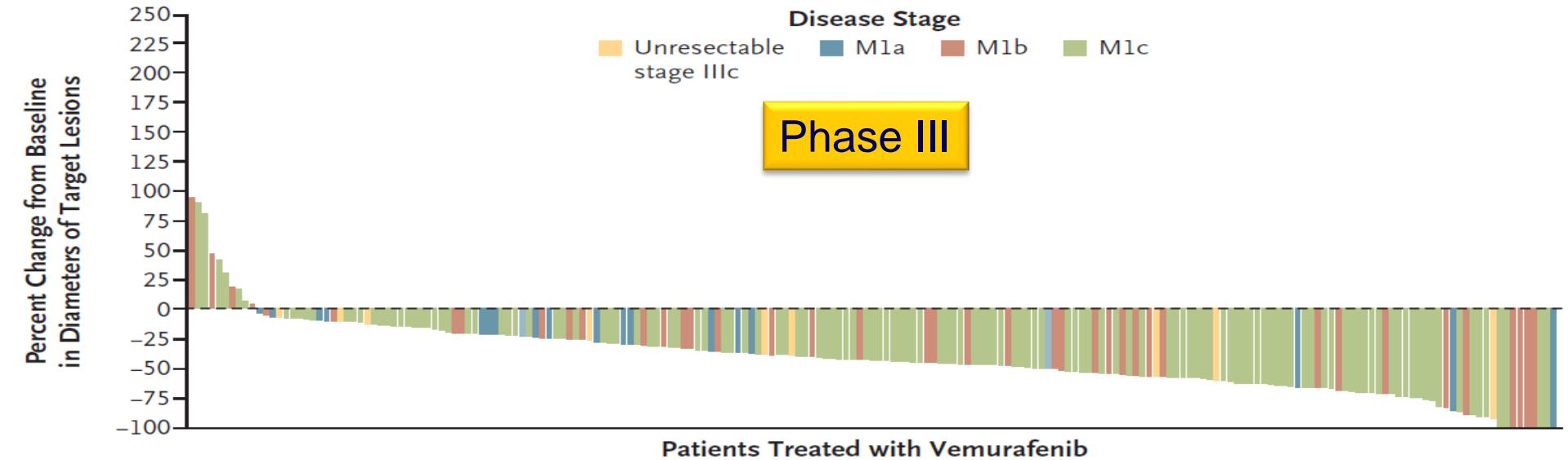
Inhibits ERK phosphorylation only in BRAFV600E-mutant cell lines



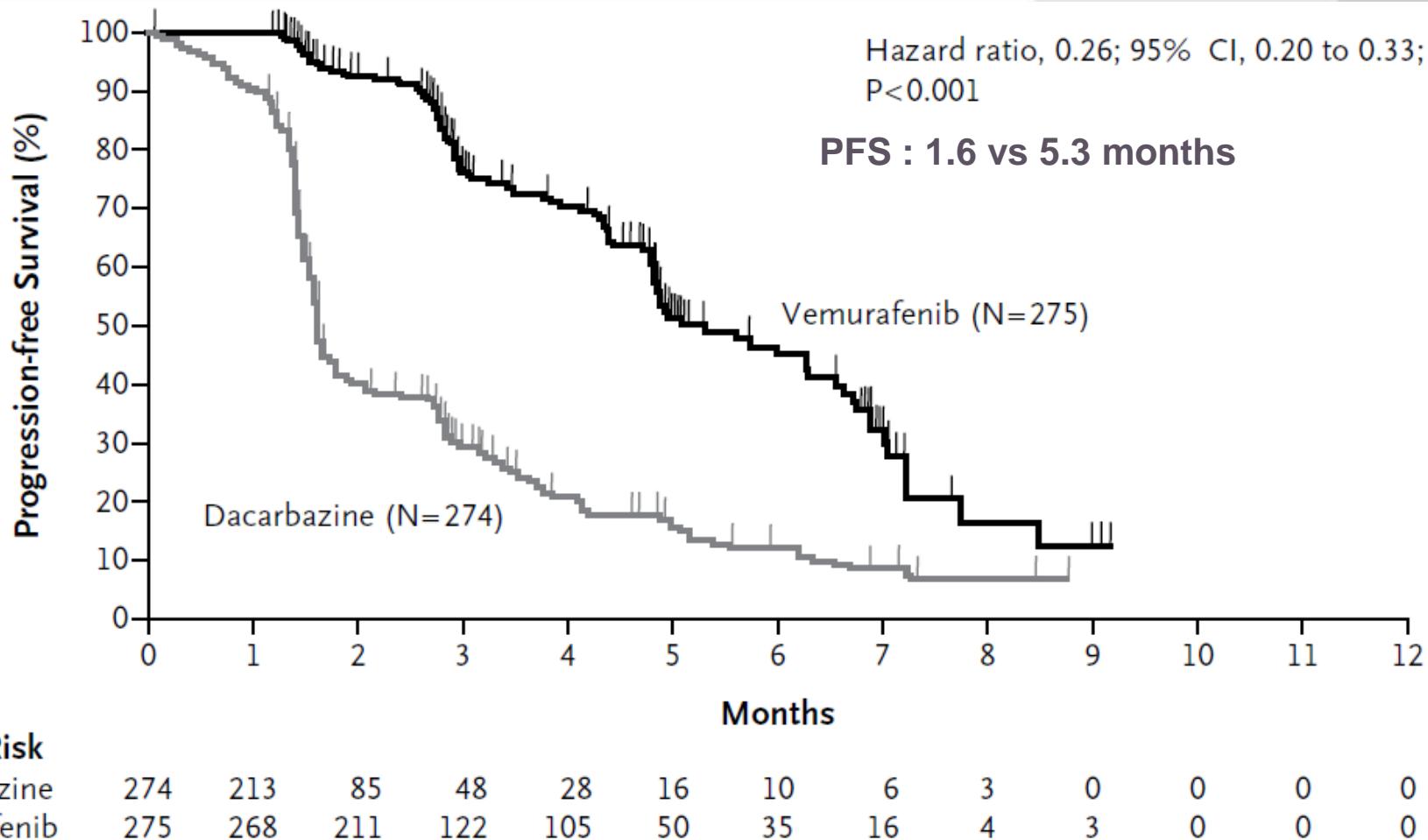
# High response in patients with metastatic V600E BRAFmut melanoma



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# Vemurafenib V600E BRAFmut Melanoma



# Dabrafenib inhibits BRAF V600E Kinase

## Dabrafenib

### Mode of Action

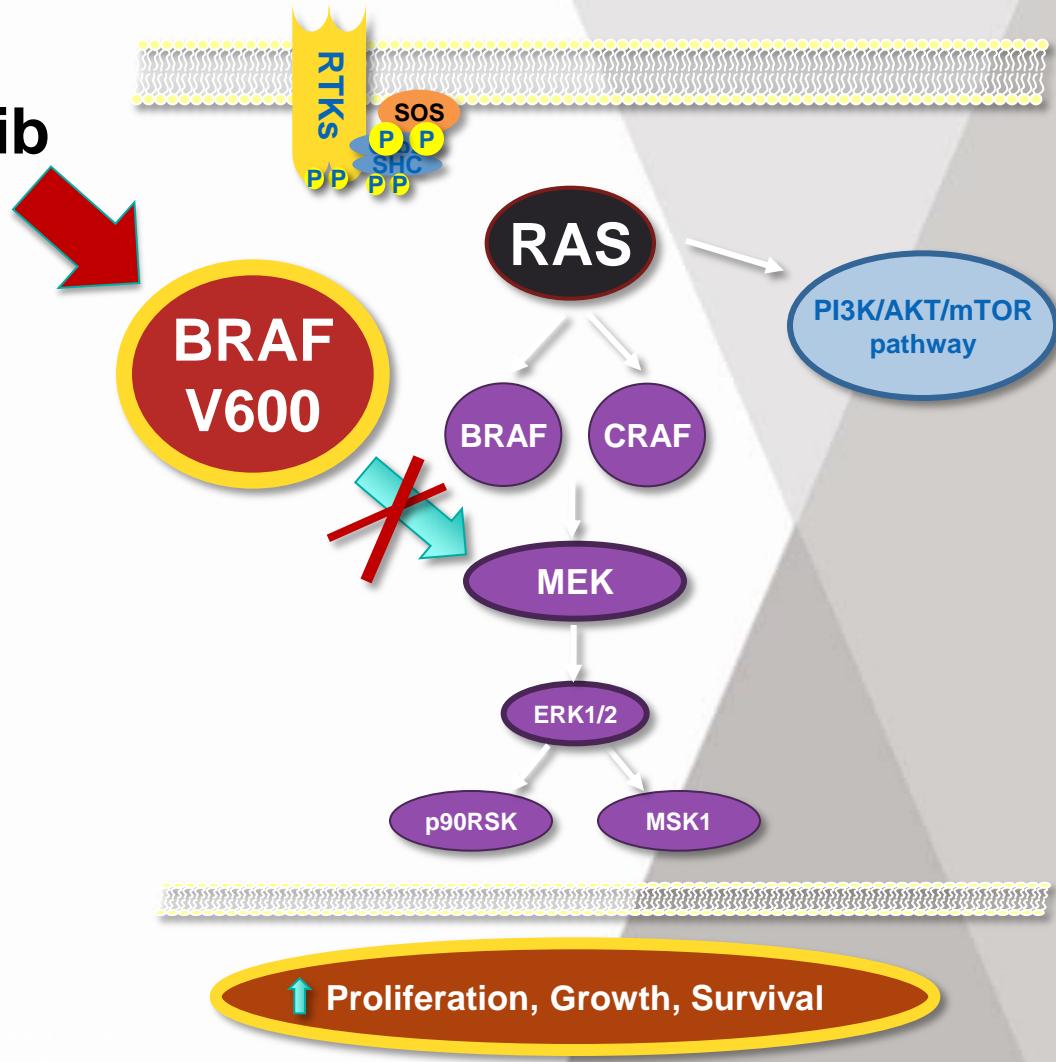
- Reversible, small molecule BRAF inhibitor
- ATP competitive

### Molecular Activity:

- BRAF V600E: IC<sub>50</sub> 0.65 nM
- BRAF WT: IC<sub>50</sub> 3.2 nM

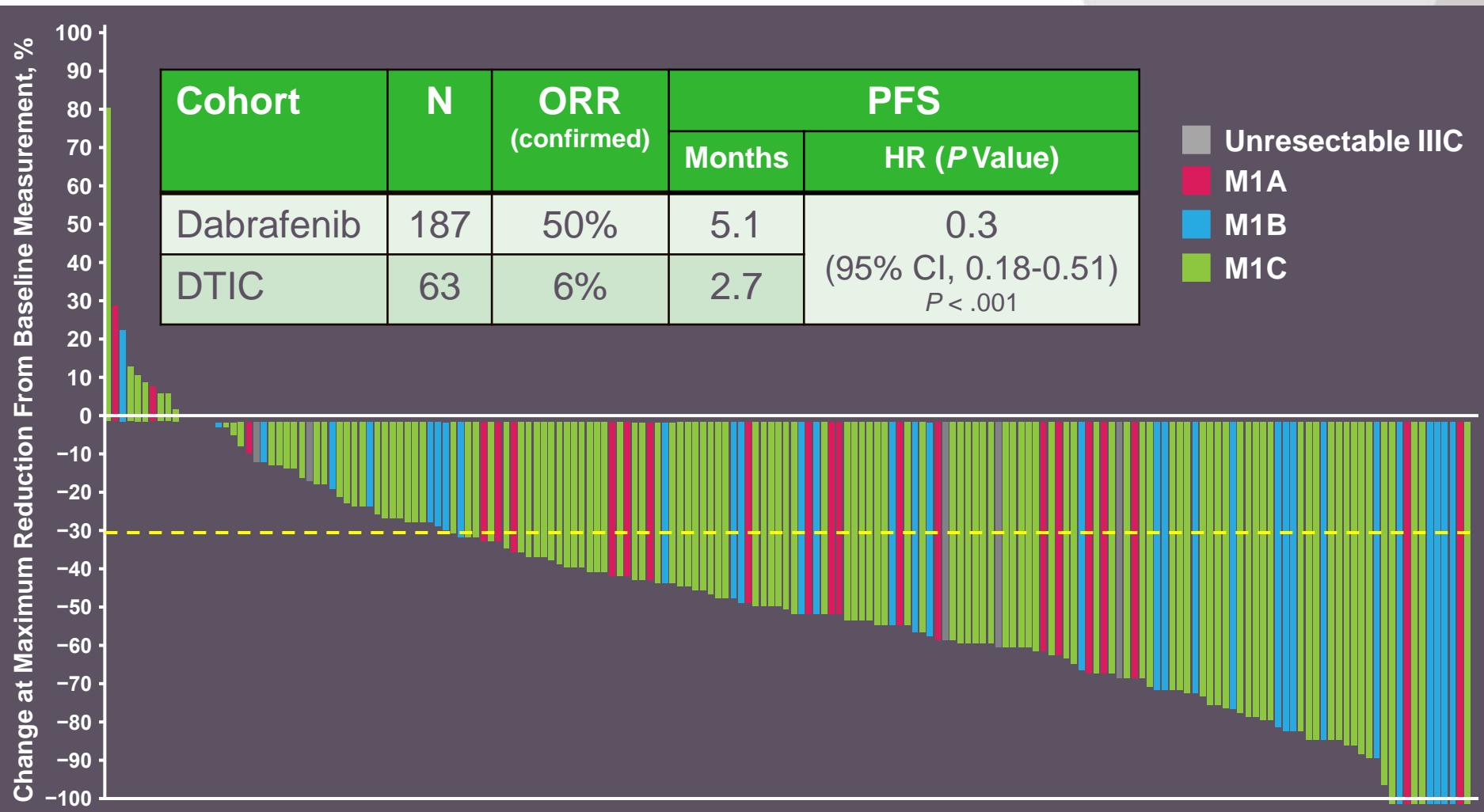
### Selectivity:

- IC<sub>50</sub> of 10-100 nM against 8 of 282 human kinases



# Dabrafenib in BRAF V600E–Mutant Melanoma

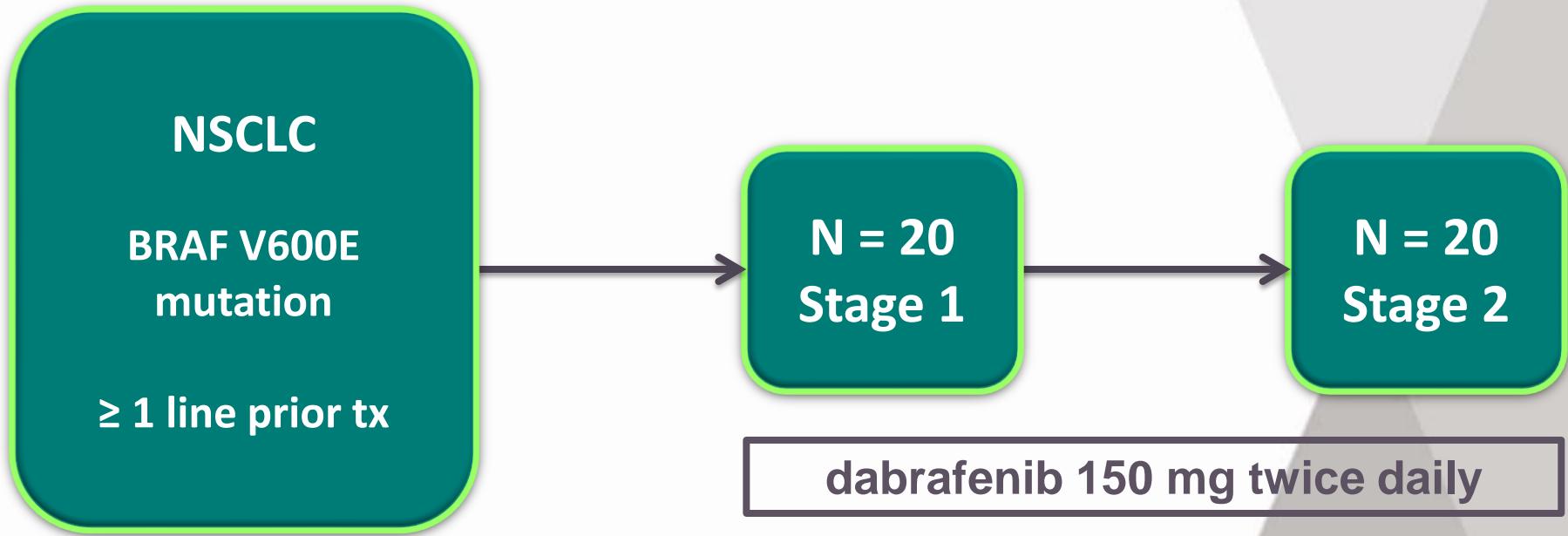
## Phase 3 Study BREAK-3



DTIC, dacarbazine; HR, hazard ratio; ORR, overall response rate; PFS, progression-free survival.

# BRF113928: Study Design

- Single arm, phase 2, open label



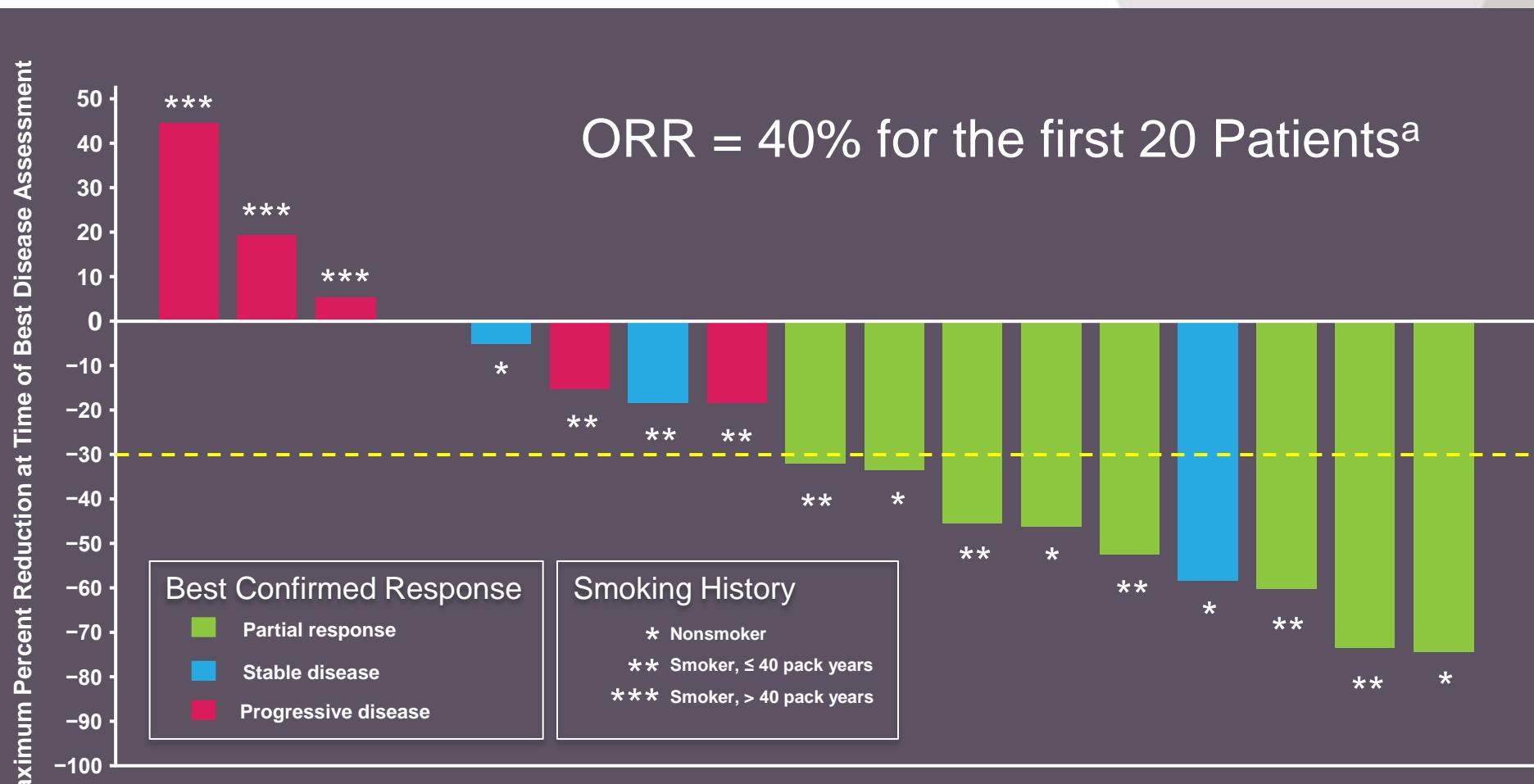
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# Patient Population (N = 25)

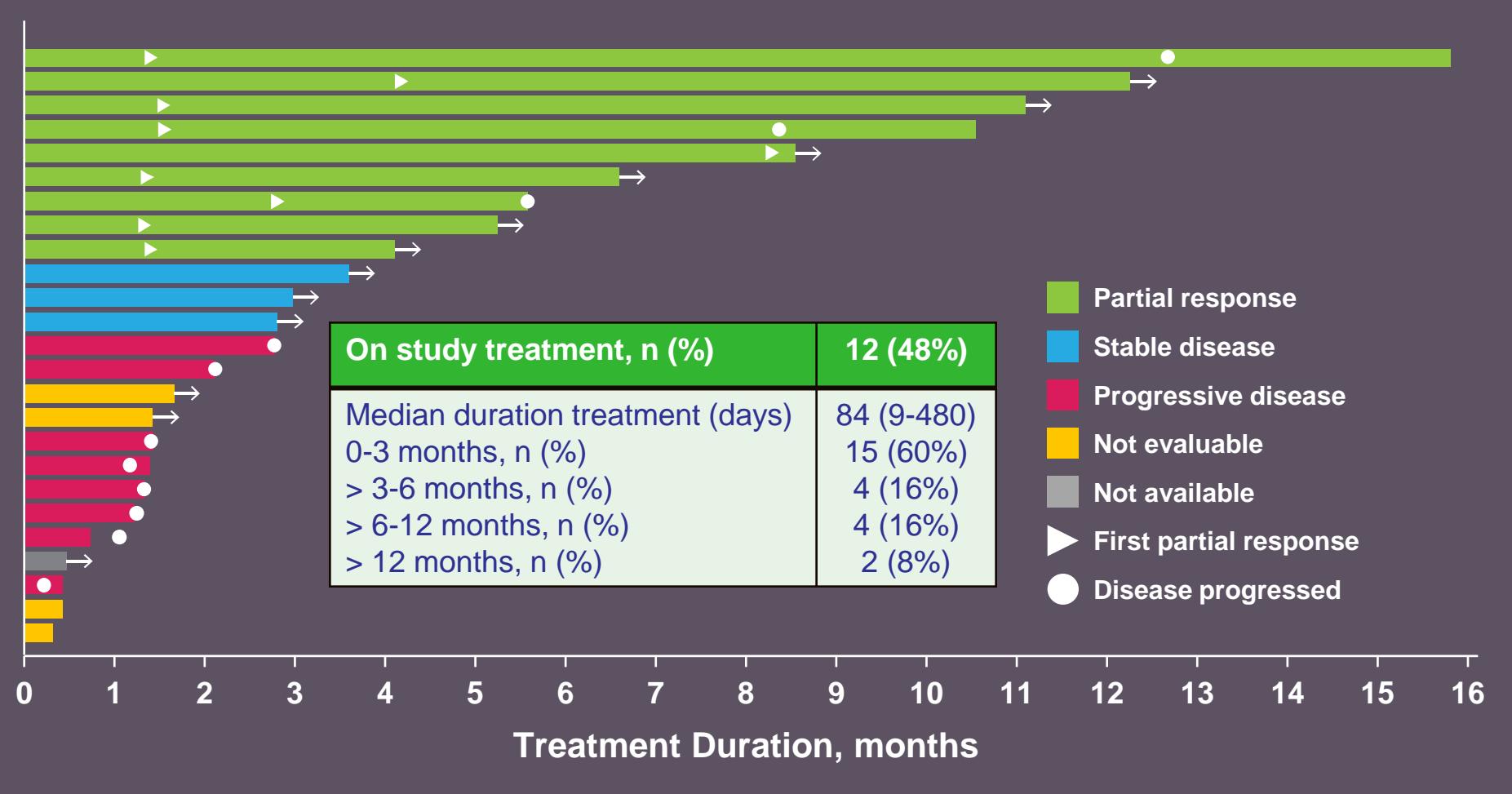
<b>Age, years</b>	Median (min-max)	66 (28-77)
<b>Sex, (%)</b>	Female/male	9 (36%)/16 (64%)
<b>ECOG PS at baseline , (%)</b>	0	5 (20%)
	1	16 (64%)
	2	4 (16%)
<b>Smoking history, (%)</b>	Nonsmoker	8 (32%)
	Smoker, ≤ 40 pack years <sup>a</sup>	12 (48%)
	Smoker, > 40 pack years <sup>a</sup>	5 (20%)
<b>Histology at initial diagnosis, (%)</b>	Adenocarcinoma	25 (100%)
<b>Number of prior systemic regimens for metastatic disease, (%)</b>	1	17 (68%)
	2	4 (16%)
	≥ 3	4 (16%)
<b>Time since initial diagnosis (months)</b>	Median (min-max)	12 (1-71)
<b>Time since initiation of first-line treatment for metastatic disease (months)</b>	Median (min-max)	8.9 (2-50)

# Maximum Reduction of Sum of Lesion Diameters by Best Confirmed



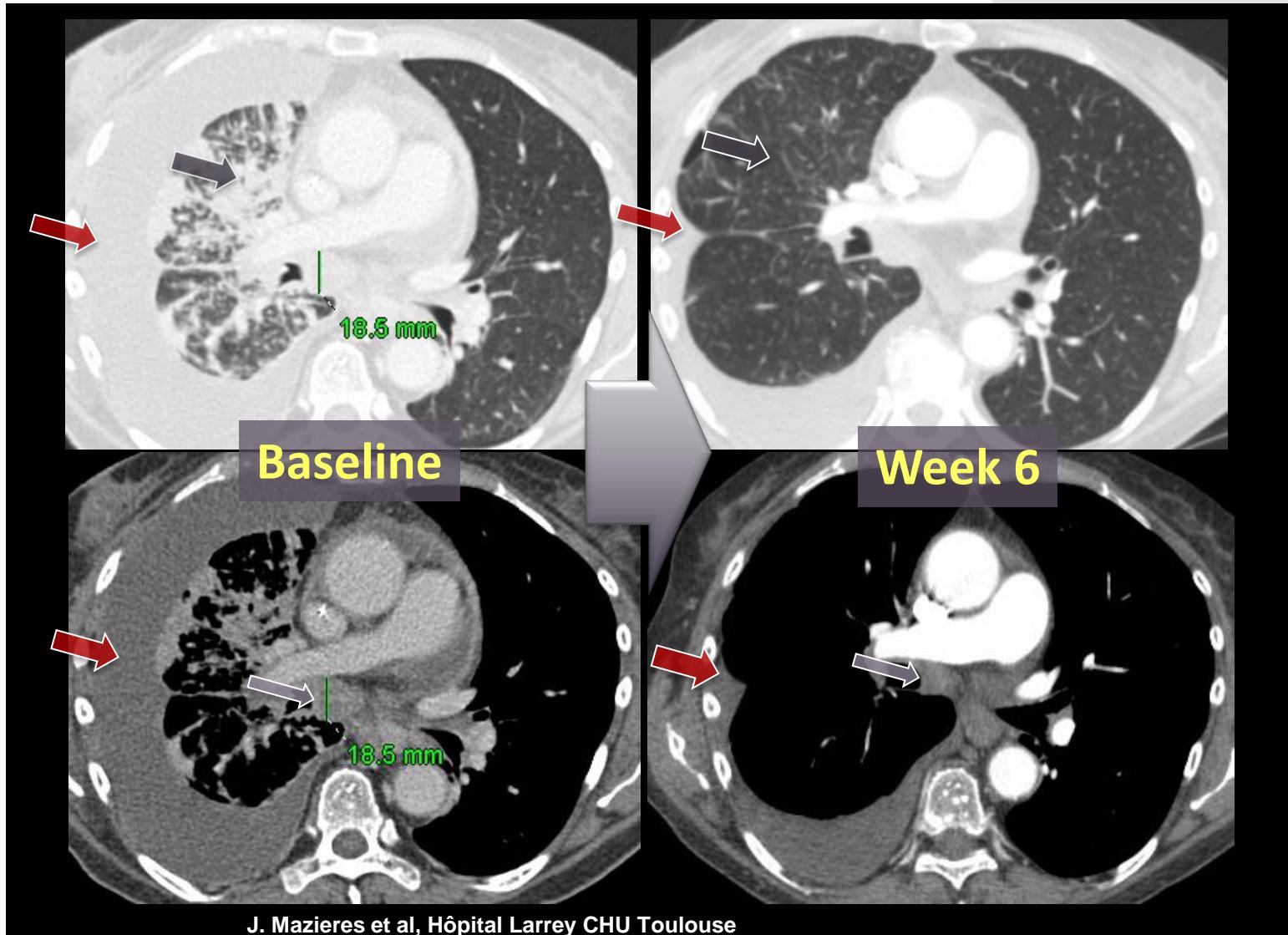
<sup>a</sup> 3 patients are not in the plot: 1 patient had PD on day 6 due to new lesion, target lesions were not assessed postbaseline; and 2 patients discontinued study treatment due to serious adverse events (SAEs) prior to postbaseline disease assessment.

# Duration on Treatment by Response (N = 25)



# Dabrafenib Activity in BRAF V600E NSCLC

Case Study – 69 year old white female, 3rd line, former smoker, < 1 pack year.  
From ECOG PS2 to PS0. Still under treatment.



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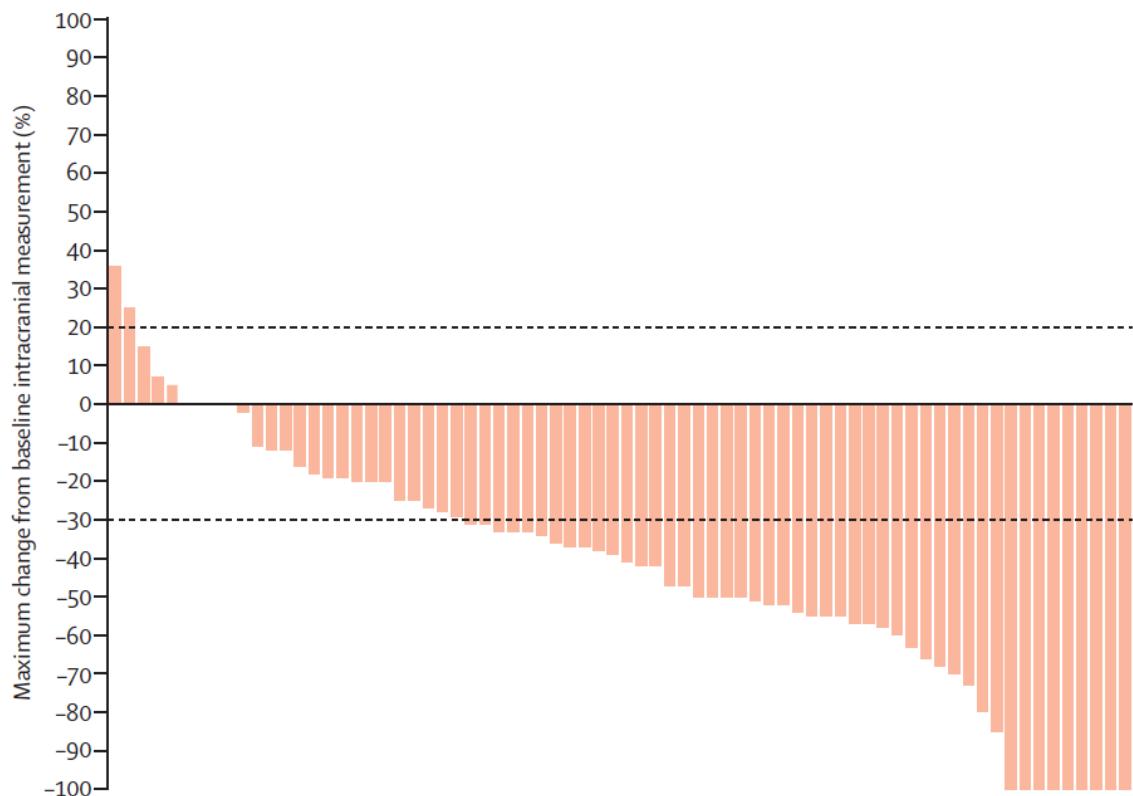
# Most Common Adverse Events ( $\geq 10\%$ )

	Adverse Event	All, n (%)	Grade 3, n (%)
General	Fatigue	10 (40%)	0
	Decreased appetite	8 (32%)	1 (4%)
	Asthenia	6 (24%)	1 (4%)
	Pyrexia	4 (16%)	1 (4%)
	Arthralgia	4 (16%)	0
	Back pain	4 (16%)	1 (4%)
	Headache	4 (16%)	0
Skin	Rash	6 (24%)	0
	Dry skin	5 (20%)	0
	PPES	4 (16%)	0
	Actinic keratosis	3 (12%)	0
	Mucosal inflammation	3 (12%)	0
	Papule	3 (12%)	0
Digestive	Nausea	6 (24%)	1 (4%)
	Diarrhea	5 (20%)	1 (4%)
	Vomiting	5 (20%)	1 (4%)
Hematologic	Anemia	6 (24%)	1 (4%)
	Hypophosphatemia	3 (12%)	2 (8%)

# Serious Adverse Events

Serious Adverse Event	Number of Patients (%)
Any	10 (40%)
Squamous cell carcinoma*	2 (8%)
Back pain	1 (4%)
Blister (hypersensitivity)*	1 (4%)
Chest pain	1 (4%)
Chills*	1 (4%)
Decreased appetite	1 (4%)
Hemorrhage intracranial (fatal)*	1 (4%)
Inflammation*	1 (4%)
Malnutrition	1 (4%)
Nausea*	1 (4%)
Pericardial effusion	1 (4%)
Pyrexia*	1 (4%)
Vomiting*	1 (4%)

# Dabrafenib in Melanoma Val600E or Val600K brain metastatic patients : phase 2 trial



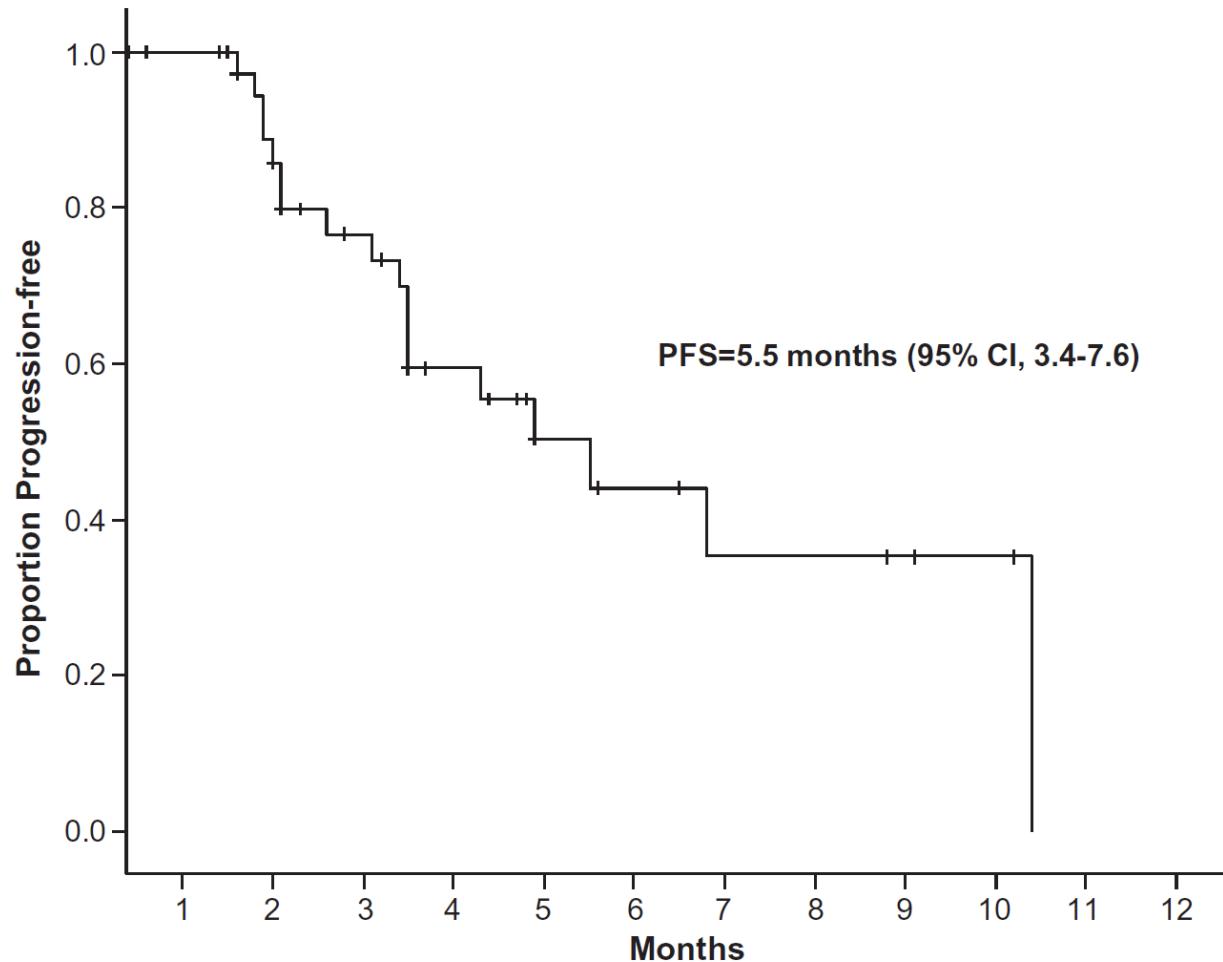
	Cohort A	Cohort B
Val600Glu BRAF mutant	74	65
Overall intracranial response (CR+PR)	29 (39.2%, 28.0-51.2%)	20 (30.8%, 19.9-43.4%)
Intracranial disease control (CR+PR+SD)*	60 (81.1%, 70.3-89.3%)	58 (89.2%, 79.1-95.6%)
Intracranial CR	2 (3%)	0
Intracranial PR	27 (36%)	20 (31%)
Intracranial SD	31 (42%)	38 (58%)
Intracranial PD	9 (12%)	5 (8%)
Not assessable	5 (7%)†	2 (3%)‡
Overall response (CR+PR)§	28 (37.8%, 26.8-49.9%)	20 (30.8%, 19.9-43.5%)
Overall disease control (CR+PR+SD)	59 (79.7%, 68.8-88.2%)	54 (83.1%, 71.7-91.2%)
6-month survival estimate (%)	61% (46.7-73.2%)	61% (46.3-72.7%)

cohort A had not received previous local treatment for brain metastases  
cohort B had progressive brain metastases after previous local treatments.

# BRAF inhibitor activity in V600R metastatic melanoma

## Overall response

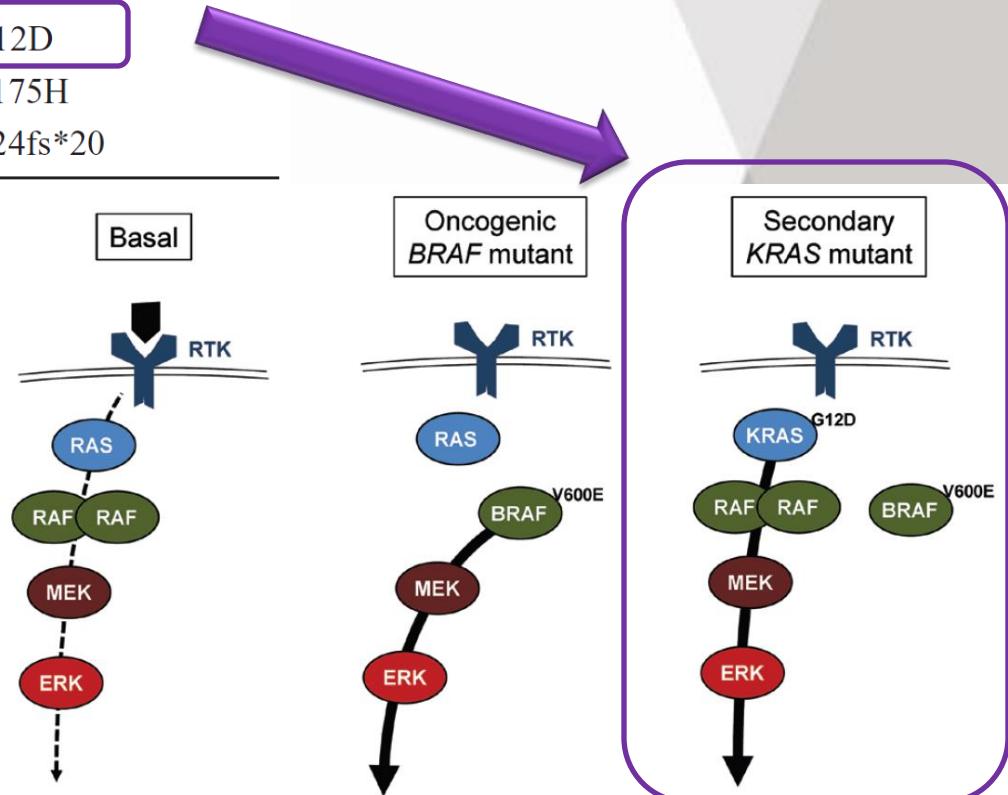
BRAF V600	18/36 (50%)
BRAF V600E	11/20 (55%)
BRAF V600K	2/10 (20%)
BRAF V600R	5/6 (83%)



V600 mutated melanoma treated with dabrafenib and vemurafenib

# Acquired Resistance to dabrafenib

Gene	Mutations	
	Prestudy <sup>a</sup>	Progressive Disease <sup>a</sup>
BRAF	V600E	V600E
CCND3	Amplification	Amplification
ARID1A	S90fs*11	S90fs*11
RB1	S807*	S807*
KRAS	—	G12D
TP53	—	R175H
CDKN2A	—	R24fs*20



# Acquired resistance

- In vitro hypothesis

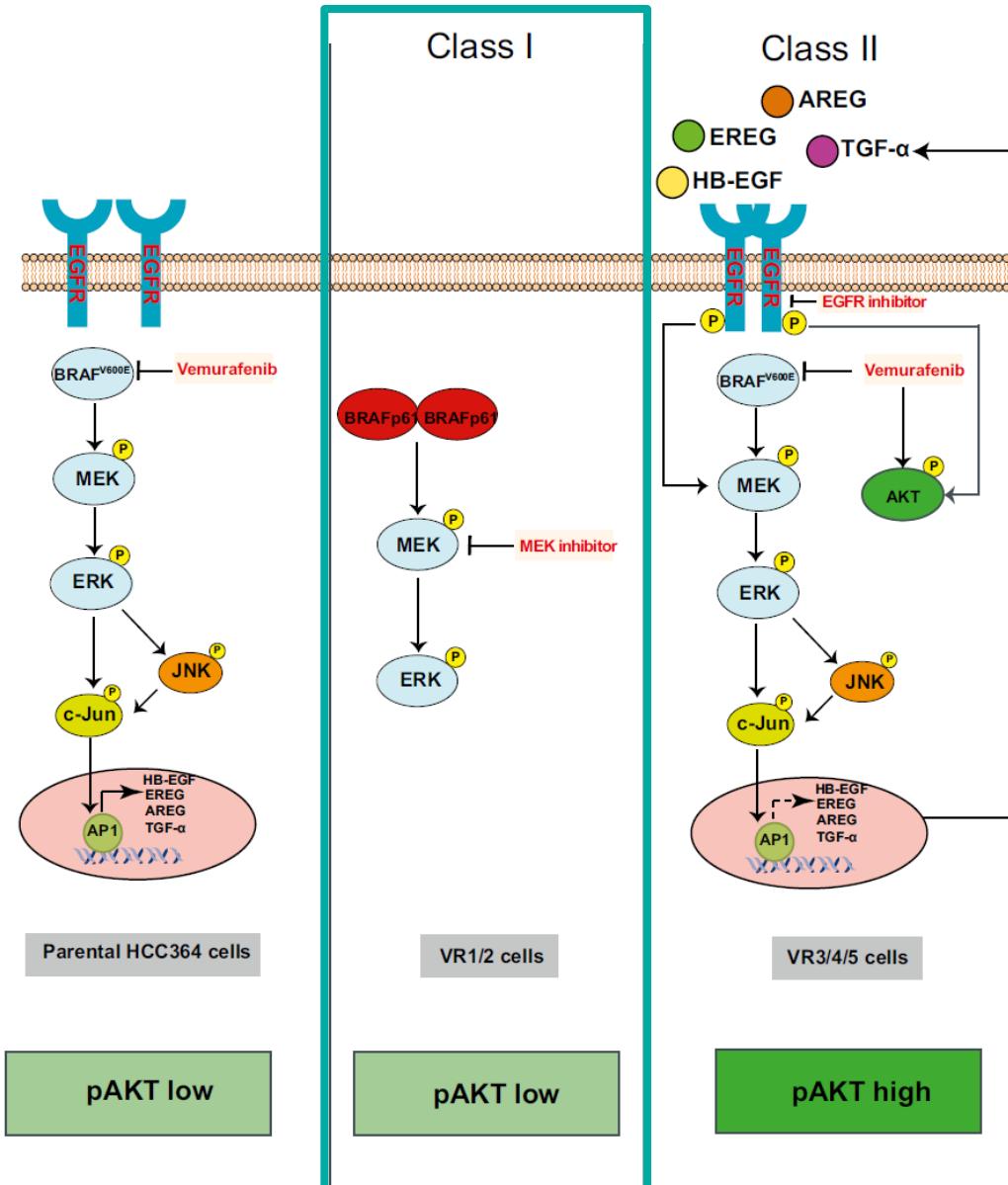
- Class I : aberrant BRAFV600E

- Class II: EGFR loop

- IHC pAKT:  
potential marker

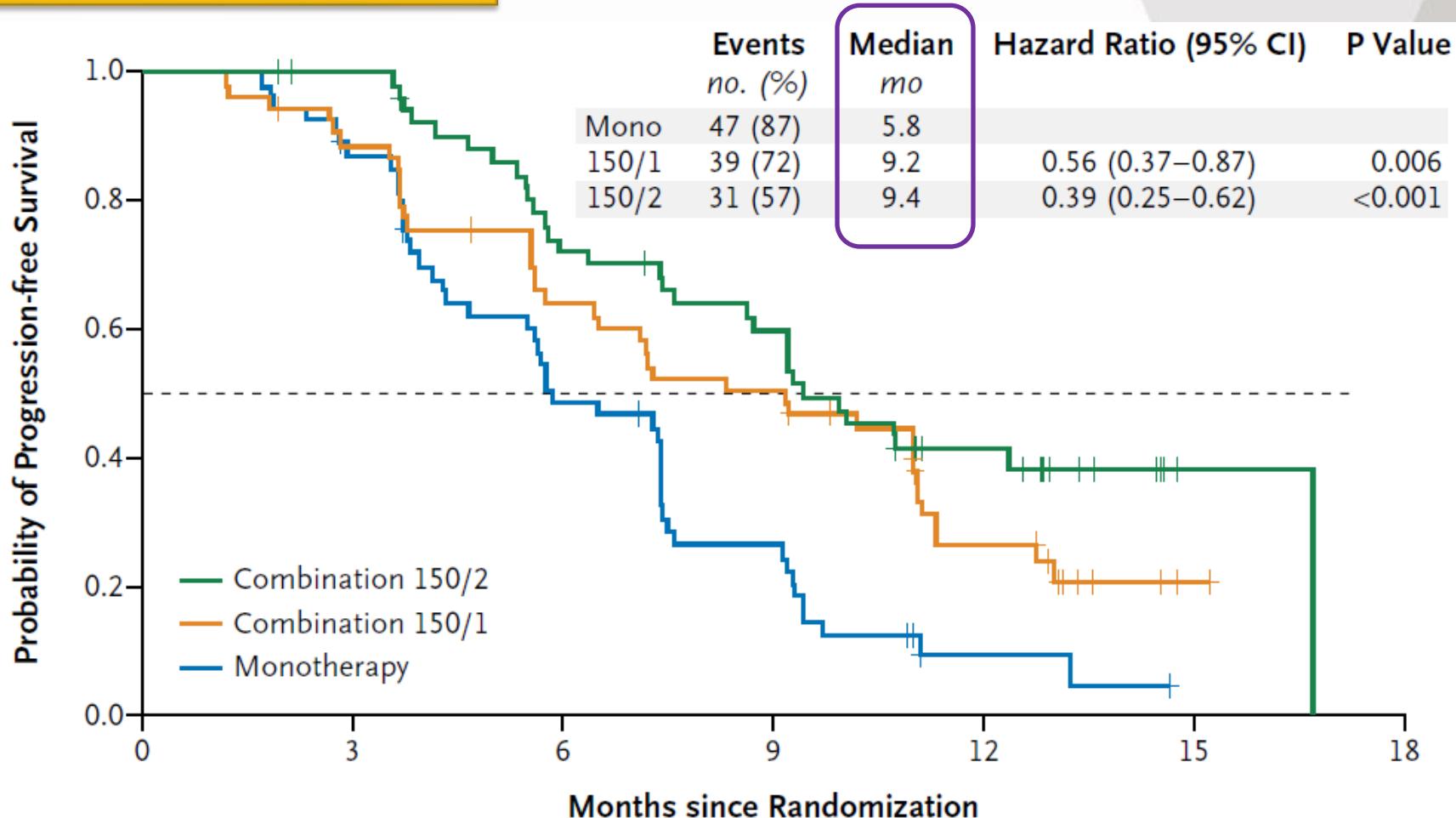
Treatment-naive tumors

Resistant Tumors



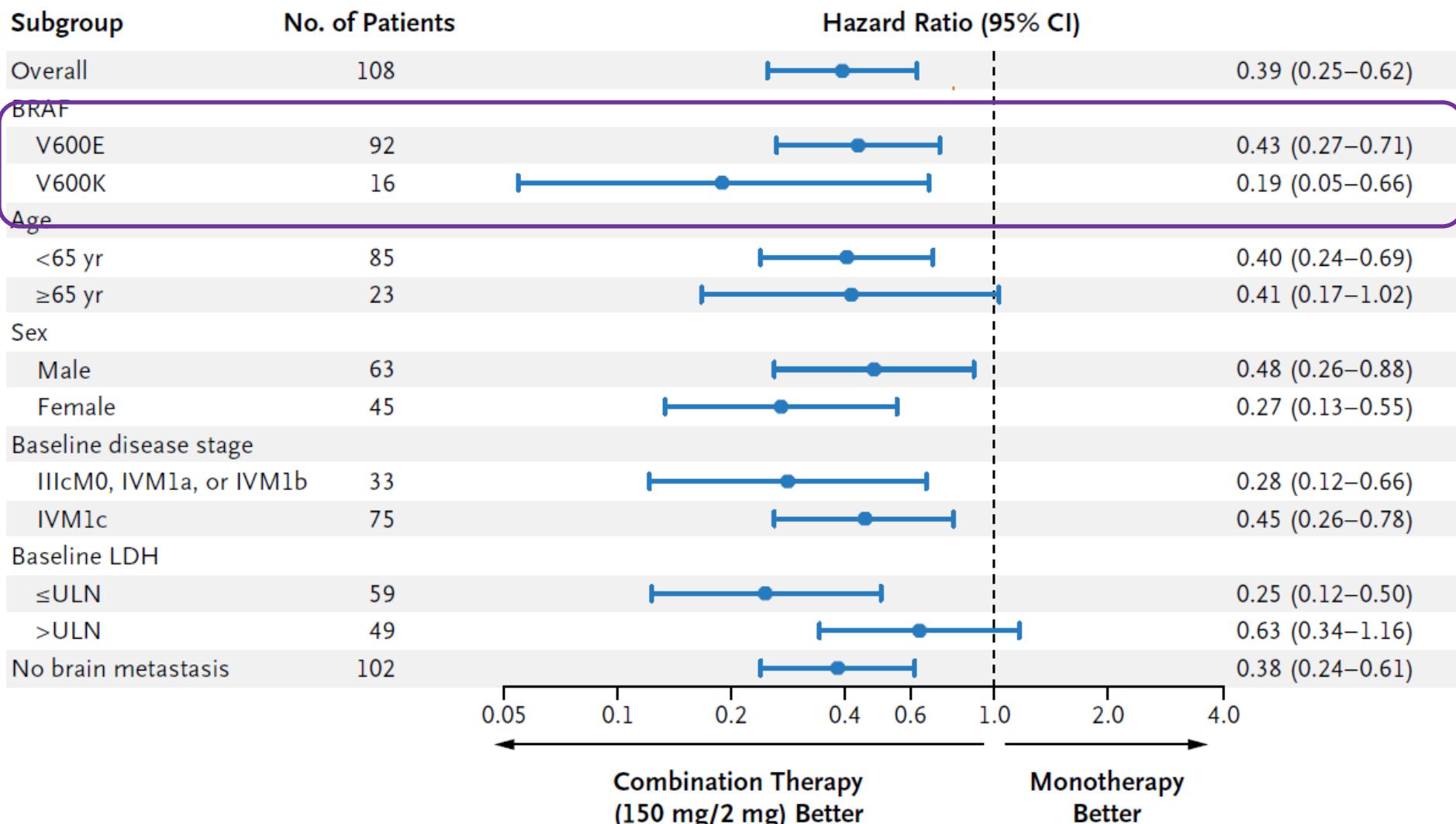
# Combined BRAF and MEK Inhibition in melanoma with BRAF V600 Mutations

## Dabrafenib and Trametinib



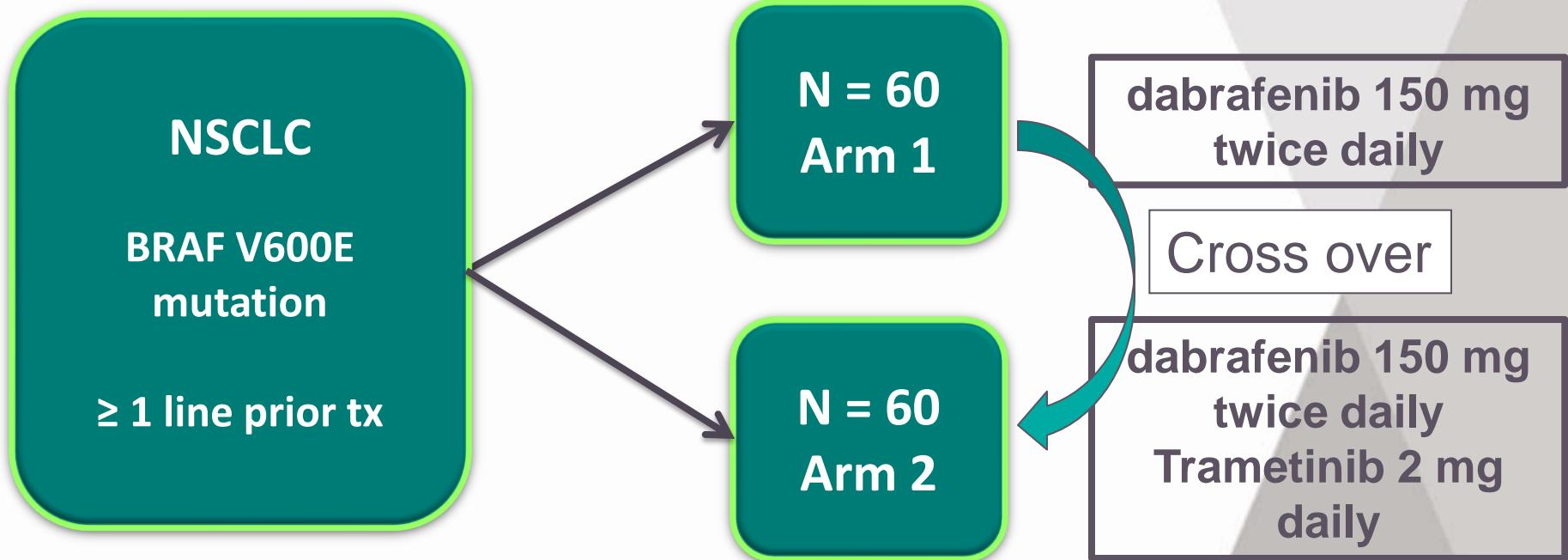
# Progression-free Survival

## Dabrafenib and Trametinib



# BRF113928: New Study Design

- Phase 2, open label



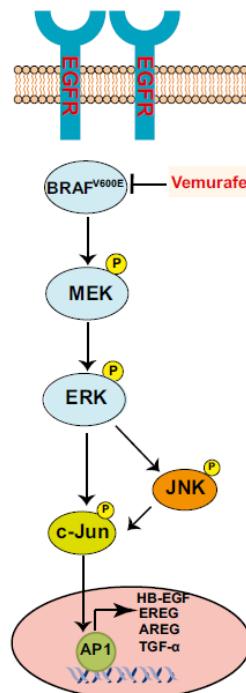
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Treatment-naive tumors



Parental HCC364 cells

pAKT low

Resistant Tumors

Class I

BRAFp61

BRAFp61

MEK

MEK

ERK

ERK

JNK

JNK

VR1/2 cells

pAKT low

pAKT high

Class II

AREG

EREG

HB-EGF

TGF- $\alpha$

EGFR inhibitor

Vemurafenib

MEK inhibitor

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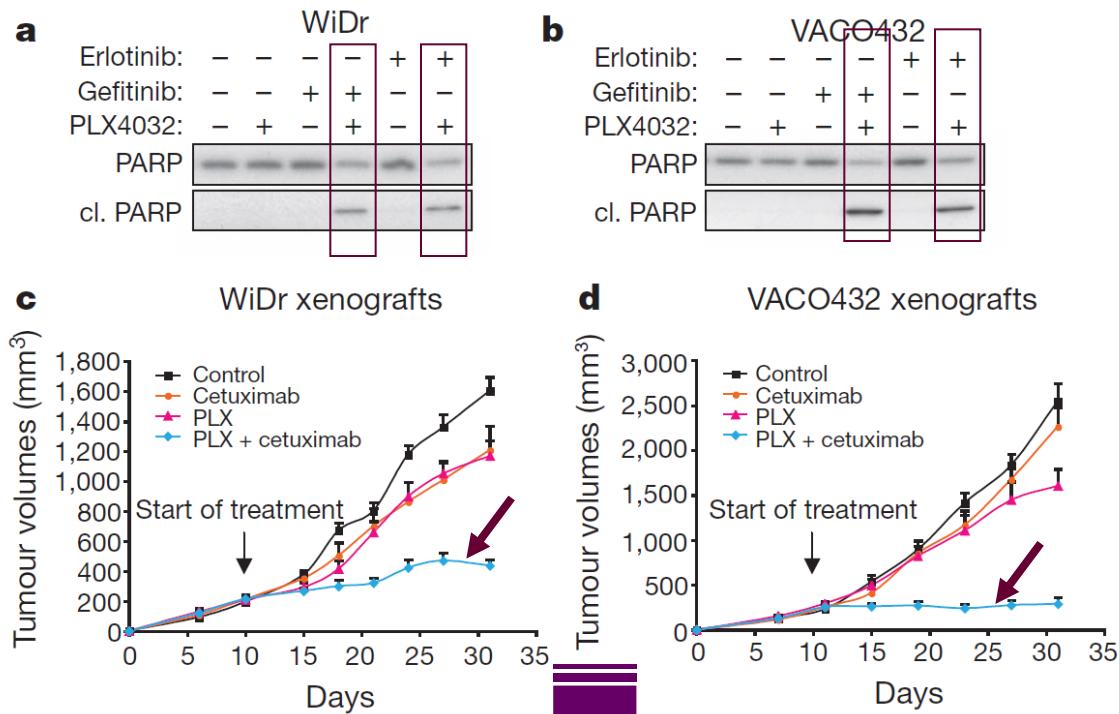
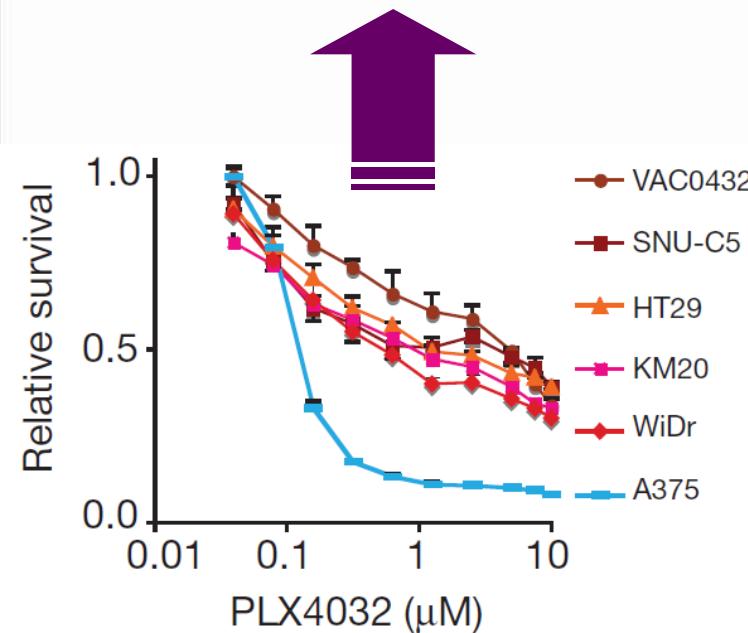
AKT

pAKT high

VR3/4/5 cells

# Unresponsiveness of colon cancer to BRAF(V600E) inhibition through feedback activation of EGFR

CRC but not melanoma cells harbouring the BRAF(V600E) mutation are resistant to PLX4032 treatment

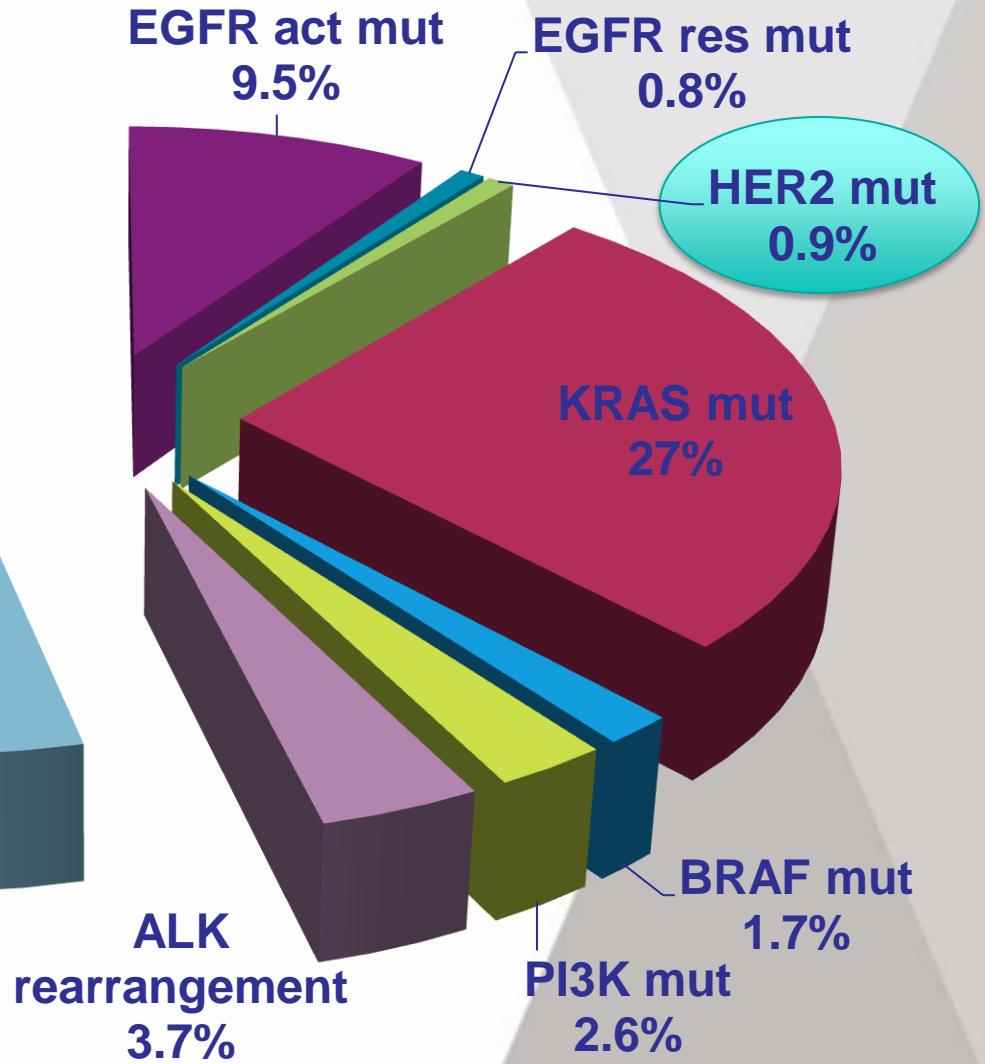
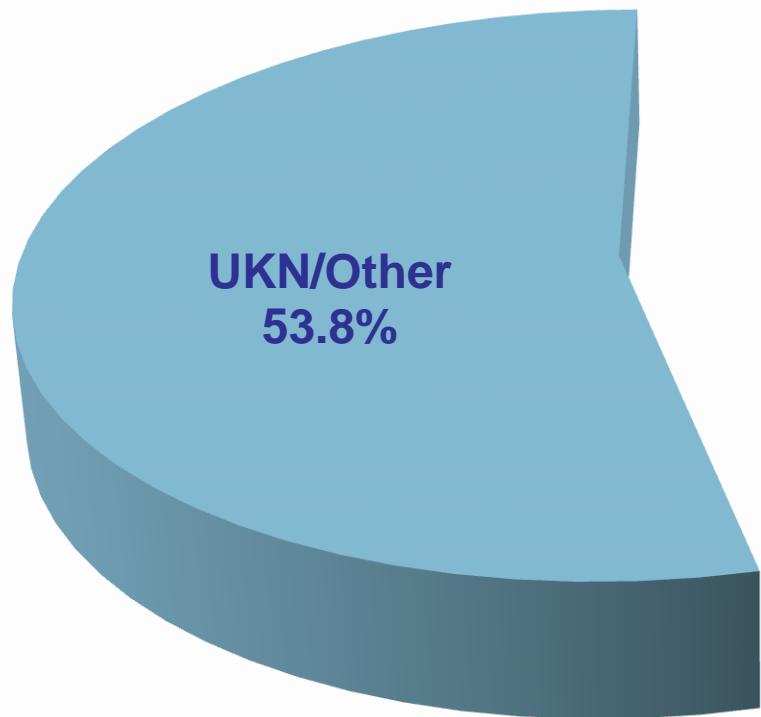


-Feedback activation of EGFR

-Combination of EGFR and BRAF(V600E) inhibitors leads to apoptosis in CRC cells

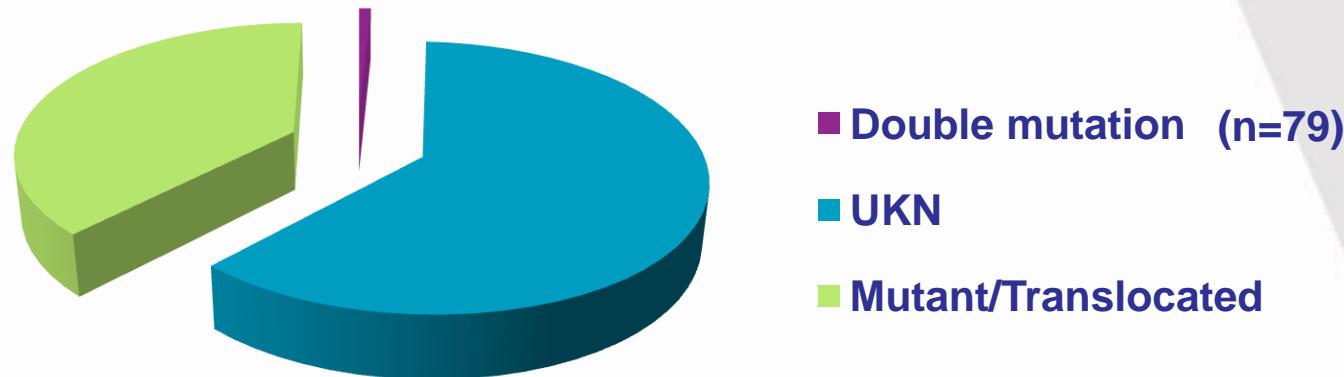
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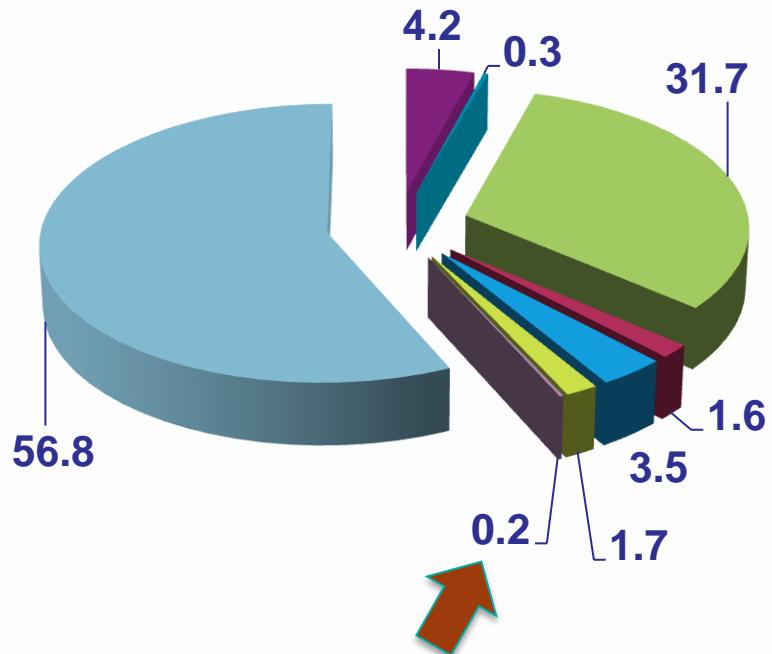
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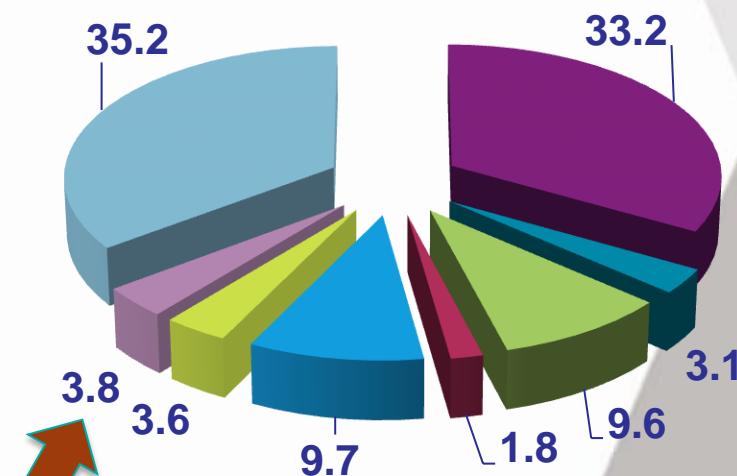
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HER2				1		-

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Smokers



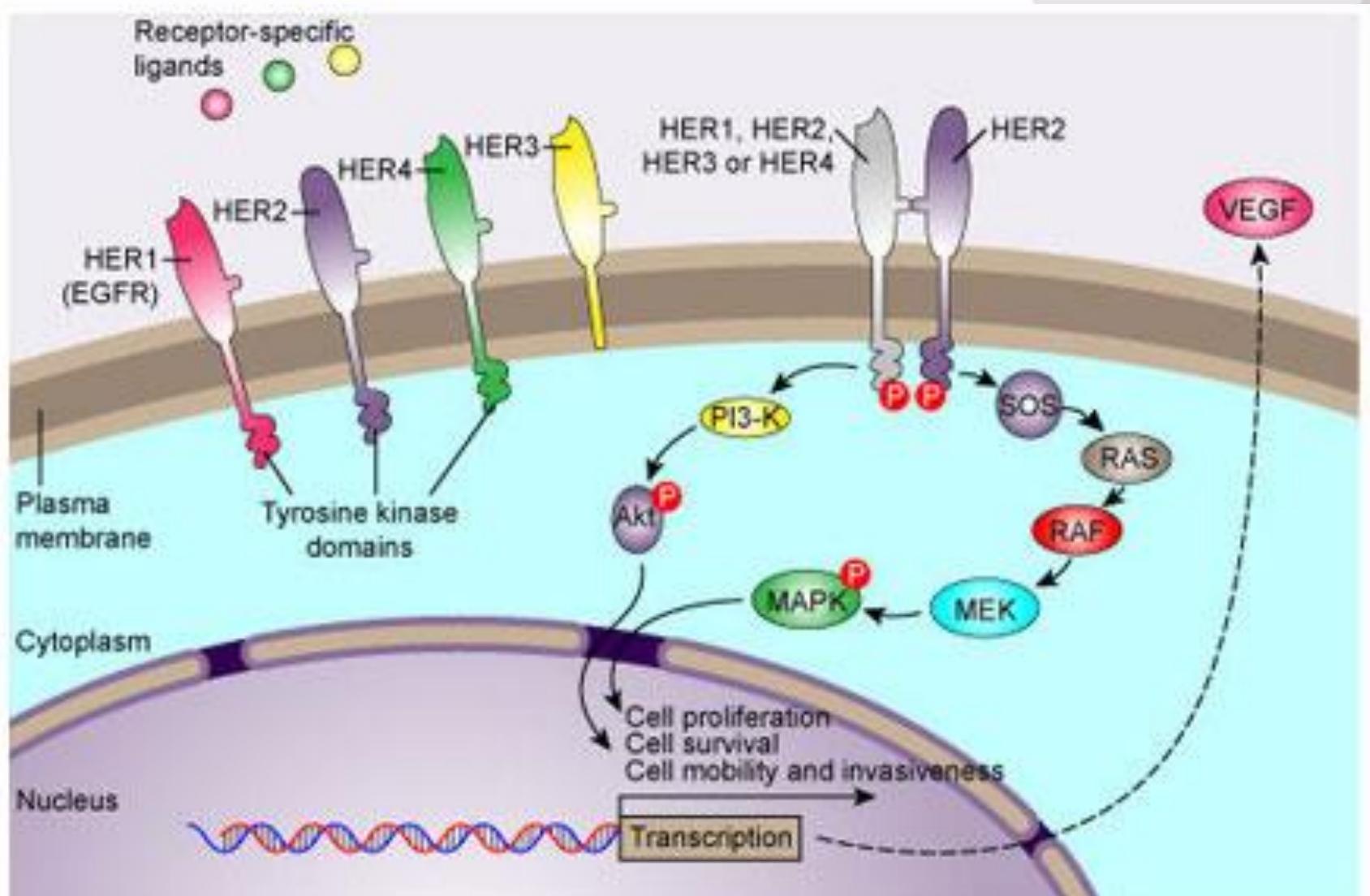
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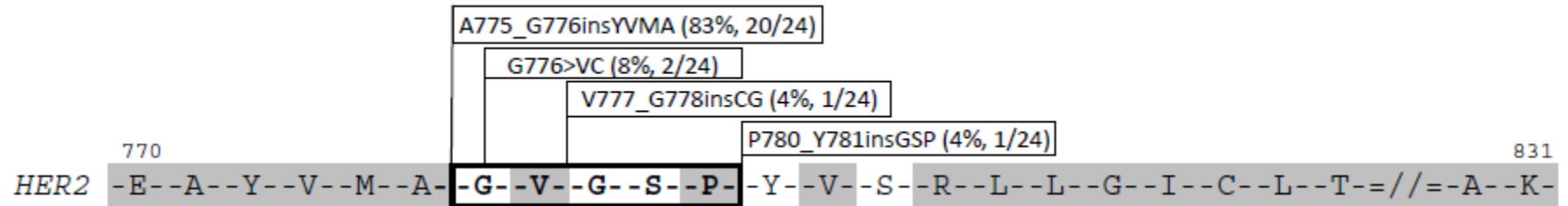
# HER2 : physiopathology



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- May HER2 mutations/insertions

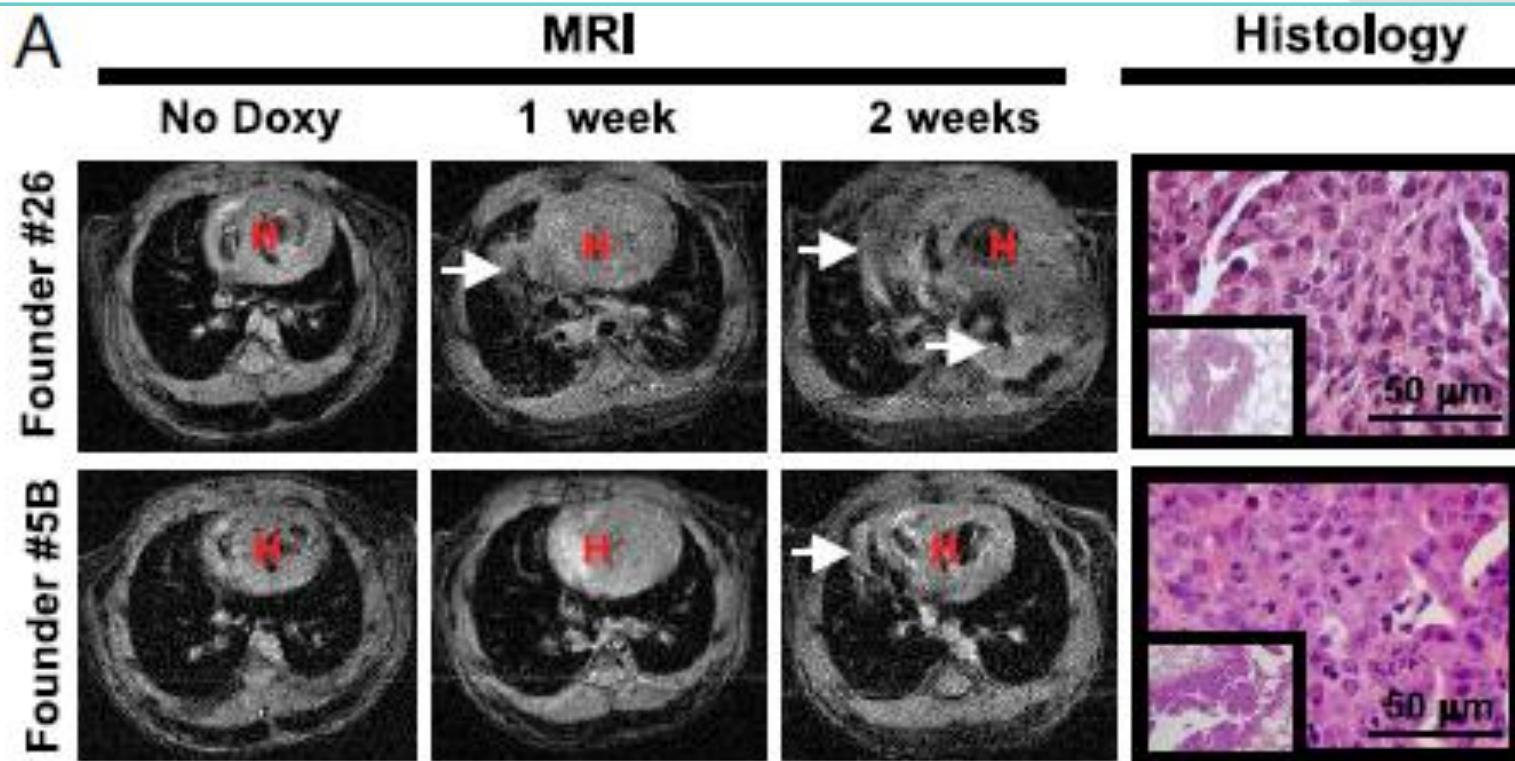
- Exon 20 insertions (3-12 bp).
  - Between codons 775 and 881 : 83% leading to 4 AA(YVMA) insertion
- Exon 20 mutations : L755S et G776C 8%.



Arcila ME, CCR 2012

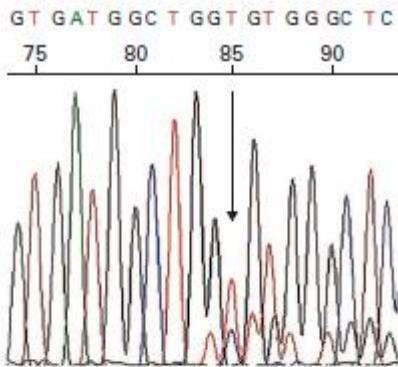
- Exon 17 mutations : G660D, V659E.

# HER2<sup>YVMA</sup> drives rapid development of adenosquamous lung tumors in mice that are sensitive to BIBW2992 and rapamycin combination therapy

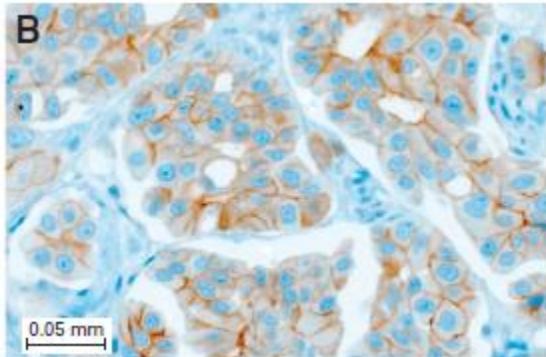


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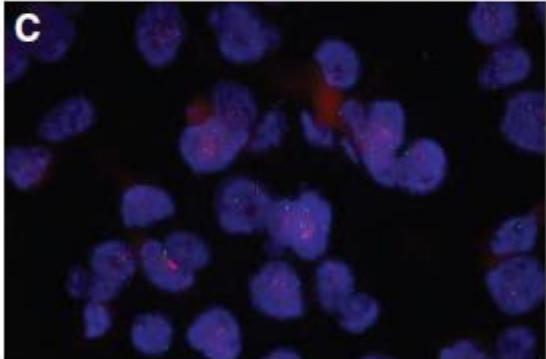
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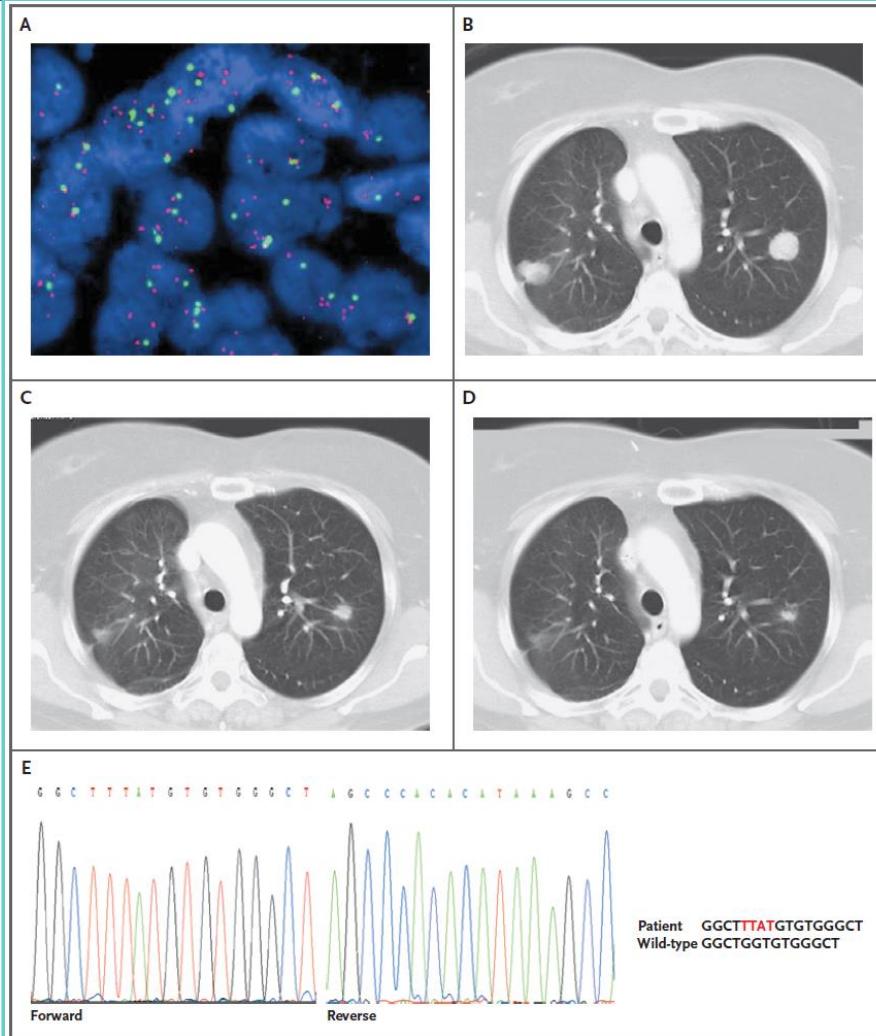


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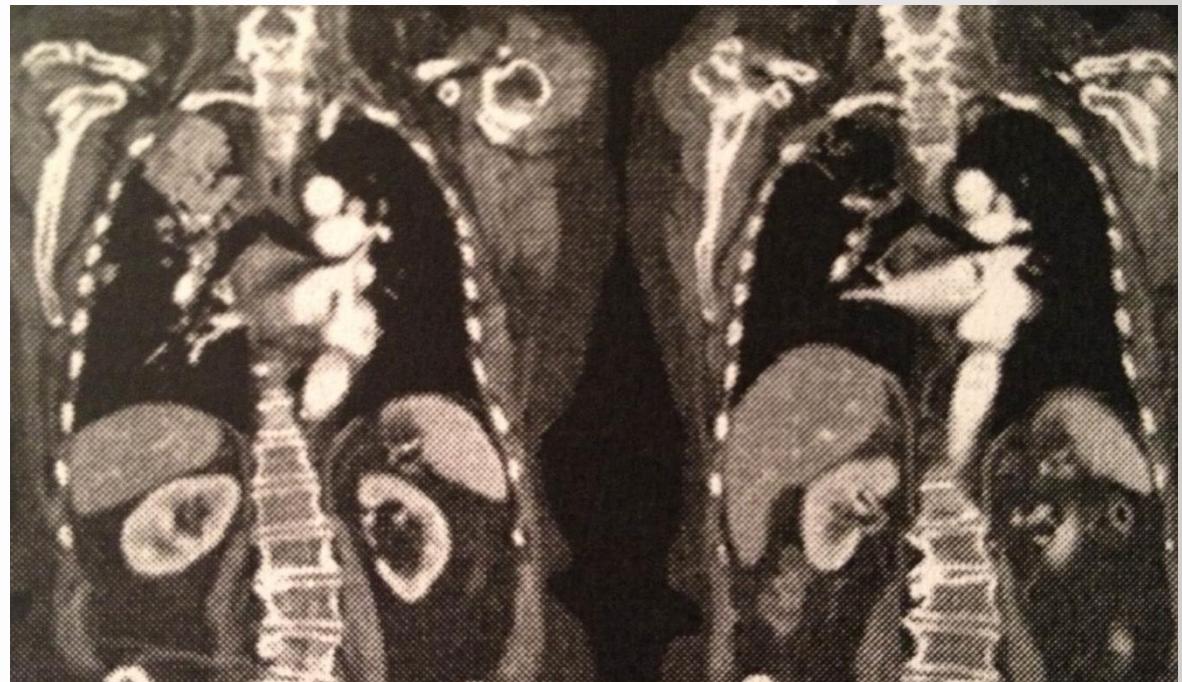
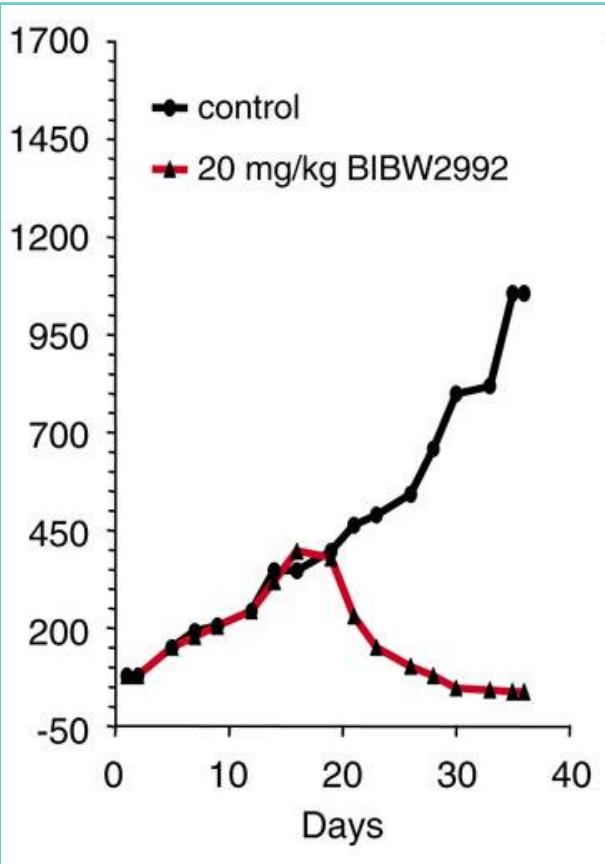
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Age at diagnosis, years	65	
Mean	61.1	
SD	11.6	
Median	60.4	
Gender	No	%
Women	45	69
men	20	31
Tobacco		
never	34	52,3
former	11	16,9
current	12	18,5
unknown	8	12,3
Tumor stage		
I	11	16,9
II	3	4,6
III	15	23,1
IV	33	50,8
unknown	3	4,6

# HER2 Mutation and Response to Trastuzumab Therapy in Non-Small-Cell Lung Cancer



# HER2 mutation and targeted therapy

- Afatinib efficacy in a in vitro model
- 3 ORR reported



# Torisel +Neratinib

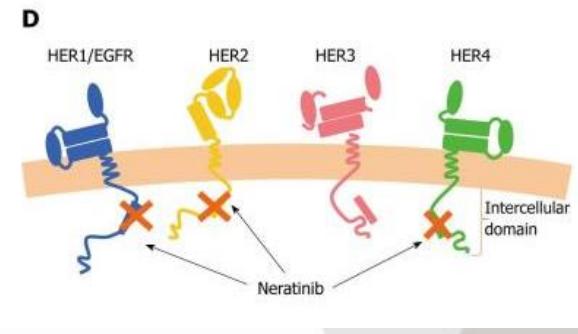
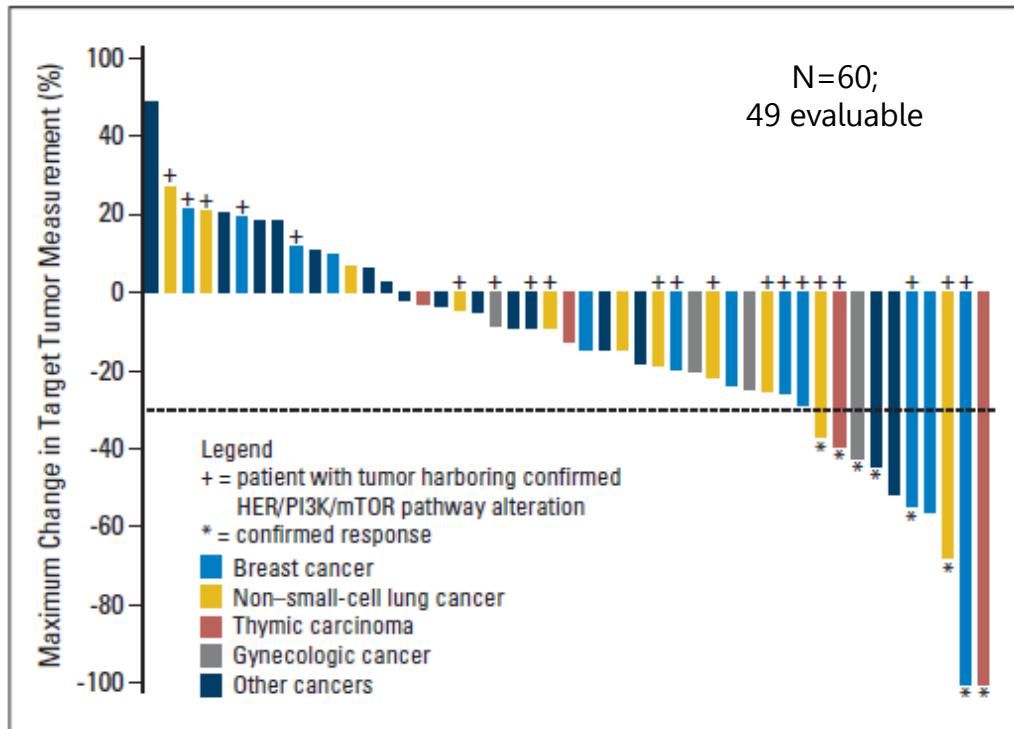
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HER2-mutated NSCLC  
n=6

# HER2 mutation

## Stage IV patients treated with anti-HER2 therapies

Patient	1 <sup>st</sup> line T	Best disease response	2 <sup>nd</sup> line T	Best disease response	3rd line T	Best disease response	4th line T	Best disease response
1	VIN-HER	PR						
2	CAR-PAC-TRAS	SD						
3	TXT-MASA	PD						
4	VIN-TRAS	PR						
5	CAR-PAC-TRAS	PR						
6	VIN-TRAS	PR						
7	VIN-TRAS	SD						
8	LAP	PD						
9	NVB-HER	PR						
10	LAP	PD	TRAS-VIN	PR	AFA	SD	CAR-TRAS	SD
11	VIN-TRAS	PD						
12	DOC-TRAS	PR						
13	VIN-TRAS	PR	AFA	PR				
14	VIN-TRAS	PR	AFA	SD				
15	VIN-TRAS	SD	PAC-TRAS	SD				
16	TRAS	PR						

SD: Stable Disease, PR: Partial Response, PD: Progressive disease, NE: non evaluated

Conventional treatment: CAR: Carboplatin, PAC: Paclitaxel, VIN: Vinorelbine, DOC: Docetaxel.

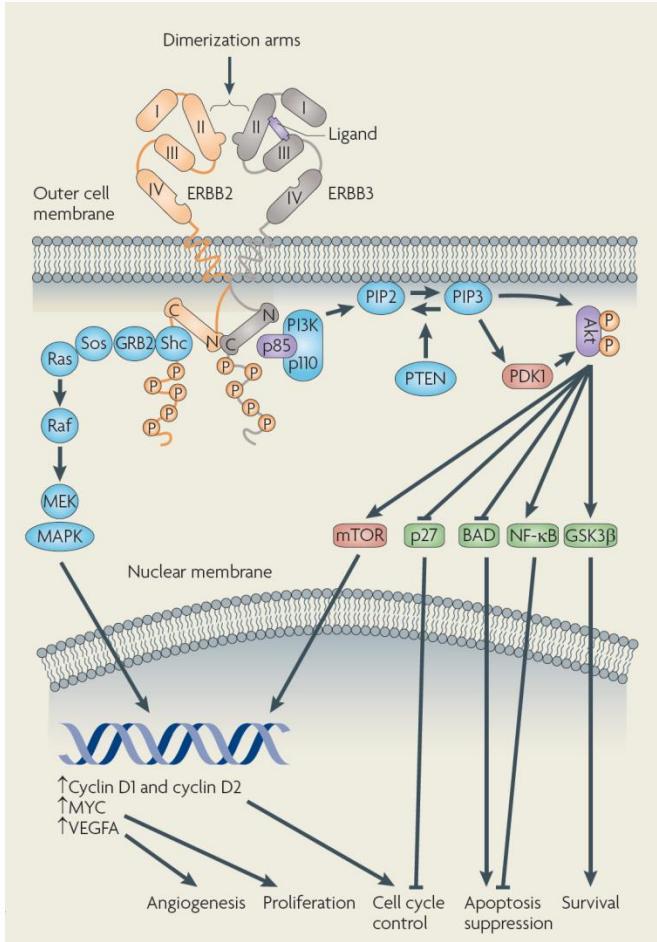
HER2 specific treatments: TRAS: Trastuzumab, LAP: Lapatinib, AFA: Afatinib, MASA: masatinib

Disease control rate :

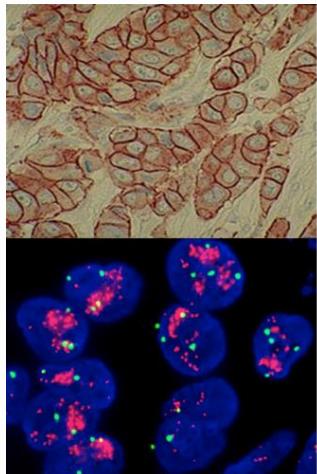
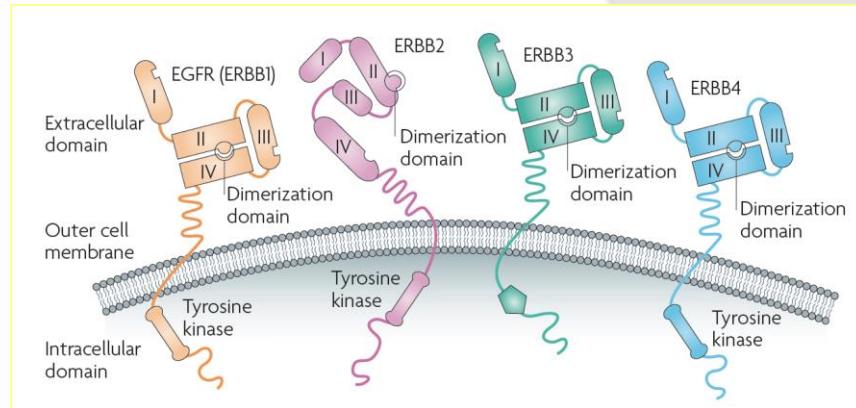
96% for trastuzumab (n = 15), 100 % for afatinib (n = 4) .

# HER2+ Breast Cancer

Overexpression/amplification 15-20% breast cancers



Baselga and Swain, *Nat Rev Cancer* 2009; 9:463



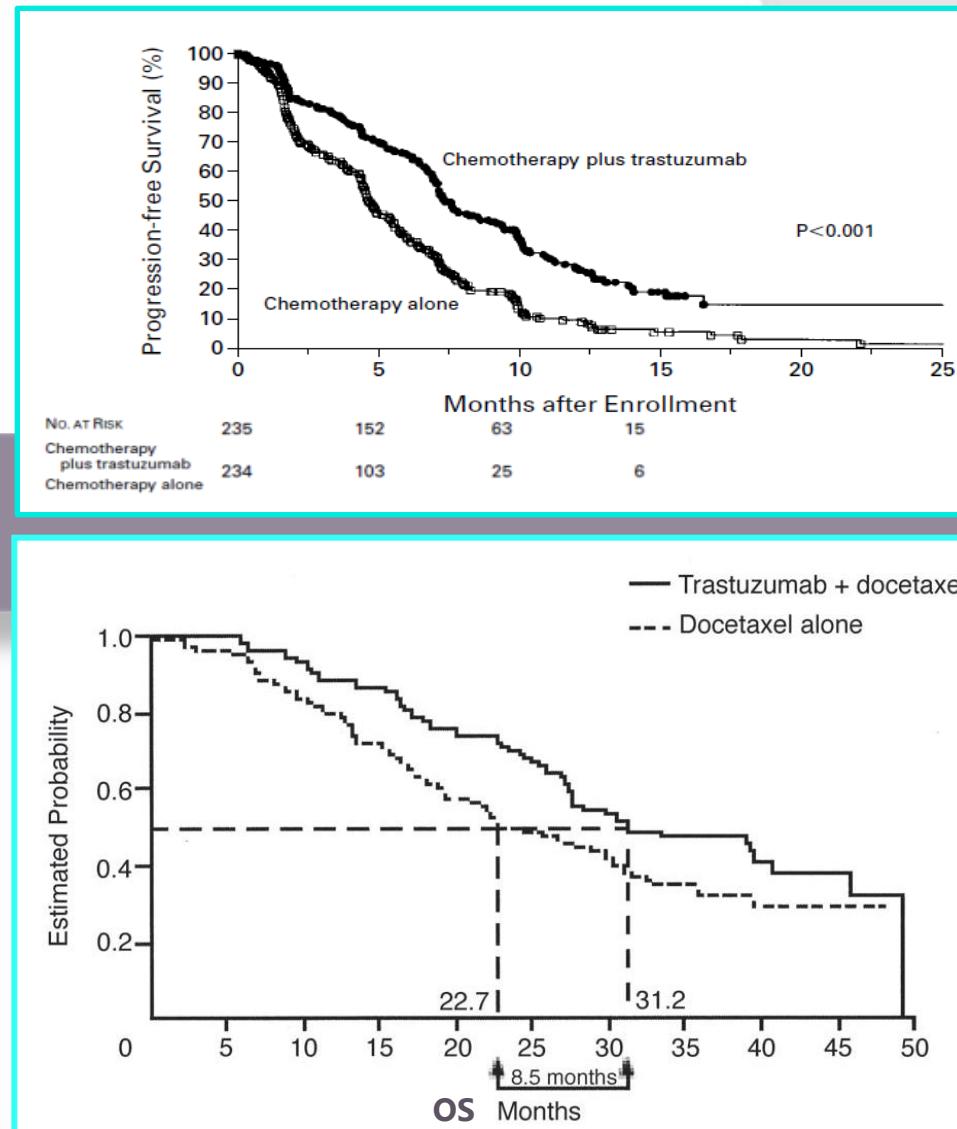
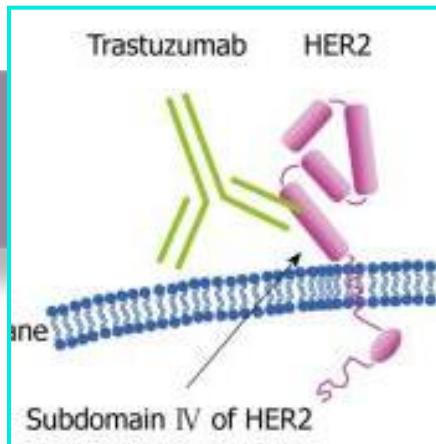
Shortened Median Survival*	
HER2 positive	3 years
HER2 normal	6-7 years

\* Combined metastatic and adjuvant patients

# Milestones in HER2+ breast cancer

1998

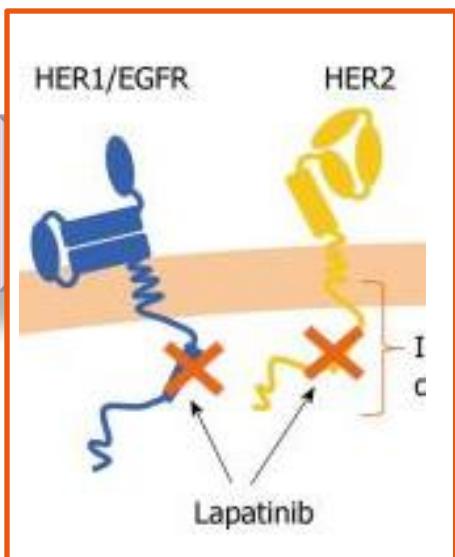
Trastuzumab



# Milestones in HER2+ breast cancer

2007

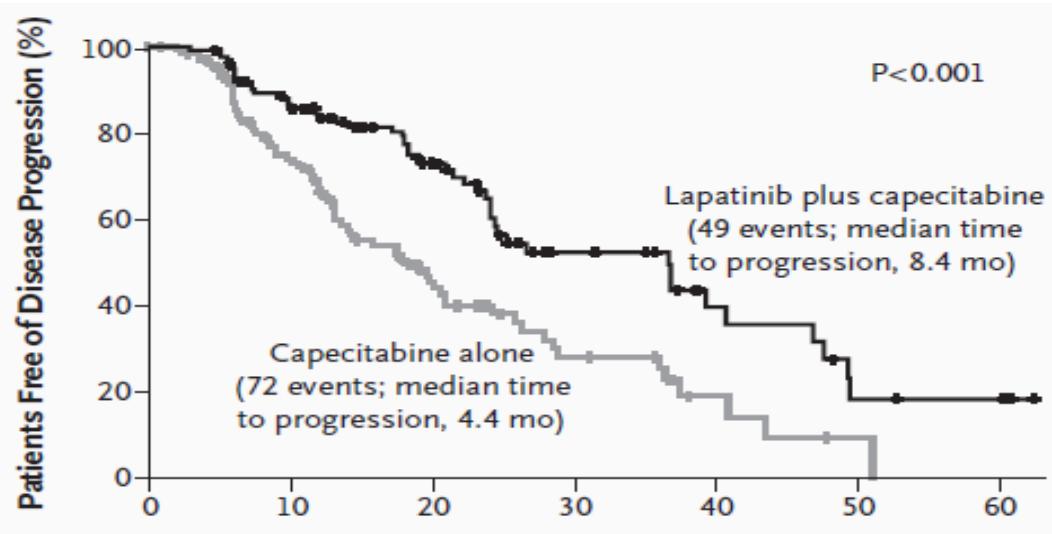
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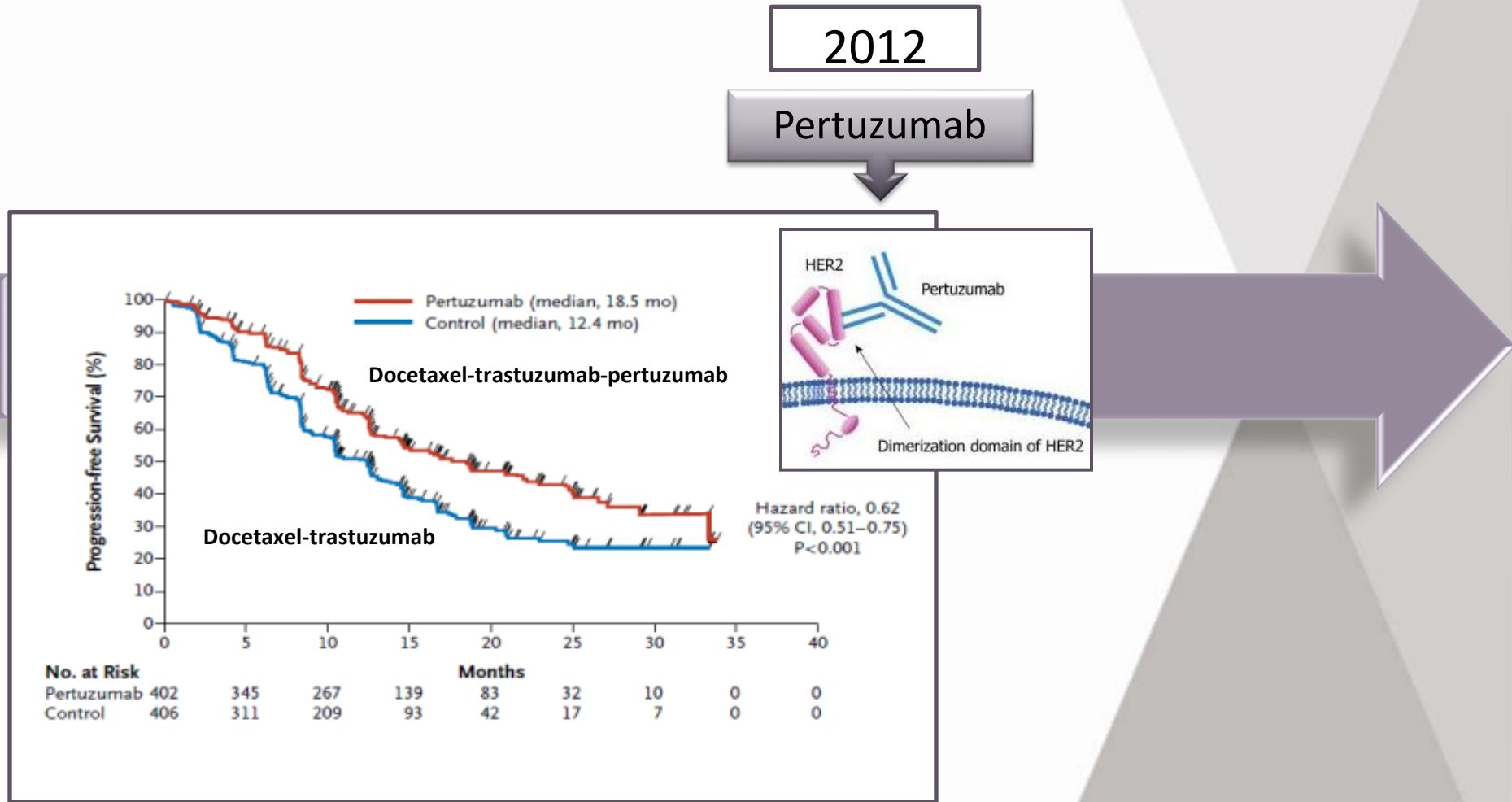
TKI

No. at Risk  
Lapatinib plus capecitabine  
Capecitabine alone

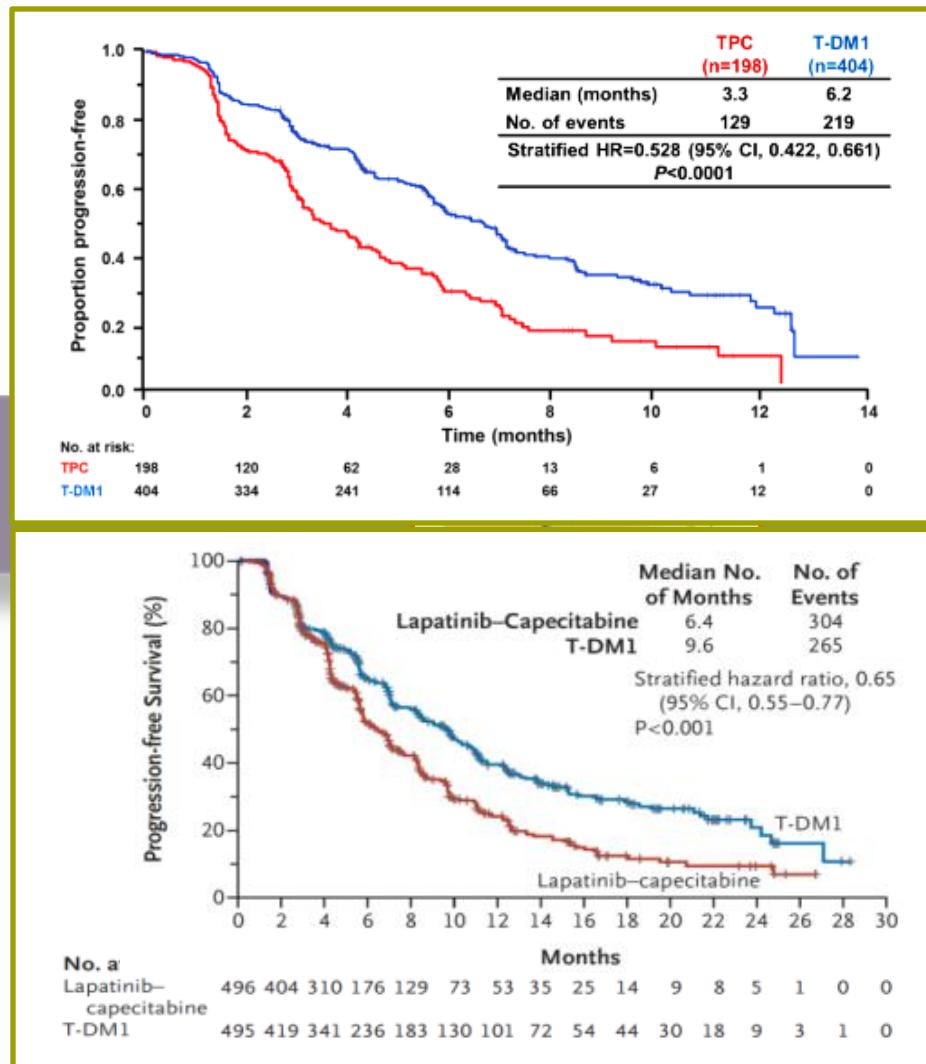
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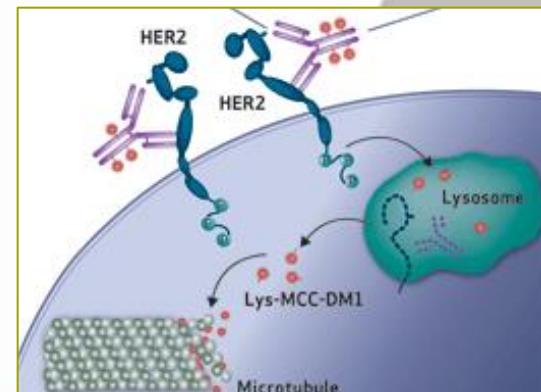
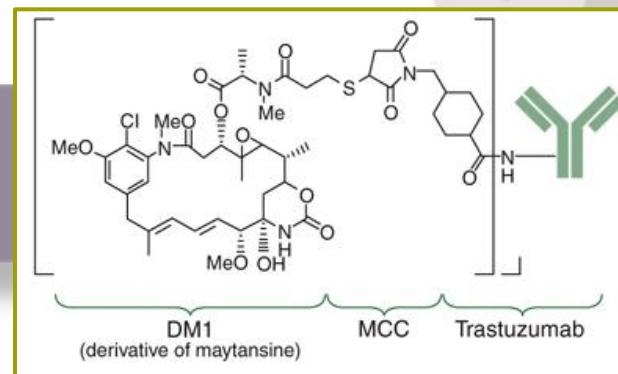


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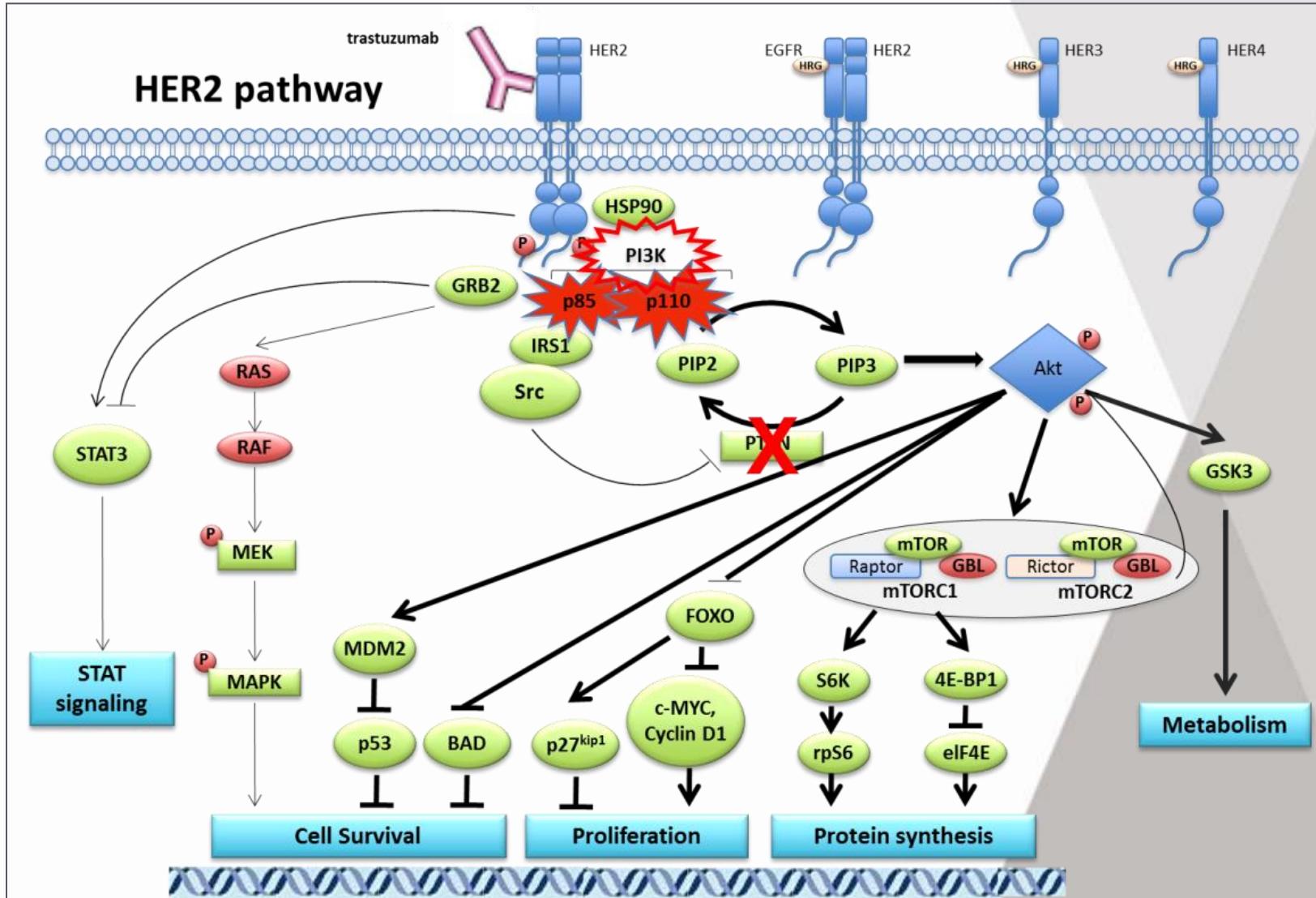


2013

TDM1



# Trastuzumab resistance



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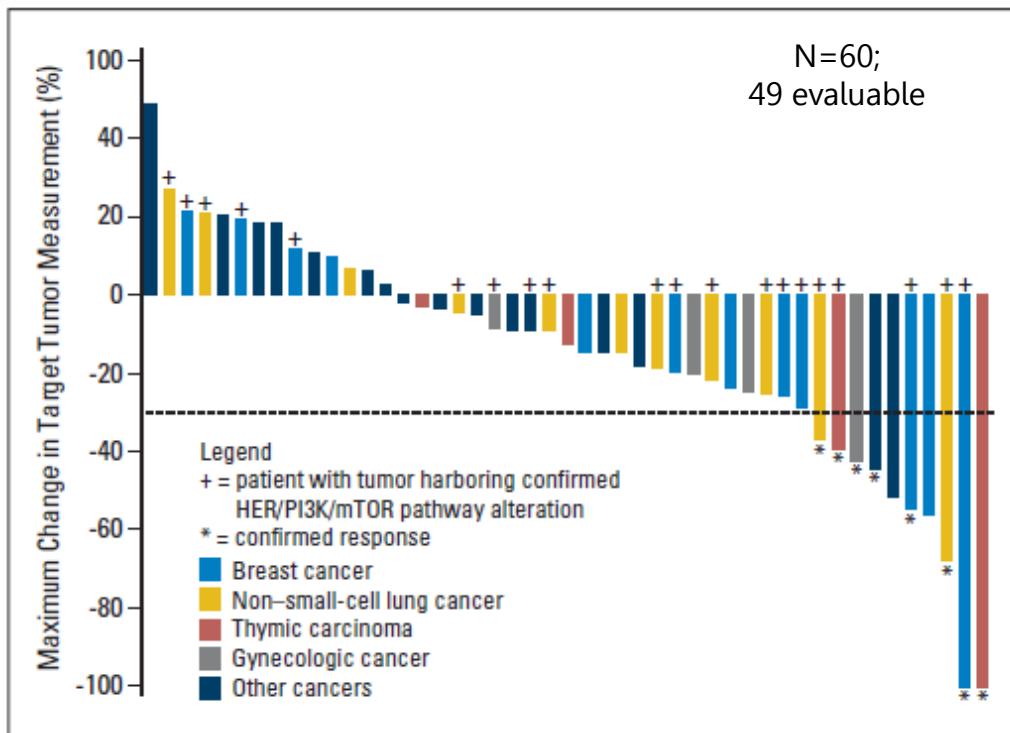
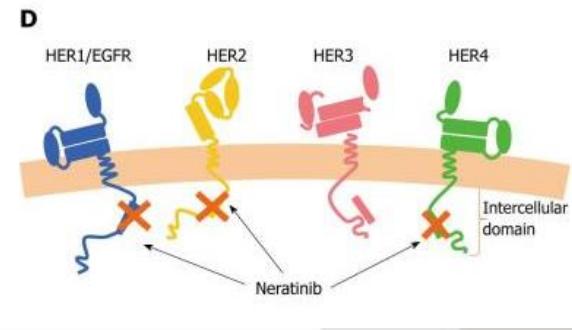
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# Trastuzumab+paclitaxel+everolimus

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## Phase I Study of Everolimus Plus Weekly Paclitaxel and Trastuzumab in Patients With Metastatic Breast Cancer Pretreated With Trastuzumab

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Study/Patient Population	Treatments	N	Outcome
<b>NCT00426556</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• HER-2+ mBC</li><li>• Disease progression on/after trastuzumab</li><li>• Prior taxane: ~97%</li></ul>	Everolimus, trastuzumab, paclitaxel	33	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• ORR: 44%</li><li>• 82% with ≥SD</li></ul>

André et al, J Clin Oncol 2010;28(34):5110-

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Breast Cancer Res Treat (2013) 141:437–446  
DOI 10.1007/s10549-013-2689-5

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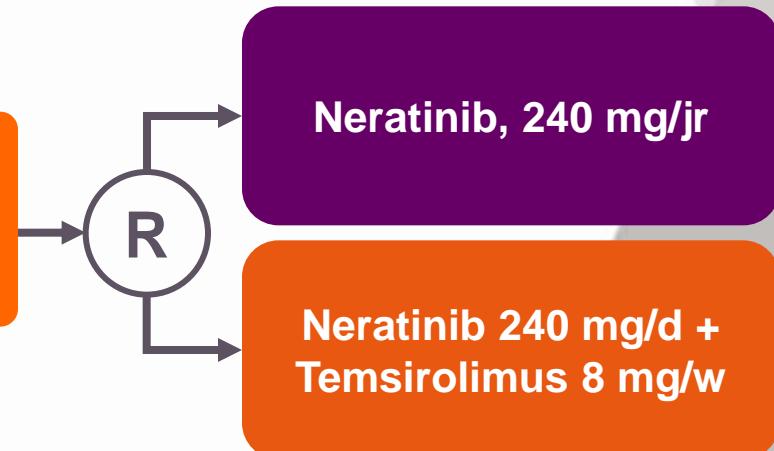
# HER2 mutated NSCLC

- **Neratinib**

- HER1/HER2 TKI
- Ongoing phase II study (France, US)

## PUMA-NER4201

- Stage IV
- PS 0–2
- Pretreated (no anti-HER2-TKI)



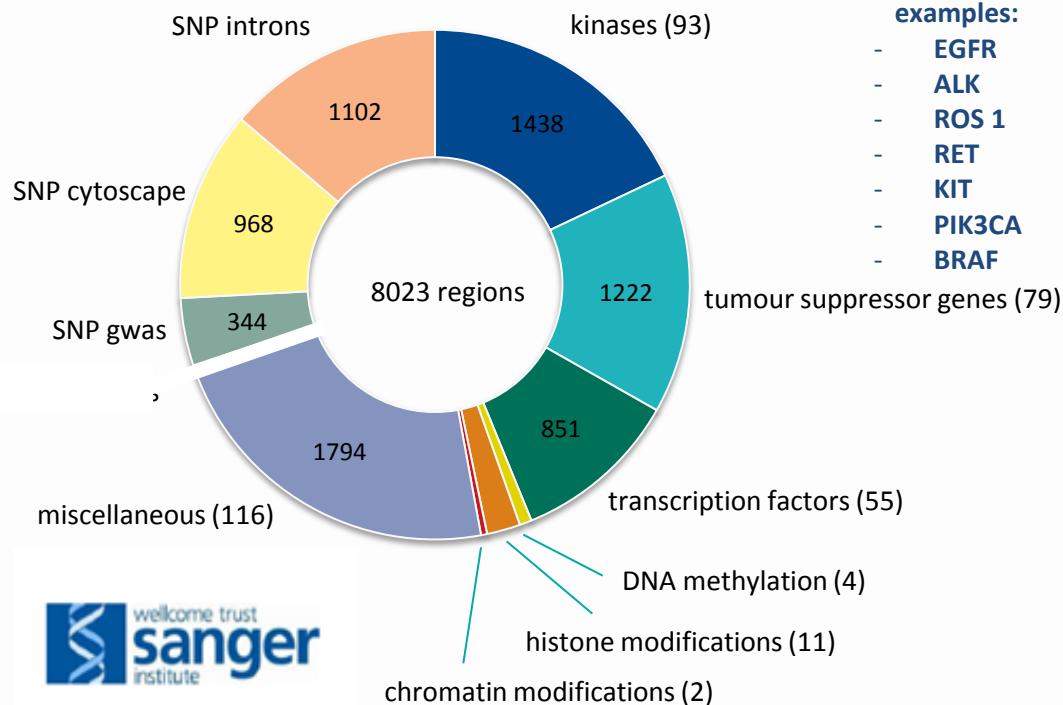
- **ETOP trial with afatinib opening soon**

# How to run trial in such small population?



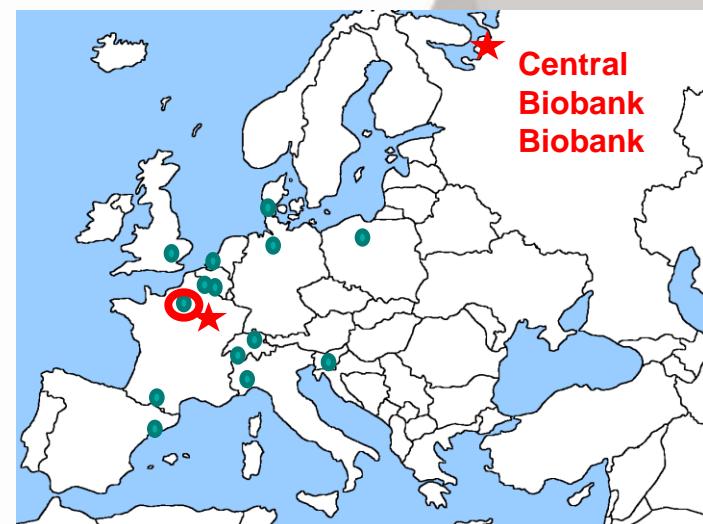
Screening Patients with **Thoracic Malignancy** for Efficient Clinical Trial Access

## SPECTAlung



- Some examples:
- EGFR
  - ALK
  - ROS 1
  - RET
  - KIT
  - PIK3CA
  - BRAF

Online molecular portrait  
Prospective clinical data  
500-1000 tumors / yr



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