

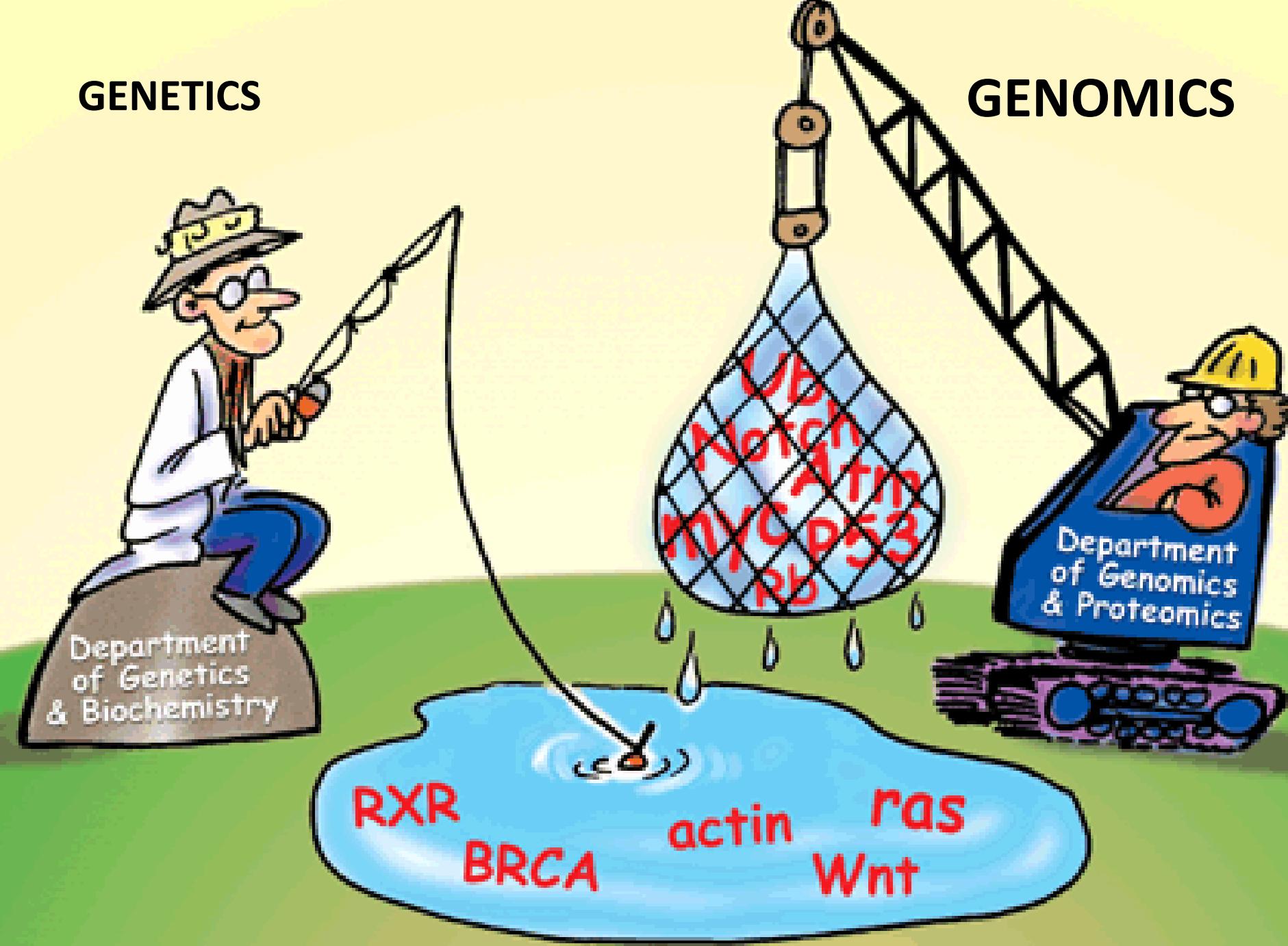
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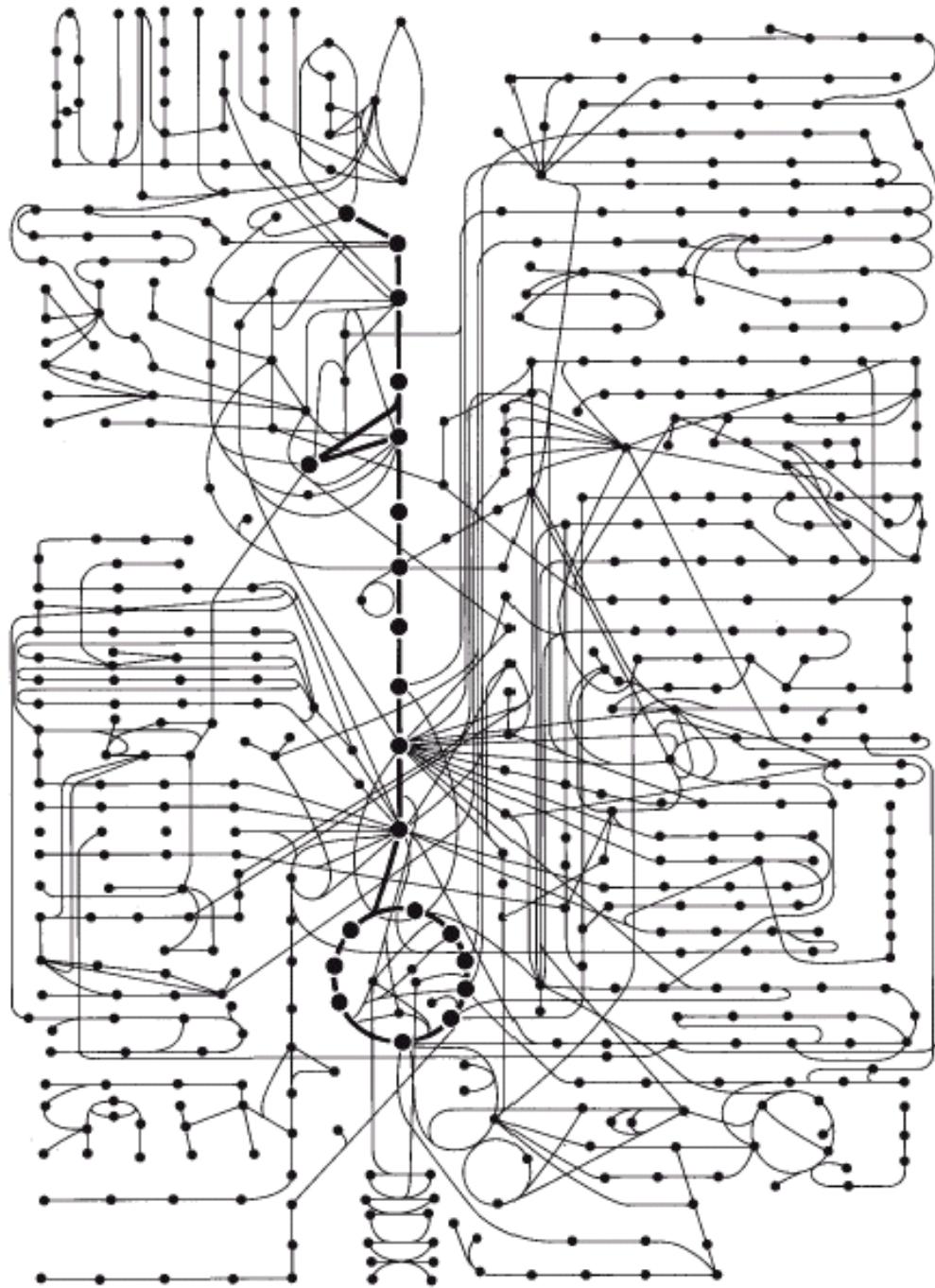
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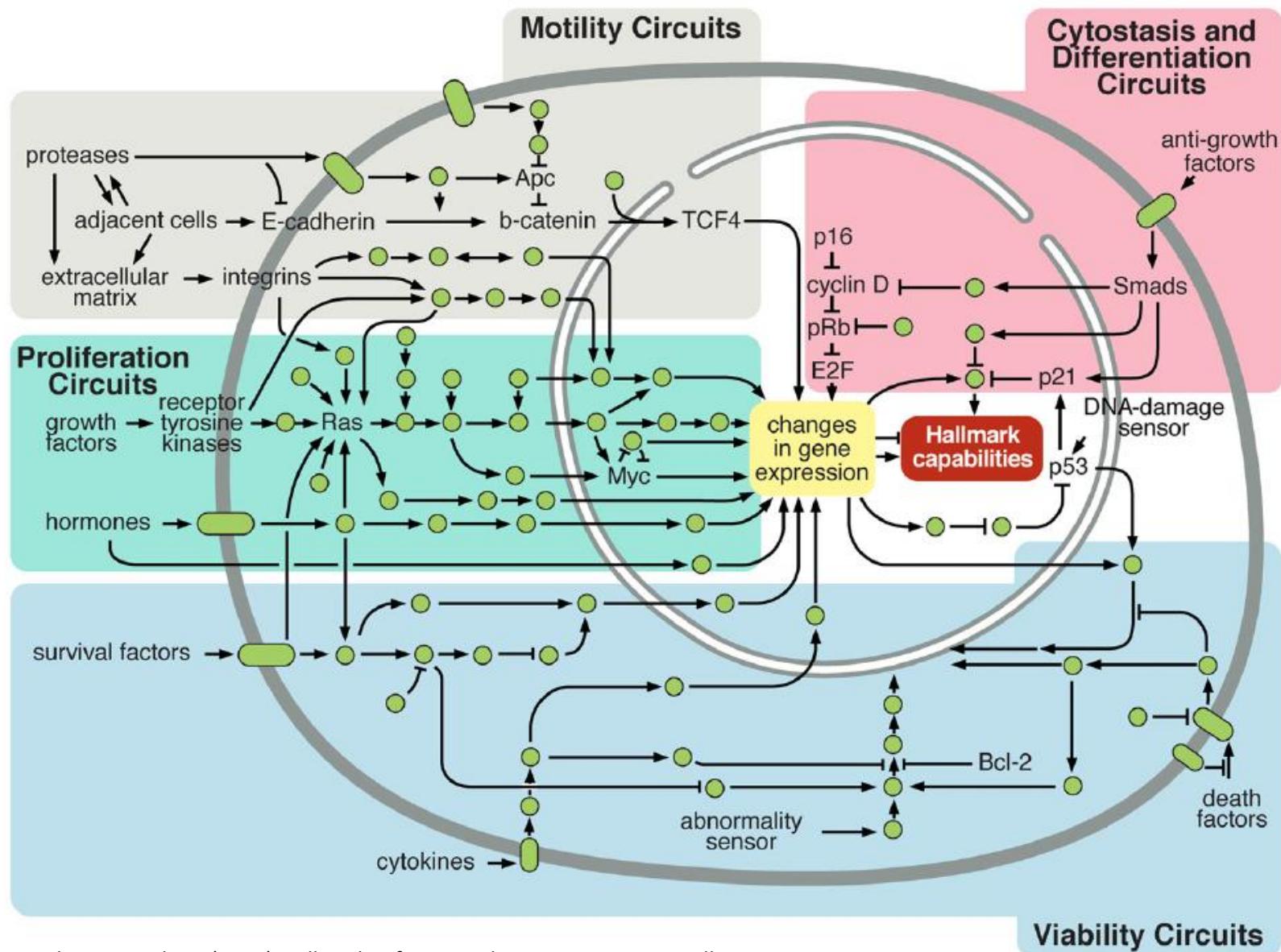
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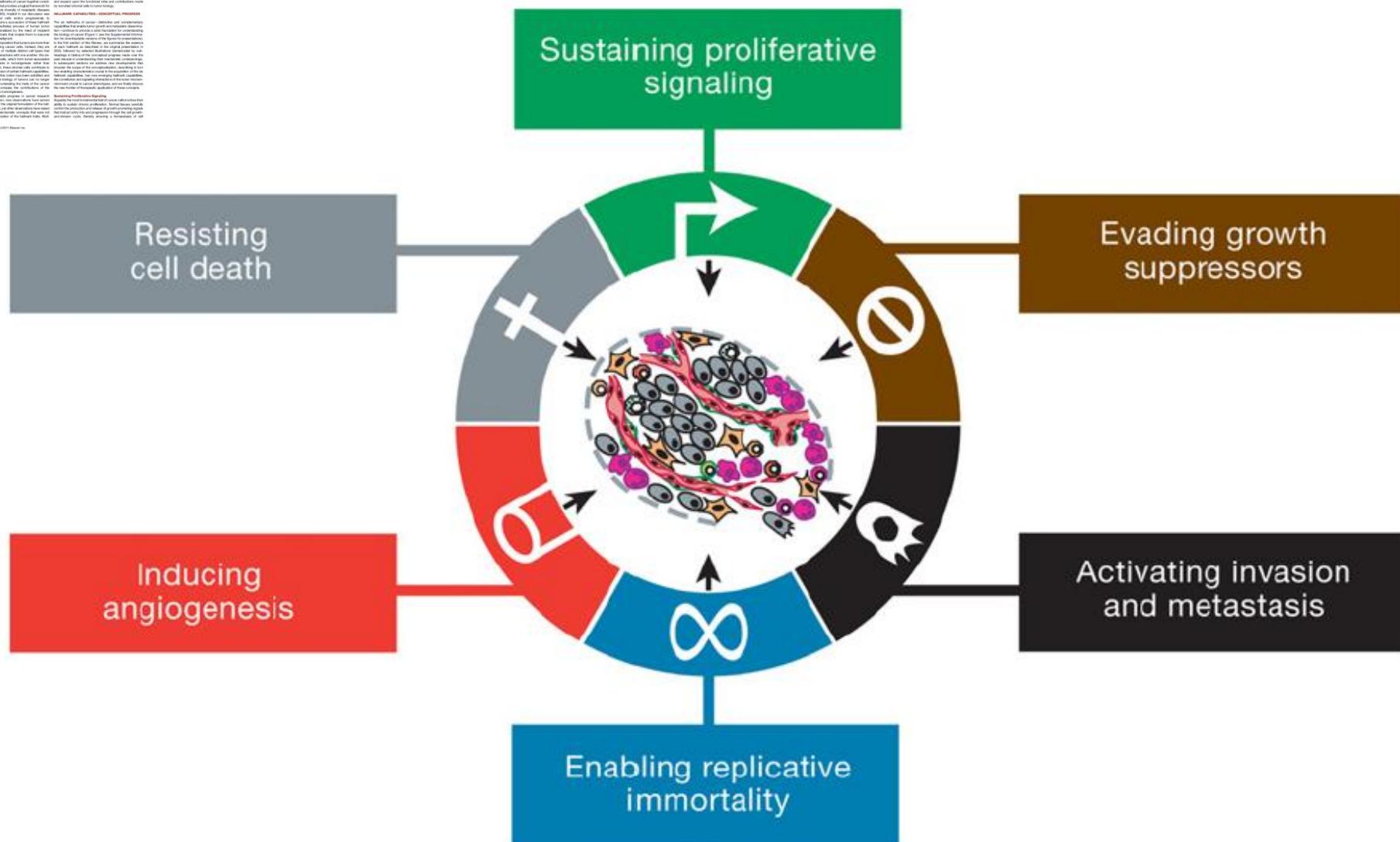
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# Programming of Hallmark Capabilities by Intracellular Circuitry



## Hallmarks of cancer: the next generation



# THERAPEUTIC TARGETING

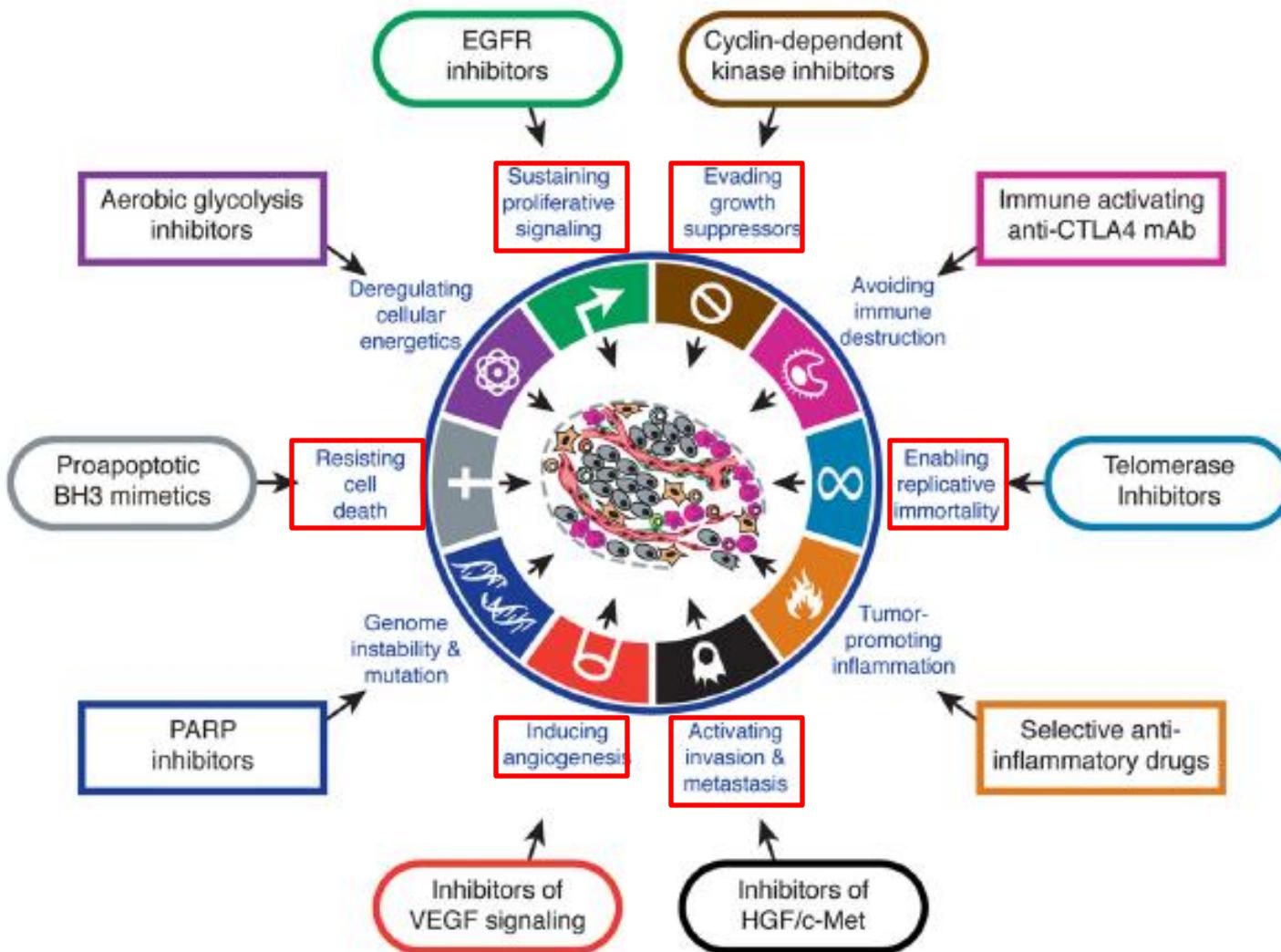


Figure 6. Therapeutic Targeting of the Hallmarks of Cancer

Drugs that interfere with each of the acquired capabilities necessary for tumor growth and progression have been developed and are in clinical trials or in some cases approved for clinical use in treating certain forms of human cancer. Additionally, the investigational drugs are being developed to target each of the enabling characteristics and emerging hallmarks depicted in Figure 3, which also hold promise as cancer therapeutics. The drugs listed are but illustrative examples; there is a deep pipeline of candidate drugs with different molecular targets and modes of action in development for most of these hallmarks.

## Where cancer genomics should go next: a clinician's perspective

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Discovery of a driver mutation with functional consequences in a particular disease:

- Inhibition of the protein that carries the mutation
- Proof of principle of efficiency as demonstrated by improved progression free and overall survival
- Patient stratification for treatment

Application of the inhibition based on oncogenomic studies to other diseases

Basic studies defining an alternative way of resistance in a different genetic/cell type context

New patient stratification in a new disease



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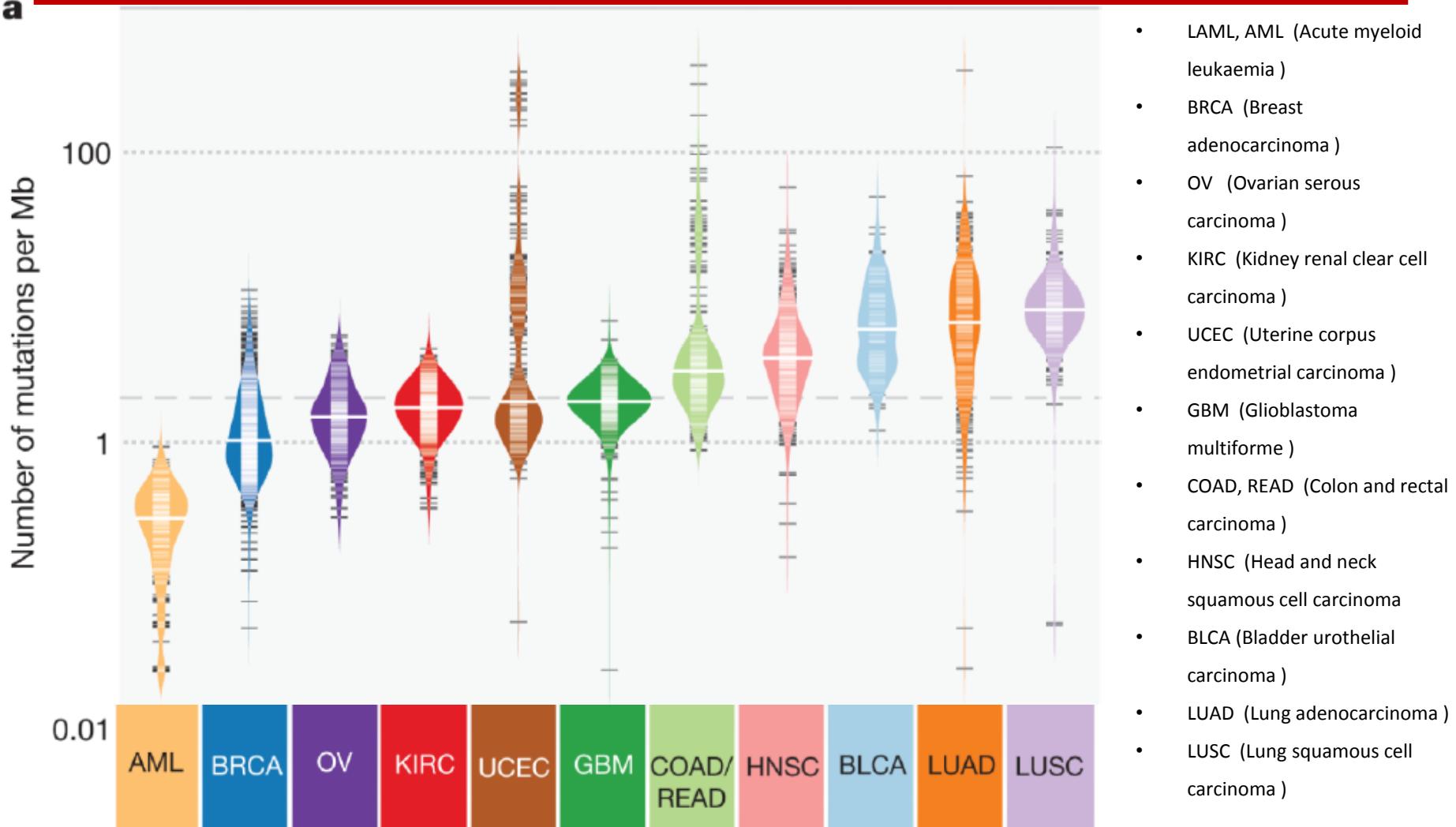
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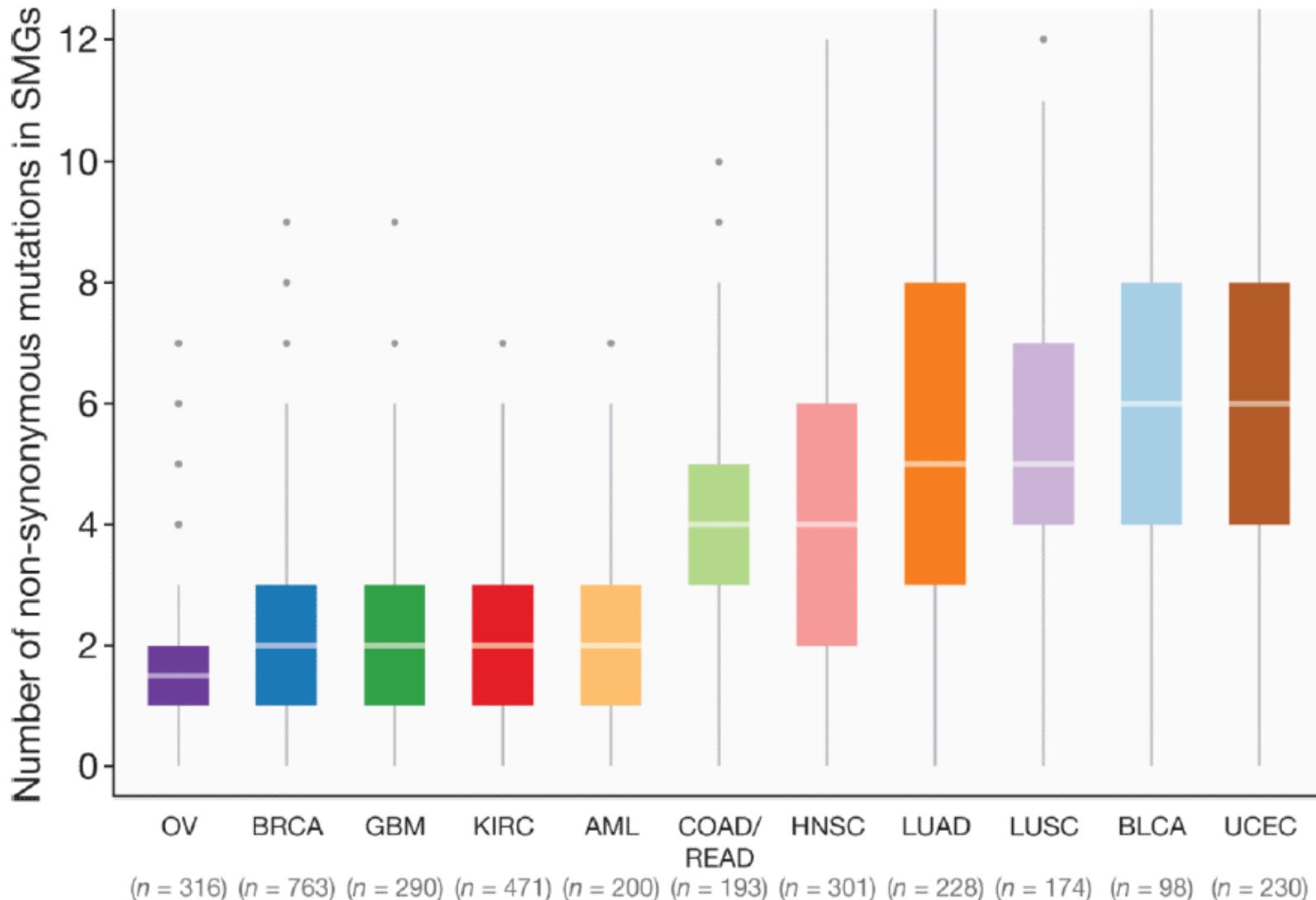
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Lower Grade Glioma	✓	✓
Endocrine		
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Papillary Thyroid Carcinoma	✓	✓
Paraganglioma & Pheochromocytoma	✓	✓
Gastrointestinal		
Cholangiocarcinoma	✓	
Colorectal Adenocarcinoma	✓	✓
Liver Hepatocellular Carcinoma	✓	✓
Pancreatic Ductal Adenocarcinoma	✓	✓
Stomach-Esophageal Cancer	✓	✓
Gynecologic		
Cervical Cancer	✓	✓
Ovarian Serous Cystadenocarcinoma	✓	✓
Uterine Carcinosarcoma	✓	✓
Uterine Corpus Endometrial Carcinoma	✓	✓
Head and Neck		
Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma	✓	✓
Uveal Melanoma	✓	
Hematologic		
Acute Myeloid Leukemia	✓	✓
Thymoma	✓	
Skin		
Cutaneous Melanoma	✓	✓
Soft Tissue		
Sarcoma	✓	✓
Thoracic		
Lung Adenocarcinoma	✓	✓
Lung Squamous Cell Carcinoma	✓	✓
Mesothelioma	✓	✓
Urologic		
Chromophobe Renal Cell Carcinoma	✓	✓
Clear Cell Kidney Carcinoma	✓	✓
Papillary Kidney Carcinoma	✓	✓
Prostate Adenocarcinoma	✓	✓
Testicular Germ Cell Cancer	✓	
Urothelial Bladder Carcinoma	✓	✓

# Mutation frequencies, spectra and contexts across 12 cancer types

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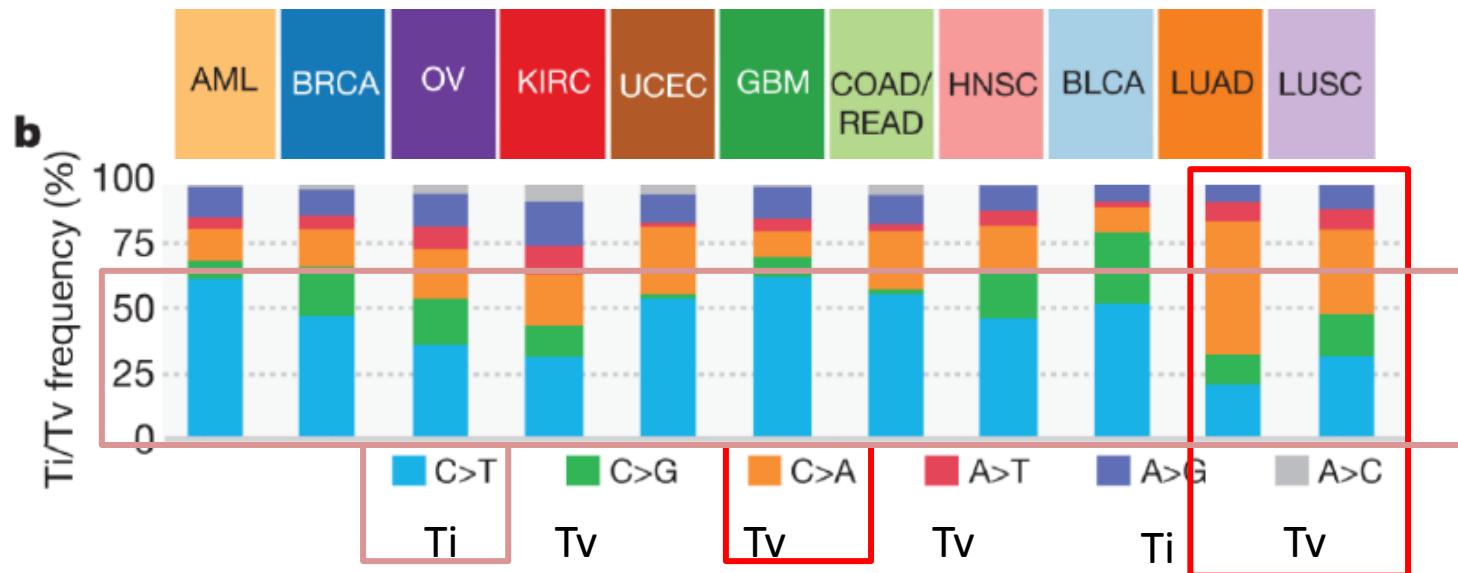


# Distribution of mutations in 127 SMGs across Pan-Cancer cohort

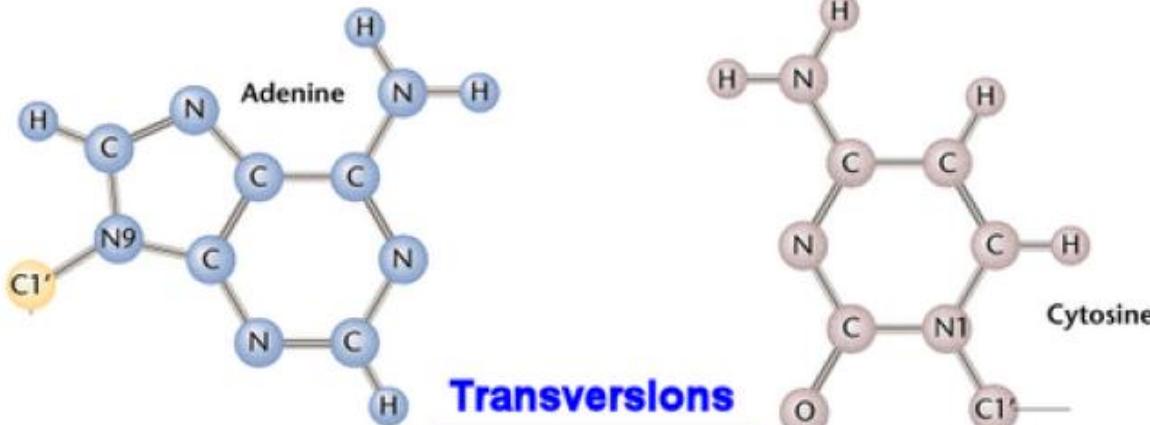


Box plot displays median numbers of non-synonymous mutations, with outliers shown as dots. In total, 3,210 tumours were used for this analysis (hypermutators excluded).

## Mutation frequencies, spectra and contexts across 12 cancer types



Mutation spectrum of six transition (Ti) and transversion (Tv) categories for each cancer type.

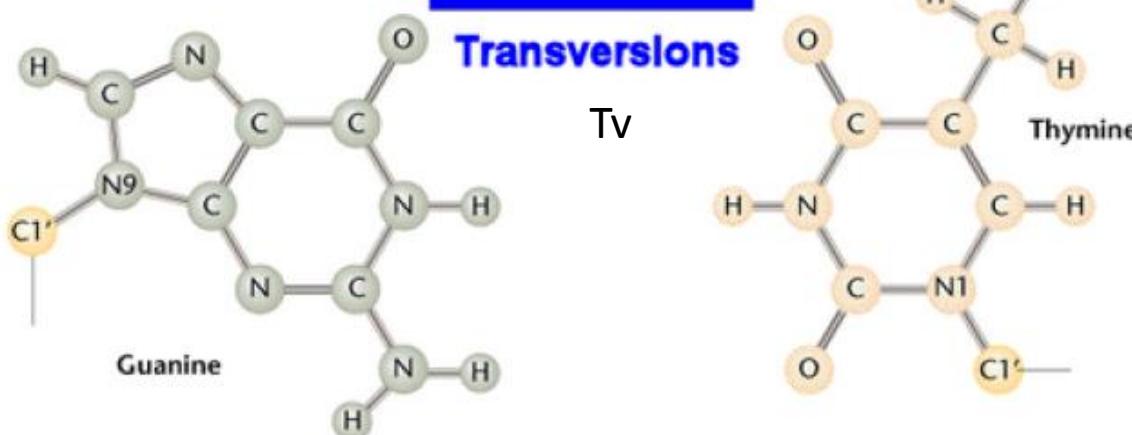


Transversions

Transitions

T<sub>i</sub>

Transitions

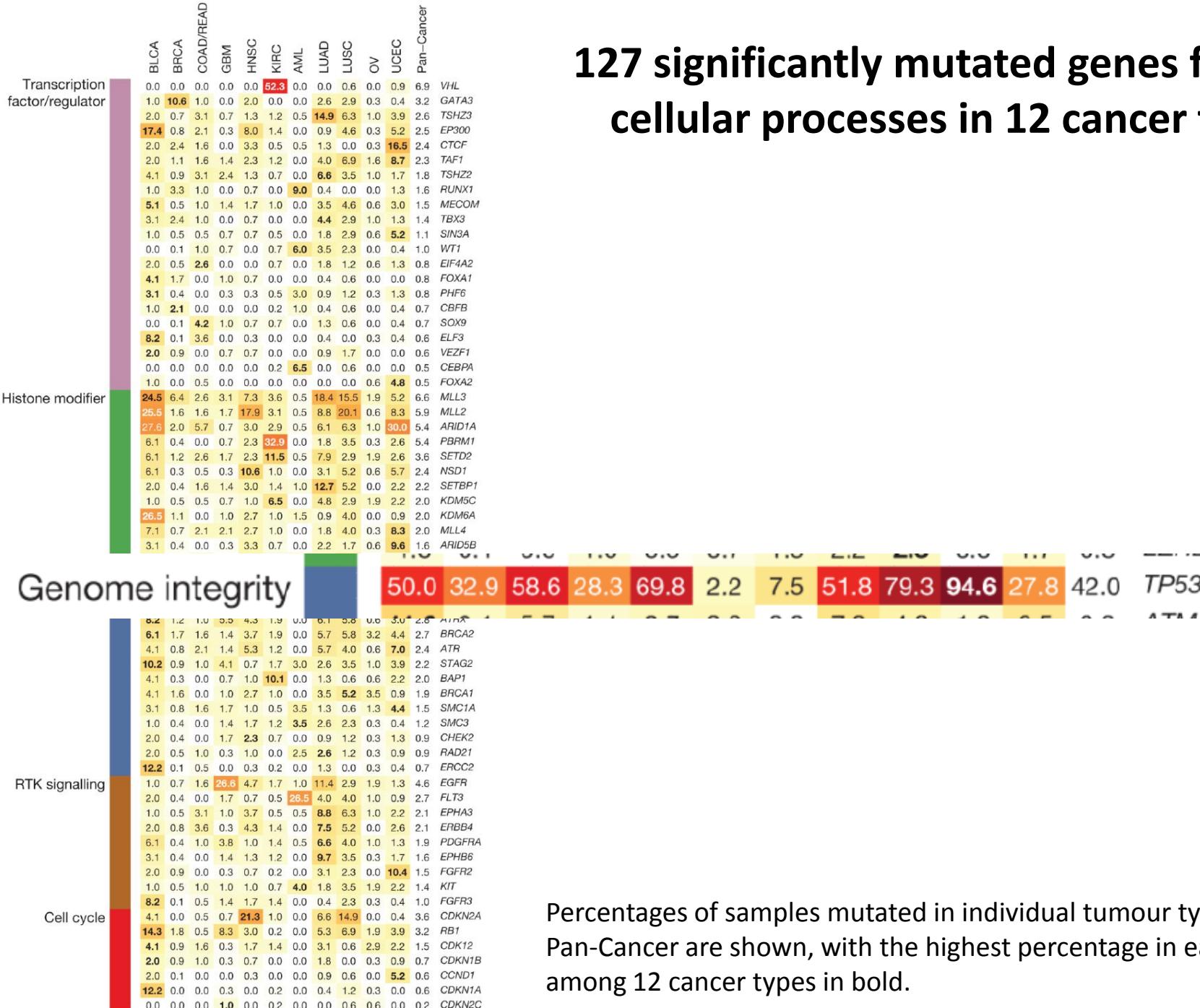


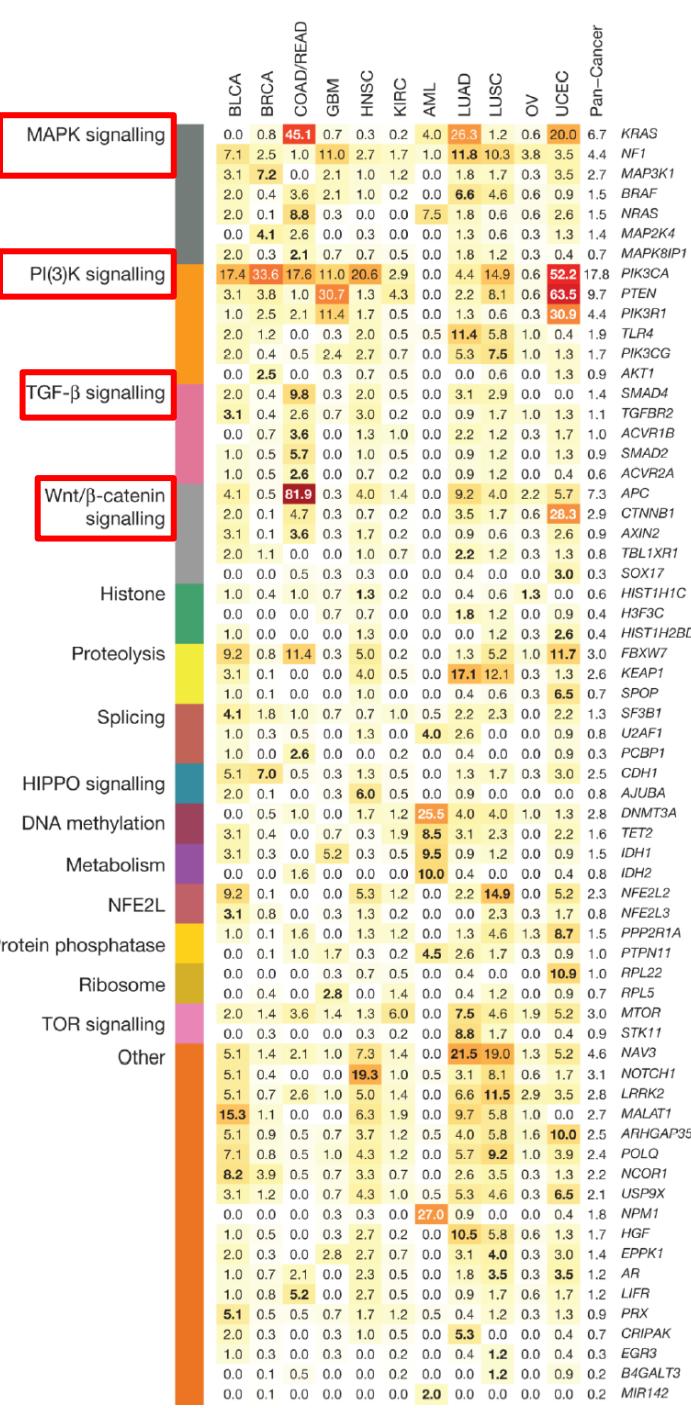
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**Transition versus Transversion mutations**

# 127 significantly mutated genes from 20 cellular processes in 12 cancer types



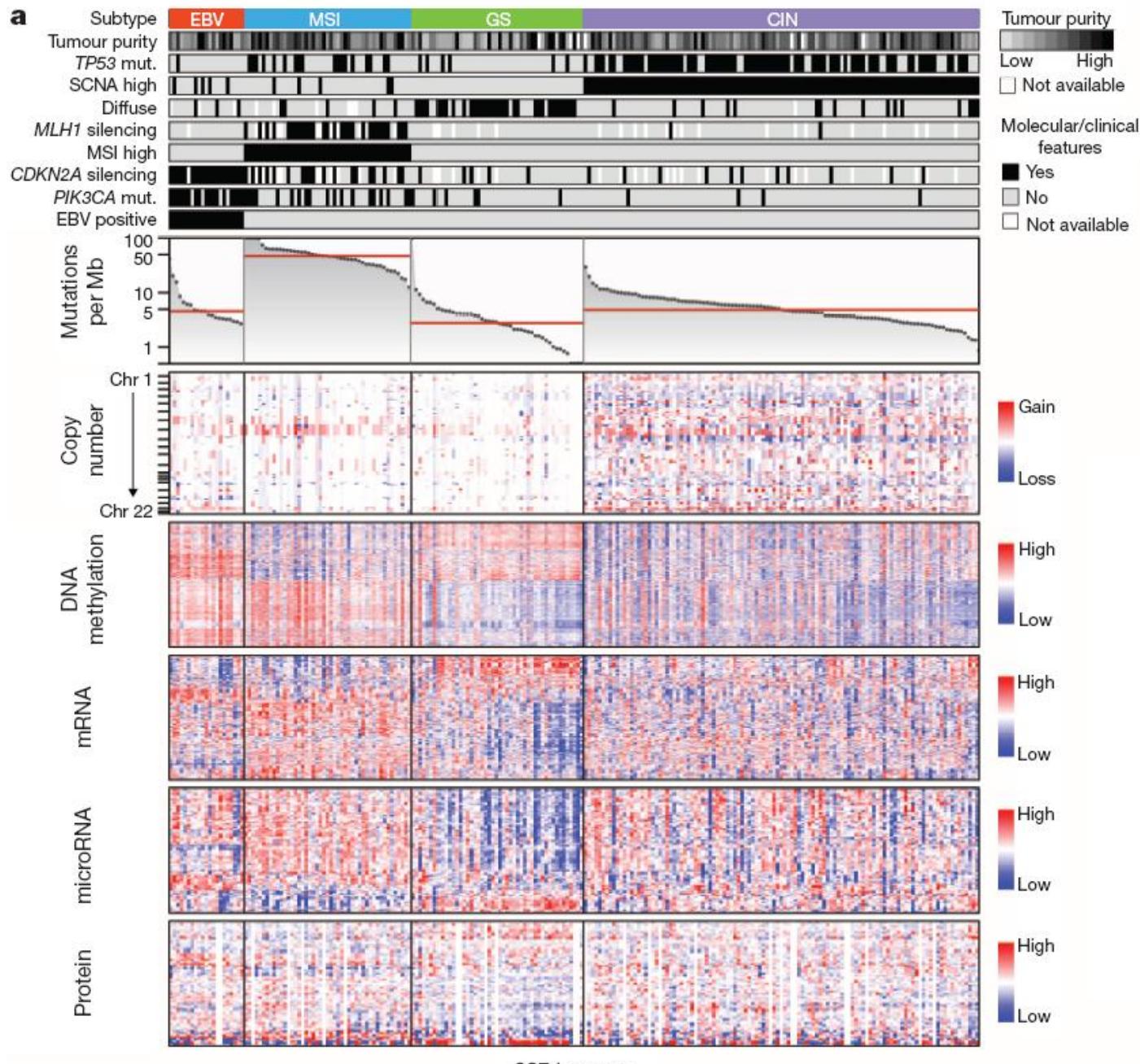


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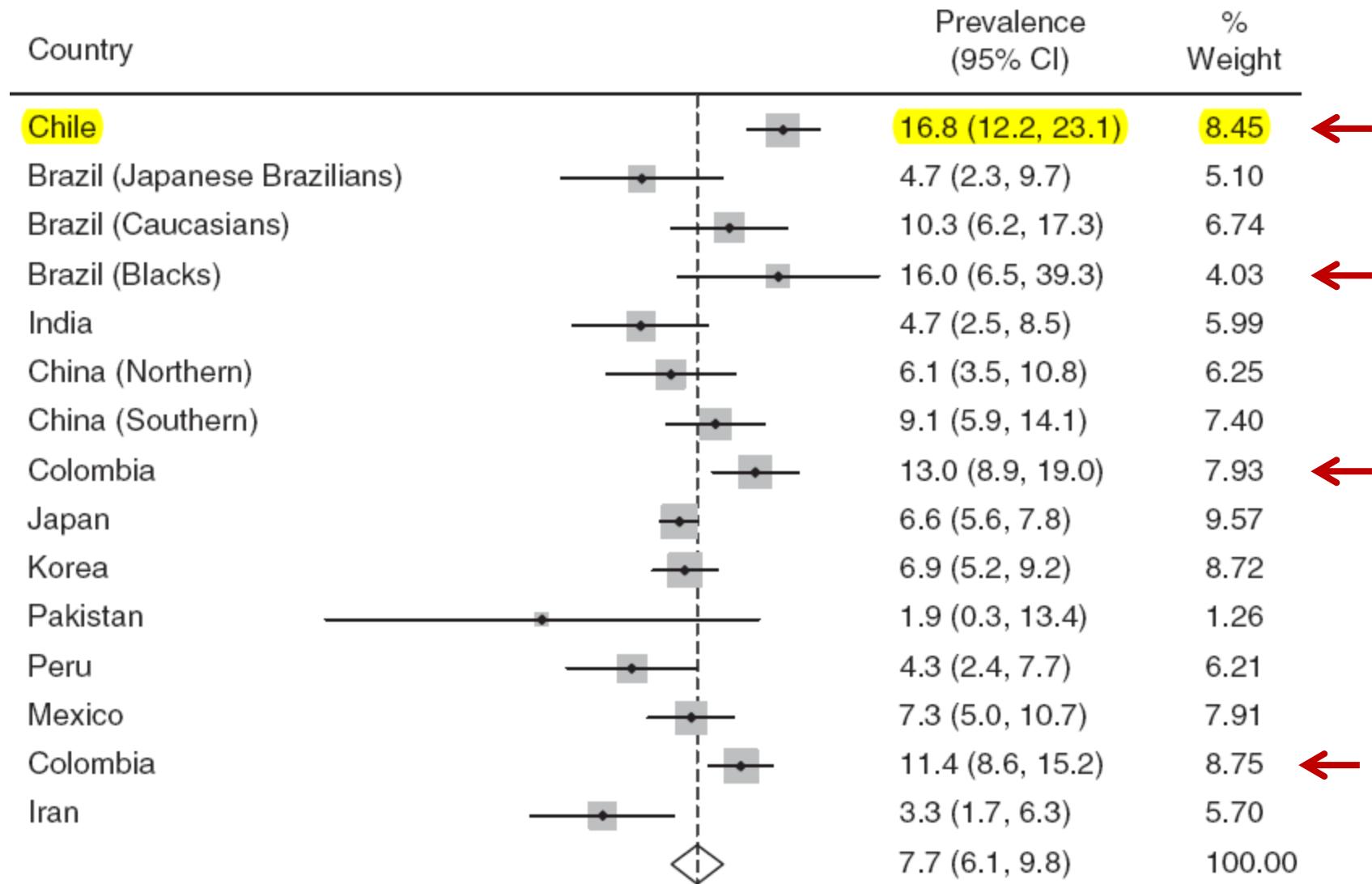
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2. LUAD (Lung adenocarcinoma )
3. LUSC (Lung squamous cell carcinoma )
4. UCEC (Uterine corpus endometrial carcinoma )
5. GBM (Glioblastoma multiforme )
6. HNSC (Head and neck squamous cell carcinoma )
7. COAD, READ (Colon and rectal carcinoma )
8. BLCA (Bladder urothelial carcinoma )
9. KIRC (Kidney renal clear cell carcinoma )
10. OV (Ovarian serous carcinoma )
11. LAML, AML (Acute myeloid leukaemia )
12. Pan-Cancer

Percentages of samples mutated in individual tumour types and Pan-Cancer are shown, with the highest percentage in each gene among 12 cancer types in bold.

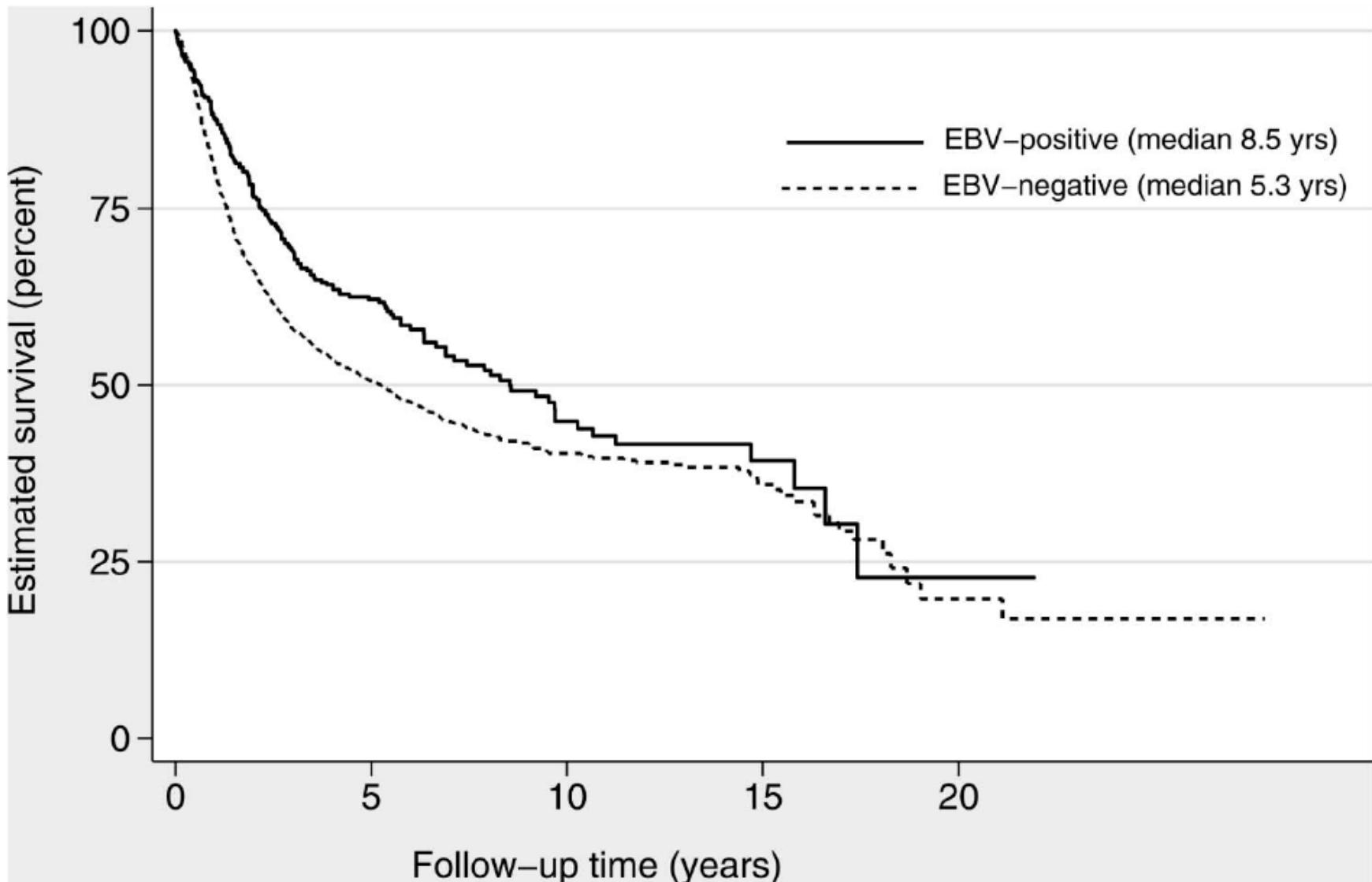
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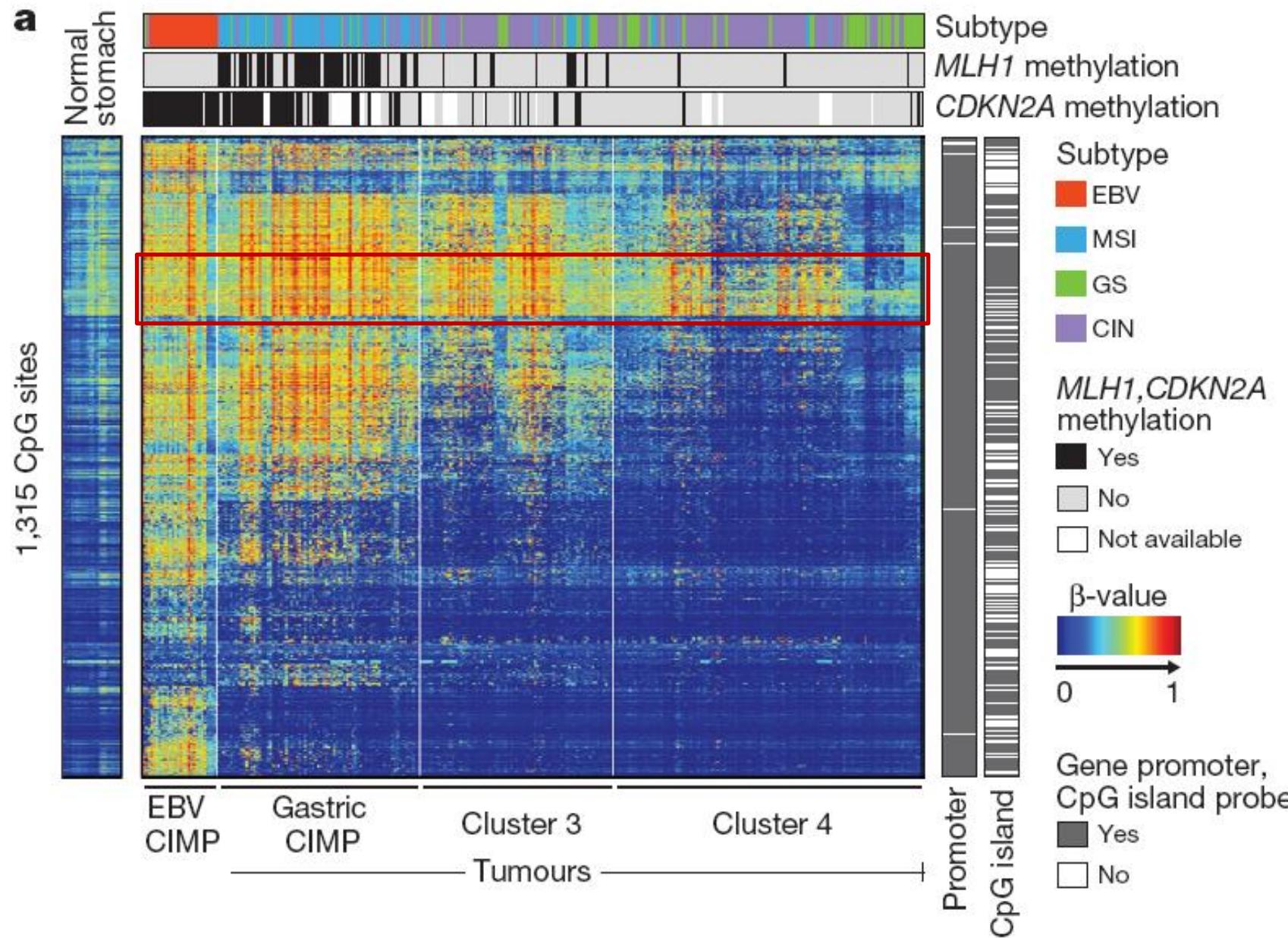


*Improved survival of gastric cancer with tumour Epstein-Barr virus positivity: an international pooled analysis*



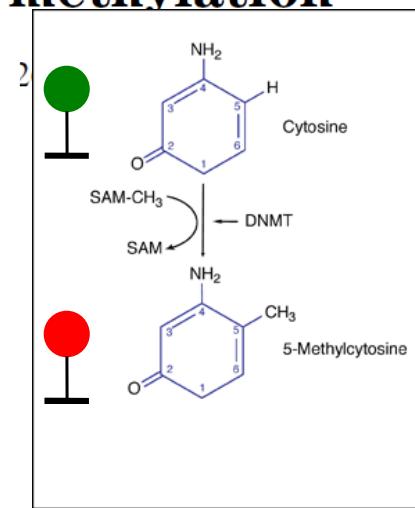
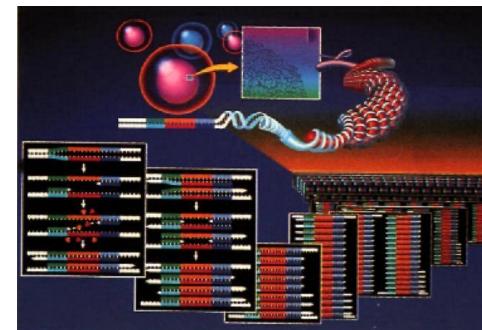
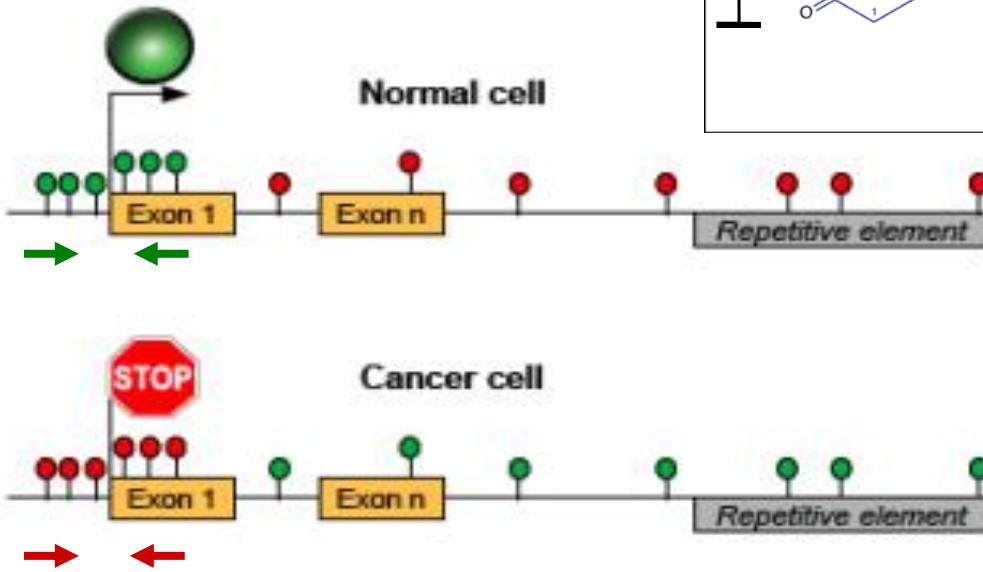
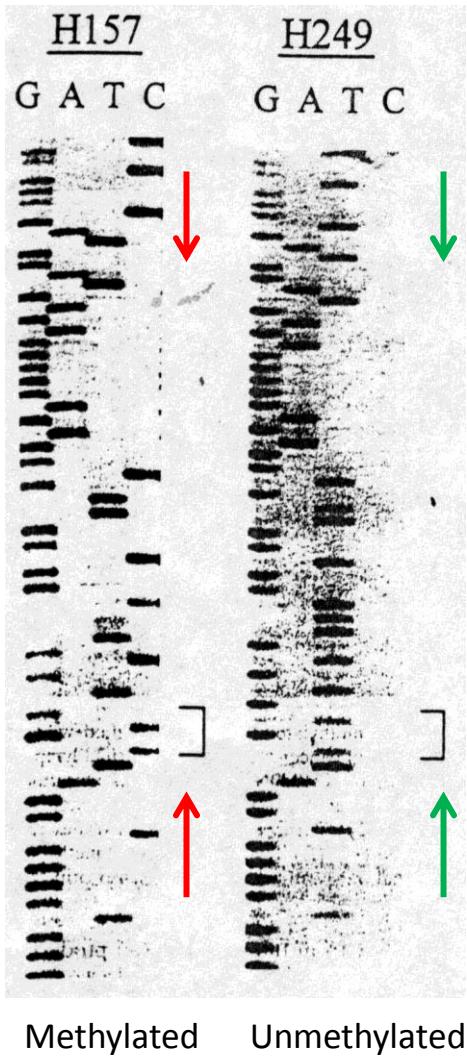
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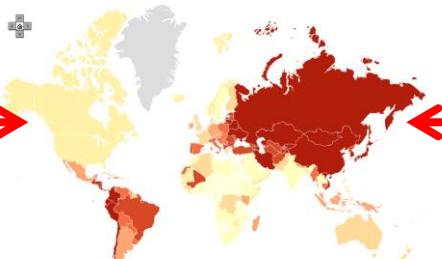
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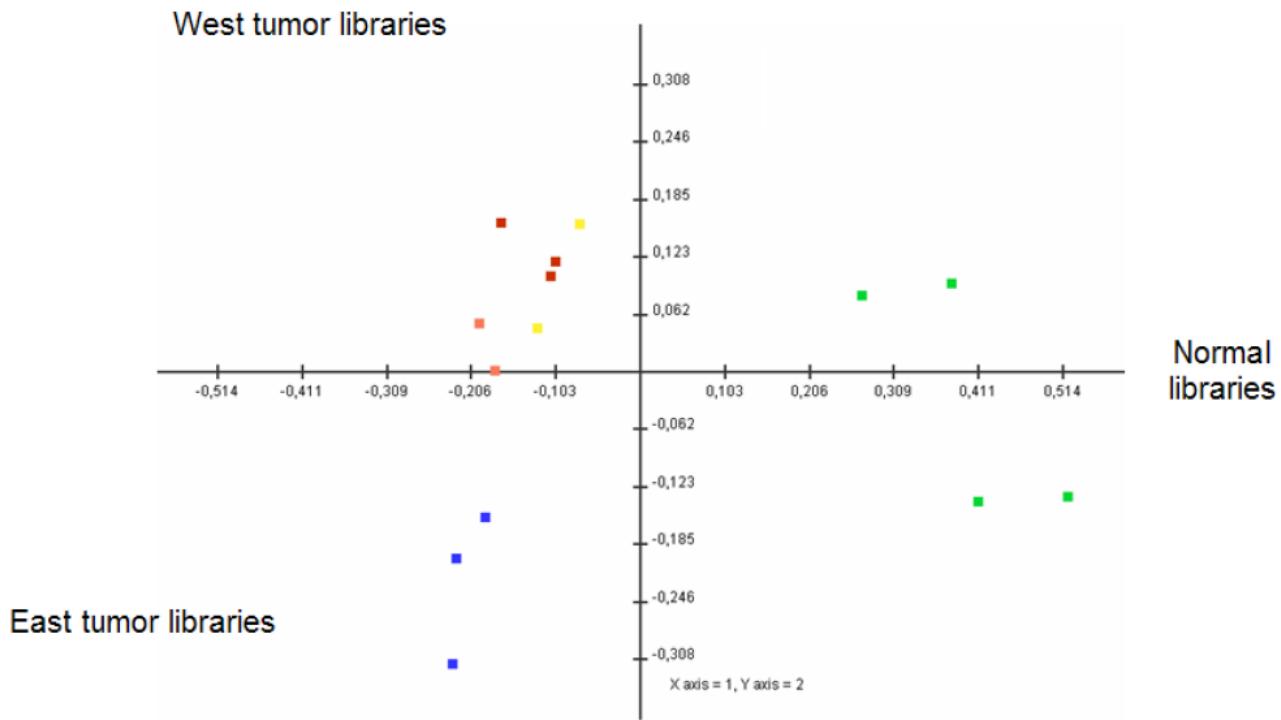
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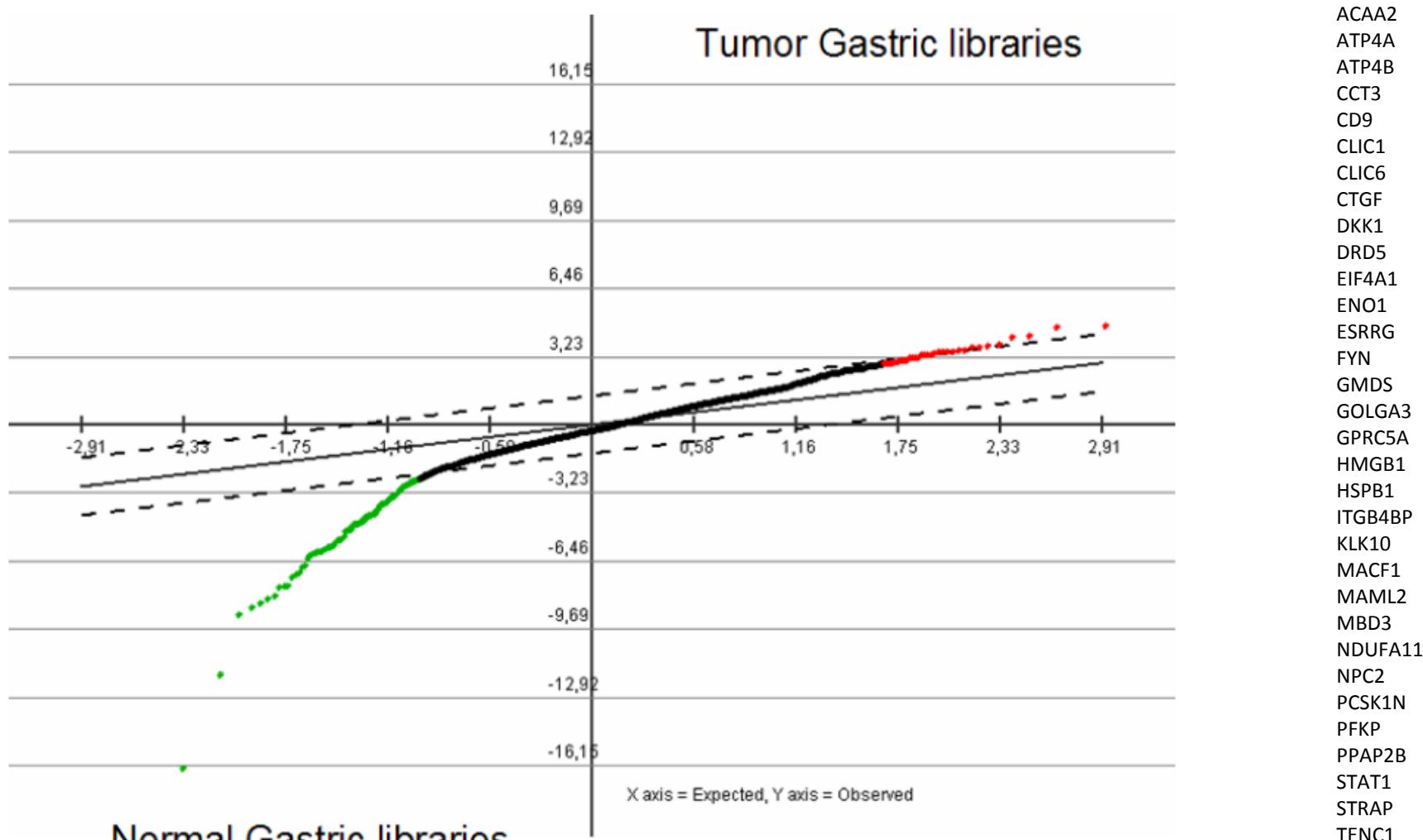


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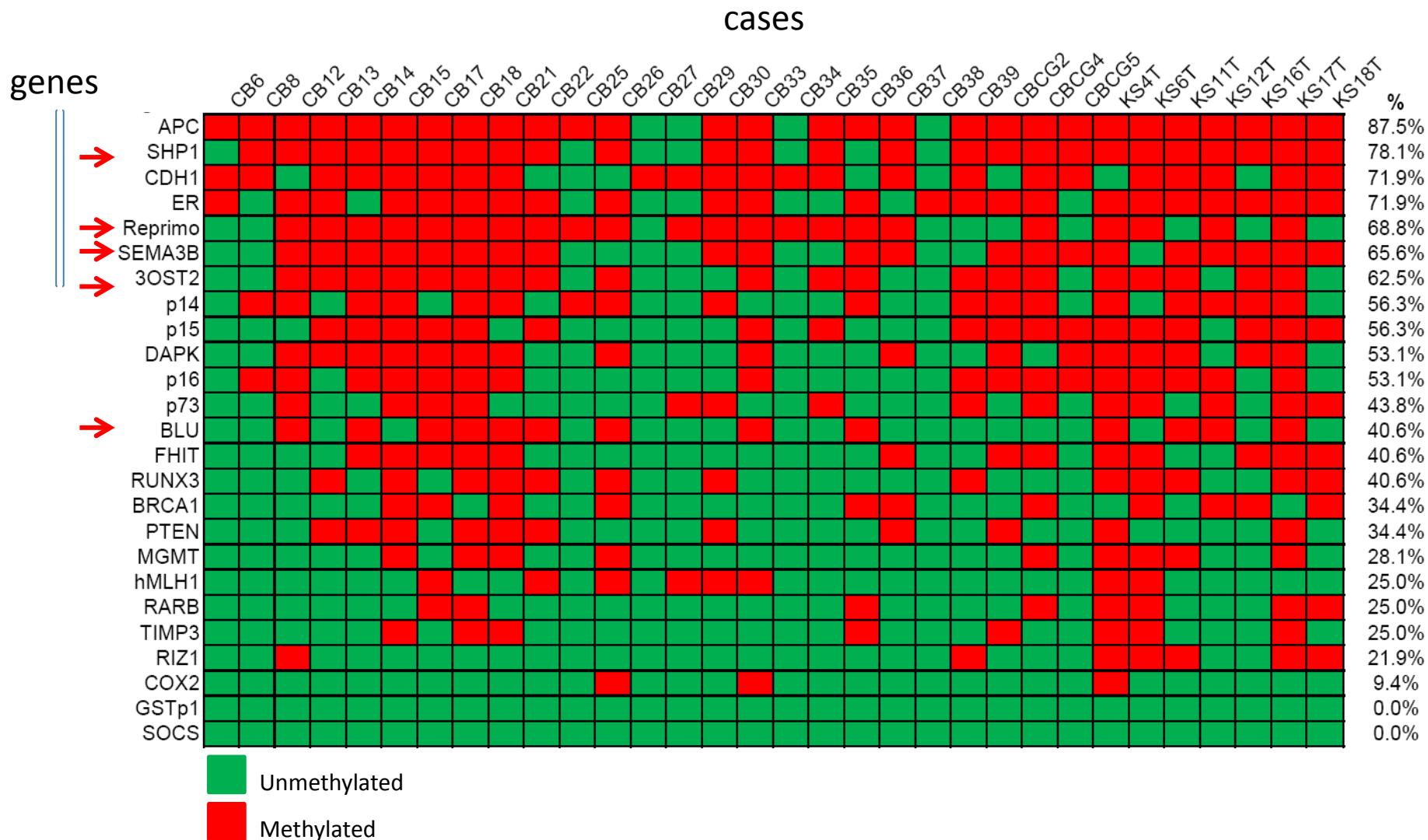
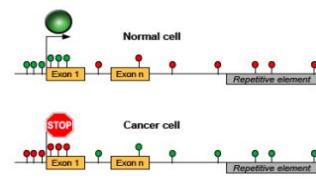
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# DNA methylation profile in Gastric Cancer 32 gastric cancer cases / 24 genes



→ novel genes



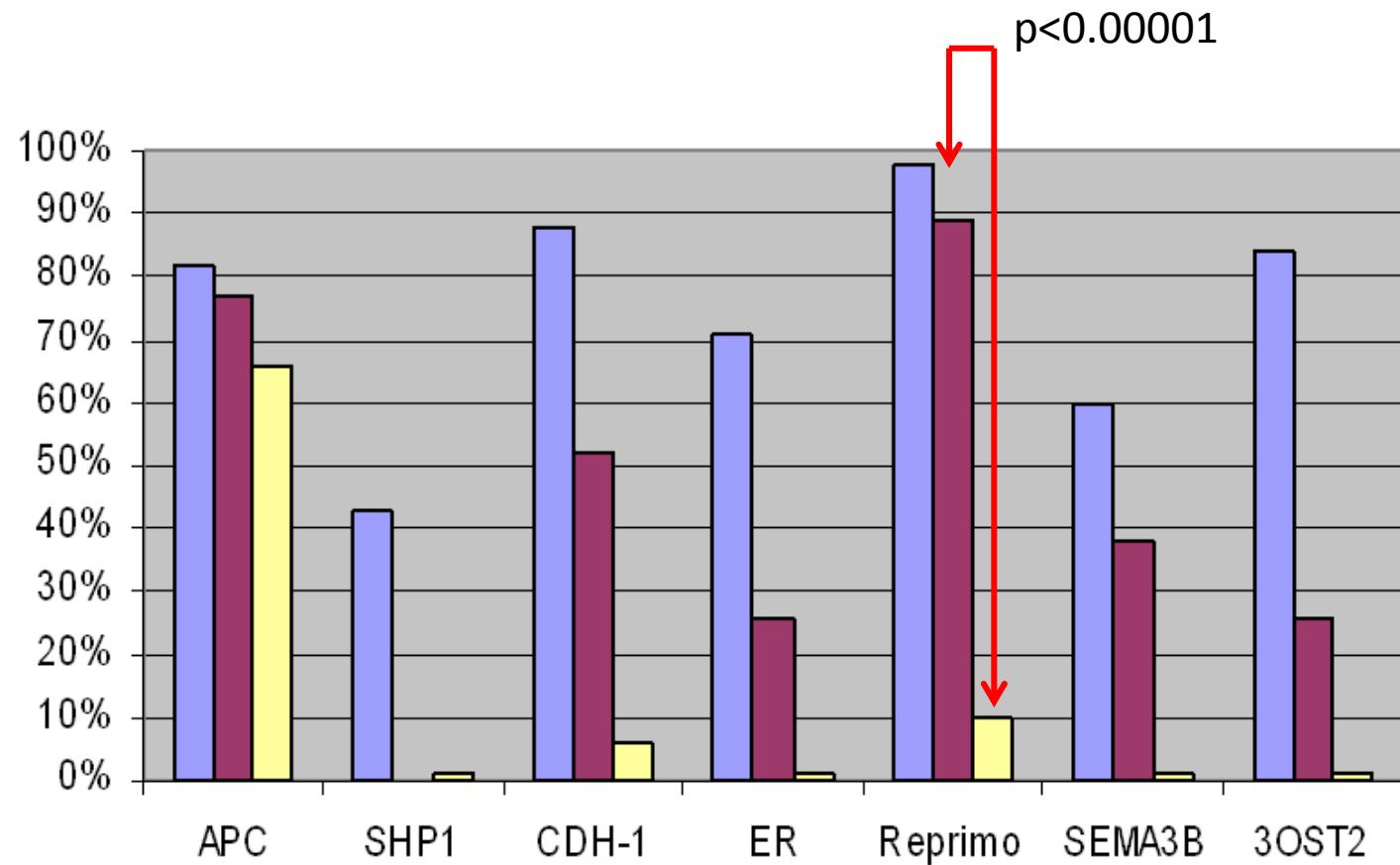
PROSPECTIVE ANALYSIS  
43 gastric cancer cases / 31 asymptomatic controls  
7 candidate biomarkers

GASTRIC  
CANCER  
CASES

TUMOR  
PLASMA

ASYMPTOMATIC  
CONTROLS

PLASMA



Histogram representing the percentage of positive cases for Reprimo and other genes (APC, SHP1, CDH-1, ER, SEMA3B and 3OST2) in 43 prospectively collected gastric cancer cases and 31 asymptomatic age- and gender-matched controls. Only Reprimo shows significative differences in plasma between gastric cancer and asymptomatic controls ( $p<0.001$ ).

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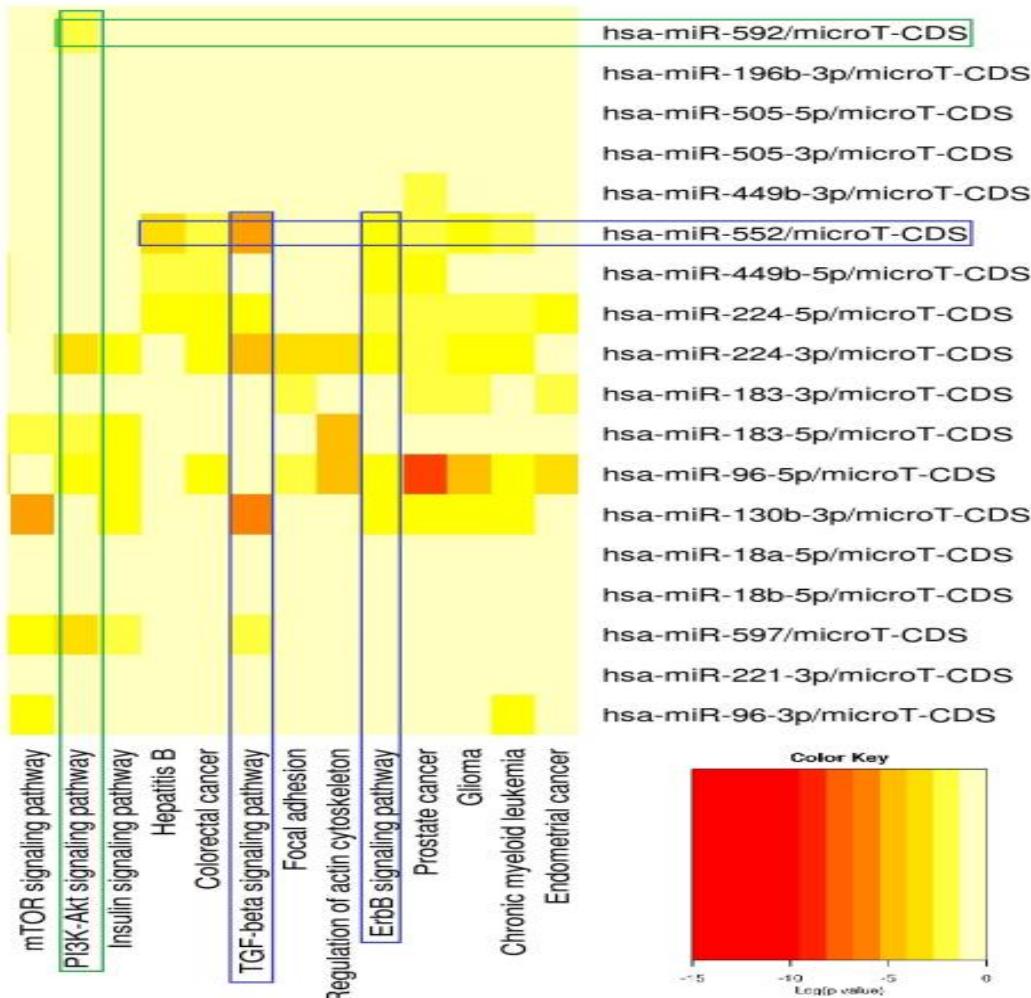
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## miRNAs vs Vías Moleculares

Heatmap  
generado  
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# USO DE HERRAMIENTAS BIOINFORMÁTICAS PARA EL MODELAMIENTO Y PREDICCIÓN DE PROCESOS TUMORALES

## miRNAs en TCGA

Altered in 30 (8%) of cases

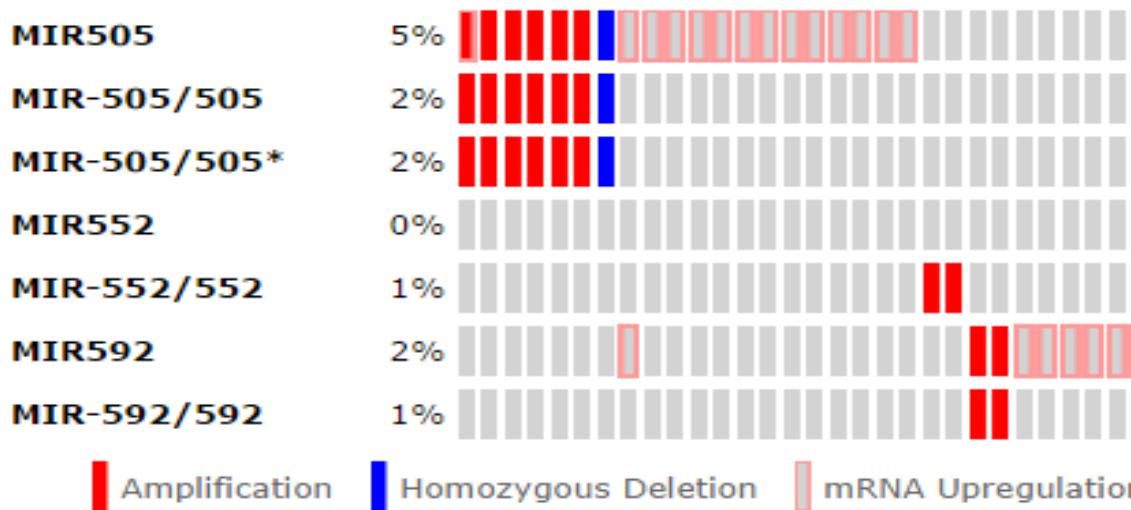
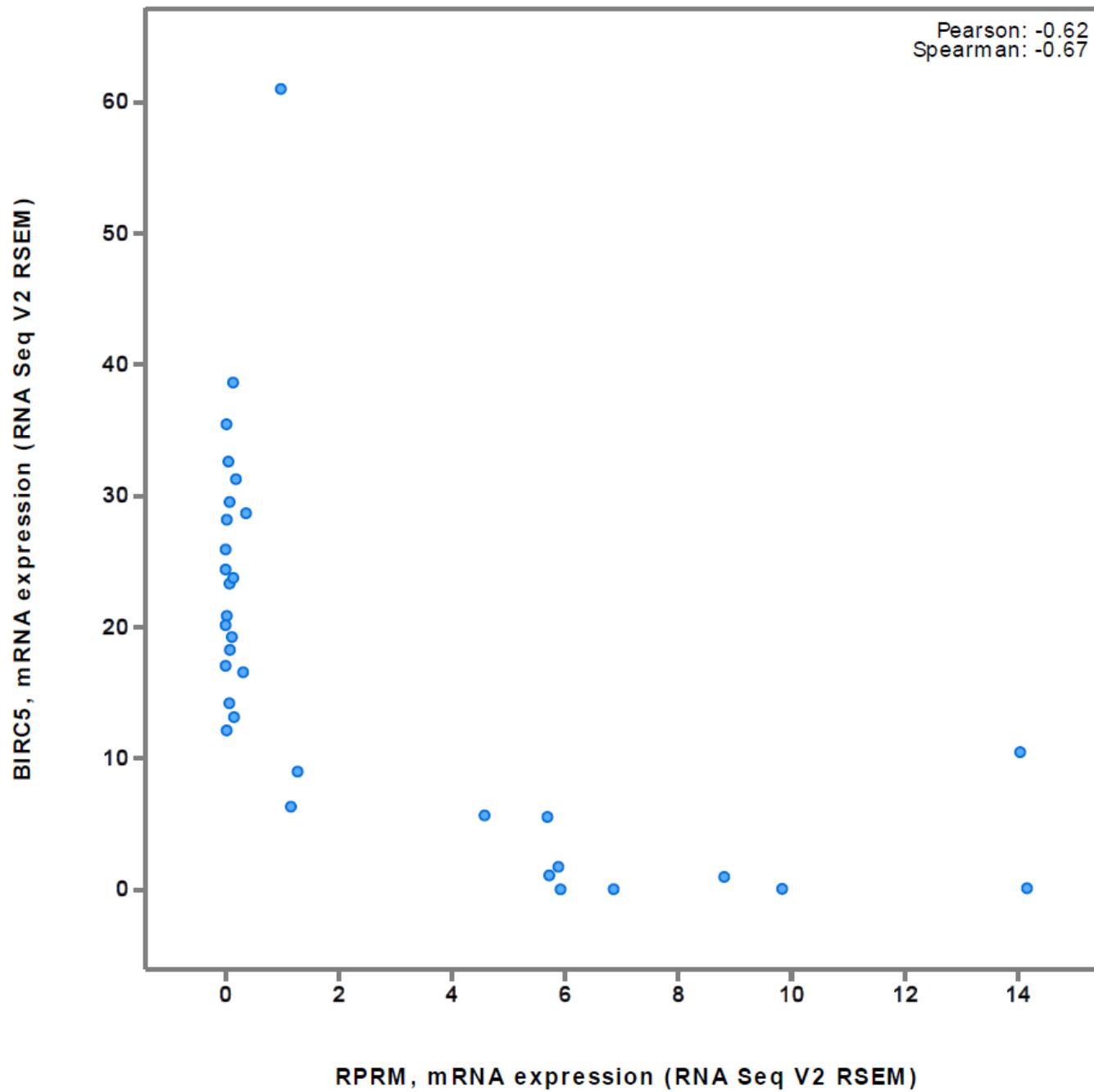
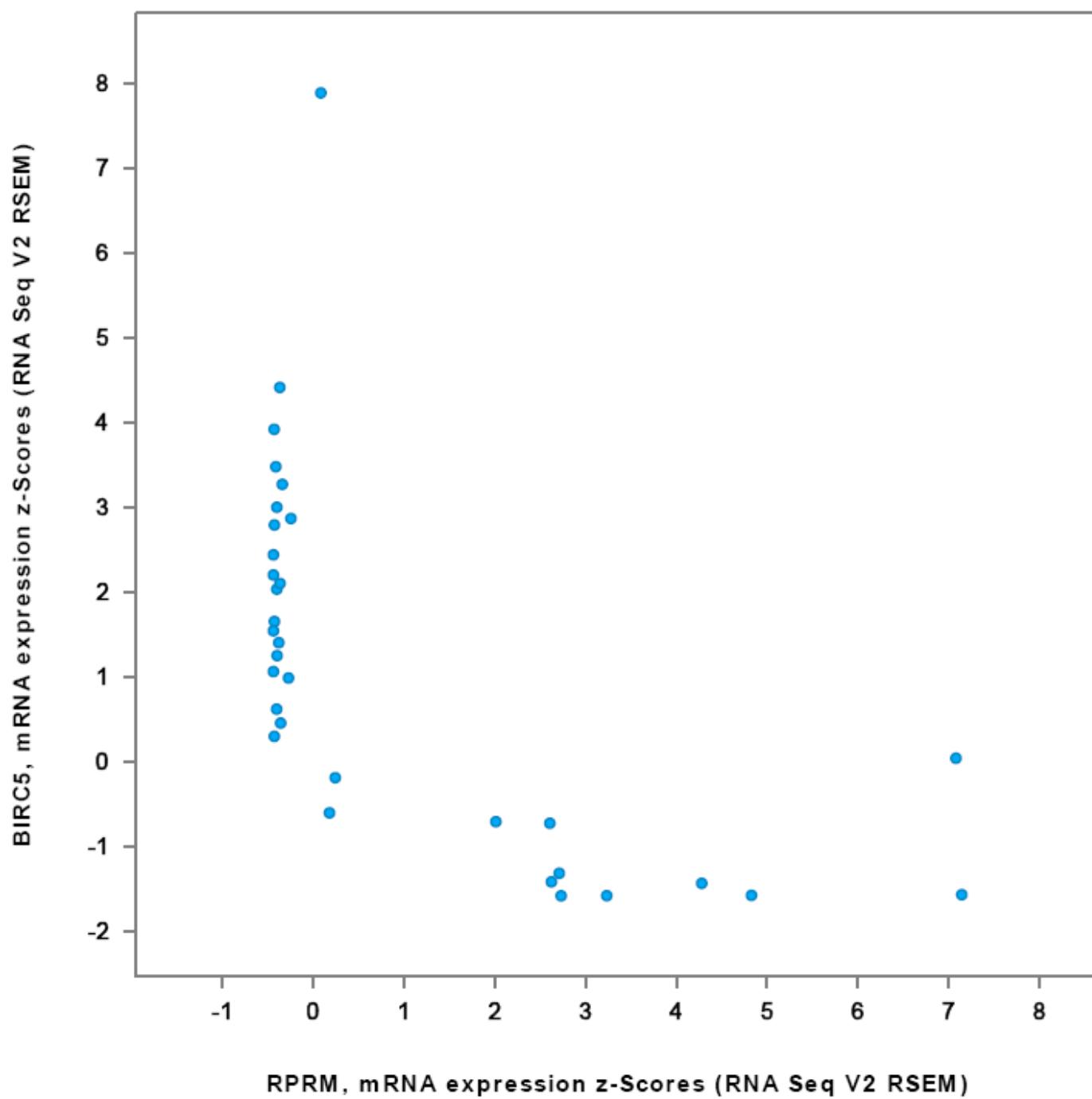


Tabla 1: Vías oncogénicas y genes blanco

Vías  
oncogénicas  
relacionadas a  
miRNAs-505, -  
552 y 592  
Valor-p  
calculado  
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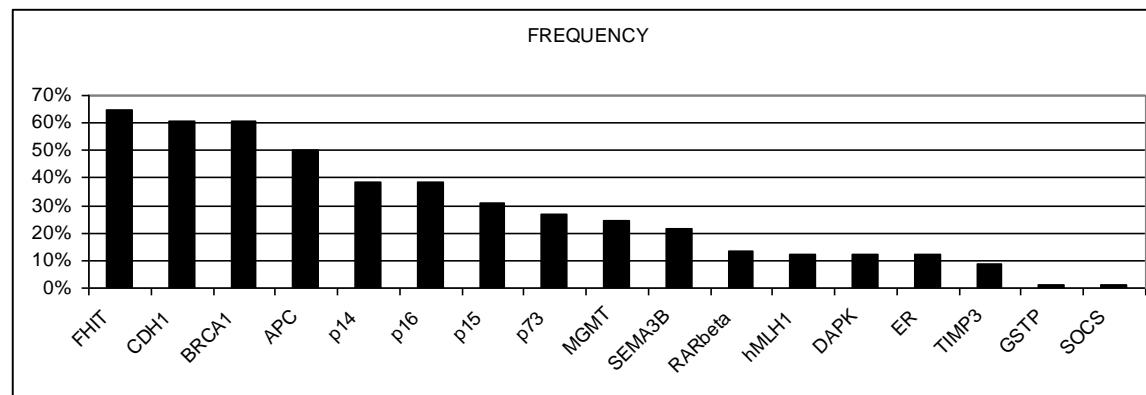
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TGF-Beta (miR-552)	0,002	RPS6KB1, SMAD3.
Erbβ (miR-552)	0,006	MAP2K1, RPS6KB1, TGFA.
PI3K-AKT (miR-592)	0,04	IGF1, LAMC1, IFNAR1, ITGB6, PIK3CA, PPP2R2D, EIF4E, BRCA1, FOXO3, CREB3L3.



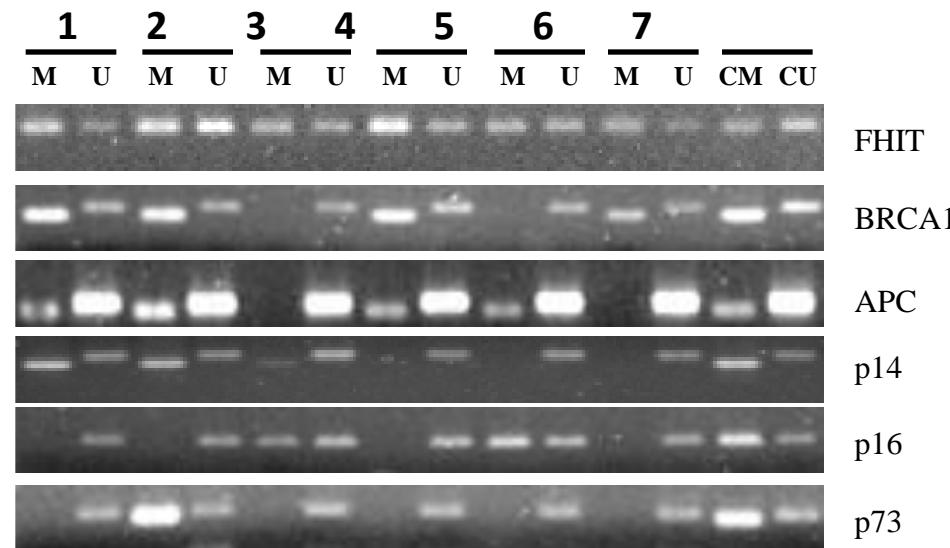


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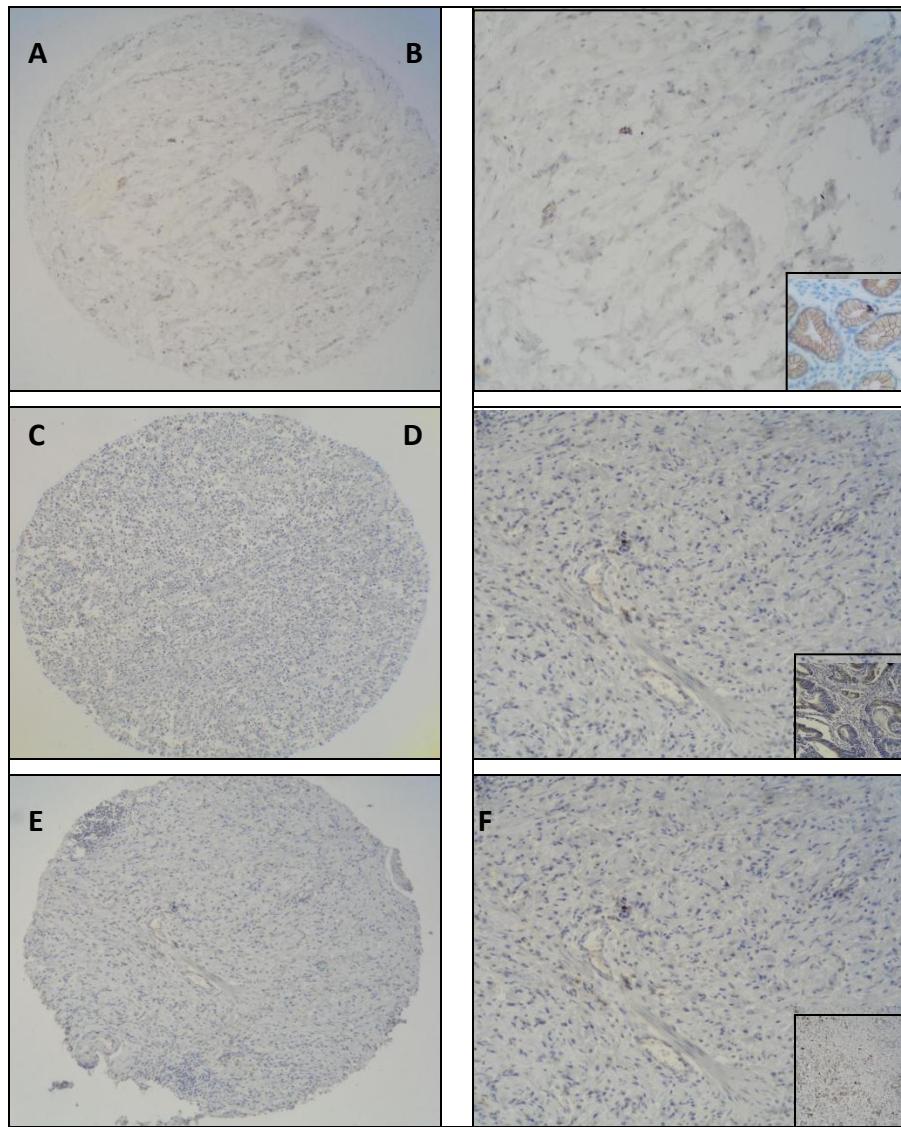
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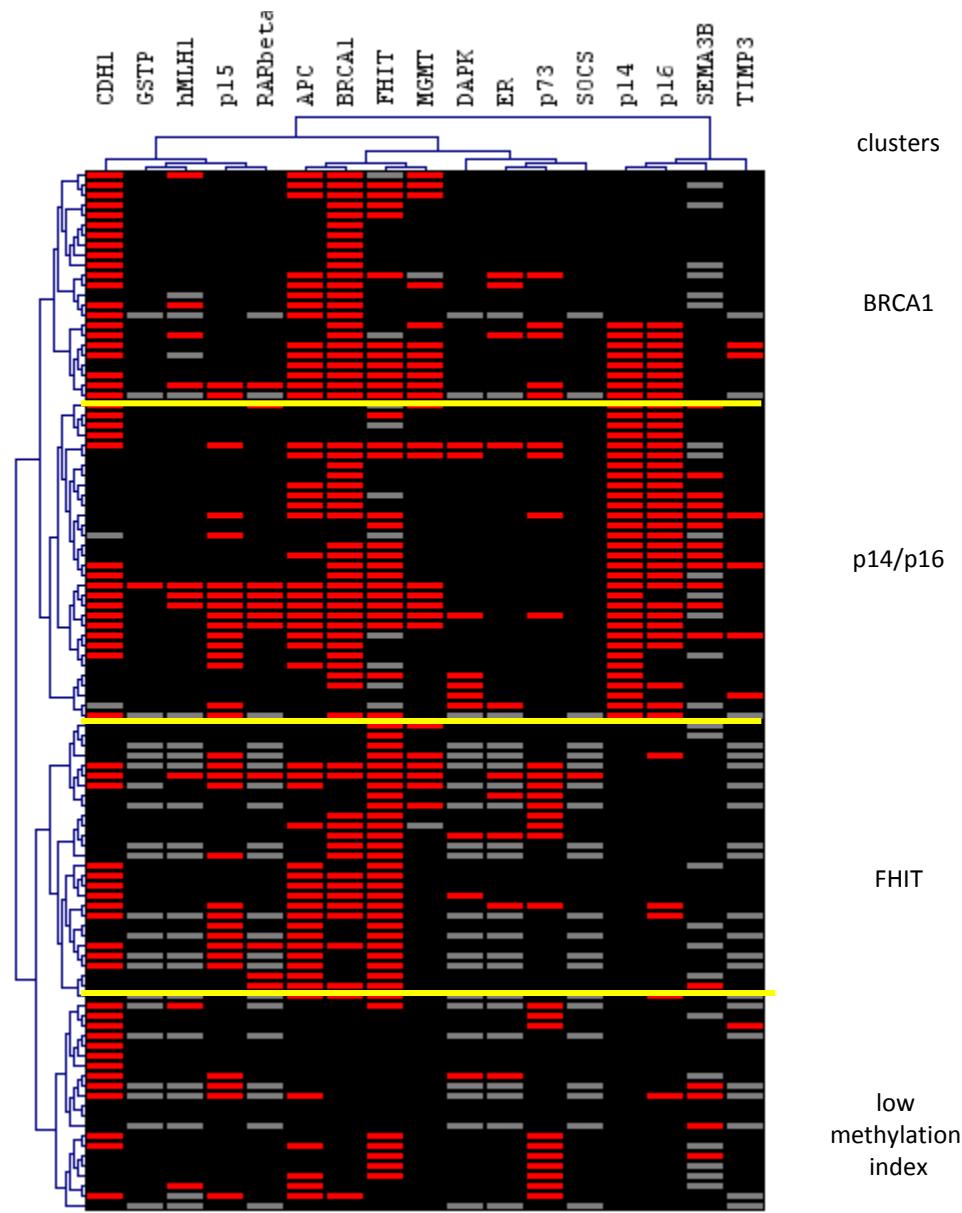
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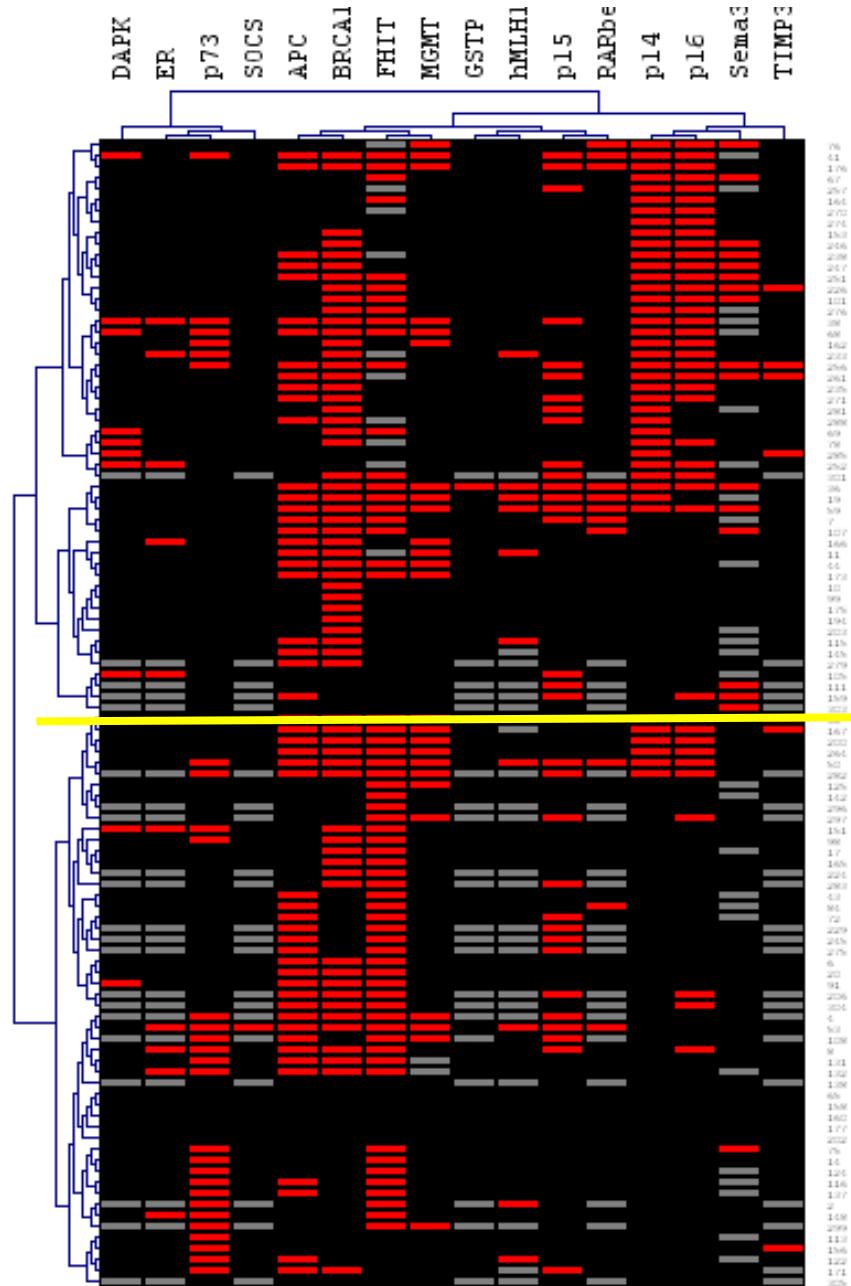
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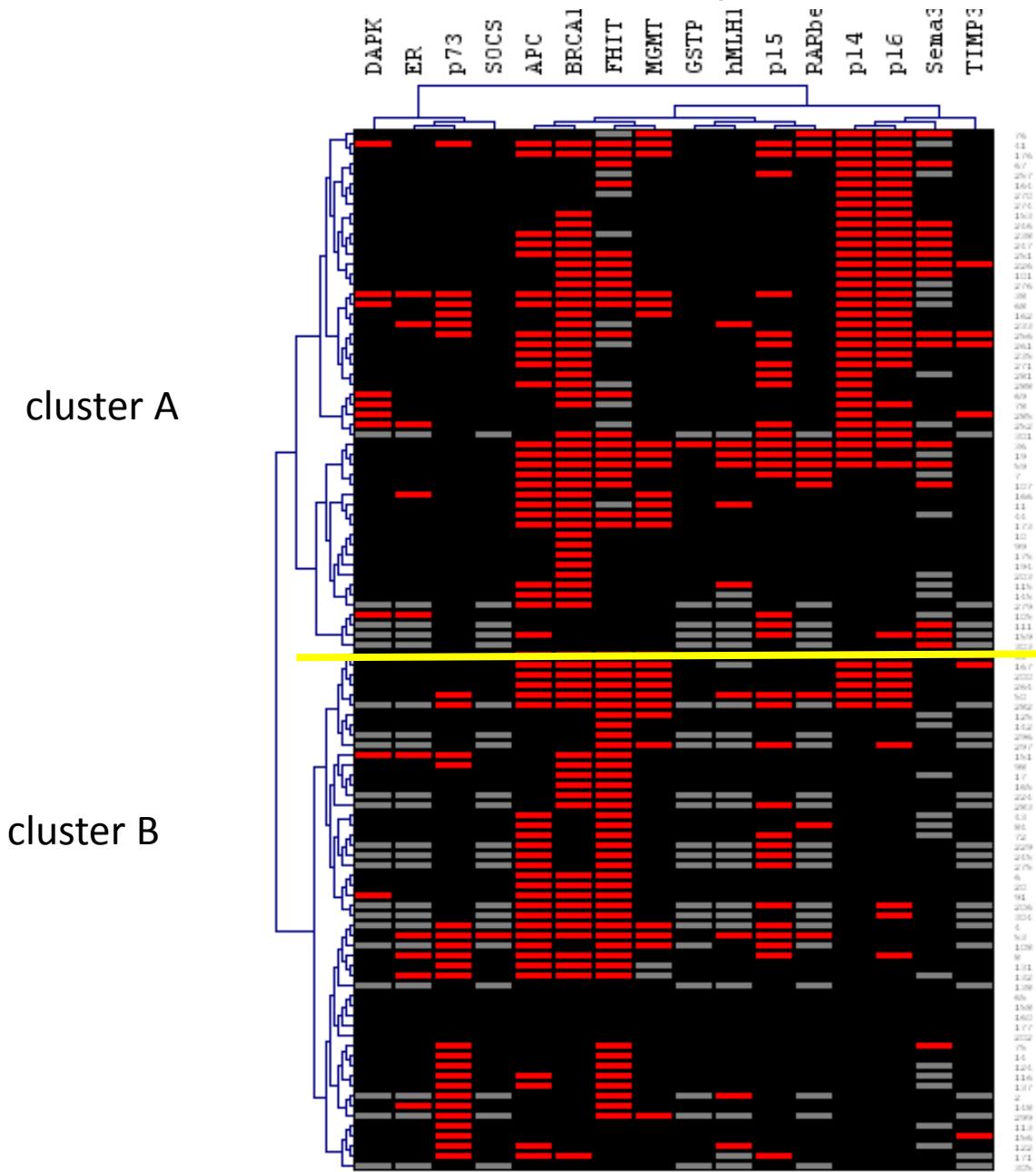
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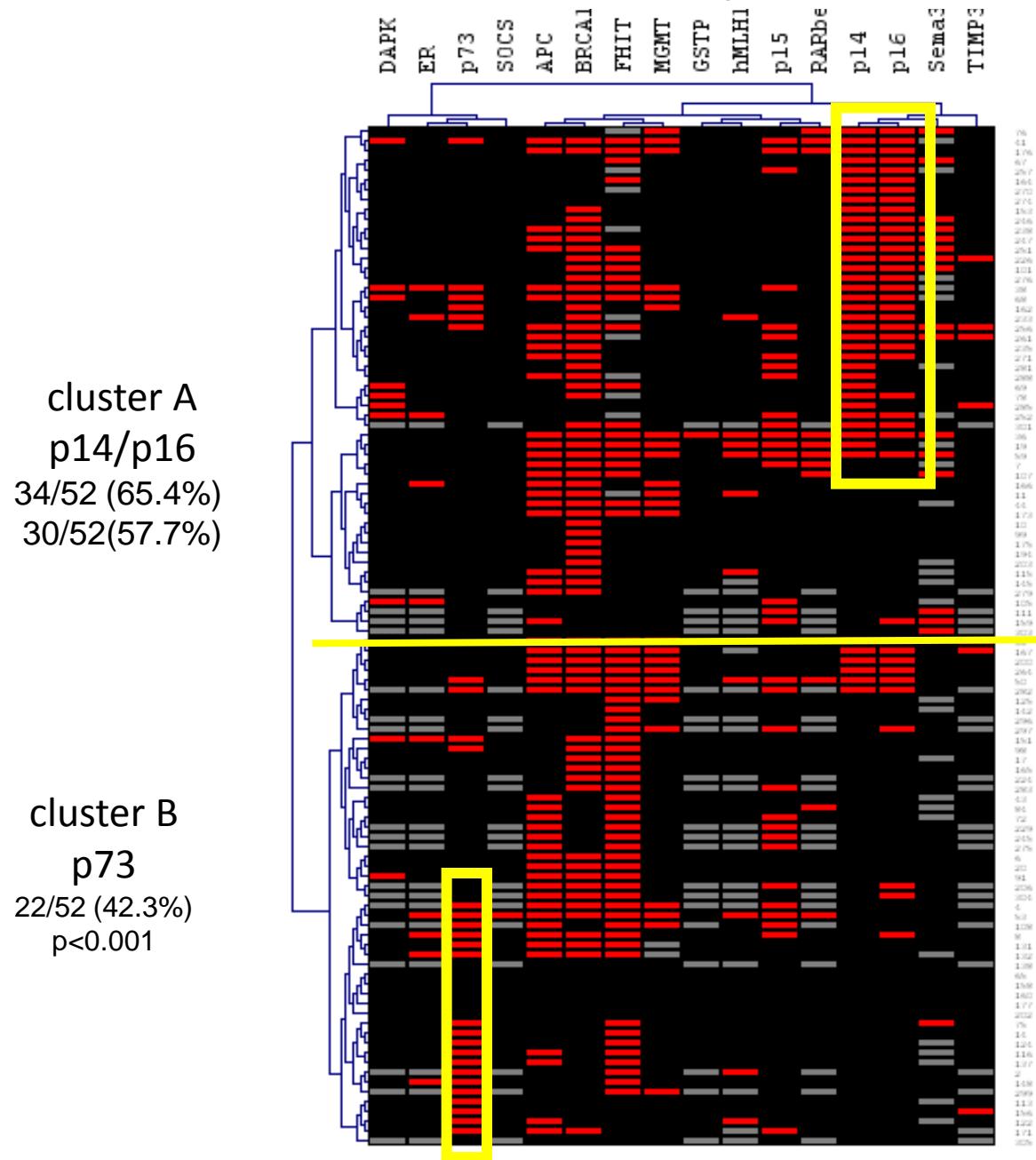
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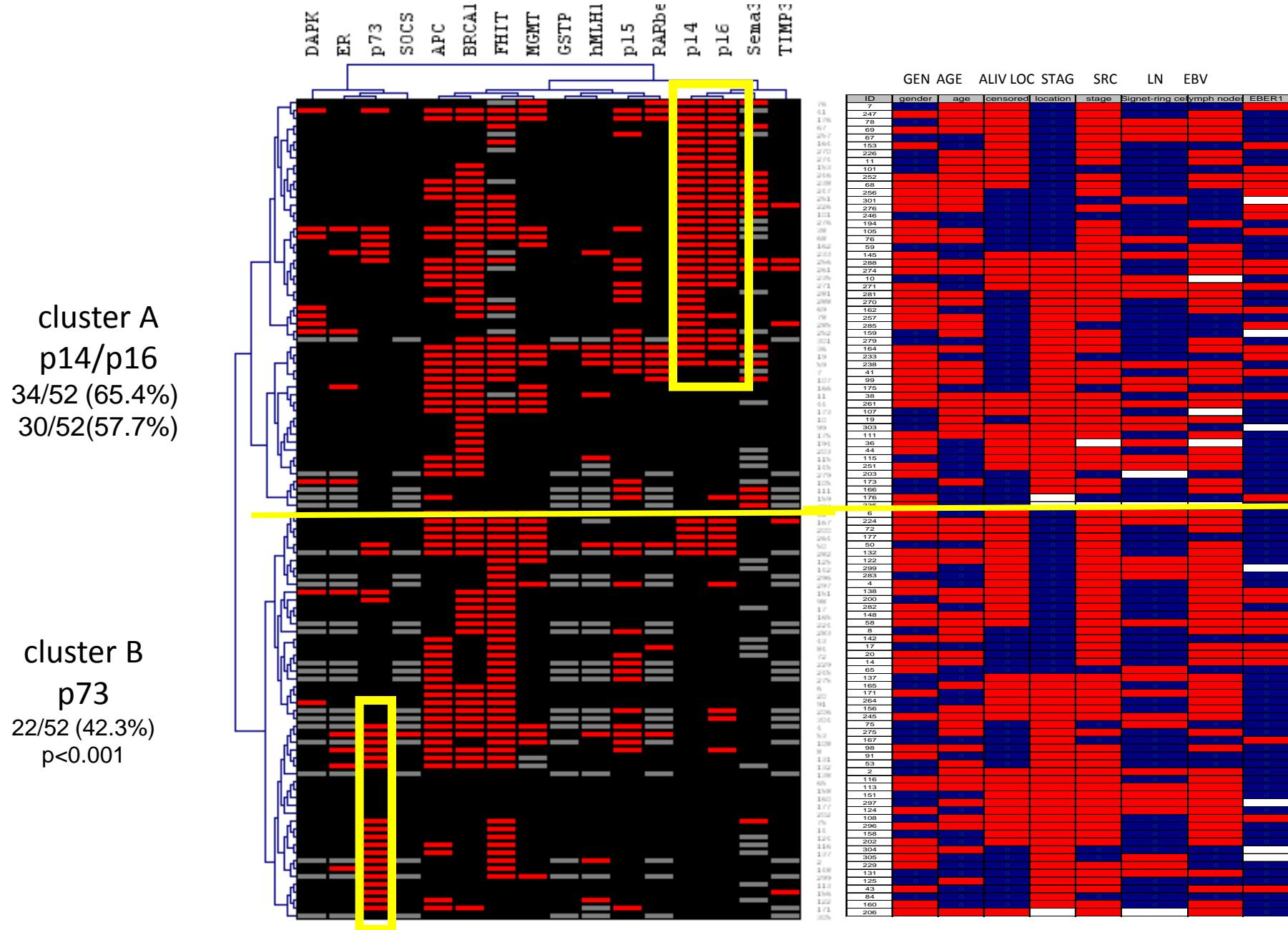
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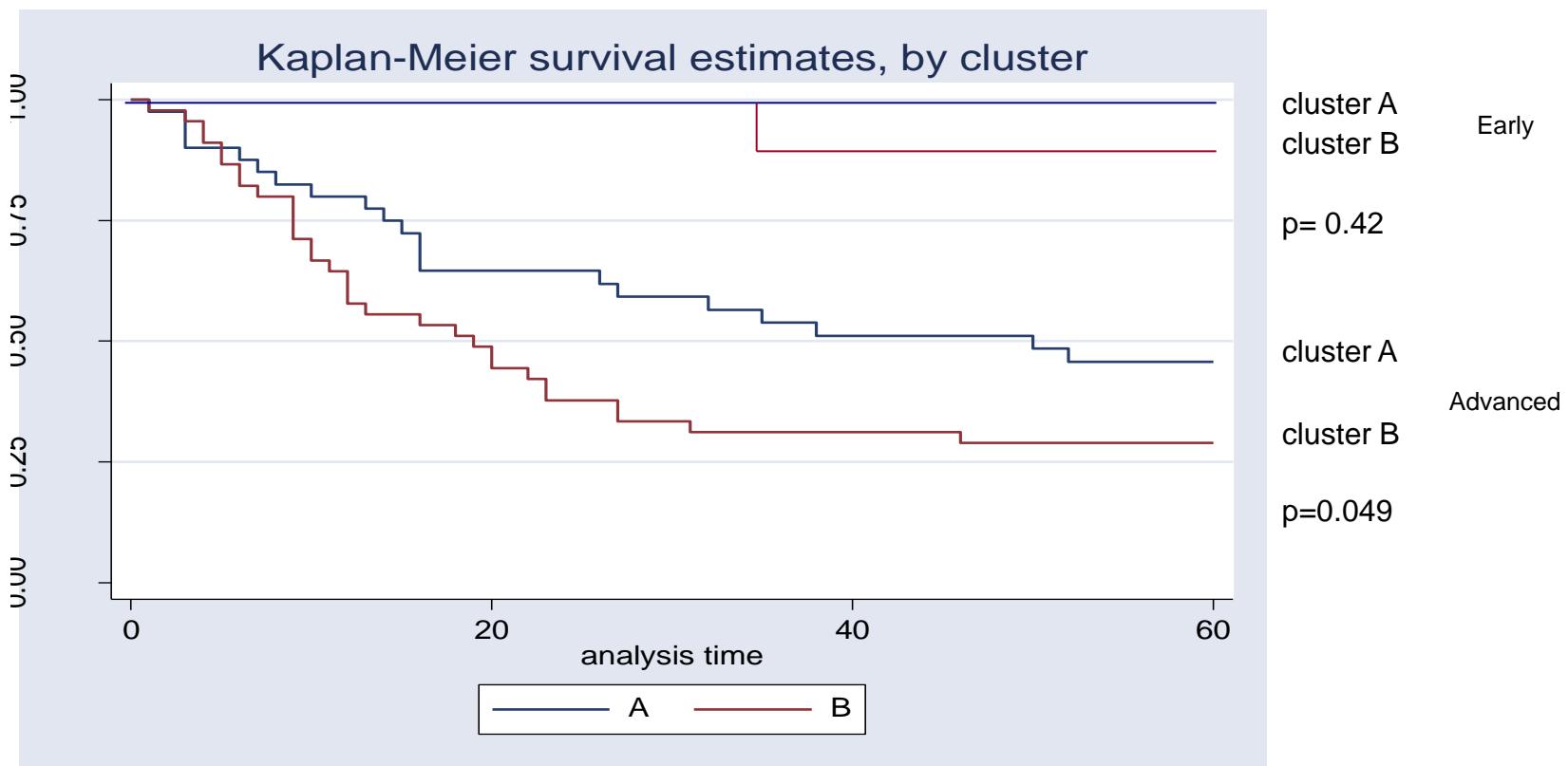
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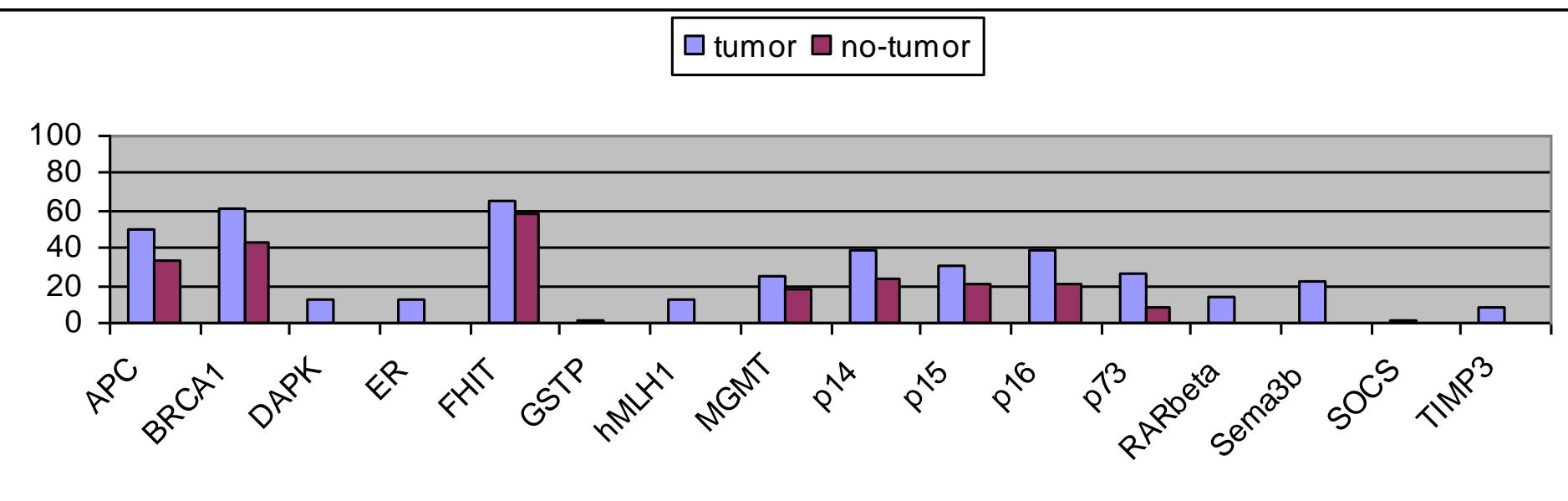
**Table 1.** Clinico-pathological correlation of clusters A (BRCA1, p14/p16 genes) and B (p73 gene).

		cluster A		cluster B		p
		N	%	N	%	
gender						
	female	17	32.7%	21	40.4%	0.116
	male	35	67.3%	31	59.6%	
age						
	<58	20	38.5%	23	44.2%	0.132
	>58	32	61.5%	29	55.8%	
censored						
	alive	24	46.2%	20	38.5%	0.115
	dead	28	53.8%	32	61.5%	
location						
	cardia	19	38.0%	21	41.2%	0.152
	corpus	18	36.0%	11	21.6%	
	antral	13	26.0%	19	37.3%	
stage						
	early	8	16.0%	6	11.5%	0.183
	advanced	42	84.0%	46	88.5%	
Signet-ring cell						
	no	32	64.0%	32	62.7%	0.162
	yes	18	36.0%	19	37.3%	
lymph nodes						
	negative	17	35.4%	12	23.1%	0.07
	positive	31	64.6%	40	76.9%	
Epstein-Barr virus						
	negative	30	61.2%	37	77.1%	0.042
	positive	19	38.8%	11	22.9%	

Fig. 2



# Hypermethylation of 16 genes in 104 cases in diffuse-type gastric carcinoma

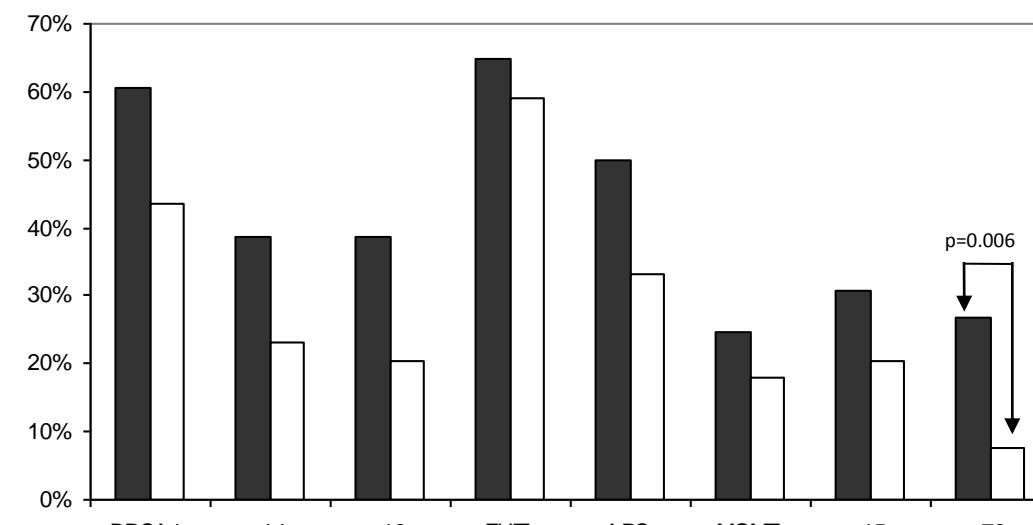


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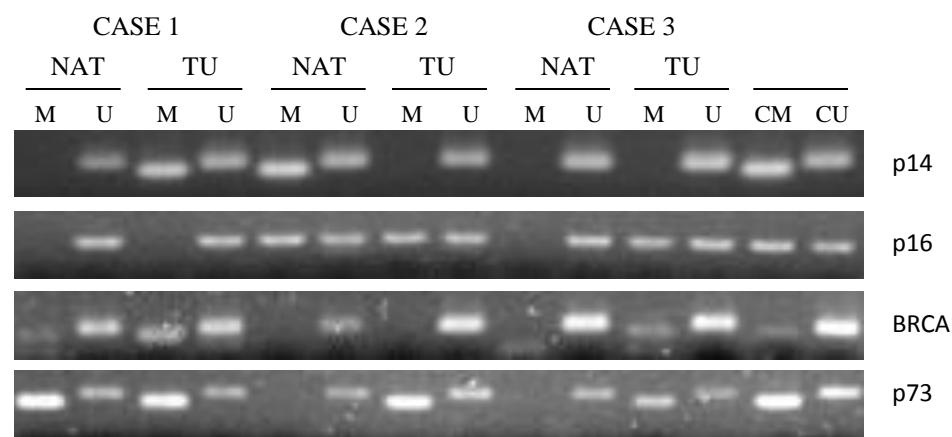
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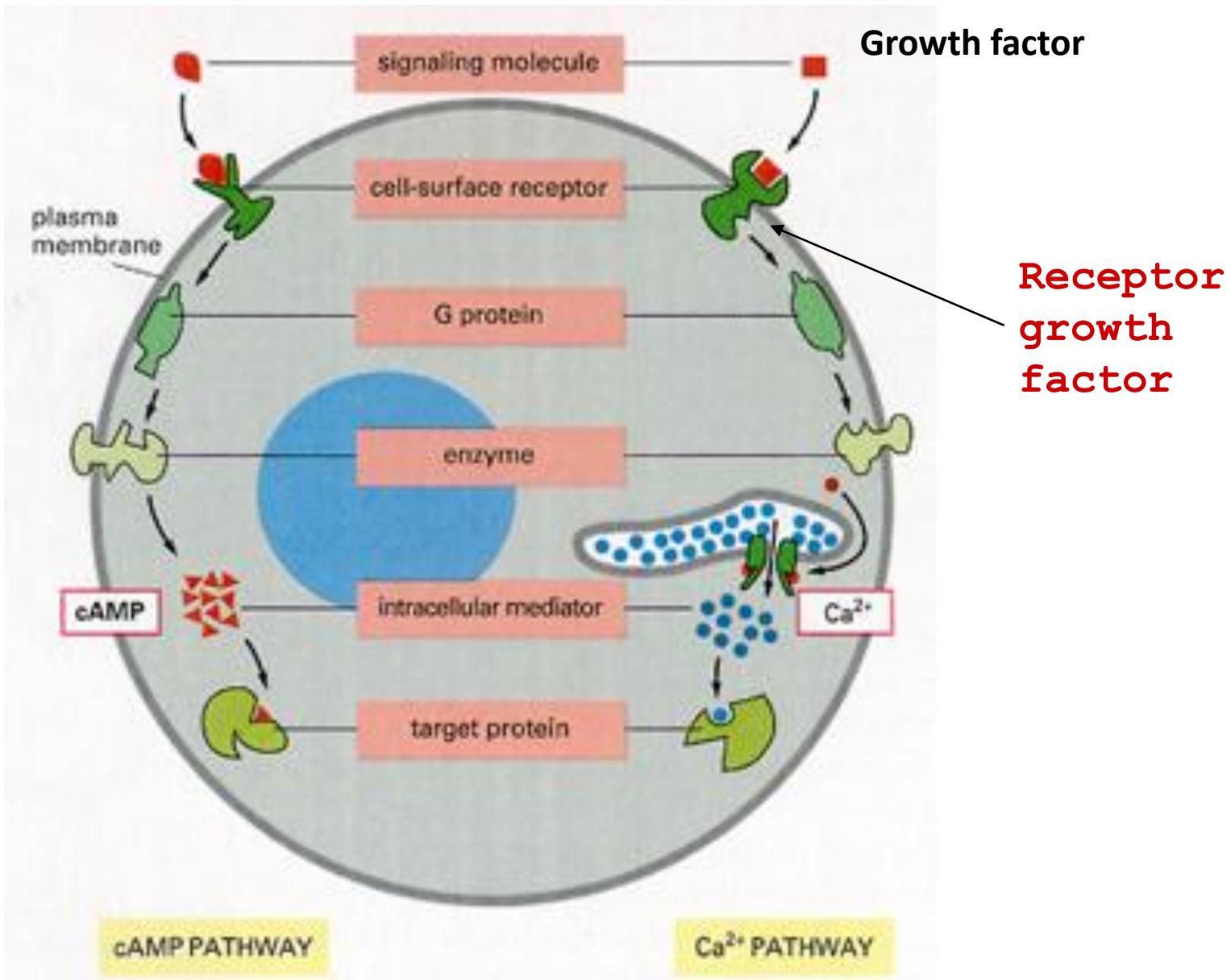
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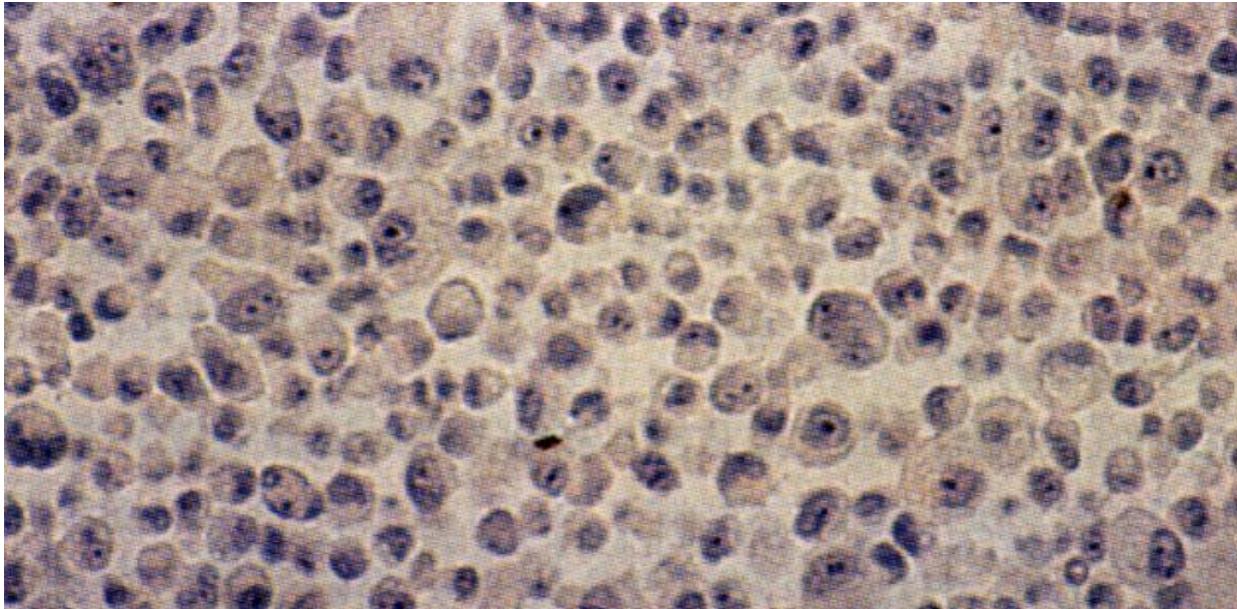


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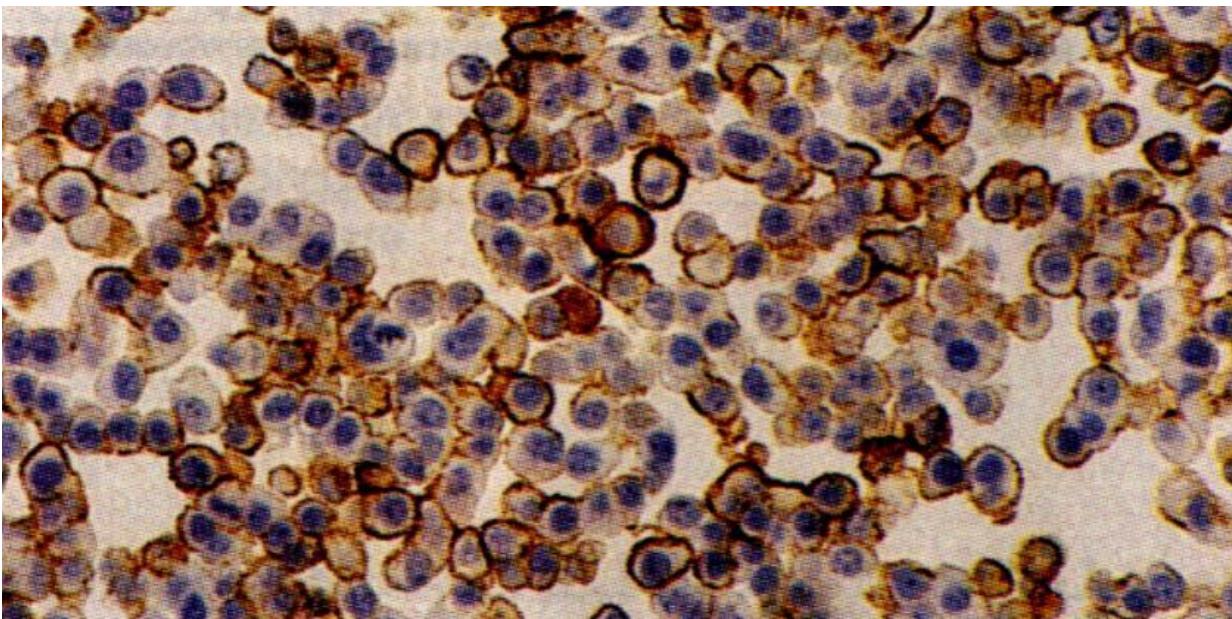


# Amplification of c-erbB2 oncogene detected by immunohistochemistry

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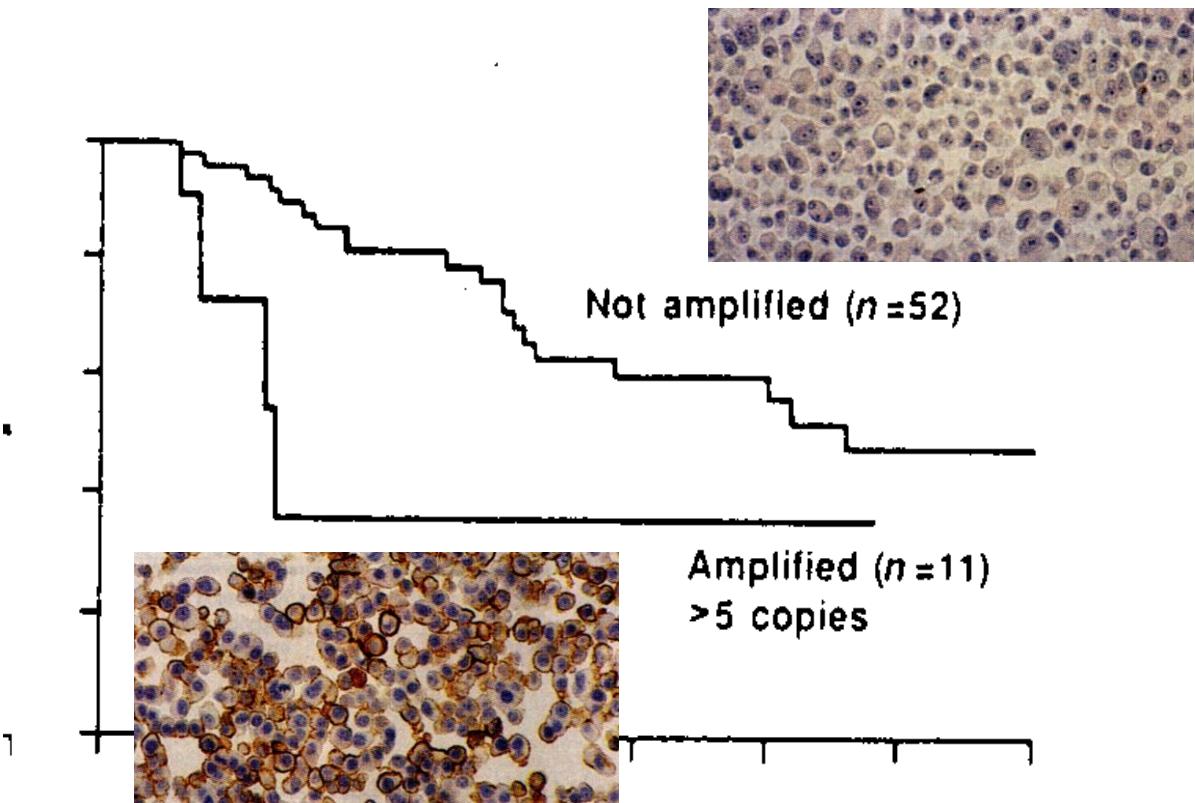


No amplification  
c-erbB2



Amplification  
c-erbB2

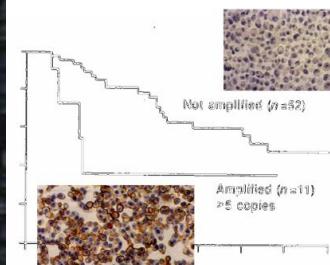
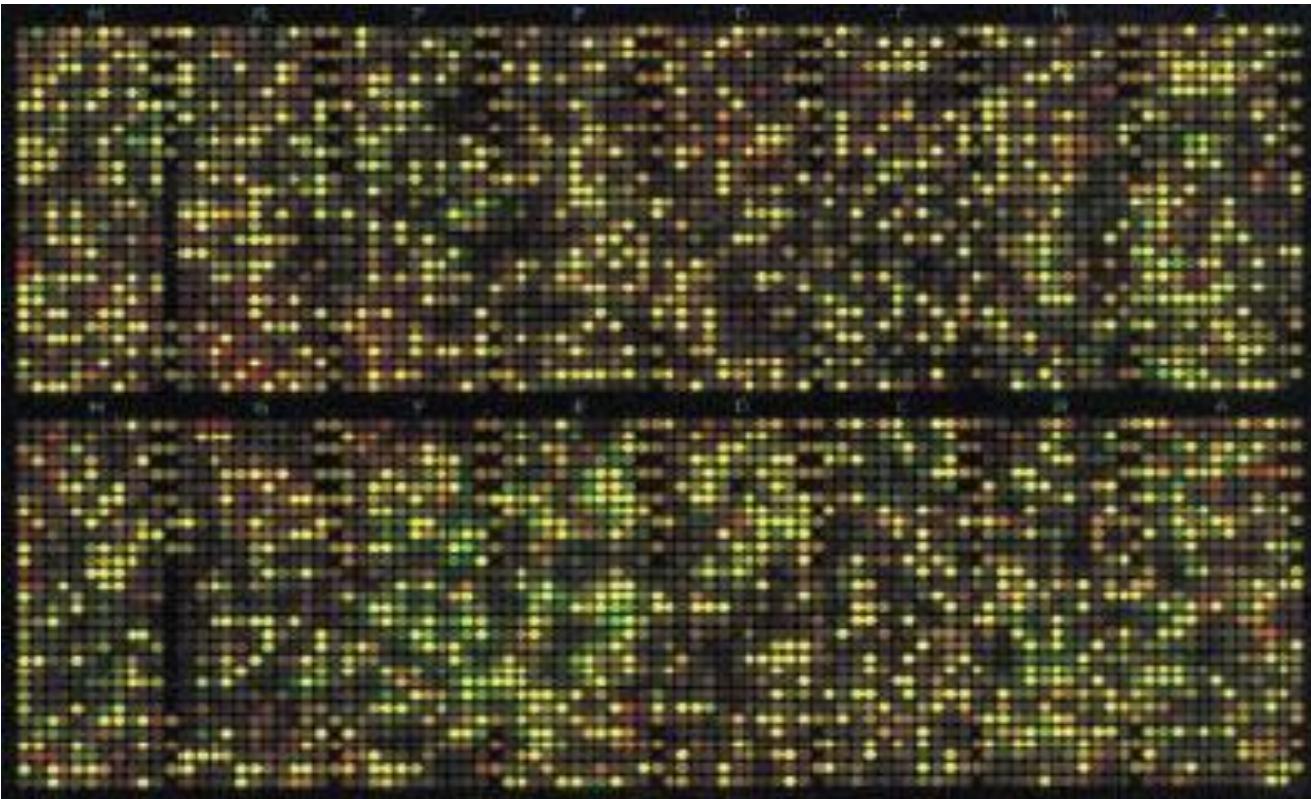
# c-erbB2 oncogene amplification & tumor progression in breast carcinoma



Differential gene expression patterns in  
HER2/neu-positive and -negative breast cancer cell lines and tissues.

HER2/neu-  
positive

HER2/neu-  
negative



Green spots genes expressed in **HER2/neu-negative** breast cancers.

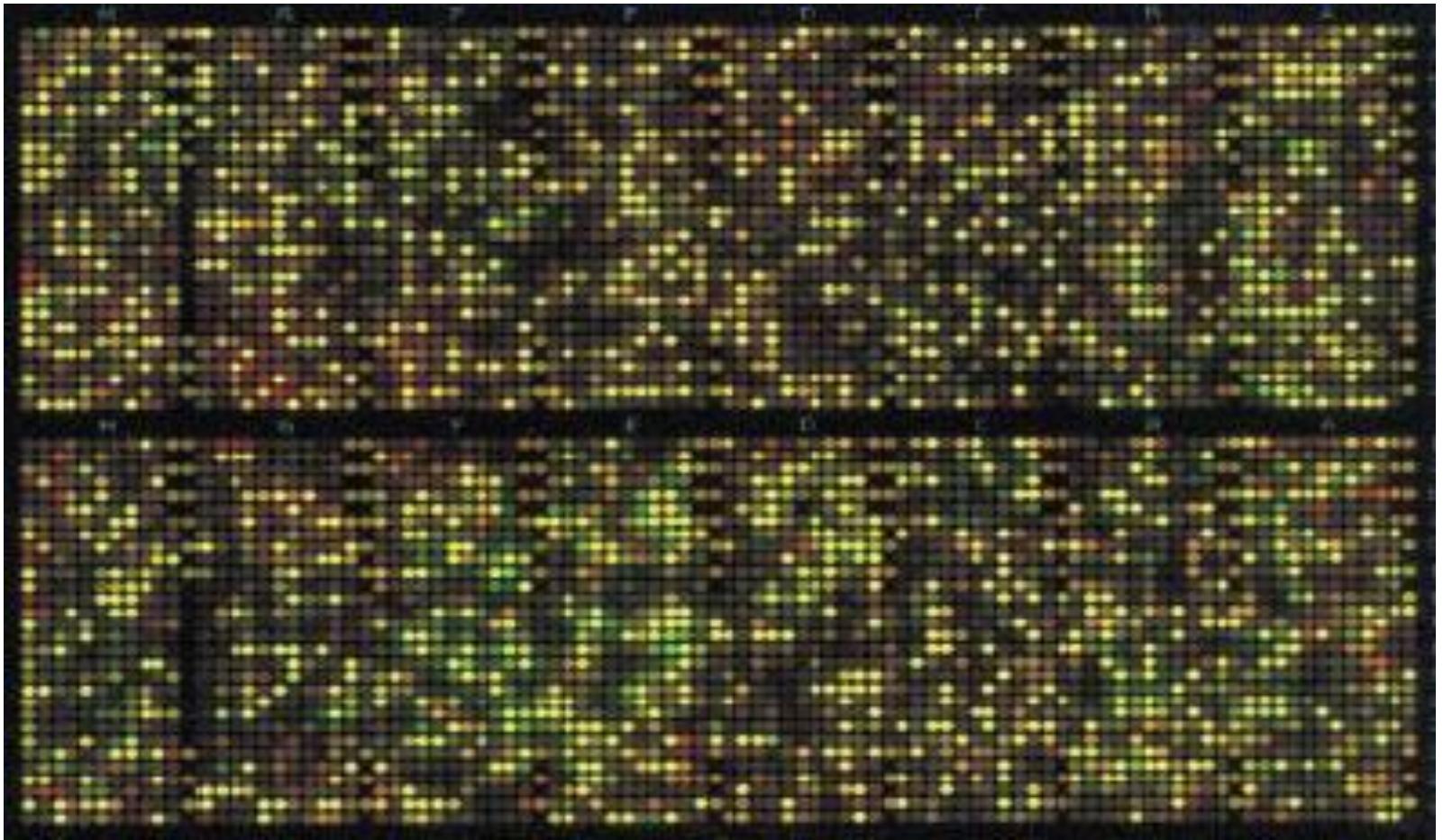
Red spots genes expressed in **HER2/neu-positive** breast cancers.

Yellow spots genes expressed at **similar levels** in both breast cancers types.

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HER2/neu-  
positive

HER2/neu-  
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HER2/neu positive breast carcinomas - 5184 genes

40 genes (0.8%) up-regulated

219 genes (4.2%) down-regulated

259 genes (5%) total genes

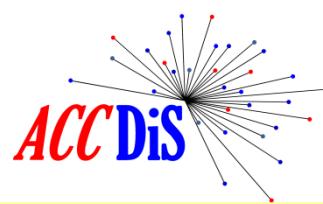
## Conclusiones

The most important cancer-related cell surface receptor types are signaling through G-protein-coupled cell-surface receptors (GPCRs) and enzyme-coupled receptors (TRK).

In both type of cell-surface receptors, the binding of the extracellular signal molecule activates five parallel intracellular signaling pathways (PKA, PKC, MAP kinase, Akt kinase and CaM kinase). These signaling activates gene transcription.

Other types of signaling pathways exists dependant on regulated proteolysis of latent gene regulatory proteins (Notch, wnt/b-catenin and TNF $\alpha$ /NFK $\beta$ ).

In human cancer multiple somatic mutations activates these pathways mainly causing disruption of negative-feedback mechanisms.



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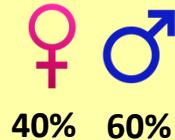
Alejandro Corvalan  
PI  
Cancer

## CLINICAL CORE



Pablo Castro  
PI  
Cardiovasc Dis

+ 14 Associated  
Investigators (AIs)



Average age  
48 yrs



12  
Postdocs

38  
PhDs

5  
MSc

9  
Undergraduate  
students

10  
Professionals

13  
Technicians

= 87

## Previous collaborative interactions:

**Grants:** AQ-SL (FONDAP CEMC, Ring), CF-AC (FONDEF grant), SL-PC (FONDECYTs), etc.

**Papers:** High level productivity (last 5 years): 215 papers in peer-reviewed journals, 23 joint papers between two groups. 47 in 10% top journals, average impact factor: 4.5.