

Educational session

## *Emerging systemic treatment in TNBC*

# **How can we personalise treatment options for patients with TNBC ?**

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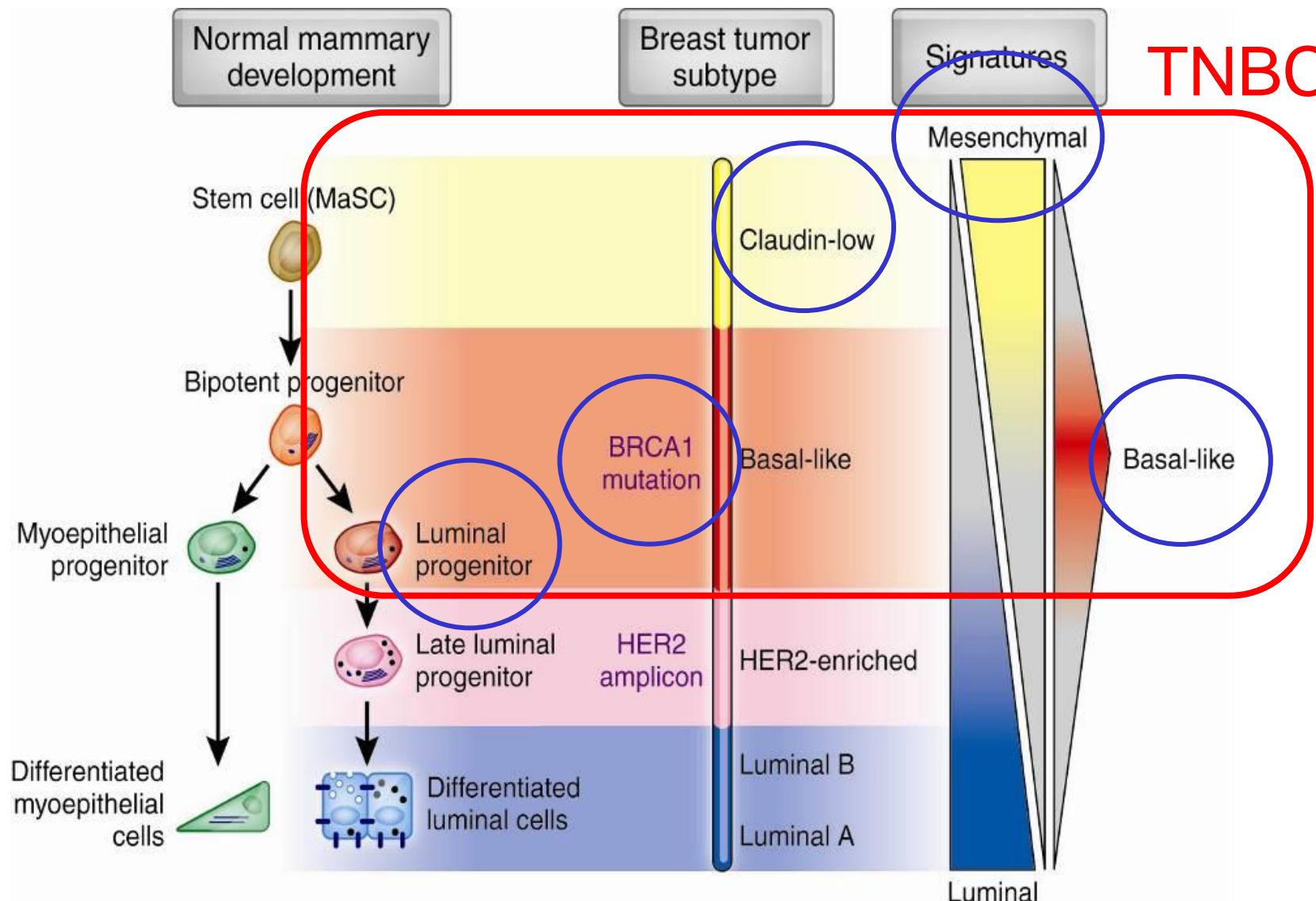
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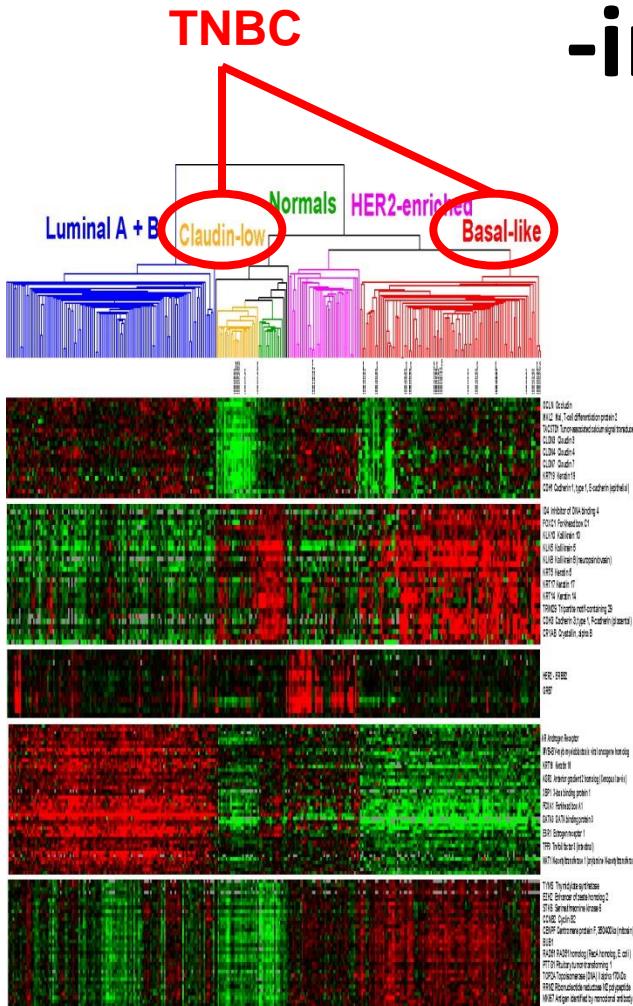
# TNBC: background

- ER (-), PGR (-), HER2 amplification (-)
- 15-20% in total BC.
- Recurrences occur usually within the first 2-3 years.
- Visceral metastases.
- Worse prognosis.
- Heterogeneity; Different response to chemotherapy.

# Mammary development meets genomics



# Gene expression-clustering -intrinsic subtype-

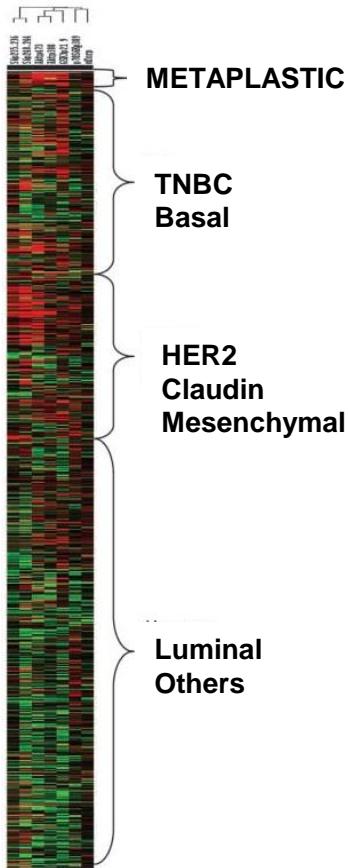


Herschkowitz et al: Genome Biol. 2007;8(5):R76;

	ER	Her2	
Luminal A	+++	-	HR positive, HER negative
Luminal B	++	+	Double Positive, or high Ki67
Claudin-low	-	-	<b>TNBC, chemo-resistant</b> Mesenchymal-stem like
Normal-like	+	-	in definitive
HER2-enriched	+/-	+++	Her2 overexpression
Basal-like	-	-	<b>TNBC, chemo-sensitive</b> CK5/6(+) EGFR(+)

# Intrinsic Subtype in TNBC by pCR

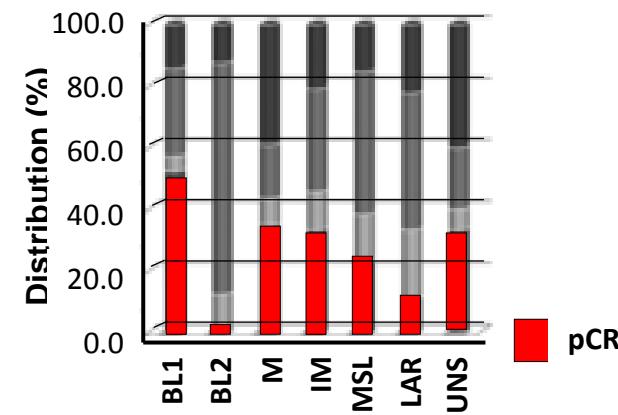
TNBC



6 Groups  
And UNS

TNBC

- 1) Luminal androgen receptor (LAR)
- 2) Basal-like-1 (BL1)
- 3) Basal-like-2 (BL2)
- 4) Immunomodulatory (IM)
- 5) Mesenchymal (M)
- 6) Mesenchymal stem-like (MSL)
- 7) UNS



Functional proteomics of MBC

Hennessy et al: Cancer Res. 2009 May  
15;69(10):4116-24

PAM 50  
Affymetrix® U133 plus 2.0

Masuda H, Ueno NT et al:  
Clin Cancer Res. 5533-5540, 2013

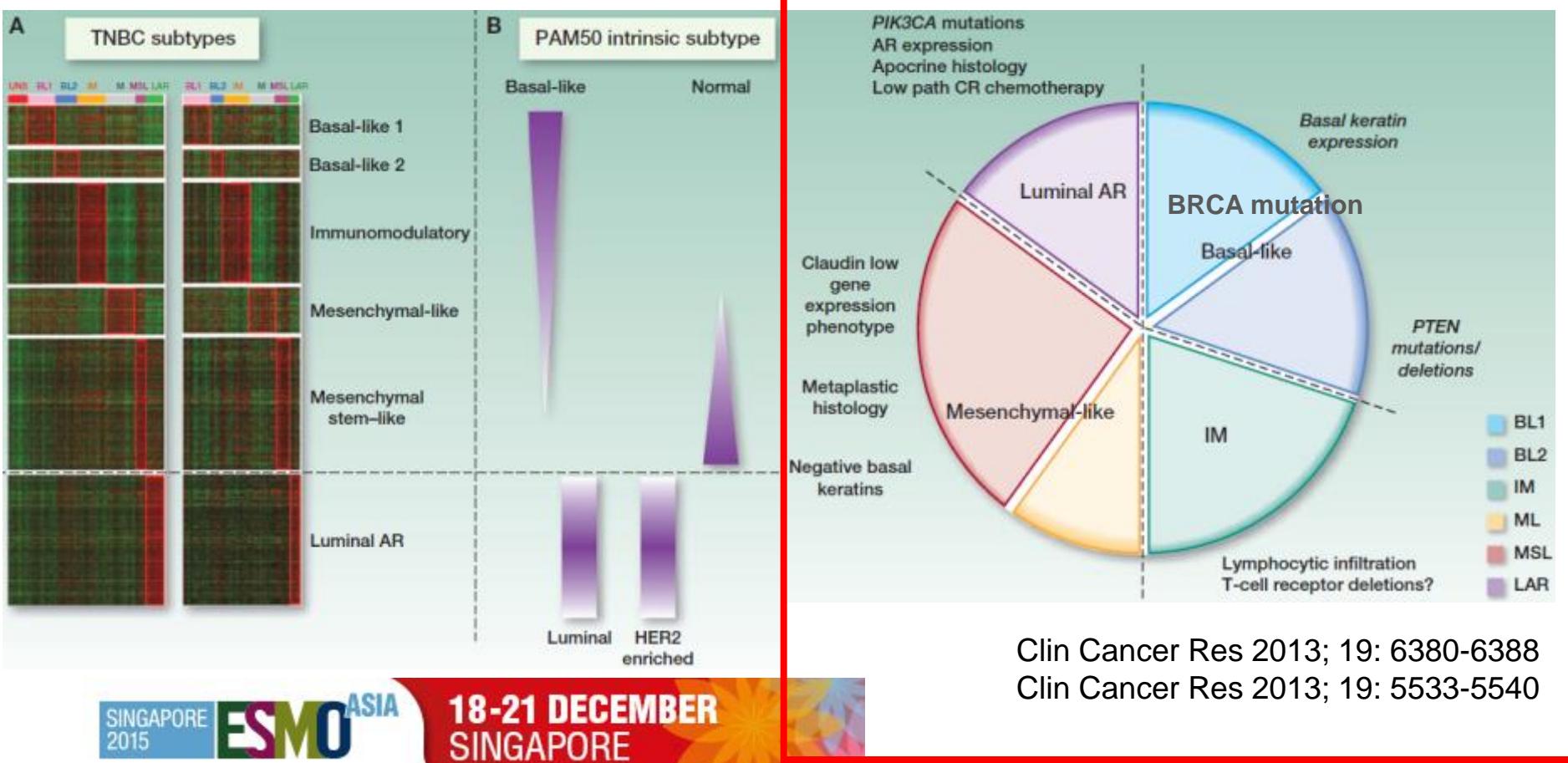
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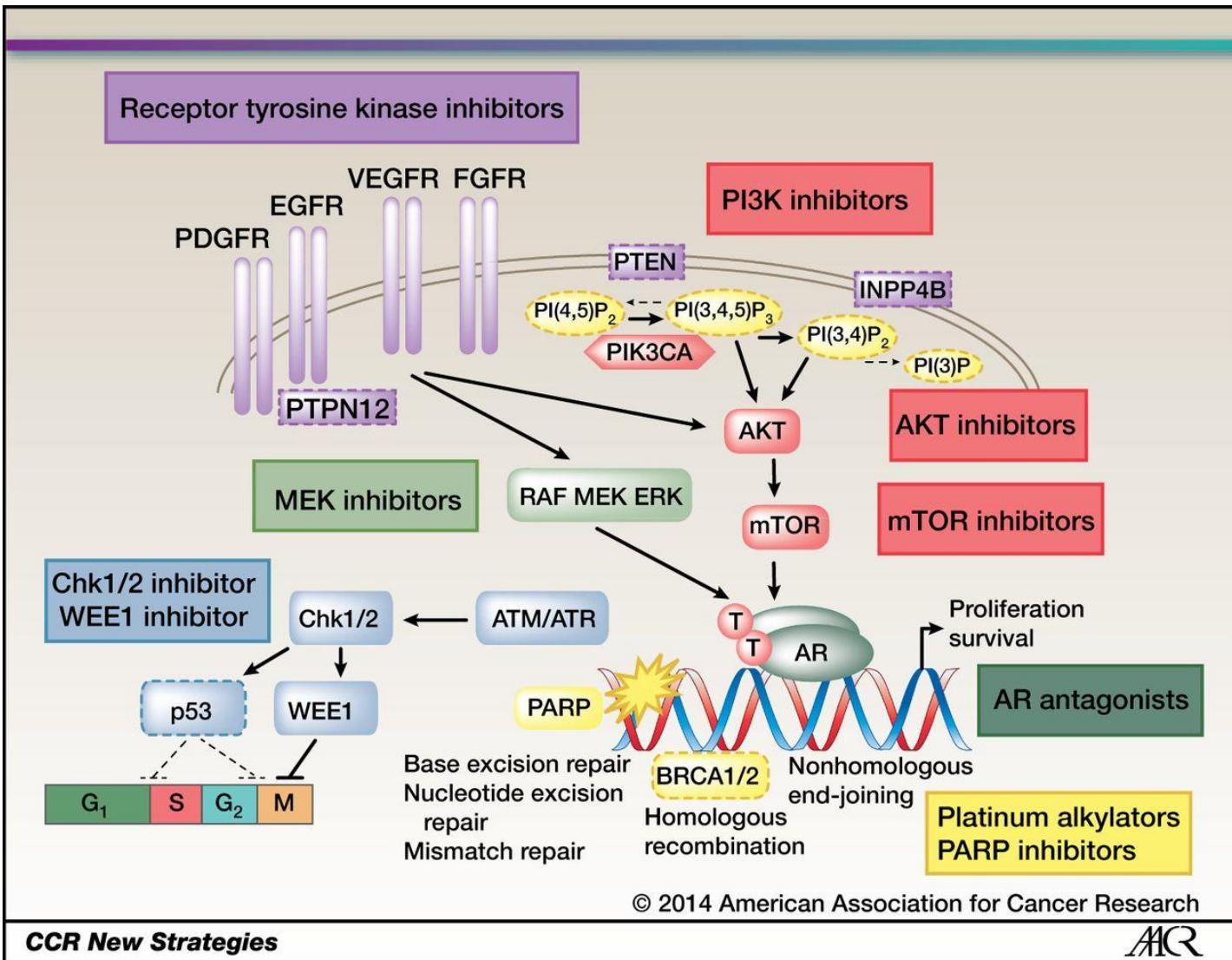
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# Microarray based gene-cluster analyses identified six distinct TNBC subtype.

- TNBC; heterogeneous disease.
- Platinum agents, signal transduction inhibitors, PARP inhibitor, Eribulin as a novel tubulin inhibitor, immuno-checkpoint inhibitor or AR inhibitor etc.



# Potential therapeutic targets



CCR New Strategies



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Ingrid A. Mayer et al.  
Clin Cancer Res 2014;20:782-790

# Therapies in TNBC subgroups

N=315

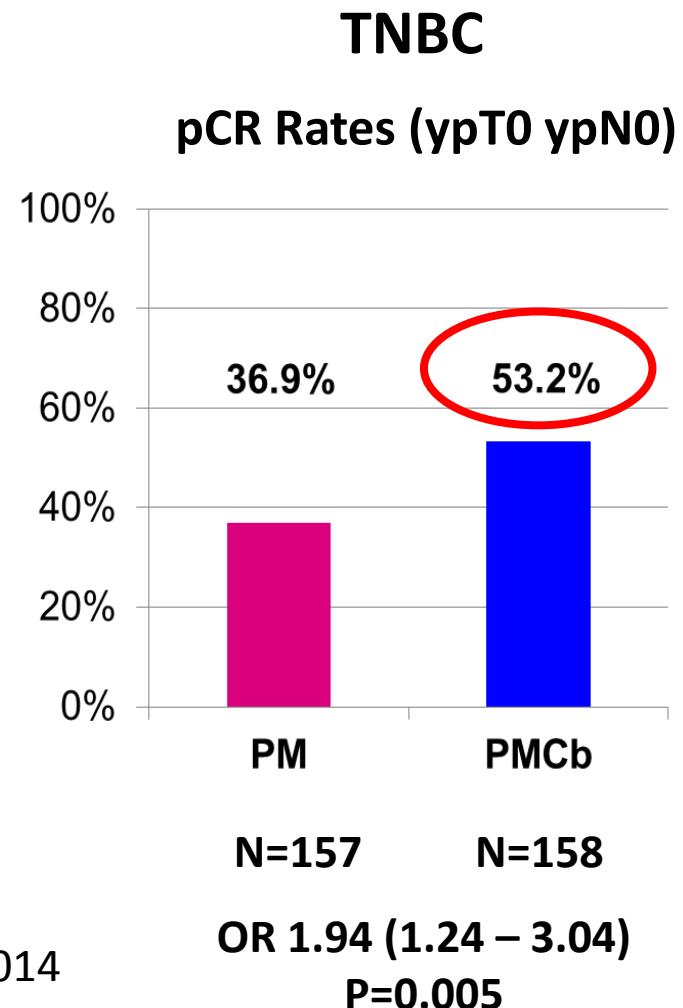
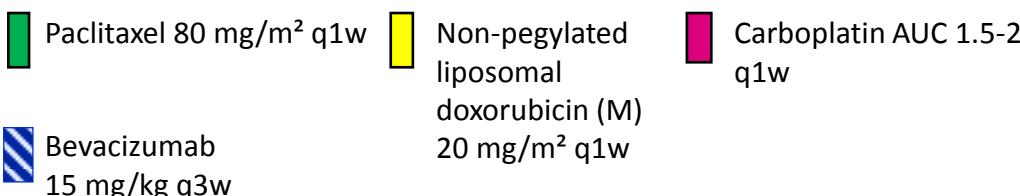
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Confirmed  
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PM

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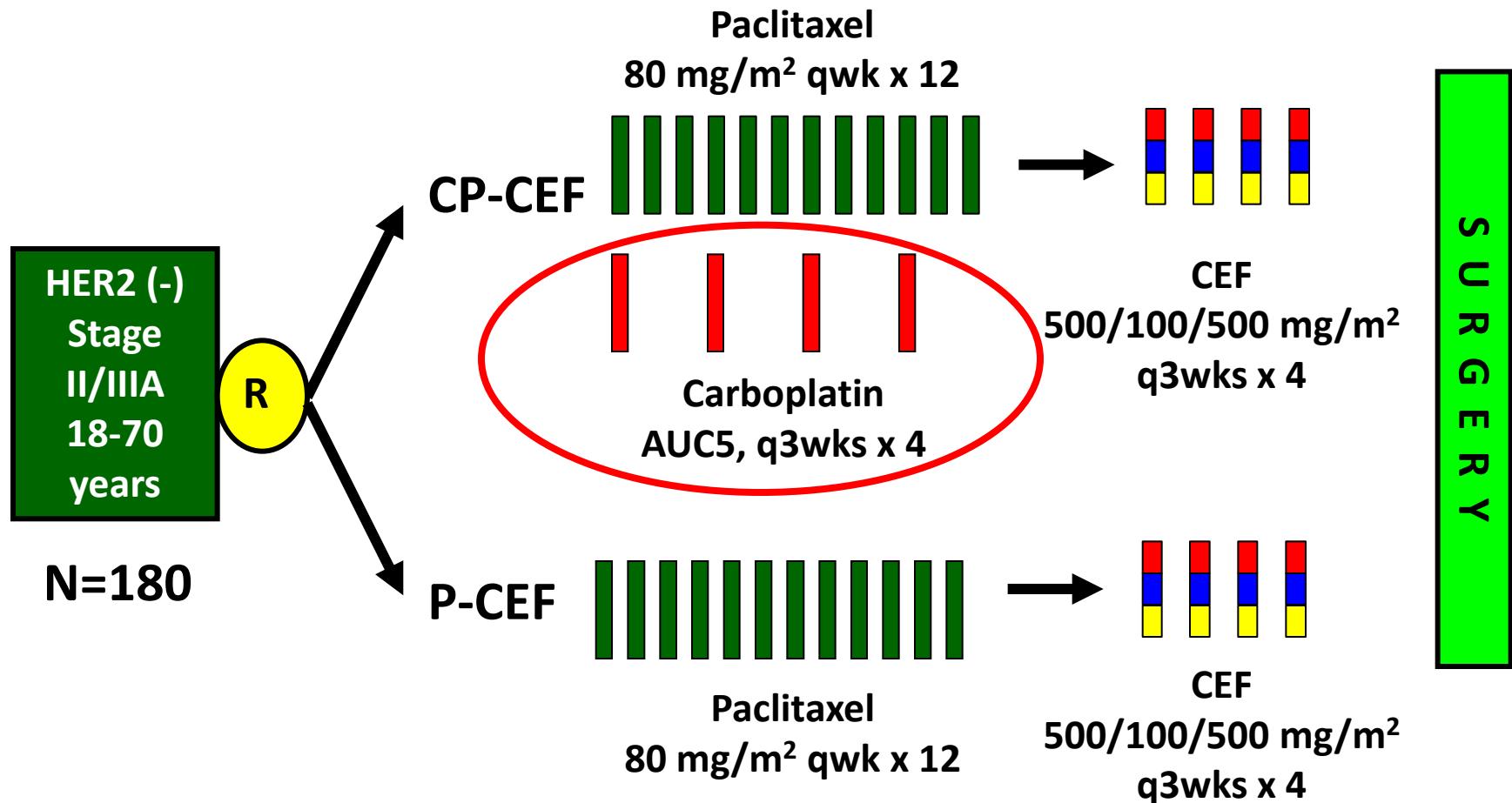
von Minckwitz et al. Lancet Oncology, May 2014

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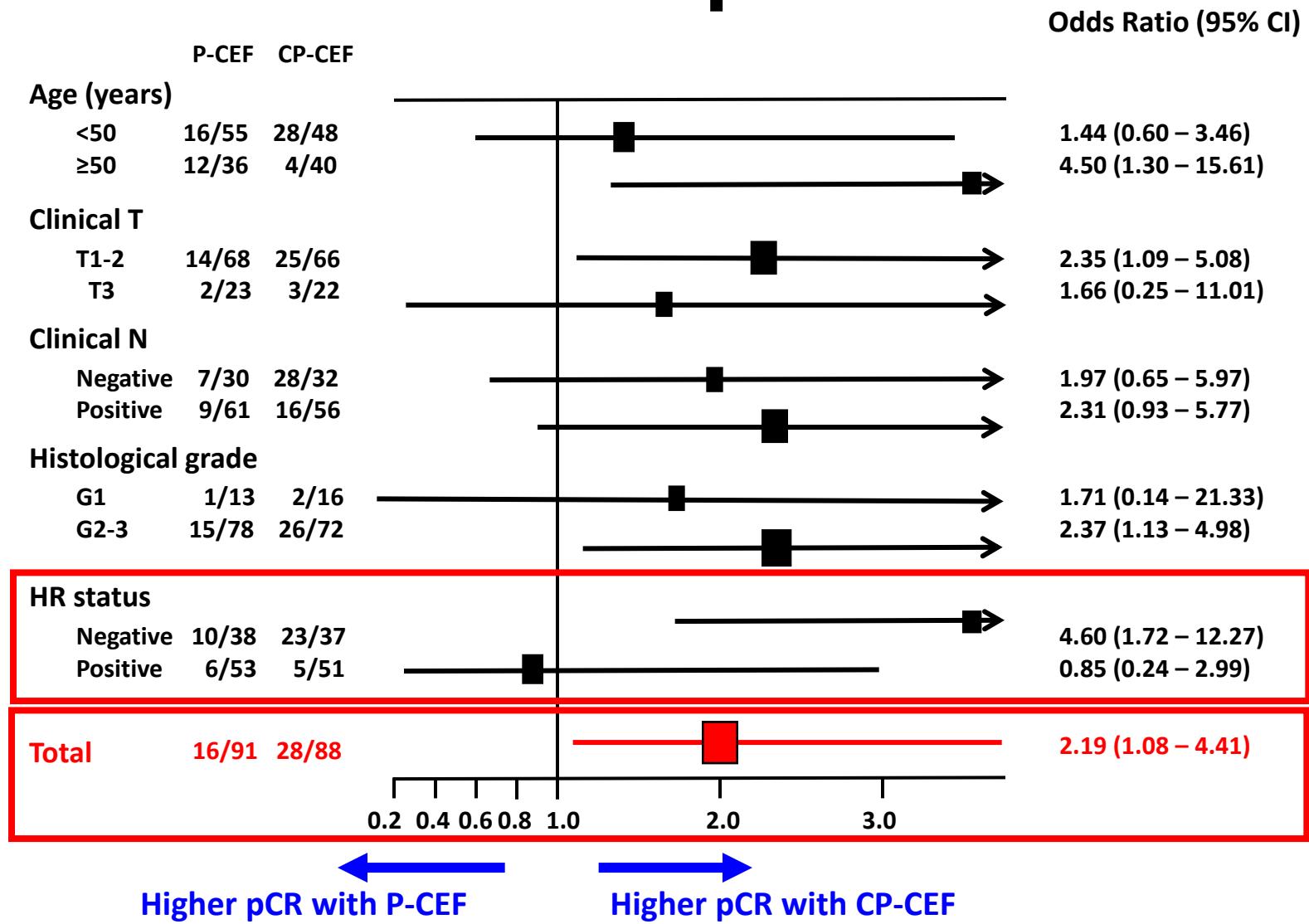
# Neoadjuvant in TNBC in JPN Pts



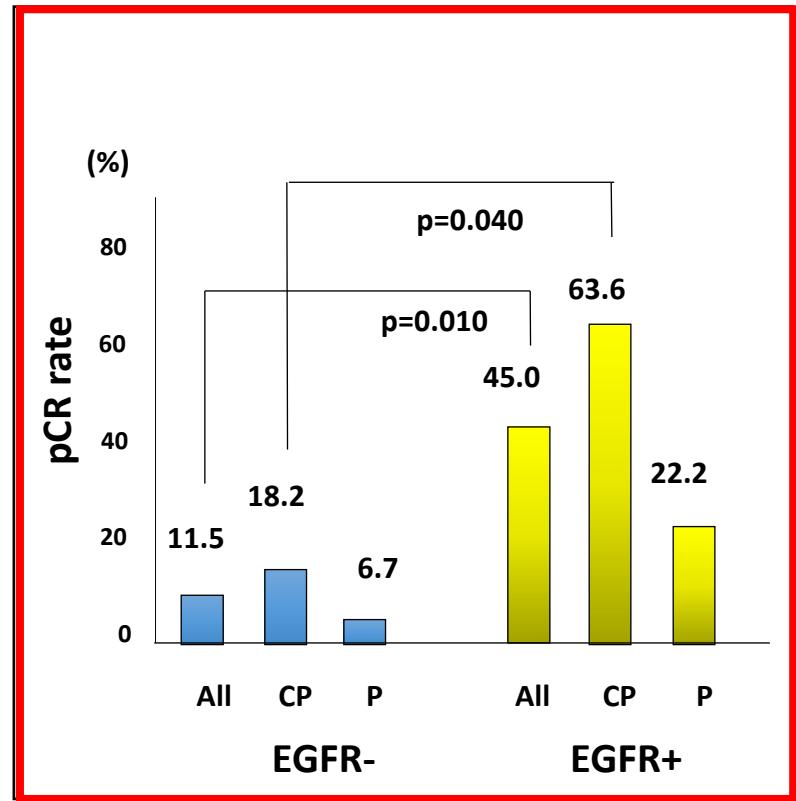
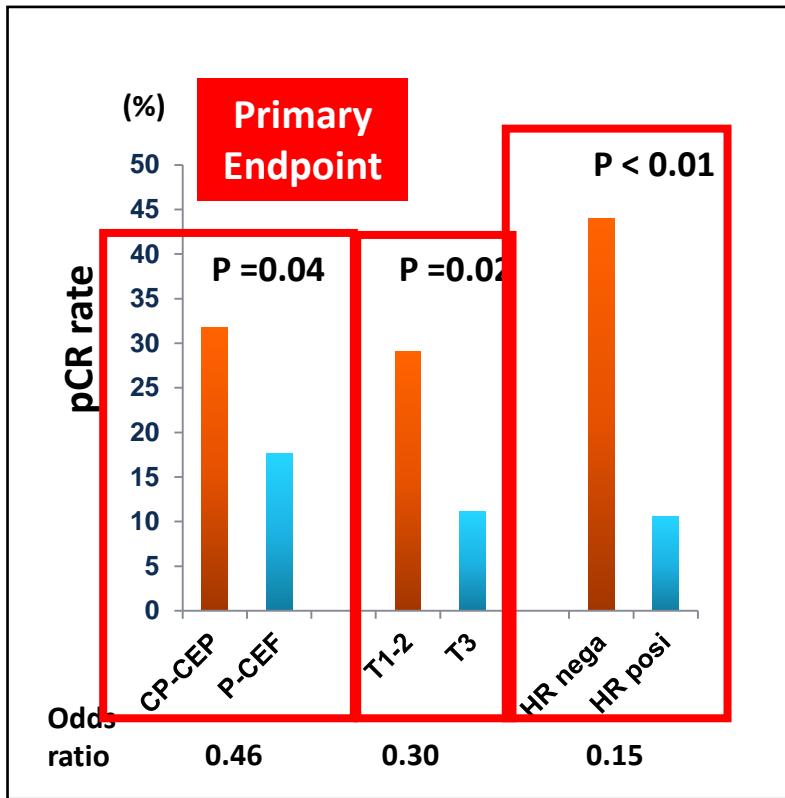
Primary Endpoint : pCR

Secondary Endpoint: RFS, Safety, Biomarker to predict CBDCA benefit

# Forest plot

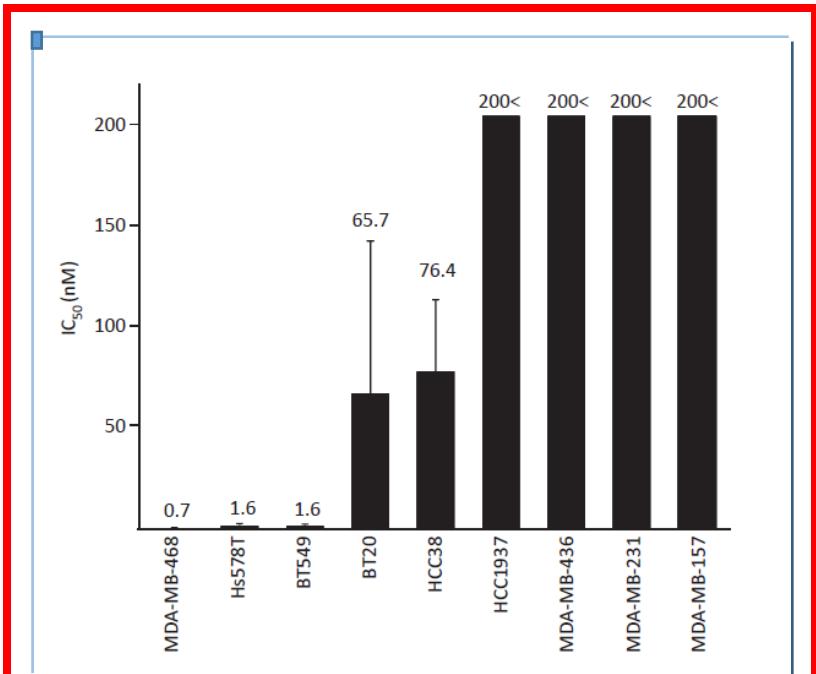


# pCR according to sub subgroups



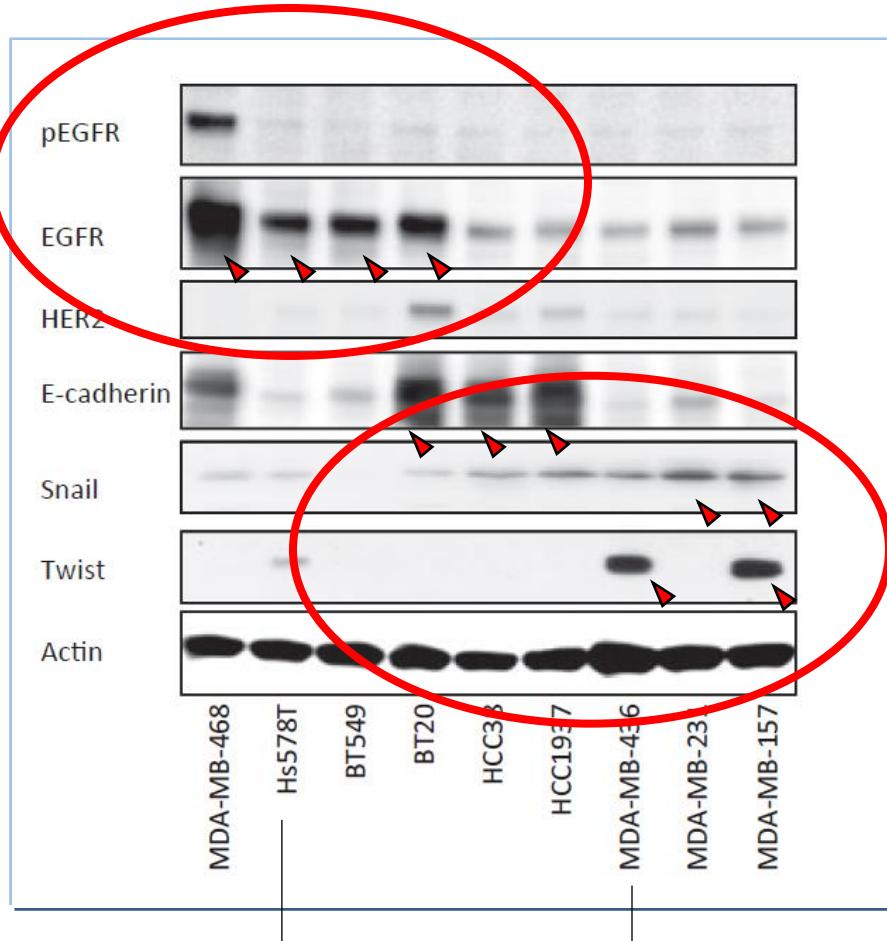
Protein expression in tissue sample by Immunohisto chemistry (IHC)

# Sensitivity of Everolims with 9 kinds of TNBC cell line



Sensitivity of Everolims

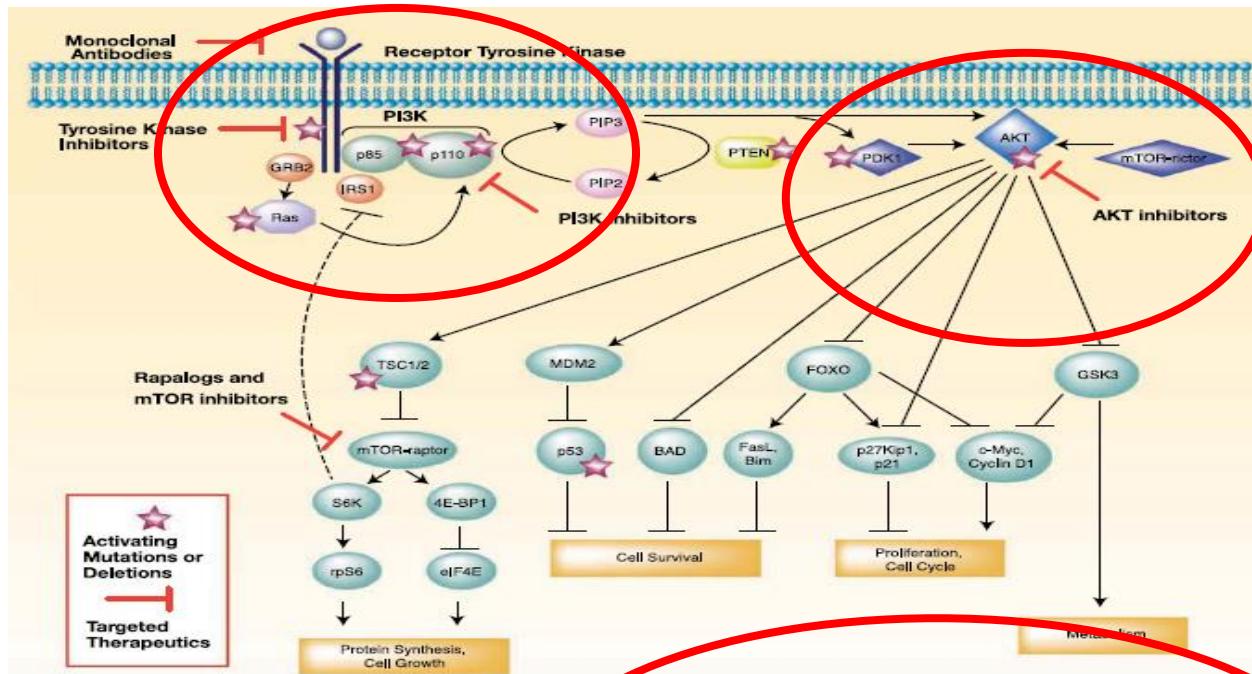
Yunokawa M, Tamura K etc  
Cancer Sci. 2012 103:1665-71, 2012



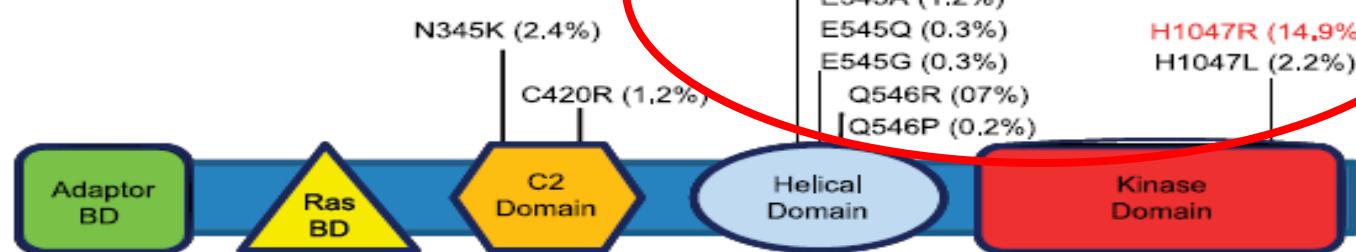
TSCLC1 positive

BRCA  
Germ Mu+

# PIC3CA Mutation

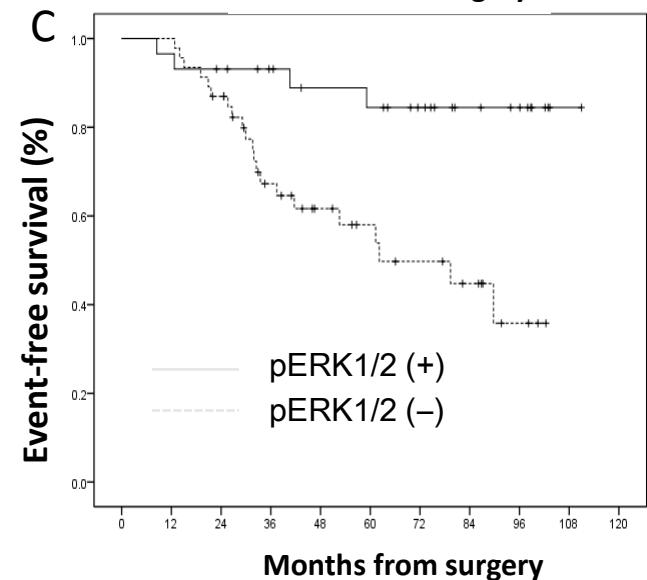
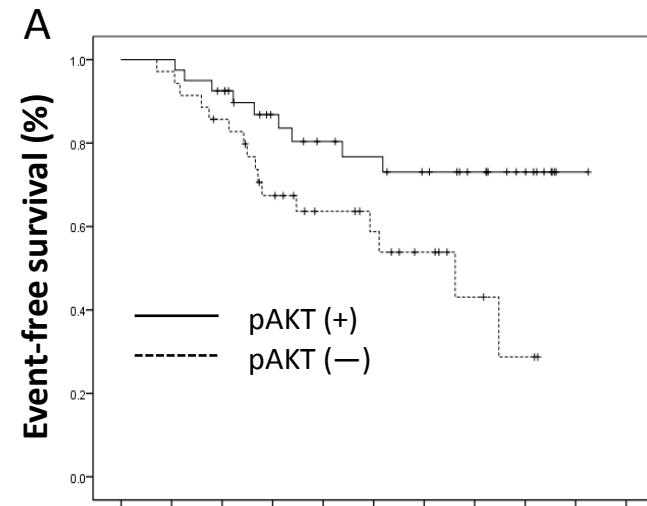
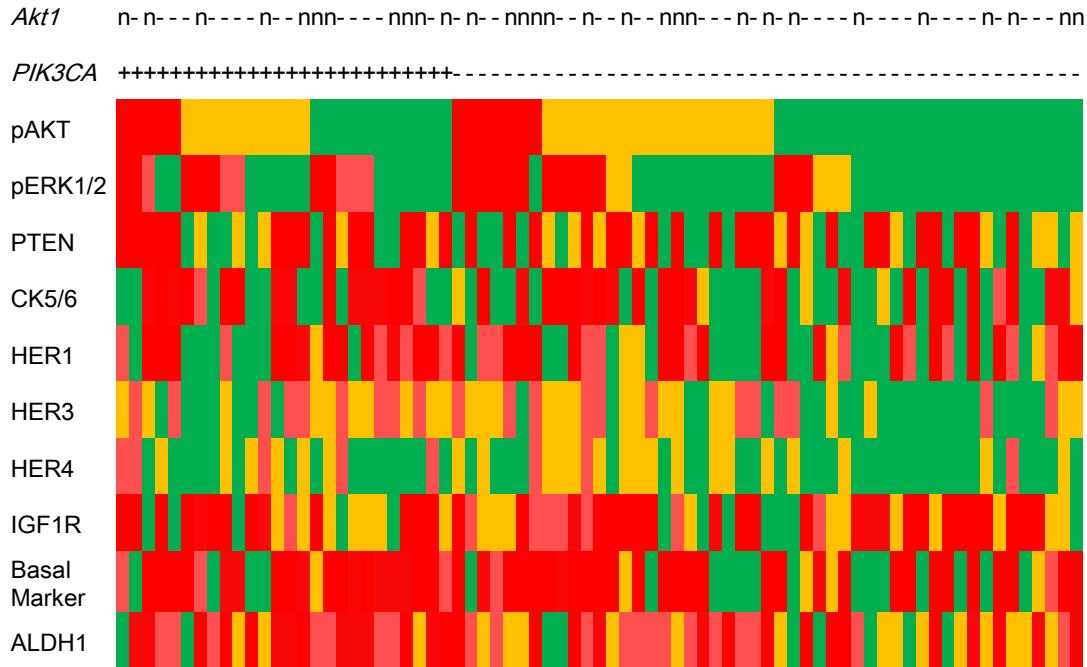


## Class I PI3K (p110) mutation



# Signal transduction with TNBC

- 75 TNBC patients with lymph-node metastases who had received adjuvant chemotherapy.
- 11 biomarkers, including PIK3CA and AKT1mutation
- PIK3CA Mu 35%, AKT1 Mu 3%

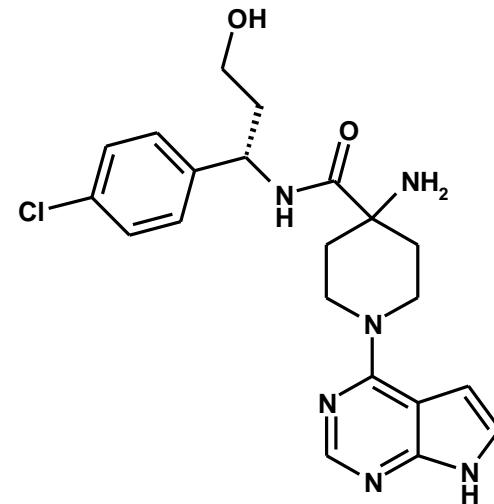


Hashimoto K, Tamura K, Fujiwara Y et al.  
Ann Oncol, July, 2014

# AZD5363 is a potent inhibitor of AKT

	Target	AZD5363 $IC_{50}$ nM
Enzyme inhibition	Akt1	3
	Akt2	7
	Akt3	7
	ROCK1	470
	ROCK2	60
	PKA	7
Cellular Akt substrate phosphorylation (cell type)	P70S6K	6
	pPRAS40 (BT474c)	310
	pGSK3b (MDA MB468)	380
	FOXO3a nuclear translocation (BT474c)	690
	pS6 (RT4, TSC1-/-, TSC2 very low expression)	4800

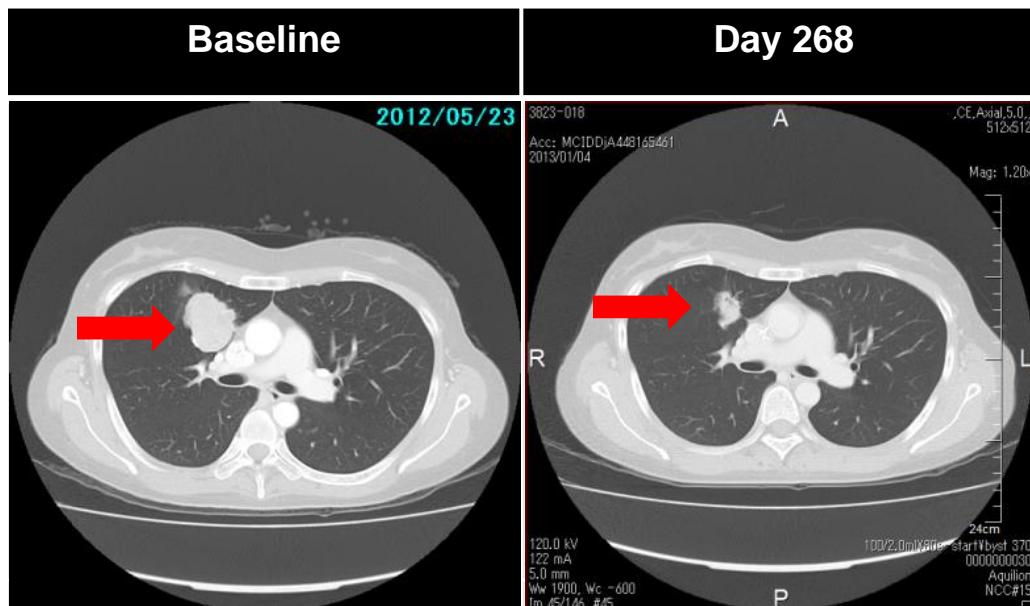
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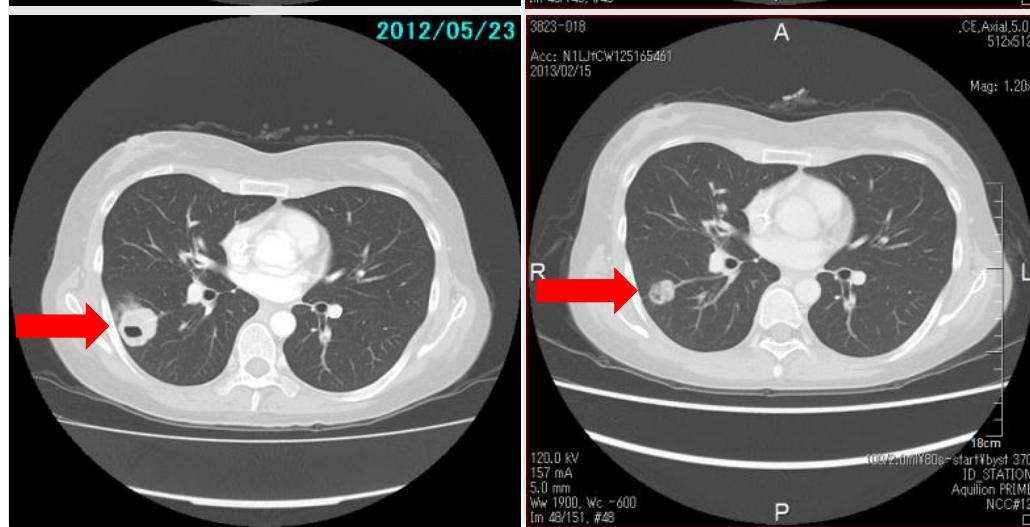
Davies BR et al.  
Mol Cancer Ther 2012; 11: 873–887

# Super-responder by AKT inhibitor

Lesson 1



Lesson 2

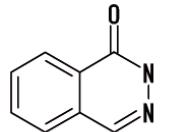


- A 38 year-old female, Asian patient with metastatic (lung), endometrioid cancer of the ovary
- **AKT1<sup>E17K</sup>** somatic mutation positive
- AZD5363 480 mg bid (4 days on / 3 days off) schedule
- 47% decrease in tumor size from baseline
- Eight previous lines of chemotherapy

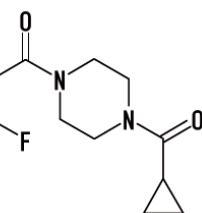
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# Olaparib

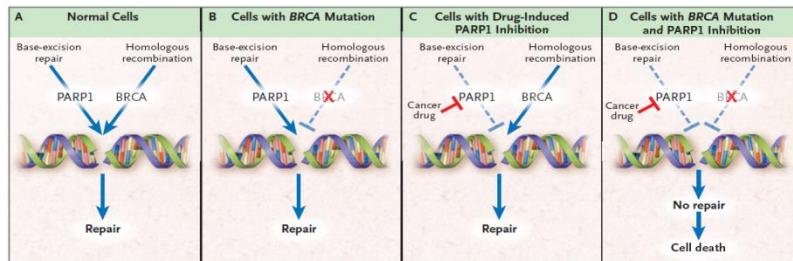
- A potent inhibitor of PARP (polyadenosine 5'-diphosphoribose polymerase).
- PARP inhibition is a novel approach for targeting tumors with deficiencies in DNA repair mechanisms.
- Previous studies indicate that olaparib can effectively inhibit the PARP enzyme, affecting the repair of damaged DNA, and may also enhance the DNA-damaging effects of other chemotherapy agents.



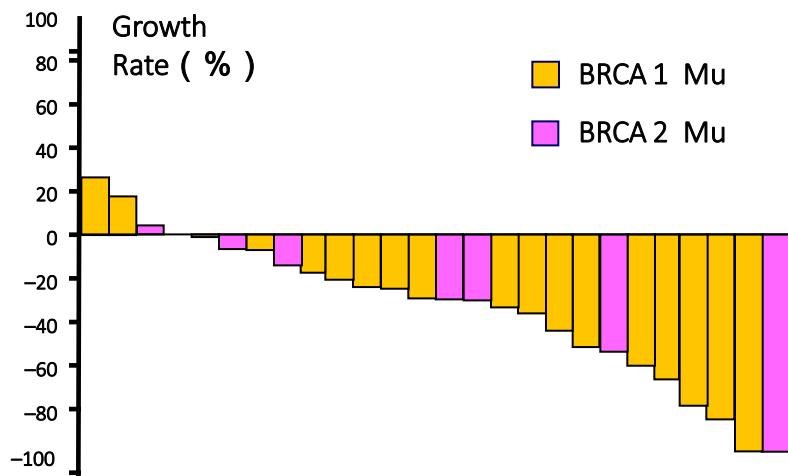
Chemical Structure



## Synthetic Lethality Theory

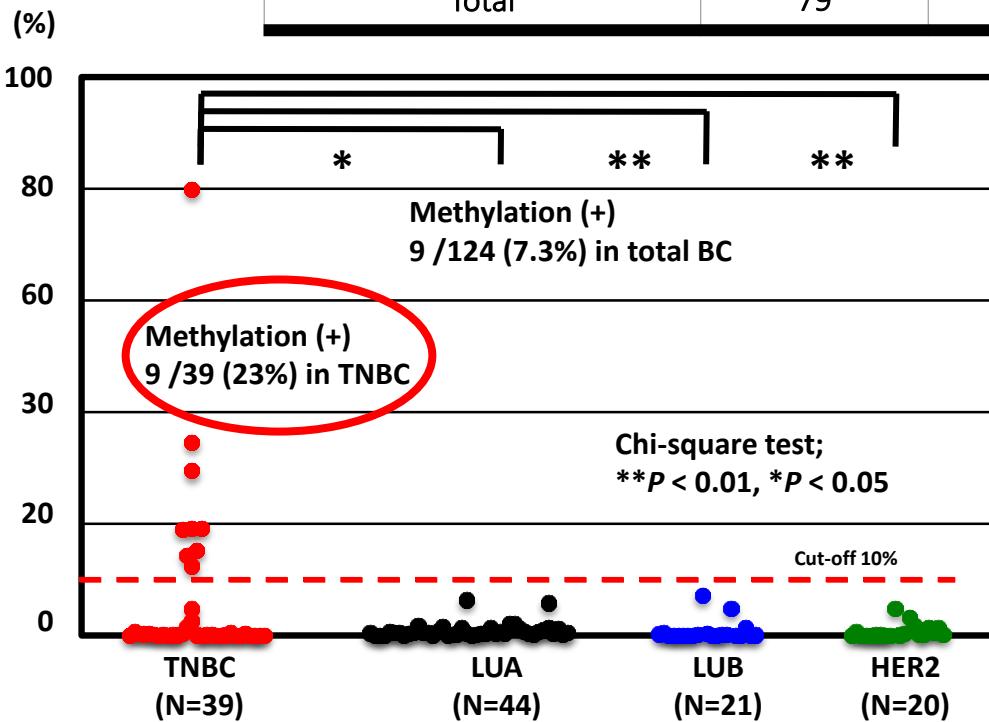


## Phase II Trial of Olaparib in BRCA Mu Breast Ca



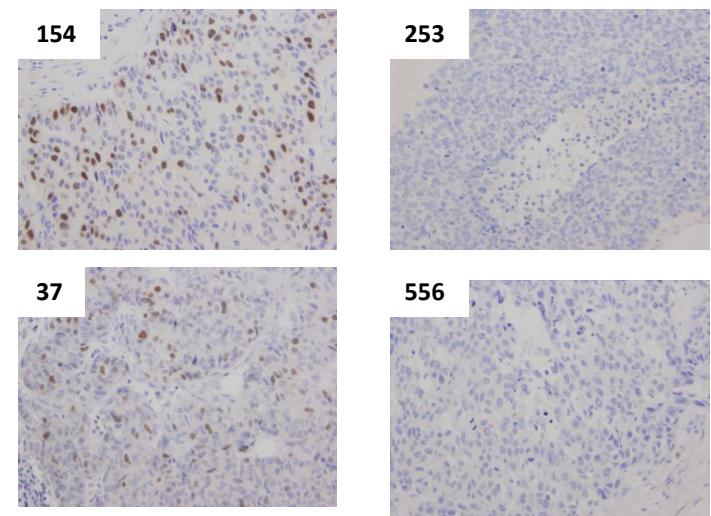
# Metylation of BRCA in TNBC

Surgical specimen	Frozen specimens	Acetone-fixed paraffin embedded specimens	Total
TNBC (ER-, HER2-)	19	19	39
Luminal A (ER+, HER2-)	29	14	44
Luminal B (ER+, HER2+)	17	4	21
HER2 (ER-, HER2+)	14	5	20
Total	79	42	124



BRCA1 Protein Expression by IHC (x 200)

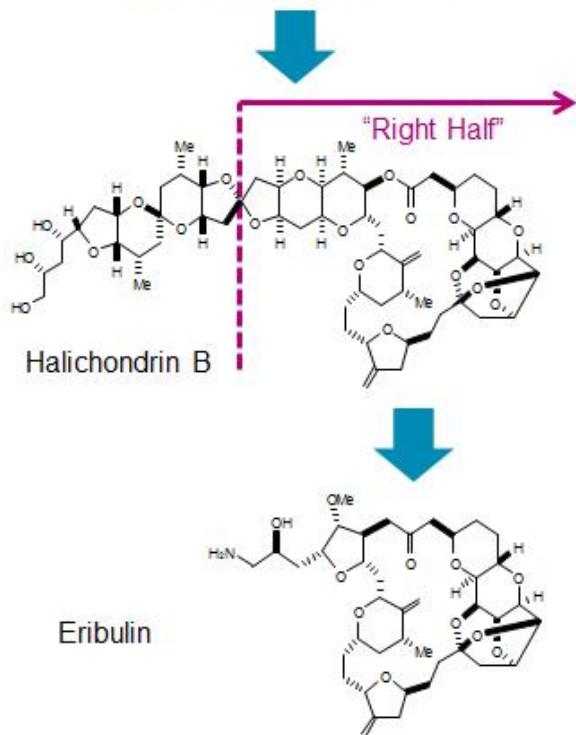
BRCA1 methylation (-)    BRCA1 methylation (+)



Kawachi, Tamura K et al.  
ESMO Asia SINGAPORE, 2015

# Eribulin, Analog of Halichondrin B

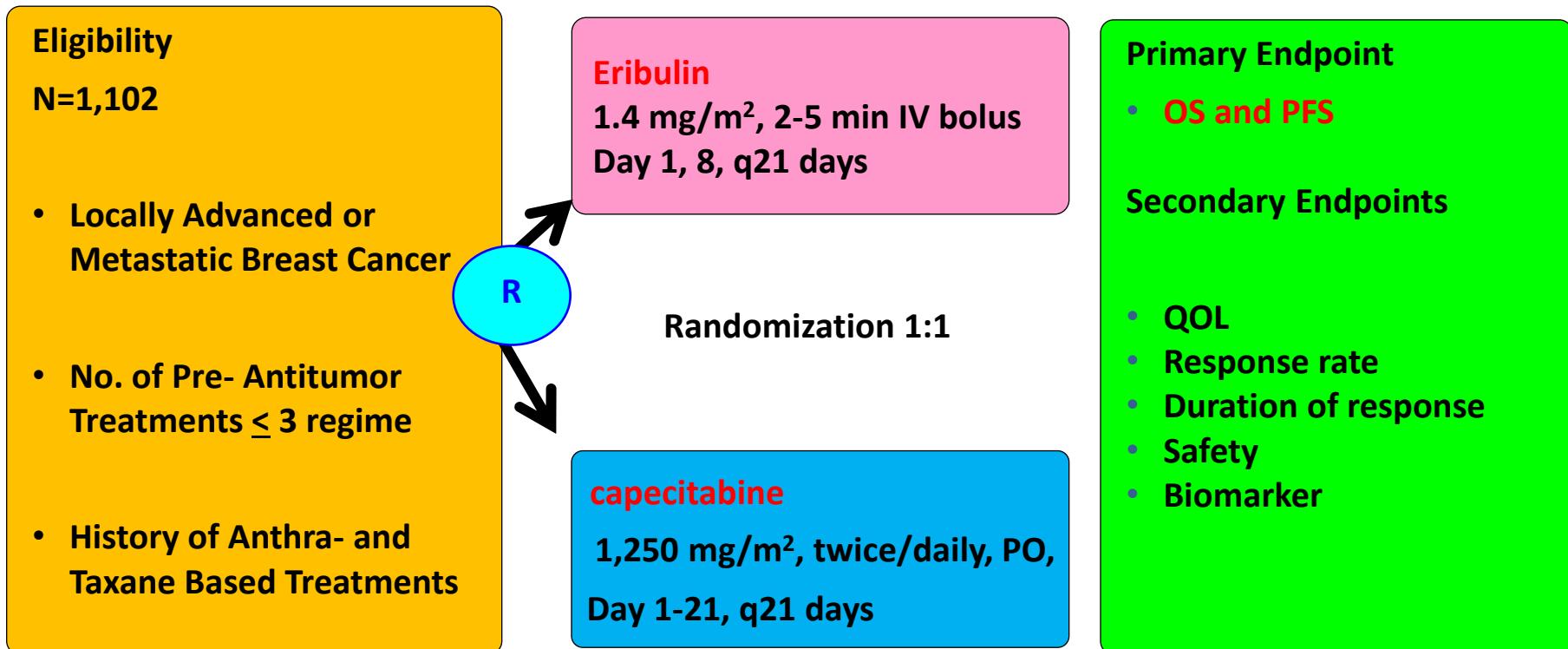
*Halichondria okadai*



- 1986:** *Halichondria okadai* discovered in Japan; anticancer activity first reported
- 1991:** Tubulin-based mechanism proposed by US NCI
- 1992:** Synthesized at Harvard by Yoshito Kishi and colleagues
- 1992:** Kishi's synthetic materials tested at Eisai, leading to discovery that biological activity resides in 'Right Half'
- 1993–1999:** 200+ right half analogs synthesized at Eisai and Harvard
- 1998:** Eribulin selected as final drug candidate
- 1998:** NCI collaboration begins
- 2002:** Phase I clinical trials begin
- 2004:** Phase II clinical trials begin
- 2006:** Phase III clinical trials begin
- 2010:** First regulatory approval (USA)

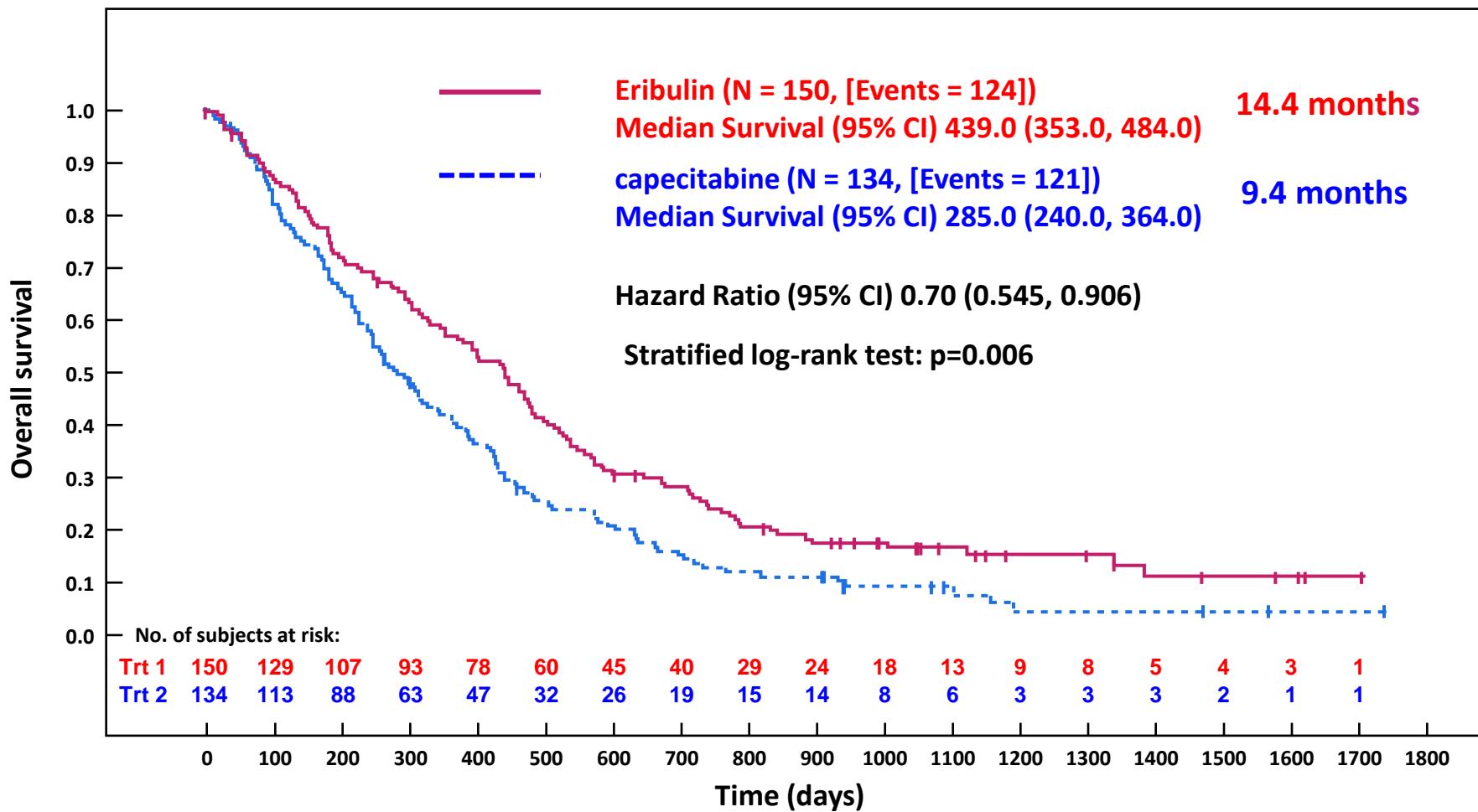
# Eribulin vs. Capecitabine in Ad BC

## Randomized, Global, Open-label Phase III



Kaufman PA et. al.  
J Clin Oncol. 33:594-601. 2015

# Extend OS in TNBC subset



# Olaparib with eribulin in patients with advanced or metastatic TNBC

## Phase I Part (Dose escalation cohort)

N =24

TNBC  
(ER-, PgR-, HER2 -)



Eribulin 1.4mg/m<sup>2</sup> d1, 8  
Olaparib twice, daily  
q3w, until PD

Dose escalation of Olaparib



Estimated Recommended Dose

## Phase II Part

N =24

TNBC  
(ER-, PgR-, HER2 -)



Eribulin 1.4mg/m<sup>2</sup> d1, 8  
Olaparib RD twice, daily  
q3w, until PD

Assess the Efficacy and Safety of Olaparib  
with Recommended Dose

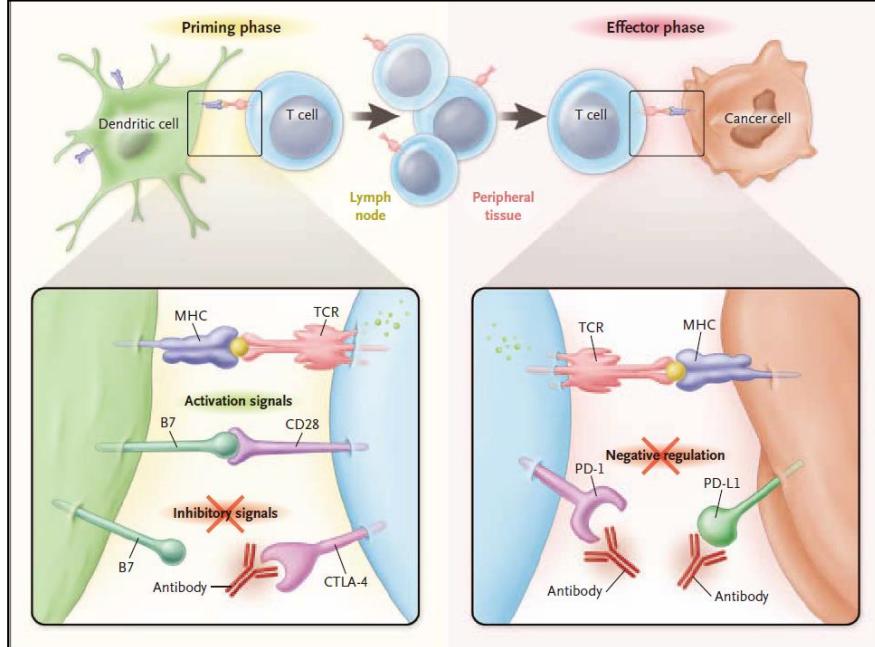
Response rate, PFS and OS data will be opened in ASCO Meeting 2016

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# Immuno-checkpoint inhibitors



- Intensity Score  
(intensity of lymphatic infiltration)

	Marked	Mild	absent
score	2	1	0

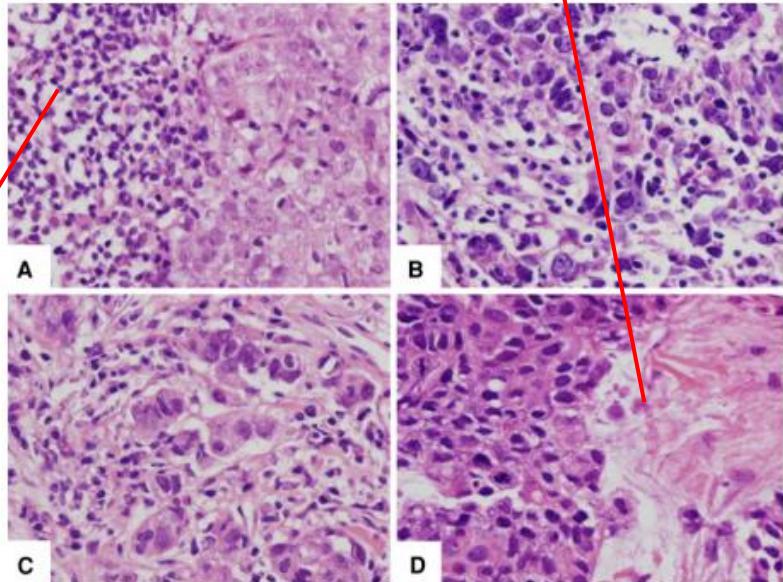
- Proportional Score  
(area of stroma infiltrated by lymphocytes)

	> 50%	> 10-50%	$\leq 10\%$	absent
score	3	2	1	0

**MK-3475 (pembrolizumab; PD1 antibody)  
For TNBC, PII, PIII**

## TIL (tumor infiltrated lymphocytes)

(H.E)



high (3+ 2 = 5)

low (0 + 0 = 0)

TILs score = Proportional score + Intensity Score (0-5)

0-2 : low  
3-5 : high

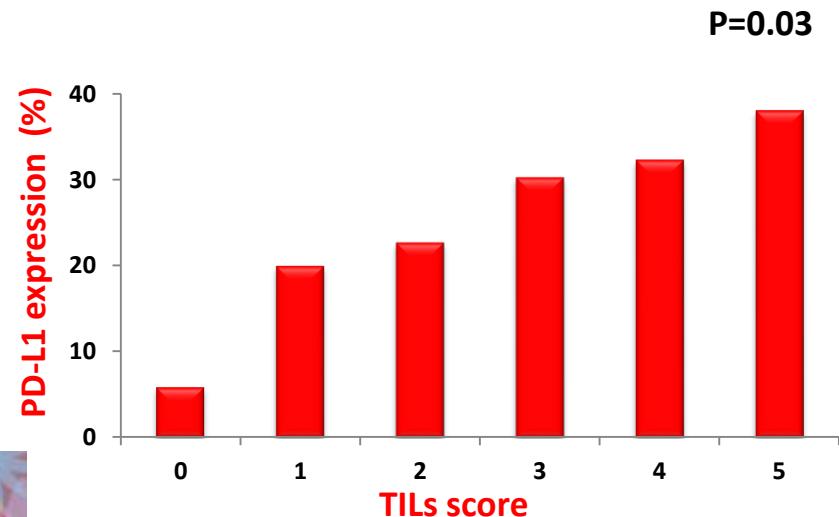
# PD-1 expression on TILs

Tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes are correlated with response to neo-adjuvant chemotherapy in triple-negative breast cancer.

Ono M, Tamura K, et al. Breast cancer Res Treat, 132: 793-805, 2012

	N=180	PD-1 expression in TILs		P value
		Positive	Negative	
Age	≤50	15 (27)	41 (73)	0.61
	>50	25 (24)	83 (79)	
TILs	High	29 (33)	59 (67)	<b>0.006</b>
	Low	11 (14)	65 (86)	
Sub type	TNBC	26 (32)	56 (68)	<b>0.08</b>
	HER2-enriched	8 (20)	32 (80)	
	Luminal	6 (14)	36 (86)	
Grade	1 or 2	9 (17)	43 (83)	0.15
	3	31 (28)	81 (72)	
Stage	2	26 (25)	76 (75)	0.67
	3	14 (23)	48 (77)	

	PD-1 expression on TILs	
	Positive	Negative
PD-L1 expr. on tumor cell	Positive	21 (13.0)
	Negative	19 (11.7)
	40 (24.7)	122 (75.3)
		162



# Subtypes and Targeted Drugs

- BL1 (chemo-sensitive)

*BRCA deficient*

- BL2 (chemo-resistant)

*PIC3CA Mut+, AKT Mut+*

- Immunomodulatory (IM)

- Luminal AR

AR expression +

- Mesenchymal (M)

- Mesenchymal-stem like (MSL)

- Platinum agents

PARP inhibitor

EGFR inhibitor, mTOR inhibitor

PI3K inhibitor, AKT-inhibitor

- PD1/PDL1 antibody

(pembrolizumab etc.)

- AR inhibitor

- Eribulin

# Summary

- TNBC is a heterogeneous disease.
- Microarray based gene-cluster analyses identified six distinct TNBC subtype.
- Platinum agents, signal transduction inhibitors, PARP inhibitor, Eribulin as a novel tubulin inhibitor, immuno-checkpoint inhibitor or AR inhibitor *etc.* are potential therapeutic drugs.
- Predictive biomarker for response are crucial needed for personalize treatment in TNBC.