



Tissue-specific progenitor cells derived from gene-engineered human induced pluripotent stem cells for early-stage drug development

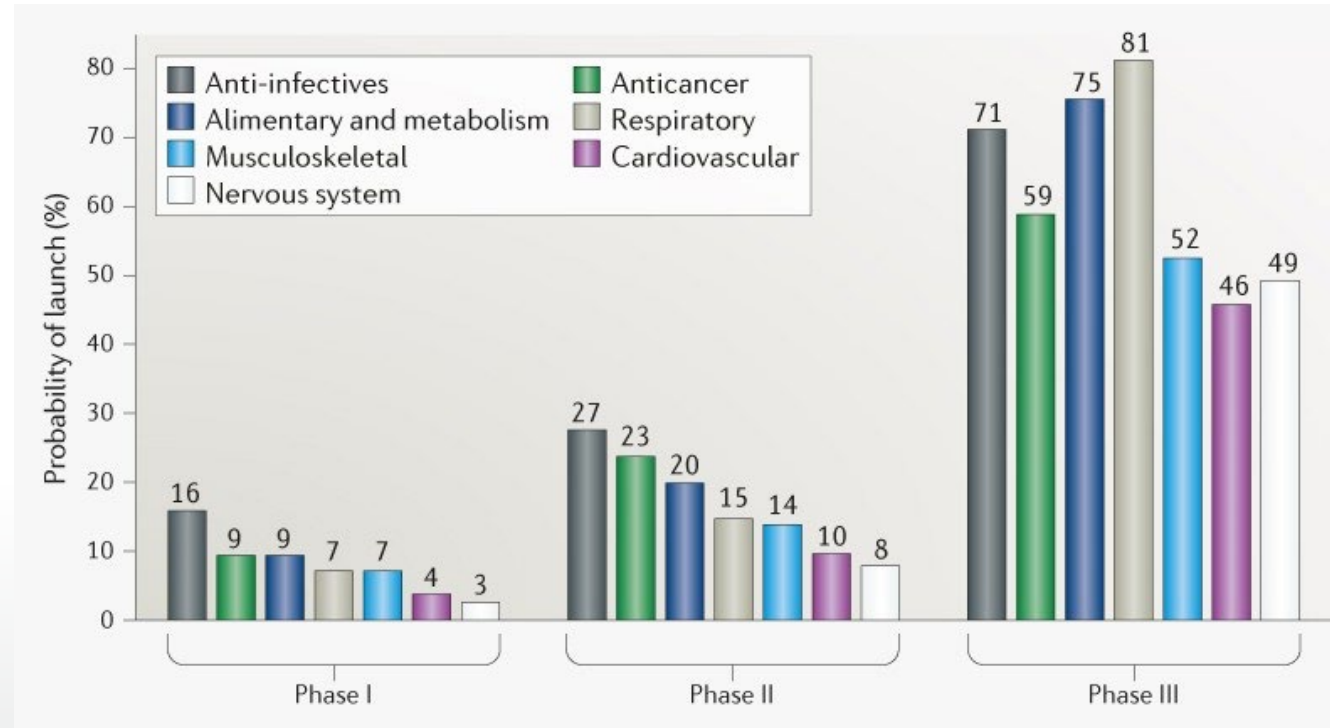
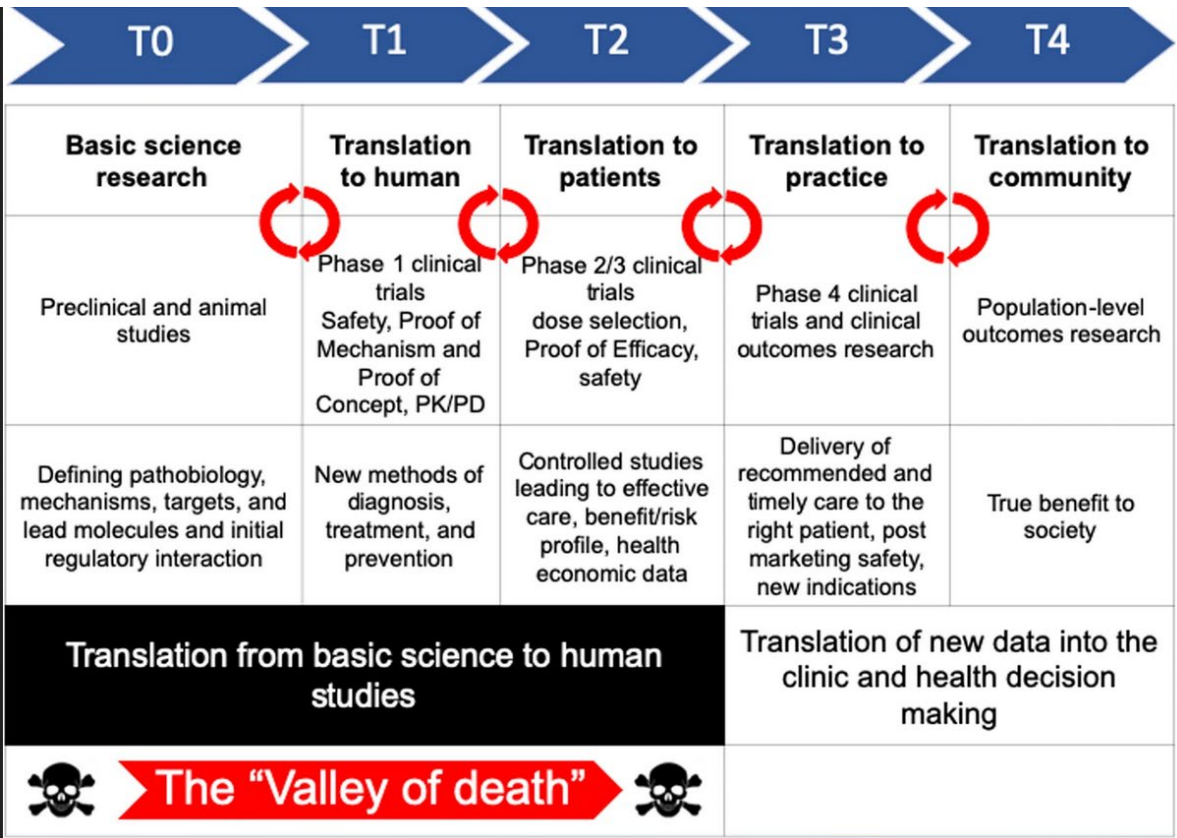


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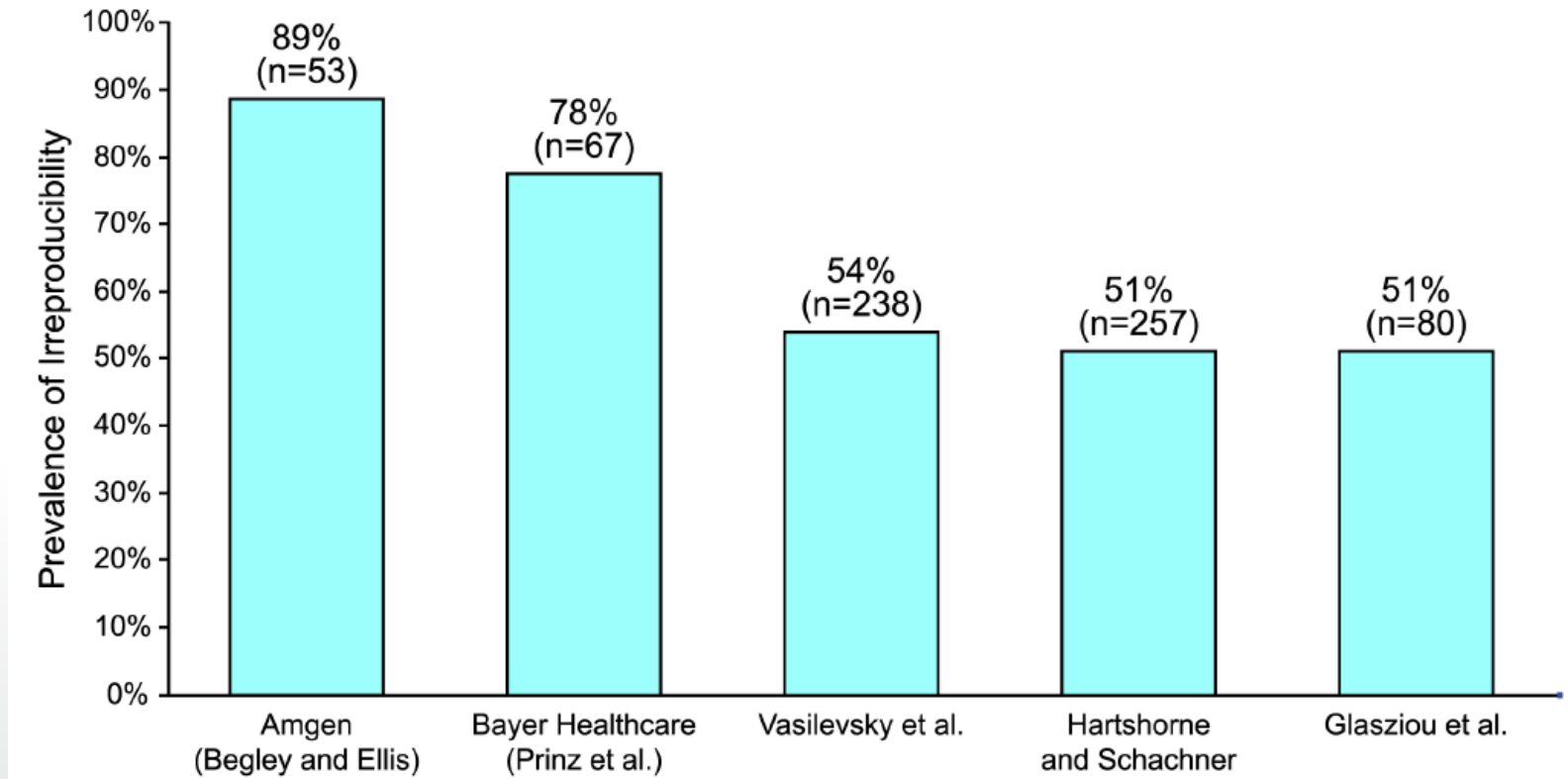
Lost in Translation



Therapeutic group		Phase 1 to Phase 2			Phase 2 to Phase 3			Phase 3 to approval			Overall	
		Total phase transitions	POS _{1,2} , %	(SE, %)	Total phase transitions	POS _{2,3} , %	SE, %	Total phase transitions	POS _{3,APP} , %	(SE, %)	POS, %	(SE, %)
Oncology	No biomarker	9349	28.0	(0.5)	4773	17.4	(0.5)	1159	33.6	(1.4)	1.6	(0.2)
	With biomarker	1136	43.5	(1.5)	742	38.8	(1.8)	77	63.6	(5.5)	10.7	(1.9)
	All	10485	29.7	(0.4)	5515	20.3	(0.5)	1236	35.5	(1.4)	2.1	(0.2)

Seyhan et al. **TMC**.
Dowden et al, **Nat. Rev. Drug Disc.**

The economic and ethical burden of cancer research

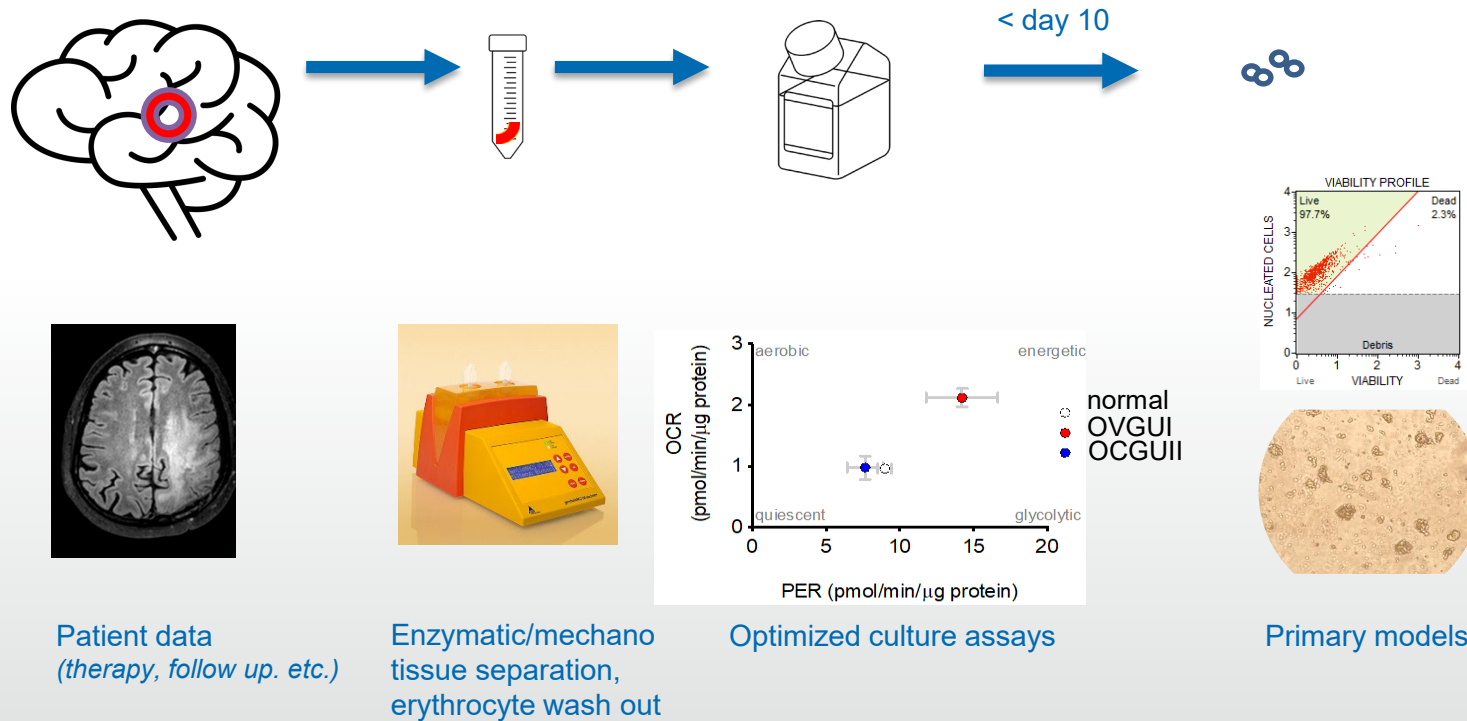


“Inconsistency in study material is main contributor to irreproducibility.” (46%)

Freedmann et al., **Plos Biol.**

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Patient-derived cell line as fundamental study tool in early stage projects

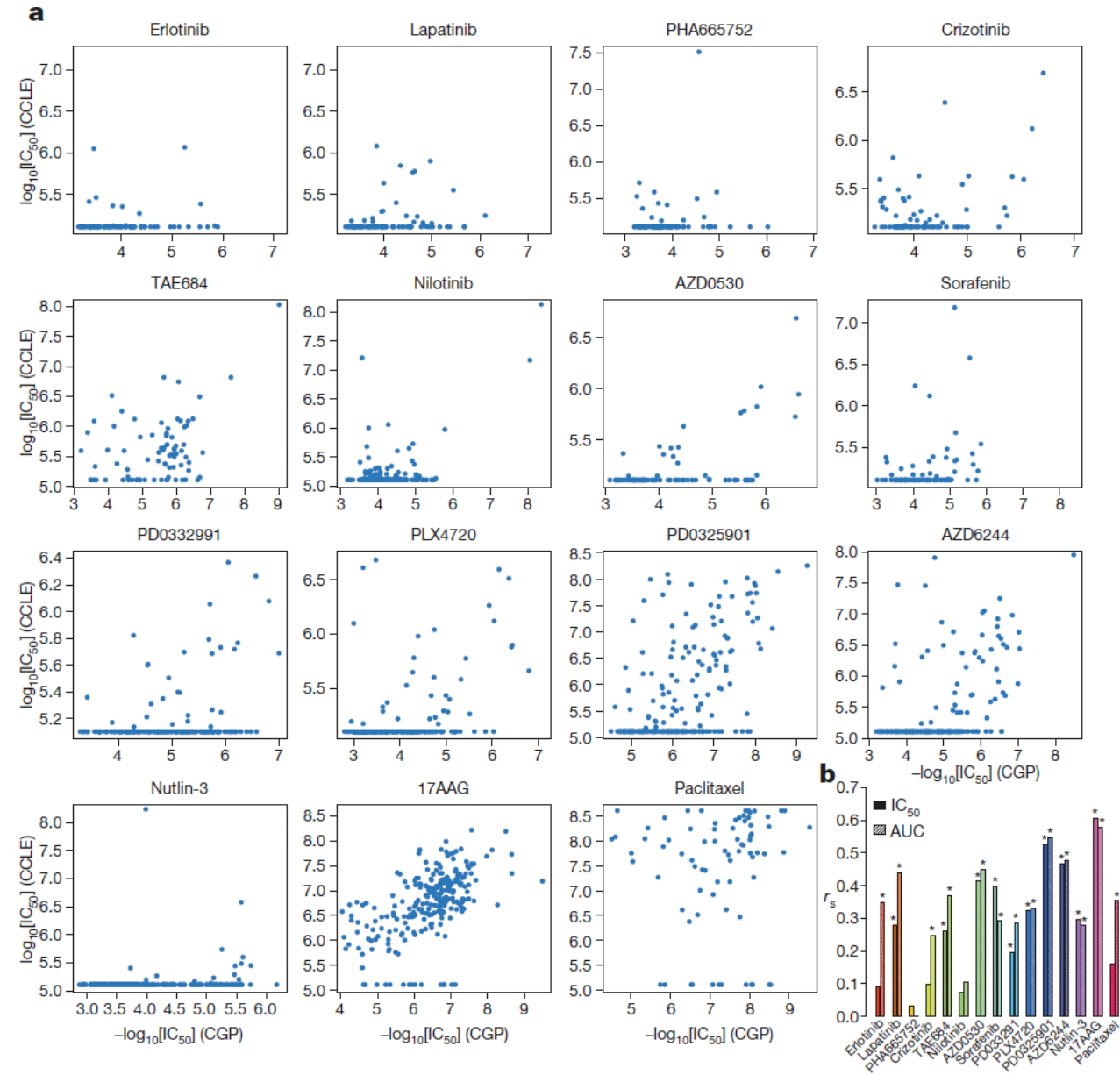


The economic and ethical burden of cancer research

Inconsistency in large pharmacogenomic studies

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CCLE (Broad, USA) vs CGP (Wellcome, UK)



Haibe-Kains et al., *Nature*

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Genetic and transcriptional evolution alters cancer cell line drug response

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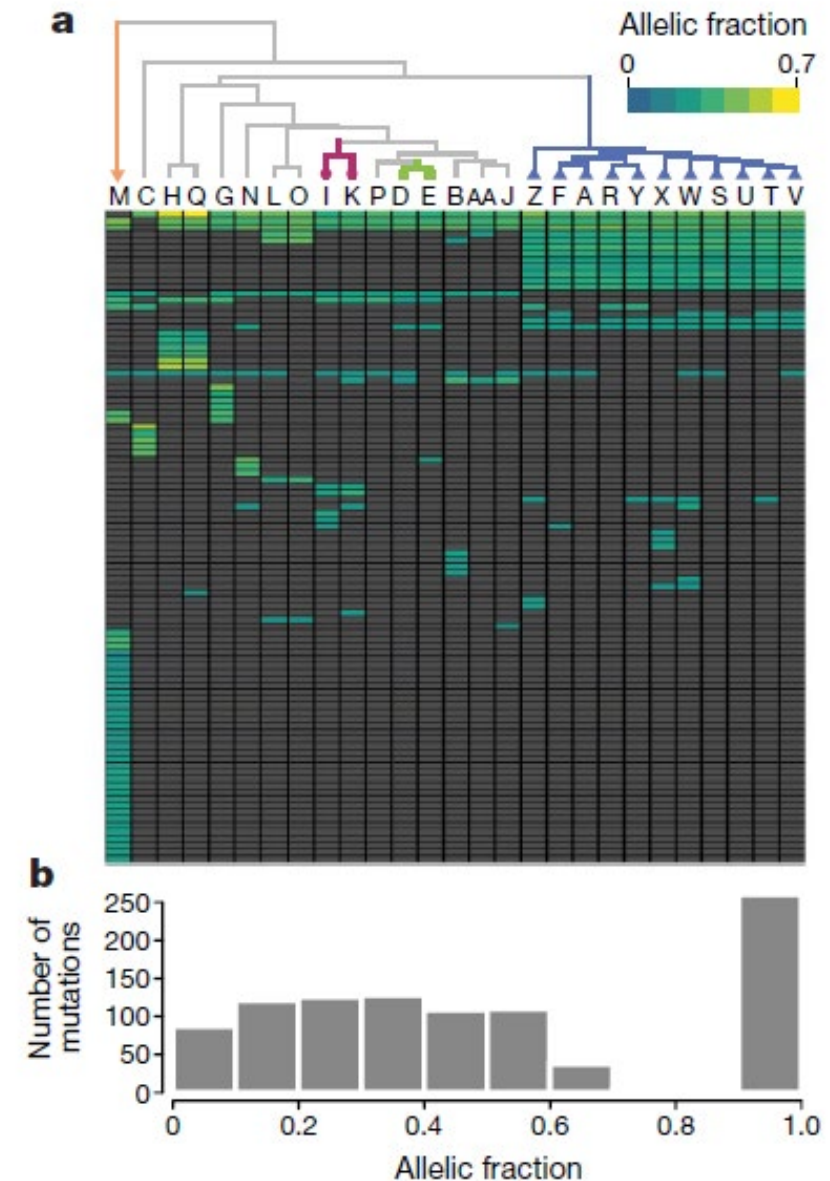
Lab-to lab validation

106 cell lines

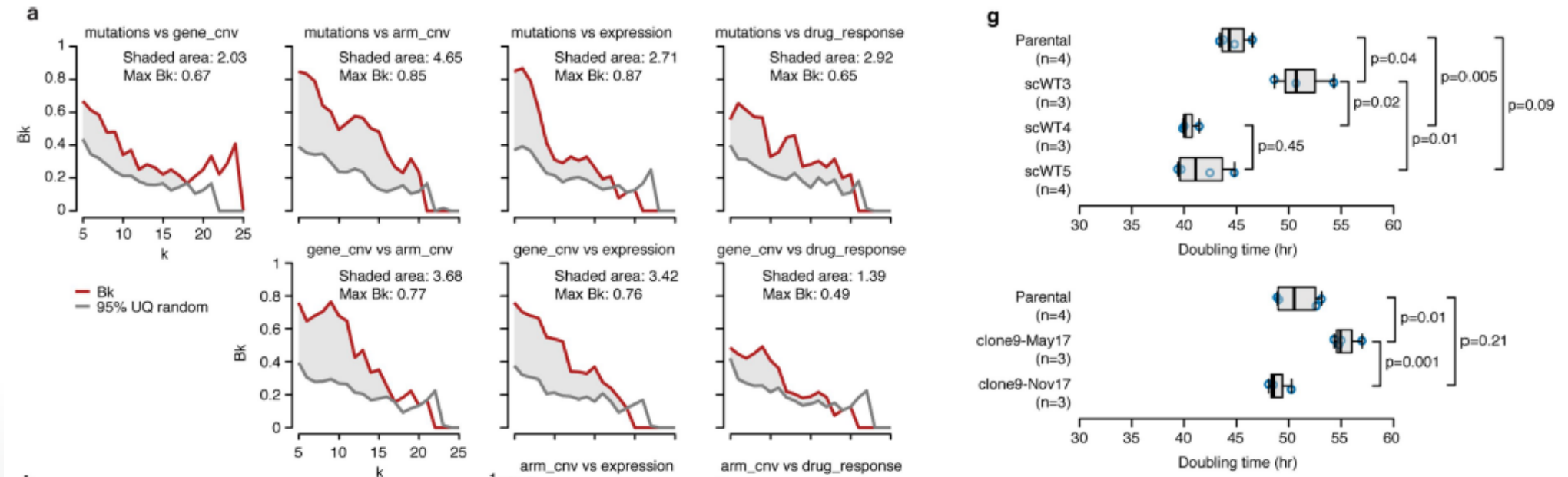
- 27% CNV could not redetected
- 22% of genome altered by subclonal events

MCF-7-M (27 strains)

- Ten chromosome arms (25% of the genome) were differentially gained or lost
- 283 genes with copy number gains and 405 genes with copy number losses in at least one strain. Only a small minority of these changes (13% of gains and 21% of losses) were detected in all strains.



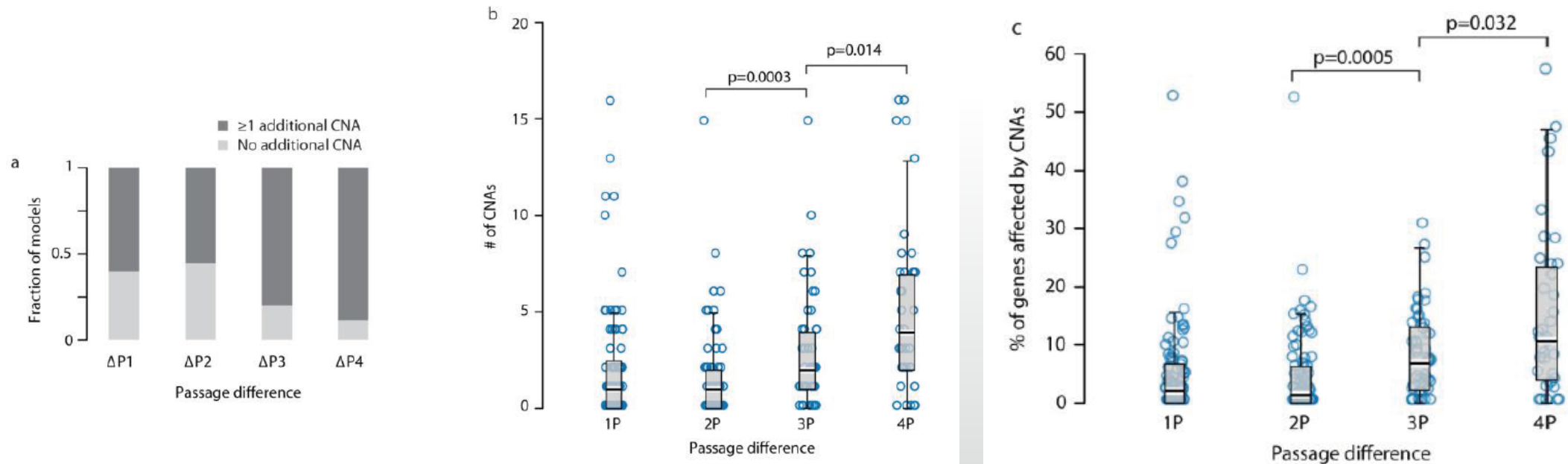
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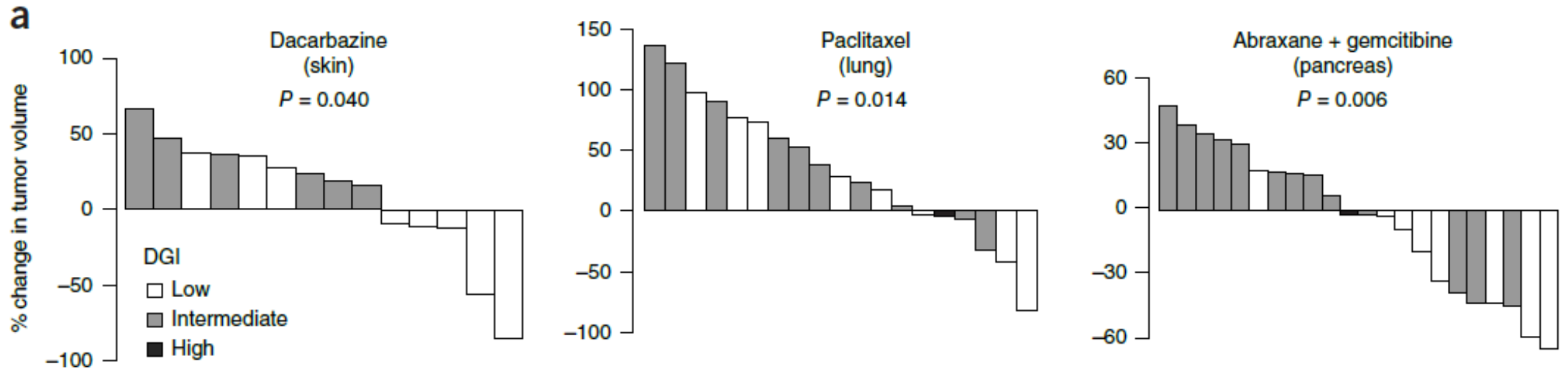
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1100 PDX samples across 24 cancer types, compared to parental cell model (incl. primary model)

We found that large (>5-Mb) CNAs arose rapidly in PDXs: 60% of the PDX models acquired at least one large chromosomal aberration within a single *in vivo* passage, and 88% acquired at least one large aberration within four passages



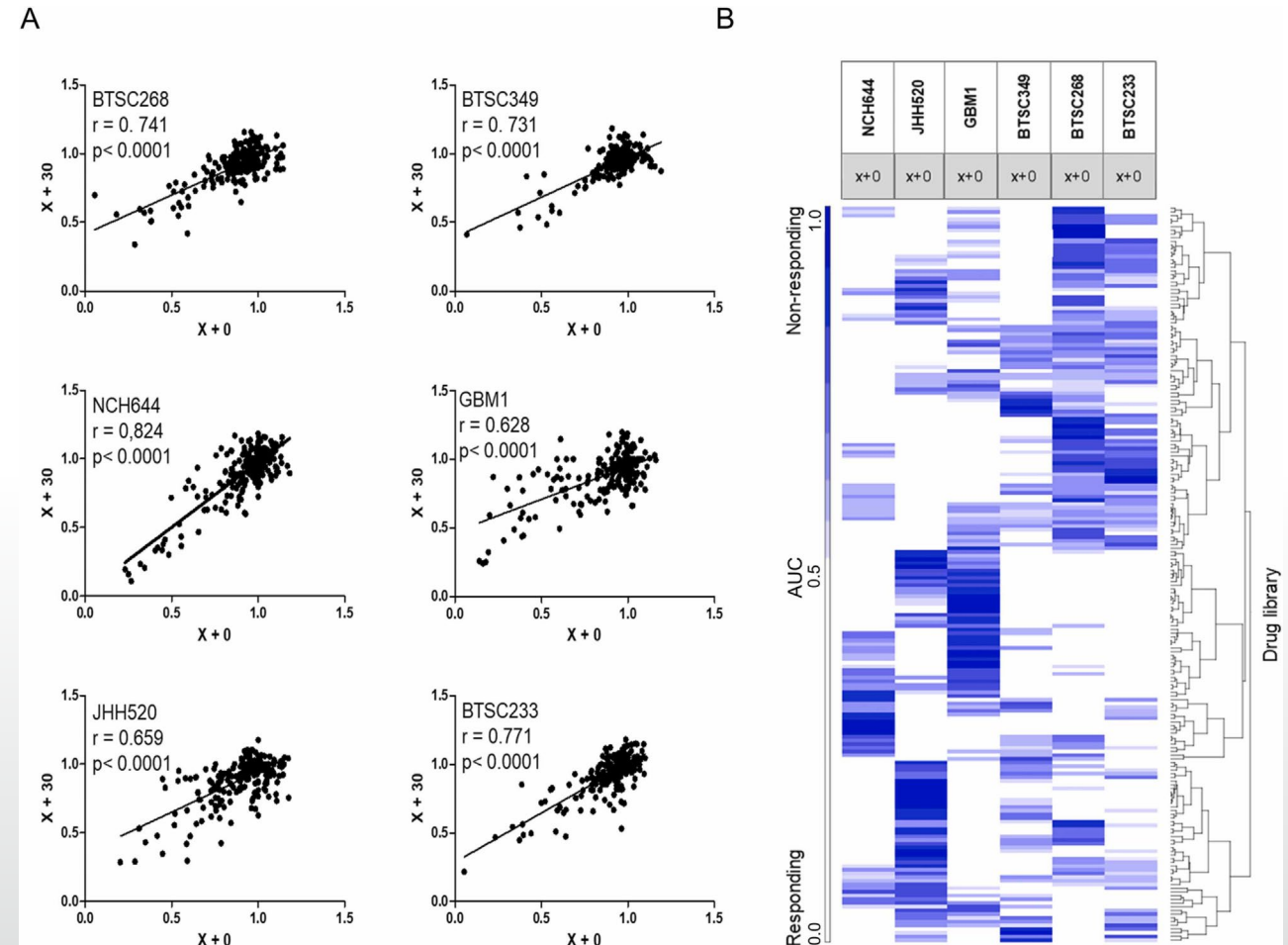
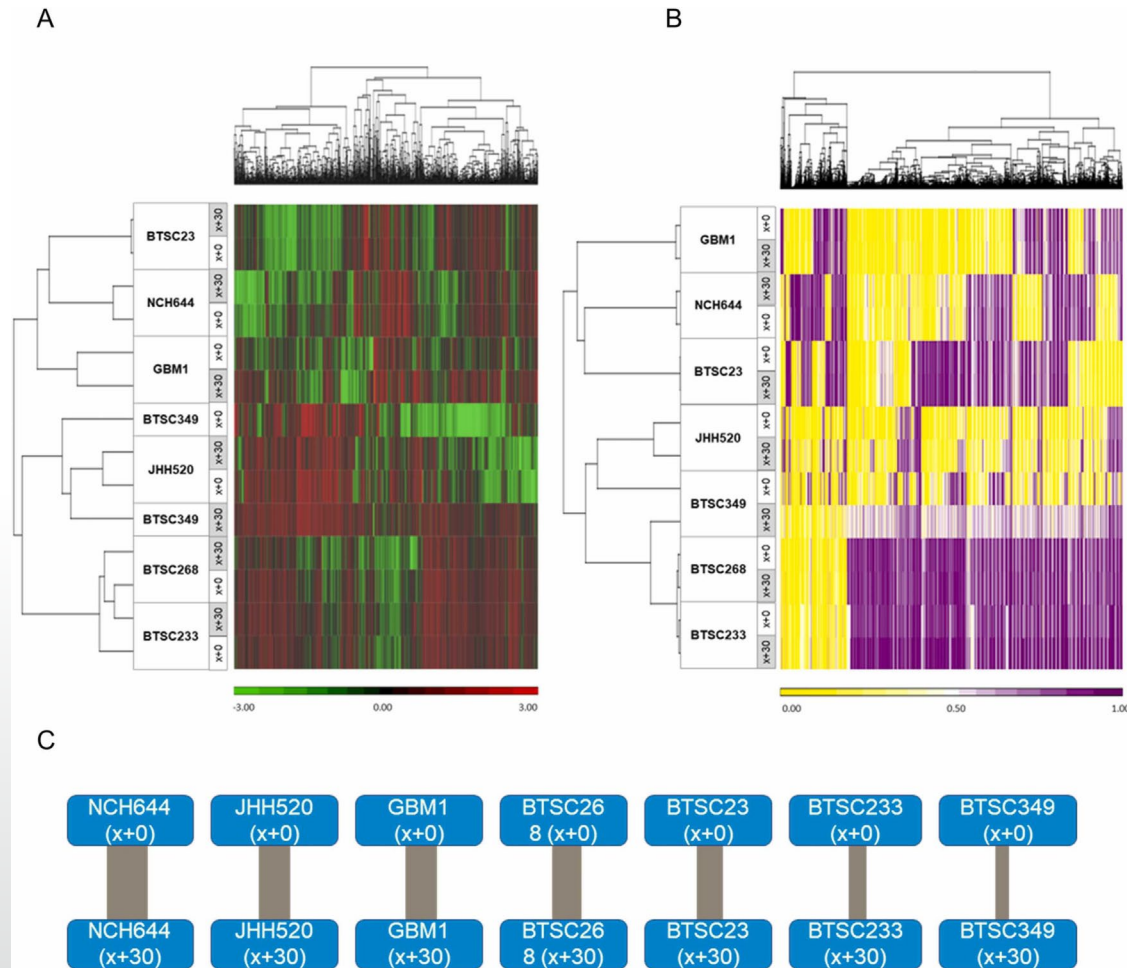
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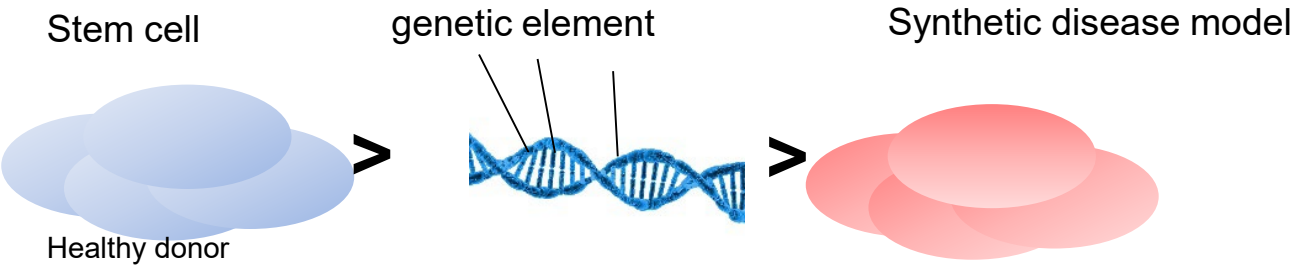
➤ Alternative preclinical modeling strategies are warranted:

1. to overcome the issue of heterogeneity of results
2. aiming to increase frequency of clinical translationability

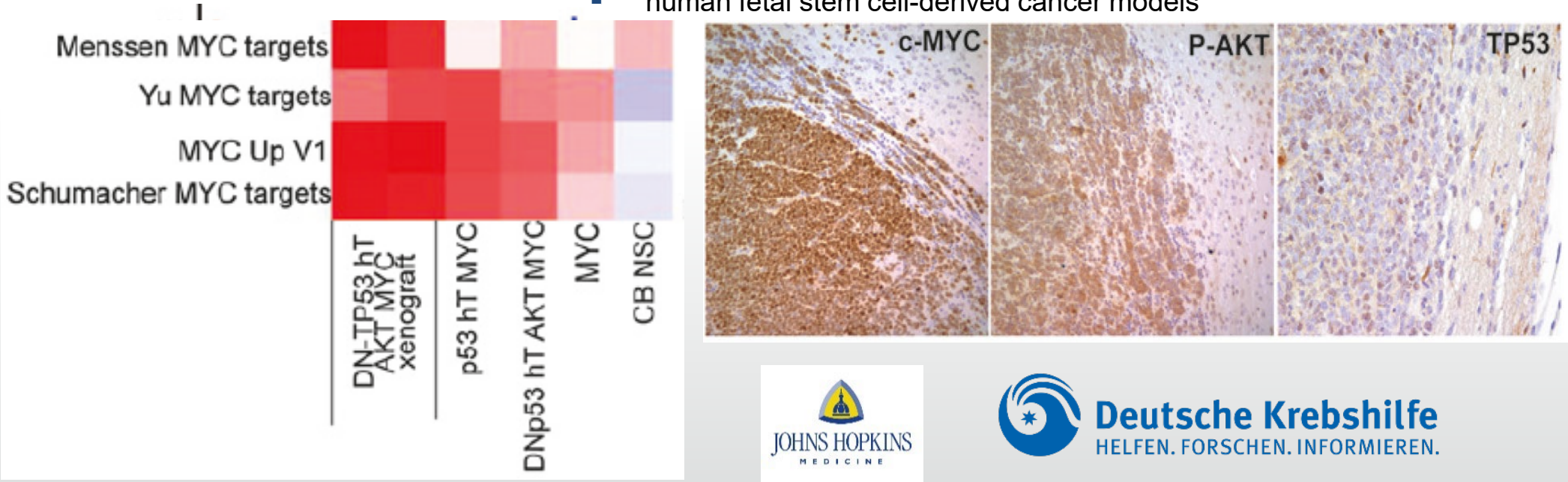
Patient-derived stem cell models of cancer as reliable source



Synthetic alternatives of cancer stem cells



■ human fetal stem cell-derived cancer models



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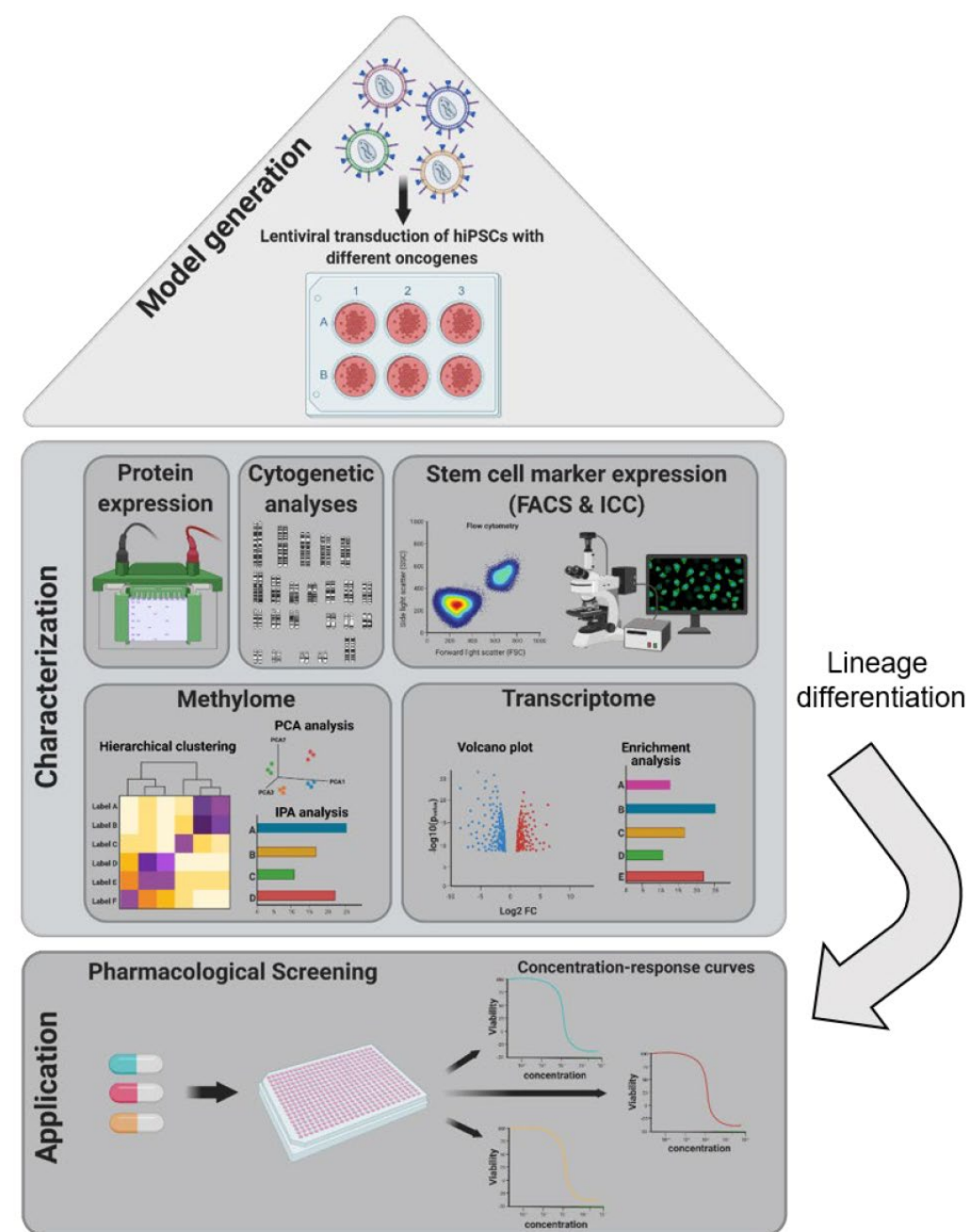
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Progenitor cells derived from gene-engineered human induced pluripotent stem cells as synthetic cancer cell alternatives for in vitro pharmacology

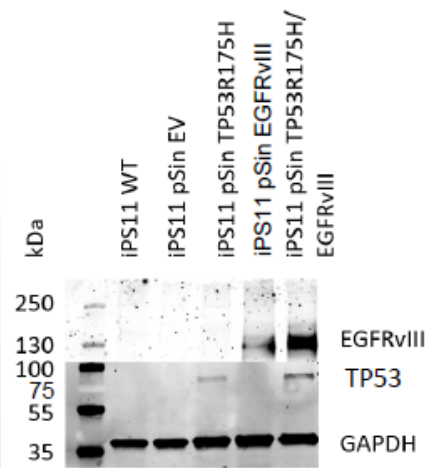
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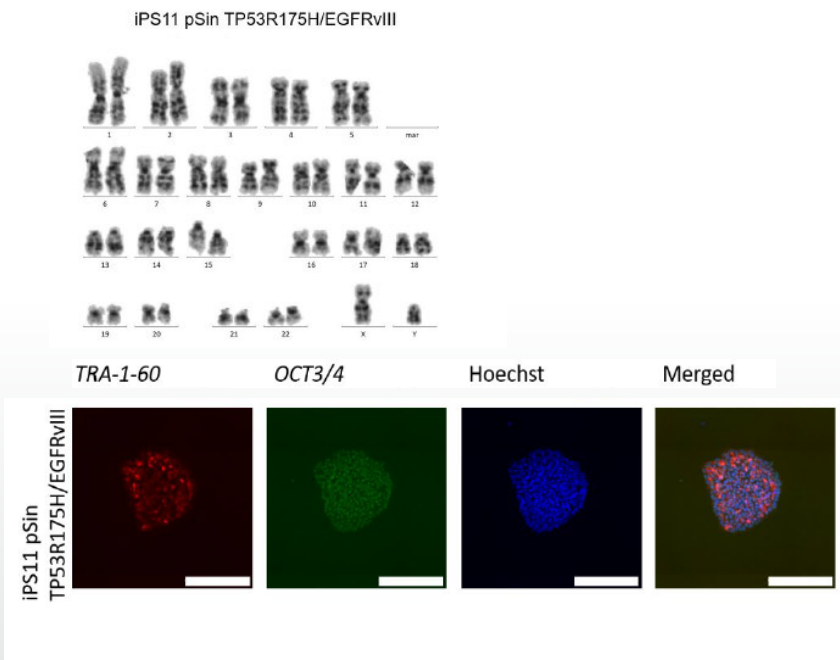


Synthetic alternatives of cancer stem cells

Engineering

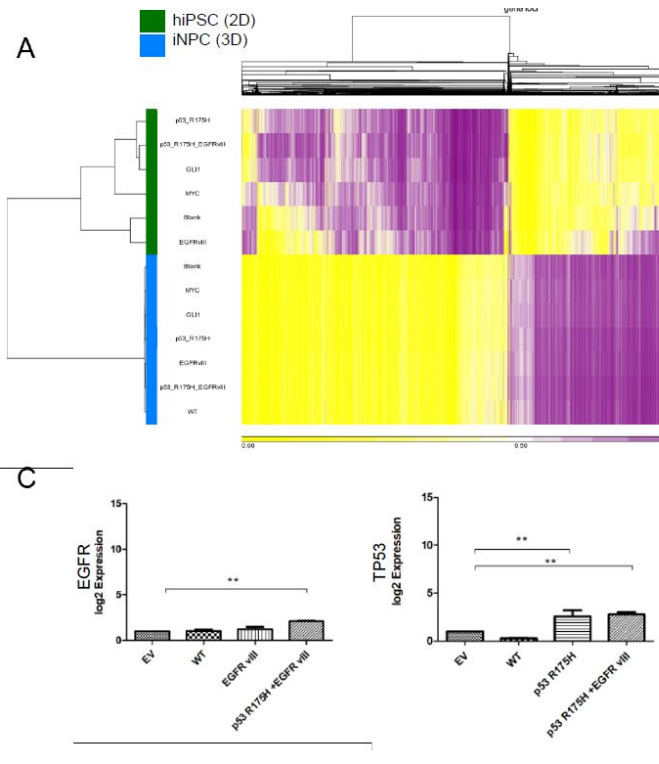


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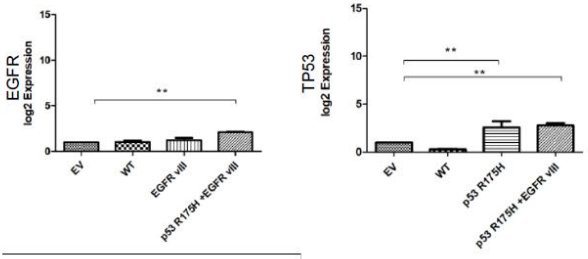


Lineage differentiation

Figure 5 A

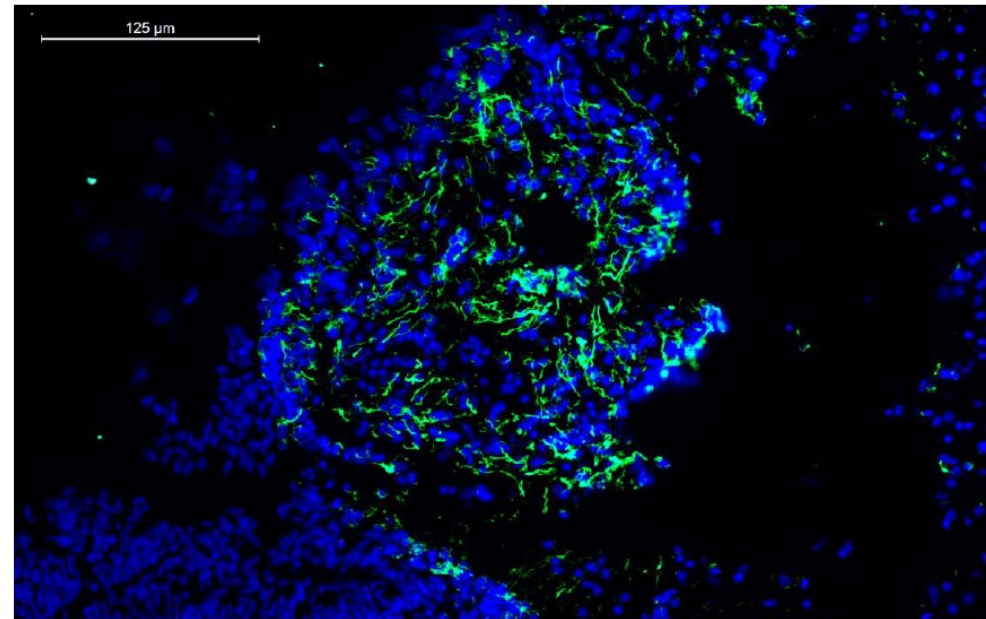
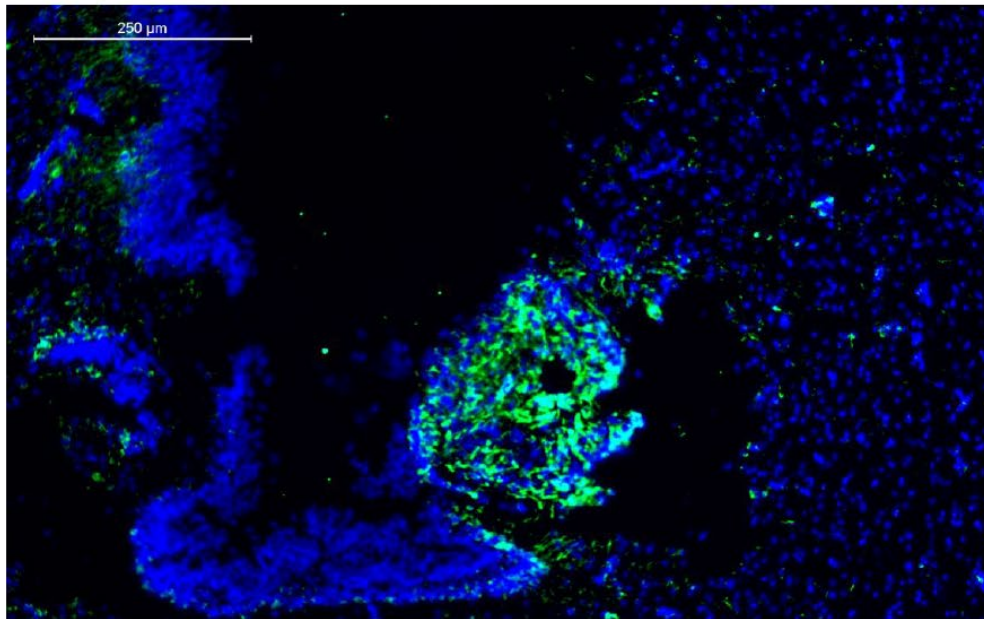


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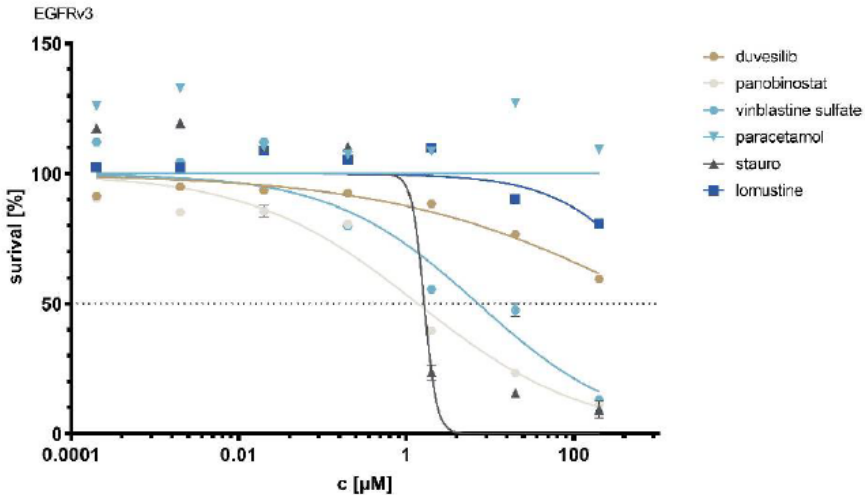
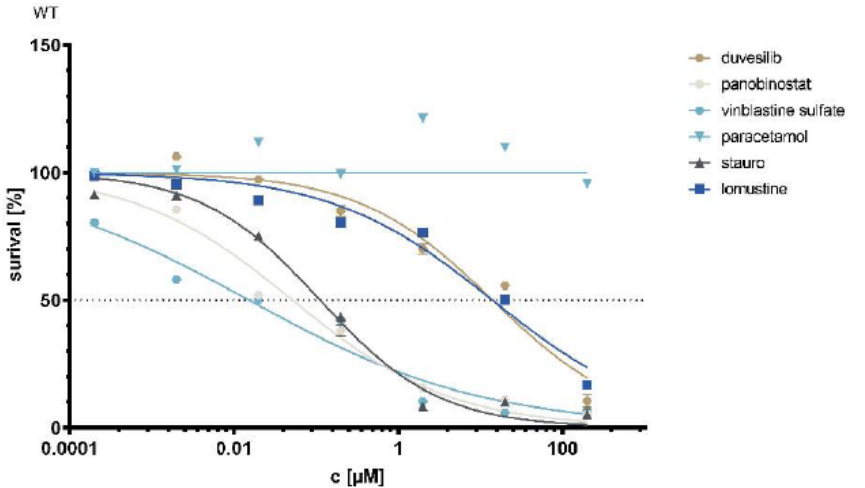
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In vivo tumorigenicity potential ?

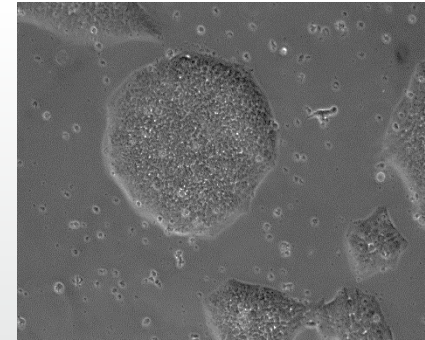
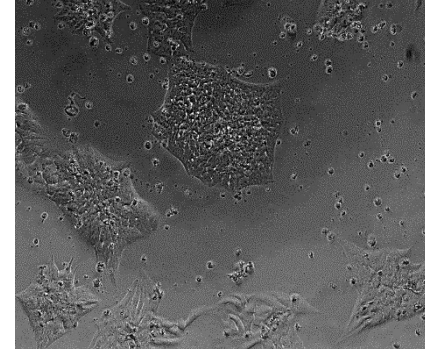
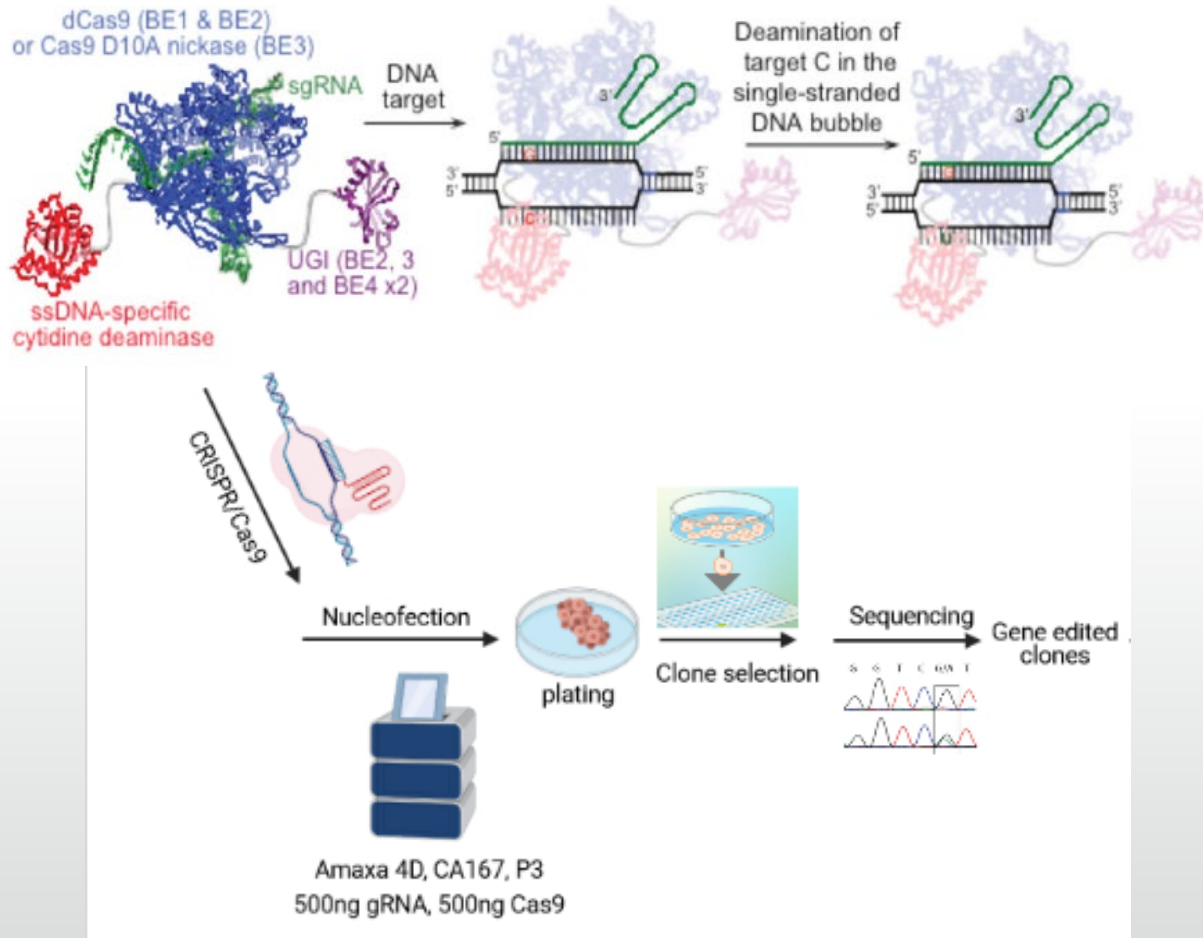


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substance	NPC WT	NPC -EV	NPC -GLI1	NPC -c-MYC	NPC -TP53R175H	NPC -EGFRvIII	NPC-EGFRvIII/TP53R175H
Panobinostat	0.05164	0.2940	0.4568	0.1237	0.01986	1.367	0.2856
Vinblastine sulfate	0.01518	0.003848	0.4806	0.01955	0.02161	7.166	3.291
Lomustine	13.96	188.8	2410	217.10	191.30	1364	270
Duvelisib	14.04	75.29	53.4	48.68	732.90	1062	322.50
Paracetamol	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Staurosporine	0.1118	0.5545	0.1986	0.2675	1.657	1.639	0.1599



Synthetic alternatives of cancer stem cells 2.0

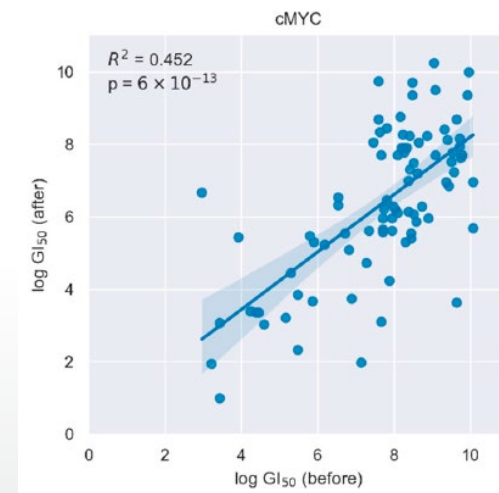
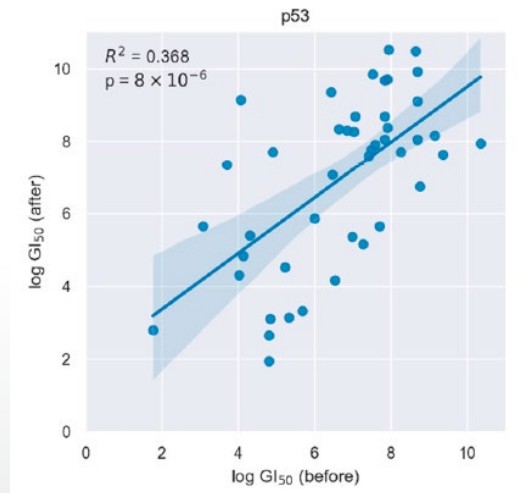
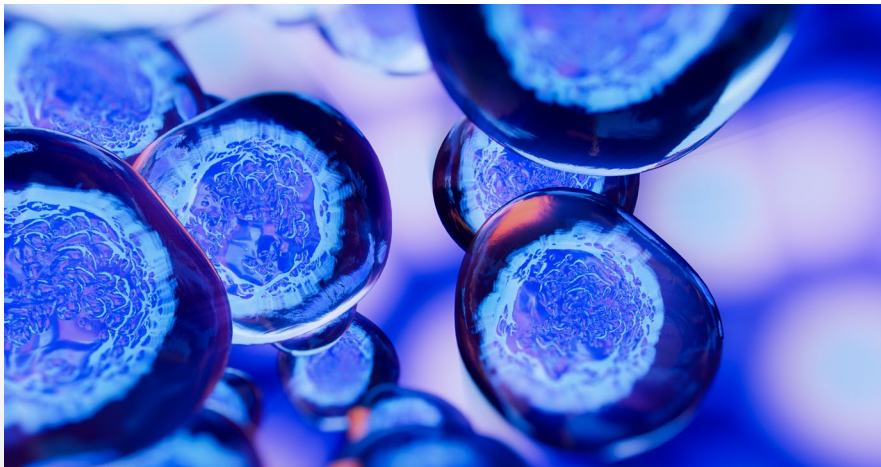


Synthetic alternatives of cancer stem cells – Why?

- Single cell of origin
- Genetic reduction



Reduction of heterogeneity?

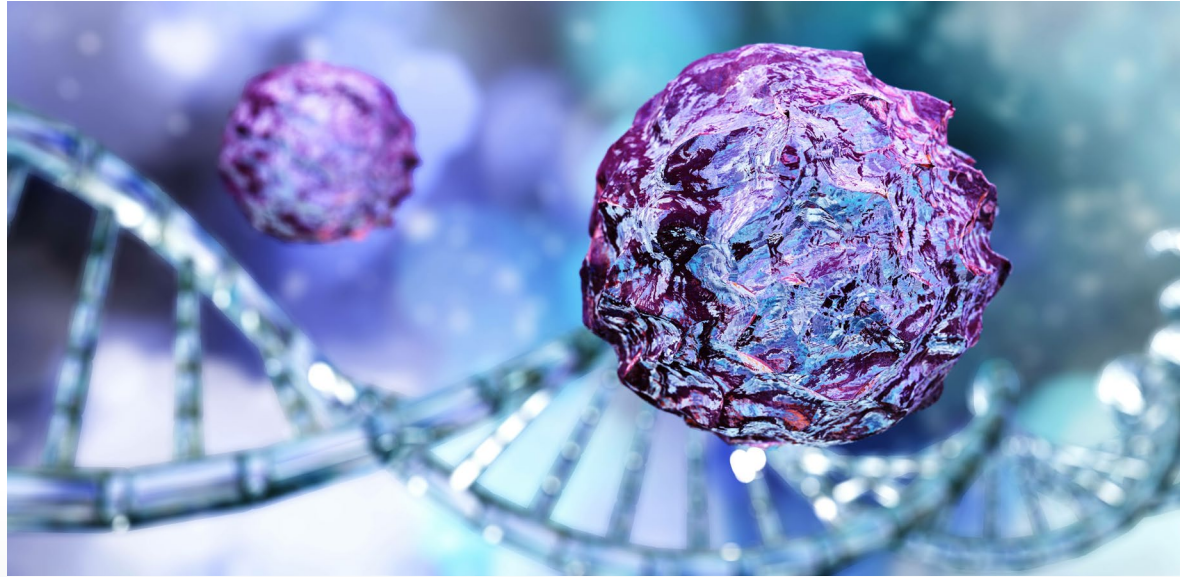


- Biomarker specific
- stem cell/ progenitor cell specific



Better molecular targeted /anti- cancer stem cell specific test system ?

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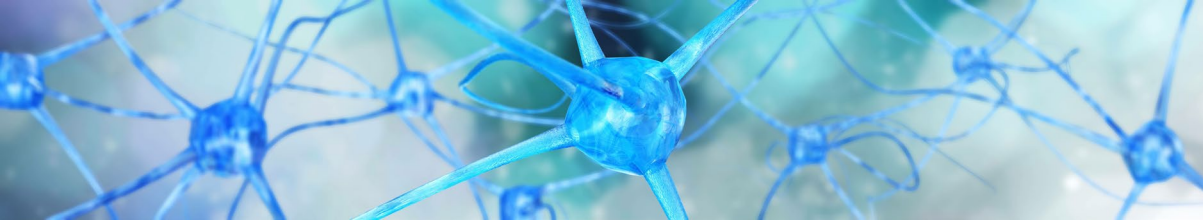


isogenic controlled conditions amendable for multi-lineage differentiation comparisons

**oncogenic potential of onco-proteins, early vs. late stage cancer progression models,
Targeting cancer stem cell niche...**

Preclinical testing matrix

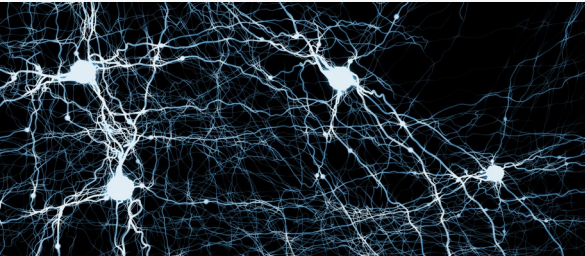
Synthetic alternatives



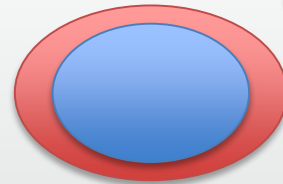
Diversity (gender, immune, ethnic...)

- Patient-specific iPS generation
(episomal transformation, via electroporation, NEPA)
- multi-factor and adjustable

Patient-derived systems



„Healthy“



„tumor“



Off-target assessment

Pre-analytic issue:

patient recruitment, consent, OR surveillance and reminder

biomaterial logistics

Cooperation pathologist

Translational MES biobank (since 01/22)

- Cooperation with surgical partners Roland Croner and Aris Perrakis & surgical team of the clinic for surgery OVGU
- Inspired by German Institute for Normalization (D.I.N.) standards (Prof. Kahlert is a permanent member „Biobanks/ Bioresources” - NA 063-09-02-02 AK)
- Comprised high quality tissue and blood acquisition (minimal pre-analytical time window)
- Association of clinical data at time point of operation and follow-up
- Development of functional models of healthy and tumor tissue to present comprehensive, patient-matched in vitro banking to conduct off-target assays of drug candidates in immunological and genetically matched background associated to tissue
- Pancreas, Colon, Rectum, Liver, hepatic metastasis



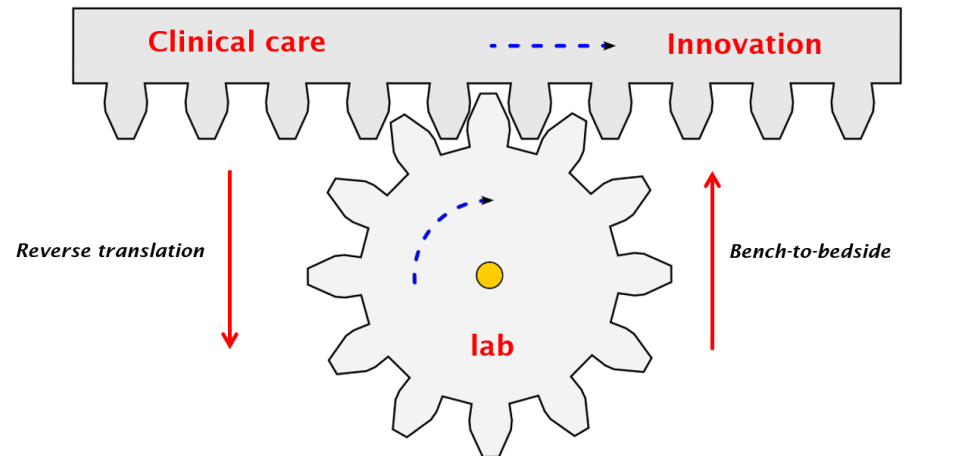
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