



Targeting DNA repair in BRCA 1/2 and Triple Negative Breast Cancer

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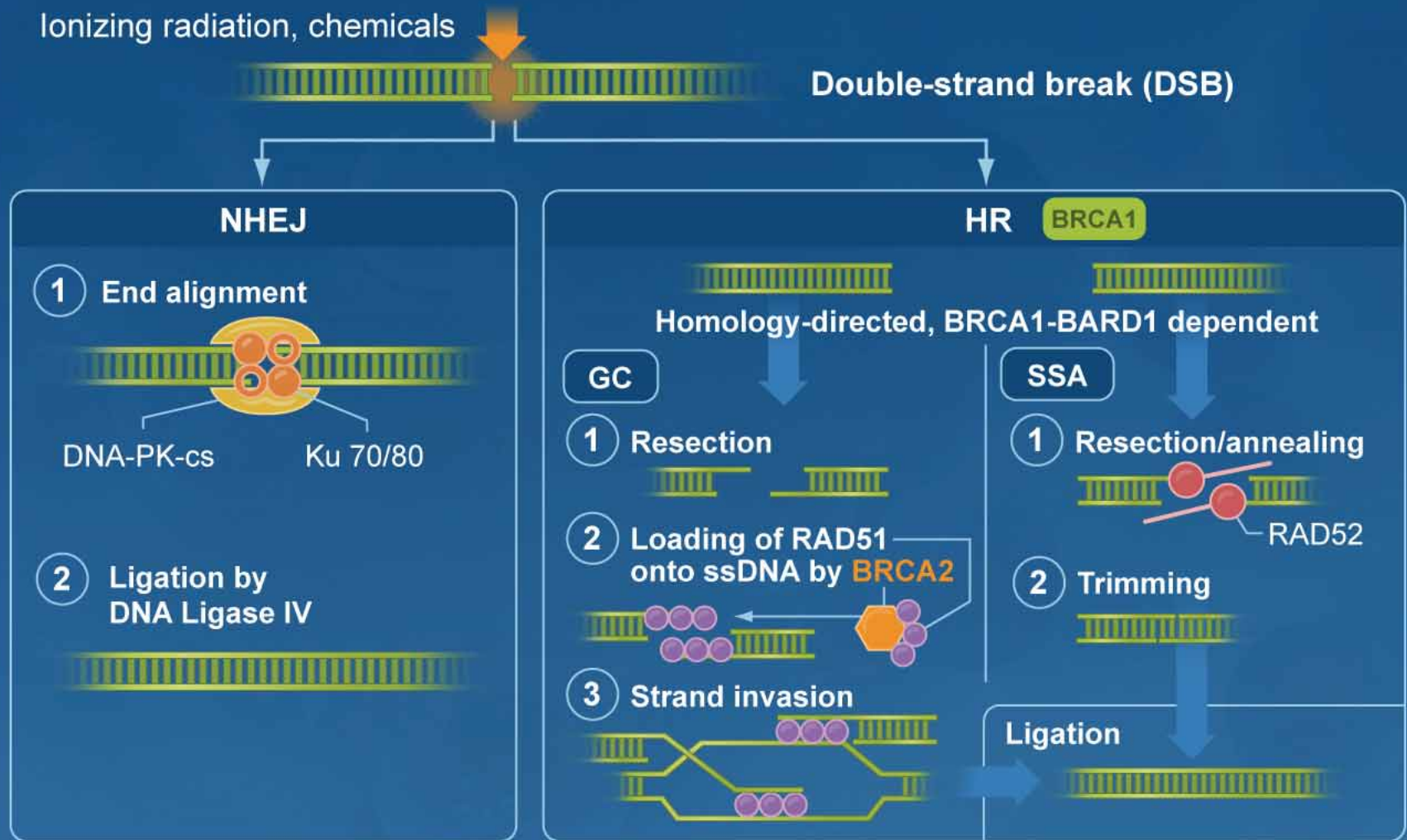
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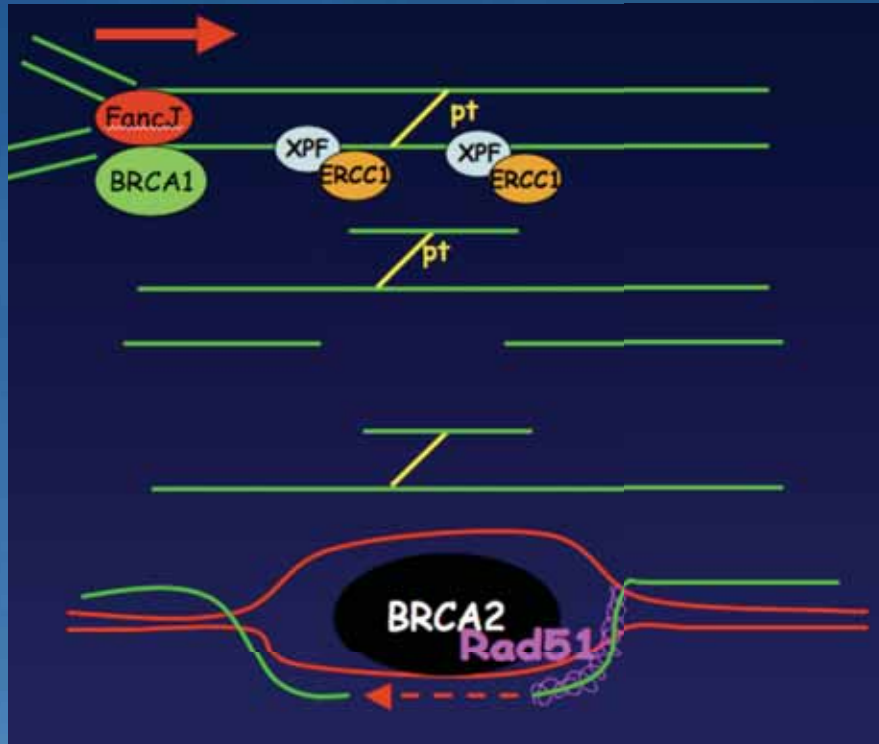
DNA repair mechanisms in cells

- Base-excision repair (PARP)
- Nucleotide-excision repair
- Recombinational repair (BRCA1/BRCA2)
- Mismatch repair

Double Strand Break Repair Pathways

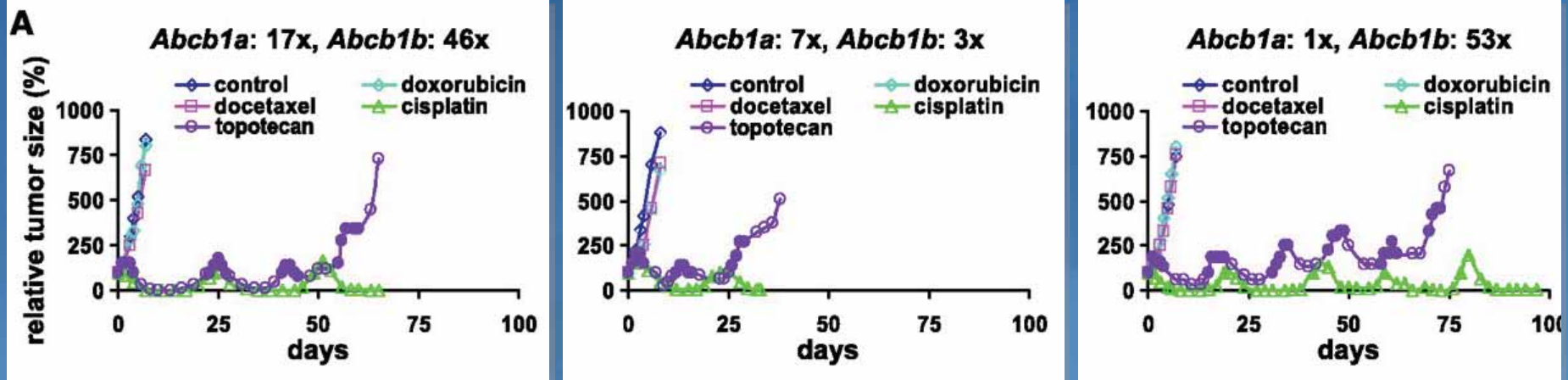
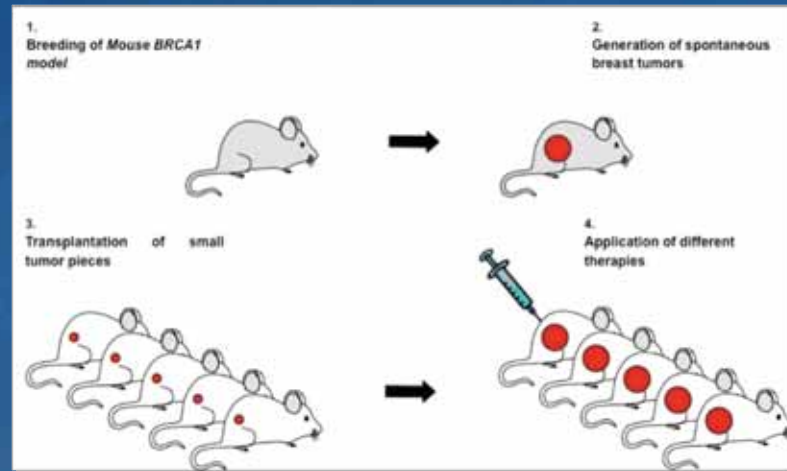


How to target loss of BRCA1 or BRCA2 function?



- Lesions that arrest DNA replication forks
- Loss of homologous recombination
- How could we exploit defect ?
- Platinum cross-links ?
- Topo-1 inhibitors ?
- Alkylating agents ?
- PARP inhibitors ?

BRCA1 mutation basal-like breast cancer mouse model

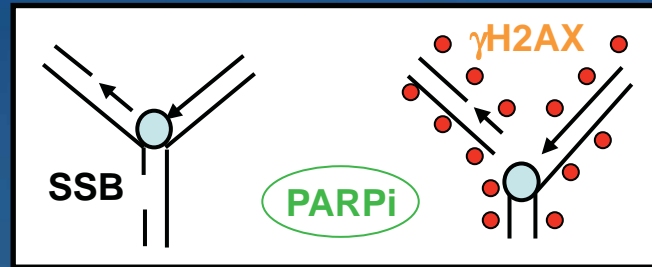


Poly (ADP-ribose) polymerase (PARP)

- A key regulator of DNA damage repair processes
- Involved in DNA base-excision repair (BER)
- Binds directly to DNA damage
- Produces large branched chains of poly (ADP-ribose)
- Attracts and assists BER repair effectors

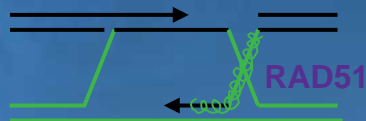


PARP inhibition and tumor selective synthetic lethality



DNA replication fork
arrest and collapse

Normal BRCA1/
BRCA2



HR-based repair

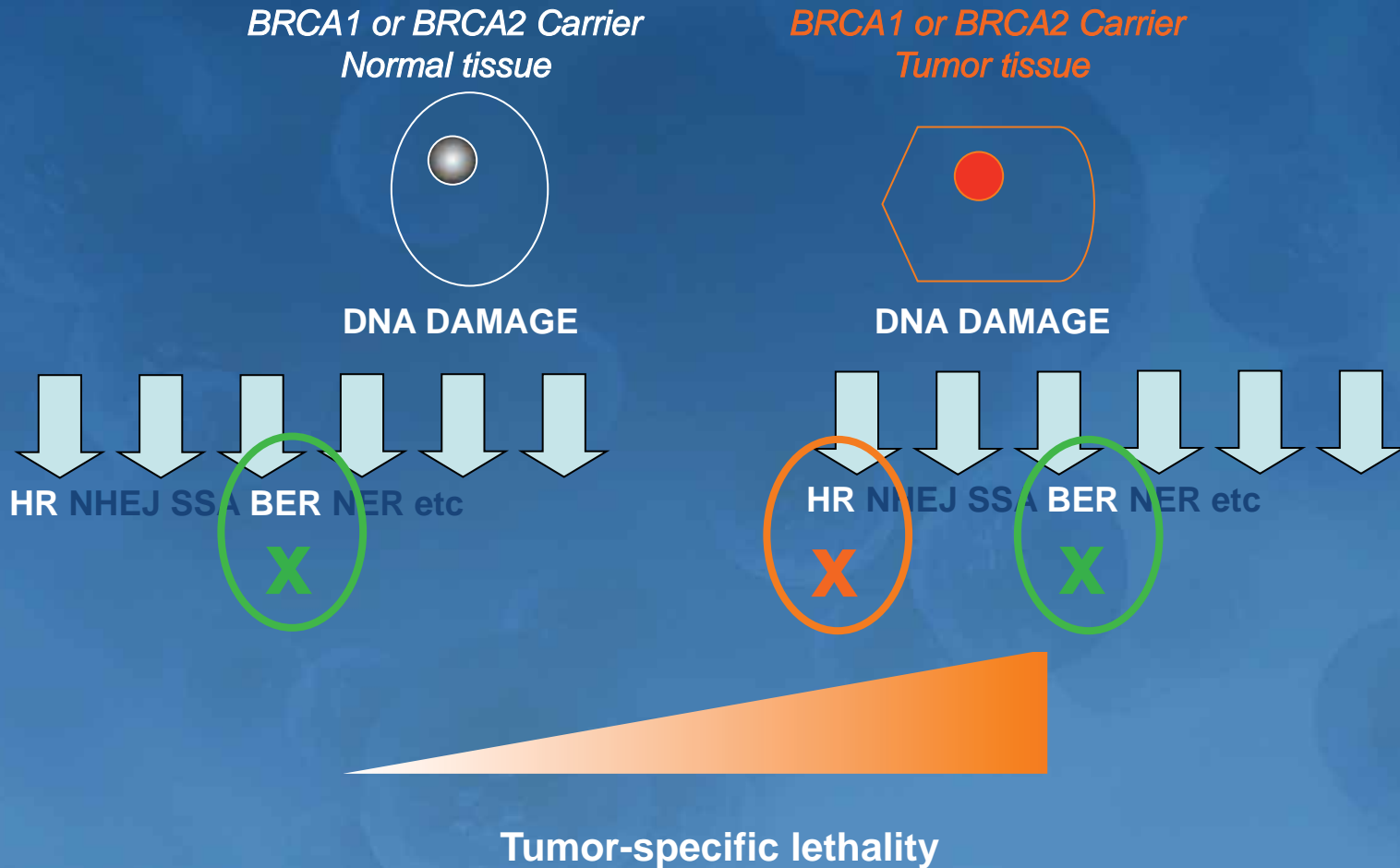
Chromosome Stability
Cell Survival

BRCA1/BRCA2
failure

Impaired HR repair
Alternative error prone repair

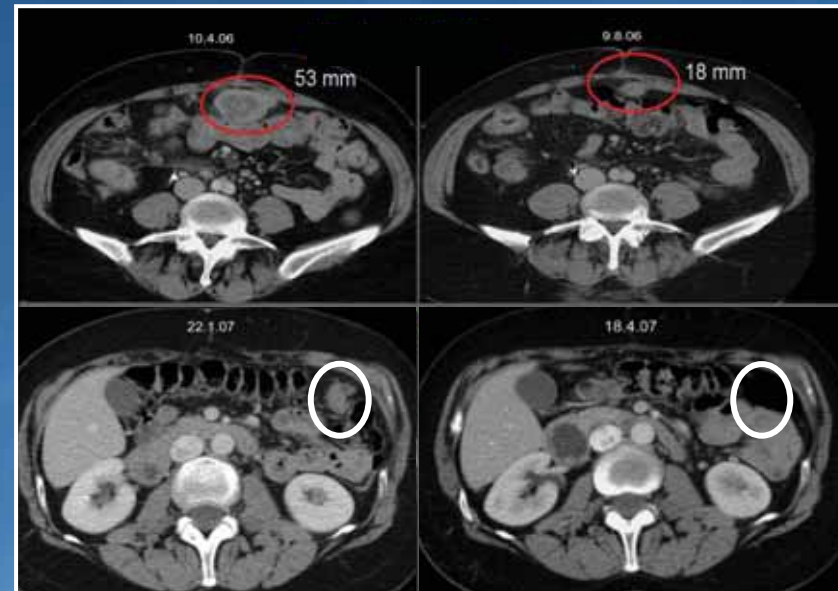
Chromosomal Instability
Cell Death

Targeting BRCA for tumor selective killing



Olaparib: A novel, orally active PARP inhibitor

- A phase I trial identified olaparib (AZD2281; KU-0059436) 400 mg bid as the maximum tolerated dose¹ with a 28% (13/46 pts) response rate (RECIST) in BRCA-mutated ovarian cancer²
- Most common toxicities: CTCAE Grade 1 and 2 nausea and fatigue
- Significant PARP inhibition and tumor response at olaparib doses 100–400 mg bid



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2. Fong PC et al. *N Engl J Med* 2009;361(2):123-34.

Phase II Trial of the Oral PARP Inhibitor Olaparib in BRCA-Deficient Advanced Breast Cancer

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Study design and eligibility

- To assess the efficacy and tolerability of oral olaparib in *BRCA1/BRCA2* mutation carriers with breast cancer
- Proof-of-concept phase II study, single-arm sequential cohort design

**Confirmed BRCA1 or BRCA2 mutation
Advanced refractory breast cancer
(stage IIIB/IIIC/IV) after failure of ≥ 1 prior
chemotherapy for advanced disease**

Cohort 1 (enrolled first)

**Olaparib 400 mg po bid (MTD)
28-day cycles; n = 27**

Cohort 2

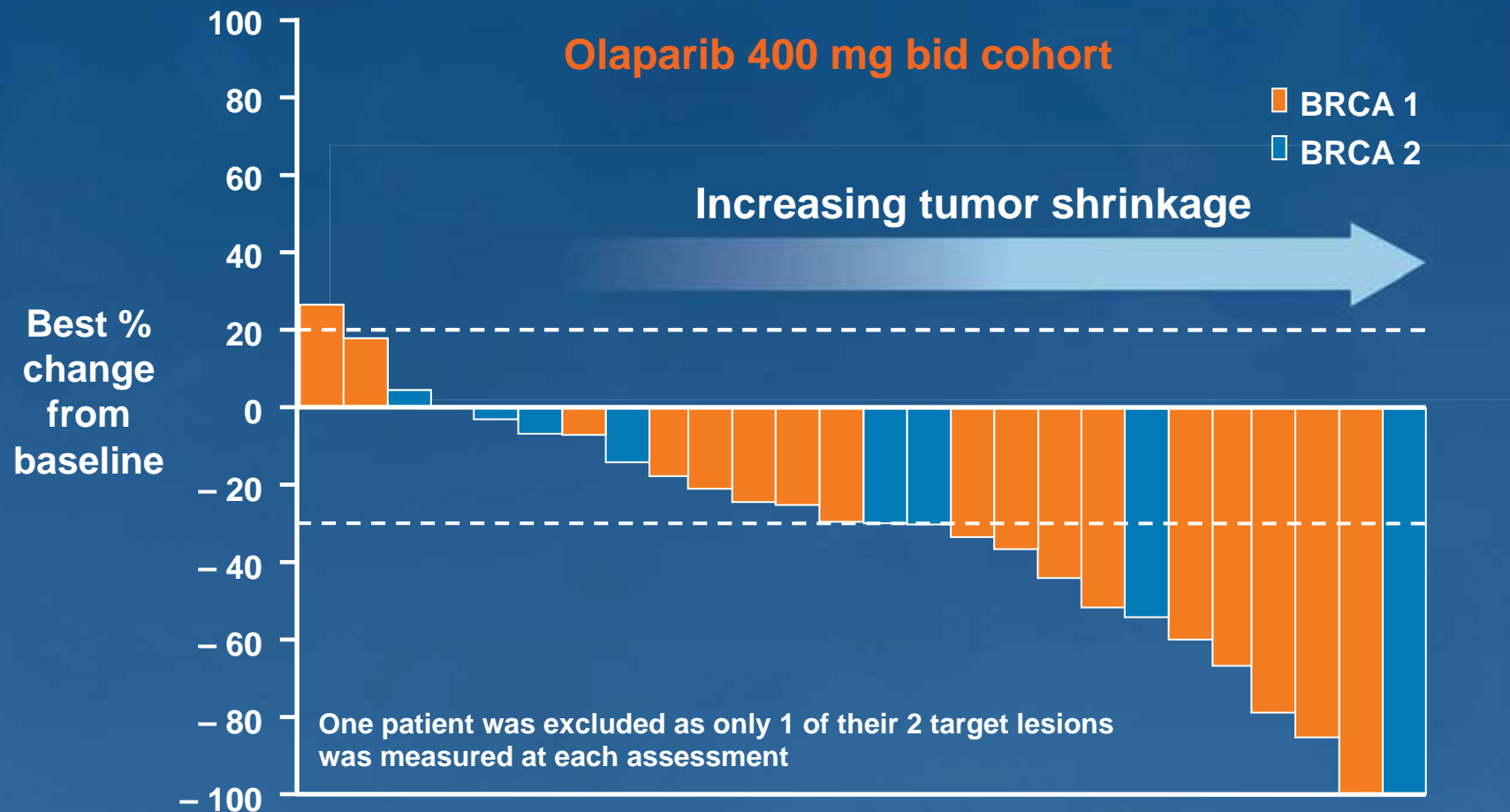
**Olaparib 100 mg po bid
28-day cycles; n = 27**

Efficacy

ITT cohort	Olaparib 400 mg bid (n = 27)	Olaparib 100 mg bid (n = 27)
Overall Response Rate, n (%)	11 (41)*	6 (22)*
Complete Response, n (%)	1 (4)	0
Partial Response, n (%)	10 (37)	6 (22)

*An additional 1 patient in the 400 mg cohort and 3 patients in the 100 mg cohort had unconfirmed responses

Best percent change from baseline in target lesions by genotype



BRCA1 downregulation

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FAST TRACK

High-throughput protein expression analysis using tissue microarray technology of a large well-characterised series identifies biologically distinct classes of breast cancer confirming recent cDNA expression analyses

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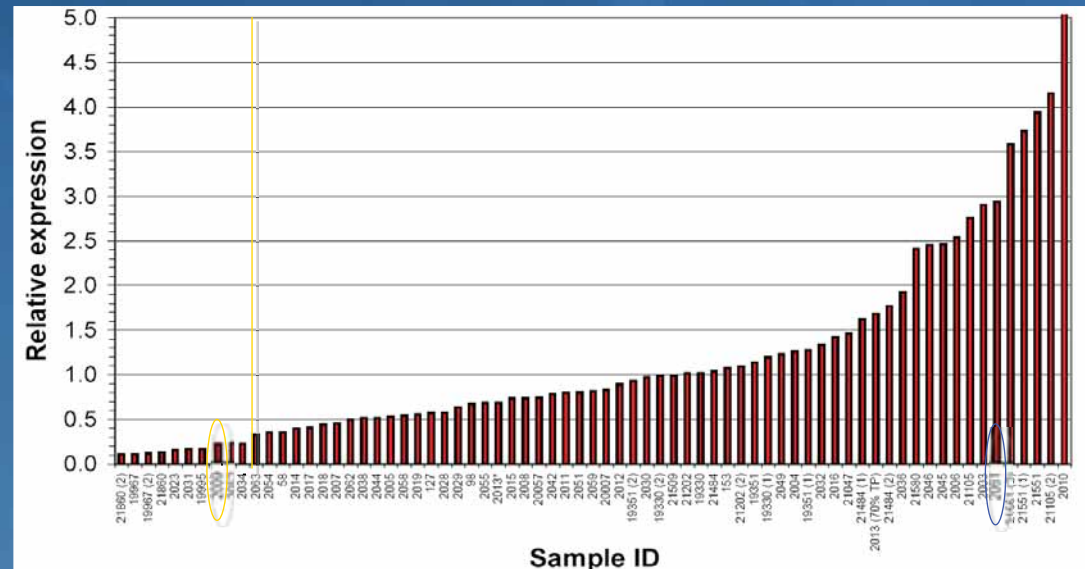
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Original Paper

Prognostic significance of BRCA1 expression in sporadic breast carcinomas

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- High histological grade
- Medullary histological type
- Metaplastic histological type
- Basal-like IHC phenotype



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 Turner et al. *Oncogene* 2007; Rakha, Reis-Filho, Ellis;
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Triple Negative Neoadjuvant Trial

Phase II Single Arm Trial

2 cm
Stage II/III
Triple Negative
(ER/PR/HER2
Negative)

CISPLATIN 75mg/m²
q 3wks IV x 12 wks

Surgery

- N = 28
- median age: 50 yrs
- median tumor size = 3.0 cm (1.5 - 6.3 cm)
- 2 BRCA1 mutation carriers
- pCR – 22% - incl 2 BRCA1 carriers
- Good MP Score 3-5 – 50%
- Minor response MP 1-2 – 36%
- Progression 14%

Impaired BRCA1 and neoadjuvant cisplatin response in TNBC



	Resistant								Sensitive																			
Response score	Progress		1		2				3	4		5																
Sample number	15	21	26	27	4	6	12	13	16	14	20	22	24	28	1	11	23	25	2	7	8	10	3	5	9	17	18	29
1 BRCA mutation																												
2 Low BRCA1 mRNA			x	x				x							x													
3 BRCA1 methylation									x										x									
4 $\Delta Np63/TAp73 > 2$			x	x											x													
5 p53 NSM			x	x					x						x													

PTEN pathway loss and loss of HR repair and PARPi sensitivity

- Essential role for nuclear PTEN in maintaining chromosomal integrity
Shen et al Cell 128, 157–170, January 12, 2007
- PTEN pathway loss common in TN/basal-like
(Saal LH Nat Genet. 2008;40:102–107, Marty Breast Cancer Res. 2008; 10(6), López-Knowles Int J Cancer. 2009 Aug 14)
- Loss of PTEN causes a reduction in HR repair and induces sensitivity to PARP inhibition
(Mendes-Pereira A, EMBO Mol Med 1(6-7) 2009)

Efficacy of BSI-201, a PARP Inhibitor, in Combination with Gemcitabine/Carboplatin in Triple Negative Metastatic Breast Cancer: Results of a Phase II Study

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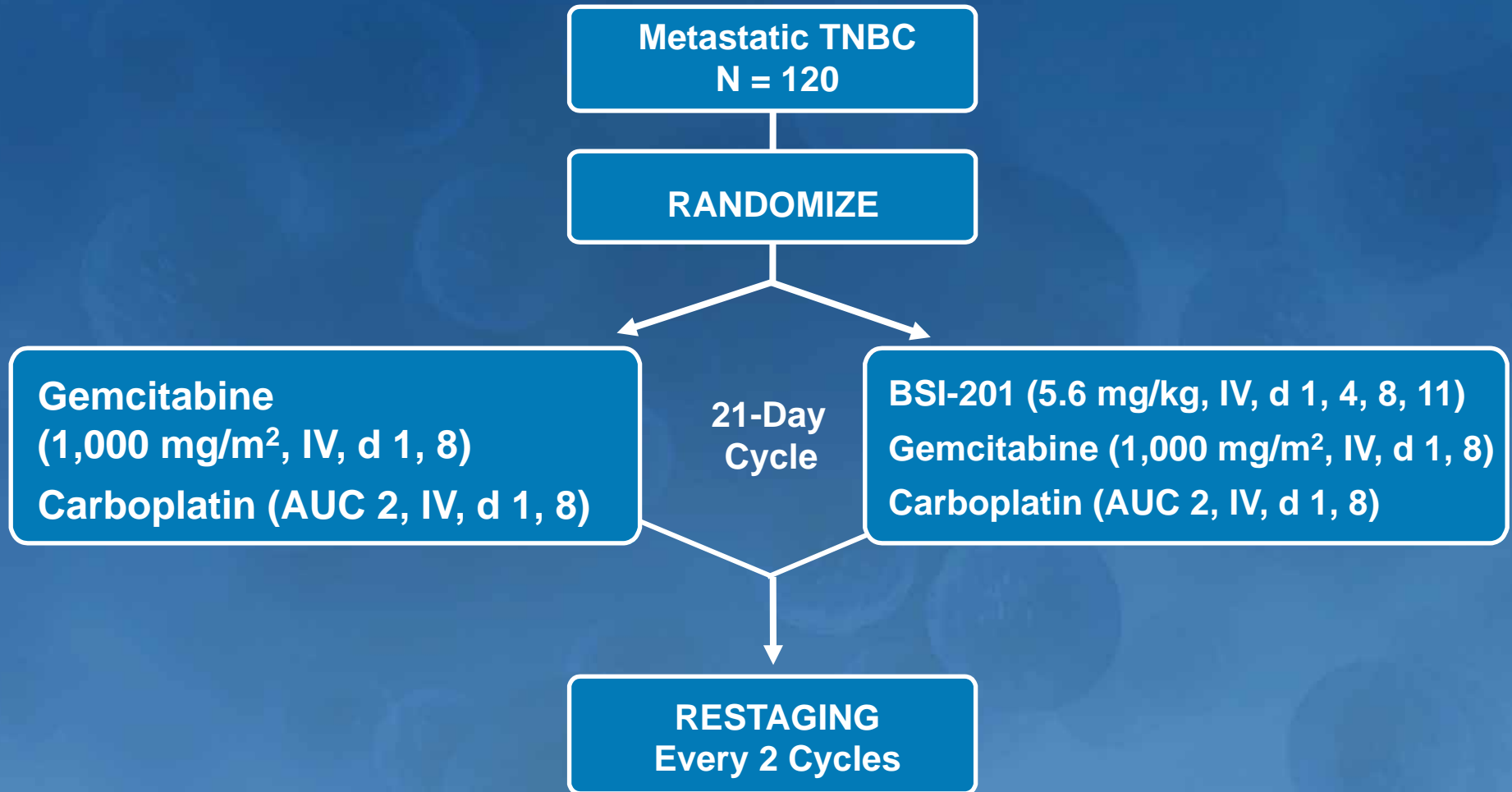
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Gem/Carbo +/- BSI-201 in unselected TNBC



* Patients randomized to gem/carbo alone could crossover to receive gem/carbo + BSI-201 at disease progression

Preliminary Efficacy Results*

	Gem/Carbo (n = 44)	BSI-201 + Gem/Carbo (n = 42)	p-value
Objective Response Rate n (%)	7 (16%)	20 (48%)	0.002
**Clinical Benefit Rate n (%)	9 (21%)	26 (62%)	0.0002

*Includes patients enrolled before September 30, 2008 and patients who had a confirmed response or disease progression

**Clinical Benefit Rate = CR + PR + SD \geq 6 months

Updated BSI-201 SABCS 2009



Conclusions

- Single agent synthetic lethality concept shown for olaparib in BRCA1 and BRCA2 mutation carriers with advanced breast and advanced ovarian cancer
- Randomised phase II data for BSI-201 very promising for PARPi combined with gemcitabine/ carboplatin in sporadic TNBC
- Phase III RCT of BSI-201 gemcitabine/carboplatin completed and results awaited
- Consideration of investigation of novel PARPi/ chemotherapy combinations in advanced disease and in early breast cancer trials in TNBC and BRCA1 and BRCA2 carriers

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