



„Modern Radiobiology“ State of the Art and Future Perspectives

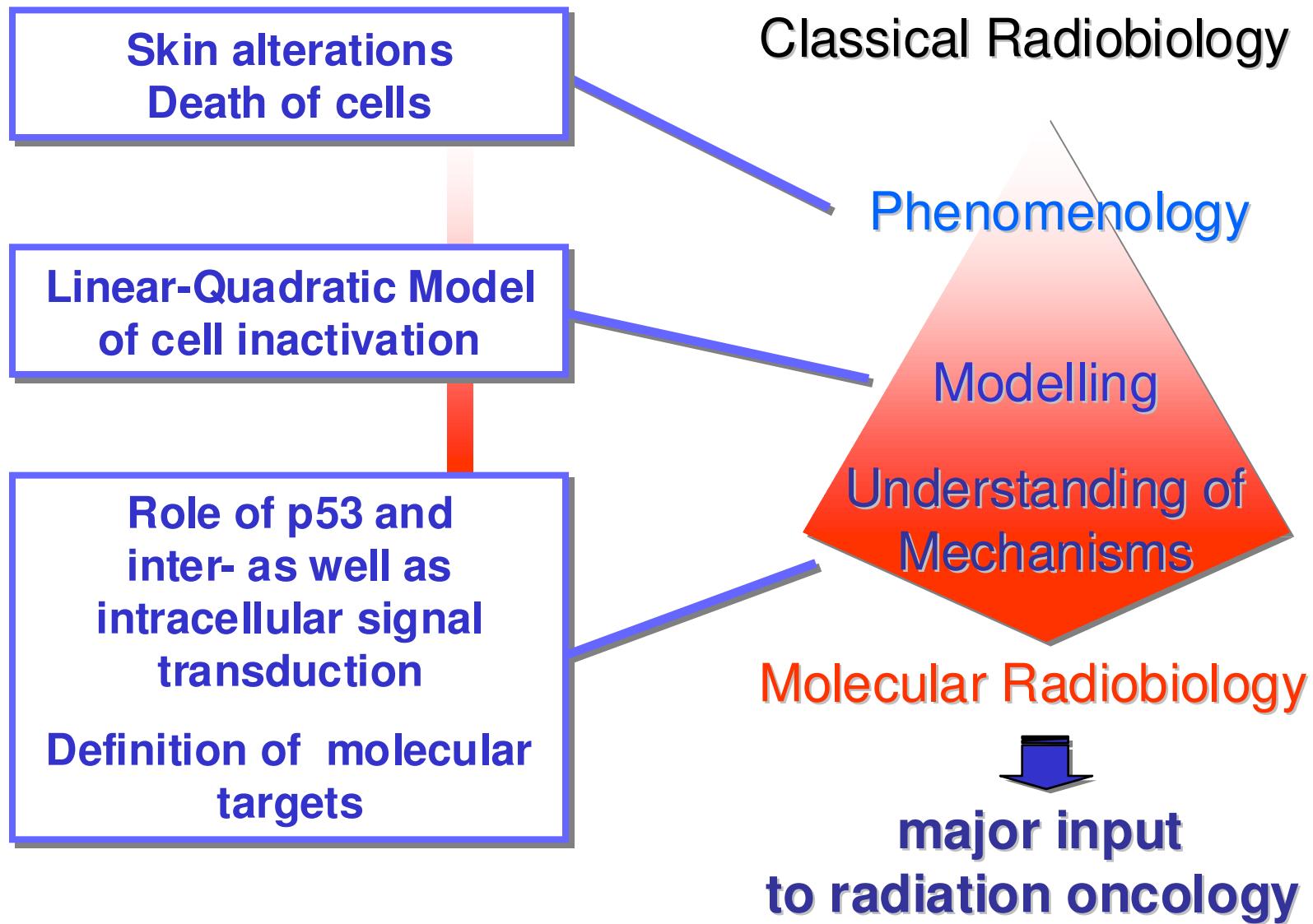
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Radiobiology: A changing science



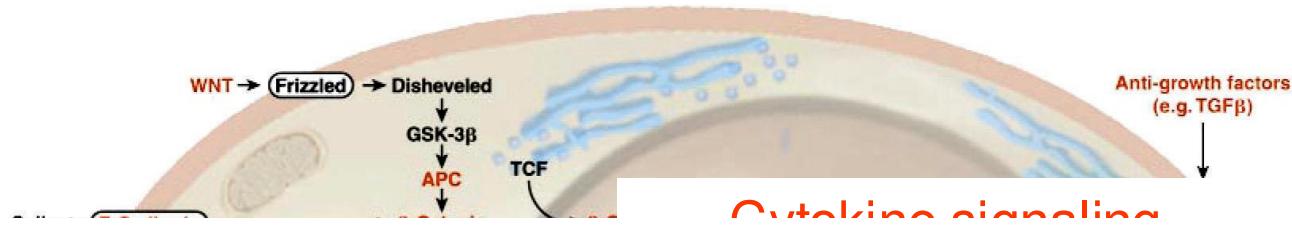


What are the future perspectives ?

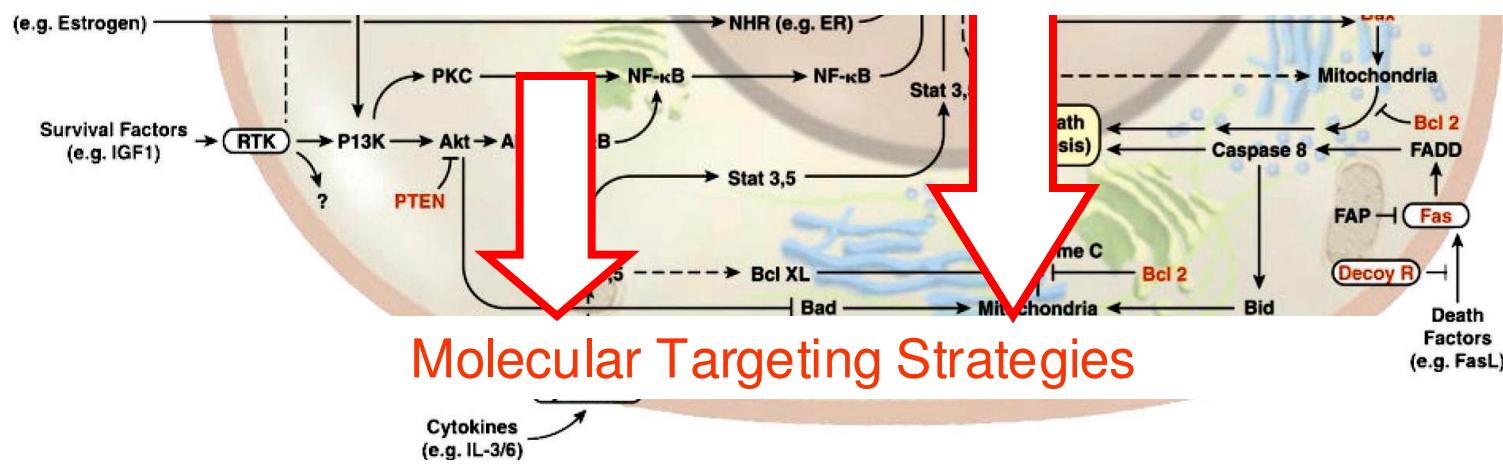
- Identification of molecular targets for radiosensitization / radioprotection in the context of their normal and pathological mechanisms
- Identification of tissue specific target structures on the basis of biological / molecular imaging
- Identification of genetic markers of individual radiation sensitivity (*Genomics / Proteomics*)
- Development of molecular prediction for RT (*Theranostics*)
- Application of stem cells to rescue damaged normal tissue



Target identification

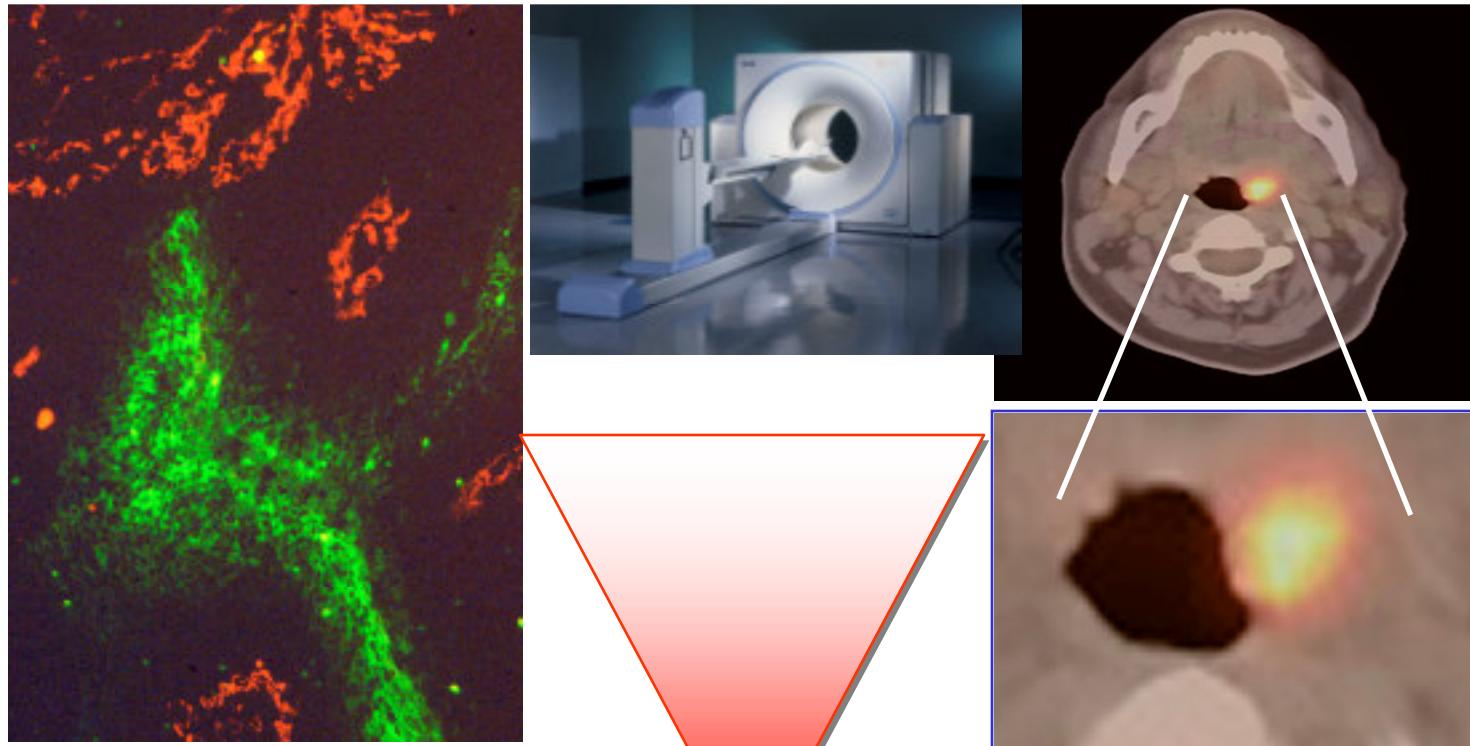


If we understand all the details, the most relevant molecular targets can be defined to develop the best possible therapeutic strategy in RO !





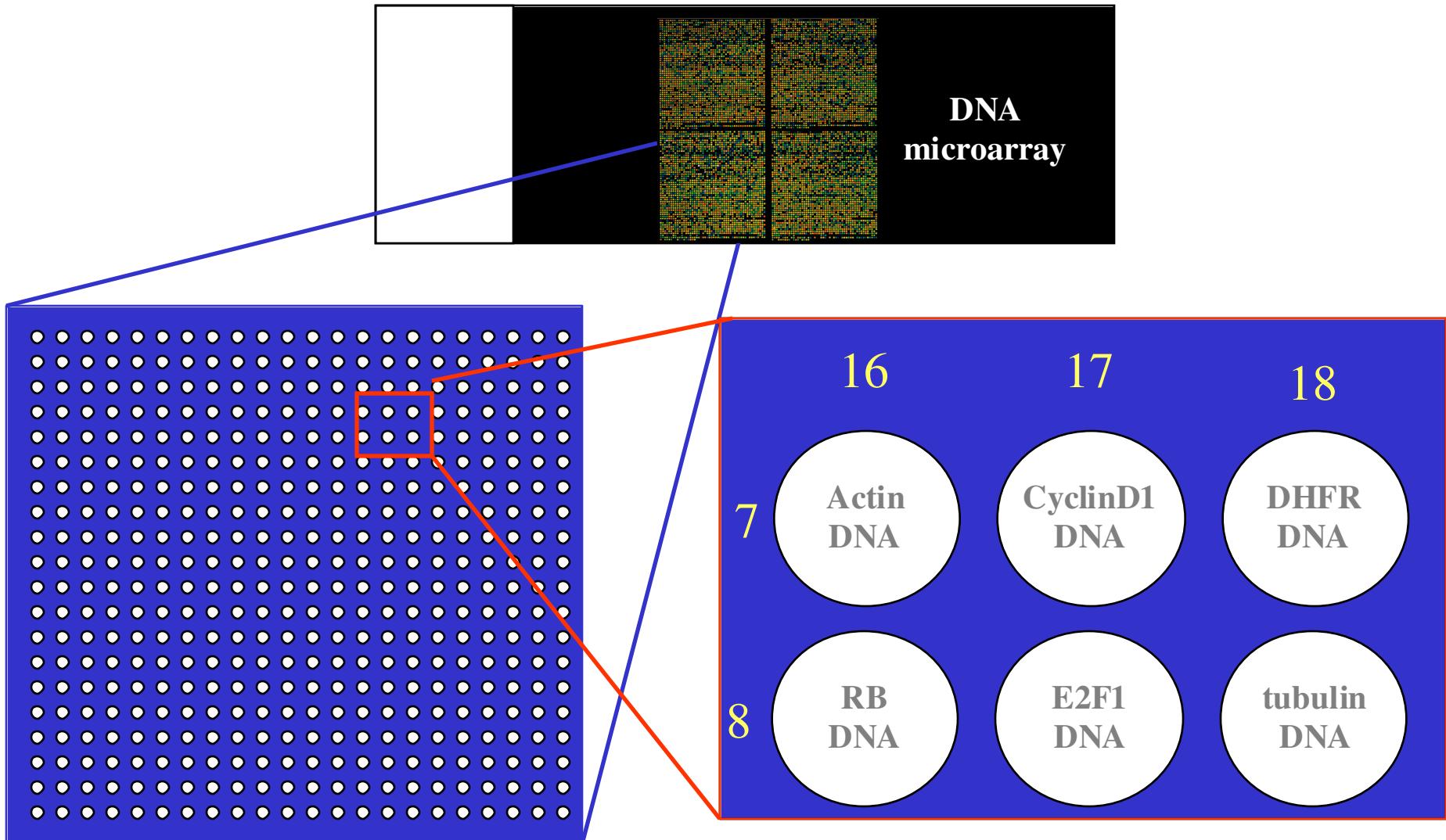
Functional molecular imaging



high resolution PET-CT / PET-MRI



Genomics

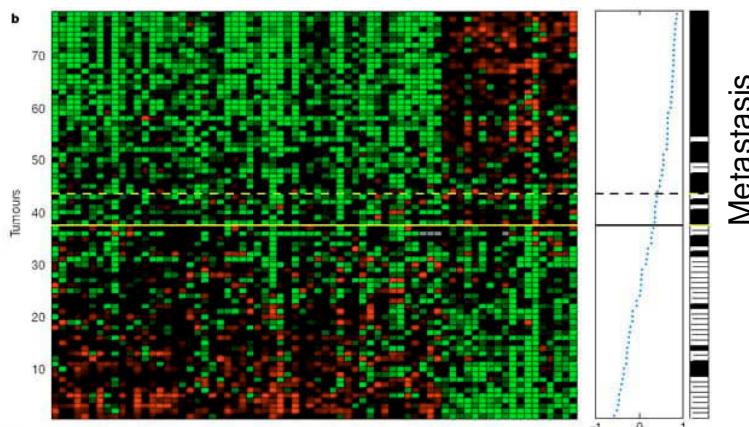




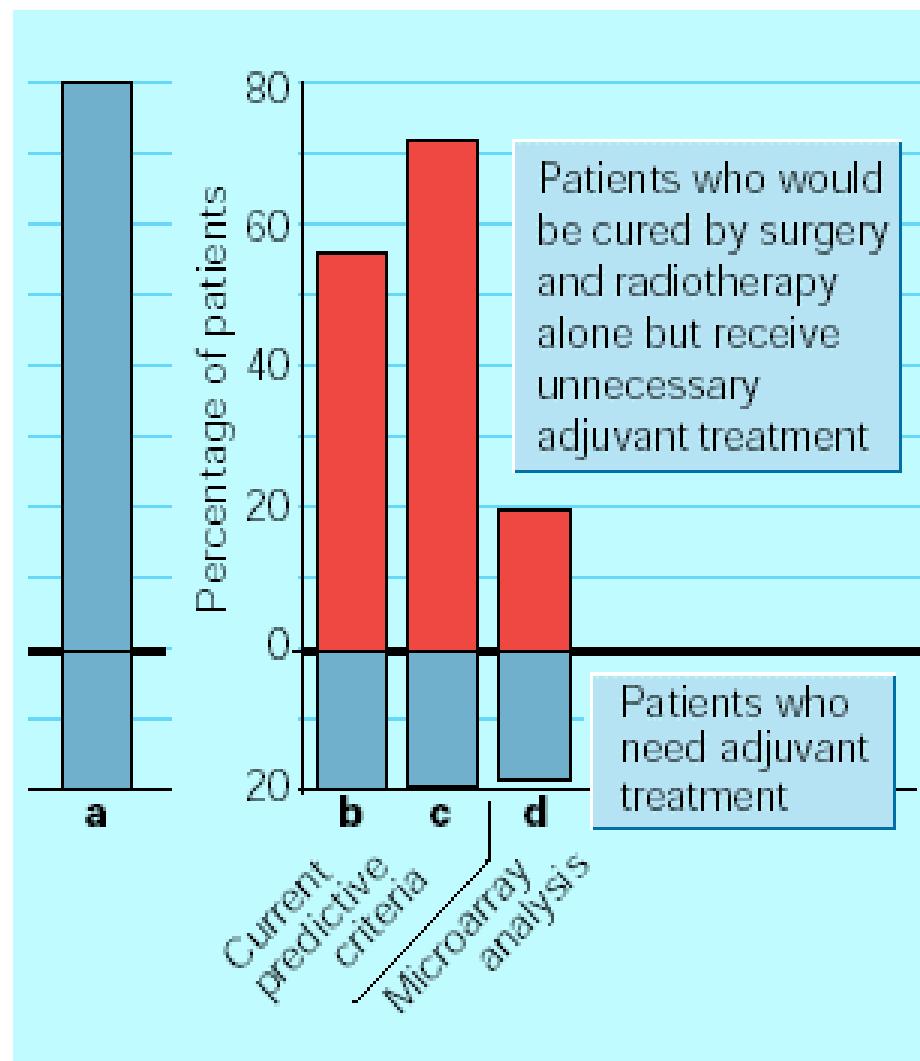
Prognostic profiling

Gene expression profiling predicts clinical outcome of breast cancer

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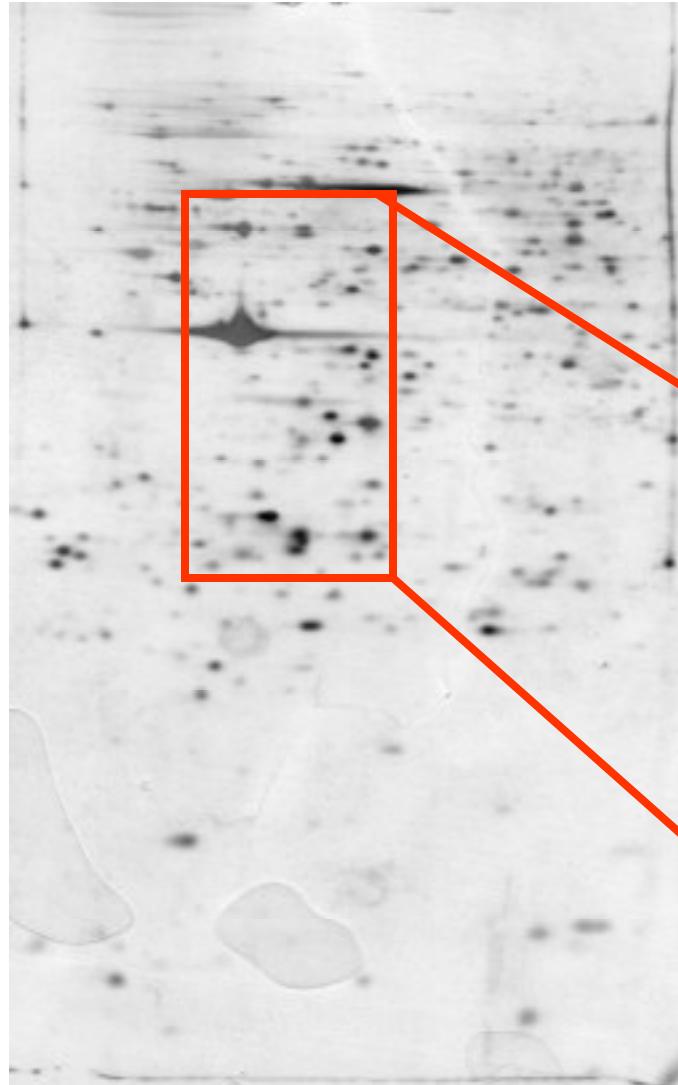


Nature, Vol 415, 31 January 2002

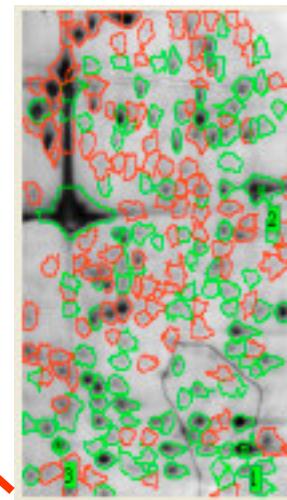




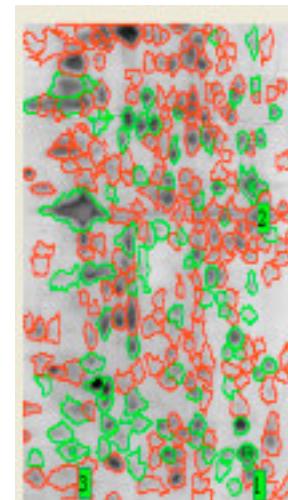
Proteomics



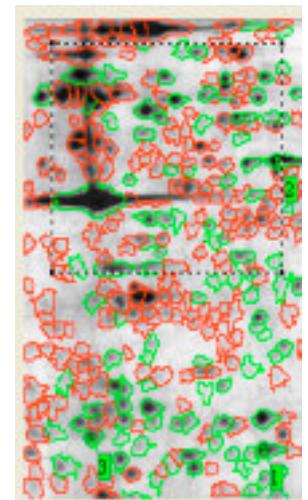
2D-PAGE (pH range 4-7) of non-irradiated lymphocytes from normal, radiation sensitive and radiation resistant identical twins !



normal
87 proteins



sensitive
-12 proteins

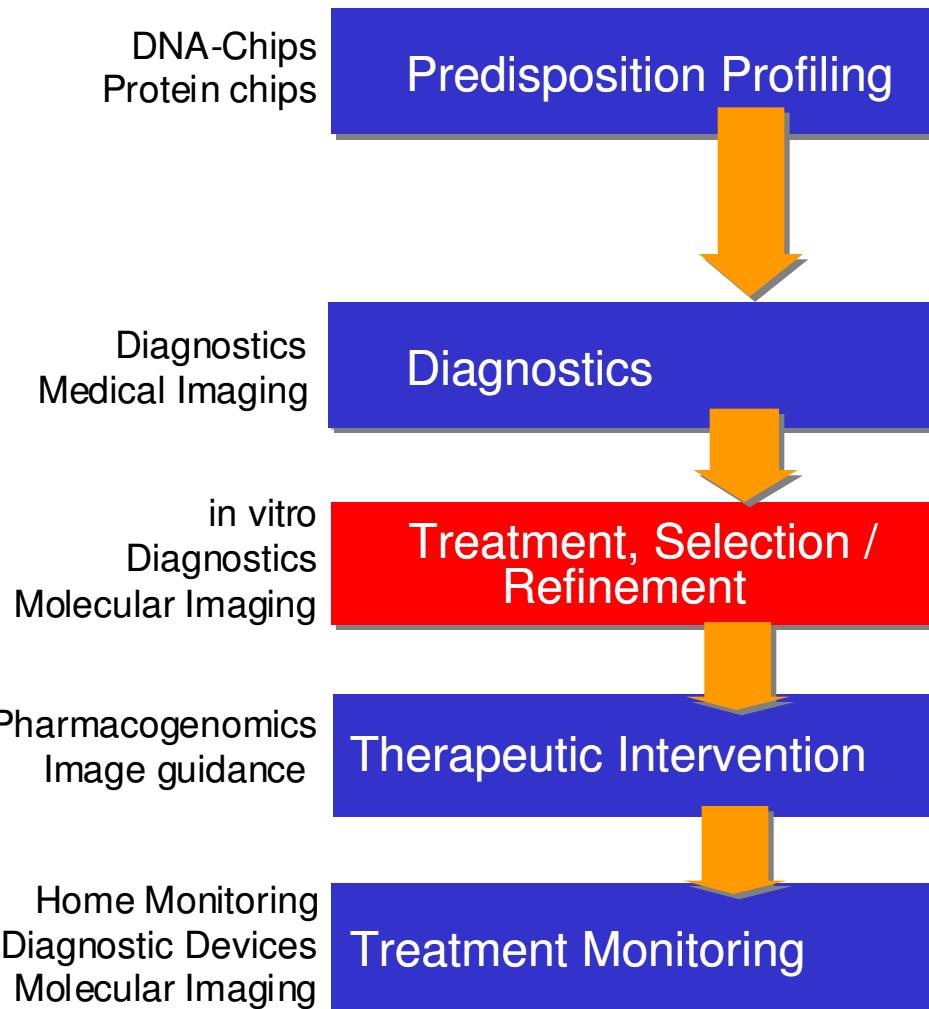


resistant
+15 proteins



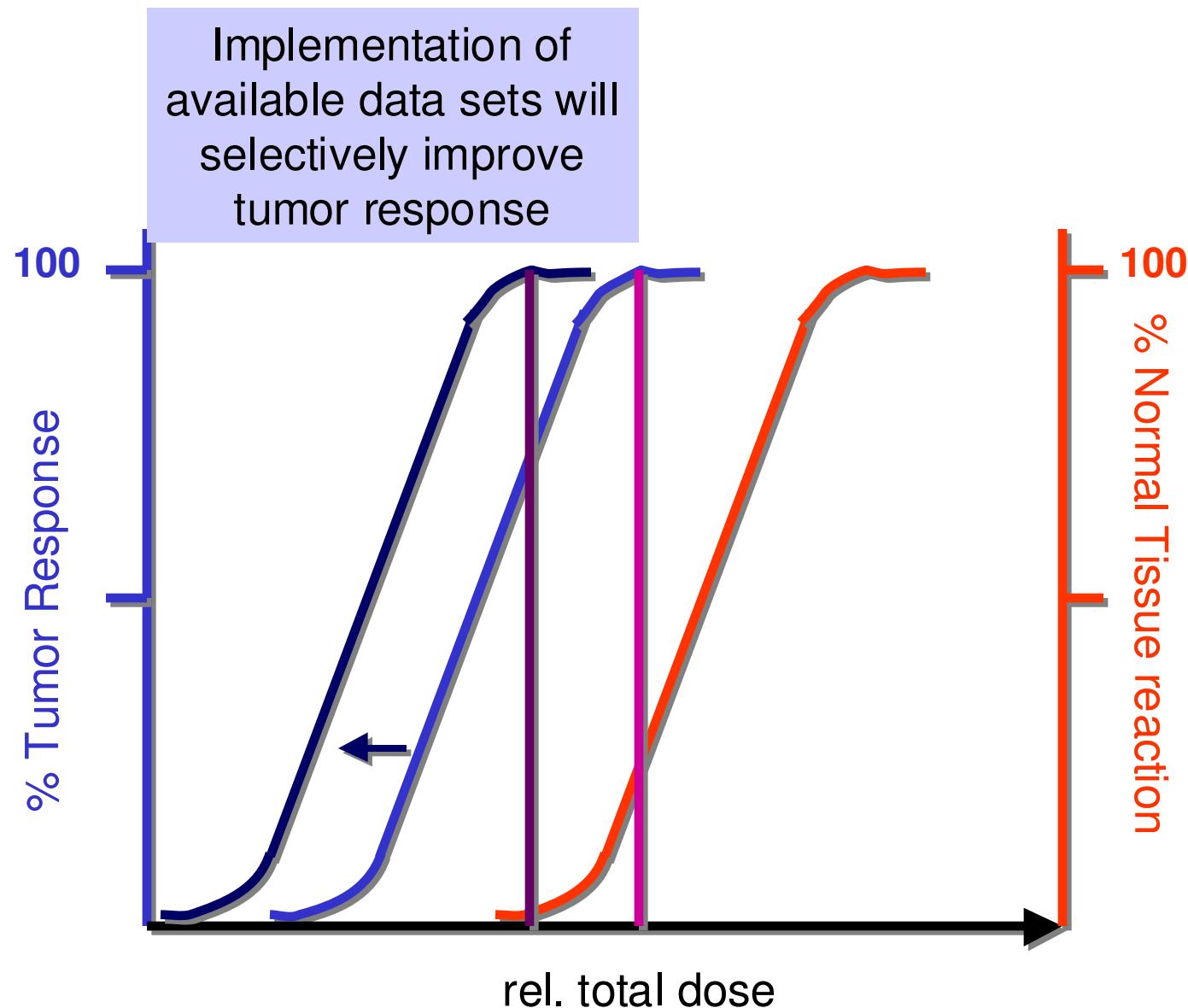
Theranostics

Theranostics: link between diagnostics and therapy



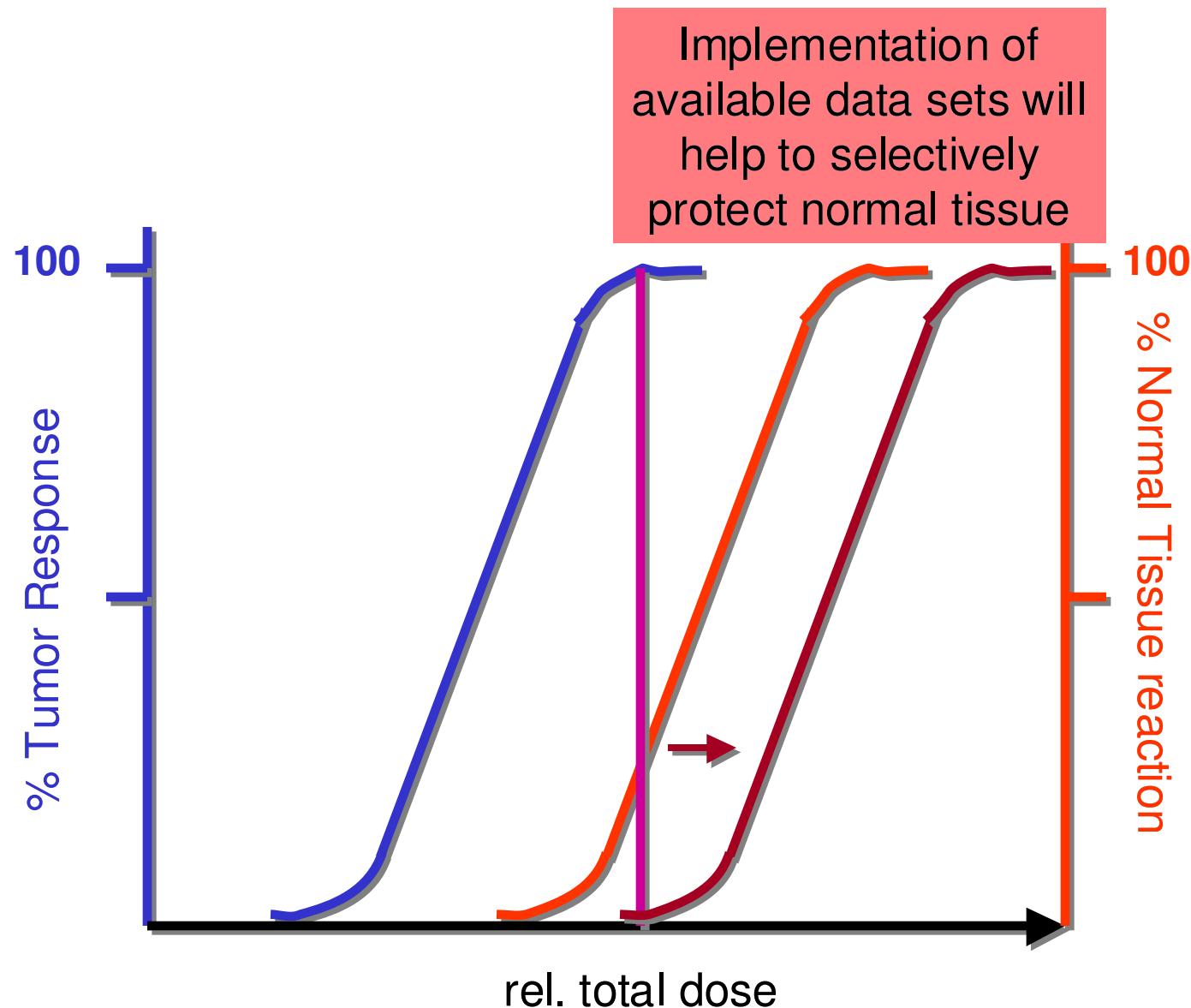


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Molecular Targeting Strategies to improve tumor and prevent normal tissue responses

EXAMPLE 1 : *EGF-Receptor antagonists as target to improve tumor response*

EXAMPLE 2 : *TGF β 1-production/signaling as target to prevent radiation-induced fibrosis*

EXAMPLE 3 : *Bowman Birk Protease Inhibitor (BBI) and Phospho-Tyrosine as tools to selectively protect normal tissue*



EGFR



EGFR overexpression in human tumors

Solid tumors presenting
overexpressed or mutated EGFR

- H&N 80-100%
- Renal 50-90%
- Breast 14-91%
- Esophageal 43-89%
- Prostate 40-80%
- NSCLC 40-80%
- Colorectal 25-77%
- Gastric 33-74%
- Ovarian 35-70%
- Glioma 40-63%
- Pancreatic 30-50%
- Bladder 31-48%

overexpression / mutation is associated
with ...

- enhanced receptor signaling
- massive tumor growth
- enhanced invasive and metastatic potential

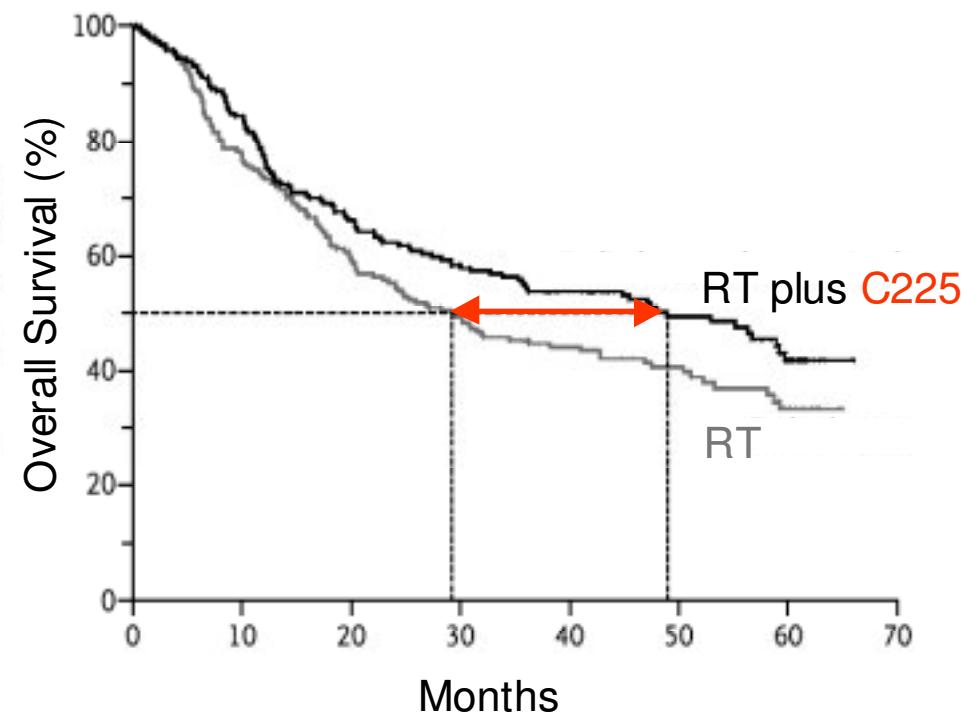
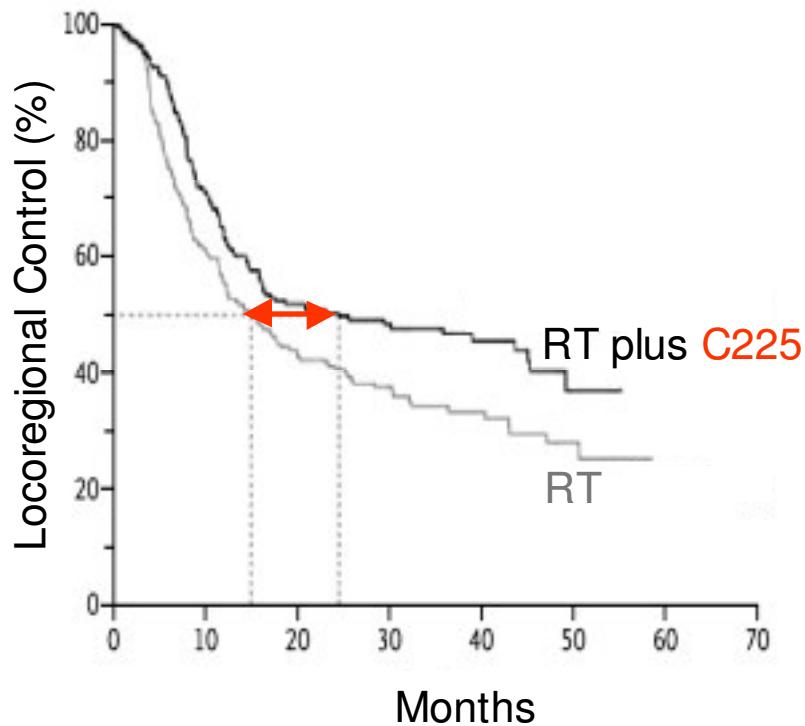
...and is generally correlated with
resistance to chemo-/ radiotherapy



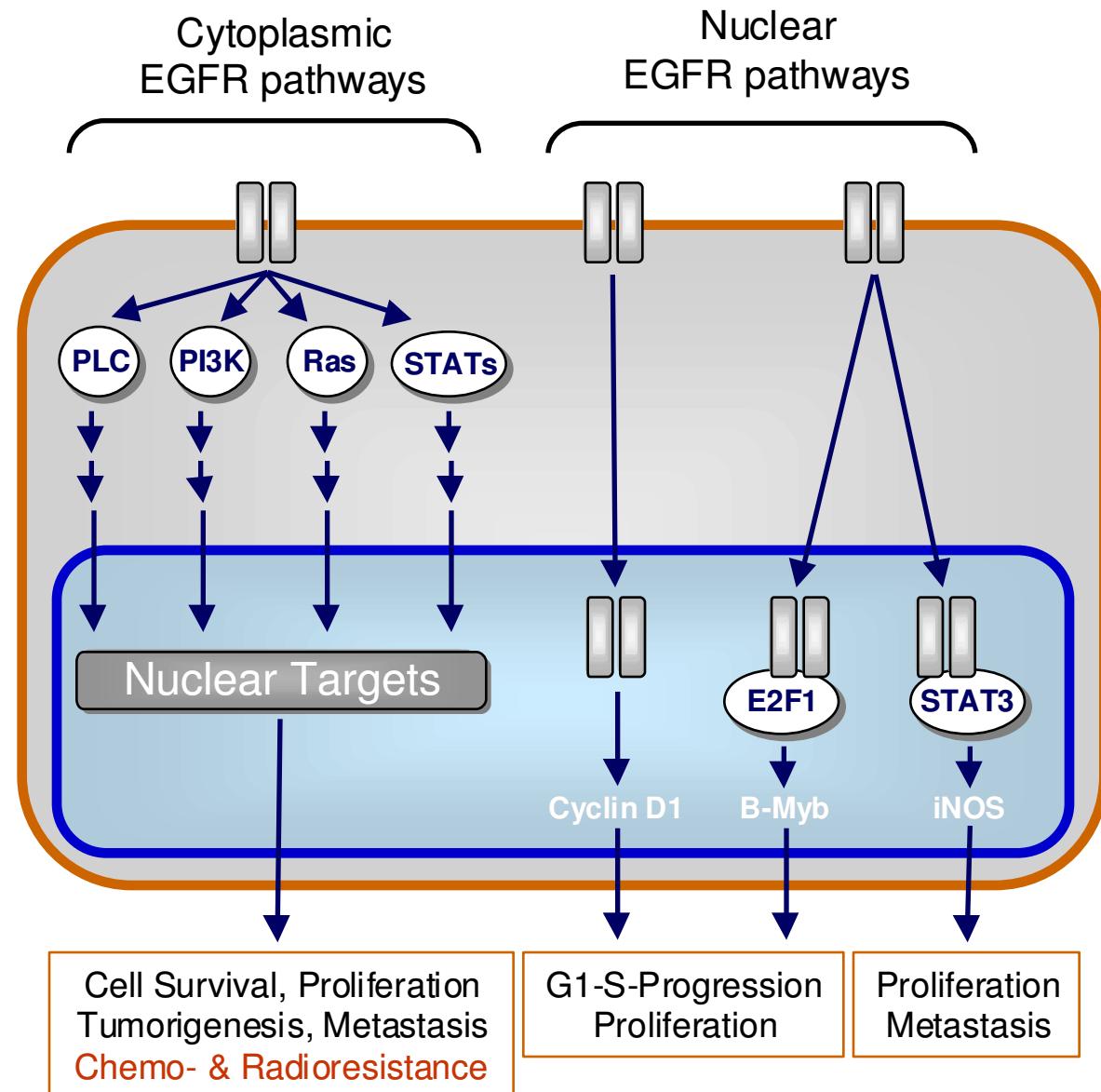
EGFR overexpression in human tumors

Bonner et al. New Engl J Med 2006

424 H&N tumor patients : 213 RT+Cetuximab (C225) / 211 RT alone

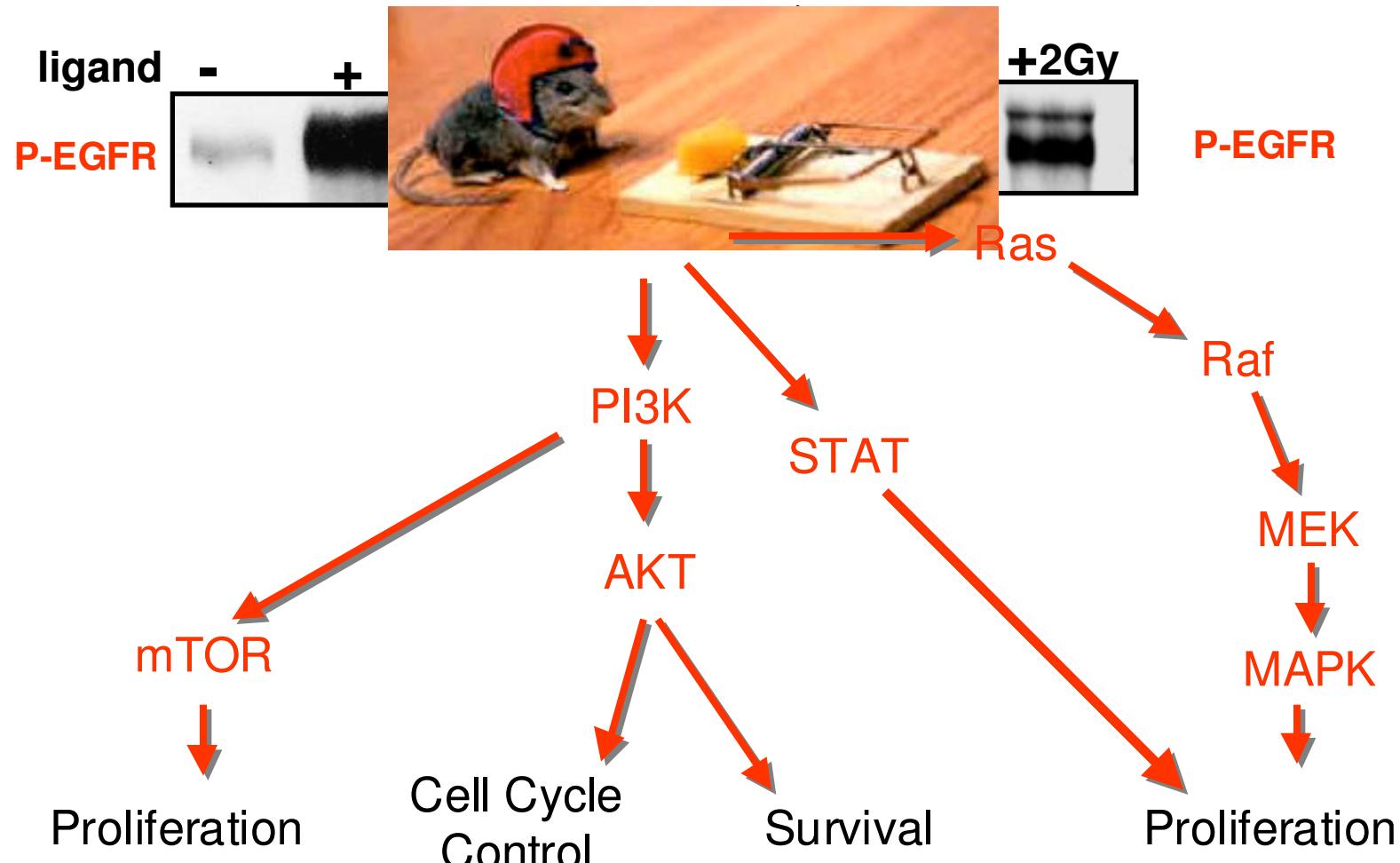


EGFR signaling





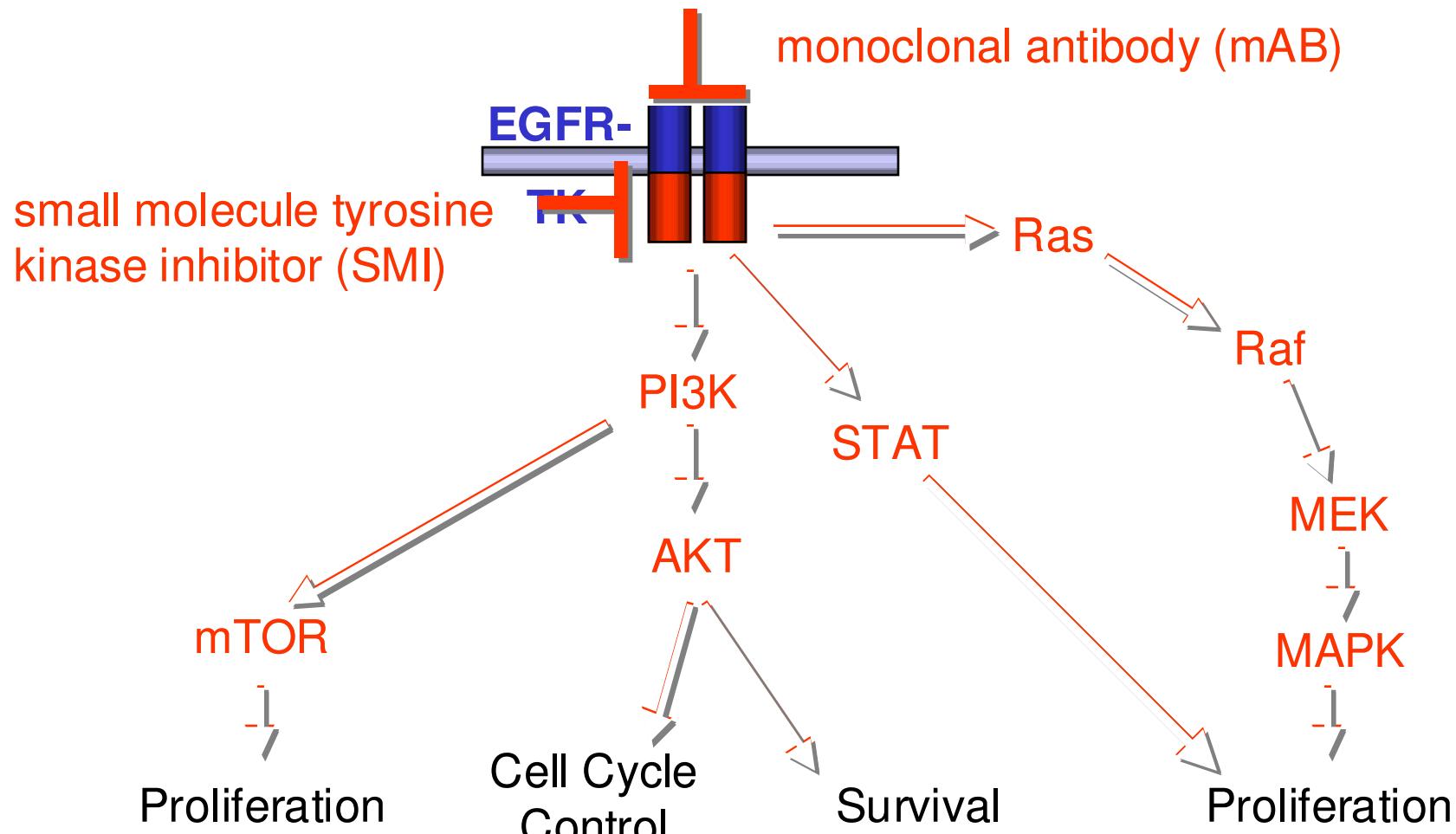
Activated EGF receptor and its cellular consequences



➤ **Radioresistance**



Targeting EGFR signaling



➤ Radiosensitization



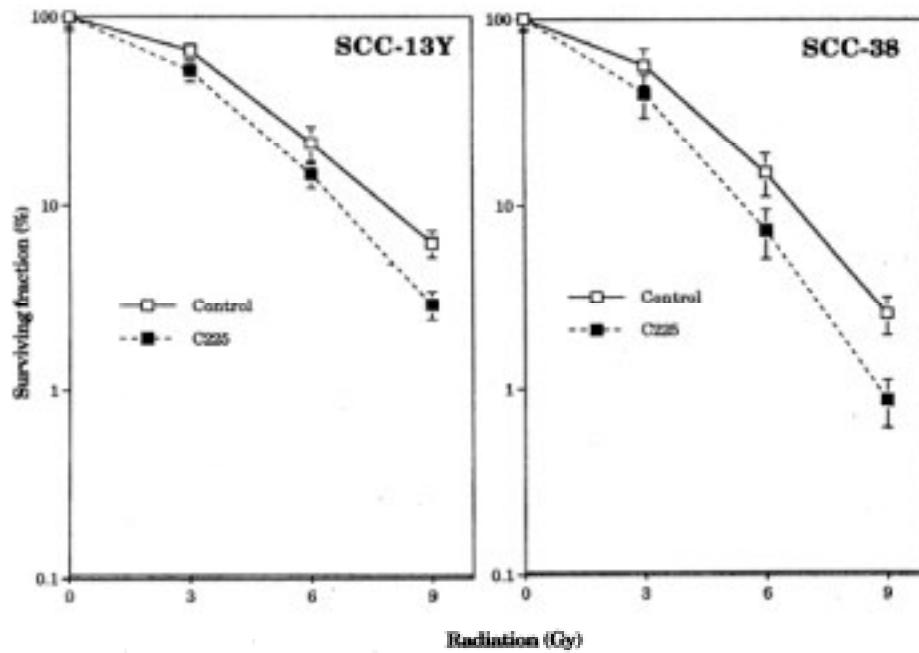
C225 leads to radiosensitization in vitro and in vivo

Harari et al. 2001 IJROBP 49:427-433

Krause et al. 2005 Radiother. Oncol. 74:109-115

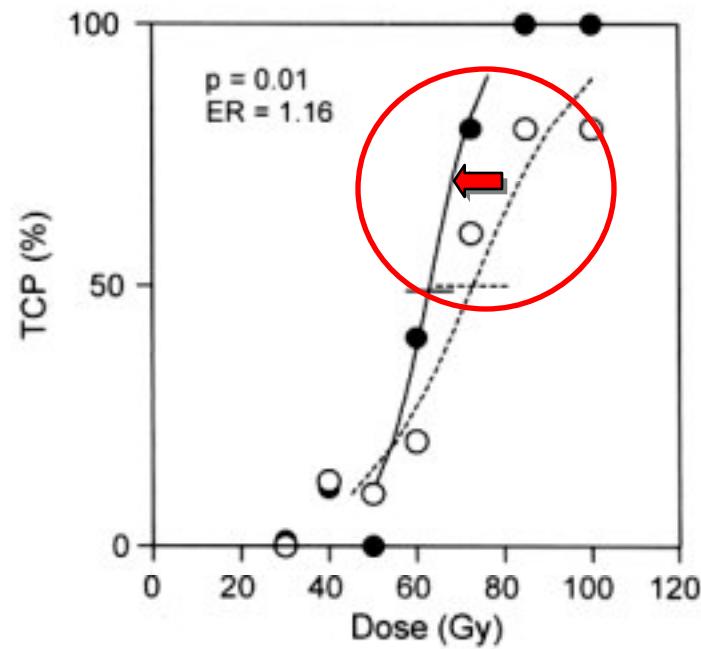
Clonogenic assay in vitro

H&N SCC cell lines



Tumor Control Study in vivo

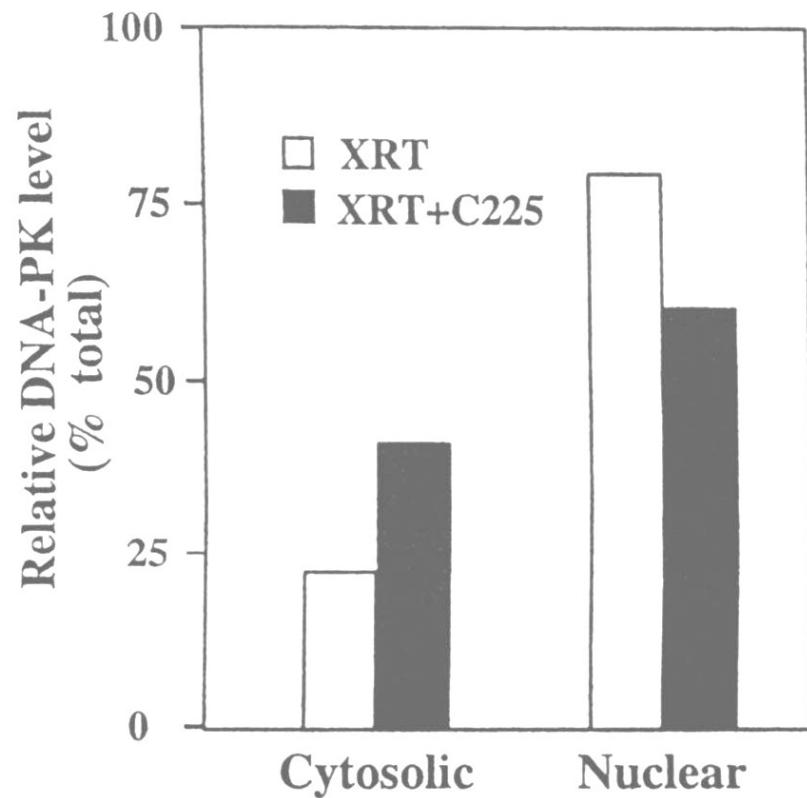
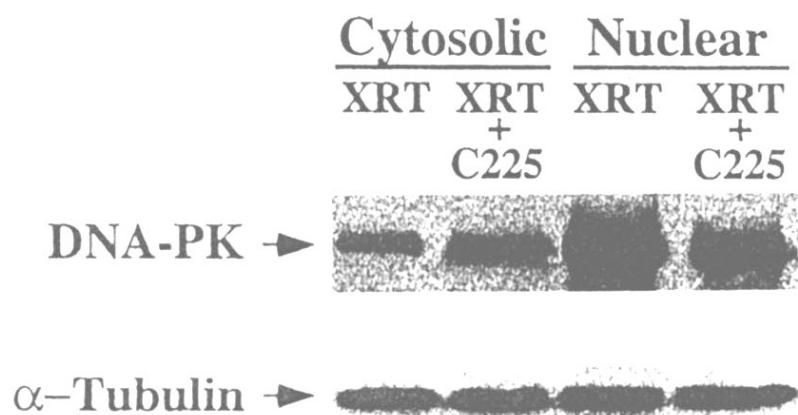
FaDu tumor xenograft model





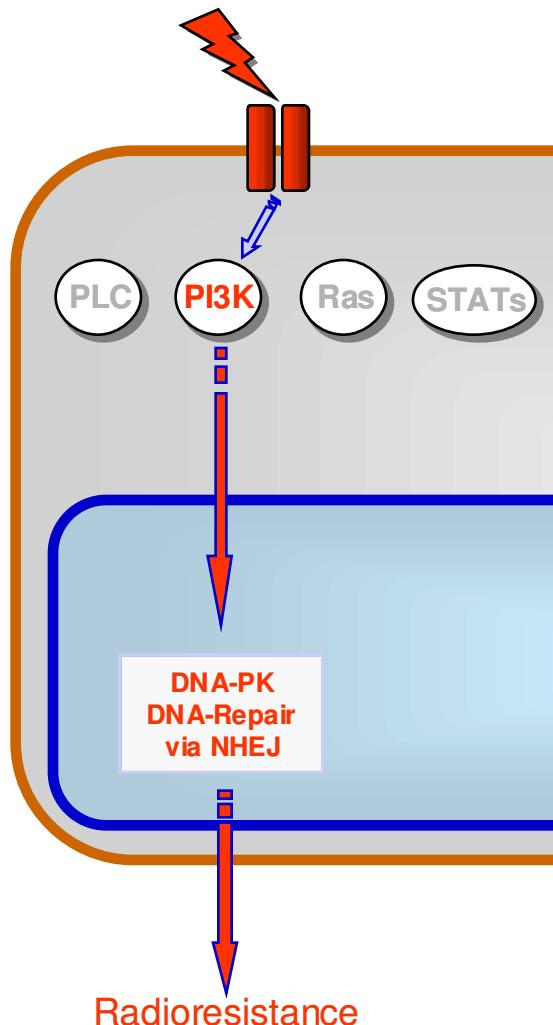
Effect of C225 on localisation of DNA-PK

Huang et al. 2000 Clin. Cancer Res. 6:2166-2174





Radiation-induced EGFR signaling

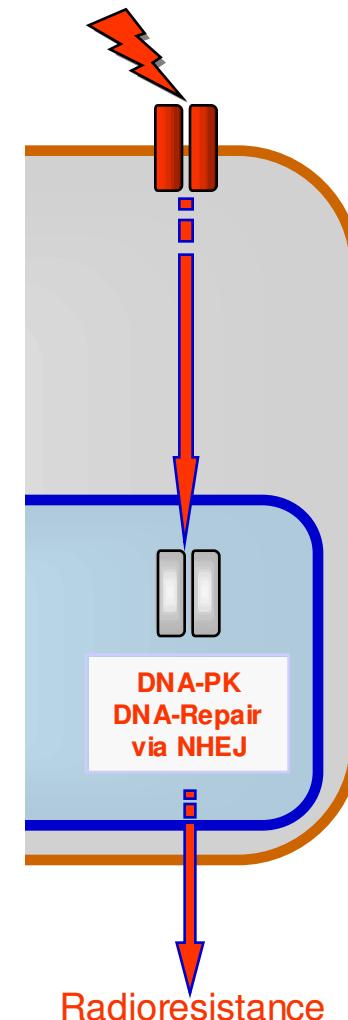


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Radiother Oncol 2008

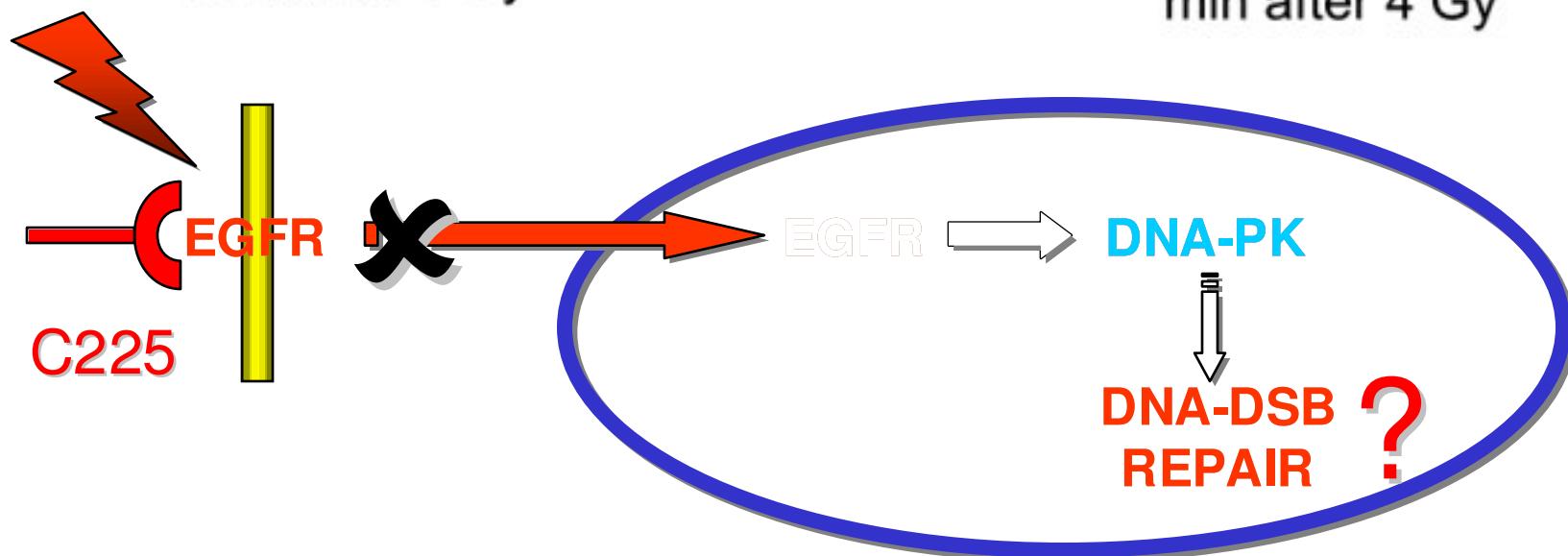
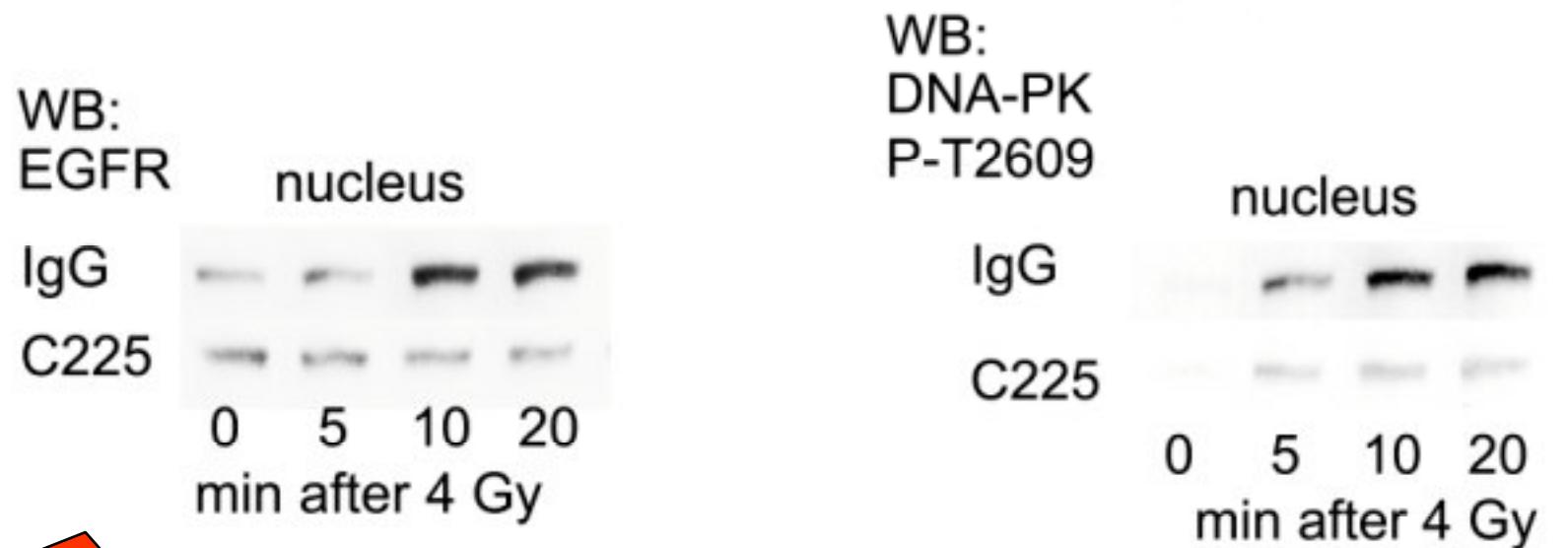
Toulany et al.
Radiother Oncol 2005a
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Clin Cancer Res 2006
Mol Cancer Res 2007

Rodemann et al.
Sem Rad Oncol 2007
Int J Rad Biol 2007



C225 prevents radiation-induced nuclear translocation of EGFR and activation of DNA-PK

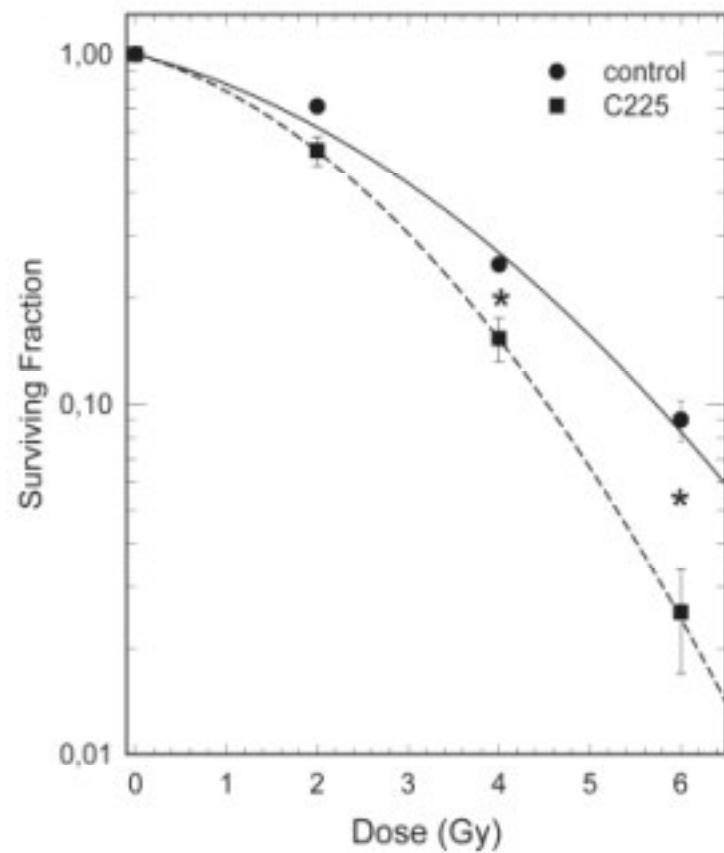
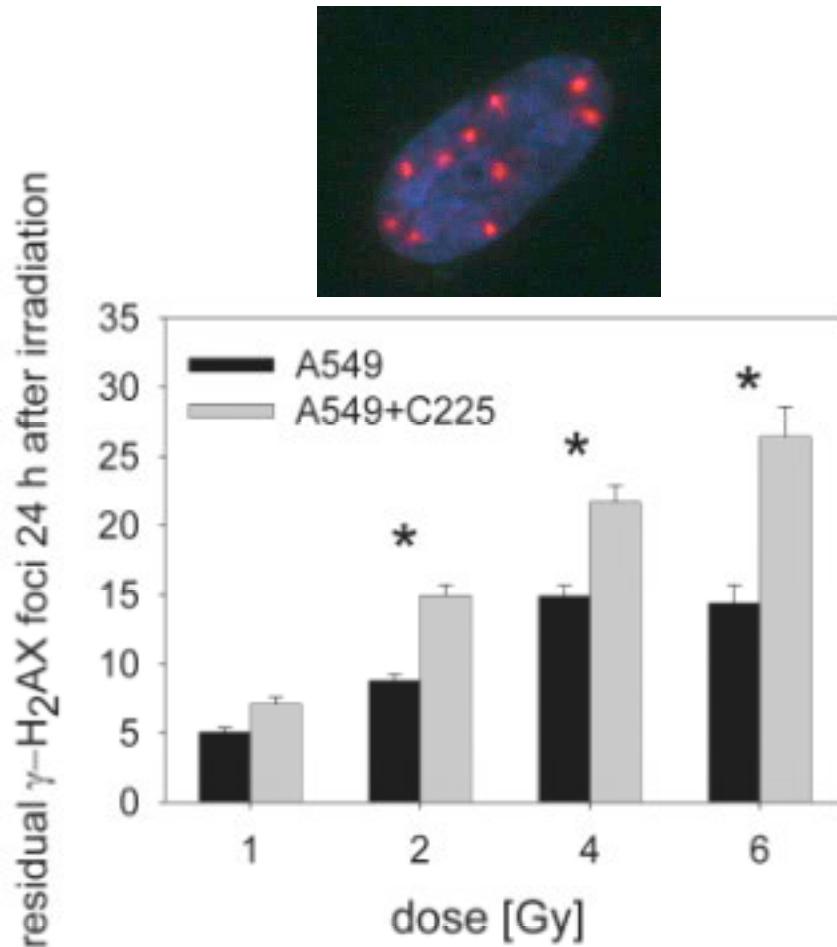
Dittmann et al. J. Biol. Chem. 2005





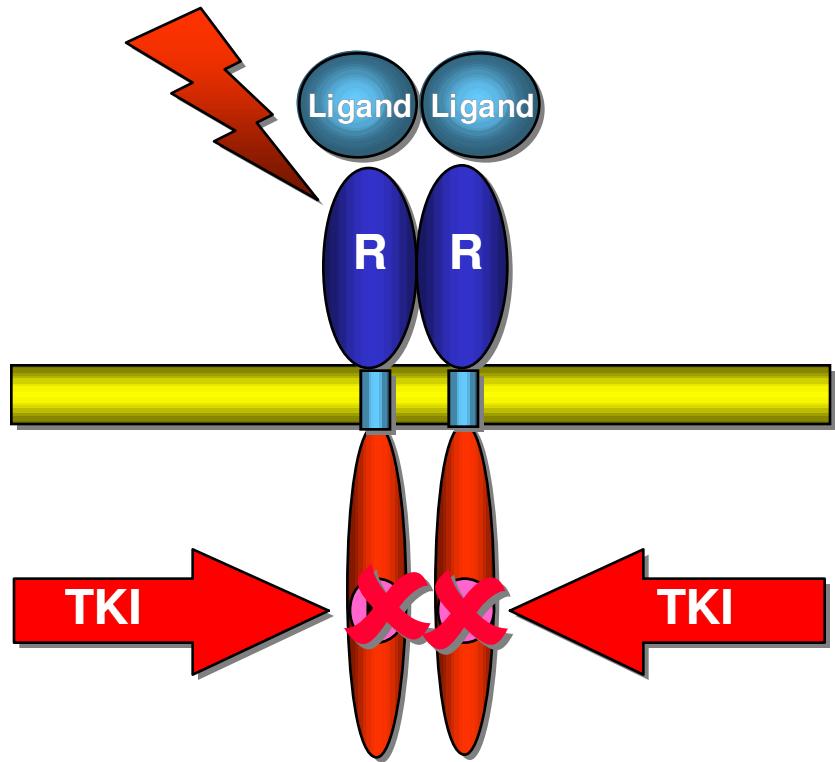
C225 mediates impaired DNA-DSB repair and enhances radiation sensitivity

Dittmann et al. J. Biol. Chem. 2005





Specific inhibition of EGFR-tyrosine kinase activity



BIBX1382BS

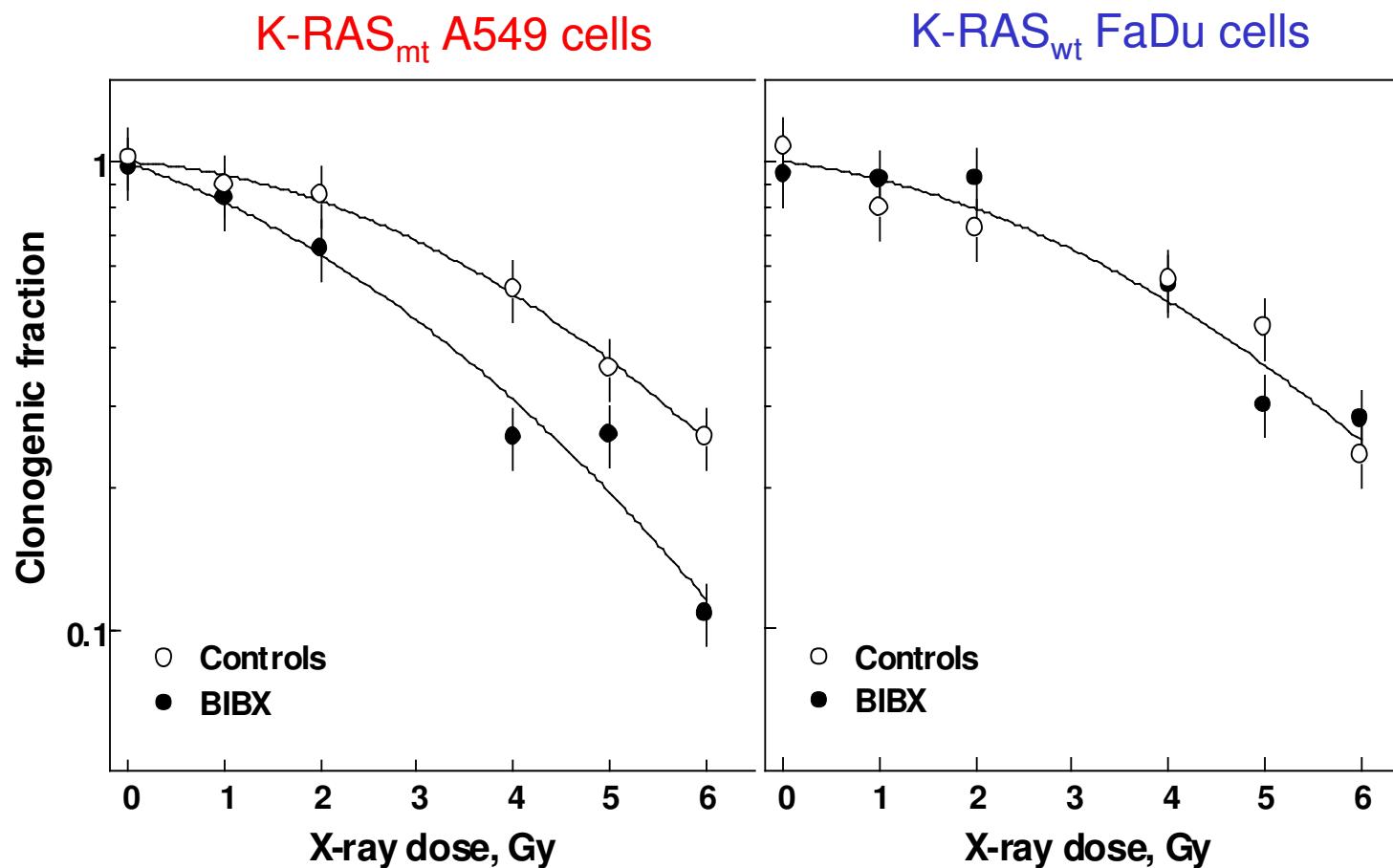
- chemical class: pyrimido-[5,4-D]-pyrimidine-2,8-diamine,N8-(3-chloro-4-fluorophenyl)
- highly selective inhibitor of EGFR tyrosine kinase
- binds directly to intracellular tyrosine-kinase domain
- inhibits ligand-induced cell growth
 - erbB1-cells $IC_{50} = 0.01 \mu M$
 - erbB2-cells $IC_{50} = 1.0 \mu M$



Differential radiation response of Ras_{wt} or Ras_{mt} tumor cells to BIBX1382BS

Toulany et al. Clin. Cancer Res. 2006

Single dose irradiation



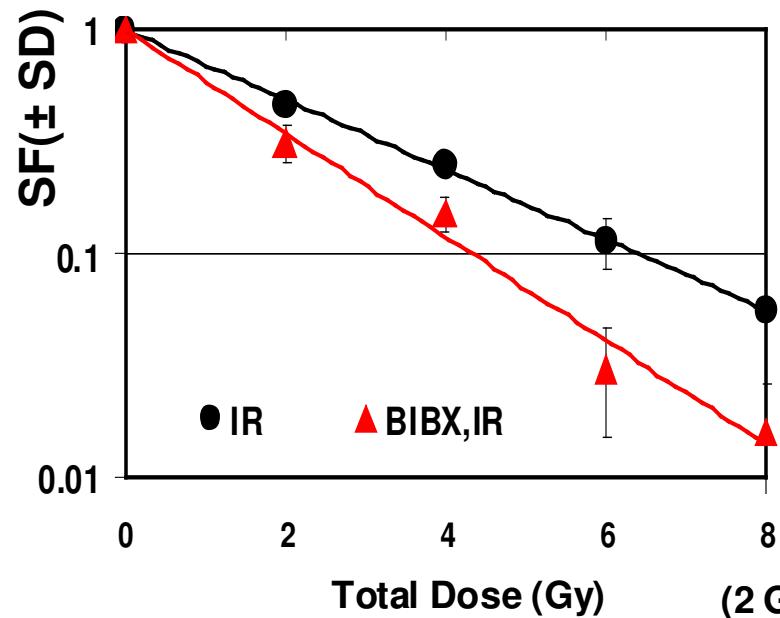


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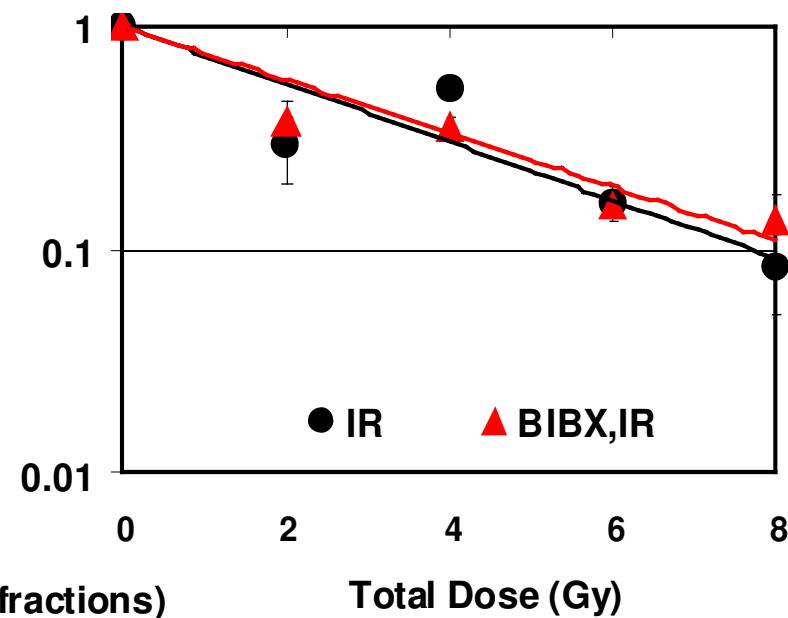
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Fractionated dose irradiation (4 x 2 Gy)

K-Ras mutated cell lines



K-Ras wildtype cell lines



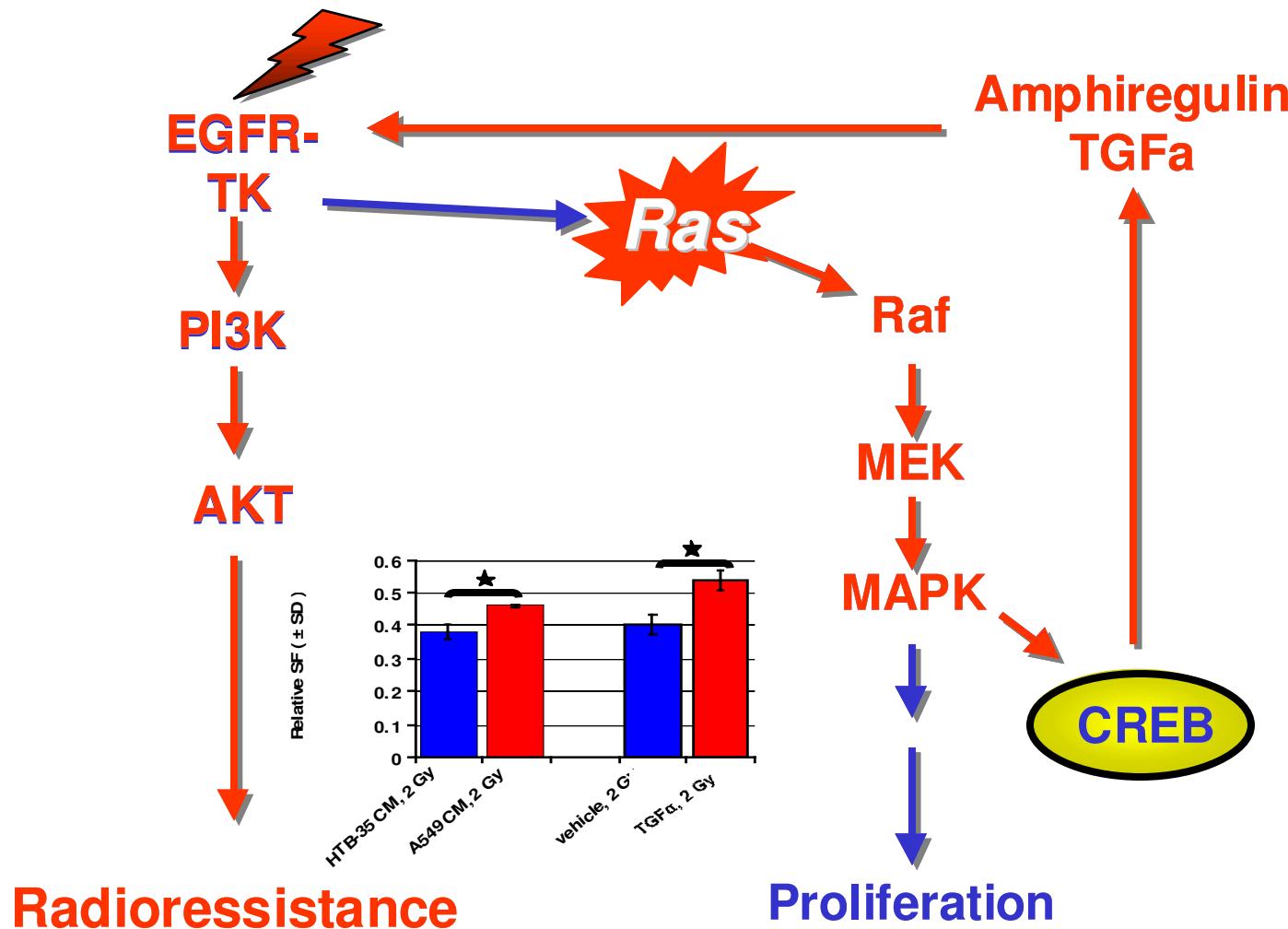
DMF 1.3-1.7 for Ras_{mt} cell lines
A549, MDA-MB231, PC3

No effect in normal Ras cell lines
FaDu, HTB35/SiHa, HH4DD



Autocrine activation of EGFR-PI3K-AKT signaling in K-RAS_{mt} cells

Toulany et al. 2005 Radiother. Oncol. 76:143-150

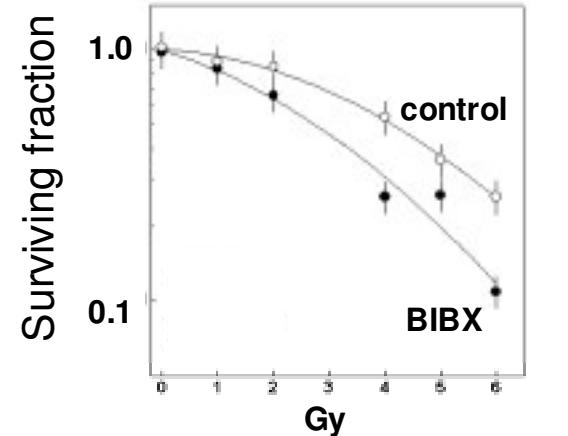
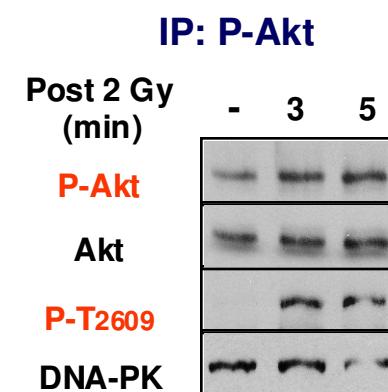
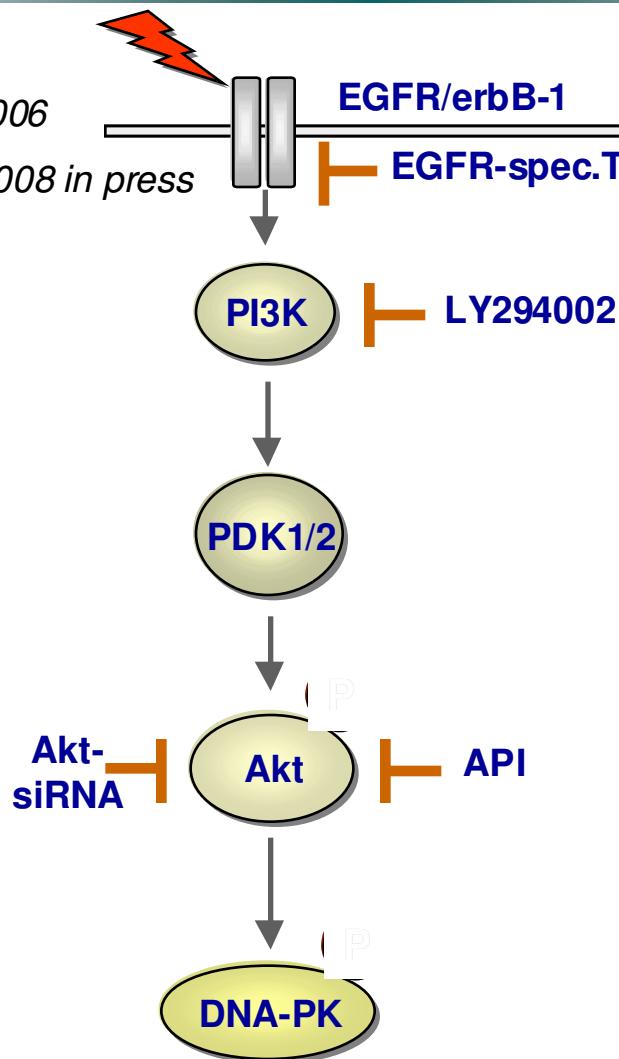
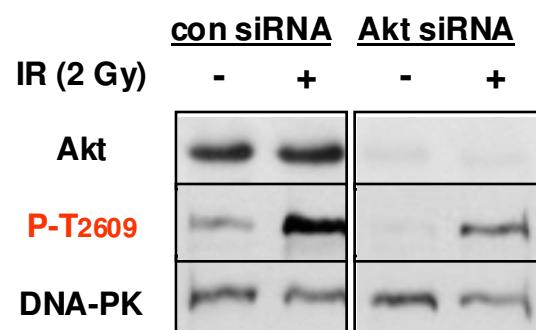




Role of AKT in regulating DNA-PK

Toulany et al., Clin Cancer Res 2006

Toulany et al., Mol Cancer Ther 2008 in press



DNA-DSB repair is markedly inhibited !
RADIOSENSITIZATION

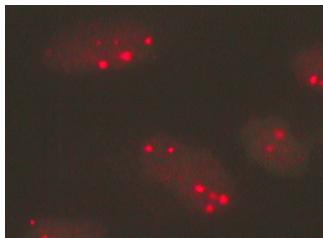


EGFR / PI3K inhibitors mediate enhanced residual DNA-damage

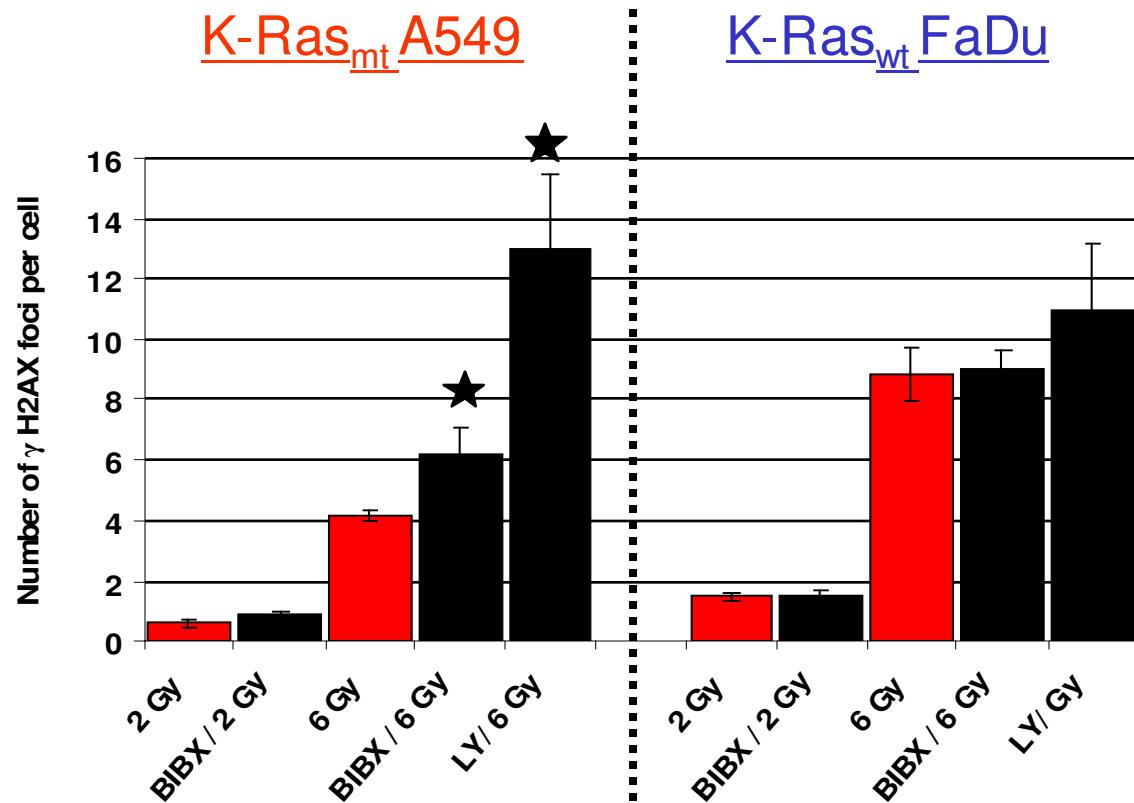
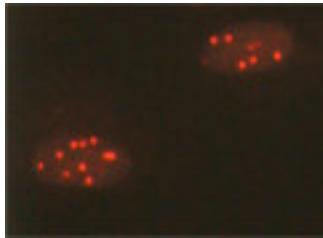
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γ -H2AX-Foci indicating
residual DNA-DSB 24h
after IR

A549 + 6 Gy

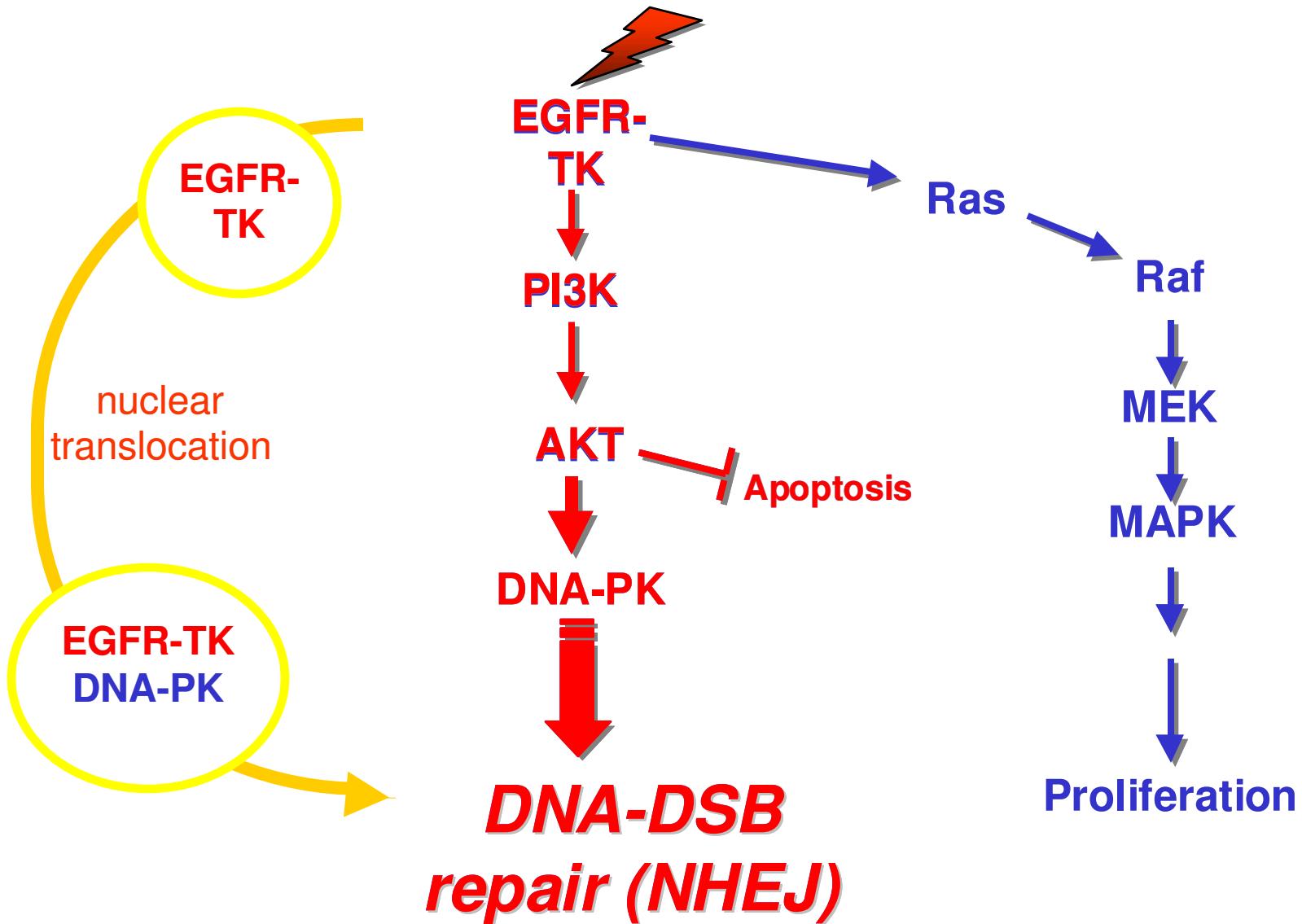


A549 + BIBX + 6 Gy



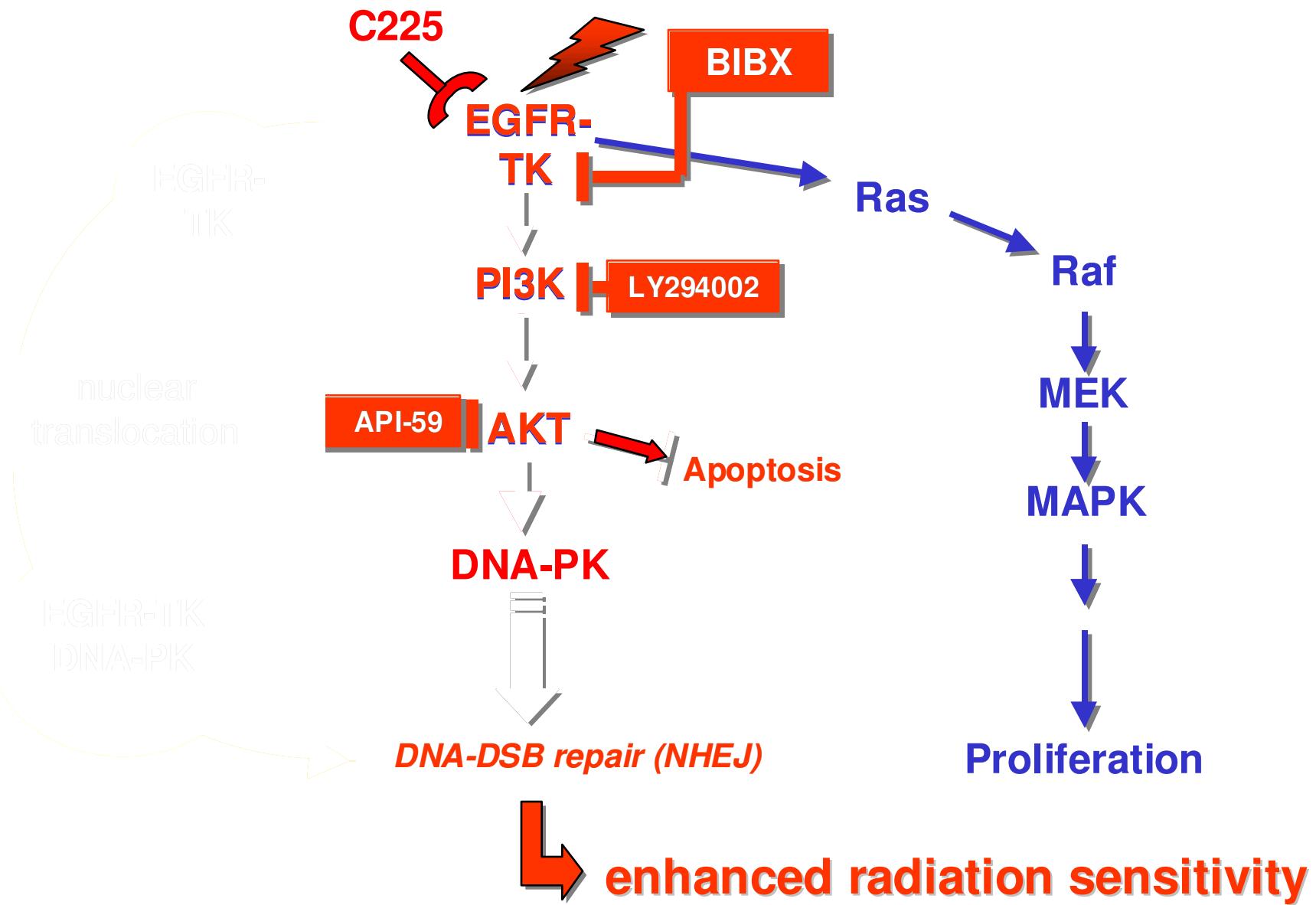


Importance of EGFR-signaling for DNA-DSB repair in K-Ras_{mt} tumor cells





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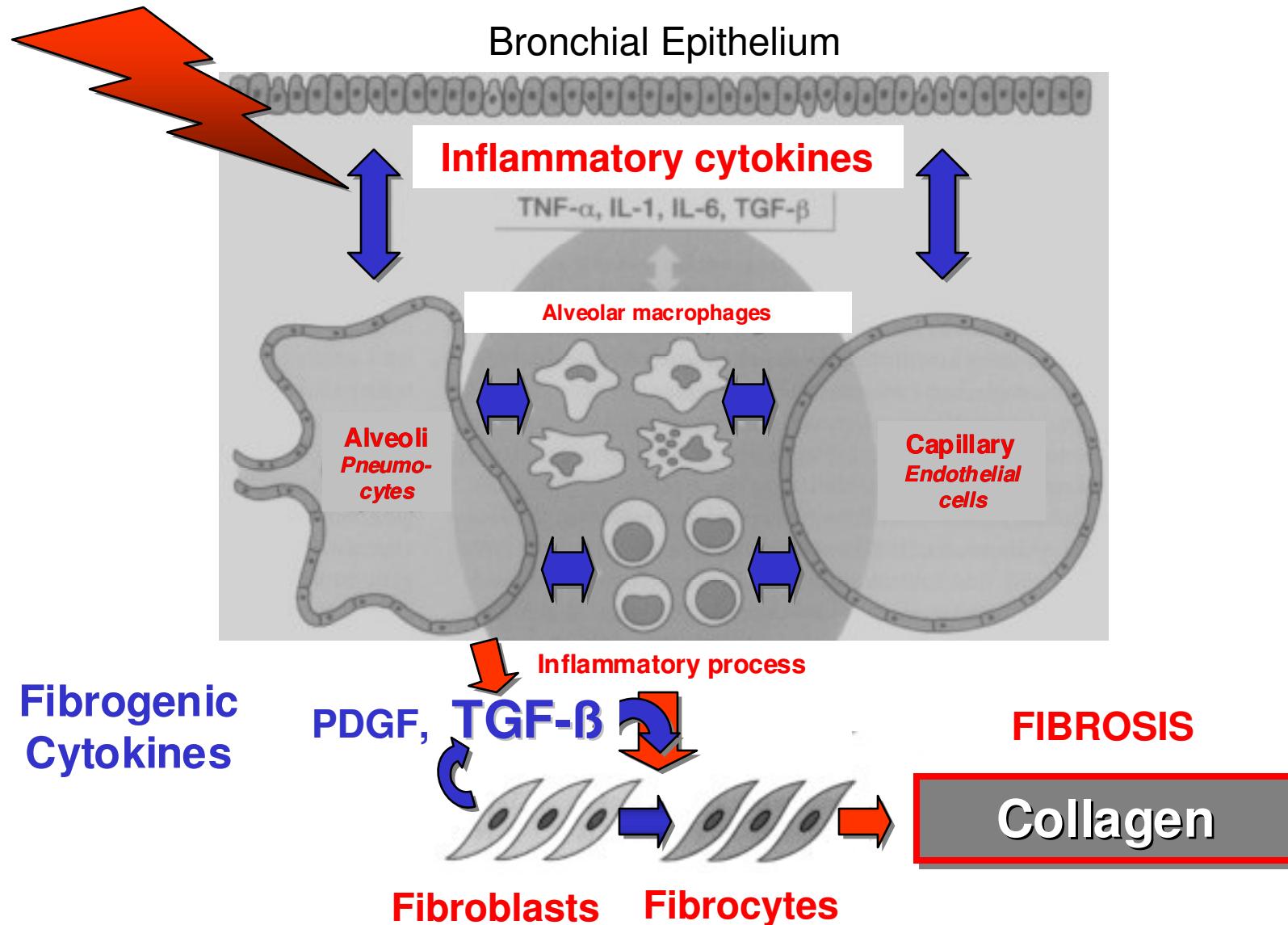


TGF β



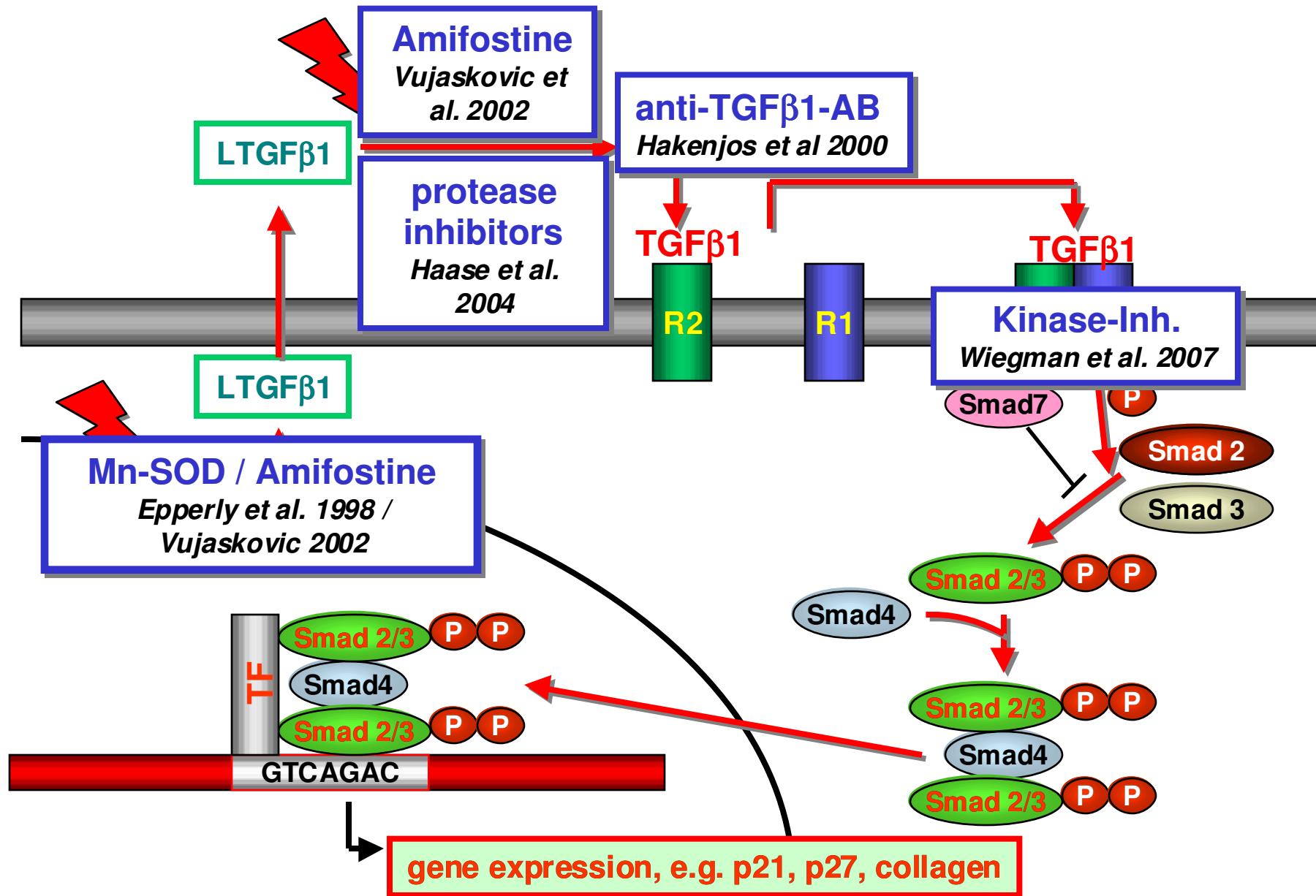
Tissue responses resulting in radiation-induced fibrosis of the lung

(Rübe et al. 2004)





TGF β 1-signaling and potential targets for intervention





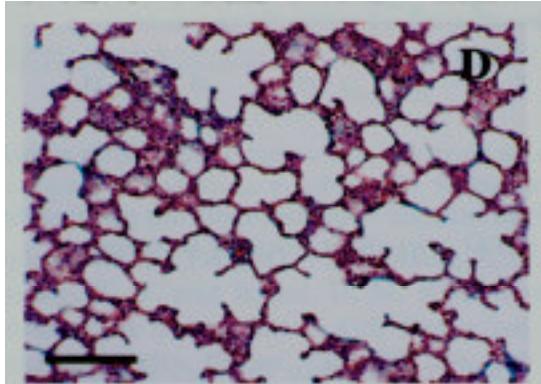
Radiation-induced lung fibrosis

(Vujaskovic et al. 2002)

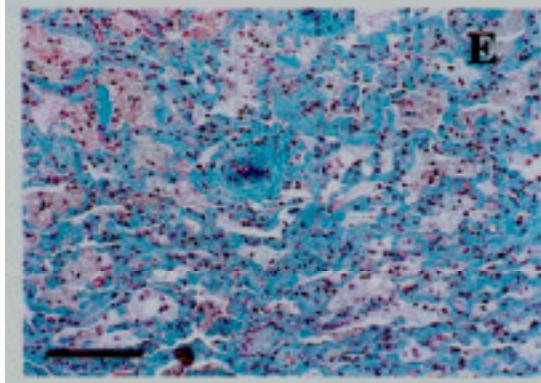
Rat lung

Total collagen production

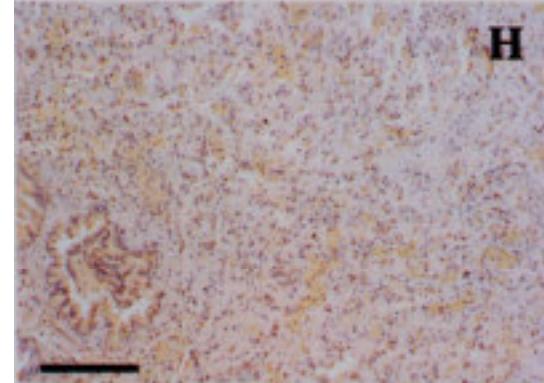
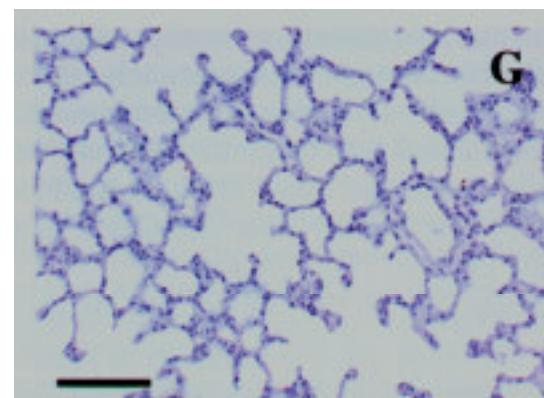
before RT



**6 month
after IR
(SD 28 Gy)**



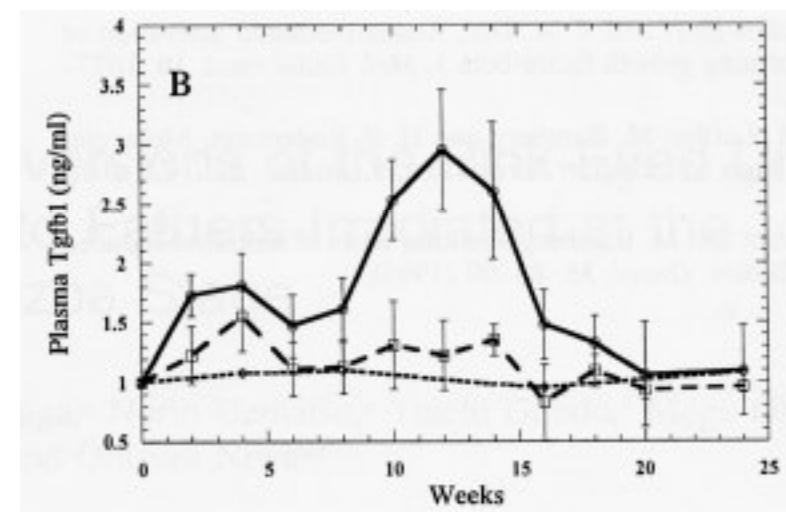
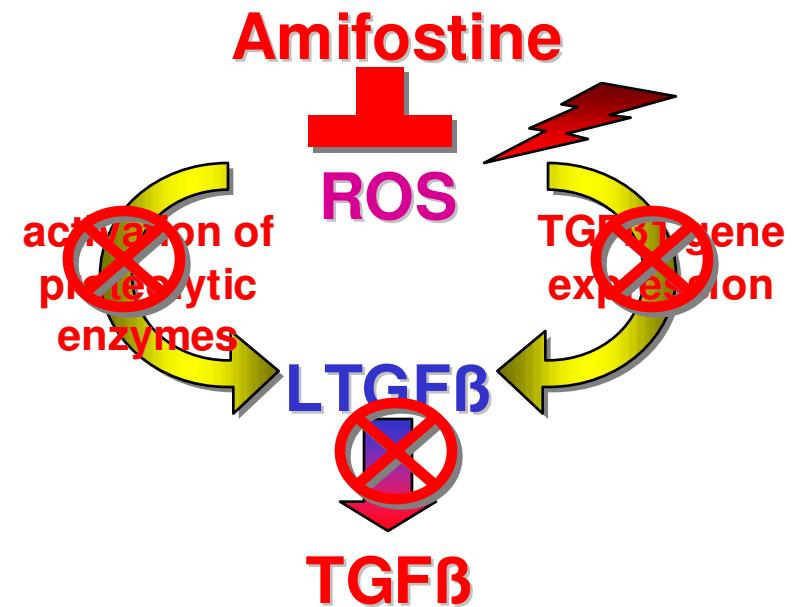
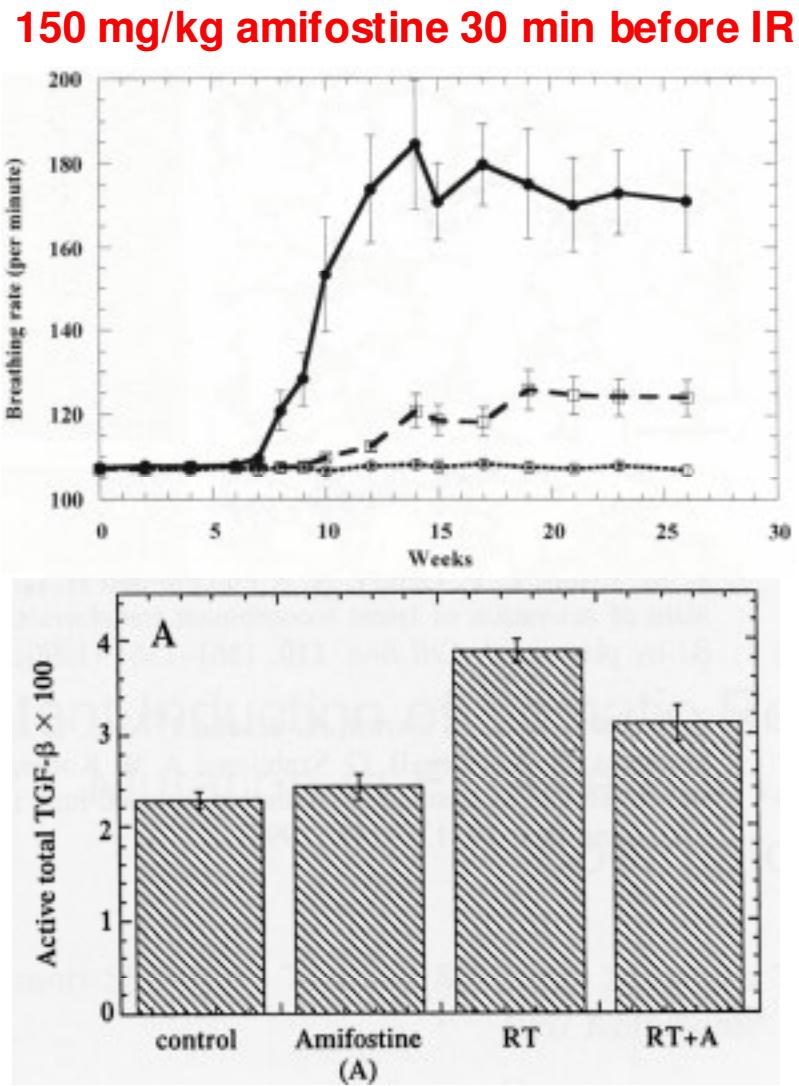
TGF β 1 production





Amifostine prevents manifestation of radiation-induced fibrosis of the lung by inhibiting TGF- β production

(Vujaskovic et al. 2002)

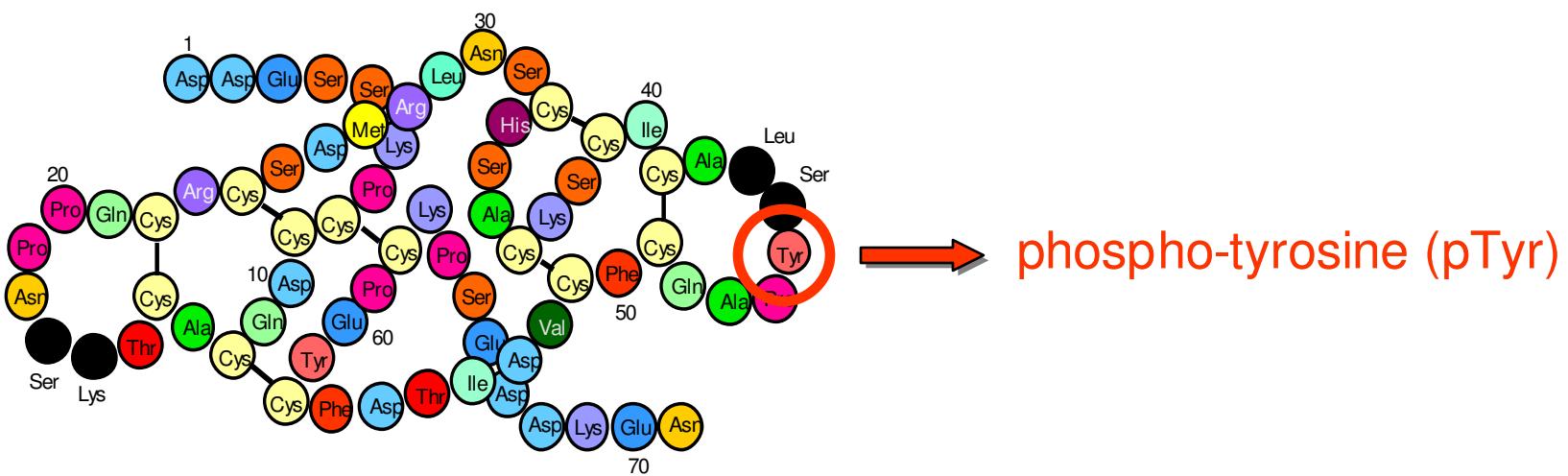




BBI / pTyr



Bowman-Birk Proteinase Inhibitor (BBI) and pTyr

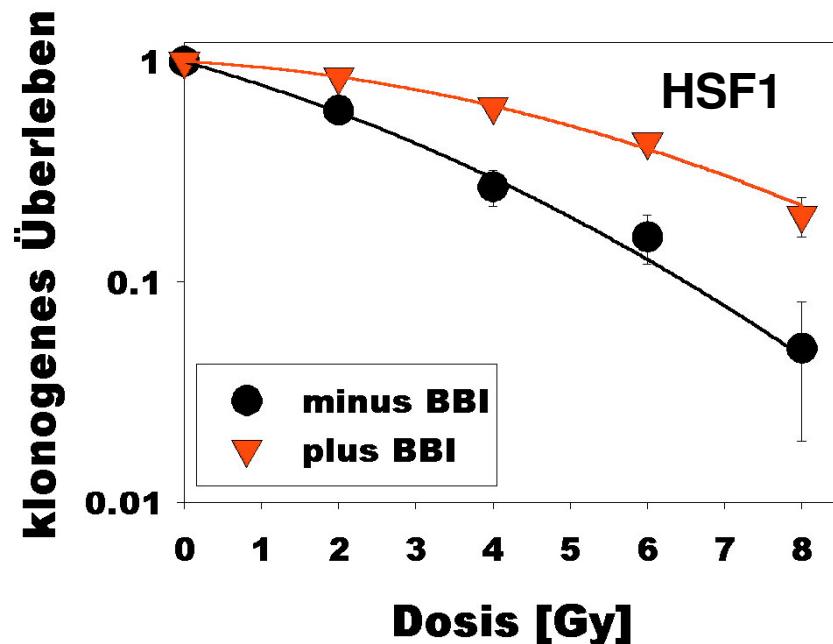




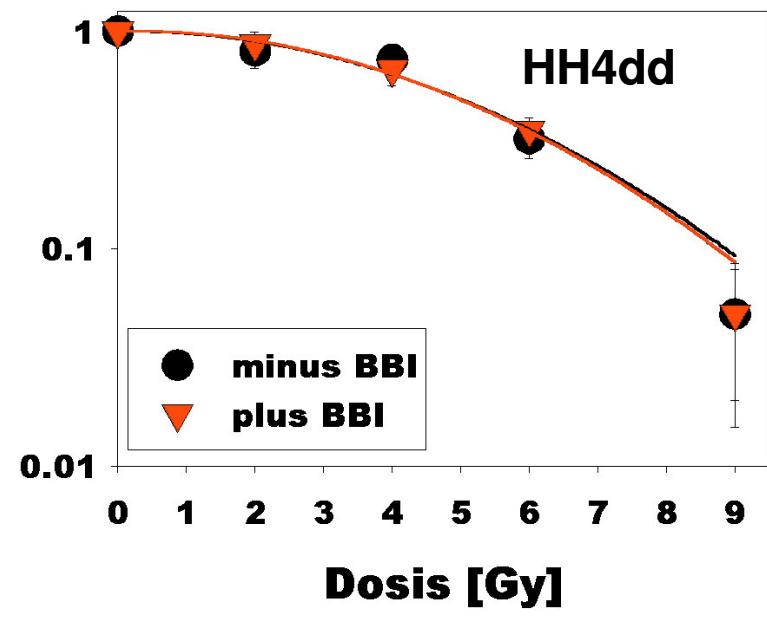
BBI affects normal and tumorigenic human fibroblasts differentially

(Dittmann et al. 1995)

Normal human skin fibroblasts



Transformed, tumorigenic human skin fibroblasts



wildtype p53

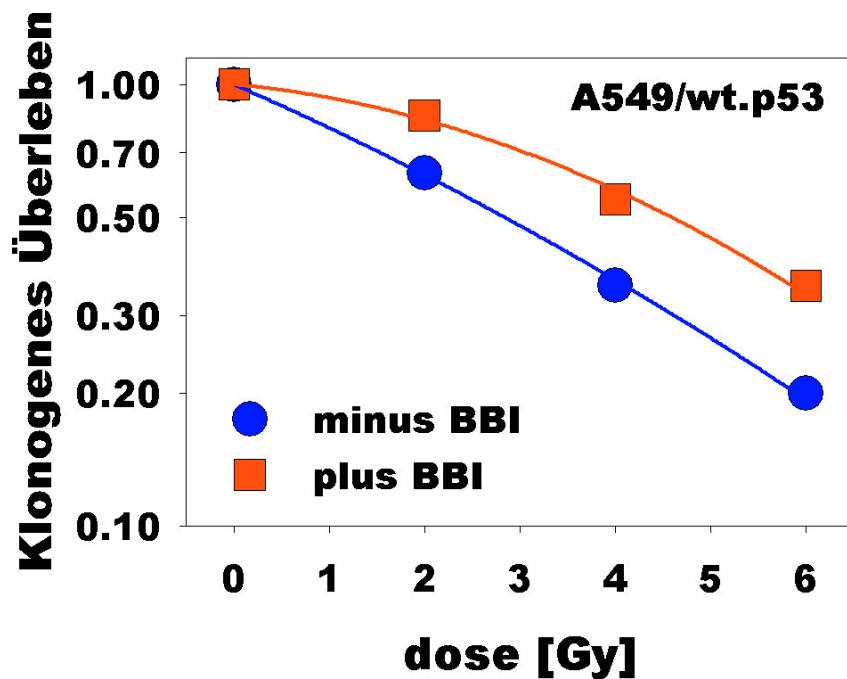
mutated p53



BBI affects p53_{wt} and p53_{mt} tumor cells differentially

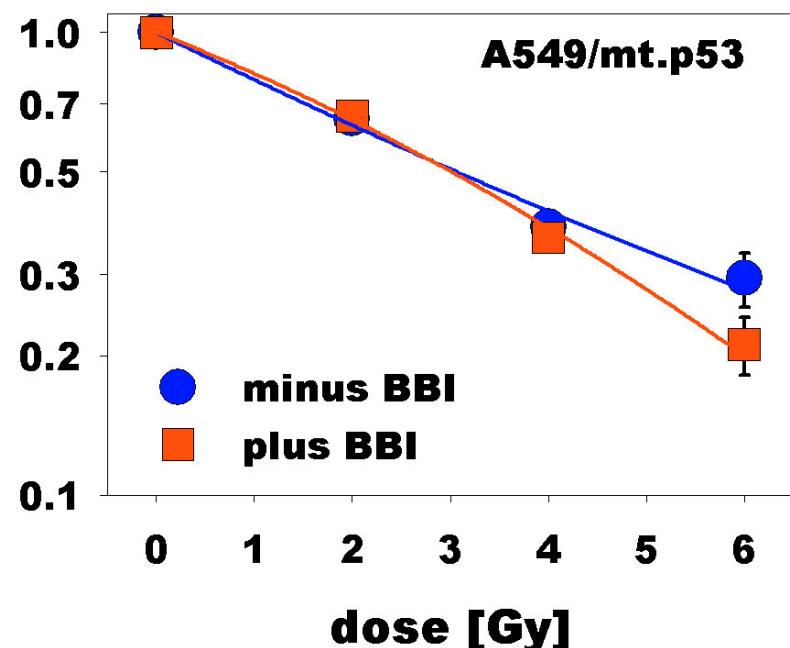
(Dittmann et al. 1998)

lung adeno carcinoma
cell line A549 presenting
wildtype p53



wildtype p53: *functional*

lung adeno carcinoma
cell line A549 transfected
w/ mutated p53



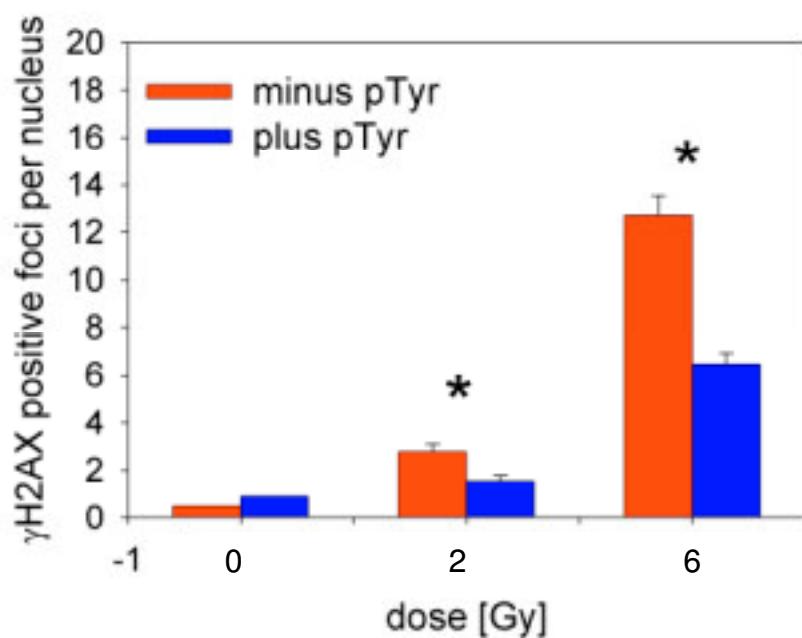
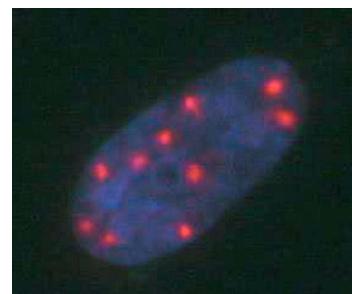
mutated p53: *non-functional*



Stimulation of DNA-DSB-repair by P-Tyr in p53_{wt} cells

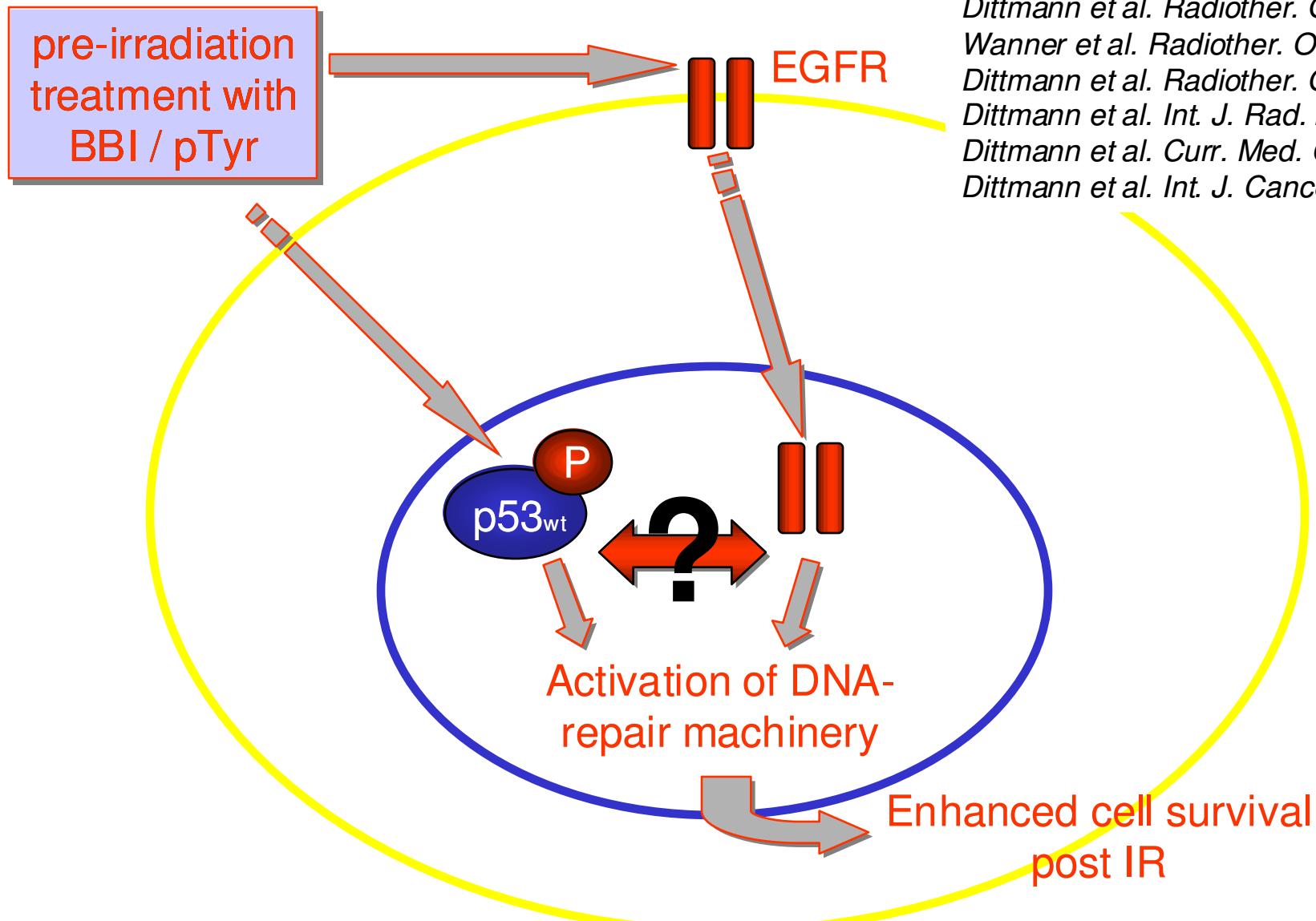
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γ -H2AX-focus assay was used for determination of residual DNA-DSB 24 h post IR





Mode of action of BBI and pTyr



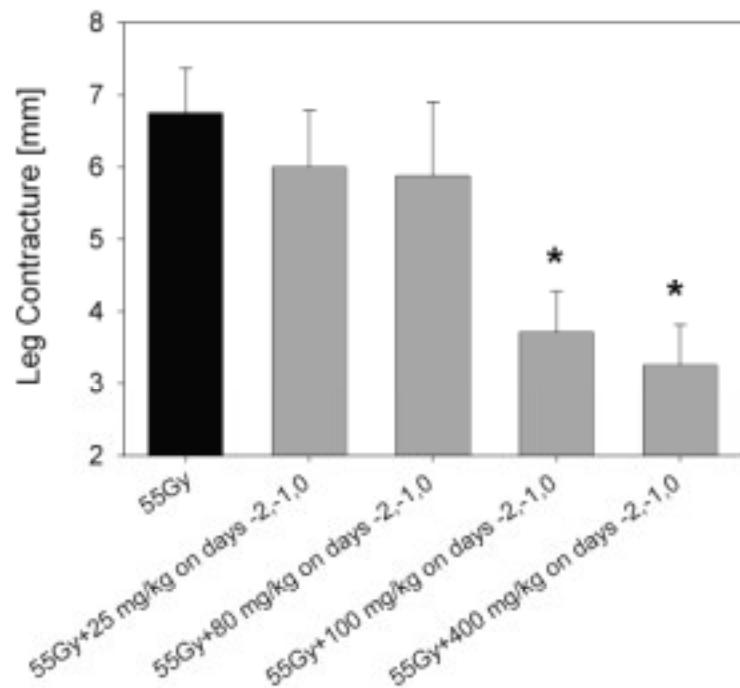
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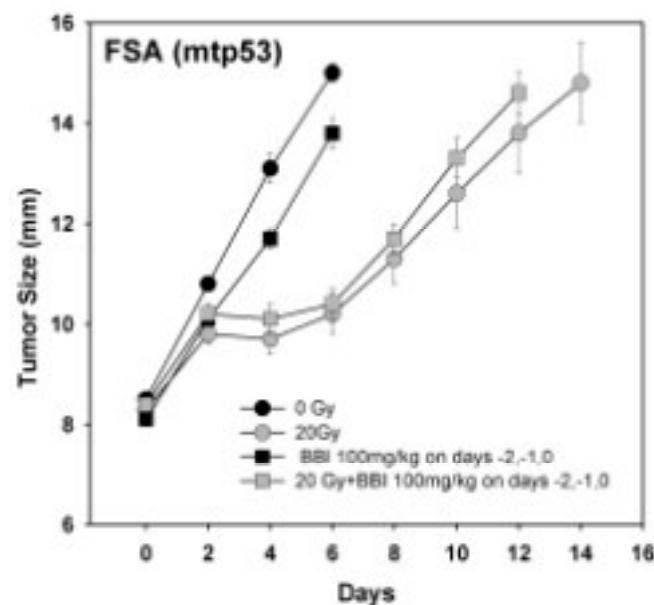
BBI effect in vivo: normal tissue vs. tumor response

(Dittmann et al. 2005)

Leg contracture assay



Tumor growth delay assay



C3H-mice were treated 3x with different doses of BBI at day -2, day -1, and day 0 before IR; both hind legs were irradiated w/ SD of 55 Gy. Leg contracture was quantified up to 120 days post IR.



Current impact of proposed perspectives

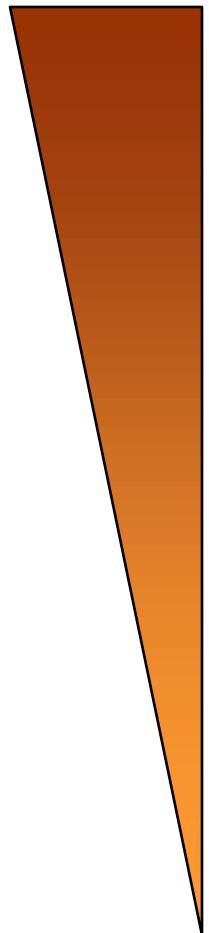
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Thanks to the co-workers

