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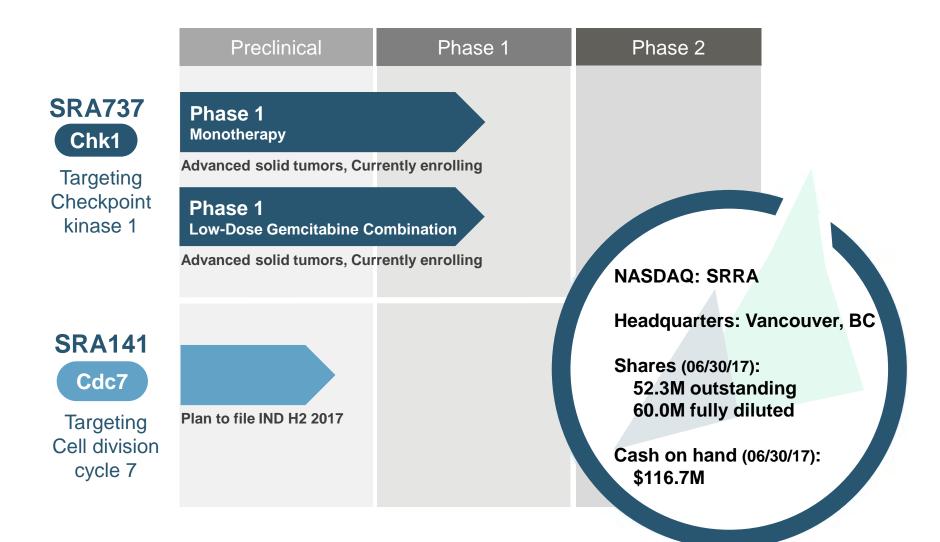
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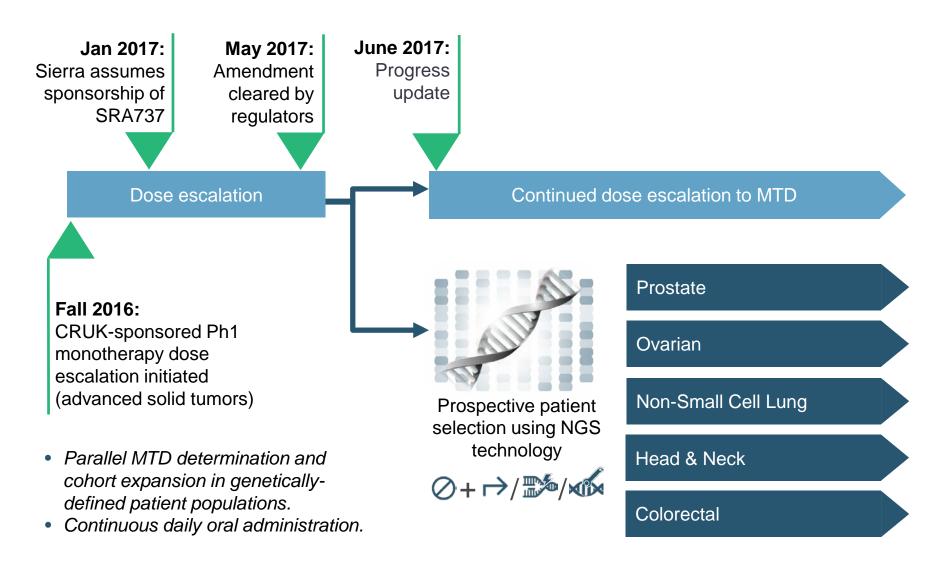
# Our Pipeline of 'Next Generation' DDR Therapeutics





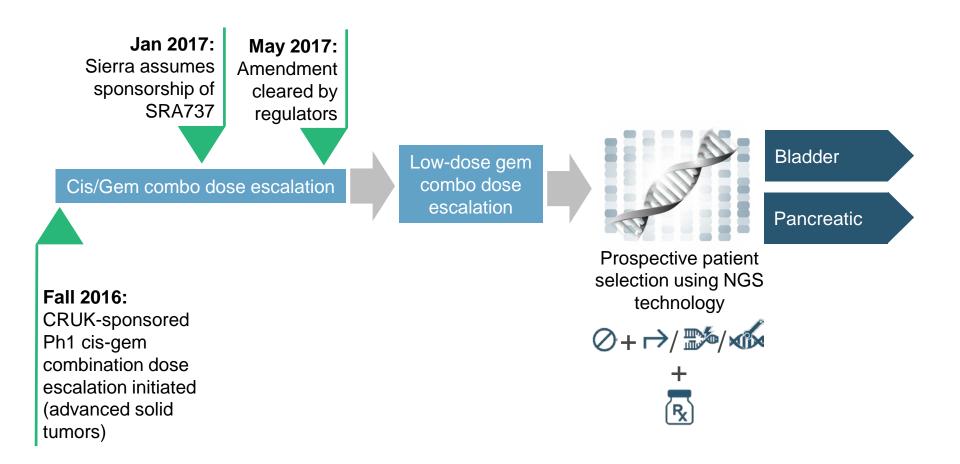
# Monotherapy Phase 1: Innovative Trial Design to Show Synthetic Lethality





# **Chemotherapy Combination Phase 1:** Leverages Potentiation & Synthetic Lethality





Intermittent oral dosing following each dose of chemotherapy.

# Breadth of Development Opportunities Reflected in Sierra's Development Strategy



#### **Current Clinical Trials**

**Monotherapy** 



Exploit synthetic lethality in genetically-defined patient populations across five tumor types that have predicted high sensitivity to SRA737.

Low-Dose Gem Combination



Exploit profound potentiating effects of SRA737 with low-dose gemcitabine plus synthetic lethality in genetically-defined populations in two tumor types.

#### **Potential Clinical Opportunities**

**PARP Combo** 



Exploit synergy between SRA737 + PARP inhibitor to expand/enhance PARP inhibitor sensitivity / overcome resistance.

I/O Combo



Explore PD-(L)1 combination and its potential to drive neoantigen presentation in "double checkpoint" strategy.

### DDR Advisory Committee - Leading DDR Experts



Represented by leading experts in DDR biology, chemistry and medicine; Providing advice on our DDR oriented development programs with a focus on maximizing the potential clinical and commercial deployment of our drug candidates.

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Vice Chair and Professor of Chemical and Systems Biology at the Stanford University School of Medicine.

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- Chief Scientific Officer of Vivace Therapeutics; serves as an advisor to several biotechnology companies and to venture investors.
- Dr. Post was Chief Scientific Officer of BioMarin Pharmaceuticals, and before that was CSO and co-founder of LEAD Therapeutics which was acquired by BioMarin in 2010.
- His work in DNA repair involved the discovery of the PARP inhibitor talazoparib at LEAD and its development into Phase 3 at BioMarin.
- As Senior Vice President of Research and Development at Onyx Pharmaceuticals, Dr. Post was involved in the clinical development of Nexavar from IND through NDA approval.



Leonard Post, PhD **Chief Scientific Officer of Vivace Therapeutics** 

## Eric J. Brown, PhD



- Dr. Brown's laboratory examines how signaling maintains genome stability during DNA synthesis and how this function is essential to cancer cells.
- The Brown Laboratory is currently identifying predictive biomarkers of therapeutic benefit and the mechanisms of action of these drugs through a combination of genome-wide breakpoint mapping and replication fork proteomics.
- The first to report that oncogenic stress is sufficient to cause selective sensitivity to ATR inhibition, the Brown laboratory seeks both to define the mechanisms of action of ATR/Chk1 inhibitors and to identify their optimal uses in cancer therapies.



Eric J. Brown, PhD **Associate Professor of Cancer** Biology at the Perelman School of Medicine of the University of Pennsylvania.

# Geoffrey Shapiro, MD, PhD



- Dr. Shapiro runs one of the largest Phase 1 clinical trials programs in the United States and dedicates his time to developing leading cancer treatments.
- He participates in Dana-Farber's Thoracic and Breast Oncology Programs and is a member of the Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center SPORE (Specialized Program of Research Excellence) in Breast Cancer
- Dr. Shapiro contributes to the SU2C Ovarian Cancer Dream Team.
- Dr. Shapiro conducts both basic and translational research on cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitors, with a focus on defining the role of these inhibitors in the cellular response to DNA damage.



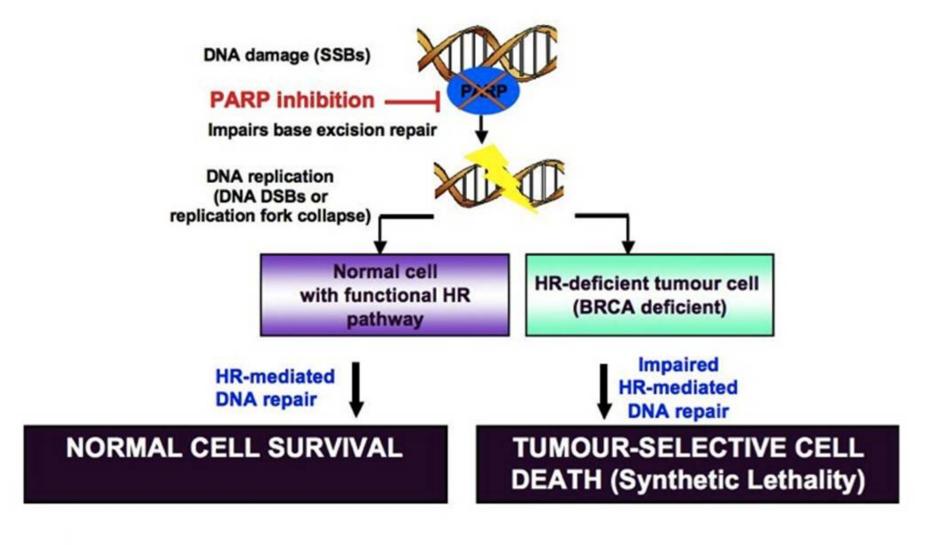
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# Lessons Learned From PARP Inhibitor Development

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# Synthetic lethality between PARP inhibition and BRCA 1/2 mutation



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34 years from discovery that PARP inhibitors inhibit DNA repair to first approval.

No approval yet for combination with DNA damage agents.

We learned a lot during that time!

### What was happening over that 34 years?

#### The field has learned a lot:

- 1. Discovery of the good specific PARP inhibitors, and understanding how they work.
  - first generation chemistry exhibited inadequate potency and off-target related liabilities.
- 2. Synthetic lethality: learning which tumors to treat with PARP inhibitors.
- 3. Rational basis for combinations.

Lessons can be applied to other DDRi development targets (e.g. Chk1)?

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### Rucaparib

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# PARP inhibitors approved and in Phase 3 clinical development

veliparib

niraparib

olaparib

rucaparib

# Summary of in vitro PARP inhibitor activities

|                    | PARP-1 Enzyme<br>Inhibition <sup>1</sup><br>IC <sub>50</sub> (nM) | Cellular PAR<br>Synthesis <sup>2</sup><br>EC <sub>50</sub> (nM) | Temozolomide<br>Potentiation <sup>3</sup><br>GI <sub>50</sub> (nM) | Capan-1<br>(BRCA2-/-)<br>Cytotoxicity <sup>4</sup><br>IC <sub>50</sub> (nM) |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Veliparib          | 4.73                                                              | 5.94                                                            | 6203                                                               | >10,000                                                                     |
| Rucaparib          | 1.98                                                              | 4.69                                                            | 144                                                                | 609                                                                         |
| Olaparib           | 1.94                                                              | 3.56                                                            | 237                                                                | 259                                                                         |
| <u>Talazoparib</u> | 0.57                                                              | 2.5                                                             | 4                                                                  | 5                                                                           |

Shen et. al, Clinical Cancer Research, 19: 5003-5015 (2013)

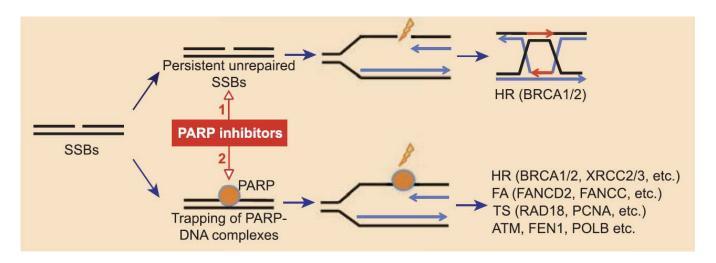
Niraparib shows comparable activity as rucaparib in BRCA-negative cells.

# Important Discovery: Not all PARP inhibitors are alike!

### Trapping of PARP1 and PARP2 by Clinical PARP Inhibitors

Junko Murai<sup>1,4</sup>, Shar-yin N. Huang<sup>1</sup>, Benu Brata Das<sup>1</sup>, Amelie Renaud<sup>1</sup>, Yiping Zhang<sup>2</sup>, James H. Doroshow<sup>1,3</sup>, Jiuping Ji<sup>2</sup>, Shunichi Takeda<sup>4</sup>, and Yves Pommier<sup>1</sup>
Cancer Research 2012

- "..PARP inhibitors act in part as poisons that trap PARP enzyme on DNA."
- "... the potency in trapping PARP differed markedly among inhibitors...., a pattern not correlated with the catalytic inhibitory properties for each drug."

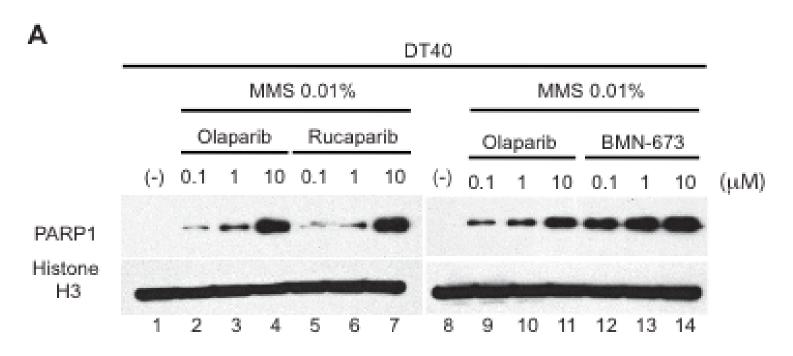


# Talazoparib traps PARP-DNA complexes at 100X greater potency than Olaparib and Rucaparib

Mol Cancer Ther. 2014 Feb;13(2):433-43. doi: 10.1158/1535-7163.MCT-13-0803. Epub 2013 Dec 19.

### Stereospecific PARP Trapping by BMN 673 and Comparison with Olaparib and Rucaparib.

Murai J<sup>1</sup>, Huang SY, Renaud A, Zhang Y, Ji J, Takeda S, Morris J, Teicher B, Doroshow JH, Pommier Y.



"Talazoparib >> Niraparib > Olaparib = Rucaparib >> Veliparib"

### Discontinued first-generation Chk inhibitors

 Similar to PARP first generation, Chki chemistry exhibited structural and target related liabilities.

| UCN-01: IV delivered non-selective staurosporine analog | <ul> <li>Discontinued due in part to poor PK<br/>and likely off-target toxicity (e.g.<br/>hyperglycemia 65%, nausea 53% were<br/>common AEs).</li> </ul>                                                                       | HO |
|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| AZD7762: IV delivered dual Chk1/2 inhibitor             | Discontinued due to cardiac toxicity<br>(bradycardia 50%, hypertension 25%).                                                                                                                                                   | H <sub>N</sub> S                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| MK-8776: an IV delivered selective Chk1 inhibitor       | <ul> <li>In Phase 2 with no recent development<br/>reported displayed; QTc prolongation<br/>(19%), nausea (16%), fatigue (14%),<br/>and constipation (14%) as the most<br/>frequent AEs; extremely short half-life.</li> </ul> | Br NH                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

- Cardiotox not reported for clinical trials evaluating current Chk1i >>> effects are not target-based.
- First generation Chk inhibitors limited by poor PK, off-target toxicities.

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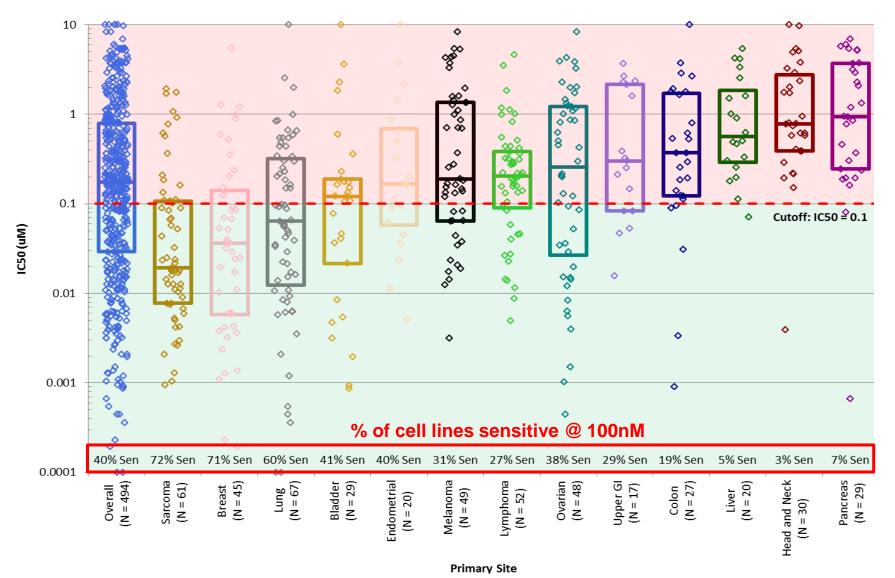
# First Report: Clinical response of BRCA mutation carriers ASCO 2007

First in human phase I pharmacokinetic (PK) and pharmacodynamic (PD) study of KU-0059436 (Ku), a small molecule inhibitor of poly ADP-ribose polymerase (PARP) in cancer patients (p), including BRCA1/2 mutation carriers

T. A. Yap , D. S. Boss , P. C. Fong , M. Roelvink , A. Tutt , J. Carmichael , M. J. O'Connor , S. B. Kaye , J. H. Schellens , J. S. de Bono

The Royal Marsden Hospital NHS Trust, Surrey, United Kingdom; The Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam, The Netherlands; The Institute of Cancer Research, London, United Kingdom; KuDOS Pharmaceuticals Limited, Cambridge, United Kingdom

# Talazoparib IC<sub>50</sub> distribution by cancer type – more than BRCA



# Inhibition of Chk1 in tumors harboring replication stress-inducing mutations

Analogy to PARPi sensitization in HR deficient BRCA mutant background

Given the essential role for Chk1 (ATR/Chk1 pathway) in managing replication stress (RS), tumor cells with RS-driving genomic alterations become highly reliant on Chk1 for survival and extremely sensitive to Chk1 inhibition.

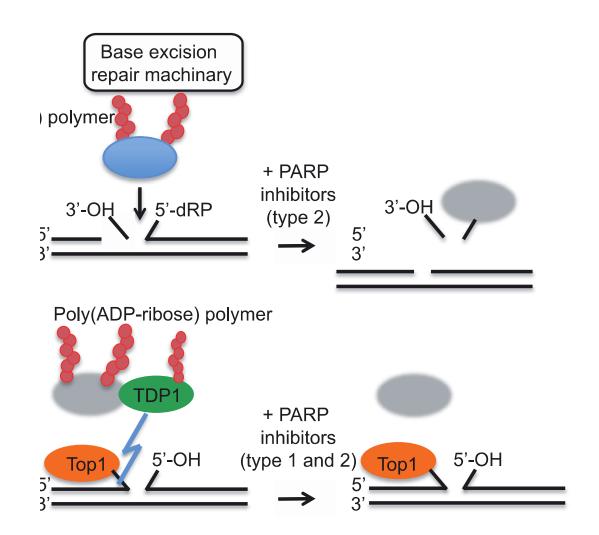
- Inactivation of ATR or Chk1 inhibits growth of tumor cells with activated KRAS
  (Gilad et al., Cancer Res, 2010).
- Chk1 inhibitors, including CCT245737 (SRA737) inhibit MYC-driven lymphoma in vivo (Walton et al., Oncotarget, 2015; Hoglund et al., Clin Cancer Res, 2011).
- **TP53** activating mutations lead to origin dysregulation, replication stress, increased Chk1 expression, and enhanced sensitivity to Chk1i *in vivo* (Singh et al., *J Clin Invest*, 2017).

### Key insights for rational combinations with PARP inhibitors: Use a DNA damaging agent to sensitize to PARP inhibitor

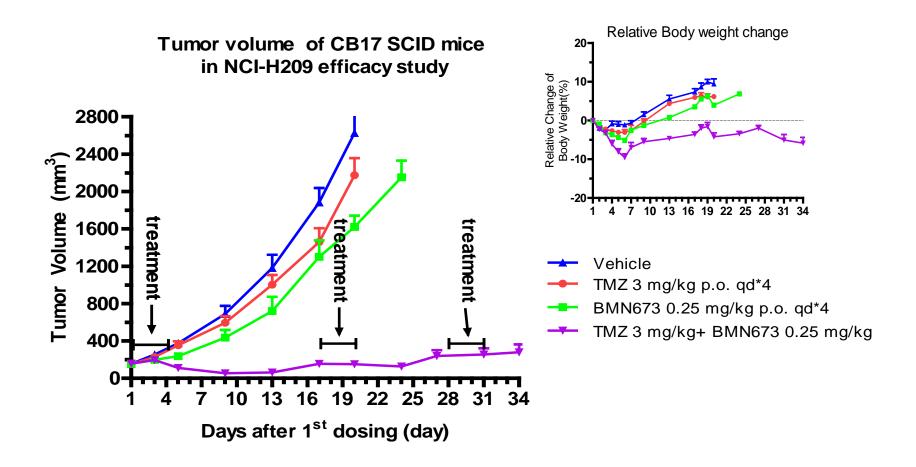
- Select a combination agent with a mechanistic interaction with PARP inhibitors. Inhibitors that trap PARP will interact differently than those which do not with some types of DNA damage.
- 2. Cytotoxic administered at less than monotherapy MTD to induce DNA damage. Maximum tolerated dose of a cytotoxic is not tolerable with an agent that increases sensitivity.

Acknowledgment: Malcolm Smith, Dennis Slamon

# Temozolomide creates sites where PARP-trapping inhibitors can stabilize the PARP-DNA complex



## Talazoparib + TMZ combination in H209 Xenografts



Safety and Efficacy Results of a Phase 1 Dose-Escalation Trial of the PARP inhibitor Talazoparib in Combination with either Temozolomide or Irinotecan in Patients with Advanced Malignancies

Zev A. Wainberg<sup>1</sup>, J. Randolph Hecht, Gottfried E. Konecny, Bartosz Chmielowski, Arun Singh, Jonathan Goldman, Richard S. Finn, Diego Martinez, Lisa Yonemoto, John Glaspy and Dennis J. Slamon

<sup>1</sup>David Geffen School of Medicine at University of California, Los Angeles, CA

Presented at AACR, 2016

# UCLA Talazoparib combination study Z. Wainberg et al, AACR 2016

 Dose-finding study to determine tolerable temozolomide or irinotecan doses with full dose daily talazoparib.

#### MTD:

- Talazoparib 1 mg PO QD with temozolomide 37.5 mg/m² (PO days 1-5)
   28 day cycle.
- Talazoparib 1 mg PO QD with irinotecan 37.5 mg/m² IV q 2 wks.
- Study conclusion: "These combination treatments showed anti-tumor activity in heavily pre-treated non-BRCA associated cancers."
  - Temozolomide arm reported two PRs in ovarian (not BRCA carriers).
  - Irinotecan arm reported two PRs in ovarian (not BRCA carriers), 1 PR in triple negative breast cancer (BRCA carrier), 1 PR in small cell lung cancer, 1 PR in cervical adenocarcinoma.

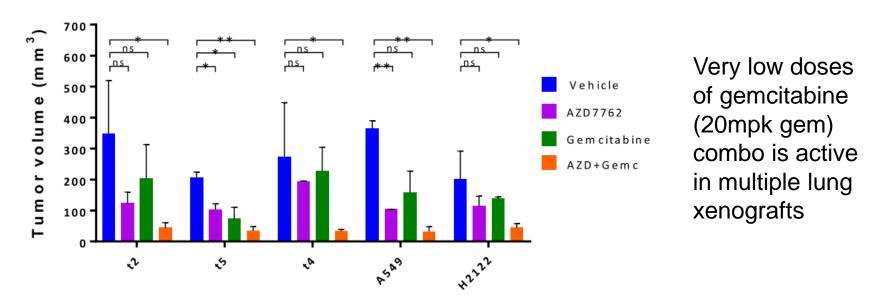
First study demonstrating both tolerability and activity with low dose chemotherapy in combination with full-dose PARP inhibitor.

# Chk1 inhibition synergizes with extrinsic inducers of replication stress

- Mutant p53 cells show synergy between Chk1i and gemcitabine over dynamic range including low doses of gemcitabine where cells suffer extensive markers of RS leading to substantial genomic damage and subsequent cell death (Koh et al., Cancer Res., 2015).
- Low dose gemcitabine (40 mg/kg) resulted in persistent S phase arrest and sensitized tumor cells in vivo to the Chk1i MK-8776, resulting in extensive DNA damage (gH2A.X) and tumor growth inhibition (Montano et al., Oncotarget, 2017).

Low Doses (subtherapeutic) of certain chemos (e.g. gemcitabine, possibly PARPi?) induce replication stress without overt cytotoxicity, thereby making rational combination partners with potent and highly selective Chk1i, YET, prior studies have been combining with MTD or near-MTD chemo doses.

# Chk1 inhibition synergizes with low dose gemcitabine *in vivo*



Chk1i AZD7762 demonstrates robust anti-tumor activity in murine cancer models in combination with very low dose gem (20 mg/kg) (Wong et al., *Cancer Res.* 2017).

### Critical lessons that the PARP inhibitor field has learned

### The importance of:

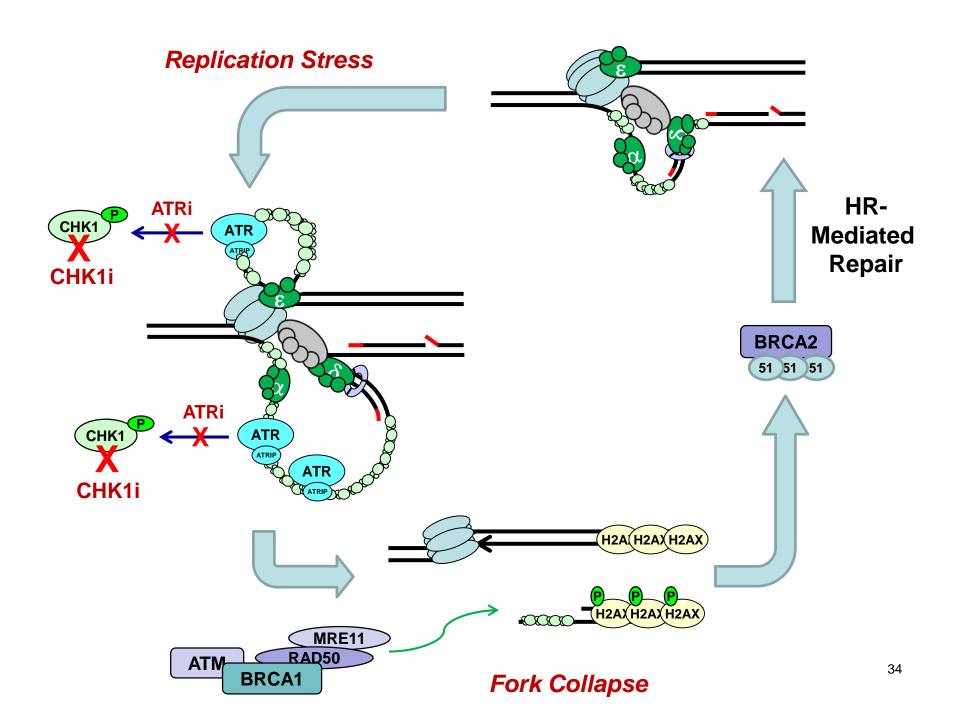
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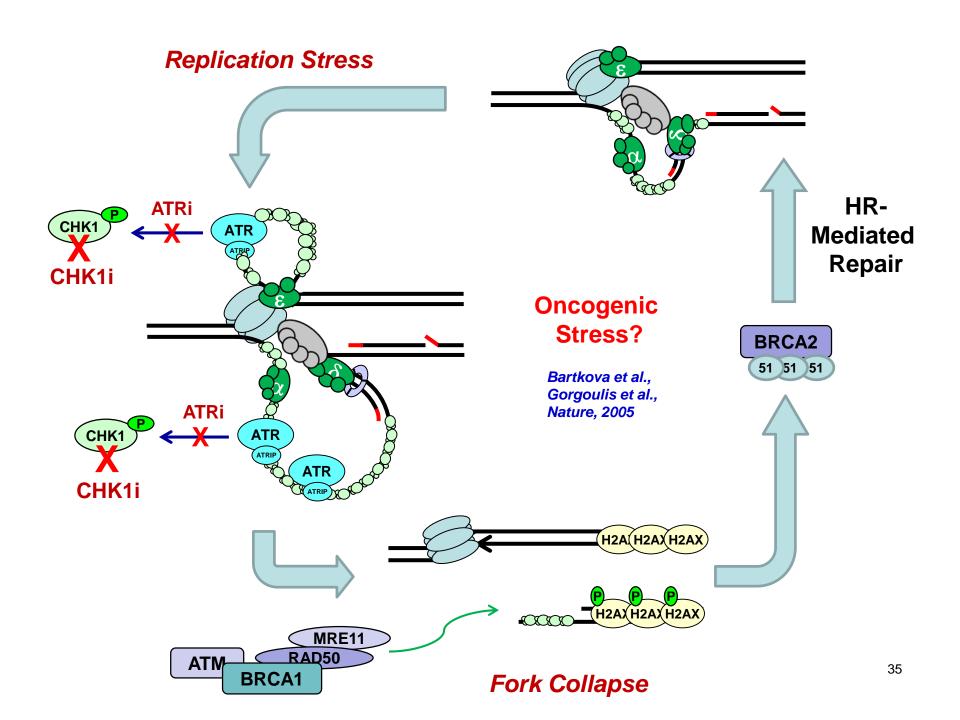
### Clear analogies to the Chk1 field!

# ATR-CHK1 pathway inhibition as a genetically targeted broad-spectrum cancer therapy

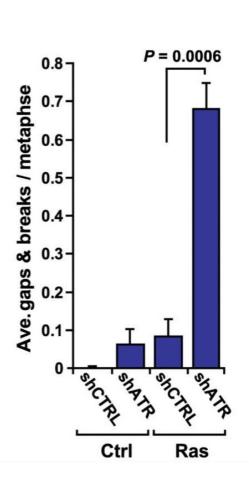
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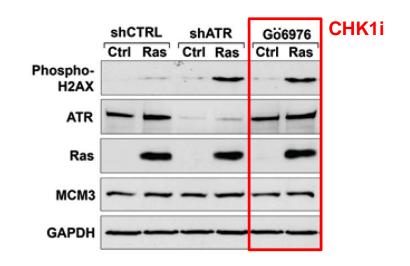
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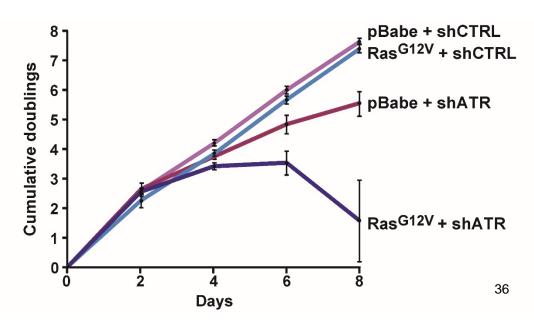




# Combining ATR-CHK1 pathway suppression with oncogenic RAS expression is lethal

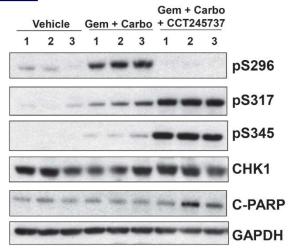


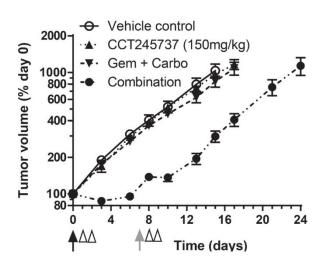




# CHK1 inhibition (SRA737, Sierra Oncology) synergizes with chemotherapy and oncogenic stress

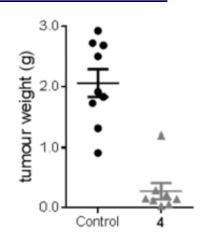
#### Lung cancer

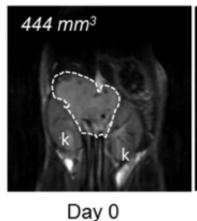


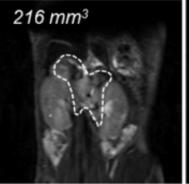


#### **Neuroblastoma**

Walton et al., Oncotarget, 2015





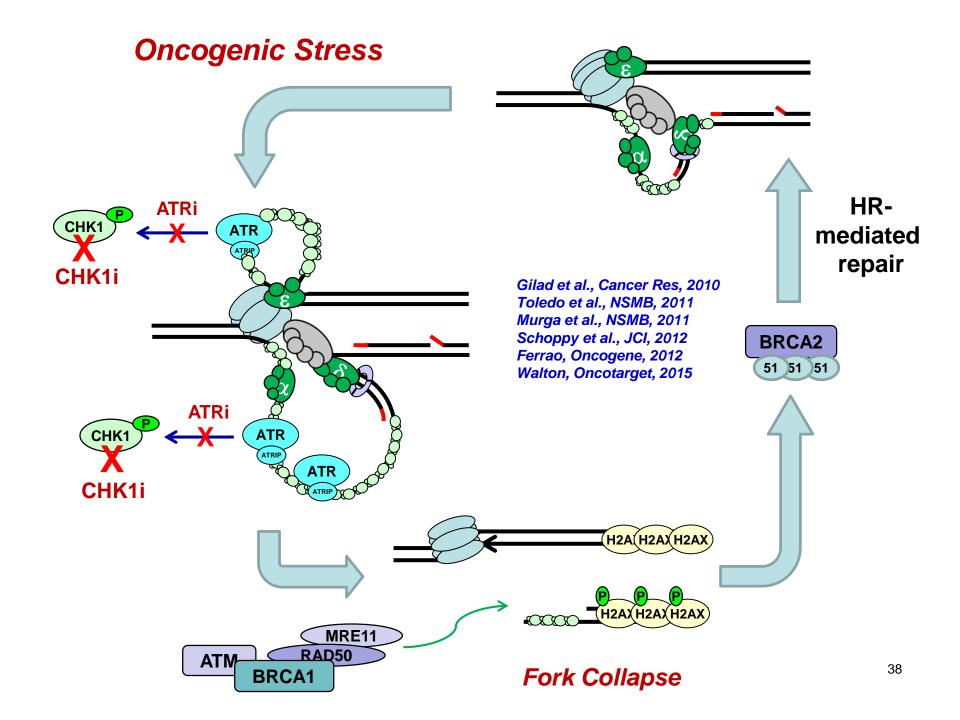


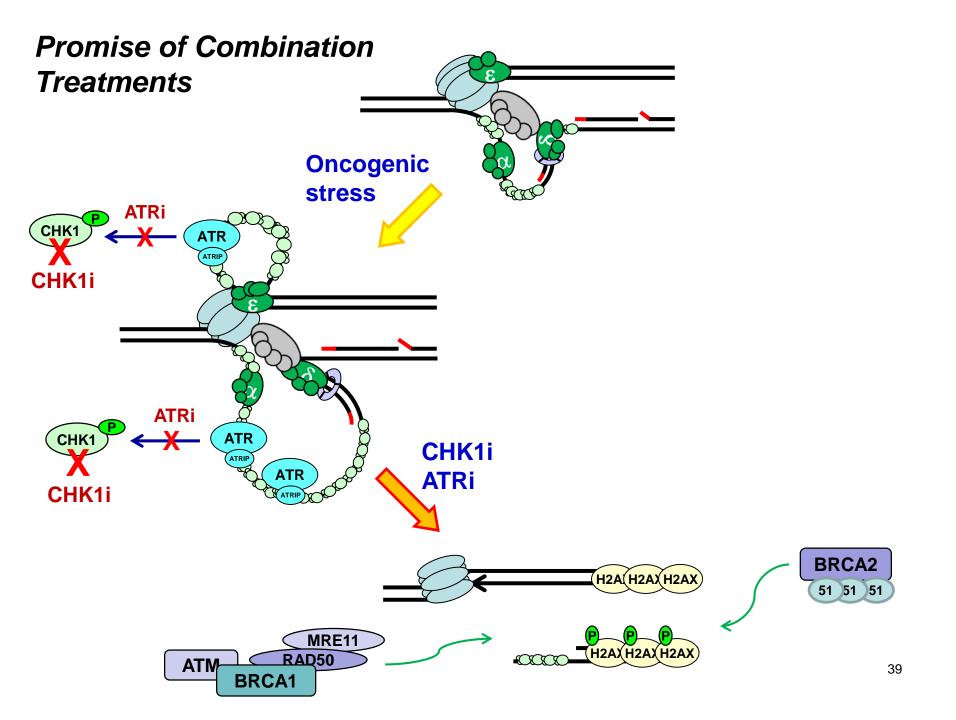
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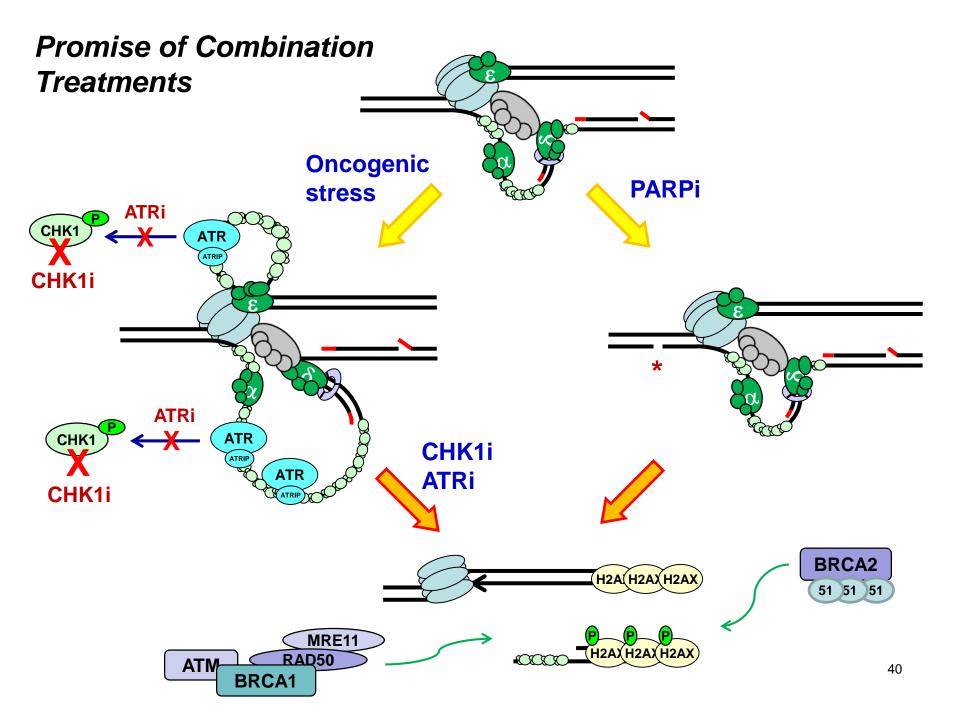


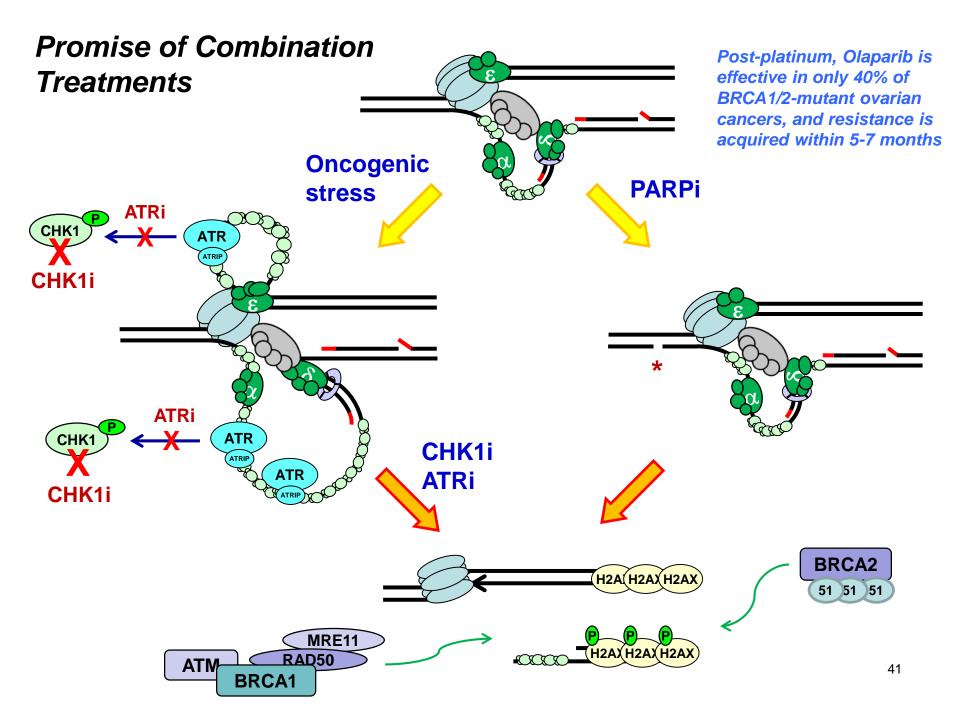
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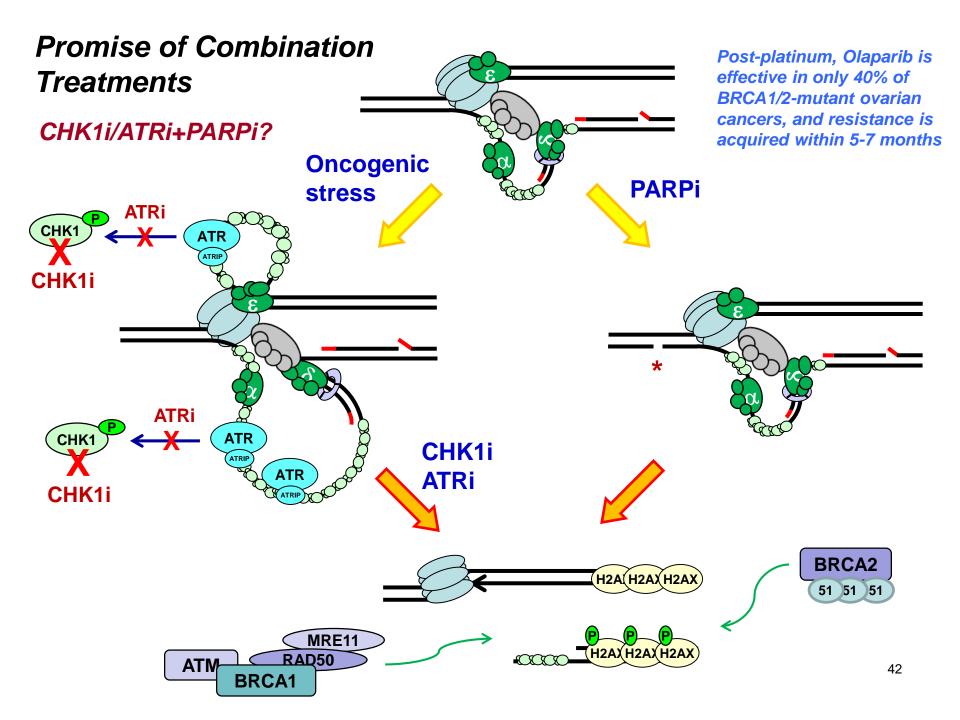
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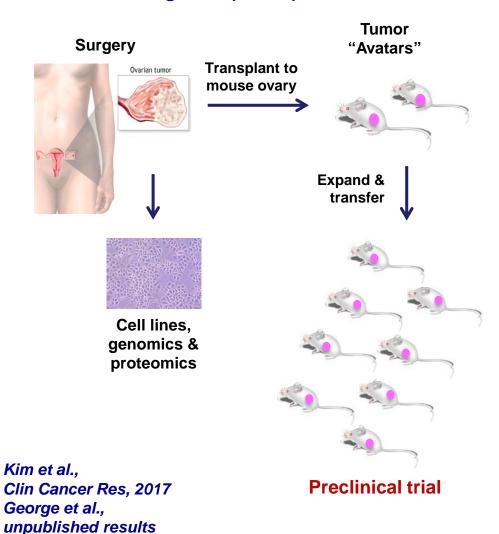






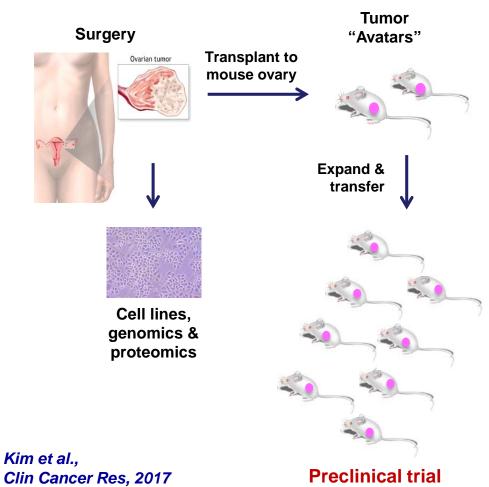
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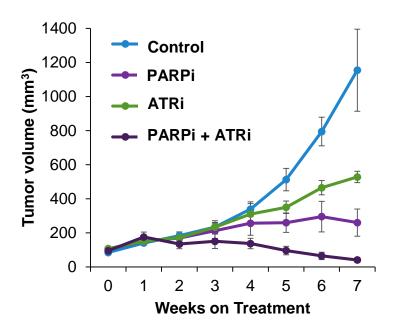
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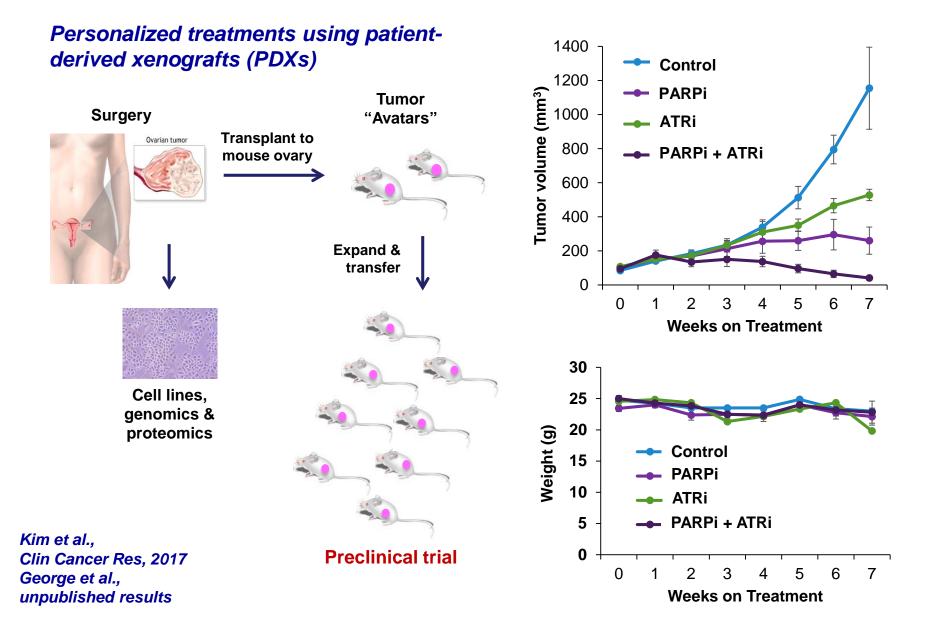
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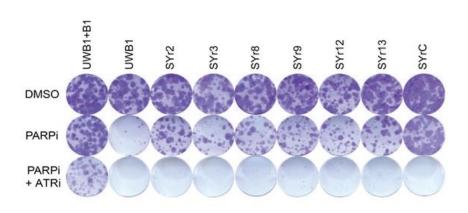


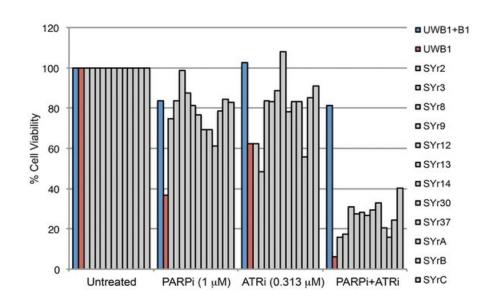
Clin Cancer Res, 2017 George et al., unpublished results

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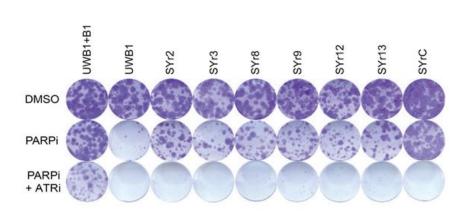


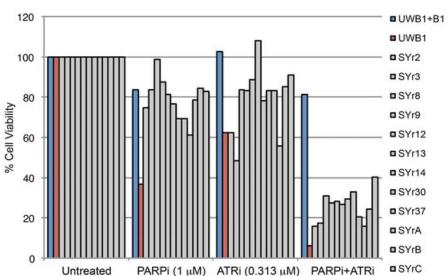
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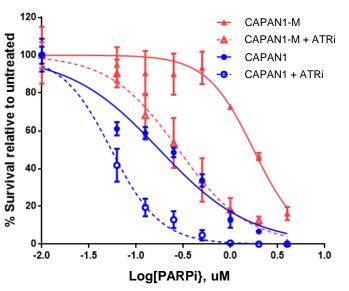


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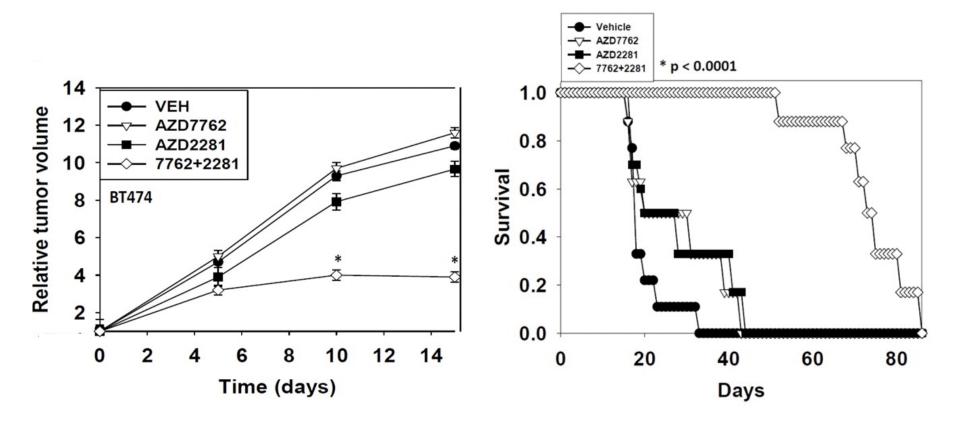
**PARPi-Resistant Pancreatic Cancer** 7 6 No treatment Cumulative cell doublings 150 nM ATRi 3 450 nM ATRi 1 uM Olaparib 150 nM ATRi + 1 uM Olaparib Days post initial treatment -2 -



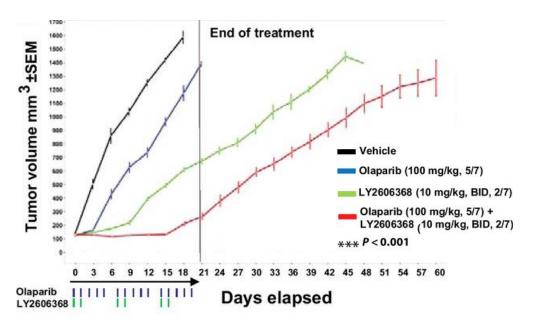
Yanzinski et al., Genes Dev, 2017

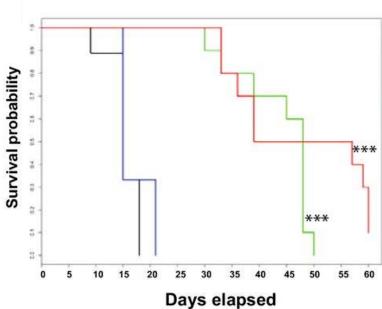
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### CHK1i and PARPi synergize as a breast cancer treatment

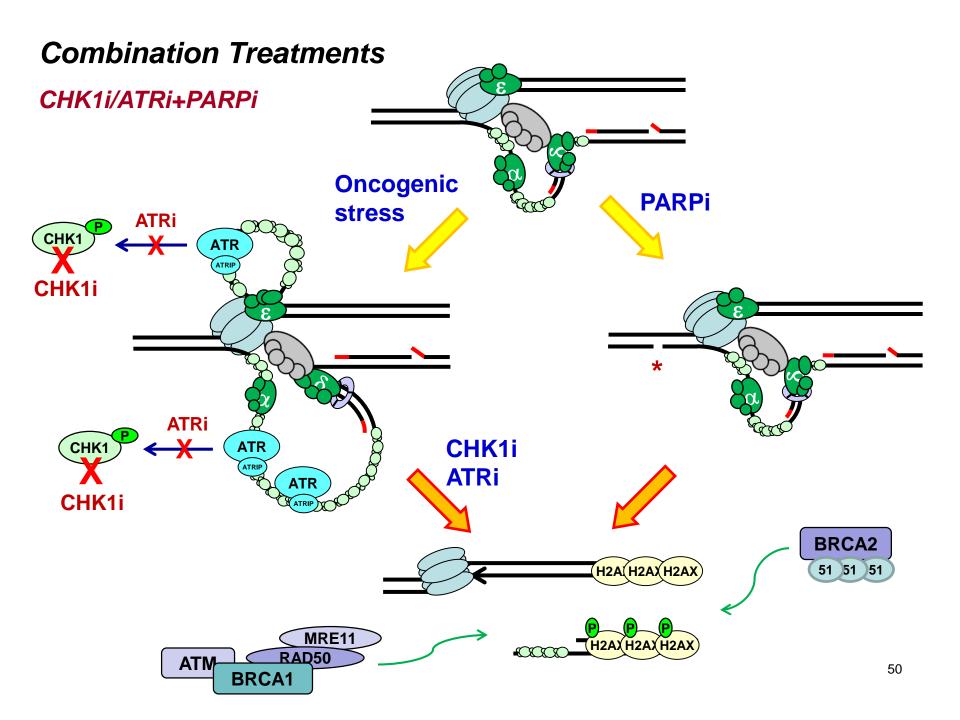


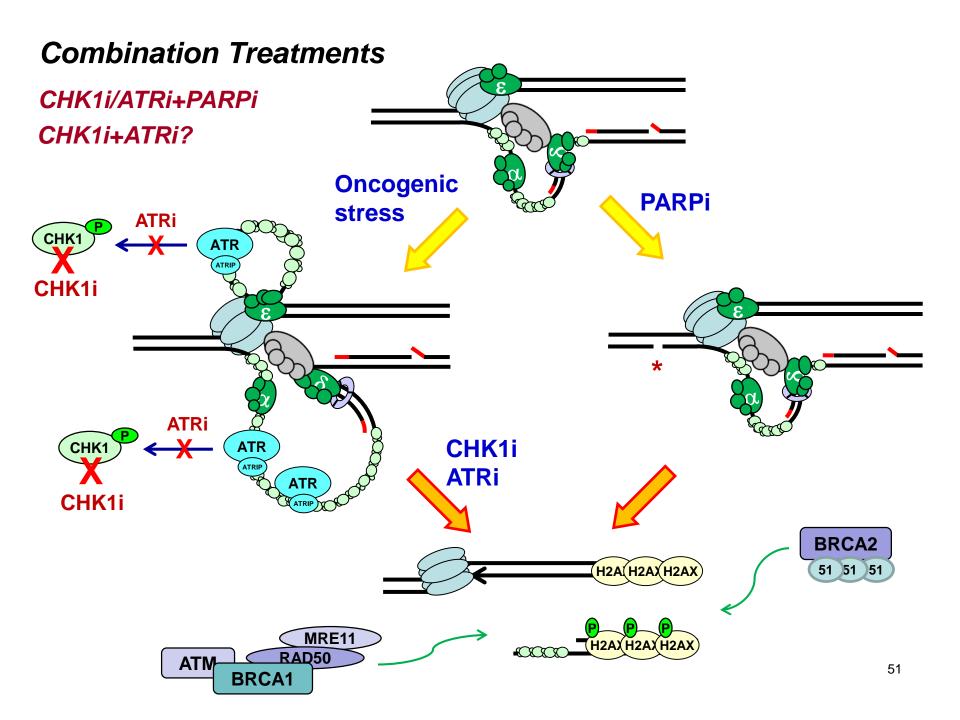
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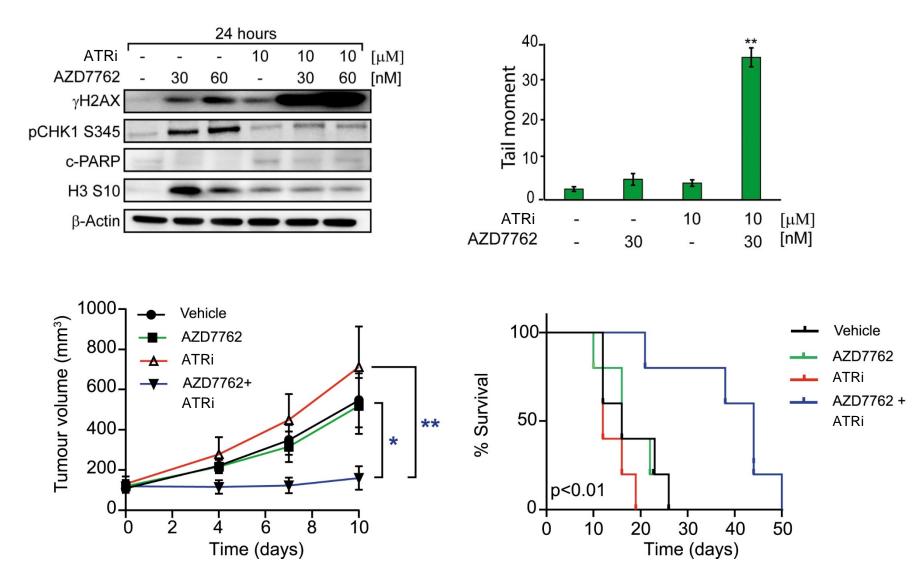


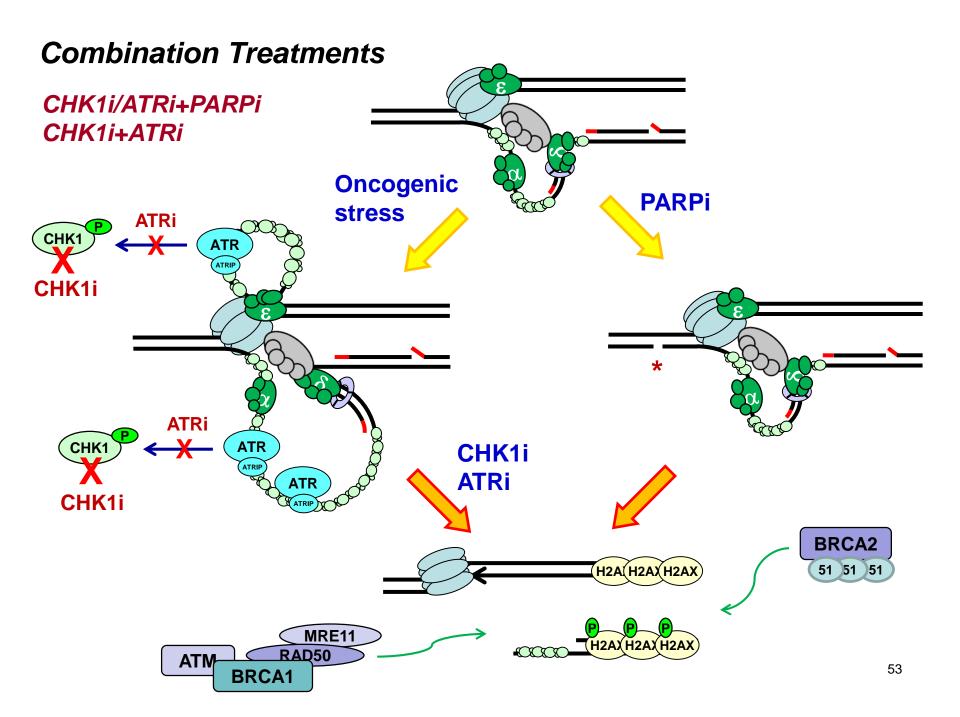
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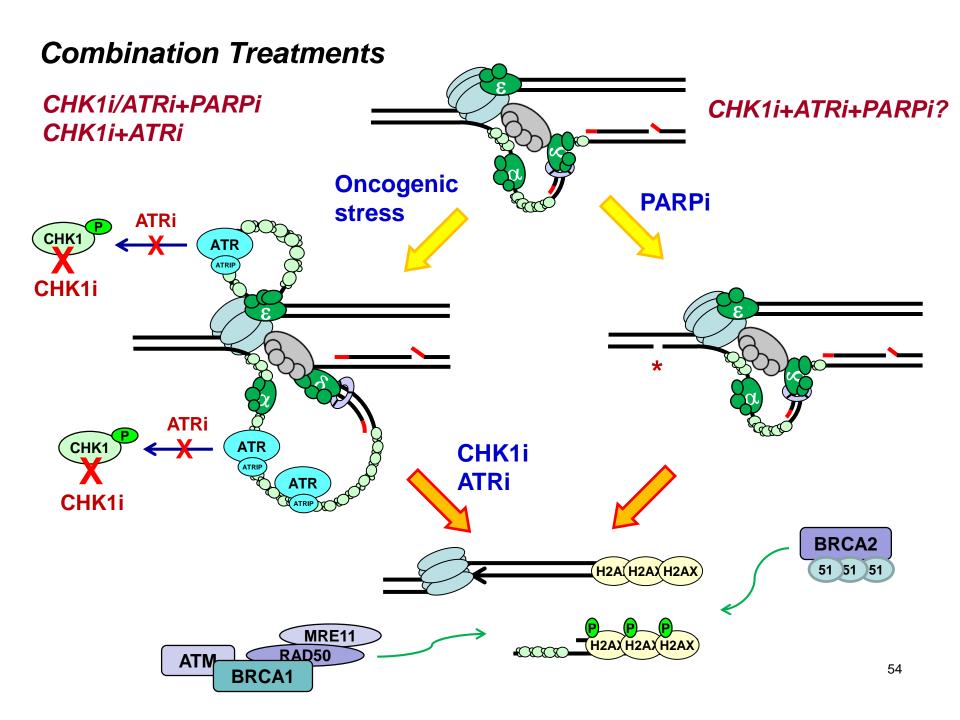




#### Synergistic therapeutic effects of combining CHK1i with ATRi







### **Summary**

- Inhibition of ATR-CHK1 pathway is a targeted approach for cancer treatment.
- ATR-CHK1 pathway inhibition synergizes with numerous cancerassociated mutations, including oncogenic stress, making it a relatively broad spectrum treatment.
- There is tremendous promise in combining ATRi/CHK1i inhibition not only with standard chemotherapeutics, but also with other targeted treatments (e.g. PARPi).
- ATR-CHK1 pathway inhibition provides avenues for treatment of PARPi-resistant cancers.
- CHK1i- and ATRi-containing drug combination regimens are well positioned to replace standard-of-care chemotherapeutic treatments as frontline therapies.

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# CHK1 Inhibition in the Anti-Cancer Armamentarium

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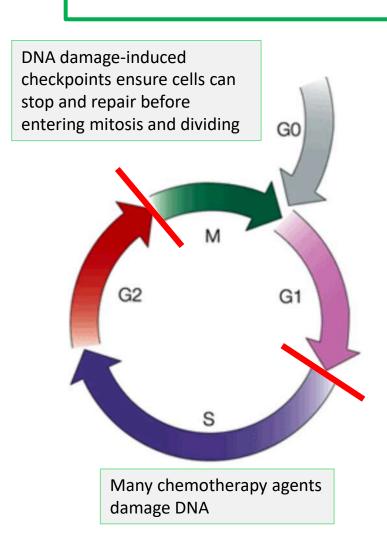
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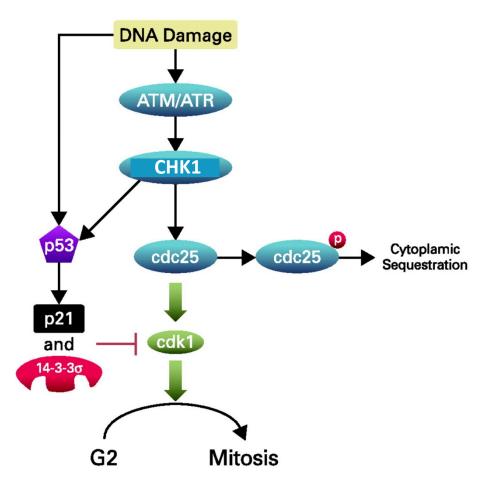
Augmentation of chemotherapy-induced DNA damage

Defining monotherapy vulnerability

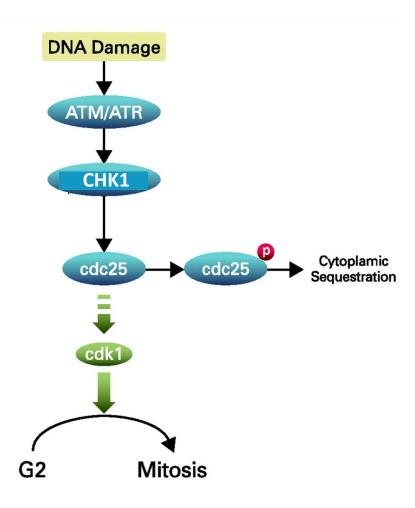
Reversal of PARP inhibitor resistance

# **DNA Damage-Induced Checkpoints**

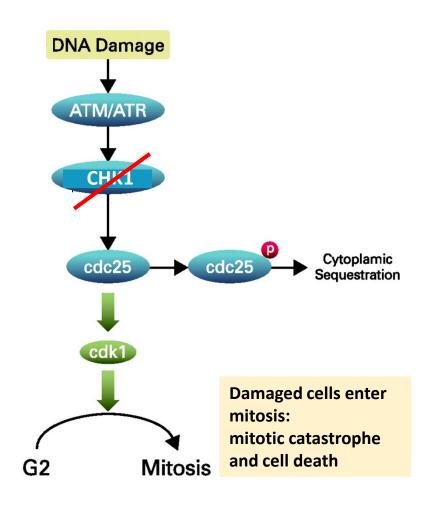




# The CHK1-mediated DNA damage- induced checkpoint is essential in p53 deficiency



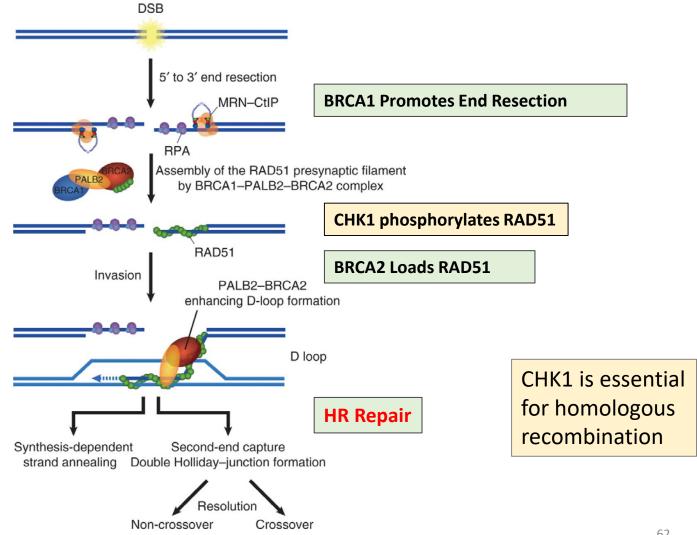
# CHK1 inhibition accentuates DNA damage in p53-deficient cells



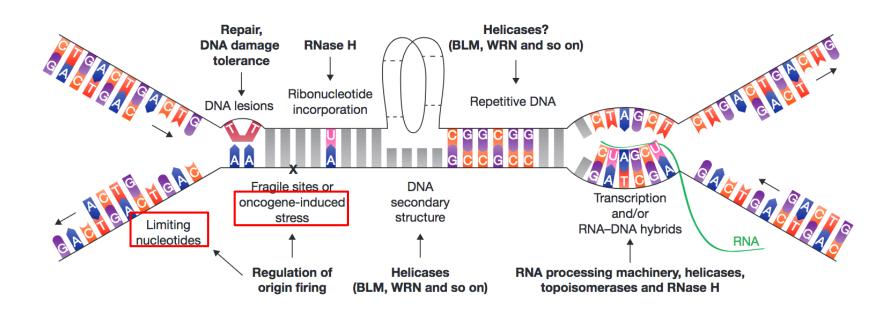
### DNA Damaging agents + CHK1 inhibition

- Gemcitabine + CHK1 inhibitor
- Irinotecan + CHK1 inhibitor
- Selectivity for p53-deficient cells may mitigate toxicity to non-transformed cells
- Combining the Ckh1 inhibitor with subtherapeutic doses of gemcitabine retains the potentiating effect and represents a novel biological strategy
  - Any clinical activity observed can be ascribed to the combination

### Understanding CHK1 inhibitor monotherapy: Steps of Homologous Recombination Repair



# Understanding CHK1 monotherapy: The replication fork

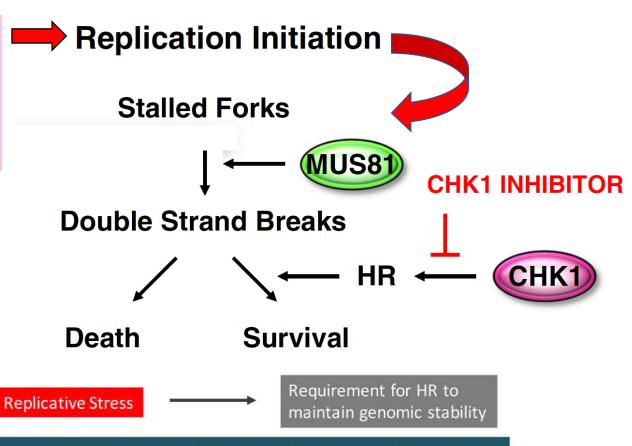


Oncogene-induced stress: increased replication firing; depletion of nucleotide pools and Increased collisions with transcription complexes, and leads to double strand breaks

# CHK1 inhibitor monotherapy: Cells in a state of 'replicative stress' are dependent on HR repair

#### **Oncogenic Stress:**

- KRAS
- MYC
- CCNE1 (cyclin E)
- FBXW7



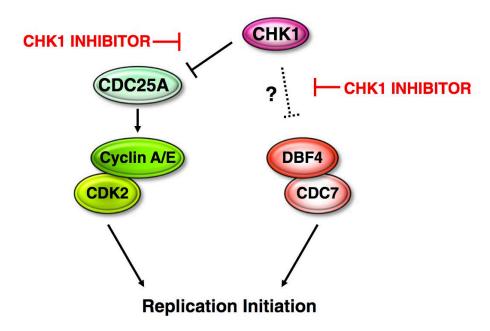
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# CHK1 inhibition may itself induce or exacerbate replicative stress

Replicative Stress

Requirement for HR to maintain genomic stability

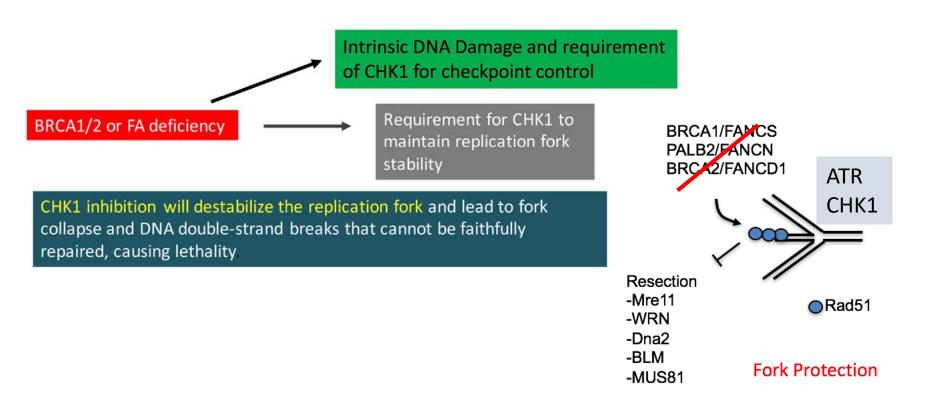
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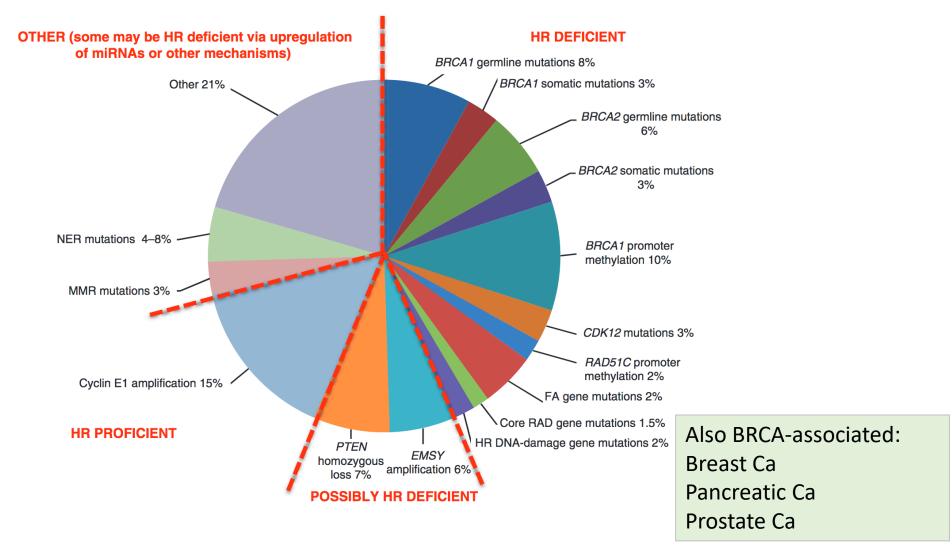
# Examples of genomic alterations driving high degree of replicative stress

- RAS-driven tumors: non-small cell lung cancer, pancreatic, colorectal, melanoma
- MYC-driven tumors: lymphoma, small-cell lung cancer, triple-negative breast cancer
- CCNE1 (cyclin E)-driven tumors: ovarian cancer, triple-negative breast cancer
- FBXW7 mutations: colorectal, endometrial, head and neck, bladder, and others

# HR repair-deficient cancers may also be sensitive to CHK1 inhibitor monotherapy



## HR-deficient cancers: High-grade serous ovarian cancer



# HR-deficient cancers are treated with PARP inhibitors

SINGLE STRAND BREAK

PARP

First example of synthetic lethality to be exploited clinically

SINGLE STRAND BREAK



DOUBLE STRAND BREAK



SINGLE STRAND BREAK



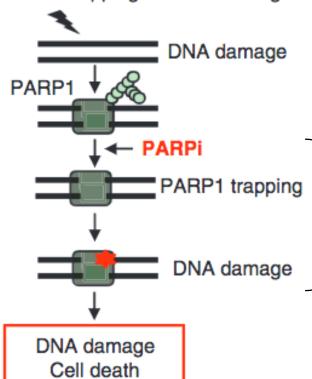
DOUBLE STRAND BREAK



ATM DEFICIENCY
PTEN DEFICIENCY
FANCONI DEFICIENCY

### PARP-DNA Trapping by PARP Inhibitors

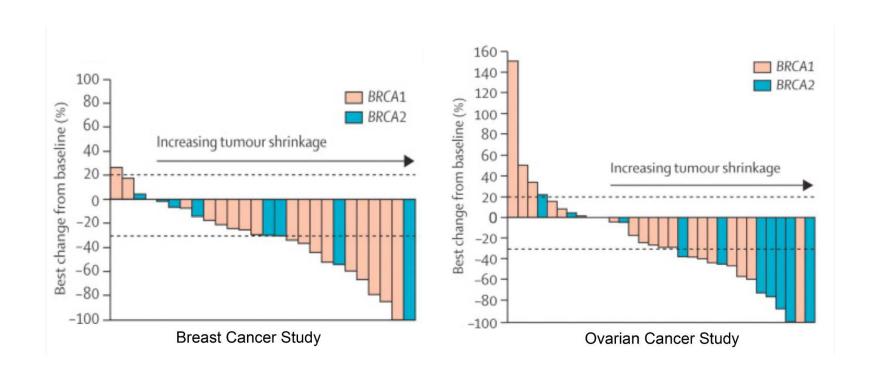
#### PARP1 trapping on DNA damage



PARP inhibitor traps PARP1 on DNA; Homologous Recombination is required to bypass the lesion; in an HR-deficient cell, the trapped PARP1 causes DNA damage and cell death

Mechanism is reminiscent of the conversion of topoisomerase I into a poison by topoisomerase I Inhibitors.

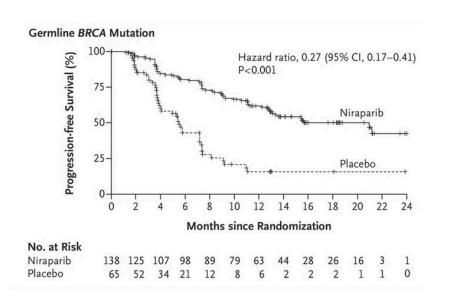
### Olaparib in patients with *BRCA*-associated cancers

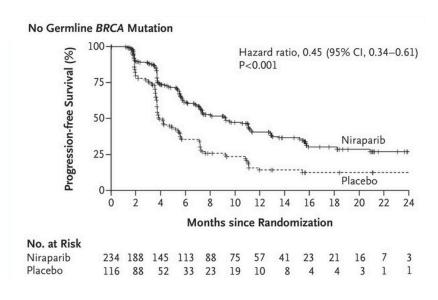


Small Molecule PARP inhibitor Recommended Phase 2 Dose 400 mg BID Adverse Events: nausea, vomiting, fatigue, anemia

# PARP Inhibitor Maintenance Treatment in Platinum-Sensitive HGSOG

#### Niraparib Study

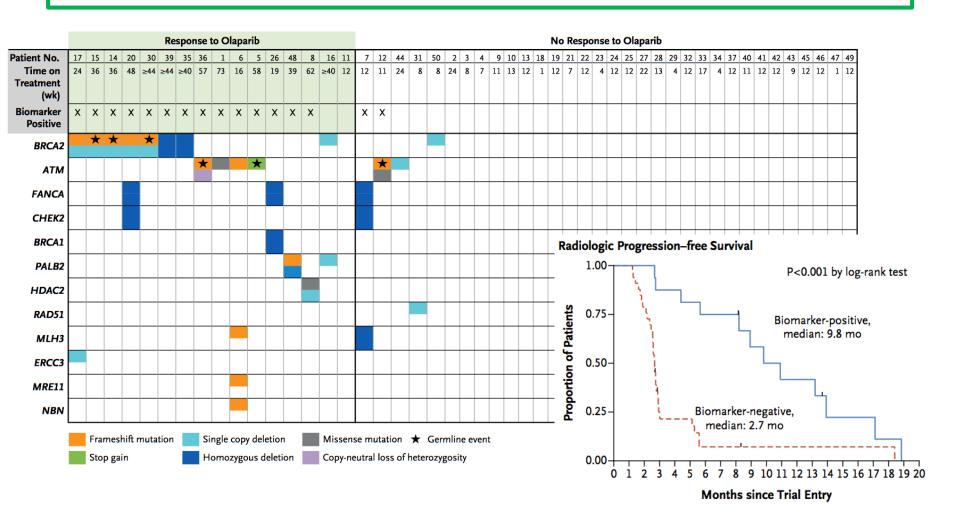






\*Penultimate platinum regimen: Complete or partial response and disease progression > 6 months after completion

# DNA Repair Defects in Prostate Cancer and Response to Olaparib



### Emerging Clinical Problem: Acquired Resistance

Somatic reversion or restoration of ORF
Epigenetic reversion of BRCA1 promoter hypermethylation

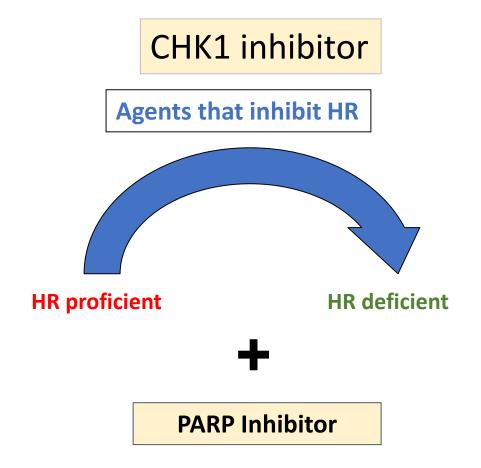
Loss of end resection regulation

Mutant protein
Functional protein
Normal expression
Normal expression
S3BP1 or REV7

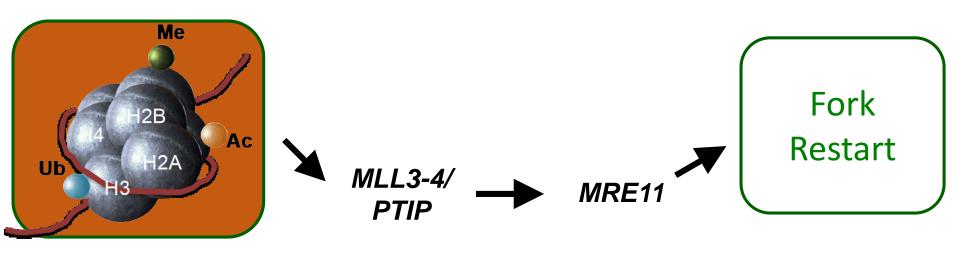
53BP1-/- or REV7-/-

Most common mechanism of PARP inhibitor resistance: **Restored HR** 

### Reversing Acquired PARP Inhibitor Resistance



# The MLL3-4/PTIP/MRE11 pathway is required for replication fork restart and normal replication velocity



# Knockdown of the MLL3-4/PTIP/MRE11 pathway enhances replication fork stability



Knockdown of this pathway in *BRCA1/2* deficient cells results in PARP inhibitor resistance

### Summary

- CHK1 inhibition may augment clinical responses to DNA damaging agents (i.e. chemotherapy) by abrogating DNA damage-induced checkpoint control.
- Tumors that are under replication stress or deficient in homologous recombination (HR) repair may be vulnerable to monotherapy CHK1 inhibition.
- Treating HR-deficient cancers will be an increasing challenge, since they will be approached by PARP inhibition; PARP inhibitor resistance will emerge as a pressing clinical problem.
- CHK1 inhibition may reverse major mechanisms of PARP inhibitor resistance including restoration of HR and replication fork stabilization.

