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**Lo stato dell'arte nel carcinoma
ovarico:
Il Trattamento Medico**

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**Mutazione BRCA
e CARCINOMA OVARICO:
LA GESTIONE DELLE PAZIENTI E DEI FAMILIARI**

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Ovarian Cancer: Setting the scene

1. Ovarian Cancer: Setting the scene

5 Y survival

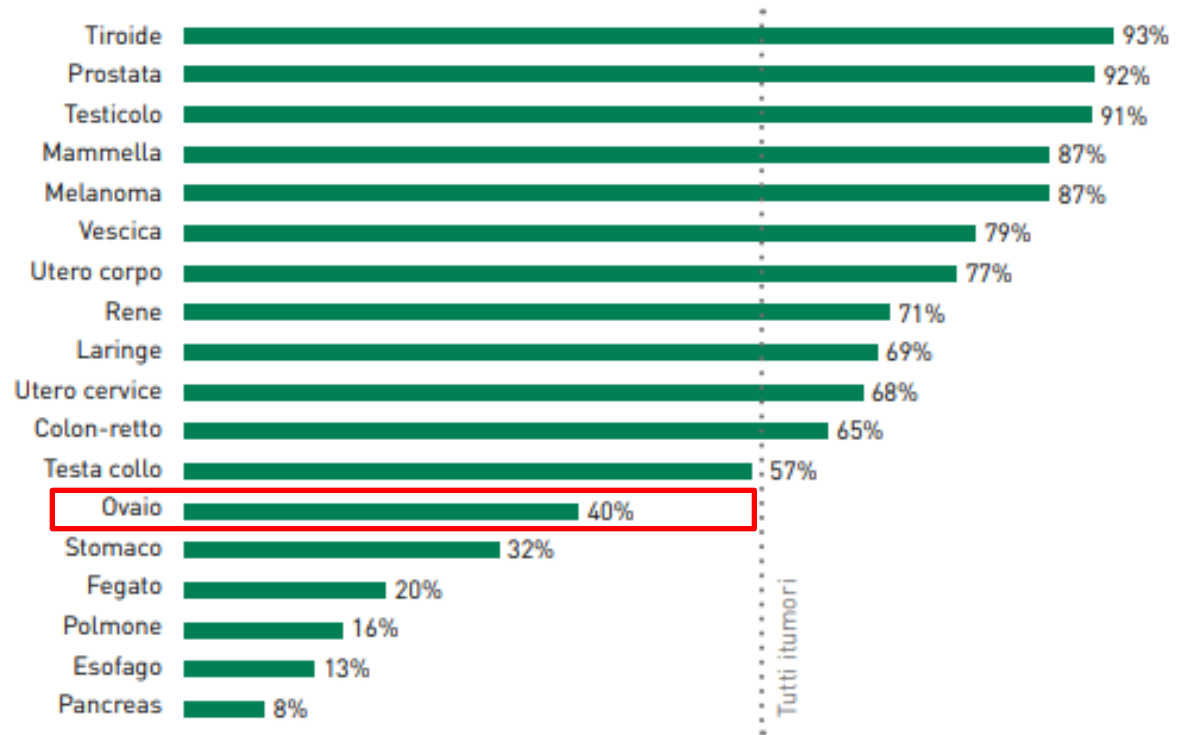


FIGURA 6. Sopravvivenza netta a 5 anni dalla diagnosi (standardizzata per età) per il periodo di incidenza 2005-2009 (pool AIRCUM). uomini e donne

→ 5 Y survival <25% for stage III/IV

2. Ovarian Cancer: Setting the scene

Mortality rates

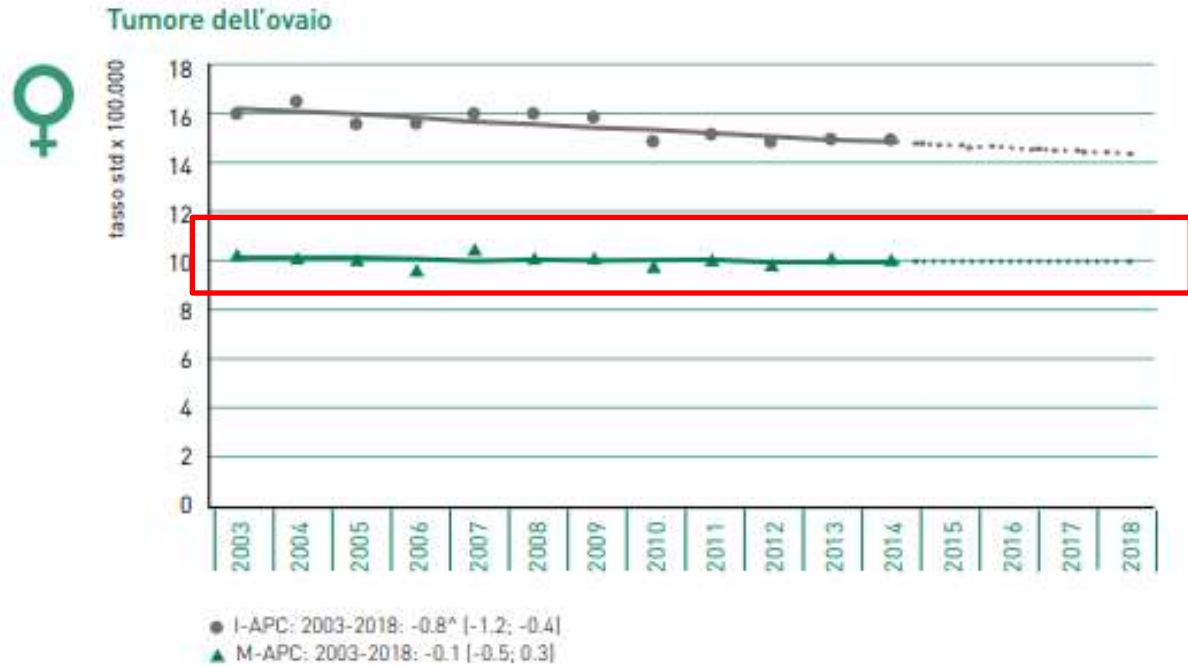
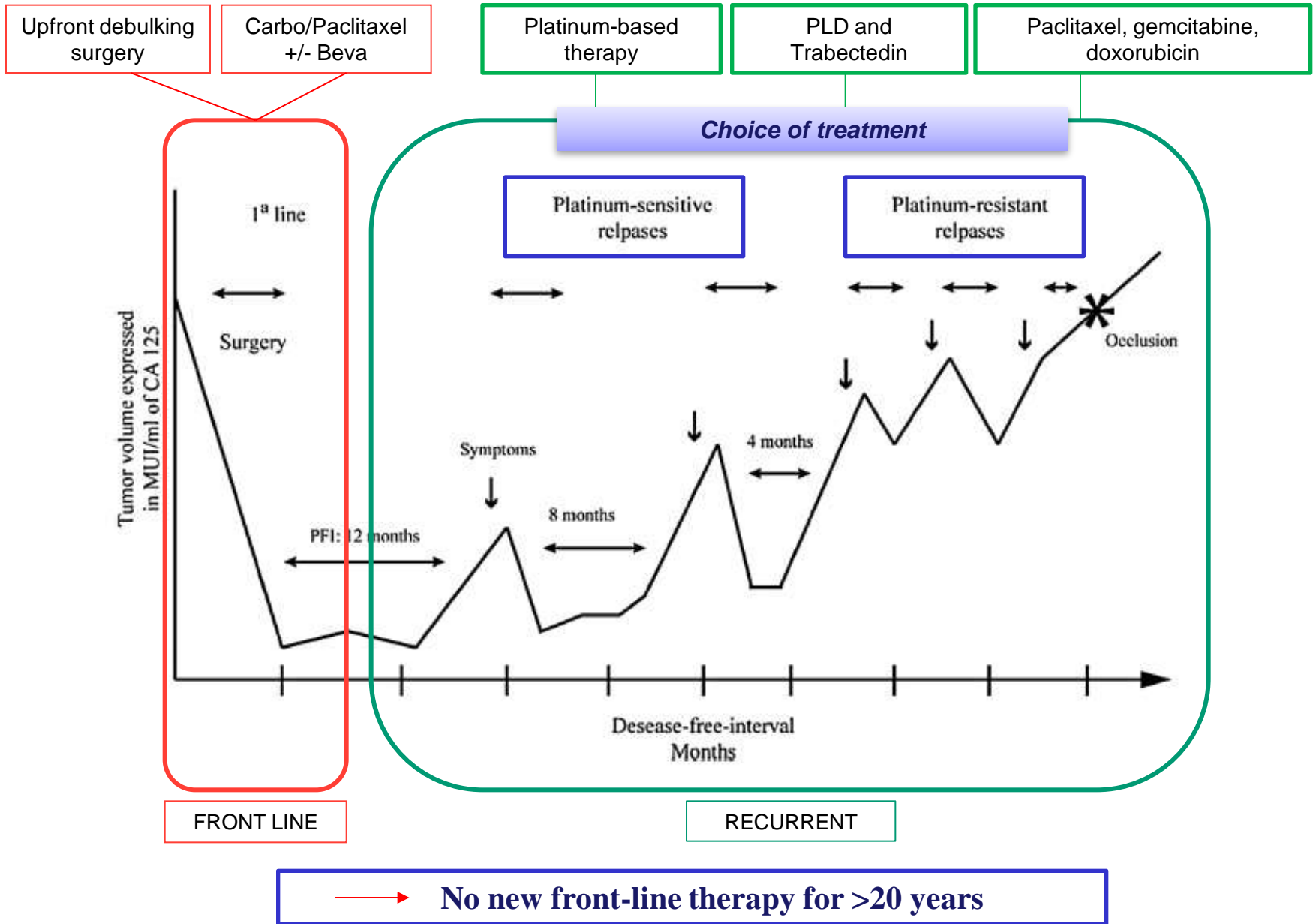


FIGURA 26. Tumore dell'ovaio. AIRCUM: stima dei trend tumorali di incidenza e mortalità 2003-2018. Tassi standardizzati nuova popolazione europea 2013

APC = Annual Percent Change (variazione percentuale media annua), I = incidenza, M = mortalità.

→ No improvement in ovarian cancer mortality rates

3. Ovarian Cancer: Setting the scene

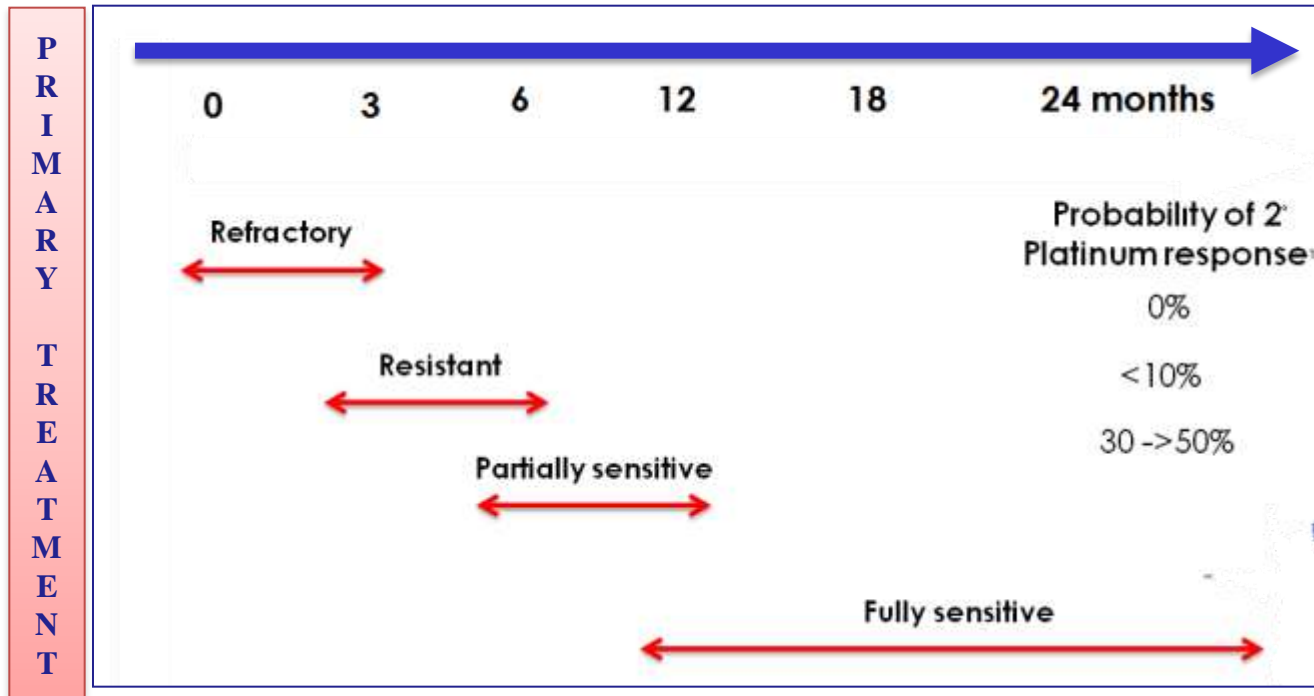


Choice of treatment: What did we know?

The platinum free interval dogma



Relapsed ovarian cancer categories





**Questions relevant to the medical treatment
of patients with
Advanced Ovarian Cancer**

1) How to treat the patients in First Line

→ The importance of **optimal primary surgery**.
Fundamental principles of therapy remain the same
Complete tumour resection: the most important prognostic factor



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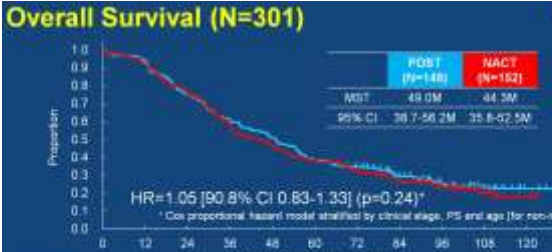
Diagnosis

Upfront
debulking
surgery

JCOG

*Comparison of survival between
upfront primary debulking surgery
versus
neoadjuvant chemotherapy
for stage III/IV ovarian, tubal and peritoneal cancers
in phase III randomized trial: JCOG0602.*

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UMIN Clinical Trials Registry: UMIN000000523



1) How to treat the patients in First Line

→ The role of **Chemotherapy** and **Maintenance**



- **Weekly regimens** not improve PFS or OS
- **Intraperitoneal chemotherapy/HIPEC** is not a standard of care
- **3-weekly carboplatin-paclitaxel** remains the standard-of-care chemotherapy
- **Bevacizumab** in stage III-IV should be considered in addition to carbo/paclitaxel: improves PFS

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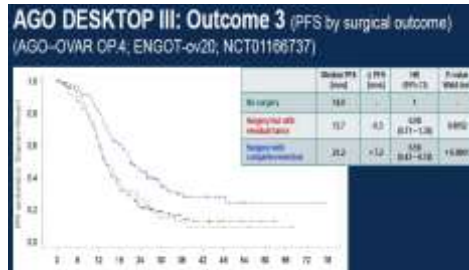
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Maintenance





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Diagnosis

Recurrent Disease

(Cytoreductive surgery)

2) How to Treat the Recurrence

→ Surgery at recurrence?





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(Cytoreductive surgery)

Platinum-based 2nd-line chemotherapy

Bevacizumab



2) How to Treat the Recurrence

→ **Bevacizumab:** - With platinum-based 2nd-line CT followed by **maintenance:** recommended
- After a bevacizumab containing I line: MaNGO OV2B-ENGOT OV17 Trial



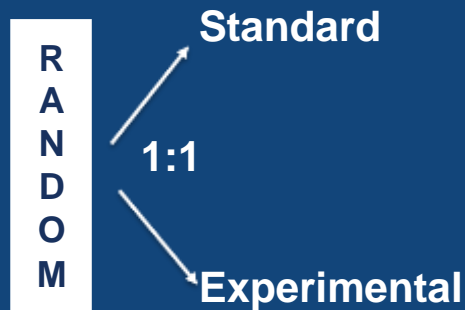
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Study Design



Platinum-Based Chemotherapy

Platinum-Based Chemotherapy plus Bevacizumab

Platinum-based Chemotherapy:

- Carboplatin + Paclitaxel +/- Beva 15mg/kg q 21
- Carboplatin + Gemcitabine +/- Beva 15mg/kg q 21
- Carboplatin + PLD q 28 +/- Beva 10mg/kg q 14

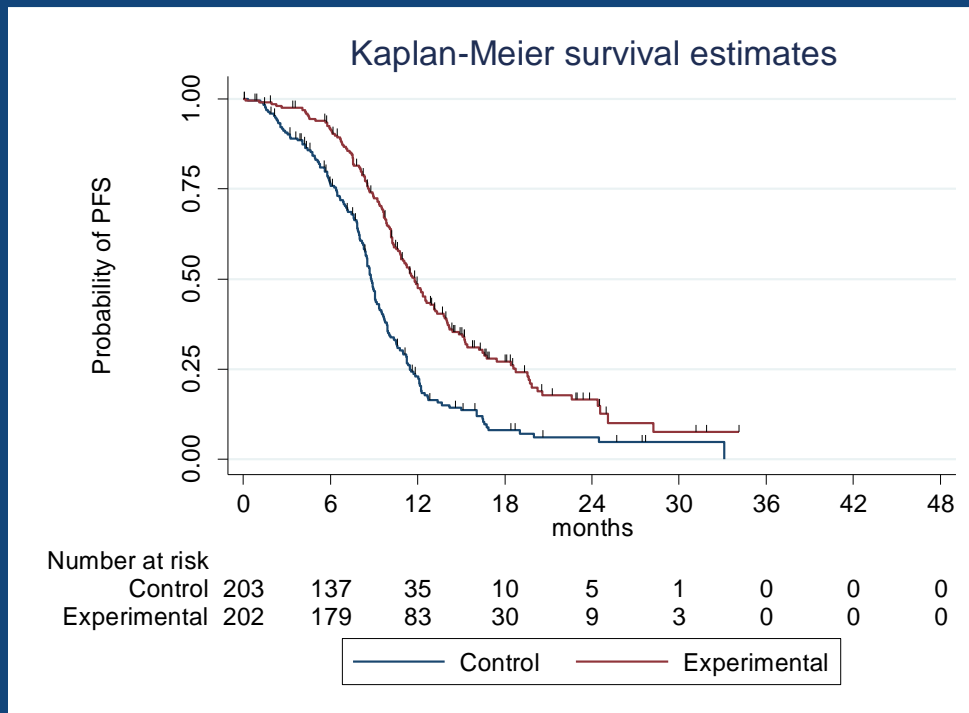
Stratification:

- center
- relapse during or after 1° line Beva
- performance status
- chemo backbone



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PFS Investigator assessed (primary end-point)



	Standard	Experimental	Log Rank P
# Events	161	143	
Median PFS	8.8 mos	11.8 mos	<0.001
HR* (95%CI)	0.51 (0.41-0.65)		
*adjusted by: Age, PS, Centre Size, Bevacizumab at Relapse, Chemo Backbone, residual Disease at Initial Surgery			



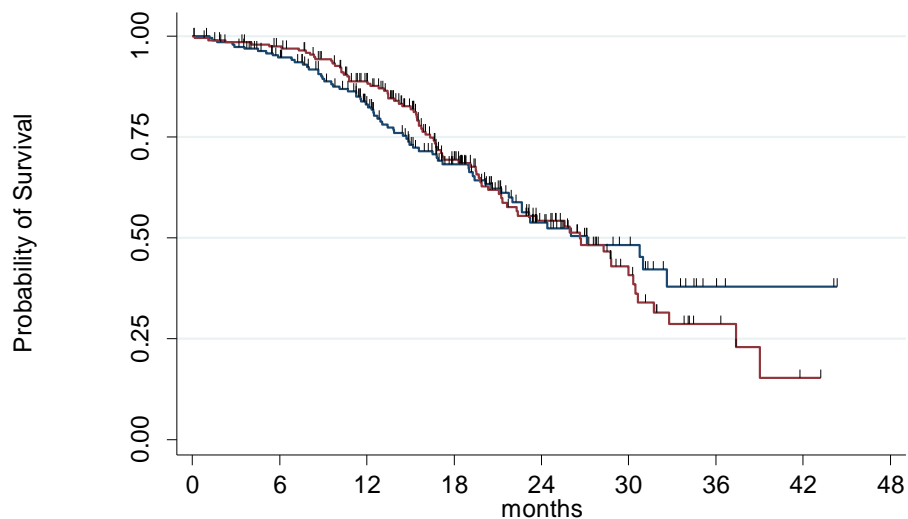
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Overall survival



Number at risk	0	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48
Standard	203	166	122	76	38	17	3	2	0
Experimental	202	190	151	84	43	19	6	1	0

— Control — Experimental

	Standard	Experimental	Log Rank P
# Events	68	79	
Median OS	27.1 mos	26.6 mos	0.98
HR* (95% CI)	0.97 (0.70-1.35)		

*adjusted by: Age, PS, Centre Size, Bevacizumab at relapse, Chemo backbone, residual disease at 1st surgery

Ovarian Cancer Medical Treatment: State of art Summary

Fundamental principles of therapy remain the same

- ✓ The importance of **optimal surgery** upfront
- ✓ (also at recurrence?)

- ✓ Confirmed the role of **Chemotherapy** and **Maintenance treatment**
- ✓ Necessary further investigating of the mode of administration (intraperitoneal, with or without hyperthermia)

Firmly introduced
PARP –Inhibitors



✓ **OLAPARIB**
Study 19, 2014

Indicated as maintenance therapy-**BRCA mut**

✓ **NIRAPARIB**
Study 19, 2014

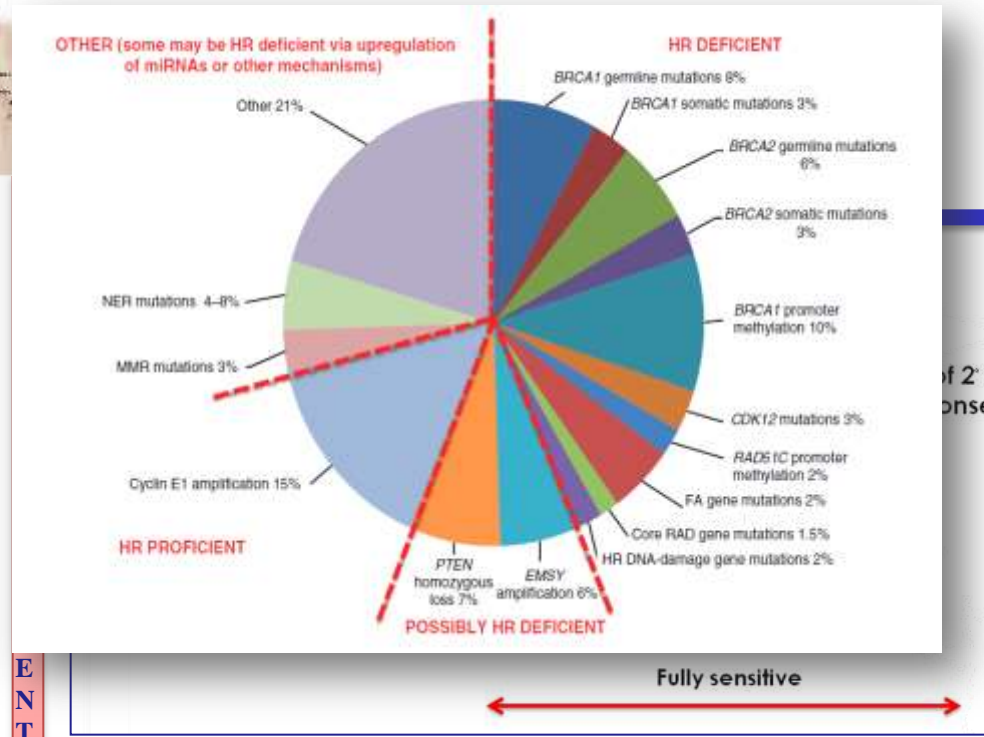
Indicated as maintenance therapy

✓ **RUCAPARIB**
ARIEL 3, 2017

Indicated as single agent

Choice of treatment: What did we know?

The *platinum free interval* dogma



Choice of treatment: What do we know today?

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Well established

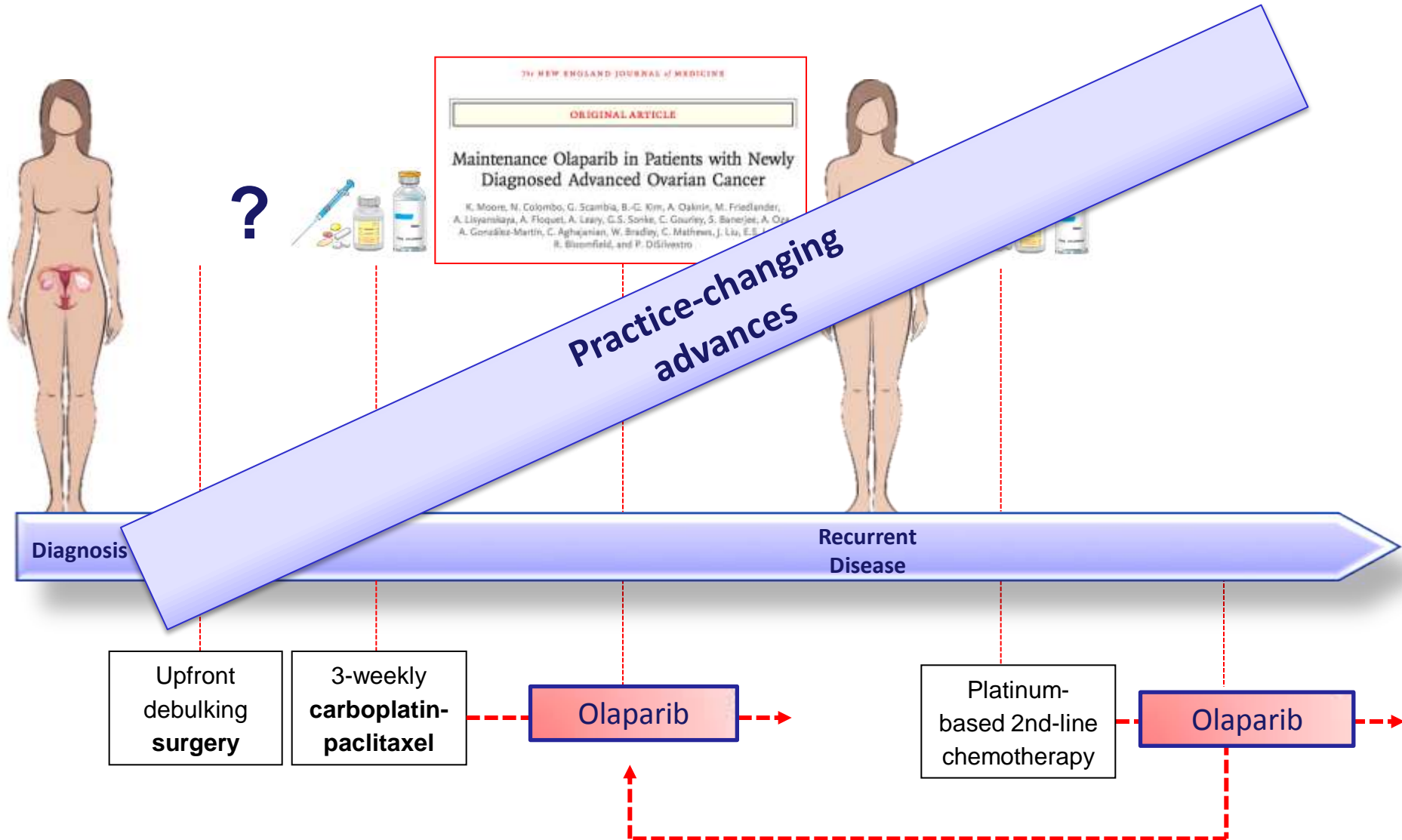
- ✓ Risk-reducing salpingo-oophorectomy
- ✓ PARP inhibitors in women with recurrent ovarian cancer

Advances

SOLO1 trial: Olaparib maintenance moves to first line Maintenance



Ovarian Cancer Medical Treatment: Advances



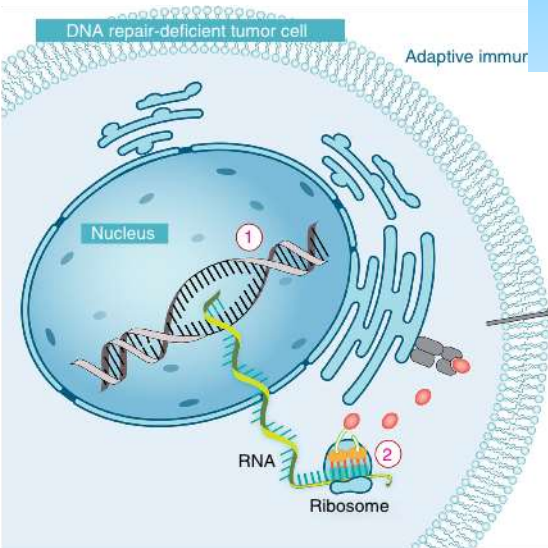
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Where to go next?



Predictive biomarkers for treatment stratification



Choice of treatment: What do we know today?

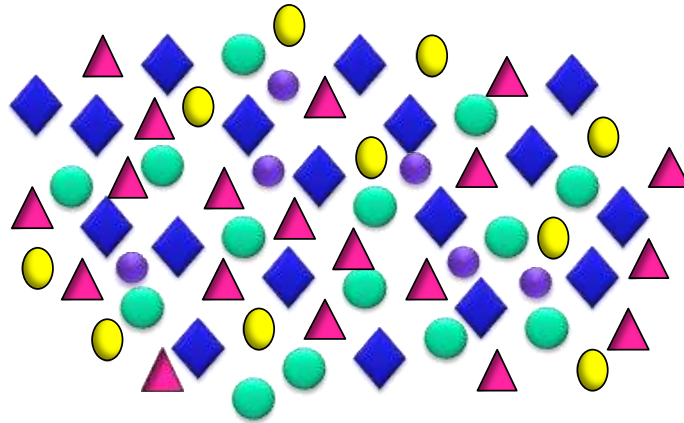
2. The power of using **genomics** to improve patient selection and precision medicine

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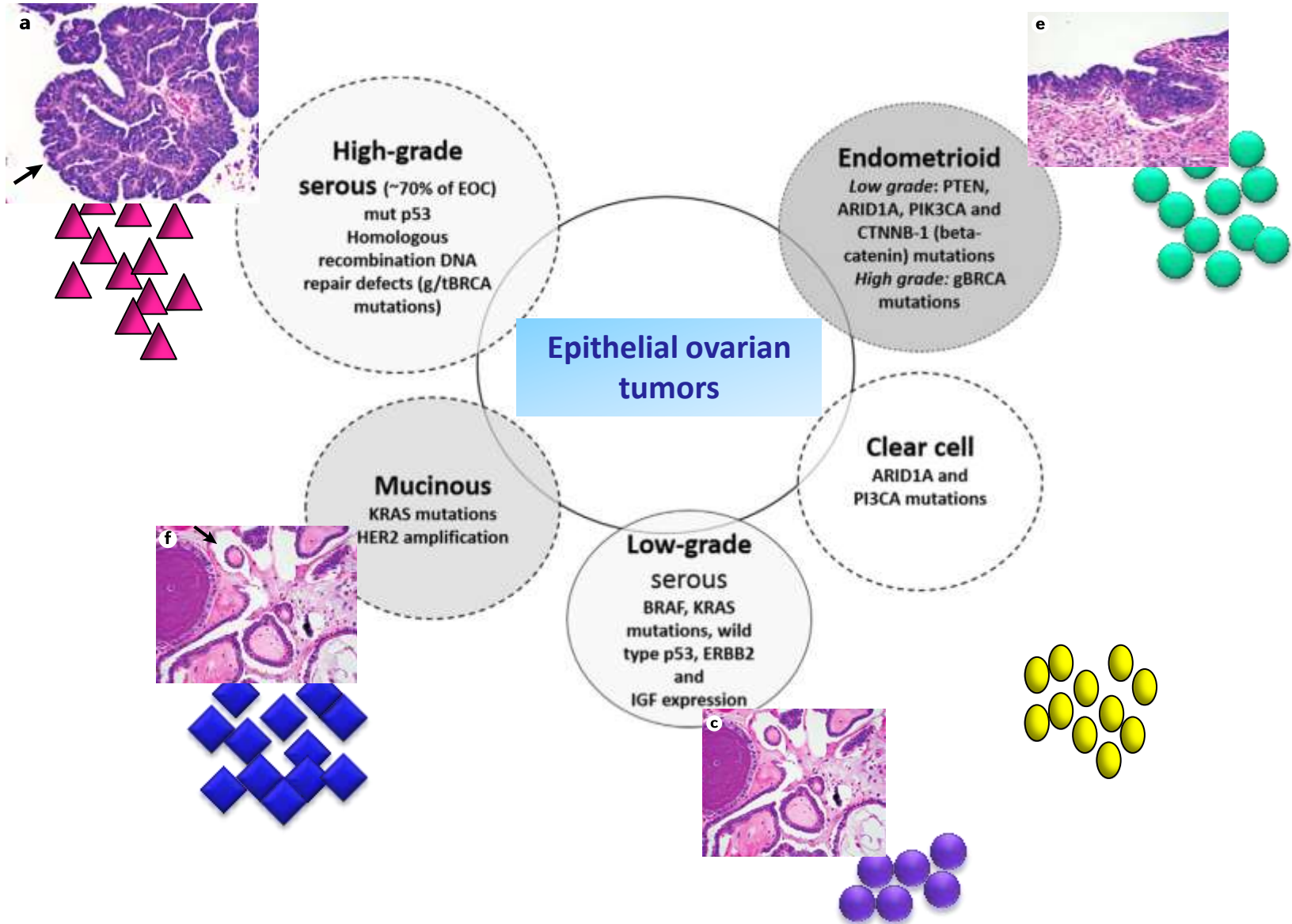
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**Epithelial Ovarian cancer is not a unique disease
From singular to plural....**



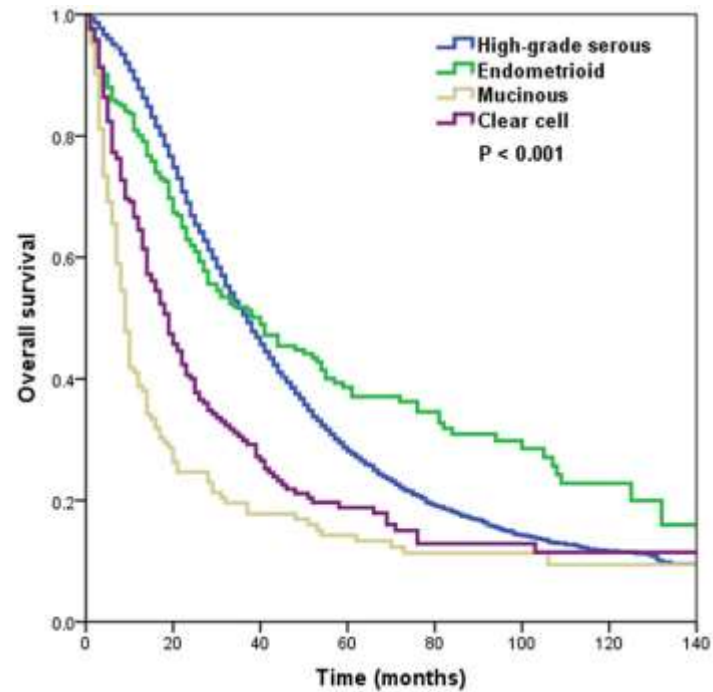
Epithelial ovarian tumors: broad range of genomic variability with different histological subtypes



The Effect of Histological Subtypes on Outcomes of Stage IV Epithelial Ovarian Cancer

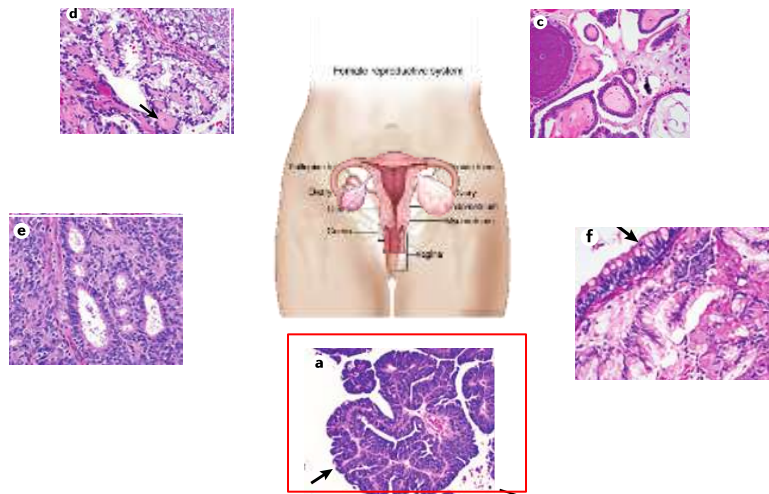
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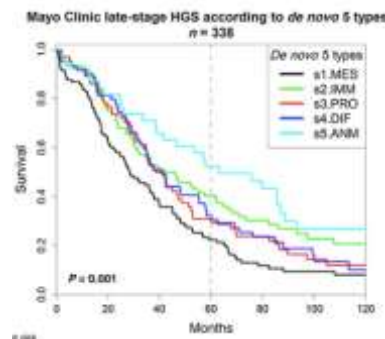
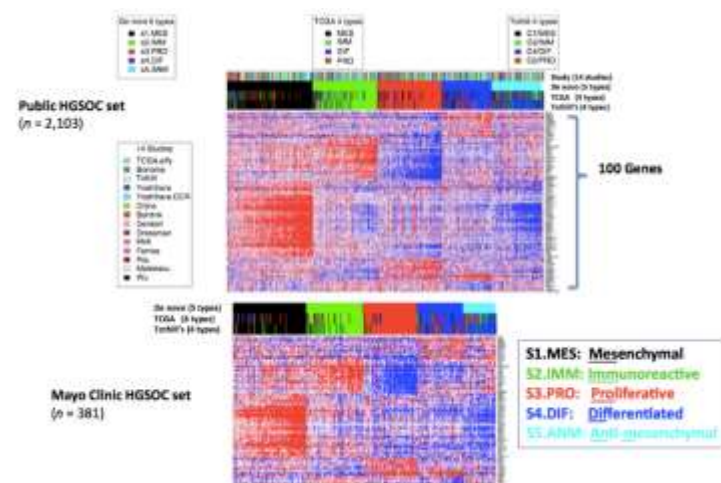
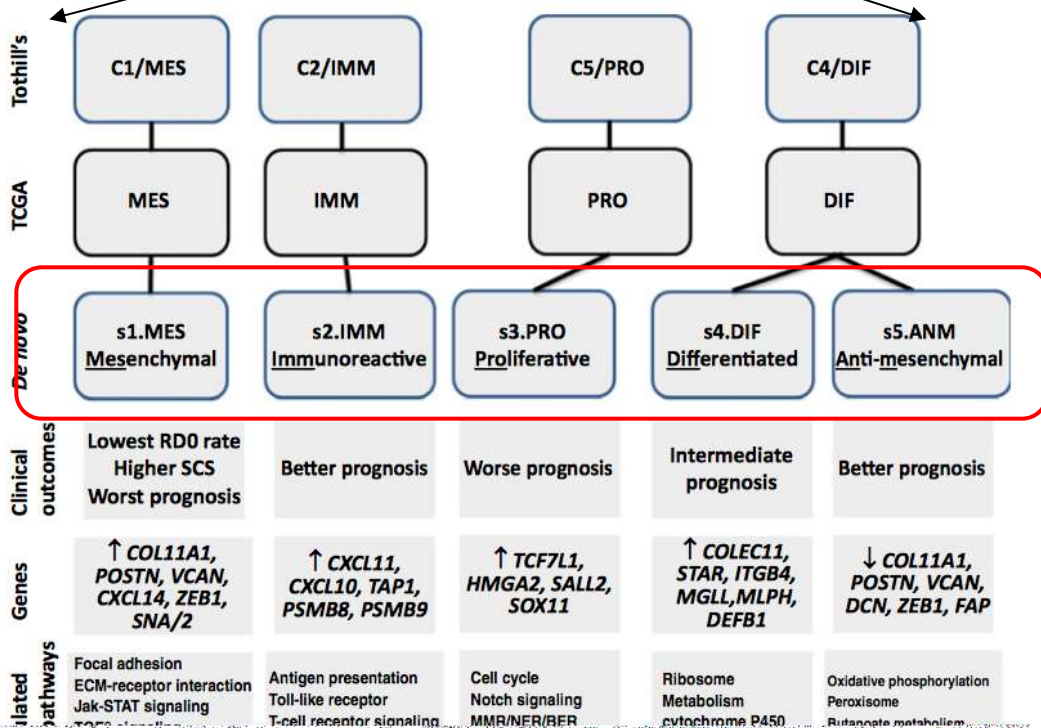


Pooled Clustering of High-Grade Serous Ovarian Cancer Gene Expression Leads to Novel Consensus Subtypes Associated with Survival and Surgical Outcomes

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HGSOCs



Gene expression classification of HGSOCs

Characteristics of ovarian cancer by histology, genomic profile and active therapies

Histological subtype	Clinical findings	Genetic characteristics	Treatment
High-grade serous carcinoma and high-grade endometrioid carcinoma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can present with peritoneal carcinomatosis, ascites and/or pelvic mass • Typically advanced stage at presentation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deficiencies in homologous recombination (50% of cases) • Associated with BRCA1/2 mutations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemotherapy (platinum-based) • Tumours are initially sensitive to platinum-based chemotherapy, but most patients with advanced-stage cancer will recur
Low-grade serous carcinoma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presents in younger patients (reported age: 43–55 years) • Can be early or late stage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associated with KRAS and BRAF mutations • Tumours have genomic stability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEK inhibitors (currently being tested in clinical trials) and hormonal therapies
Low-grade endometrioid carcinoma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can be early or late stage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associated with PTEN, ARID1A and PIK3CA mutations • Can have microsatellite instability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possible hormonal therapies (not yet established)
Clear-cell carcinoma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can present with parenchymal nodules (in the liver and the lungs) • Can be associated with hypercoagulability and hypercalcaemia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associated with ARID1A and PIK3CA mutations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immunotherapy agents • Can be resistant to platinum-based chemotherapy
Mucinous carcinoma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presents in younger patients and is typically early stage at presentation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associated with KRAS mutations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tends to be insensitive to chemotherapy but is still treated initially with cytotoxic chemotherapy

Potentially Practice-changing Advances

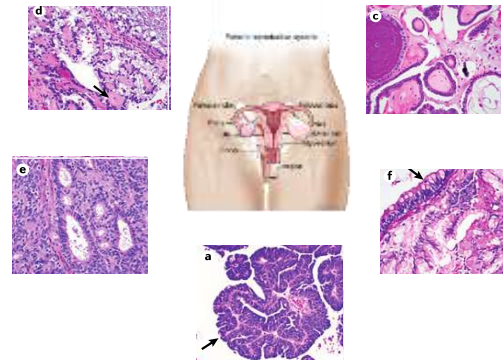
The current standard-of-care, including the definition of platinum-resistant disease, is not based on molecular signatures

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Well established

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Advances

Translational findings demonstrated the importance of testing tissues before therapy

ARTICLES

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Copy number signatures and mutational processes in ovarian carcinoma

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Identification of copy number variation (CNV) signatures as indicators of outcome

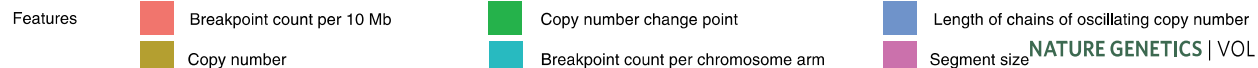
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Seven copy number signatures in HGSOC

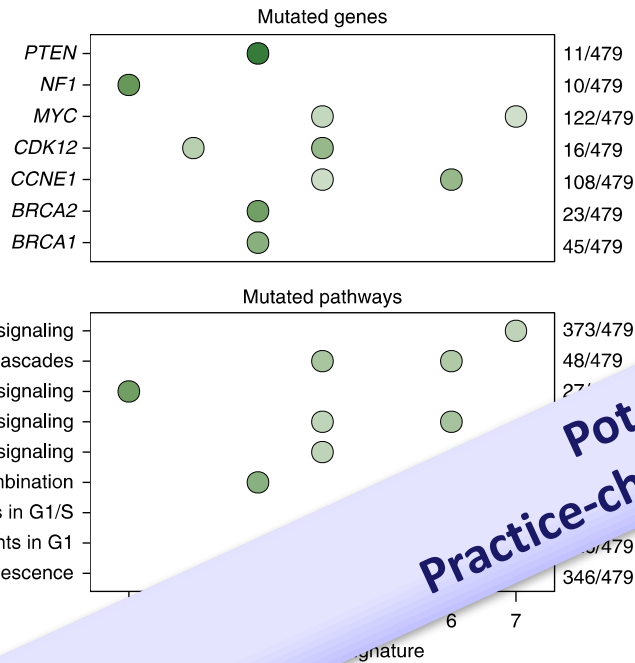
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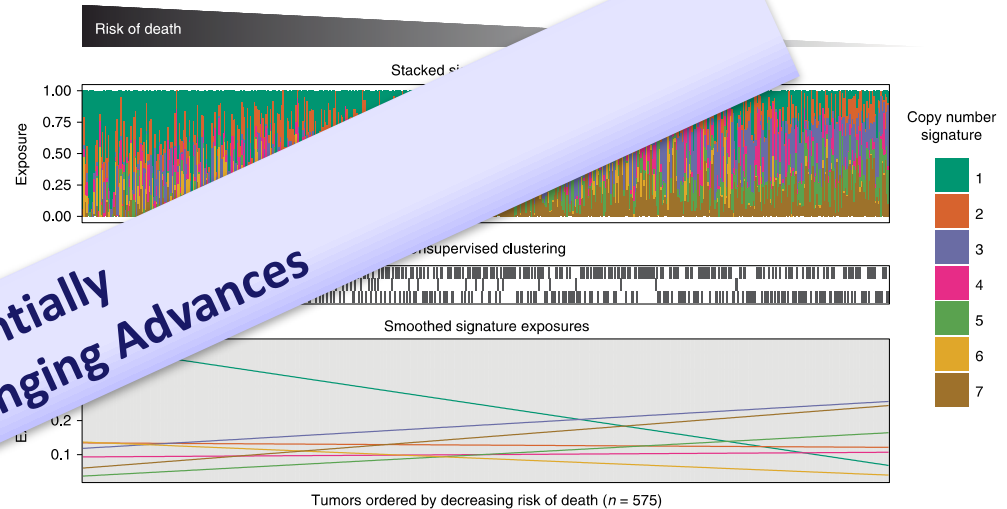
Copy number signature component weights	Important components	Key associations	Proposed mechanism
<p>Signature 1</p>	<p>(A) Low number of breakpoints (<1 break per 10 Mb)</p> <p>(B) 0 or 2 breakpoints</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poor overall survival Higher in cases with mutated NF1 and RAS signaling pathway: <p><i>NF1, KRAS, RASA1, RASA2, CUL3, NRAS</i></p>	<p>Oncogenic RAS–MAPK signaling and telomere</p>
<p>Signature 2</p>	<p>Signature 5</p>	<p>(A) Subclonal copy number changes (~0.5 copies)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correlated with number of chromothriptic-like events Anti-correlated with SNV signature 16 <p>Subclonal catastrophic chromothriptic-like events through unknown mechanisms</p>
<p>Signature 3</p>	<p>Signature 6</p>	<p>(A) Large copy number changes (6–28) resulting in high copy number states (8–30 copies)</p> <p>(B) Short segments interspersed with long segments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher in cases with mutated <i>CCNE1</i>, and mutations in the TLR cascade, PI3K–AKT signaling, <i>CCNE1</i>- and <i>CCND1</i>-associated events and cellular senescence pathways: <i>AKT2, RICTOR, MET, JUN, MAP2K4, PPP2R1A, MYC, CCNE1, CCND2, CCND3, CDK6, MDM4</i> Correlated with age at diagnosis; age-related SNV signature 1; APOBEC SNV signature 13 Anti-correlated with tandem-duplication score; HRD-associated SNV signature 3 <p>Focal amplification due to failure of cell cycle control</p>
<p>Signature 4</p>	<p>Signature 7</p>	<p>(A) Copy number changes from tetraploid to 3 copies</p> <p>(B) Breaks distributed evenly across genome</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good overall survival Higher in cases with mutated <i>MYC</i> and mutations in the Wnt signaling and interleukin signaling pathways: <i>MYC, SOX2, TERT, AKT2, JAK2</i> Correlated with HRD-associated SNV signature 3 <p>Non-BRCA1/2 related HRD</p>



Linking copy number signatures with mutational processes



Association of survival with copy number signatures



Potentially Practice-changing Advances

HGSOC: a continuum of genomes

- ✓ Copy number signature exposures at diagnosis predict both overall survival and the probability of platinum-resistant relapse.
- ✓ Measurement of signature exposures provides a rational framework to choose combination treatments that target multiple mutational processes.

4) What's next after PARP-inhibitors?



The challenges of combining **DNA damaging agents**
with **immune checkpoint inhibitors**



Safety and Antitumor Activity of Anti-PD-1 Antibody, Nivolumab, in Patients With Platinum-Resistant Ovarian Cancer

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Anti PD1/PDL1

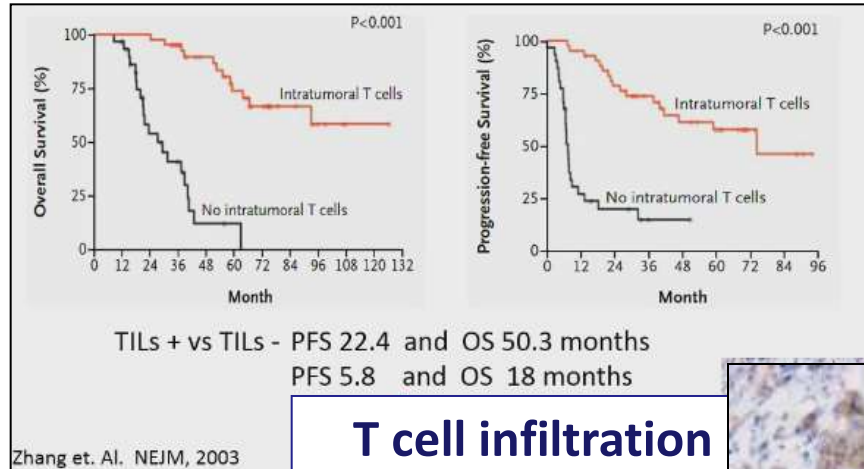
- ORR 15%
- Very rarely long lasting responses

Other Studies

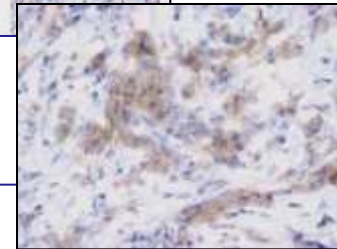
- Disis et Al, Avelumab: ORR 9.7%
- Brahmer et al, Nivolumab: 17 pts, 1 PR, 2 SD



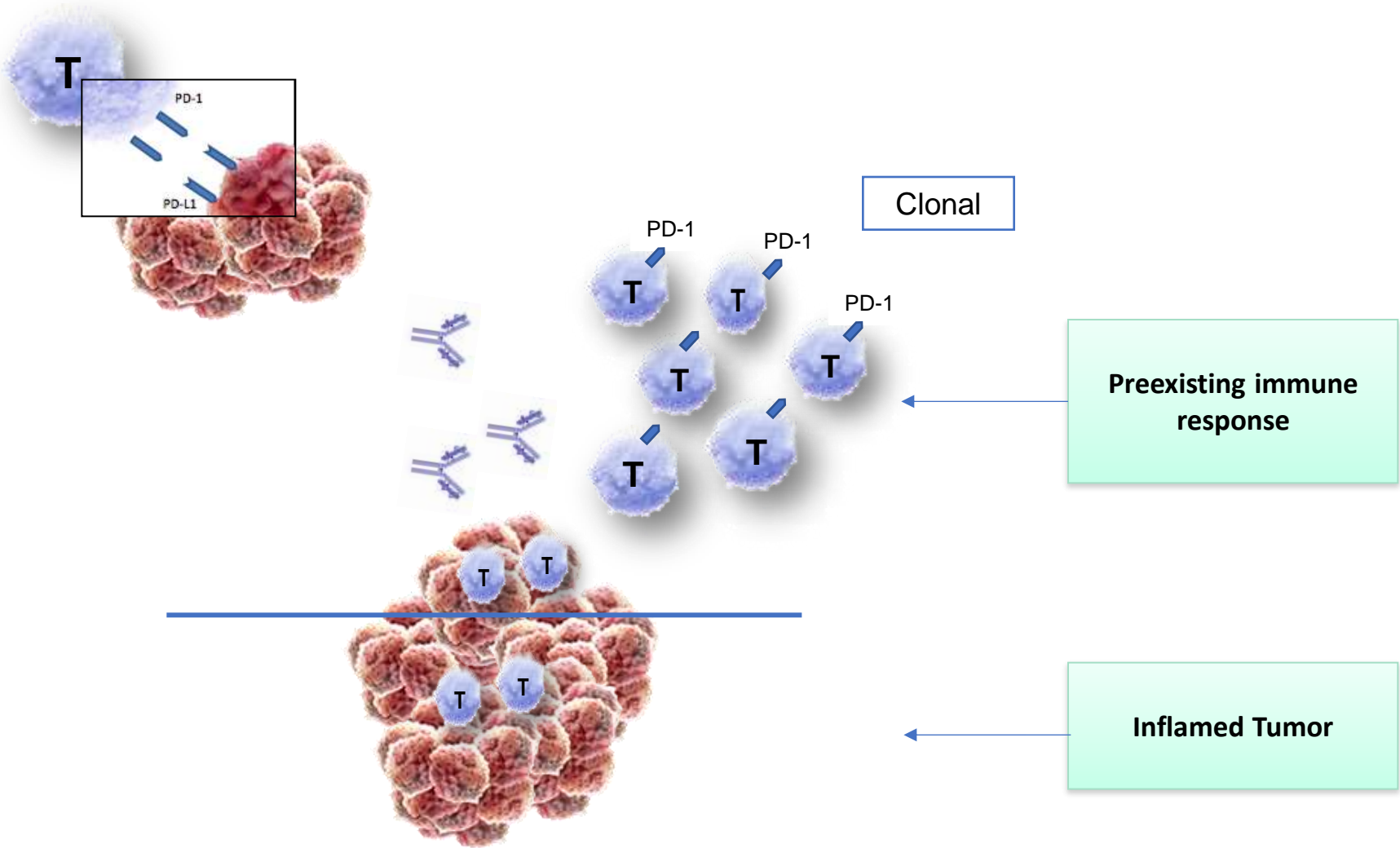
Why combine DDR inhibitors + immunotherapy?



**T cell infiltration
affect outcome**

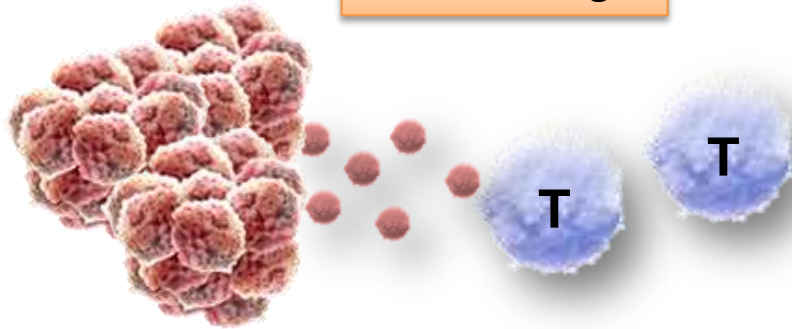


Response to immunotherapy: T lymphocytes

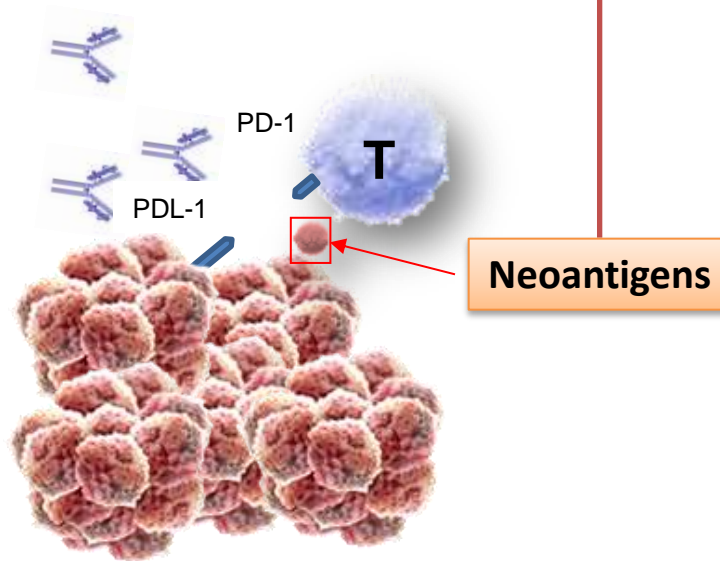


Response to immunotherapy: T lymphocytes

Know the target



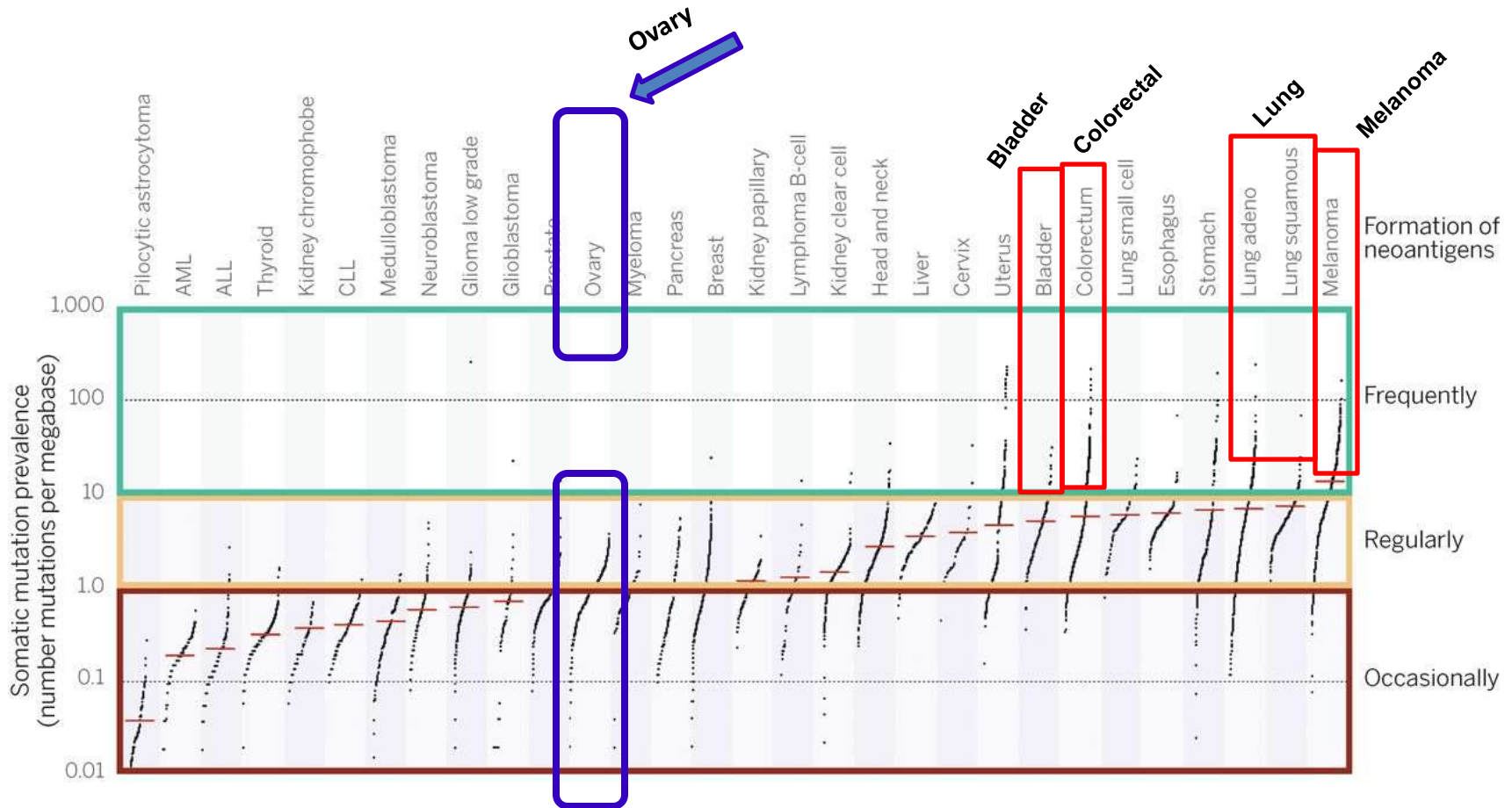
Mutated epitopes are preferential targets



The increased presence of tumor-specific neoantigens makes the tumor more immunogenic, leading to an increased number of tumor-infiltrating immune cells.

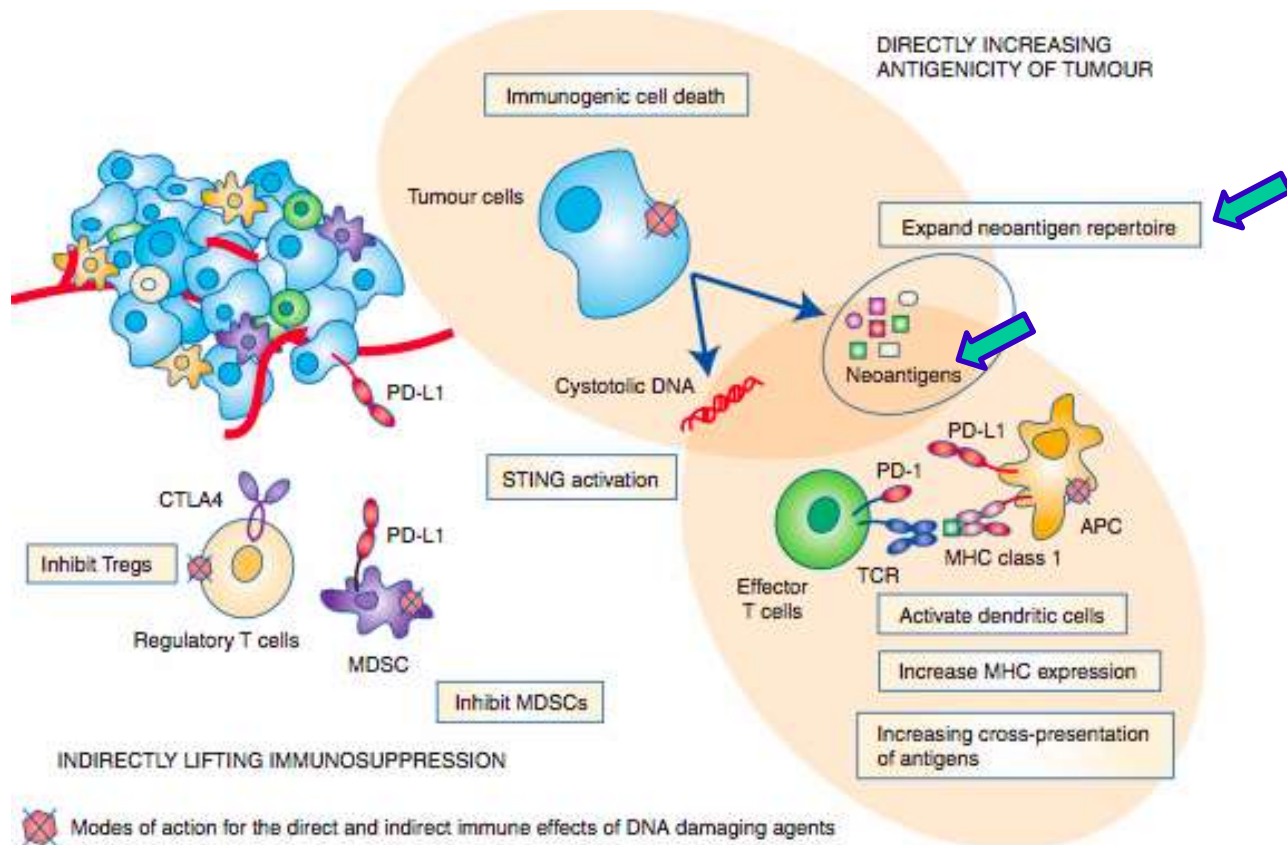
Ovarian Cancer: Immunogenic?

Estimate of neo-antigen repertoire in human cancer



Why combine DDR inhibitors + immunotherapy

- HGSOC has intermediate mutational load (surrogate of neoantigen production)
- Inhibition of DDR pathways would be expected to propagate DNA damage and thus increase neoantigen potential



Immune desert tumours



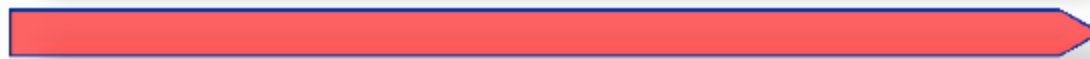
Inflamed tumours



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DD Agent



Minimal lymphocytic infiltration low PD-L1 expression

High lymphocytic infiltration high PD-L1 expression

Trial	Agent	Phase	Population	Response rate
Ovarian cancer				
Brahmer et al. [9]	Pembrolizumab	I	207 patients; 17 recurrent ovarian	PR 6% SD 18%
Hamanishi et al. [16]	Nivolumab	II	20 platinum-resistant ovarian	CR 10% PR 5% SD 30%
JAVELIN [27]	Avelumab	I	124 recurrent ovarian	PR 9.7% SD 44%
KEYNOTE-028 [28]	Pembrolizumab	Ib	26 PD-L1-positive recurrent ovarian	ORR 11.5%
TOPACIO [29]	Niraparib + pembrolizumab	I/II	60 recurrent ovarian	ORR 25% DCR 68%
MEDIOLA [29]	Olaparib + durvalumab	I/II	34 recurrent, platinum-sensitive, BRCA mutant	ORR 72% 12 week DCR 81%
Matulonis et al. [29]	Pegylated liposomal doxorubicin + pembrolizumab	II	26 recurrent, platinum-resistant ovarian	11% PR 0% CR

Trials of PD-1/PD-L1 inhibitors in ovarian cancers

Ongoing combination immunotherapy trials in ovarian cancer

Treatment	Mechanism	Phase
Ovarian		
<i>Upfront</i>		
Carboplatin/paclitaxel with or without avelumab (JAVELIN)	Chemo/PD-L1	III
Carboplatin/paclitaxel/bevacizumab/atezolizumab vs. placebo (IMAGYN50)	Chemo/VEGF/PD-L1	III
Maintenance rucaparib + nivolumab vs. rucaparib vs. nivolumab vs. placebo (ATHENA)	PARP/PD1 following chemo	III
<i>Relapsed/refractory</i>		
Carboplatin/paclitaxel/bevacizumab/atezolizumab vs. placebo (ATALANTE)	Chemo/VEGF/PD-L1	III
Nivolumab/ipilimumab vs. nivolumab (NRG)	PD1/CTLA-4	II
PLD + avelumab vs. avelumab vs. PLD (JAVELIN Ovarian 200)	Chemo/PD-L1	III
PLD + durvalumab	Chemo/PD-L1	I/II
Chemo/bevacizumab/atezolizumab vs. placebo	Chemo/VEGF/PD-L1	III
PLD/bevacizumab/atezolizumab vs. PLD/atezolizumab vs. PLD/bevacizumab	Chemo/VEGF/PD-L1	II/III

Conclusions

- *Ovarian cancers include a number of distinct tumor types with a unique pattern of alterations*
- *Options likely will increase in tandem with our understanding*
- *Intoduction of PARPi into the 1 line changes the therapeutic paradigm and paves the way for biomarker-based patient selection*
- *Identifying predictors of response and resistance to CT and PARPi remain an active area of research. **Need for Biomarkers!***
- *Medical Treatment according to histotype and molecular profile is the future!*

Thanks!