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TEAM « PANCREATIC CANCER » (DIR. JUAN IOVANNA)

Targeting mitochondrial and redox metabolism in PDAC

1- Therapy

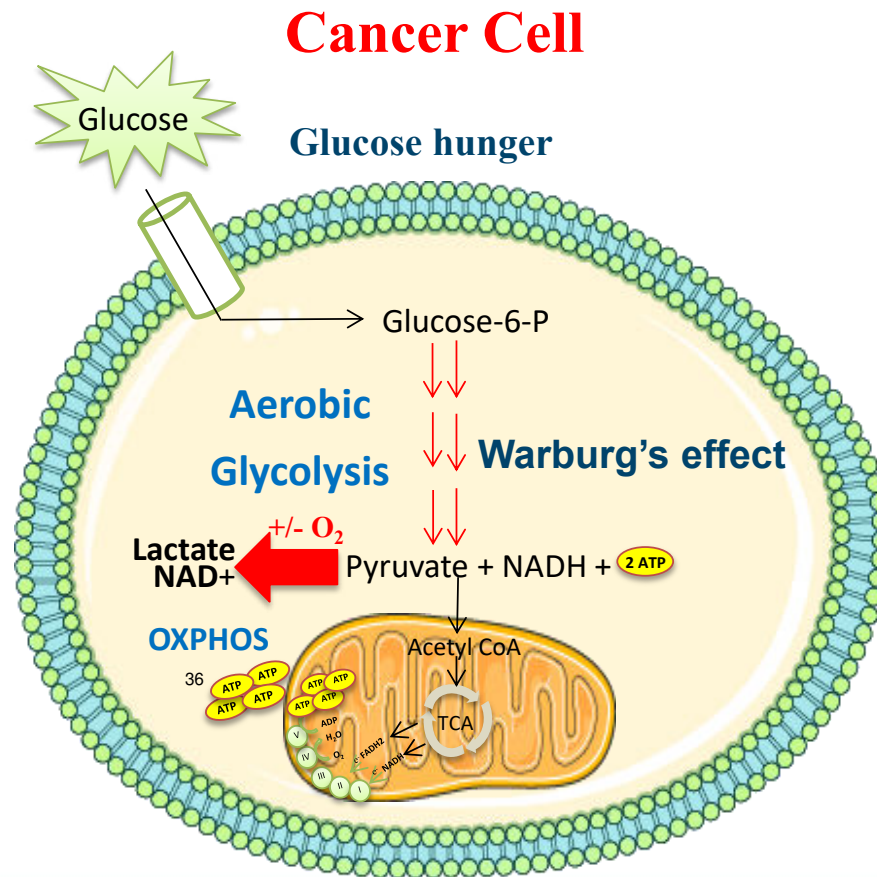
Current projects

2- Prevention

Future projects (ongoing development)

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Warburg's effect: aerobic glycolysis (1924)



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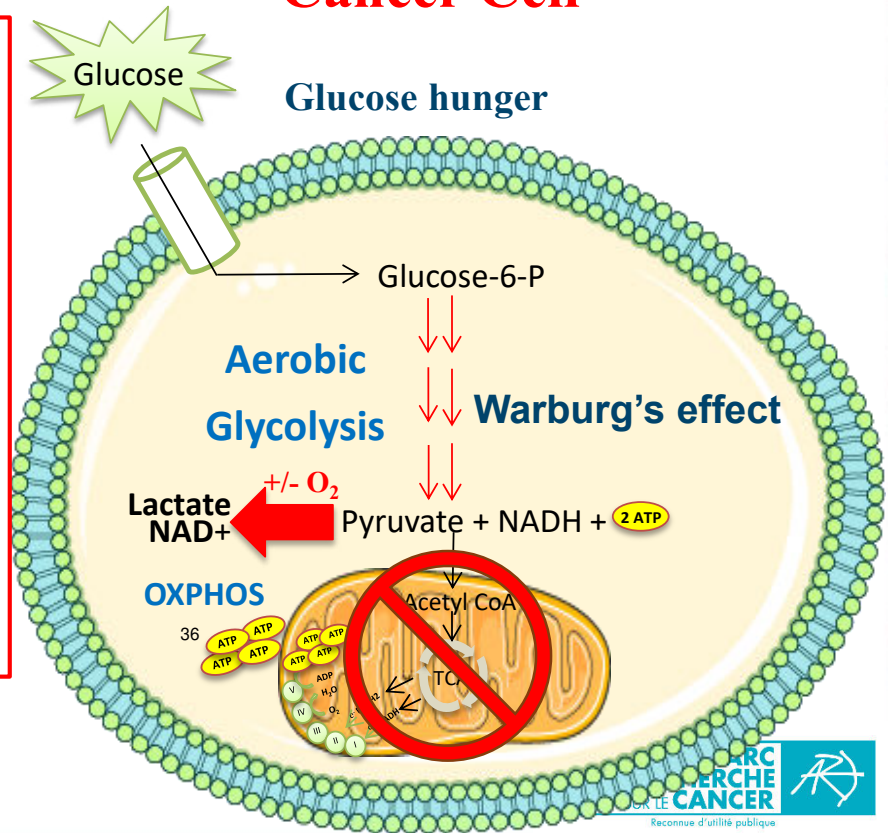


Warburg's hypothesis (1956):
mitochondria are dysfunctional in cancer cells

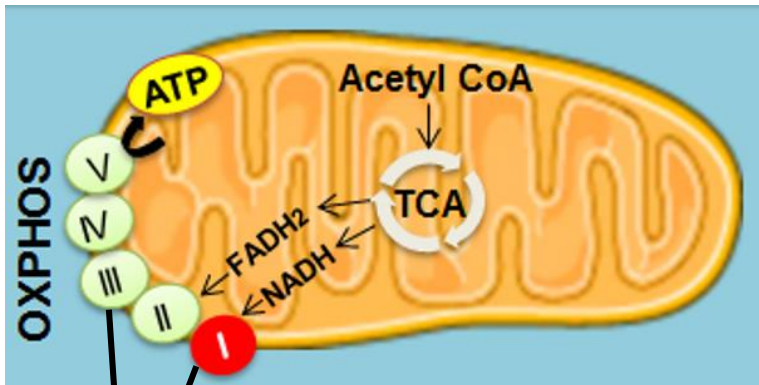


Cancer Cell

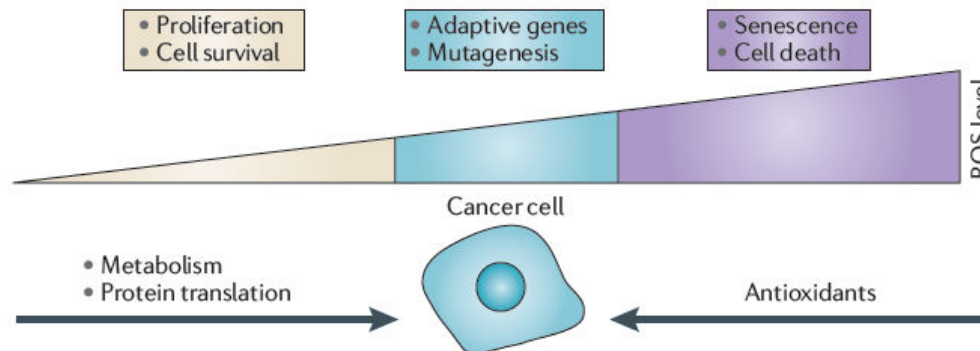
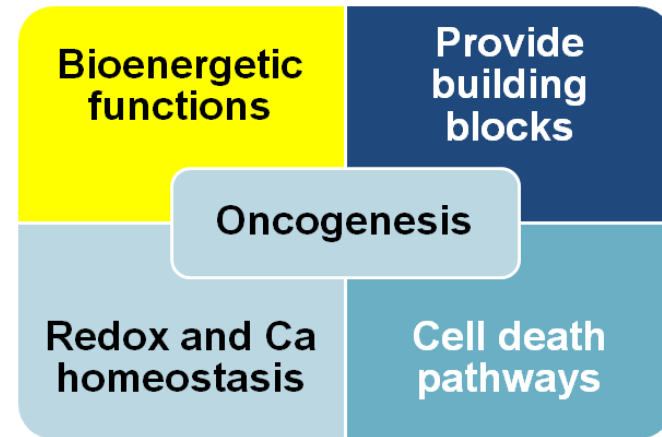
- Current knowledge:
- ✓ Mitochondria are functional in most of cancer cells
 - ✓ Mitochondrial metabolism is necessary for cancer cell proliferation and survival
 - ✓ Mitochondria are involved in cancer therapeutic resistance



Mitochondria are functional in most of cancer cells



Reactive Oxygen Species (ROS)



Cairns RA et al. Nature Reviews Cancer 2011

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In PDAC ?

2014 LETTER

doi:10.1038/nature13611

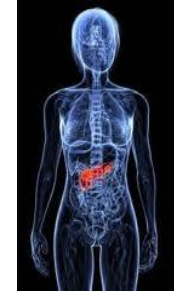
Oncogene ablation-resistant pancreatic cancer cells depend on mitochondrial function

Andrea Viale^{1,2*}, Piergiorgio Pettazoni^{1,2*}, Costas A. Lyssiotis³, Haoqiang Ying¹, Nora Sánchez^{1,2}, Matteo Marchesini^{1,2}, Alessandro Carugo^{1,2,4}, Tessa Green^{1,2}, Sahil Seth⁵, Virginia Giuliani⁵, Maria Kost-Alimova⁵, Florian Müller¹, Simona Colla¹, Luigi Nezi^{1,2}, Giannicola Genovese¹, Angela K. Deem¹, Avnish Kapoor¹, Wantong Yao^{1,2}, Emanuela Brunetto⁶, Ya'an Kang⁷, Min Yuan⁸, John M. Asara⁸, Y. Alan Wang¹, Timothy P. Heffernan⁵, Alec C. Kimmelman⁹, Huamin Wang¹⁰, Jason B. Fleming⁷, Lewis C. Cantley³, Ronald A. DePinho¹¹ & Giulio F. Draetta^{1,2}

2015 MYC/PGC-1 α Balance Determines the Metabolic Phenotype and Plasticity of Pancreatic Cancer Stem Cells

Patricia Sancho,^{1,2,*} Emma Burgos-Ramos,² Alejandra Tavera,² Tony Bou Kheir,¹ Petra Jagust,¹ Matthieu Schoenhals,¹ David Barneda,¹ Katherine Sellers,⁵ Ramon Campos-Olivas,³ Osvaldo Graña,⁴ Catarina R. Viera,² Maria Yuneva,⁵ Bruno Sainz, Jr.,² and Christopher Heeschen^{1,2,*}

Cell Metabolism
Article



Role in
resistance

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In PDAC ?



2020 **Cell Reports Medicine**

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Article

**Targeting Mitochondrial Complex I
Overcomes Chemoresistance in
High OXPHOS Pancreatic Cancer**



**Heterogeneity
Targeting**


Rawand Masoud,^{1,3,*} Gabriela Reyes-Castellanos,^{1,3} Sophie Lac,^{1,4} Julie Garcia,¹ Samir Dou,¹ Laetitia Shintu,² Nadine Abdel Hadi,¹ Tristan Gicquel,¹ Abdessamad El Kaoutari,¹ Binta Diémé,^{2,5} Fabrice Tranchida,² Laurie Cormareche,¹ Laurence Borge,¹ Odile Gayet,¹ Eddy Pasquier,¹ Nelson Dusetti,¹ Juan Iovanna,¹ and Alice Carrier^{1,6,4}

2020  *biomedicines*

 MDPI

Review


**Mitochondrial Metabolism in PDAC: From Better
Knowledge to New Targeting Strategies**

Gabriela Reyes-Castellanos, Rawand Masoud and Alice Carrier *

2021  International Journal of
Molecular Sciences

Review

Targeting Redox Metabolism in Pancreatic Cancer

Nadine Abdel Hadi, Gabriela Reyes-Castellanos and Alice Carrier *

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POUR LA RECHERCHE
SUR LE CANCER 
Reconnue d'utilité publique

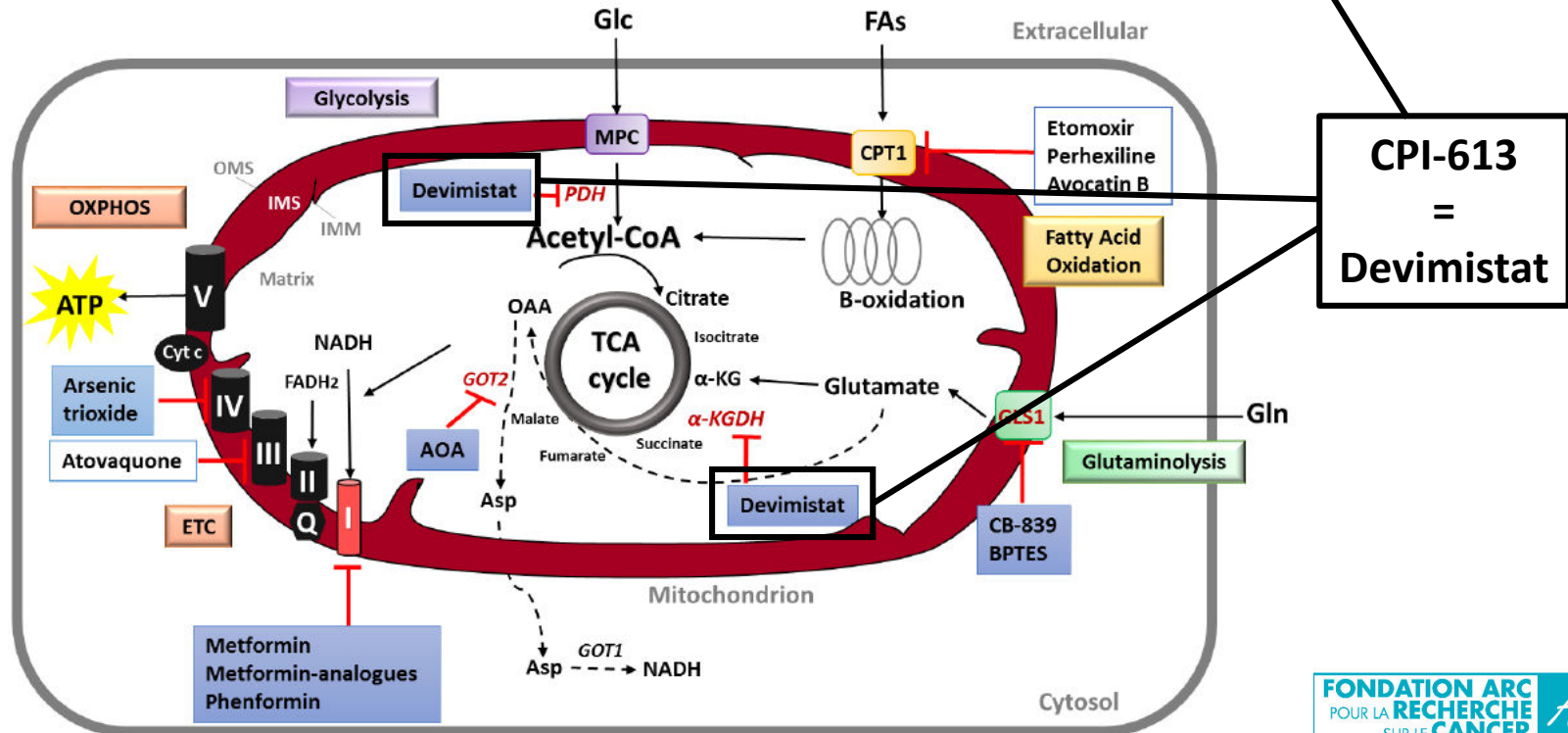
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2017

Lancet Oncol 2017; 18: 770-78

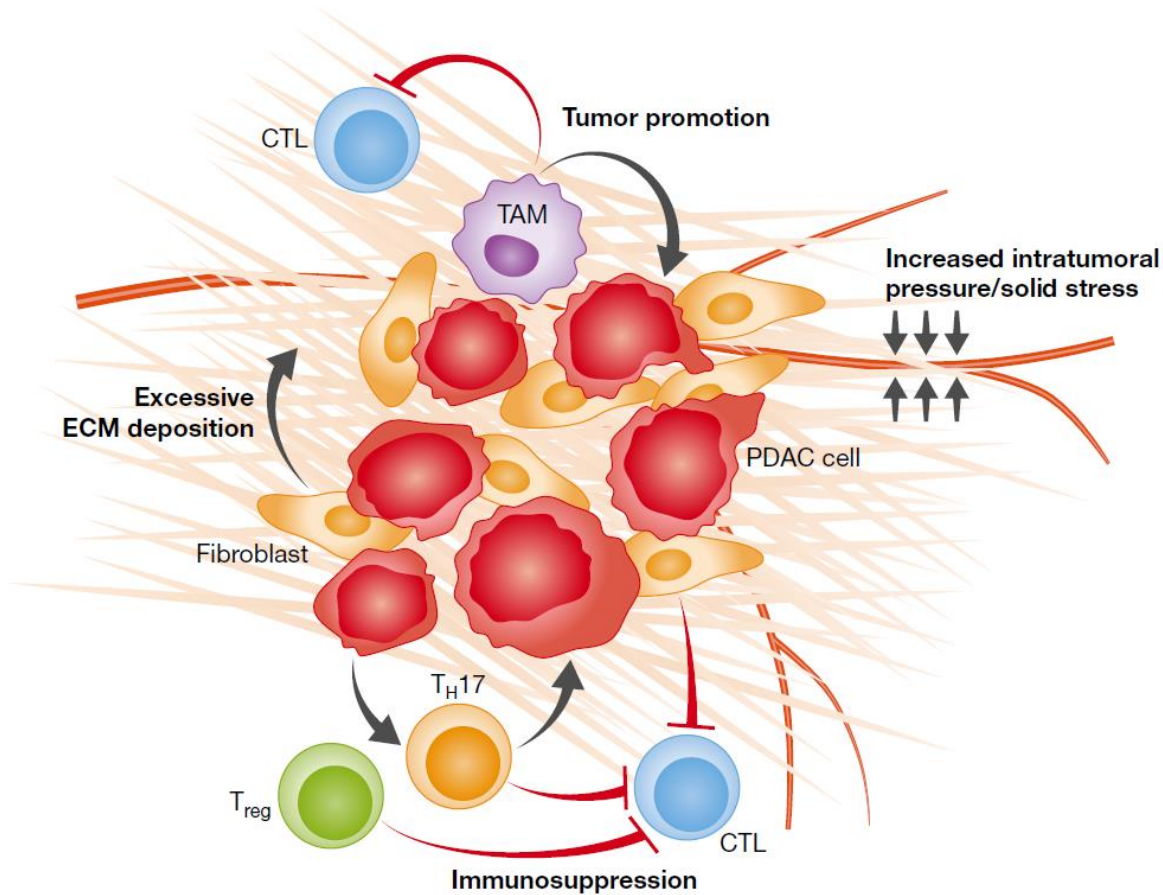
Safety and tolerability of the first-in-class agent CPI-613 in combination with modified FOLFIRINOX in patients with metastatic pancreatic cancer: a single-centre, open-label, dose-escalation, phase 1 trial

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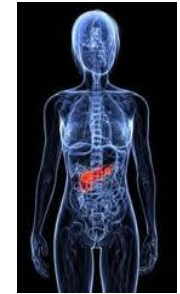
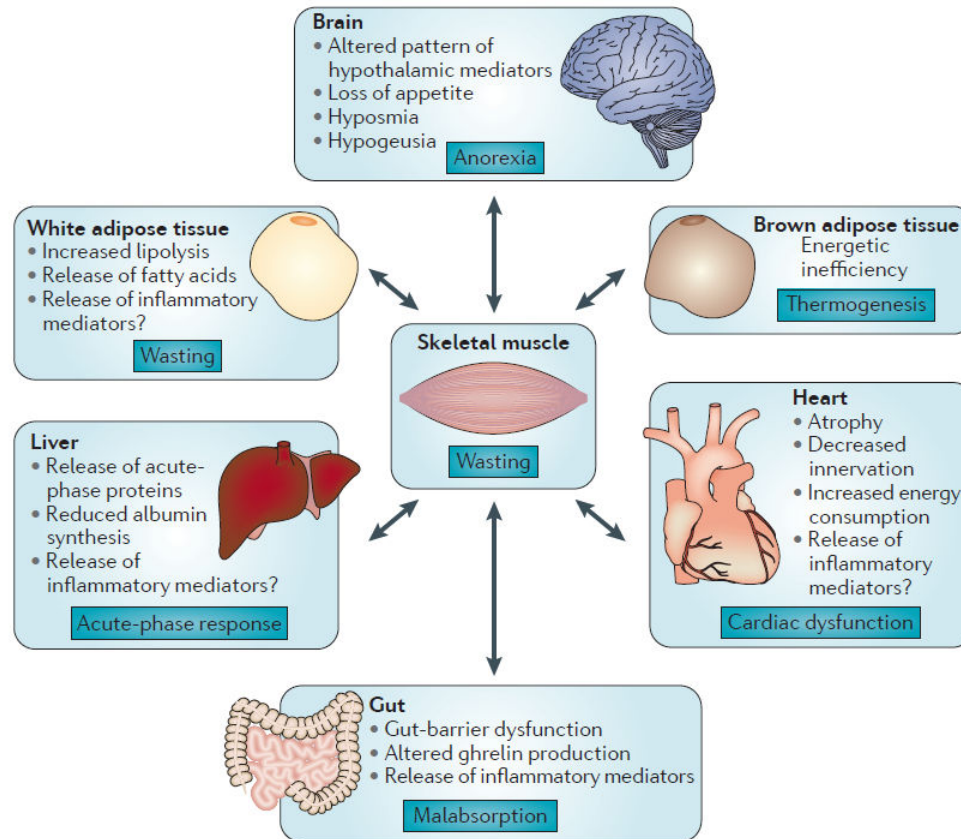
Adapted from Reyes-Castellanos et al. *Biomedicines* 2020

Mitochondria are important for the function of TME cells surrounding cancer cells



Carr RM & Fernandez-Zapico ME, EMBO Mol Med 2016

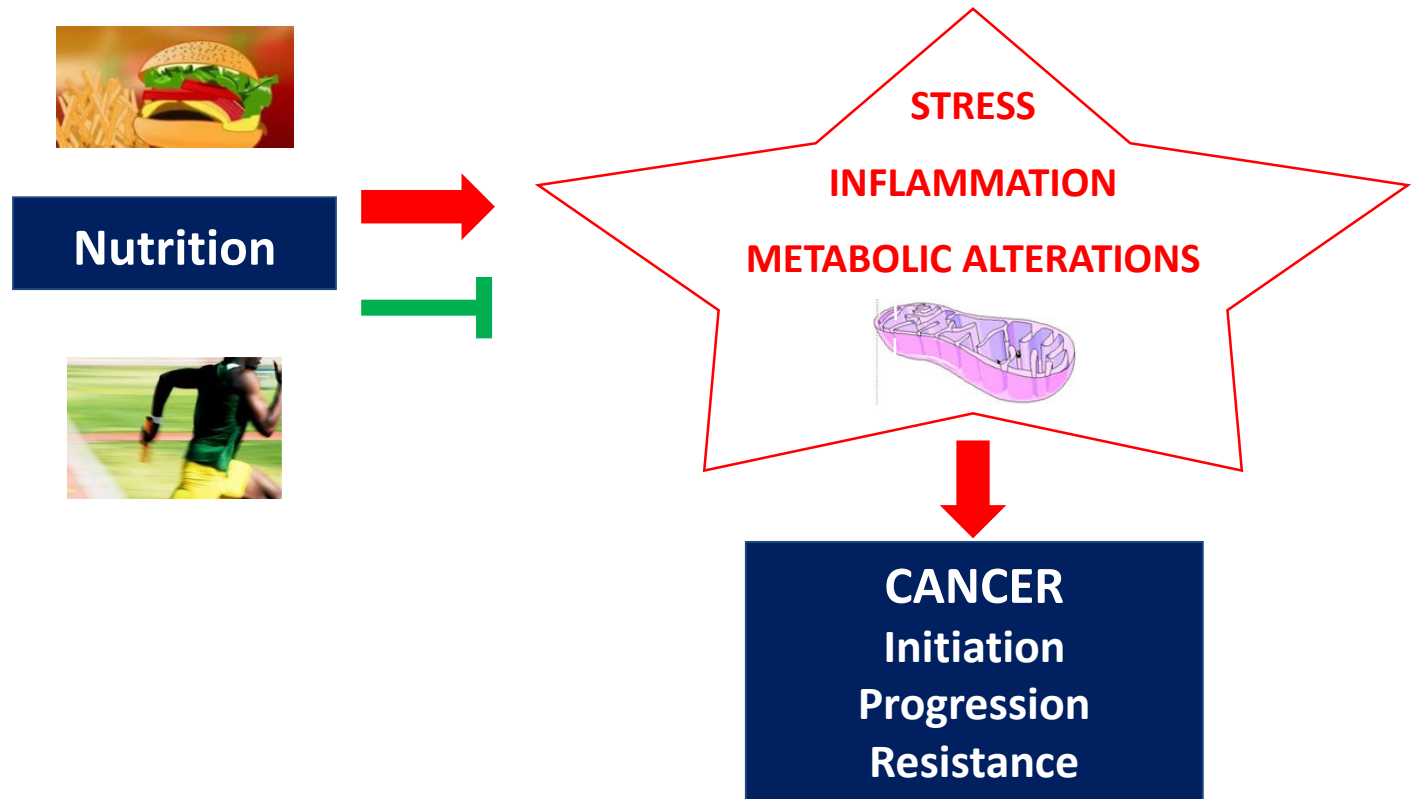
Mitochondria are dysfunctional in distant organs during cancer



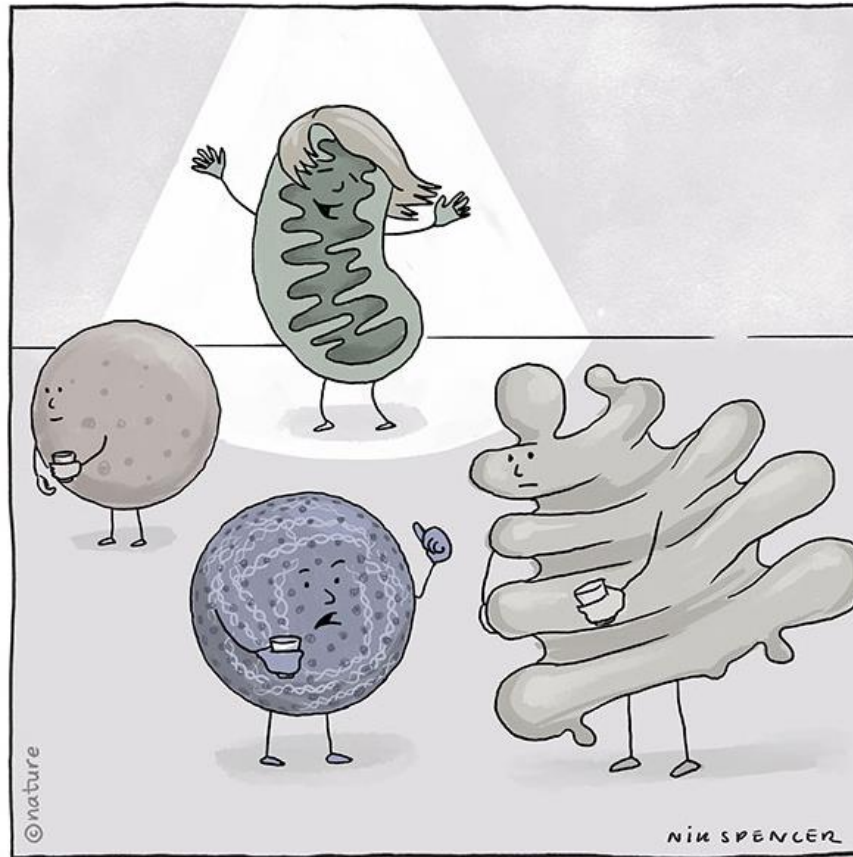
CACHEXIA AS A MULTI-ORGAN SYNDROME
Argilés JM et al. Nature Reviews Cancer 2014

Our goal: Exploration of mitochondrial metabolism in PDAC

→ Considering tumor cells, TME cells, and distant organs



Thank you for your attention



"I don't know where she gets all that energy."

Journée scientifique « Cancer du pancréas »

**10H00 – SESSION 2 : QUELLES CIBLES POTENTIELLES POUR LE
CANCER DU PANCRÉAS ?**

Modérateur : Juan IOVANNA

TUMOR MICROENVIRONMENT FOCUS ON THE NON-IMMUNE STROMA

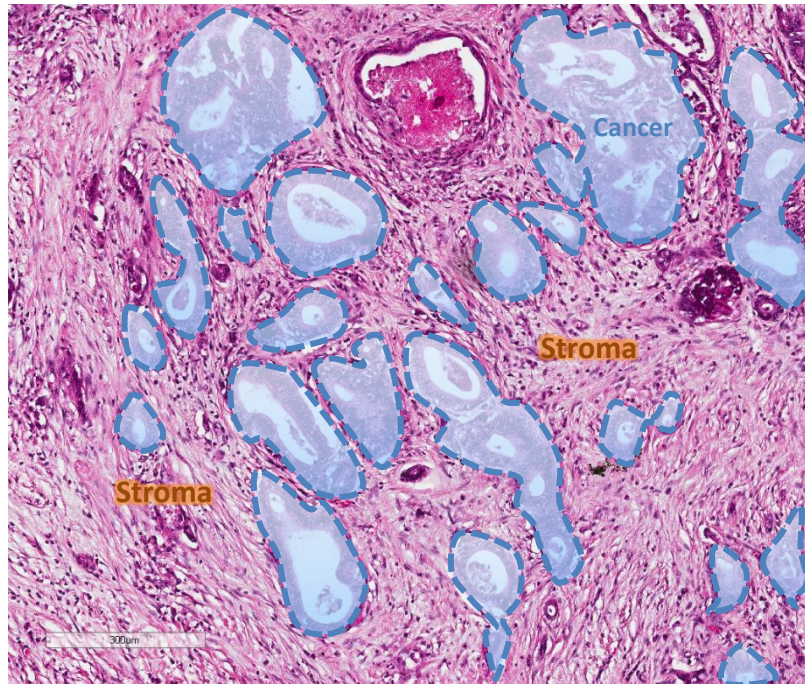
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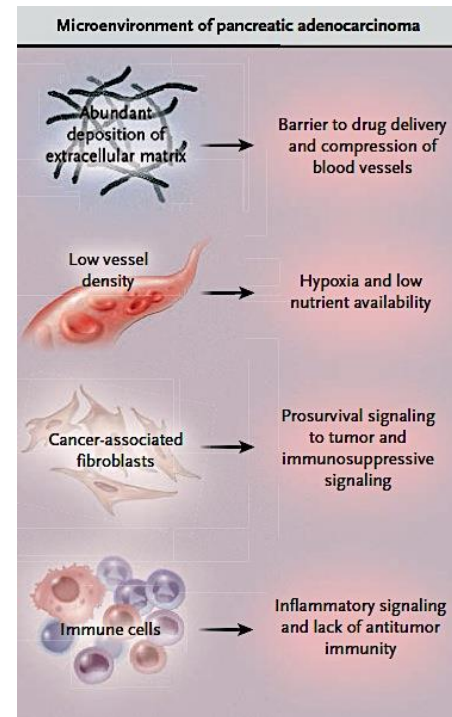
PANCREATIC DUCTAL ADENOCARCINOMA & MICROENVIRONMENT

Typical feature: Fibrotic stroma - **80% of the tumor mass**



Courtesy Dr. J. Cros (Hôp. Beaujon)

PDAC



Non-immune stroma

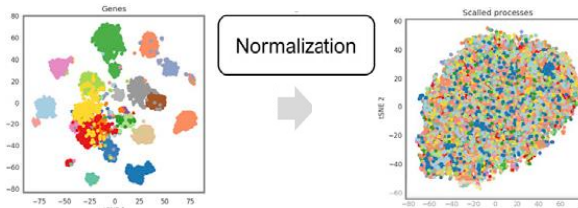
Immune stroma

Ryan, *N Engl J Med* 2014

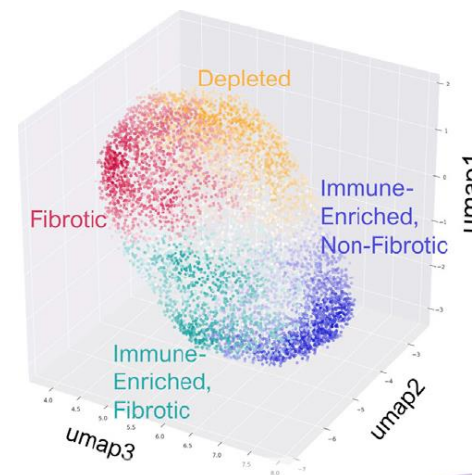
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Unsupervised clustering of TME reconstructed from RNAseq (>10.000) across melanomas and carcinomas

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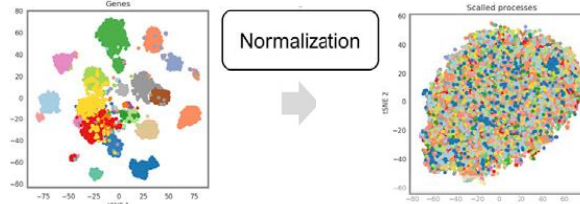
Bagaev A, *Cancer Cell* 2021



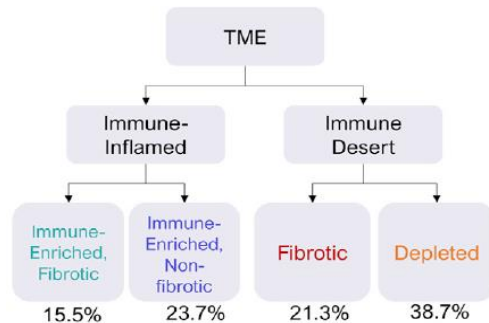
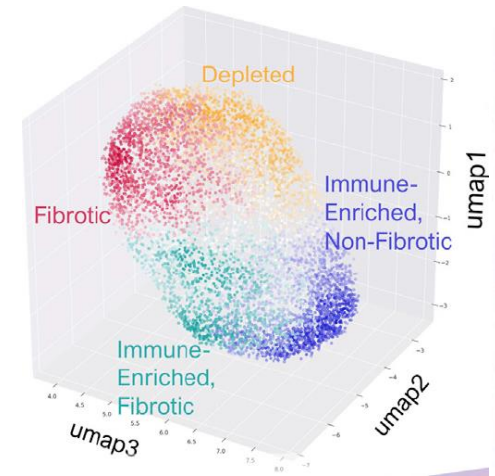
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Tumor Mutational Burden:



T cells:



Suppressor cells:



Fibroblasts:



Tumor proliferation rate:



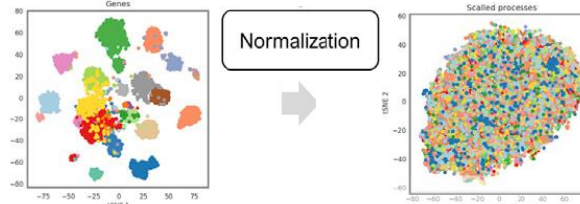
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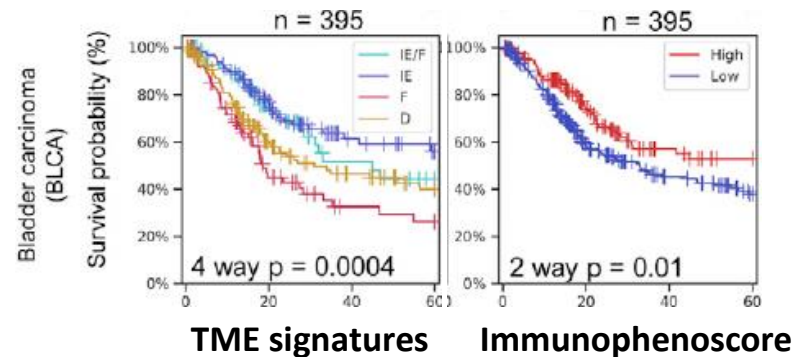
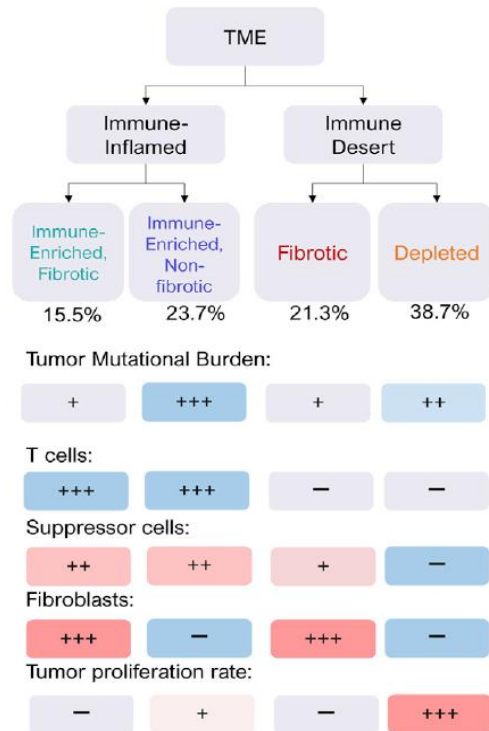
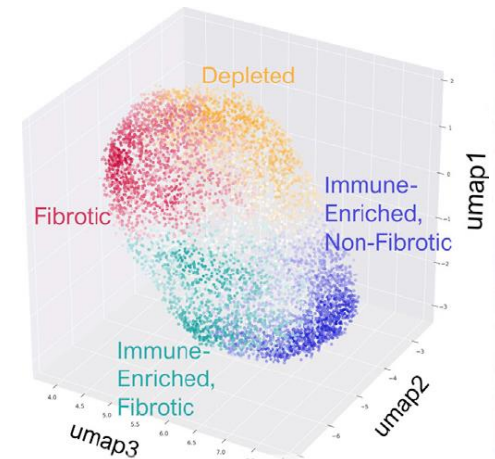
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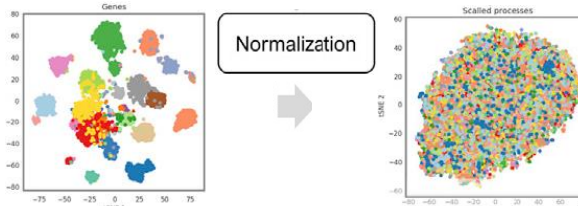
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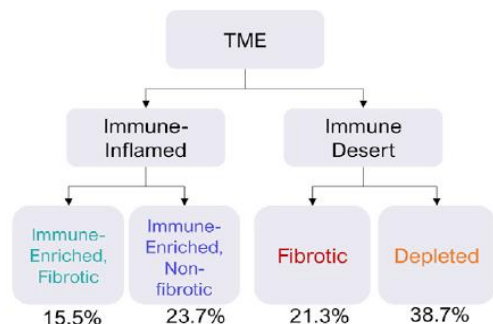
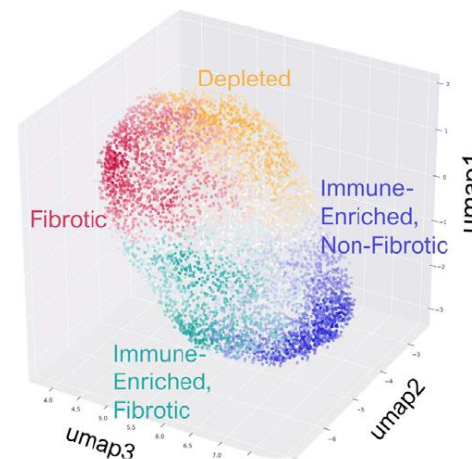
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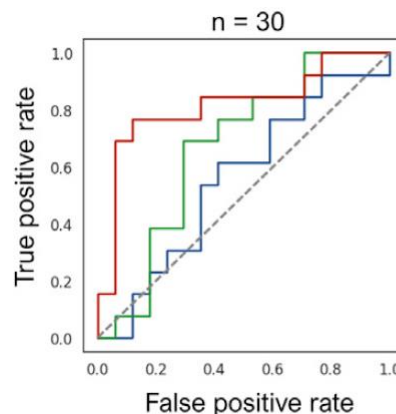
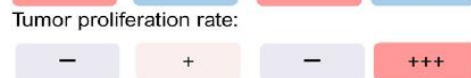
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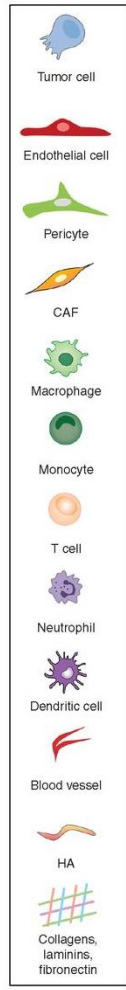
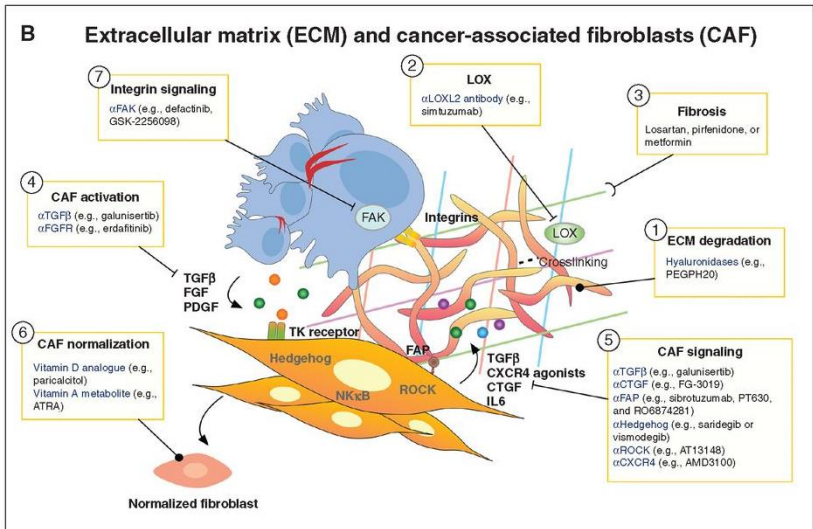
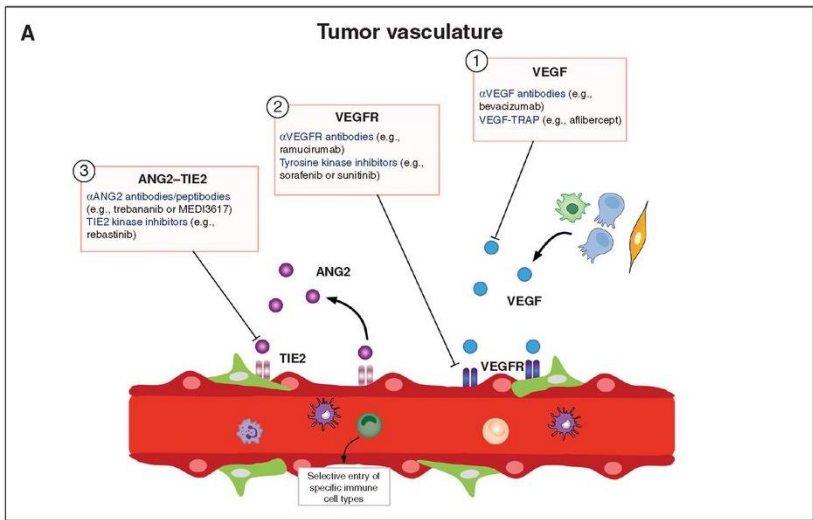
Tumor Mutational Burden:



TMB
 AUC 0.56
 (p = 0.31)
 TME subtypes (Pre) + TMB
 AUC 0.67
 (p = 0.06)
 TME subtypes (Pre + On) + TMB
 AUC 0.82
 (p = 0.0012)

Response to immunotherapies (anti-PD1)

THERAPIES TARGETING THE NON-IMMUNE STROMA OF PDAC



To enhance drug delivery or block pro-tumor features by **“normalizing”** the non-immune stroma

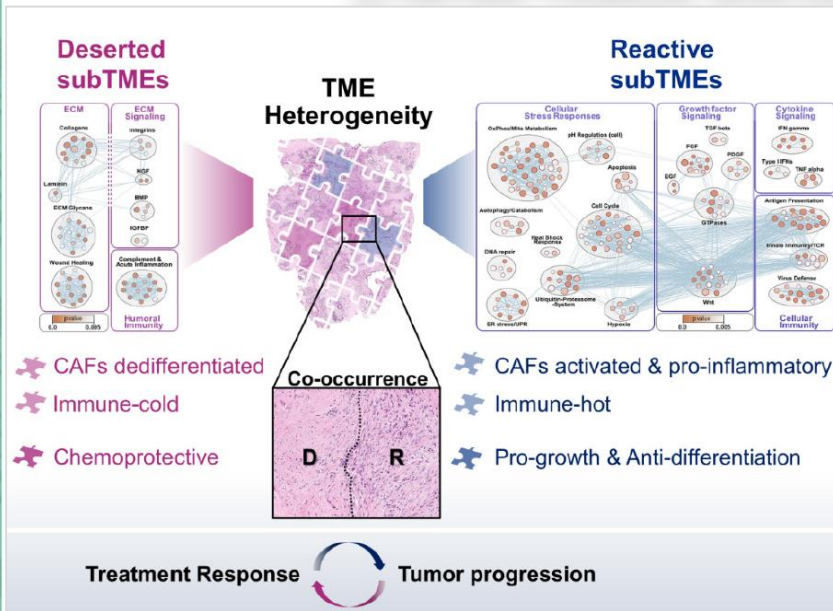
But although **promising** in pre-clinical models, It resulted in **insufficient** clinical successes

Why?
1) Lack of patient stratification?

Bejarano et al, *Cancer Discov* 2021

STATE OF THE ART

2) INTRA-TUMOR SPATIAL & CELL HETEROGENEITY



Different « subTME » spatially co-exist within a same tumor

« subTME » may evolve upon treatment

Grunwald, *BioRxiv* 2021

EXAMPLE OF CAFs

Different CAF subsets with different functions

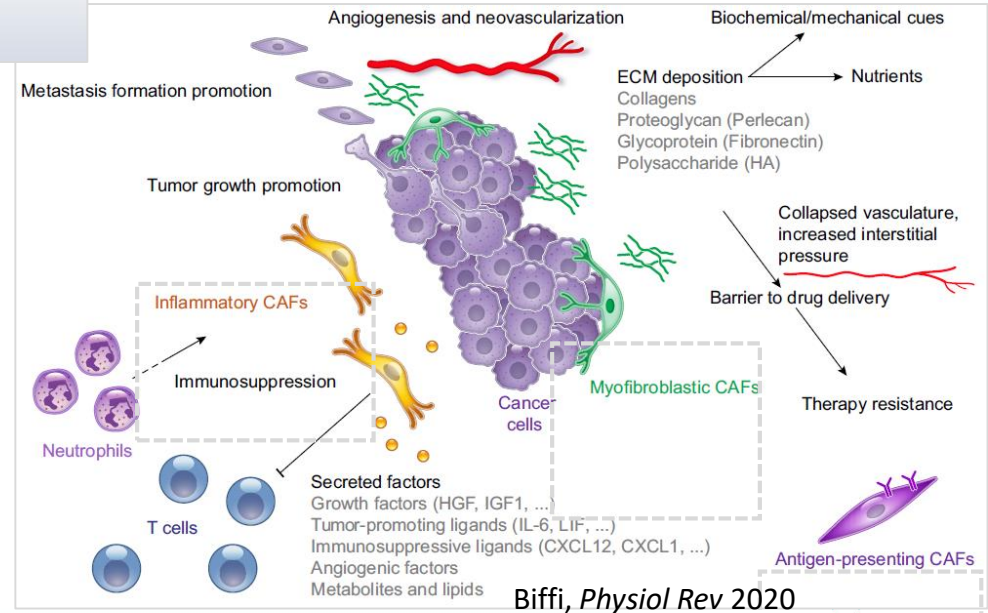
Cell plasticity upon treatment

(e.g. SHH inhibition): \downarrow myCAF but \uparrow iCAF

Elyada, *Cancer Discov* 2019

Dominguez, *Cancer Discov* 2019

Steele, *Clin Cancer Res*, 2021



TARGET THE NON-IMMUNE STROMA IN ADDITION TO TUMOR & IMMUNE CELLS

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Moncada, Nat Biotech 2020

de Vries, *Front Oncol* 2021

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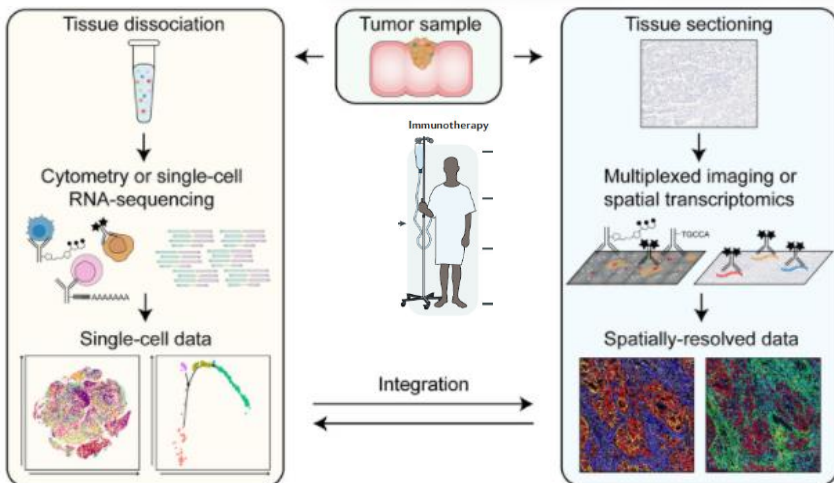
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 - Colombo, *IJMS* 2021

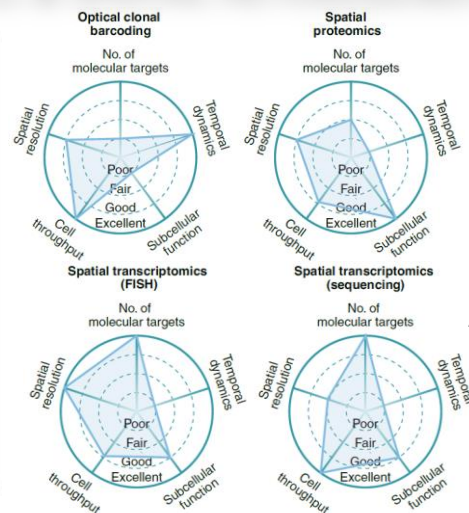
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- **Find (bio)markers of drug response to stratify patients** (depending on their TME types)
- **Learn from other tumors = TME is conserved across cancers!**

DECIPHER INTRA-TUMOR CELL & SPATIAL HETEROGENEITY



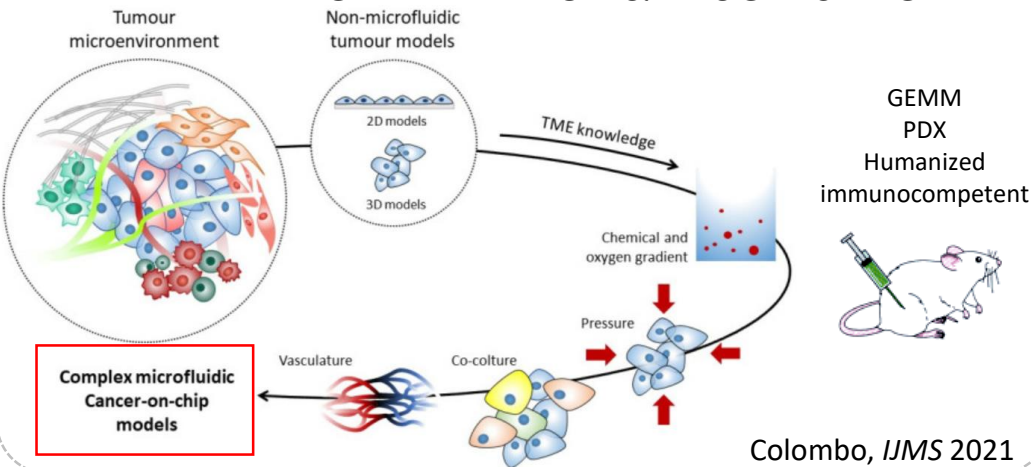
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Lewis et al, *Nature Methods* 2021

Data integration
Computational biology
Artificial intelligence

IMPROVE PRECLINICAL MODELS = TARGET VALIDATION & DRUG TESTING



Colombo, *IJMS* 2021

LEARN FROM CLINICAL TRIALS ANCILLARY STUDIES