

THE MOLECULAR DIVERSITY OF “WILD-TYPE” GIST

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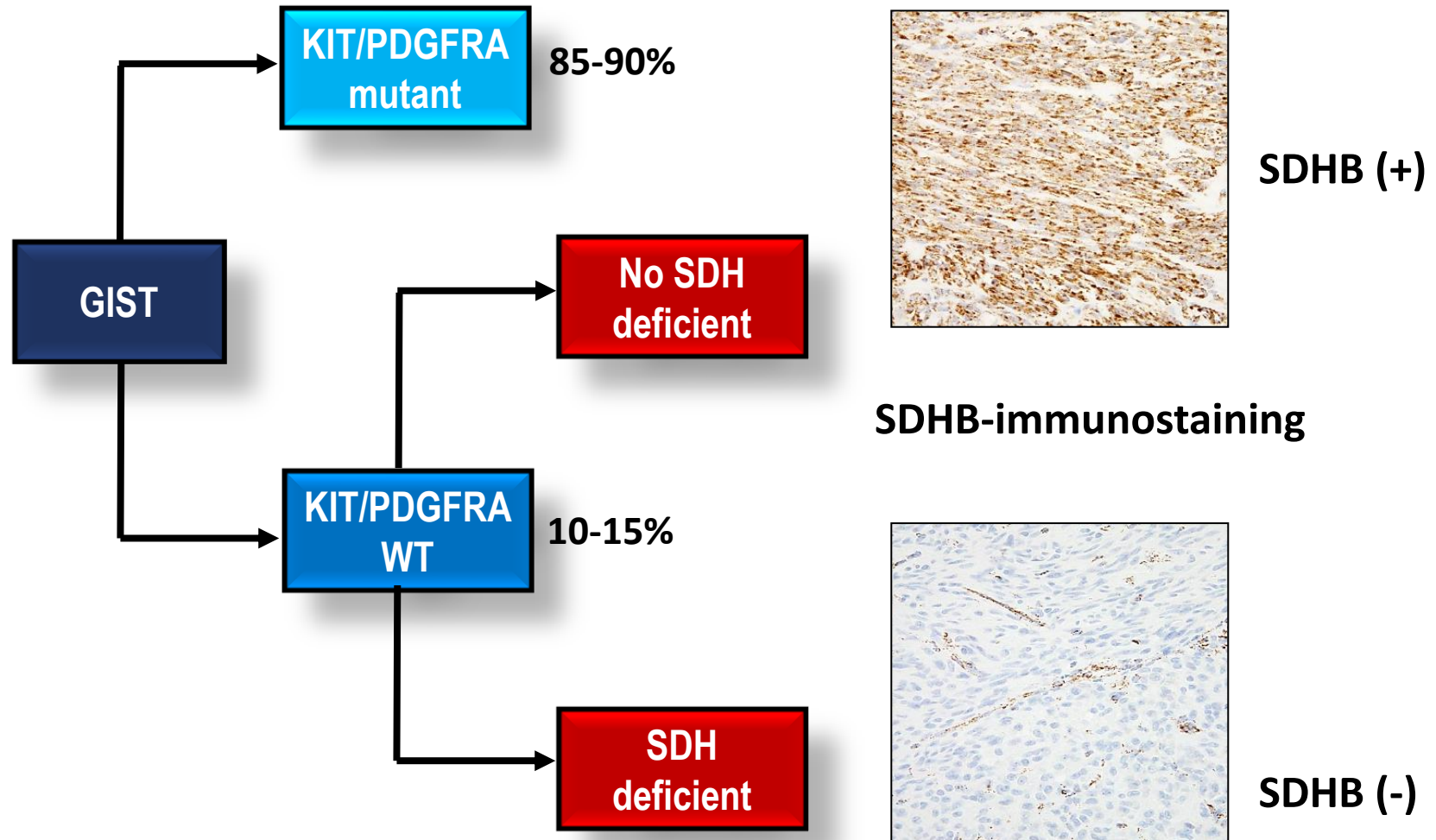
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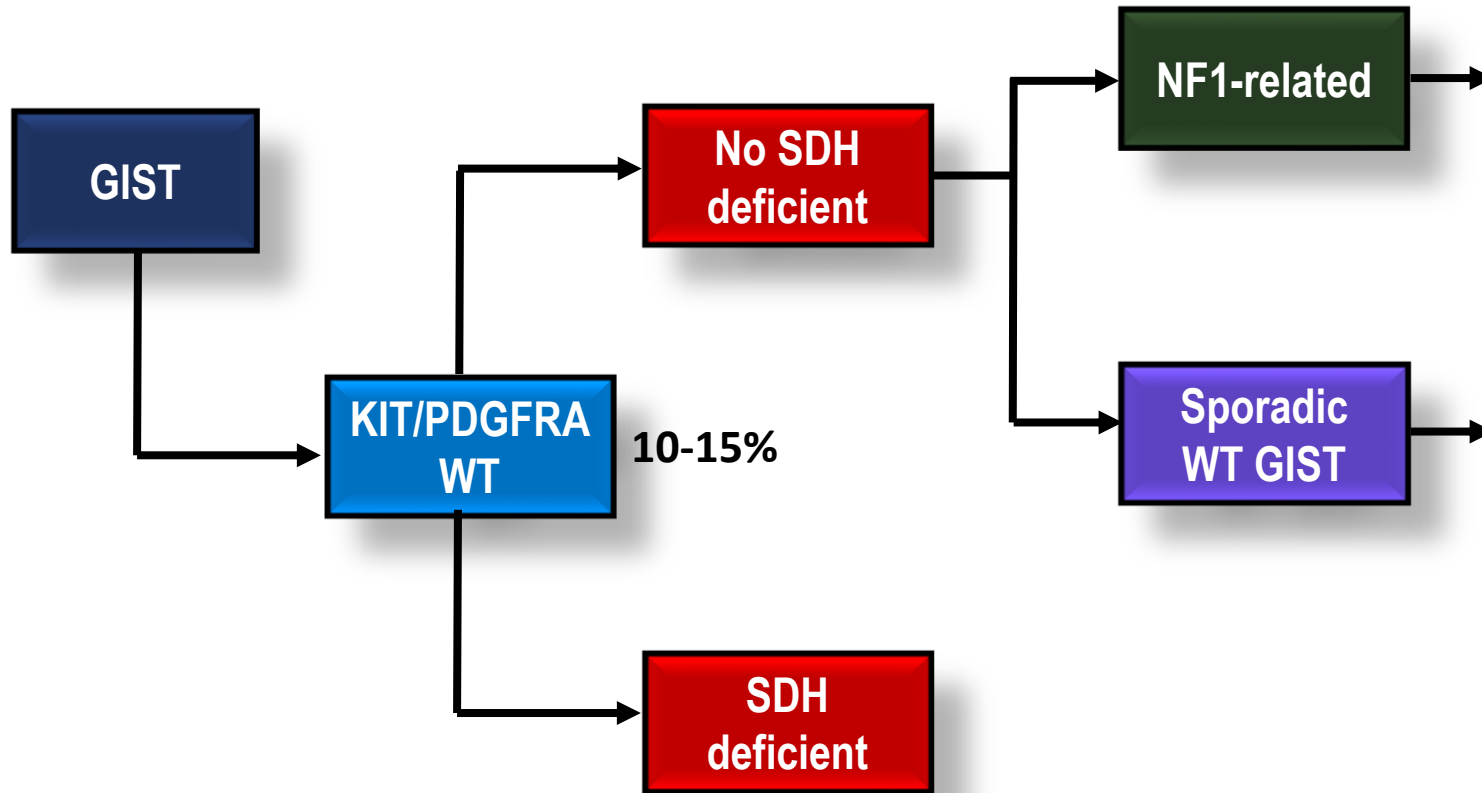
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MOLECULAR HETEROGENEITY OF GIST



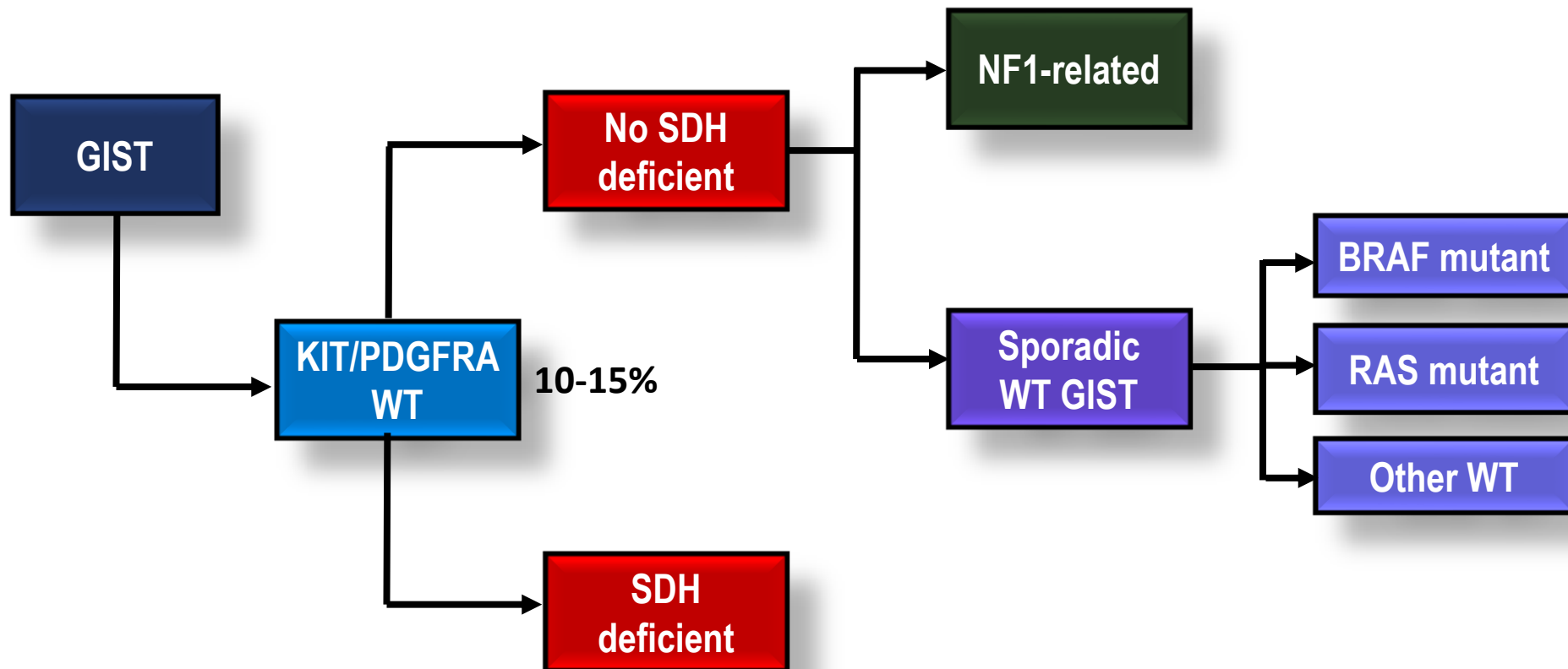
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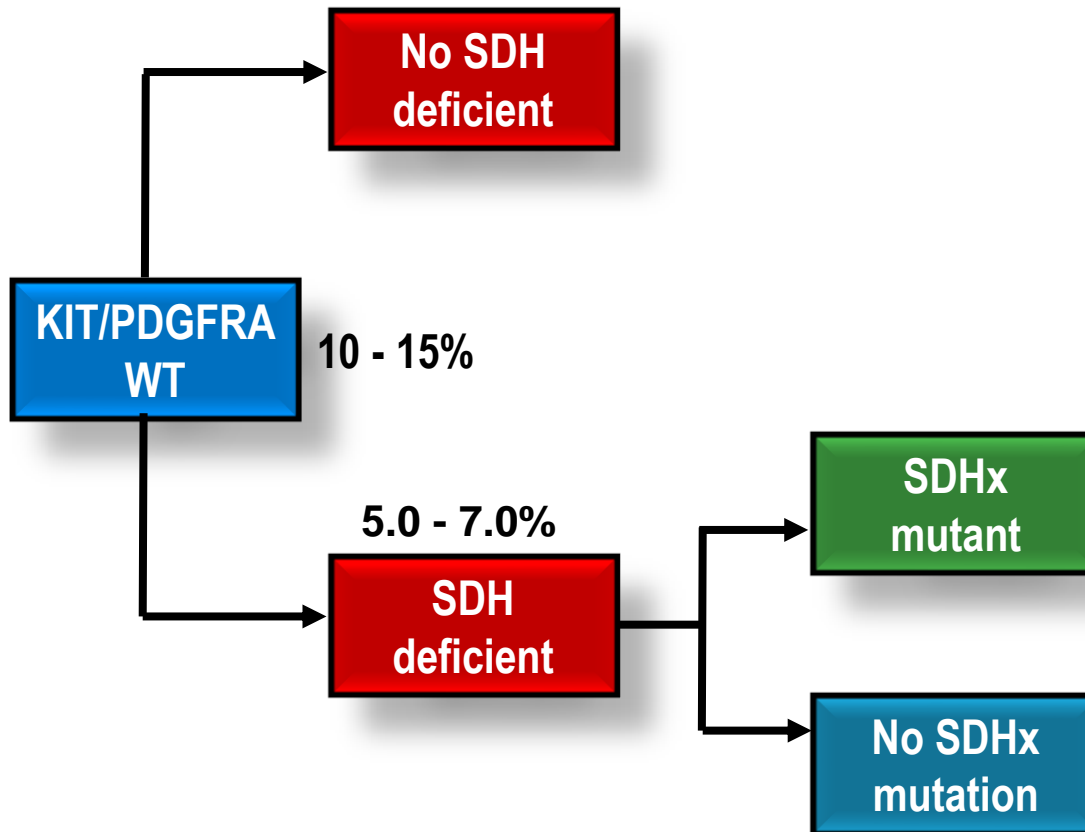
NF-1 ASSOCIATED GIST

- Neurofibromatosis type 1
 - ◆ Caused by germ-line *NF1* mutation (frequency 1/3000)
 - ◆ Autosomal dominant inheritance pattern
 - ◆ Familial tumor syndrome (benign neurofibromas, MNPST, gliomas, GISTs, juvenile monocytic leukemia)
- NF-1 GIST
 - ◆ 200-fold increased risk of GIST
 - ◆ >70% located in the duodenum or small bowel
 - ◆ Can be multi-focal
 - ◆ ~90% without activating *KIT/PDGFR* mutations
 - ◆ Activation of the MAPK pathway

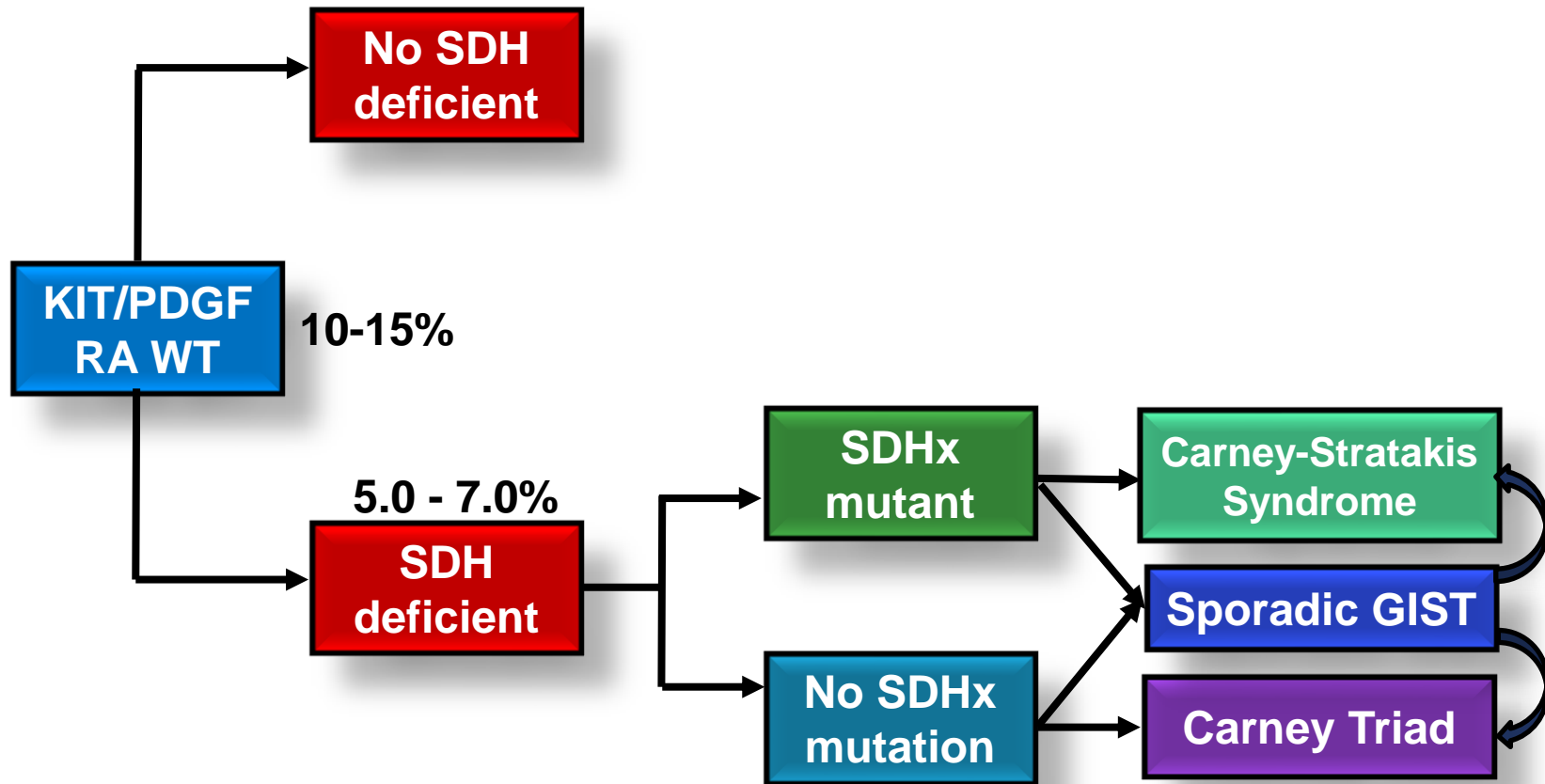
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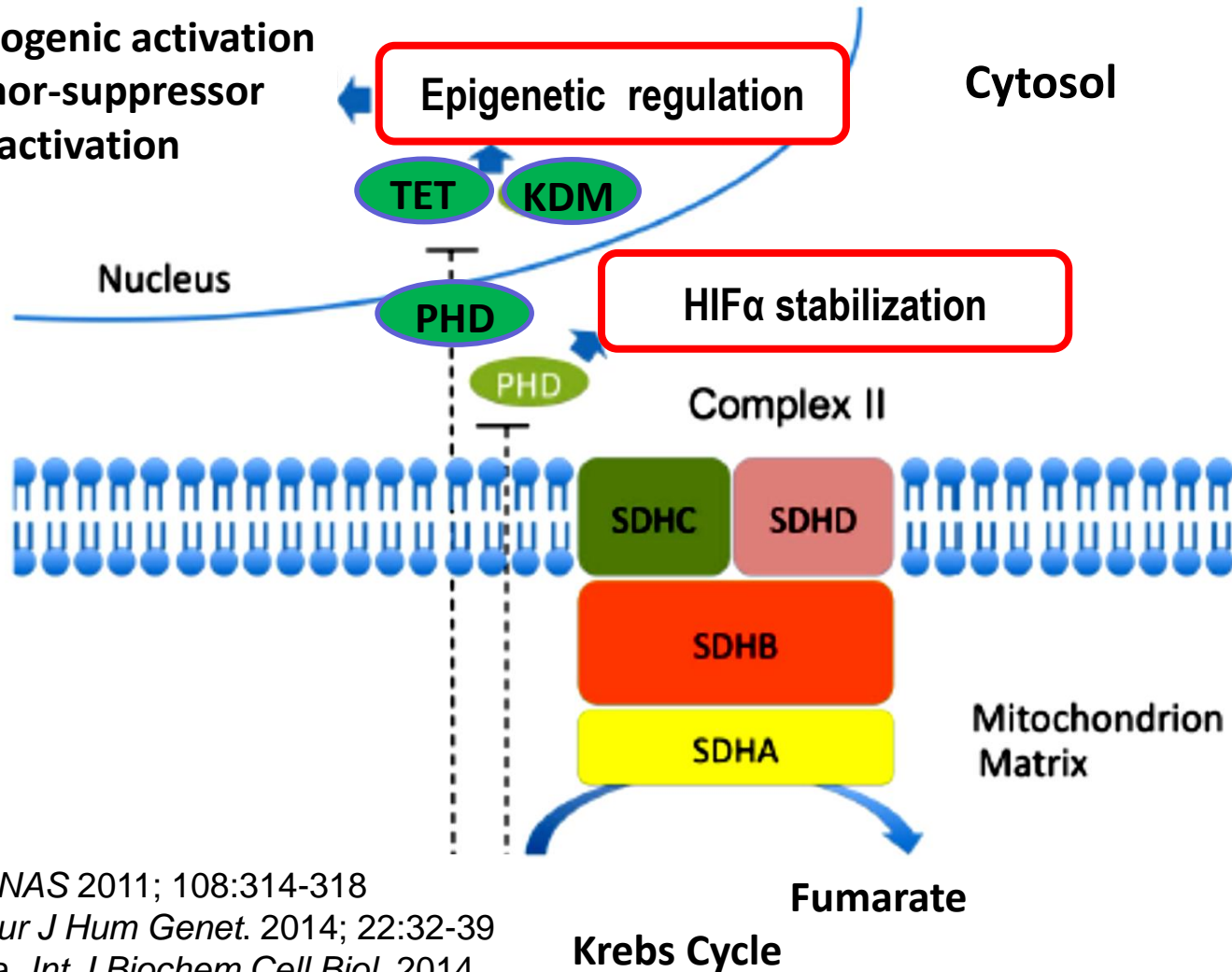


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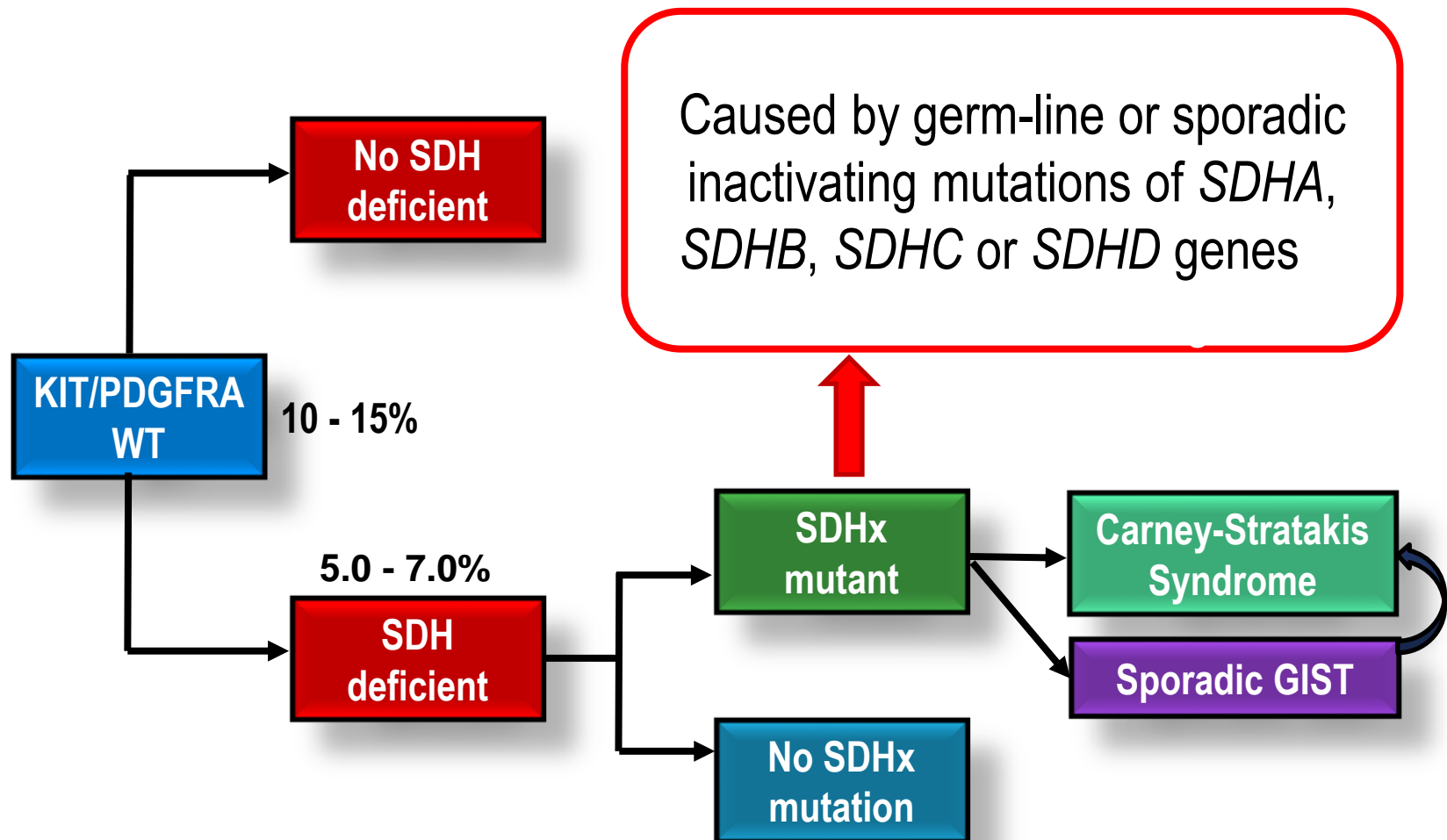
SDH-DEFICIENT GIST ARE CHARACTERIZED BY SDH-COMPLEX INACTIVATION

- Oncogenic activation
- Tumor-suppressor inactivation



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CARNEY-STRATAKIS SYNDROME (CARNEY DYAD)

- Hereditary condition, autosomal dominant inheritance pattern, incomplete penetrance
- Caused by germ-line inactivating mutations of *SDHB* (10%), *SDHC* (80%) or *SDHD* (10%) genes

(the same mutations are found in paraganglioma hereditary syndrome)

- Mutations lead to loss of expression of the protein
- Multifocal, gastric GISTs, SDHB-immunonegative
- Imatinib treatment might be less effective than in sporadic *KIT/PDGFR*A-mutant GISTs

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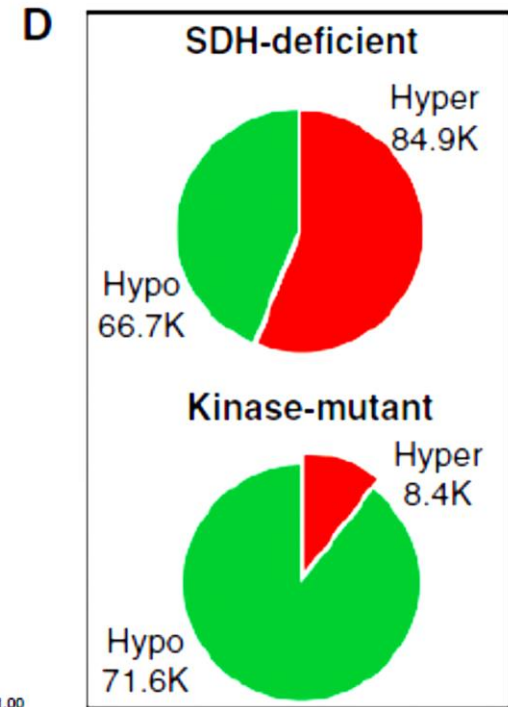
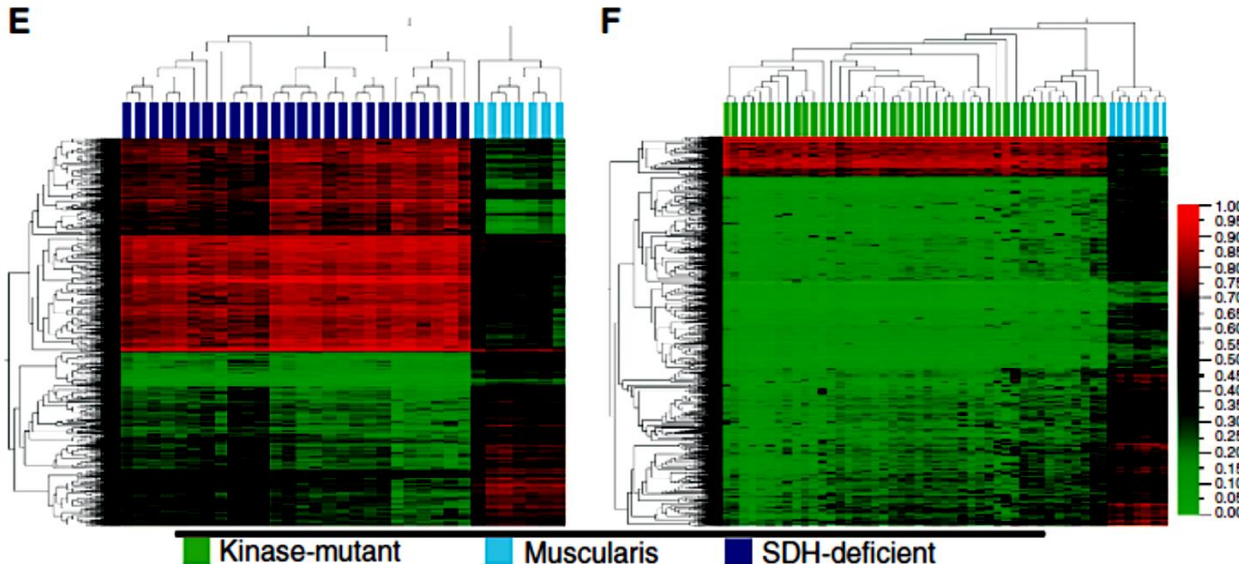
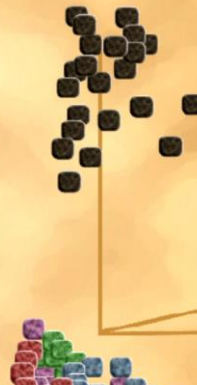
DIVERGENCE BETWEEN THE DNA METHYLATION PROFILES OF SDH-DEFICIENT GIST VS. KIT-MUTATED GIST

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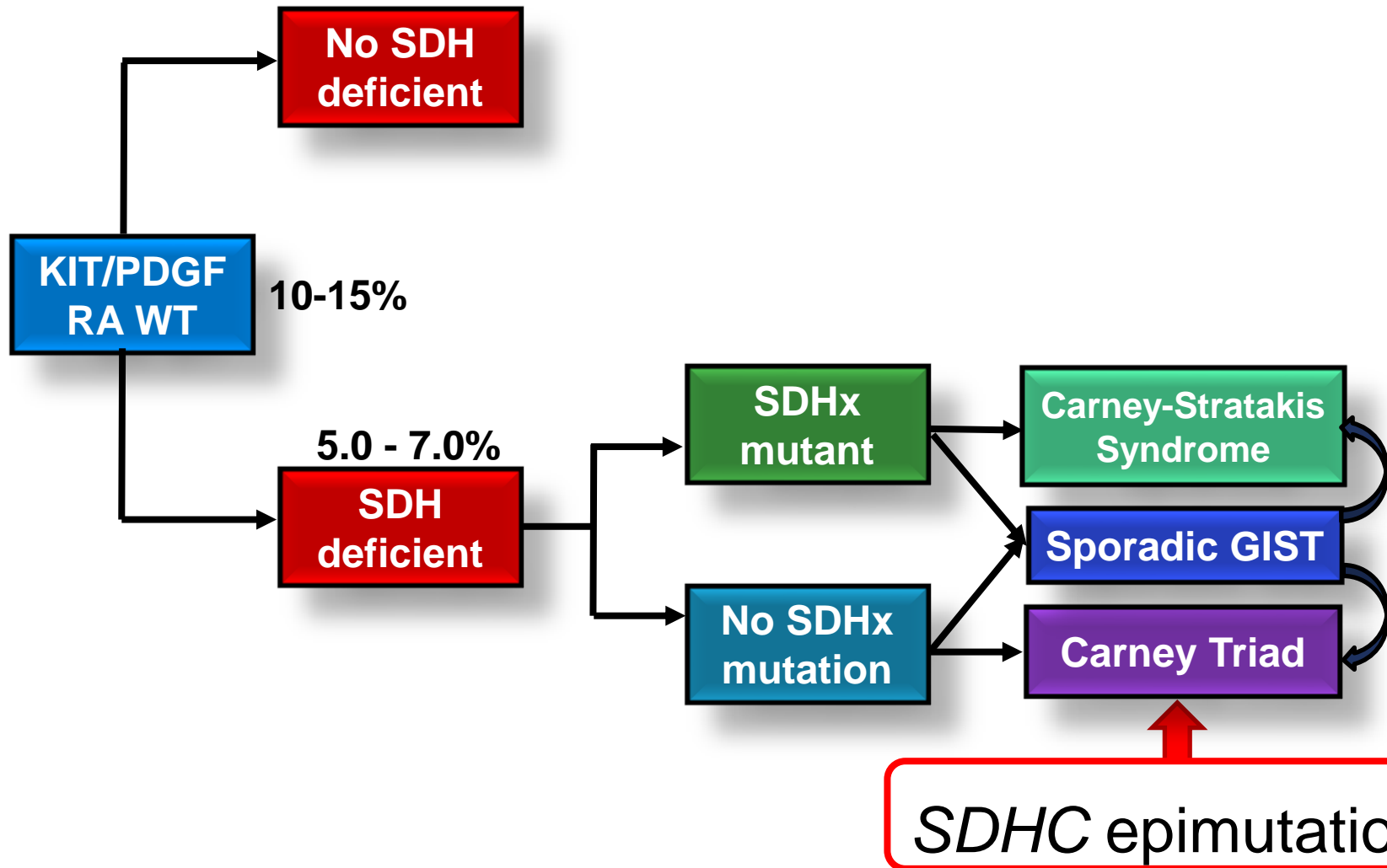
RESEARCH BRIEF

Succinate Dehydrogenase Mutation Underlies Global Epigenomic Divergence in Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumor AC

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CARNEY TRIAD

Non-familial association of different tumor types

- ♦ Multifocal, gastric, epithelioid type of **GIST**, frequently CD117-immunonegative
- ♦ **Pulmonary chondromas** (usually multiple)
- ♦ **Paragangliomas**
- ♦ Less frequently: Pheochromocytomas / Adrenal adenomas, Esophageal leiomyoma

**Only 20%
all three
components**

Female predilection, young age at diagnosis

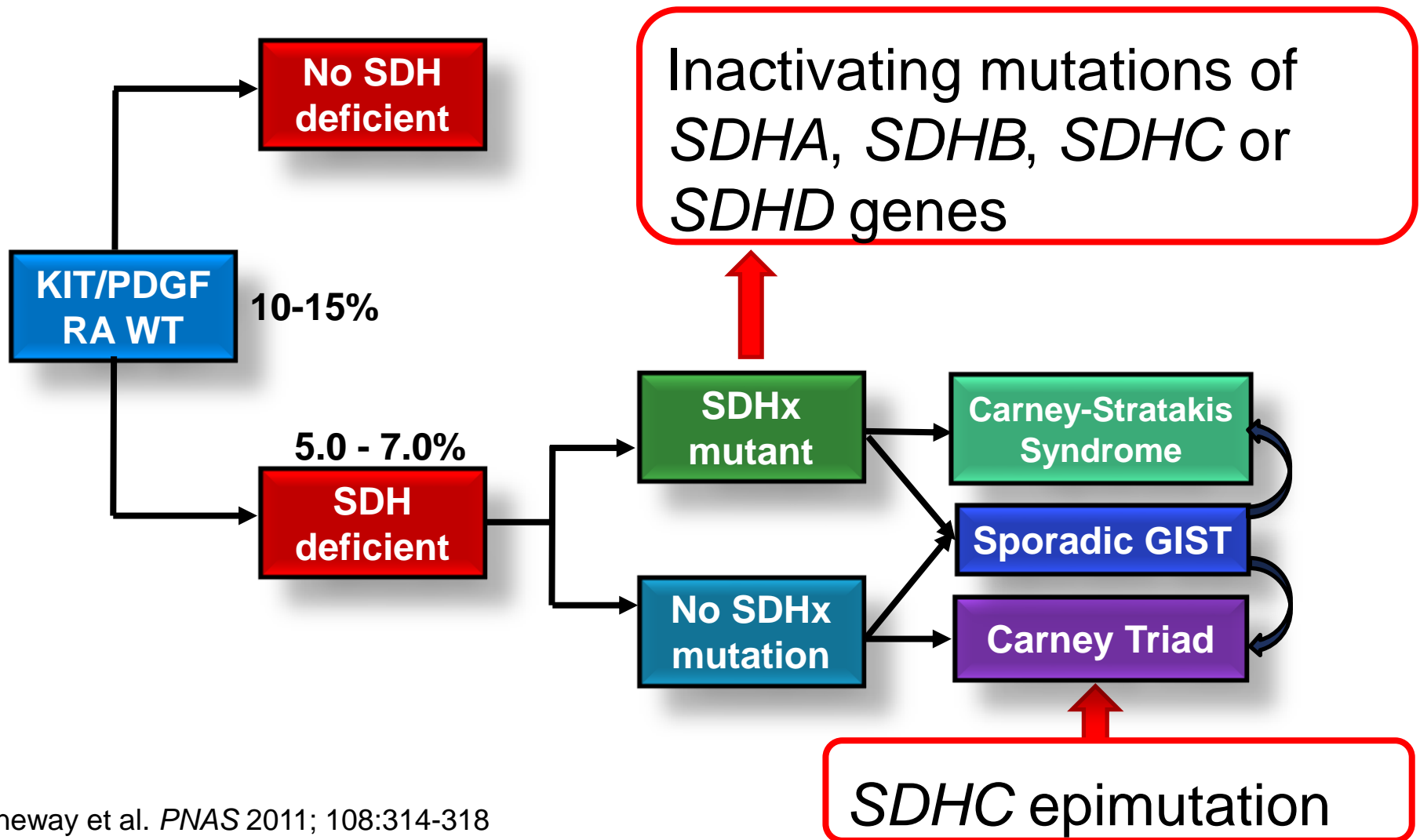
Lymph node involvement

Caused by primary/de novo **SDHC epimutation**

- GIST by IHC: SDHB (-), SDHA (+)

Imatinib less effective than for KIT/PDGRA-mutant GIST

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NON-SYNDROMIC SDH-DEFICIENT GIST

- Typically occur in children and young adults (85%), female predominance
- Multinodular or multiple, exclusively gastric tumors, common lymphovascular invasion, may remain clinically stable after metastatic spread
- 50% have *SDH* gene mutation, often germ-line
 - Most commonly *SDHA* (30%) – *SDHA*-immunonegative, occur at an older age
 - *SDHB*, *SDHC*, *SDHD* (together 20%)
- Hypermethylation of the *SDHC* promoter is an alternative mechanism
- Characterized by the extensive genomic methylation pattern
- Overexpress IGF1R – possible target for the therapy

CHARACTERIZATION OF *KIT*/*PDGFRA*-WT GIST

RAS-P MUTANTS		SDH DEFICIENT		QUADRUPLE WT
NF-1	RAS-BRAF	SDH mutation	No SDH mutation	No RAS-P / No SDH mutations
SDHB+	SDHB+	SDHB-	SDHB-	SDHB+
IGF1R-	IGF1R-	IGFR+	IGFR+	IGF1R-
Young adults/ Adults	Adults	Pediatric/ Young adults	Pediatric/ Young adults	Any age?
Equal sex	Equal sex	Prevalence of female	Prevalence of female?	Equal sex
Multifocal	Single	Often multifocal	Multifocal?	Single?
Sm.intestine	Gastric/ Sm.intestine	Gastric	Gastric?	Any site?
		Lymph nodes involvement		

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KIT/PDGFRα “WILD-TYPE” GIST

- The molecular background and underlying mechanisms of this subtype of GIST are heterogeneous
- Once a germline SDHx mutation is found in a patient with SDH-deficient GIST, it is very important to screen other members of the family for the same mutation
- WT GIST are less sensitive to tyrosine kinase inhibition
- Optimization of medical management, including clinical test of novel therapies is needed

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Thank You

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