



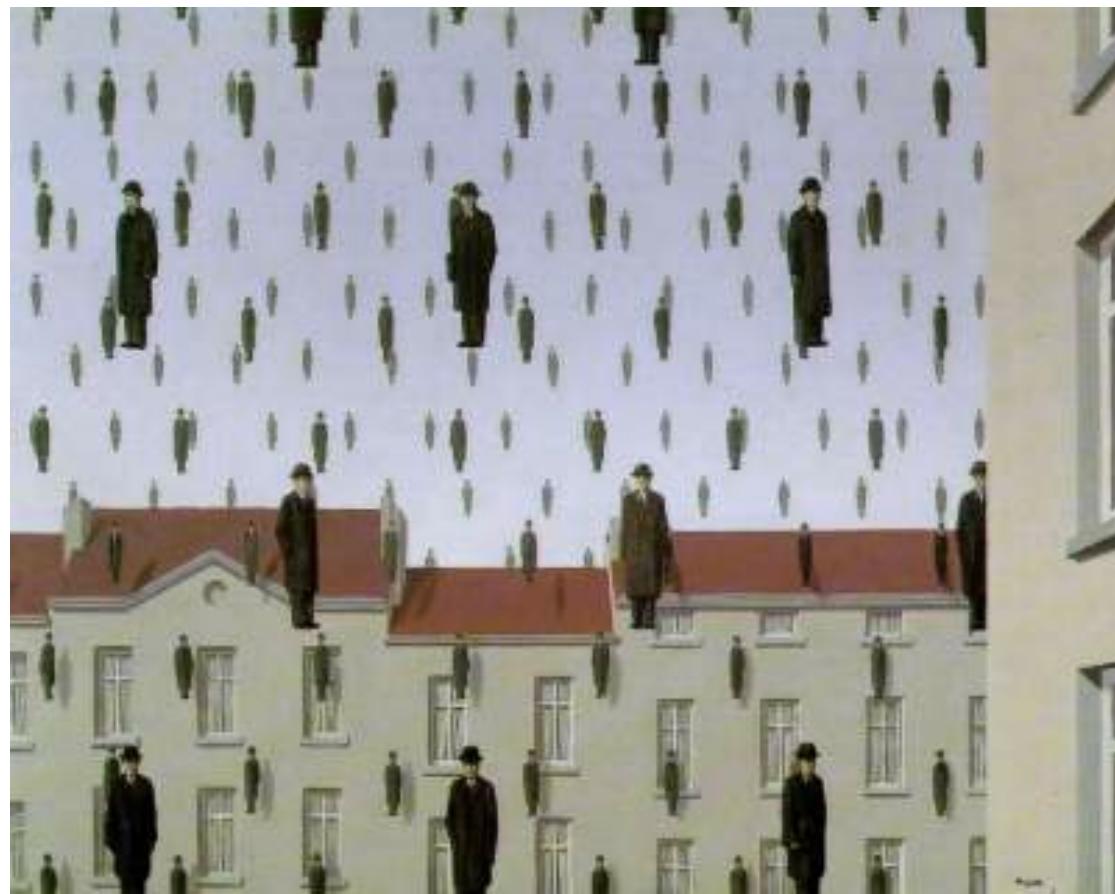
# Polimorfismi a singolo nucleotide e tossicità tardiva radioindotta



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Not all the patients react the same way to  
radiotherapy



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## Prediction of normal tissue radiosensitivity from polymorphisms in candidate genes

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# Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms



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**CLINICAL INVESTIGATION****Breast**

### ASSOCIATION BETWEEN GENETIC POLYMORPHISMS IN THE XRCC1, XRCC3, XPD, GSTM1, GSTT1, MSH2, MLH1, MSH3, AND MGMT GENES AND RADIOSENSITIVITY IN BREAST CANCER PATIENTS

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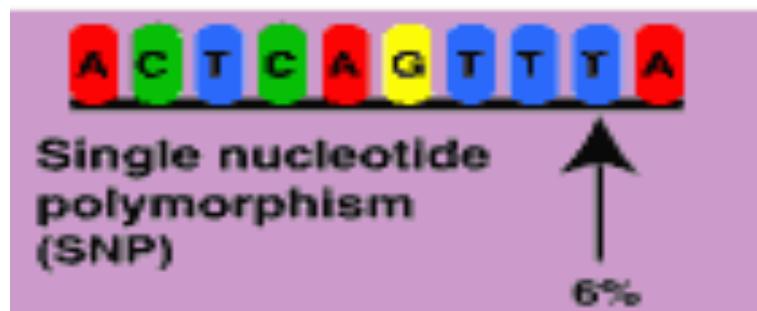
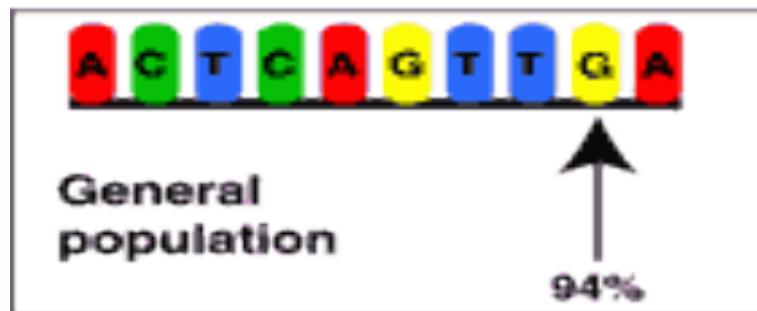
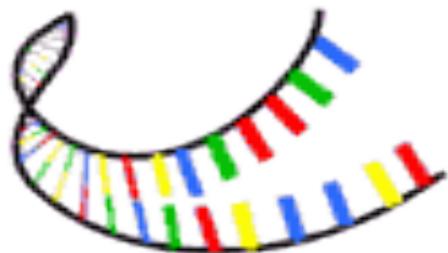
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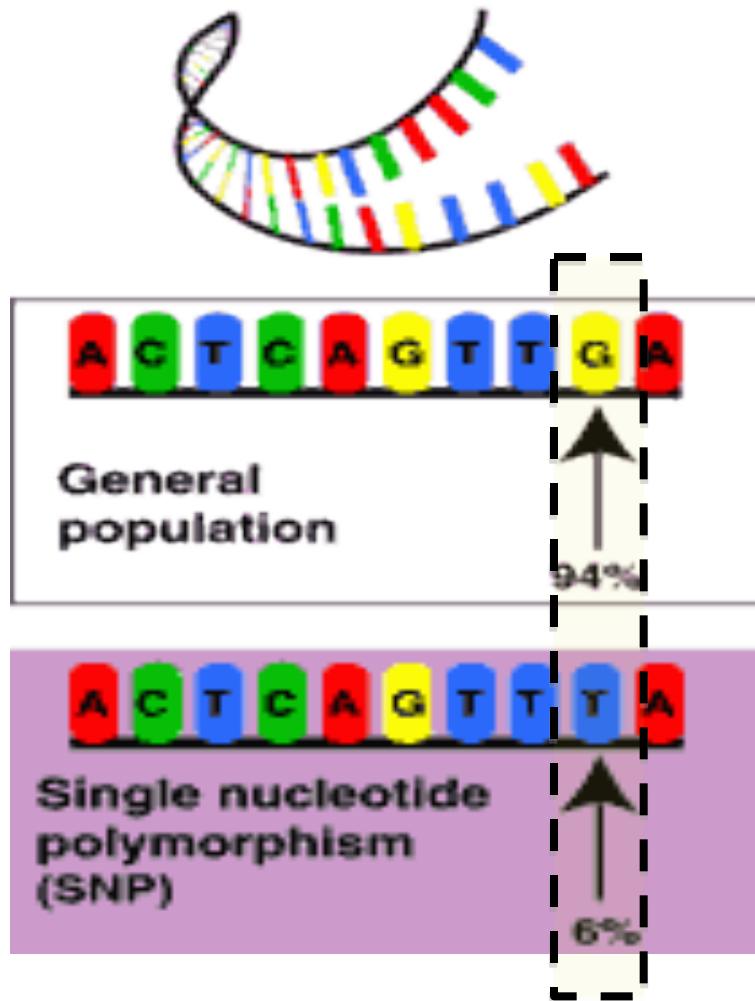
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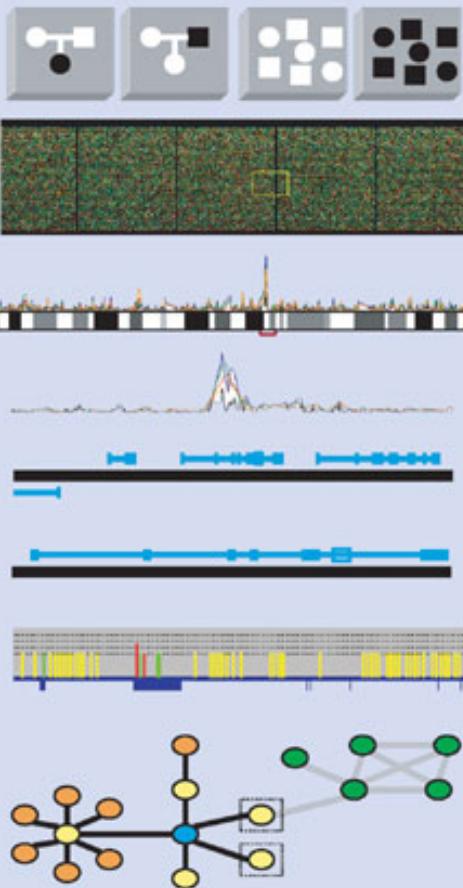
# Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms (SNPs)



Genetic variants in which an alternate base pair is present at a particular nucleotide location



# Human Genome-Wide Association Studies



Population resources –  
trios or case-control samples

Whole-genome genotyping

Genome-wide association

Fine mapping

Gene mining

Gene sequencing &  
polymorphism identification

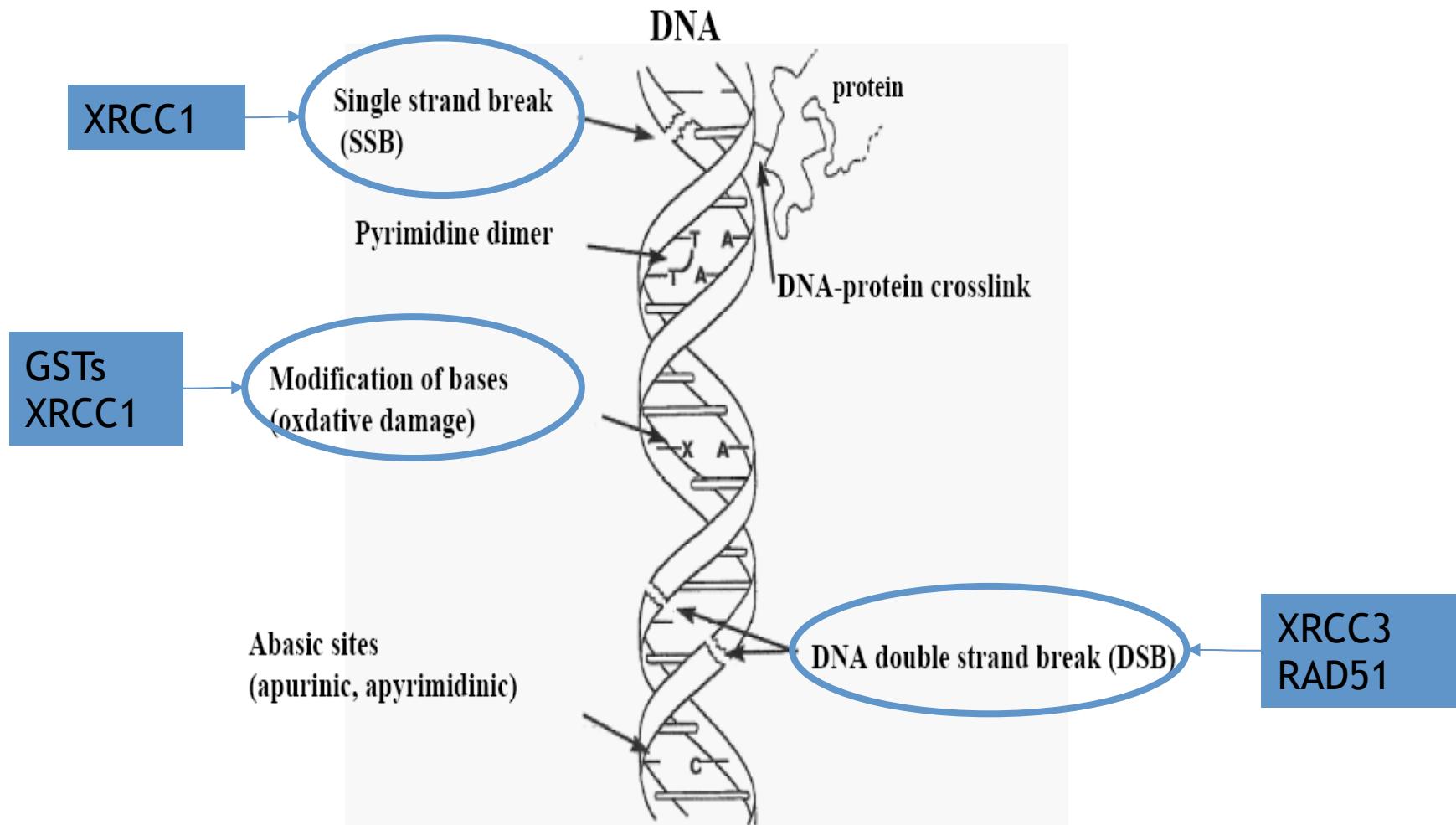
Identification of causative SNPs

Pathway analysis &  
target identification

GWAS permit a comprehensive scan of the genome in an unbiased fashion and thus have the potential to identify totally novel susceptibility factors.

# where to look for it?

## candidate gene approach





## ***Genes related to the endogenous oxidative stress defense***

- GSTM1, GSTT1, GSTA1, GSTP1
- SOD2, MPO, eNOS

- **SOD2 (Val16Ala) (rs4880 T/C)**: severe **skin fibrosis** in breast cancer  
(Andreassen CN, Radiother Oncol 2003; 69:127-135)

but other studies haven't confirmed this observation

- (Green H, Radiother Oncol 2002; 63: 213-216)  
(Andreassen CN, Radiother Oncol 2005; 75: 18-21)

- **GSTP1 Ile105Val (rs1695)** (variant with low activity): **pleural thickening**  
(Edvardsen H, IJROBP 2007; 67: 1163-71)
- **variant form of the GSTA1**: **increased telangiectasia**
- **eNOS T allele (lower activity)**: **lower risk of telangiectasia**  
(Kuptsova N, Int J cancer 2008; 122: 1333-1339)



## **Genes involved in the inflammatory response and in cytokine activity related to fibrosis**

### ➤ TGFβ

- **TGF $\beta$ 1 509 C>T** in the promoter region: **elevated TGF  $\beta$ 1 serum levels**
- **TGF $\beta$ 1 869 T>C** and **TGF $\beta$ 1 915 G>C** (amino acid changes): **fibrosis in breast cancer**

(Andreassen CN, Radiother Oncol 2003; 69: 127-35)

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but data haven't been confirmed in another study

(Andreassen CN, Int J Radiat Biol 2006; 82: 577-86)

nor for other types of tumors (cervical, endometrial, prostate tumour)

(De Ruyck k, IJROBP 2006, 65: 1240-8)

(Damaraju D, Clin Canc Res 2006; 12: 2545-54)

- **TGF $\beta$ 1 509 C>T: decline in erectile function and rectal bleeding in prostate cancer**

(Peters CA, IJROBP 2008; 70: 752-9)



## **Genes contributing to DNA damage signalling and cell cycle control**

➤ ATM

- **ATM 5557G>A:** fibrosis and telangiectasia in breast cancer

(Andreassen CN, Radiother Oncol 2005; 75: 18-21)

however results were not confirmed in other cohorts

(Andreassen CN, Int J Radiat Biol 2006; 82: 577-586)

(Ho AY, IJROBP 2007; 69: 677-84)

- **ATM 4258C>T (rs1800058):** pleural thickening and lung fibrosis

(Edvardsen H, Radiat Oncol 2007; 2:25)

- **ATM sequence alterations:** proctitis and decline of erectile function

with 125I brachytherapy

(Cesaretti JA, IJROBP 2005; 61: 196-202)



## DNA repair genes

- **BER**: XRCC1, APEX1, OGG1, LIG3
  - **NER**: ERCC2/XPD, ERCC4/XPF, RAD9A
  - **HR and NHEJ**: RAD51, RAD52, XRCC3, XRCC2,NBN, LIG4, BRCA1, BRCA2
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- ***XRCC3 18067 C > T***: severe **fibrosis**  
(Andreassen CN, Radiother Oncol 2003; 69: 127-135)  
but other findings could not be confirmed in the other studies
  - ***XRCC3 17893 A>G***: late adverse effects in cervical and endometrial carcinoma  
(De Ruyck K, IJROBP 2006; 65: 1240-8)
  - ***LIG4 Asp568Asp***: late **bladder or rectal toxicity** in prostate cancer  
(Damaraju D, Clin Cancer Res 2006; 12: 2545-54)



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- ***XRCC1 28152G***: severe **fibrosis** and **telangiectasia** in breast cancer  
(Andreassen CN, Radiother Oncol 2003; 69: 127-35)  
(Gitopoulos G, Br J Cancer 2007; 96: 1001-7)
- ***XRCC1 26304T***: **late** adverse effects in breast cancer
- ***XRCC1 28152G in combination with XRCC1 26304T***: side effects  
(Moullan N, Cancer Epidemiol Biomarkers Prev 2003; 12: 1168-74)

In one study with only a small number of patients: no effects of *XRCC1* SNPs

(Andreassen CN, Radiother Oncol 2005; 75: 18-21)

- ***XRCC1 polymorphisms***: no significant effect in gynecological and in prostate cancer  
(De Ruyck K, IJROBP 2006; 651240-8)  
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# Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms and radiation-induced late toxicity in prostate cancer

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Case-control study on 46 patients affected by prostate cancer

GSTP1 A313G

XRCC3 c.722C>T  
RAD51 c.3429G>C  
RAD51 c.3392G>T

- **GSTP1c313A>G:** late rectal and bladder toxicities
- **XRCC1 c.1196A>G:** late rectal and bladder toxicities



XRCC1 polymorphisms: no significant effect in prostate cancer

(De Ruyck K, IJROBP 2006; 651240-8)

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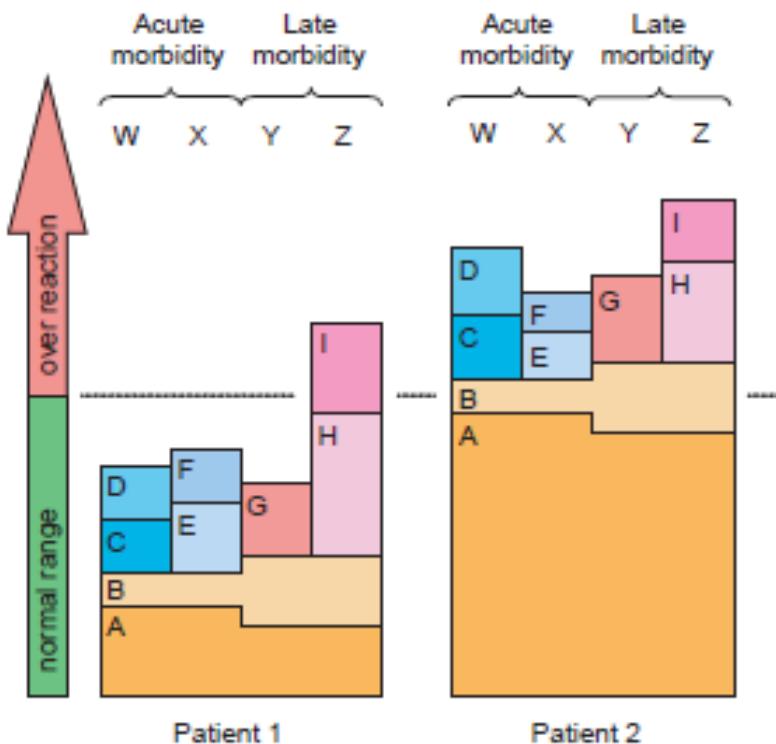


# Bias of the available studies

- ✓ candidate gene approach is insufficient: the physiology underlying a given phenotype is very complex or poorly understood
- ✓ investigate haplotypes rather than individual SNPs (tag SNPs)
- ✓ different normal tissue damage endpoints used to evaluate radiosensitivity (basic vs complex endpoints, acute vs late vs effects considered together)
- ✓ numerous confounding factors
  - ✓ comorbidities
  - ✓ different treatments: External beam vs brachiterapy vs fractionation (BED) vs carbon ions (EBR)



# Clinical normal tissue radiosensitivity: complex trait



Andreassen CN, Acta Oncologica, 2005; 44: 801-15



# Conclusions

- ✓ We are still far from having a comprehensive understanding of the sequence alterations that may underlie variability in clinical normal tissue radiosensitivity.
  
- ✓ On the other hand, the available data seem to provide a reasonable proof of principle that the risk of radiation induced normal tissue complications among unselected cancer patients is influenced by genetic factors



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