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# “Modulating Tumor Microenvironment Responses to Genotoxic Cancer Therapy”

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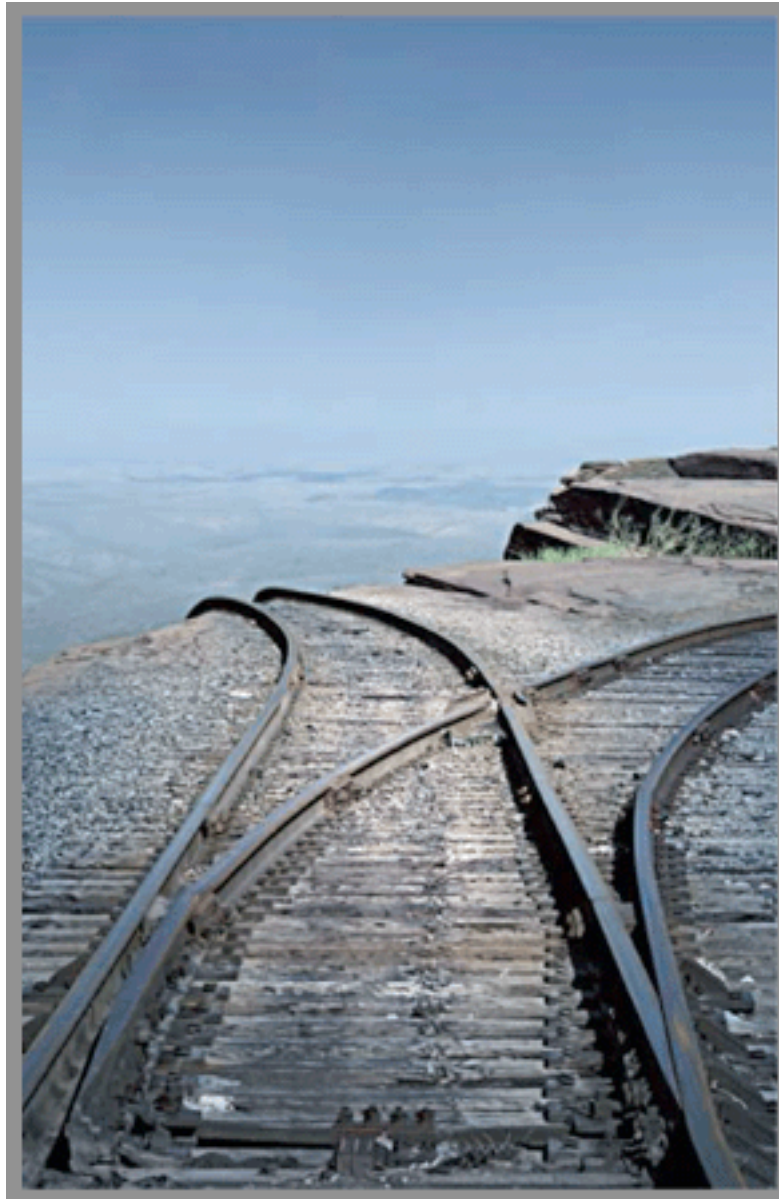
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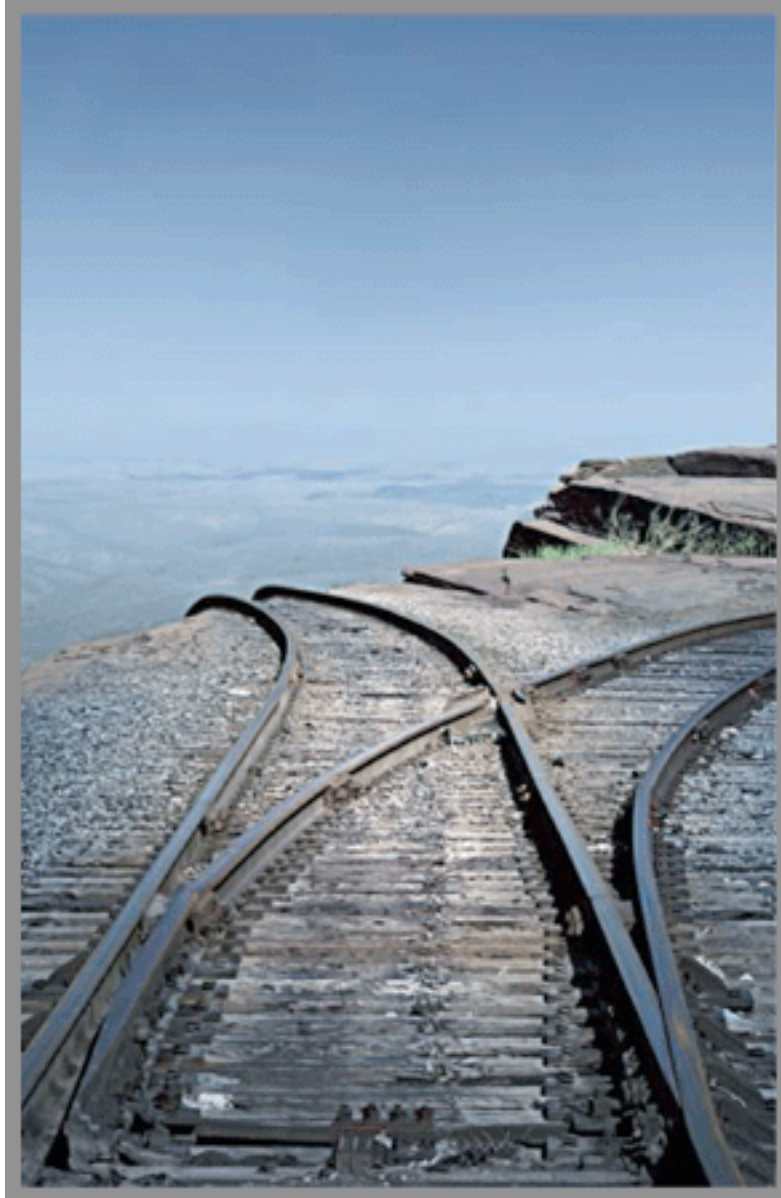
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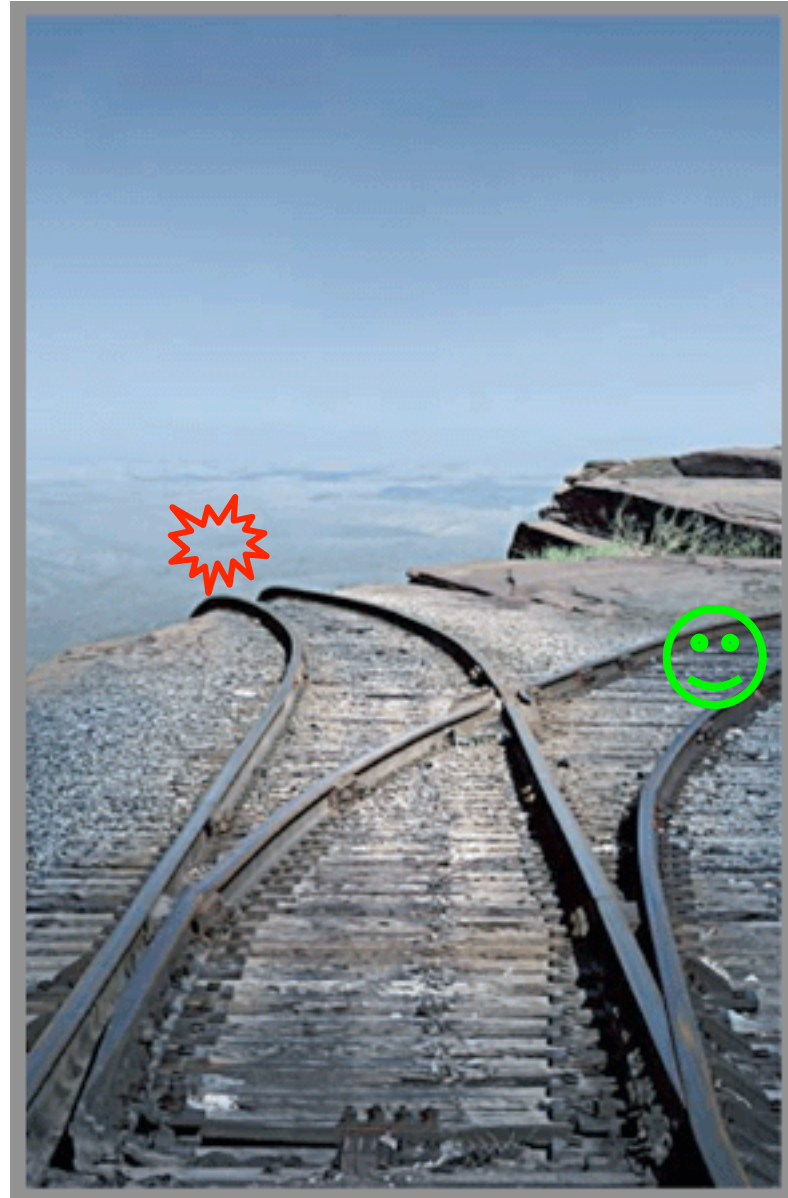


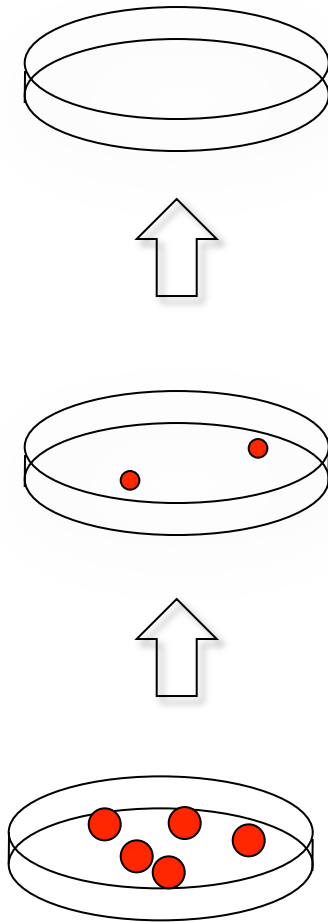
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Different  
Destinations....

Same Train....



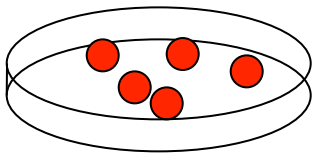


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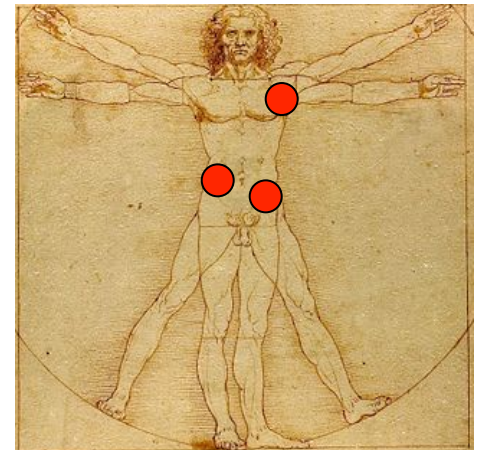


# Treatment

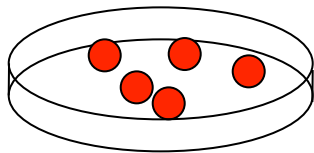
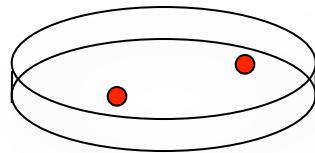
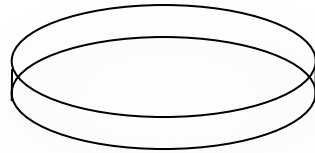
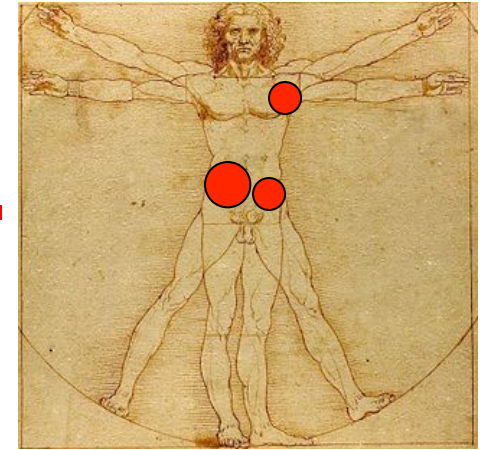
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**'Same' Tumor..**



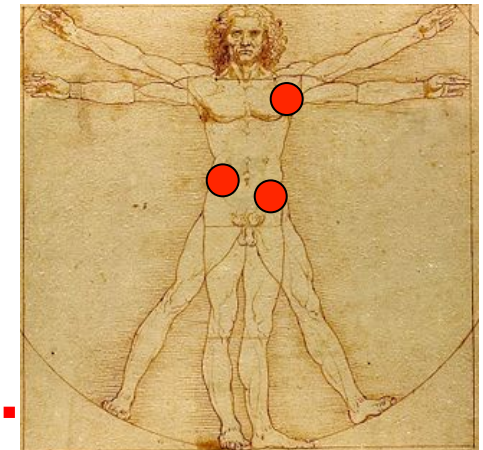
Different  
Outcomes....



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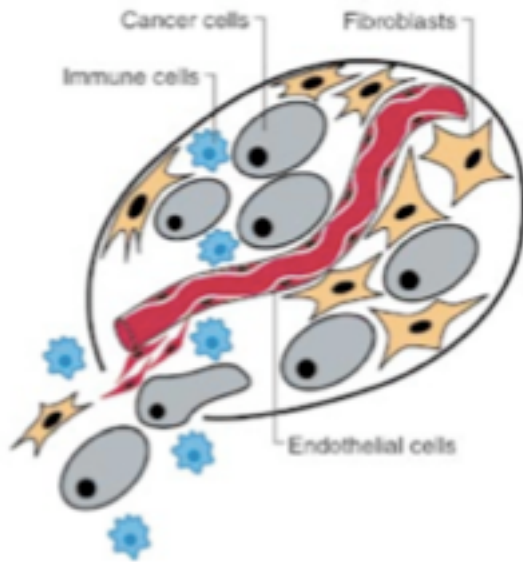


Same Tumor..



# Context of a malignancy *in vivo*: the Tumor Microenvironment (TME)

A Heterotypic Cell Biology



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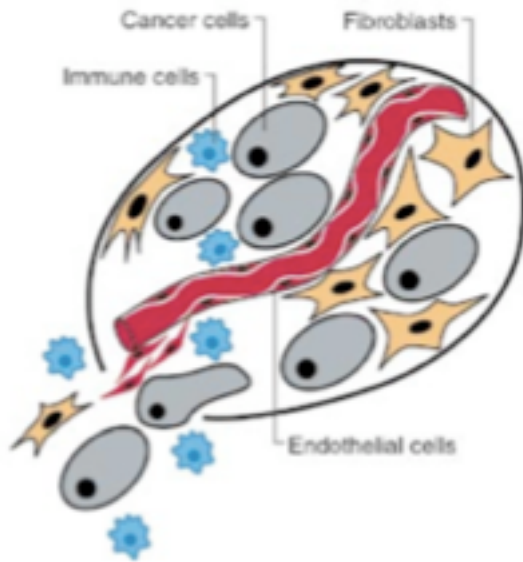
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## *Infiltrating (non-resident) Cells*

- ✓ Inflammatory
- ✓ Bone-marrow derived (MSC)

## *Molecular Components*

- ✓ Growth Factors/Cytokines
- ✓ Nutrients
- ✓ Hormones

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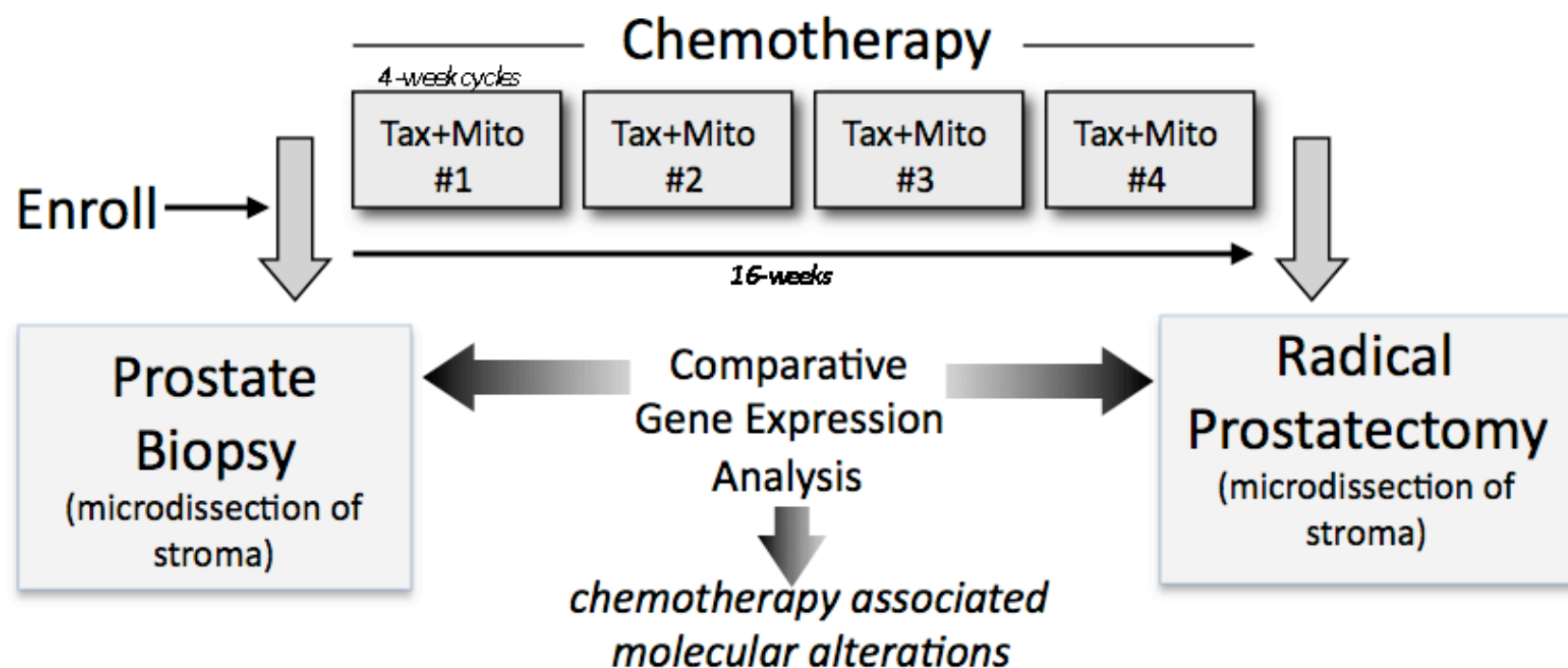
*4<sup>th</sup> Dimension...time*

*the real estate...the landscape...changes..*



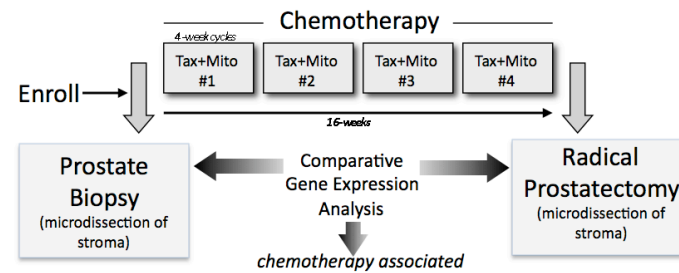
# Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy Trial for High-Risk Prostate Adenocarcinoma

**Mitoxantrone---Docetaxel**



54 Patients: No Complete Responses

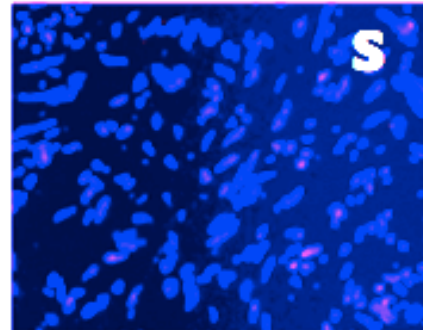
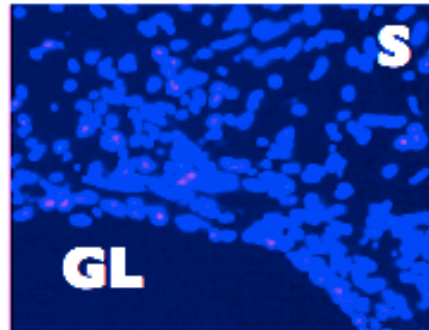
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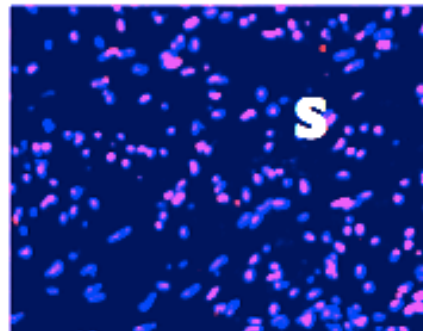
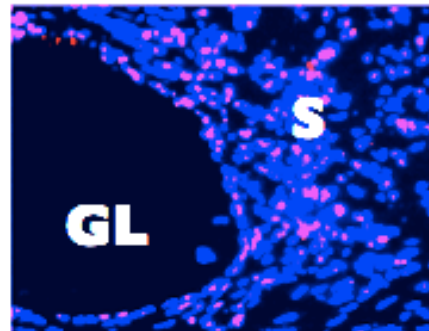
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**Patient 2**

**Pre-chemo**



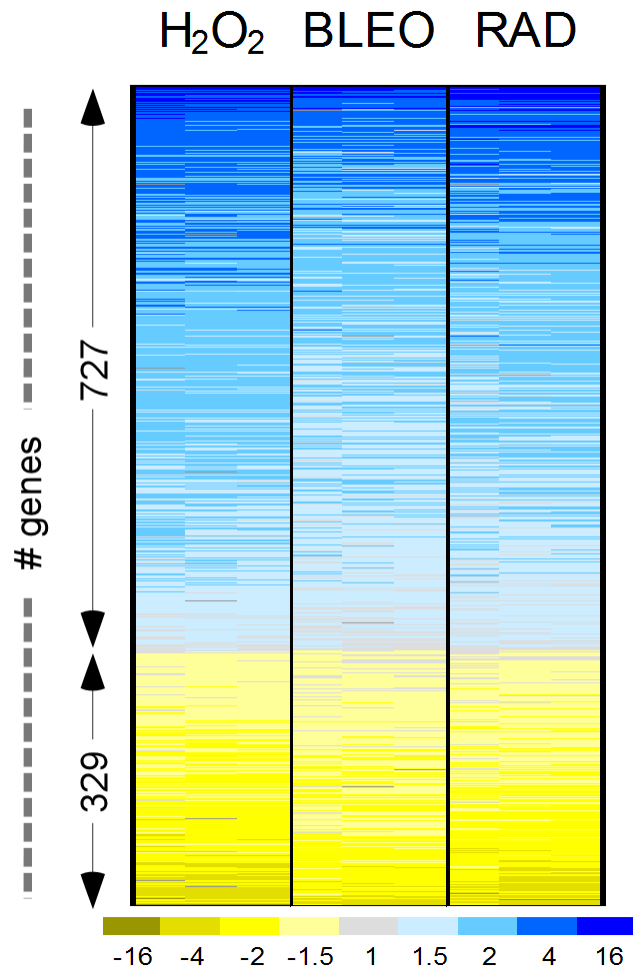
**Post-chemo**



H2AX DNA  
Damage Foci

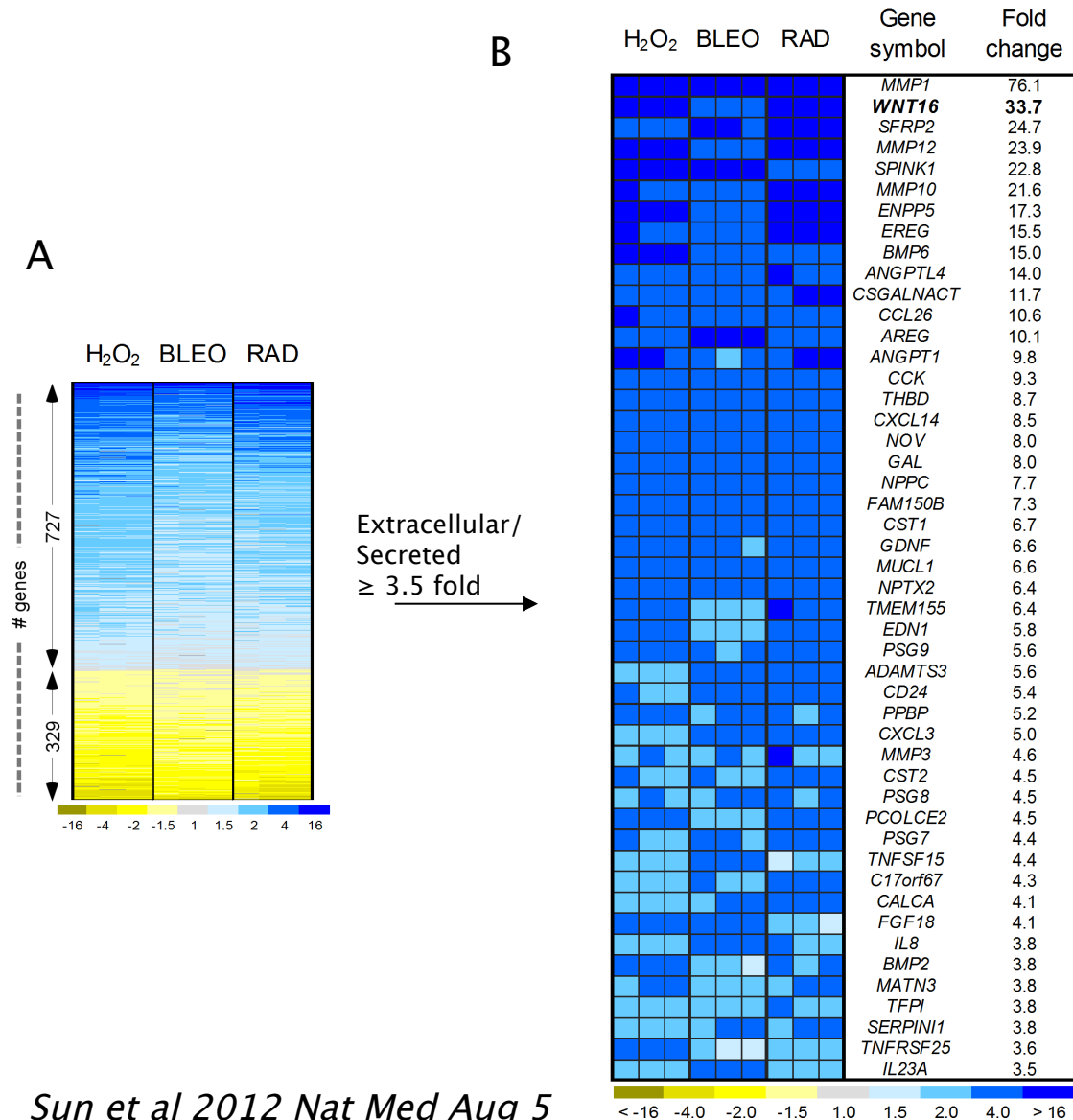
# DNA Damage-associated Gene Expression

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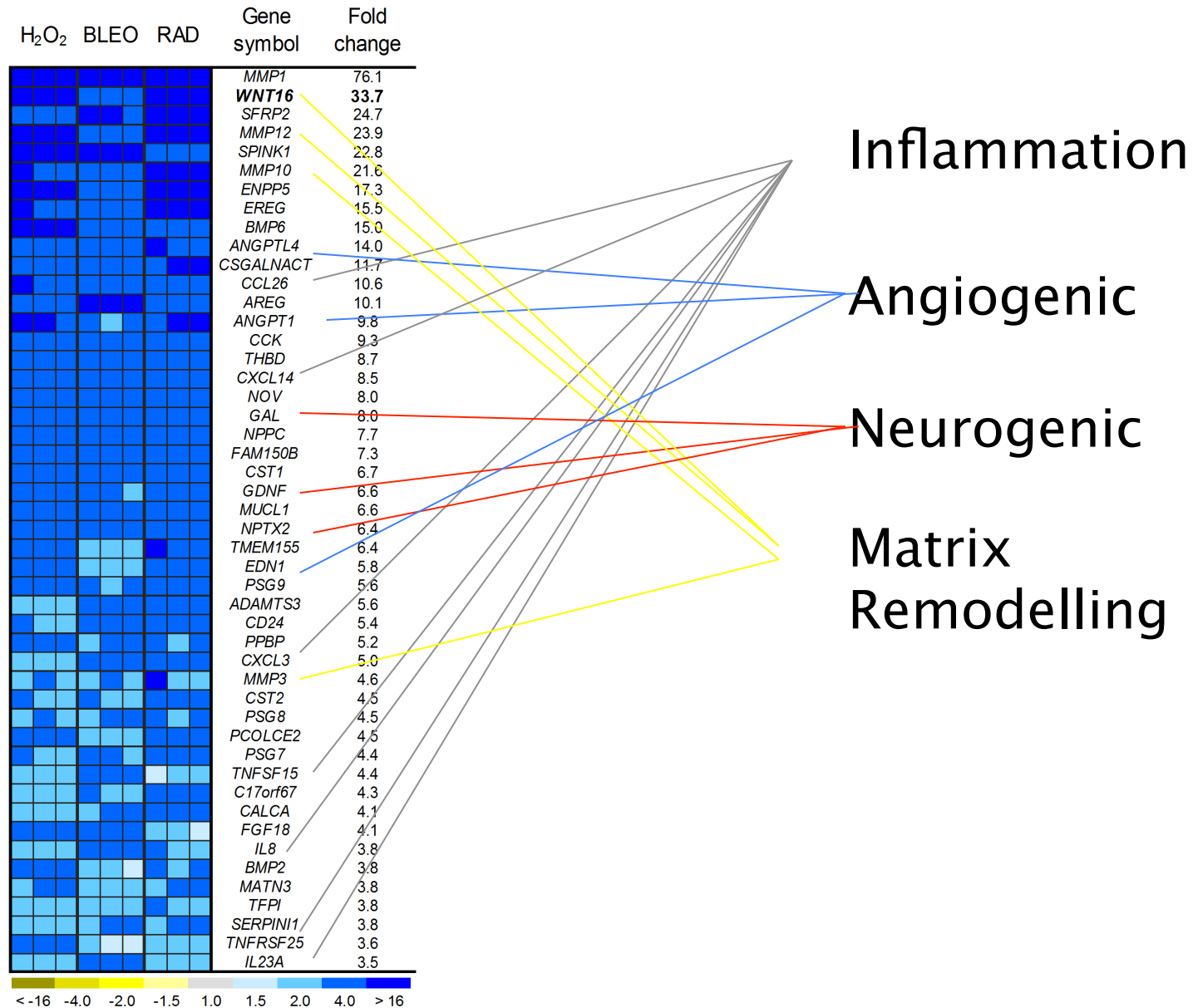
Gene expression in  
primary prostate  
fibroblasts

# DNA Damage-associated Secretory Program: DDSP

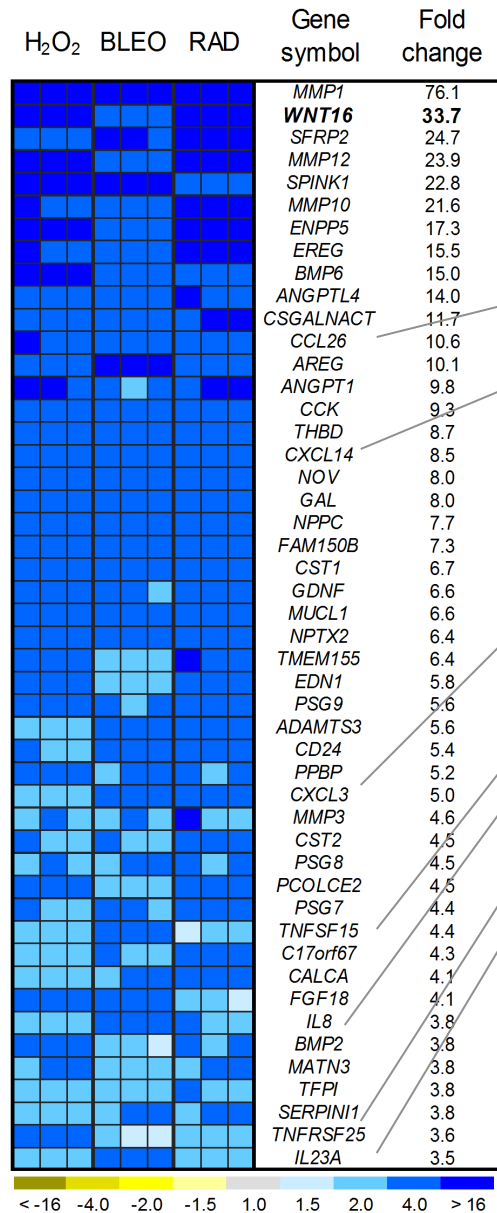


Secreted  
proteins with  
potential for  
paracrine activity

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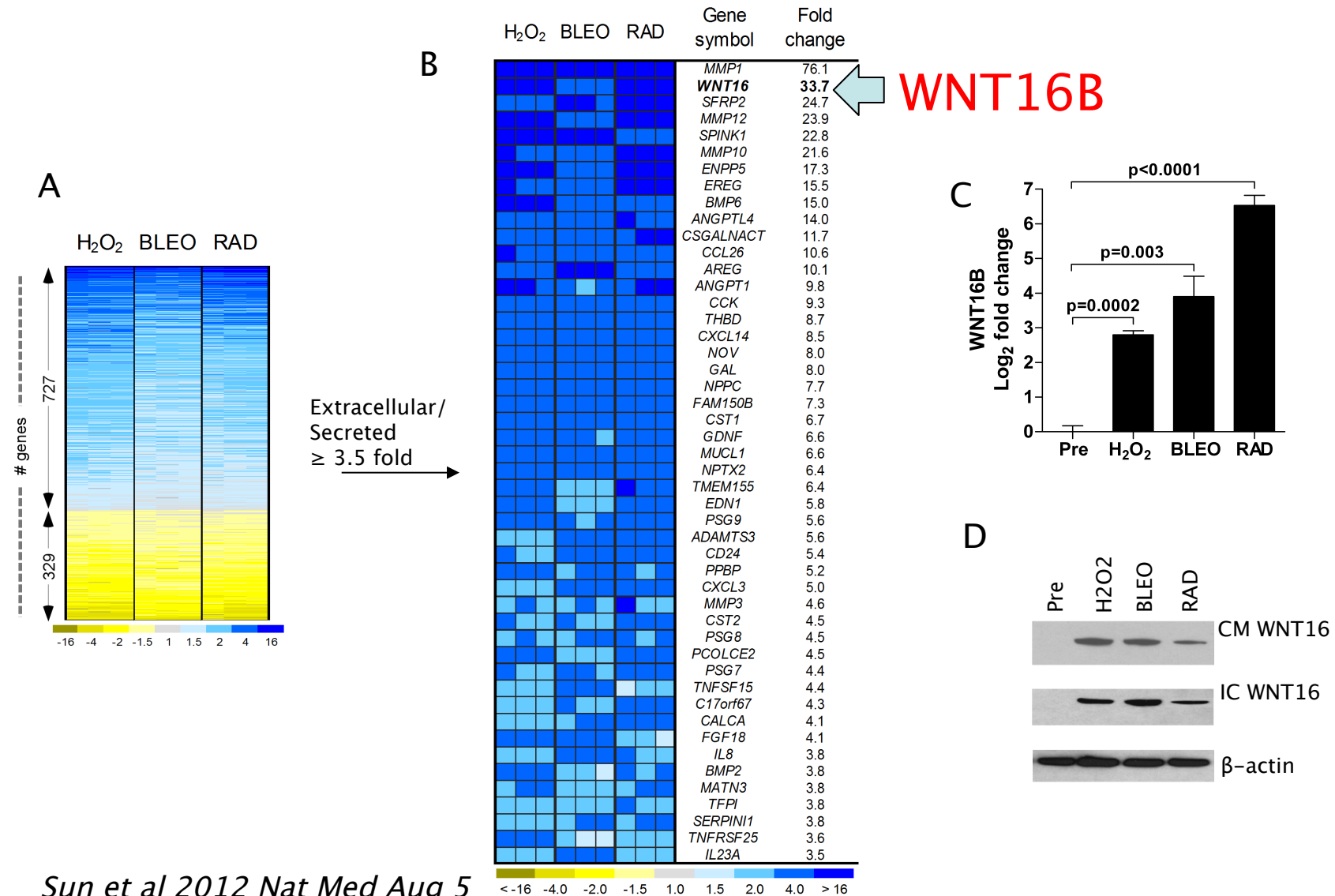
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## Immune Modulation

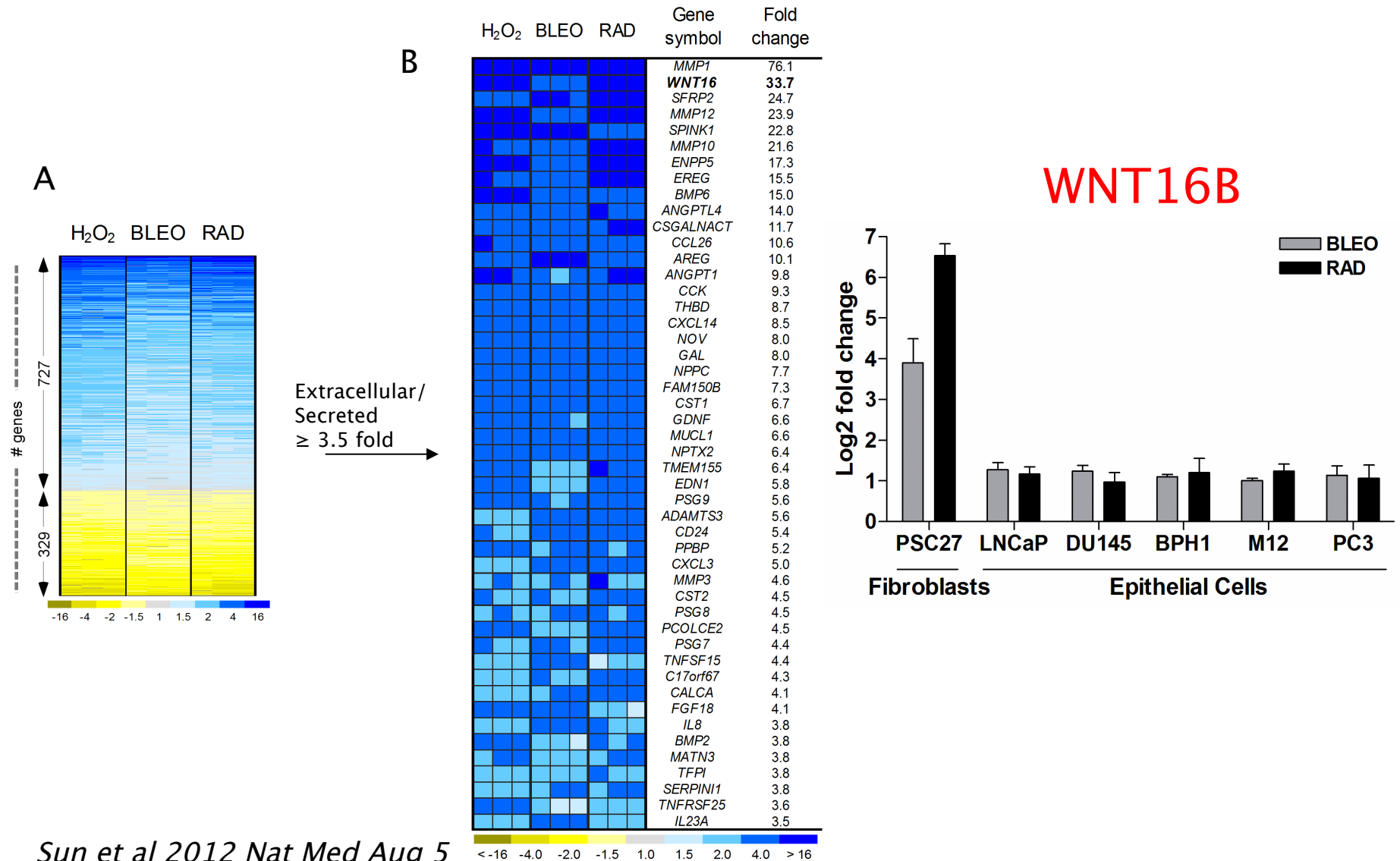
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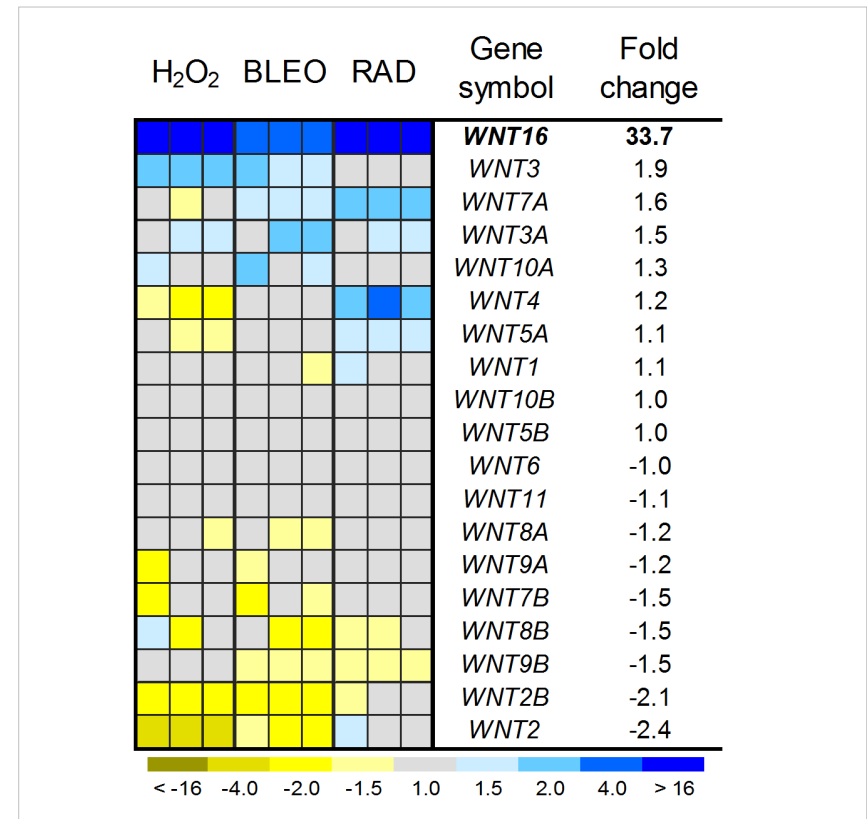
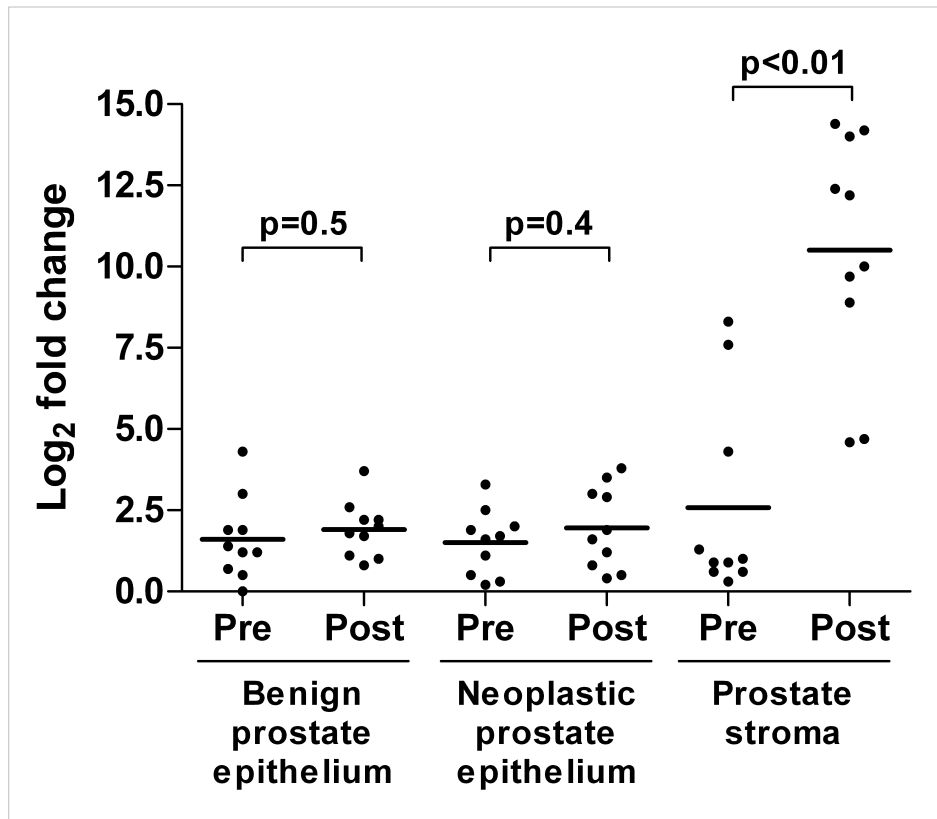


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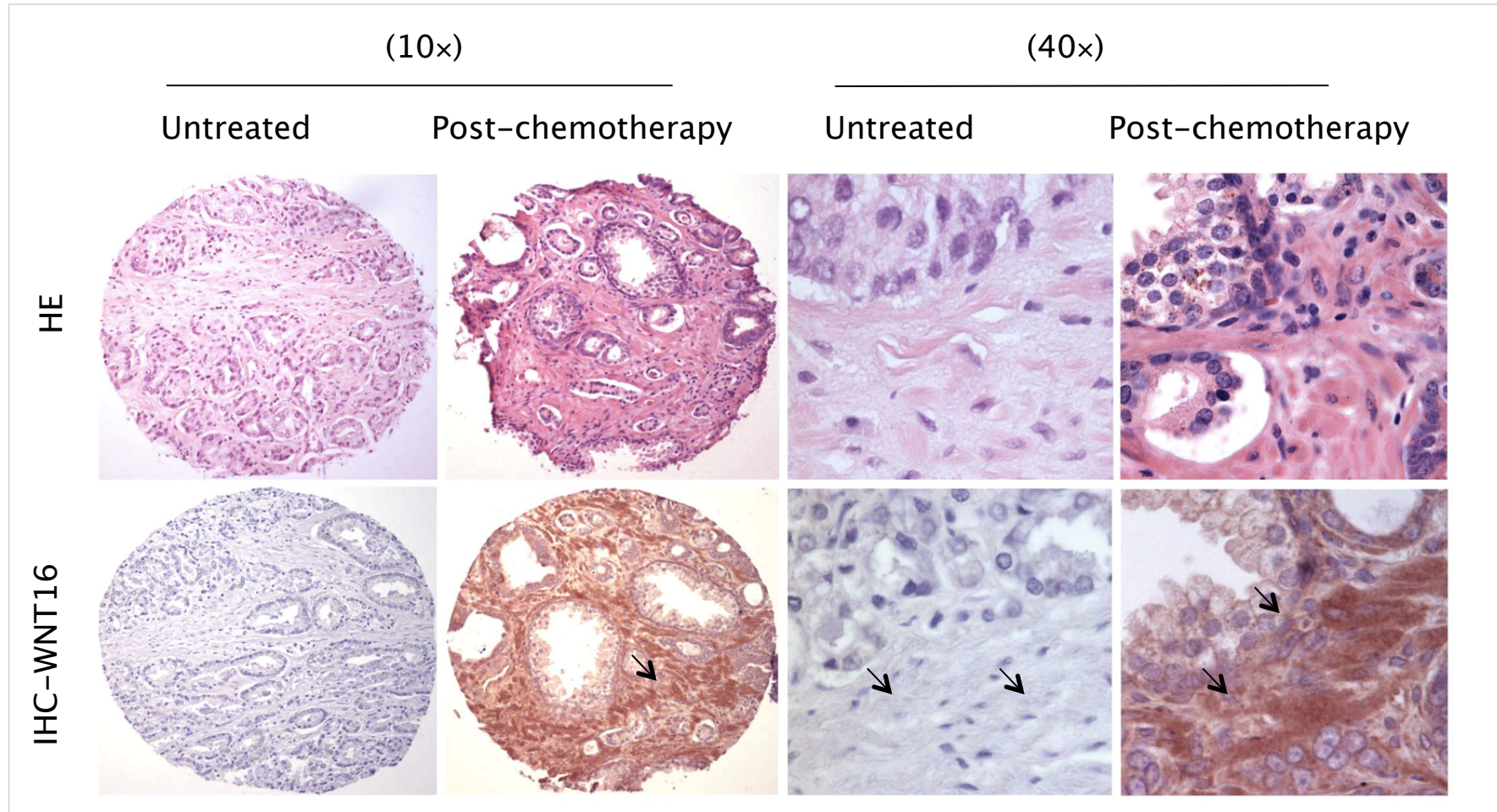


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# Cell Type- and WNT Type-Specific Damage Response *In Vivo*

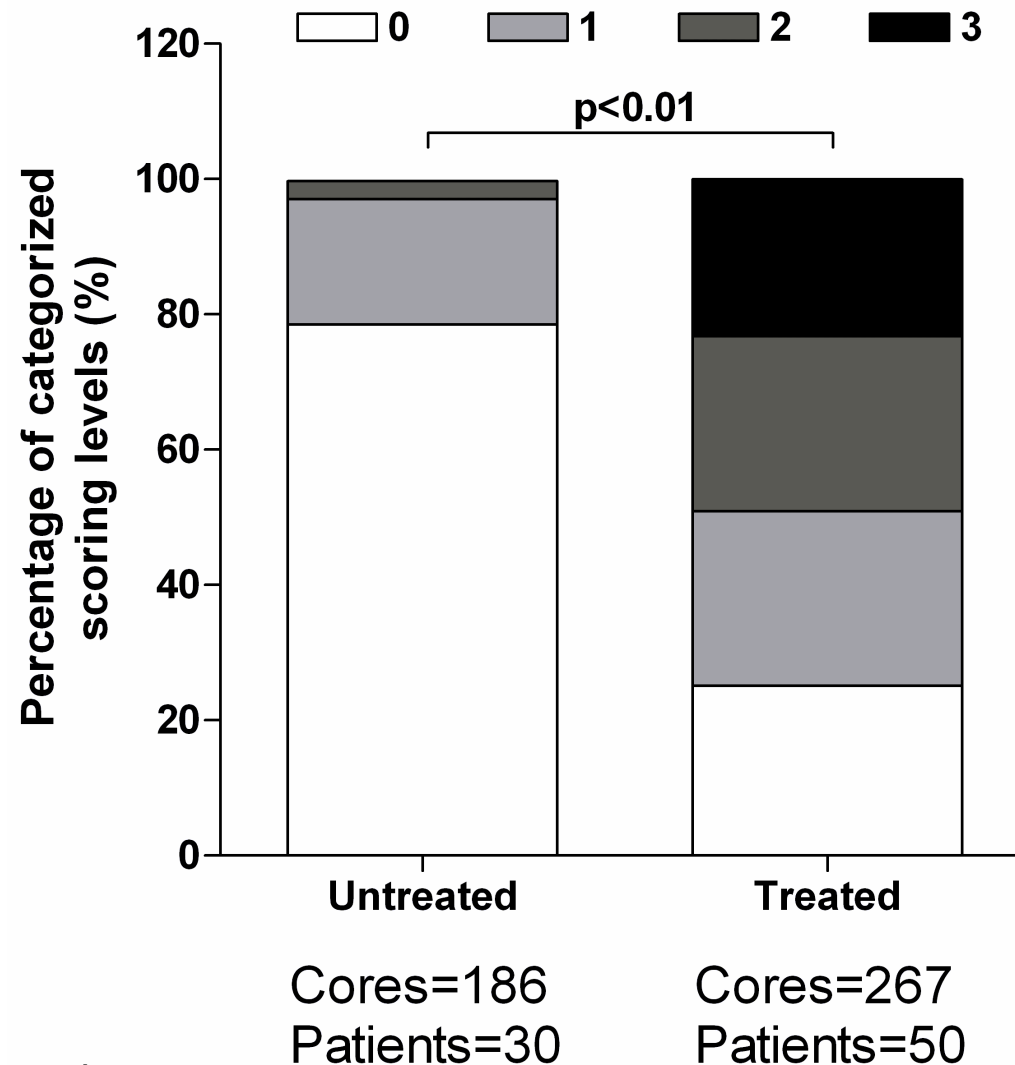


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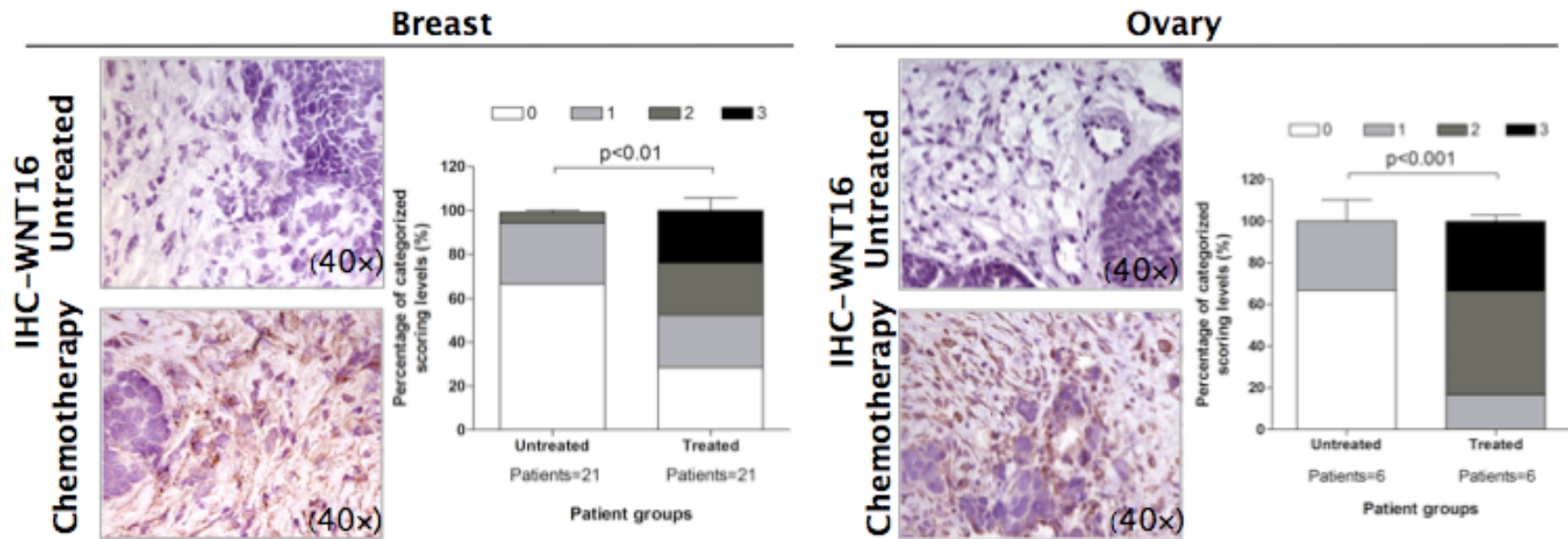
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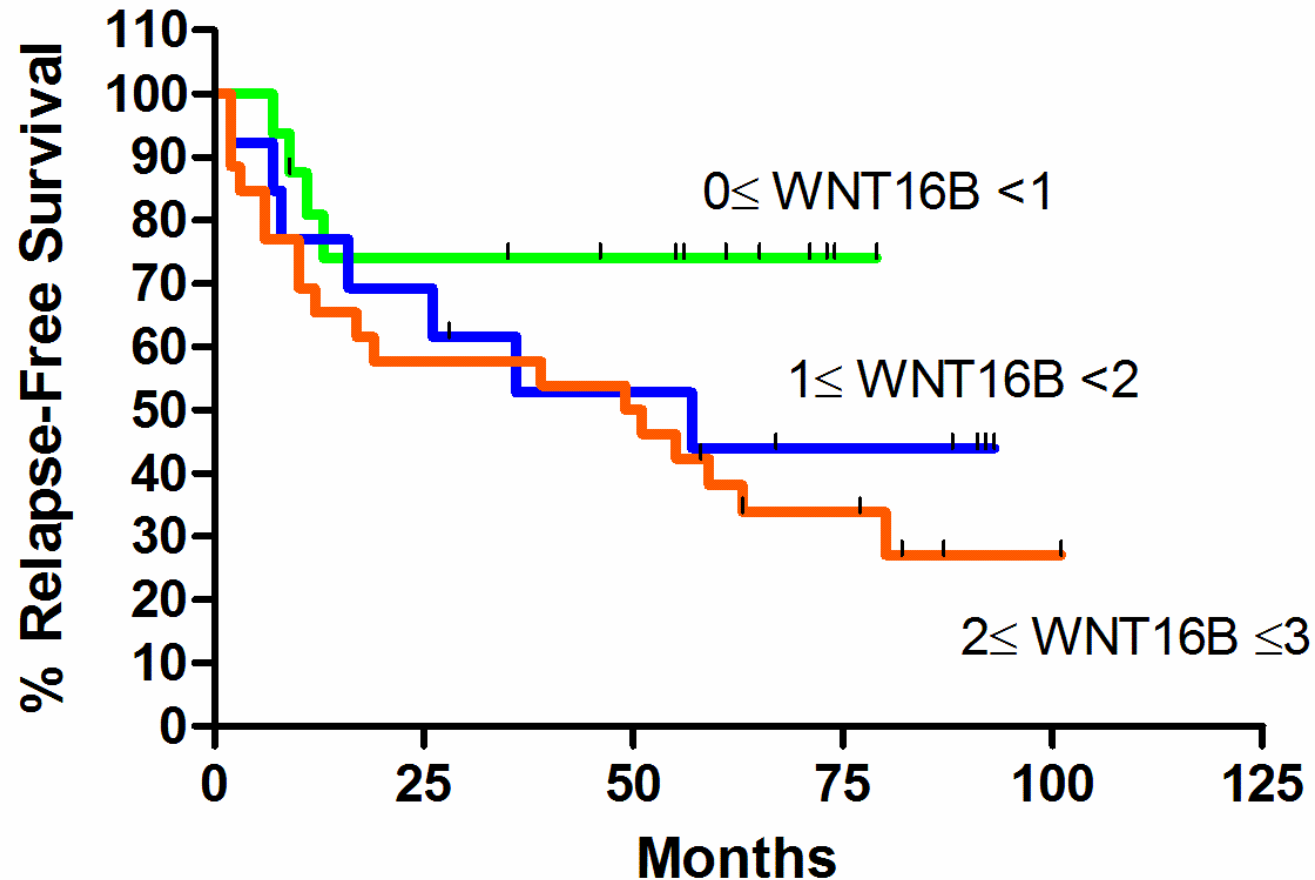
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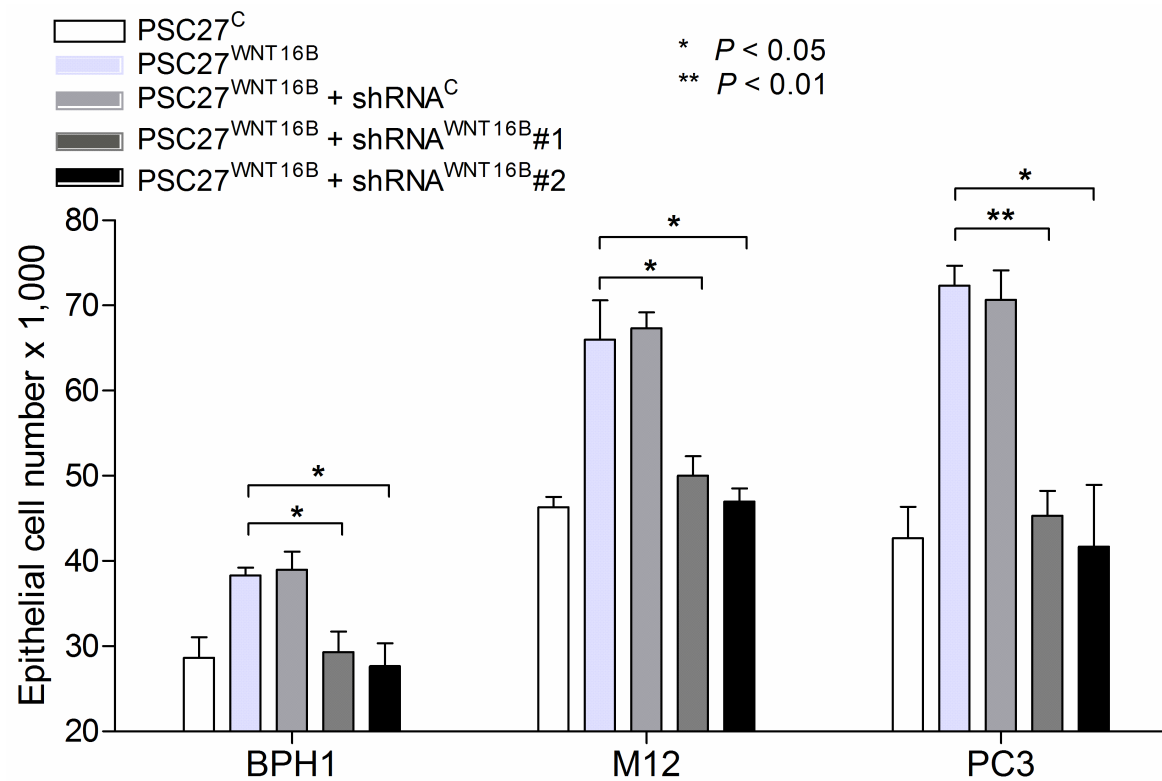


# WNT16B and Outcomes following Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy and RRP

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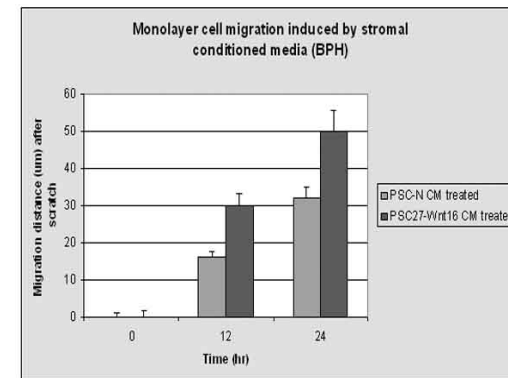
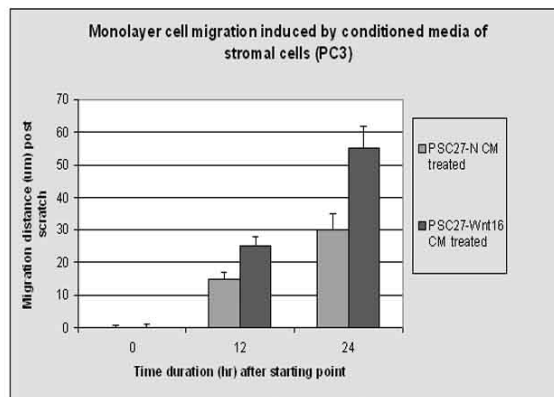
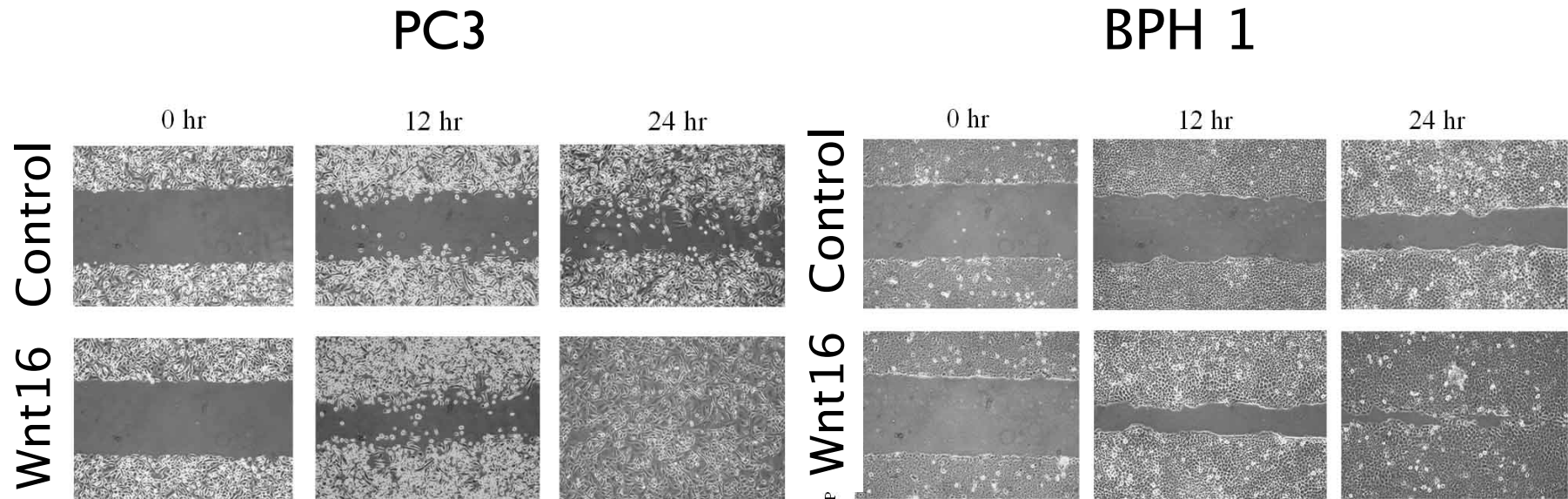


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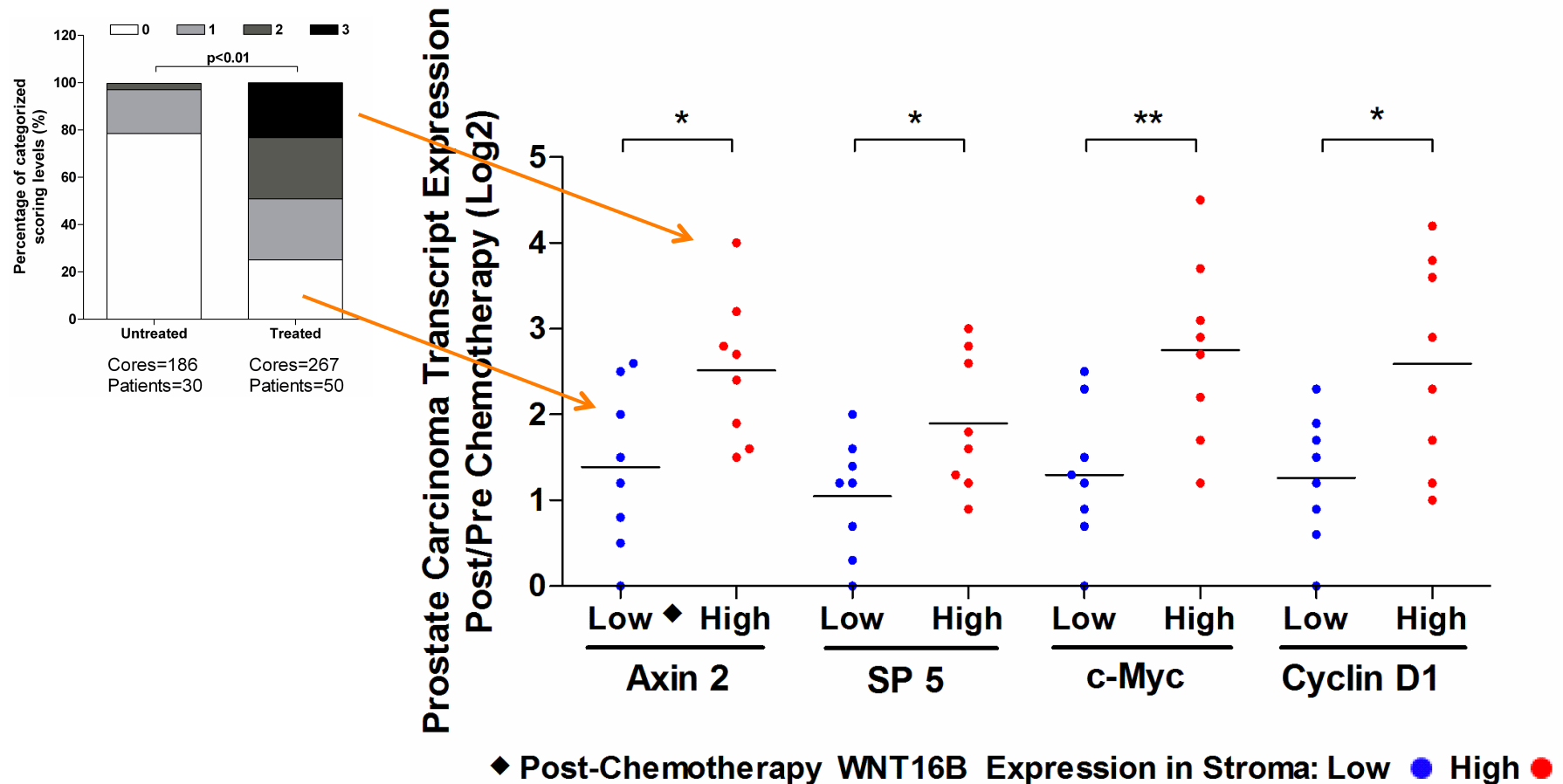




# Fibroblast-Derived WNT16B Promotes Epithelial Cell Migration Through Paracrine Effects

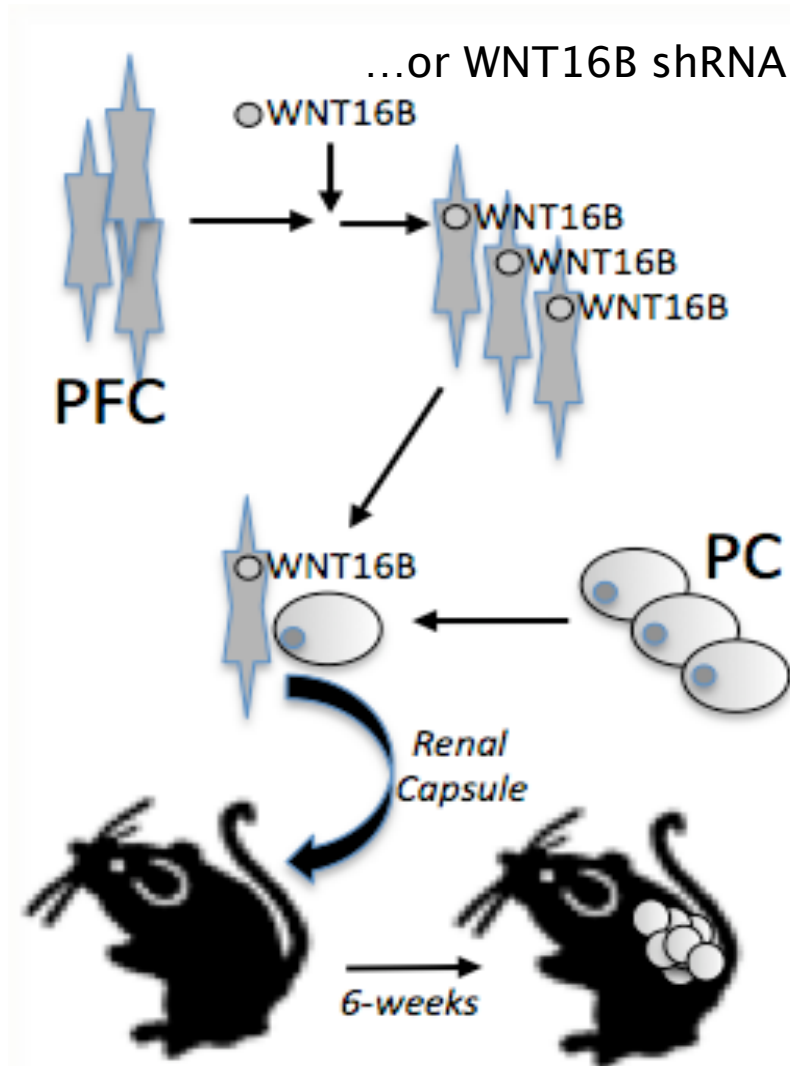


# $\beta$ -Catenin Target Genes Associate with WNT16B Expression After Chemotherapy

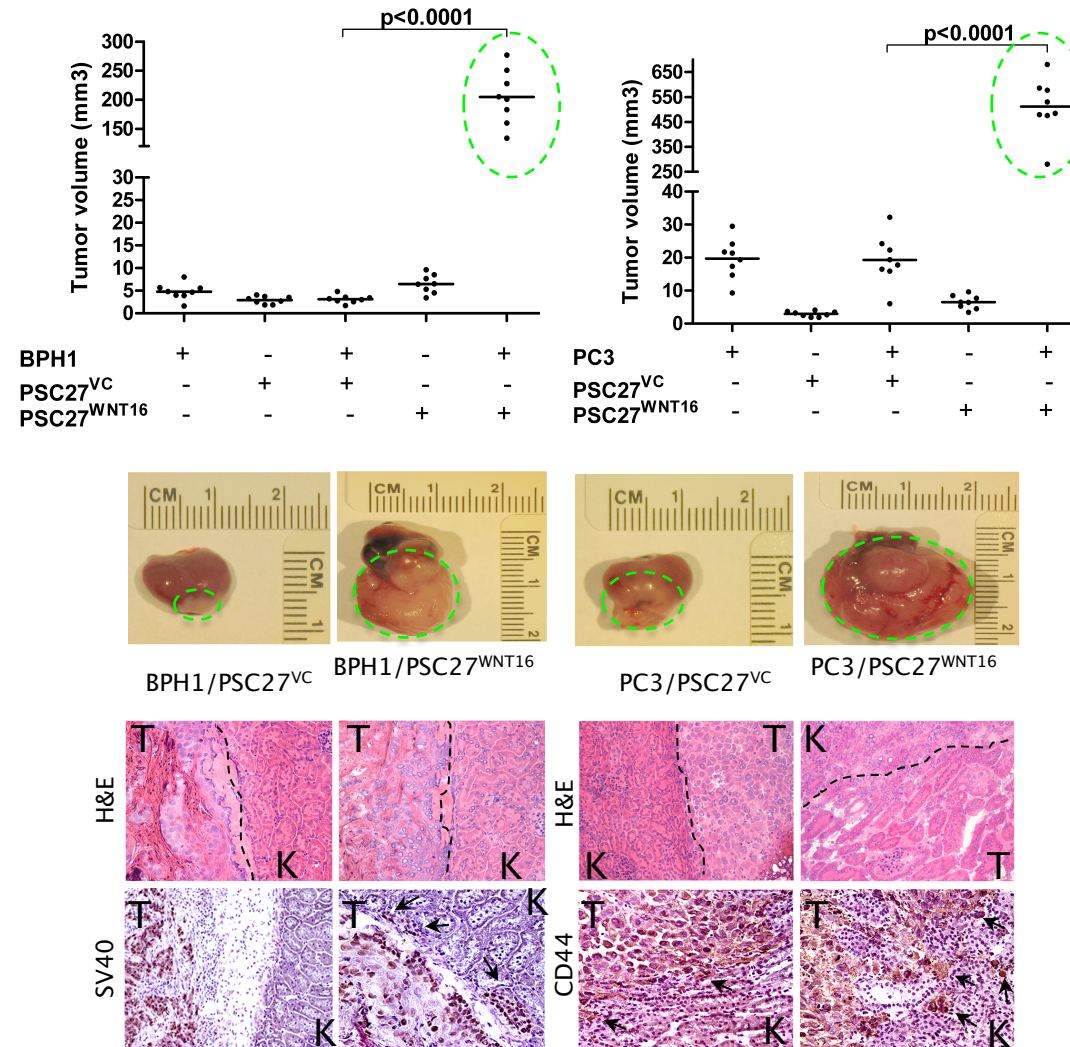


# Fibroblast WNT16B Promotes Tumor Growth

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# Stromal WNT16B Promotes Tumor Growth



## Effect of Tumour Cells killed by X-rays upon the Growth of Admixed Viable Cells

TUMOURS irradiated with sublethal X-ray doses can be schematically considered as containing two kinds of tumour cells, differing in their prospective

Laszlo  
Revesz

1950's

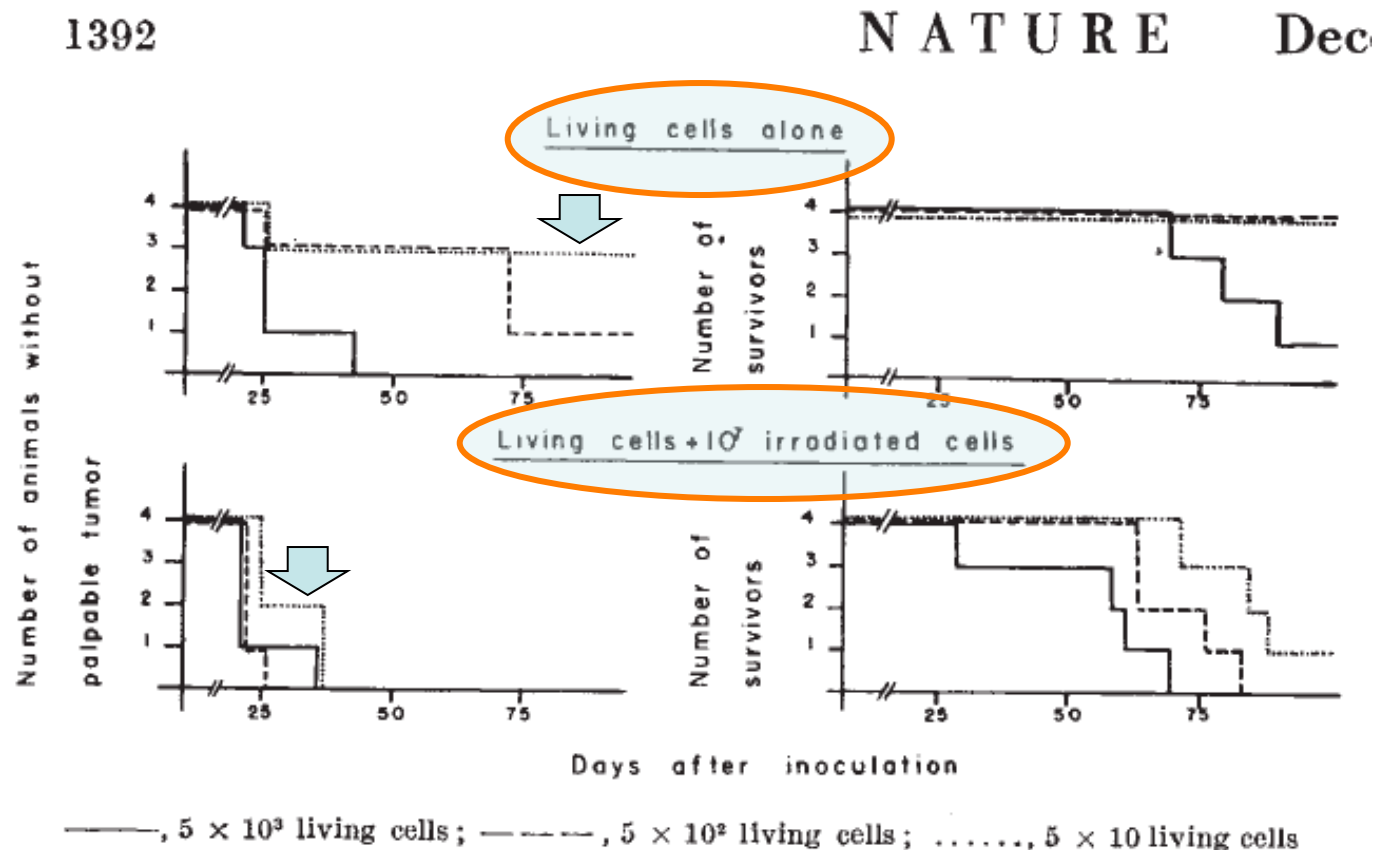


Fig. 2. Effect of cells lethally damaged by X-rays on the growth of viable cells admixed in various numbers. A spontaneous mammary carcinoma of the C3H strain was used. The curves on the left show the appearance of palpable tumours; those on the right denote survival time. Note higher incidence of tumours, reduced latency-period and decrease of survival-time in animals receiving the mixture



**REACTIONS OF THE TUMOUR BED TO LETHALLY IRRADIATED  
TUMOUR CELLS, AND THE RÉVÉSZ EFFECT**

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IN experimental animals the growth of transplanted allogeneic and syngeneic tumours can be markedly enhanced by adding lethally irradiated (LI) tumour cells in excess to the implanted inoculum of intact, viable (V) tumour cells. This phenomenon was discovered by Révész (1956) who showed that it depended primarily on the metabolic activities of LI cells, and their production of diffusible metabolites *in situ* which conditioned the cellular micro-environment of V cells, and established a “milieu propitieux” for their growth. Subsequent studies of the

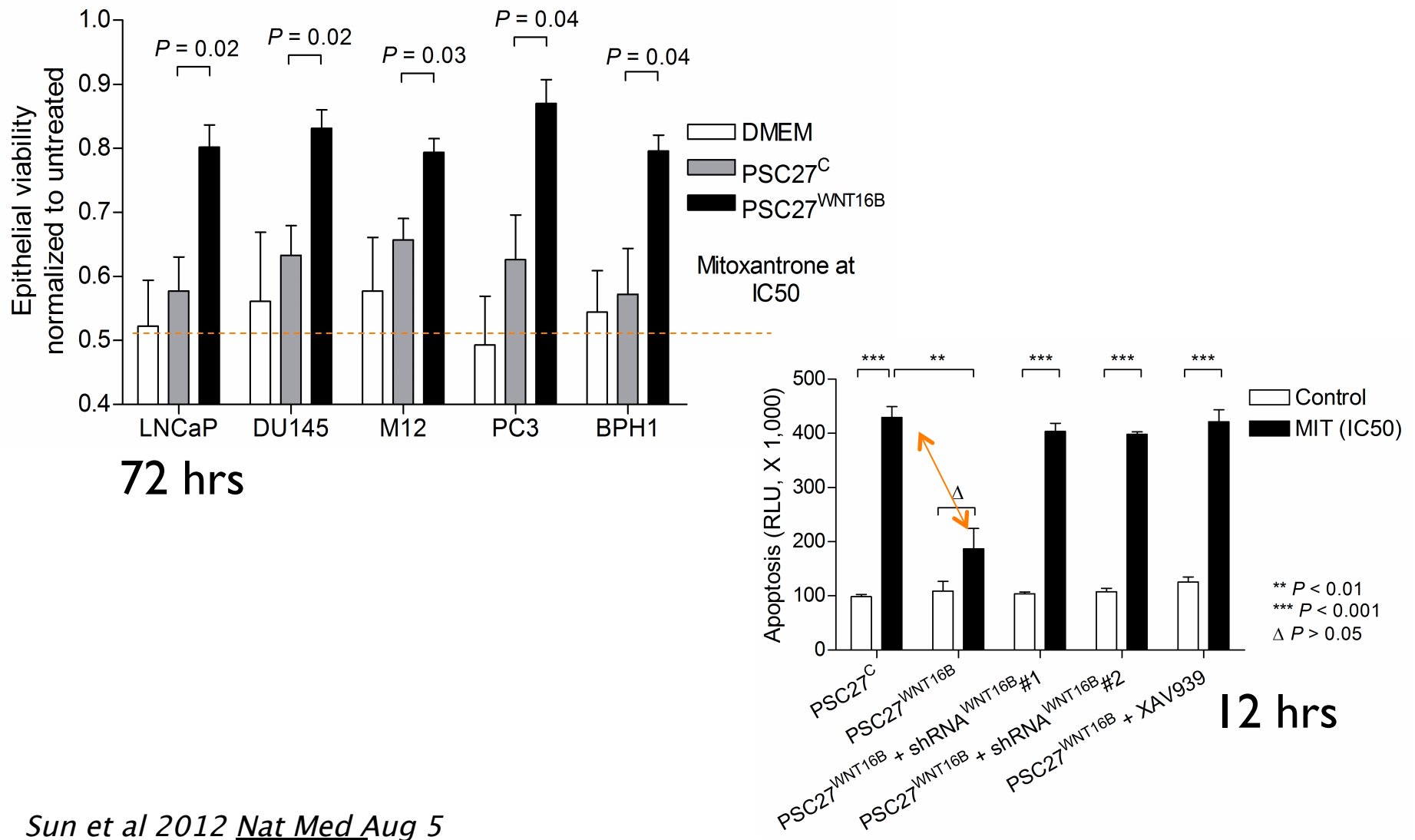
# *Revesz Effect + Corollaries*

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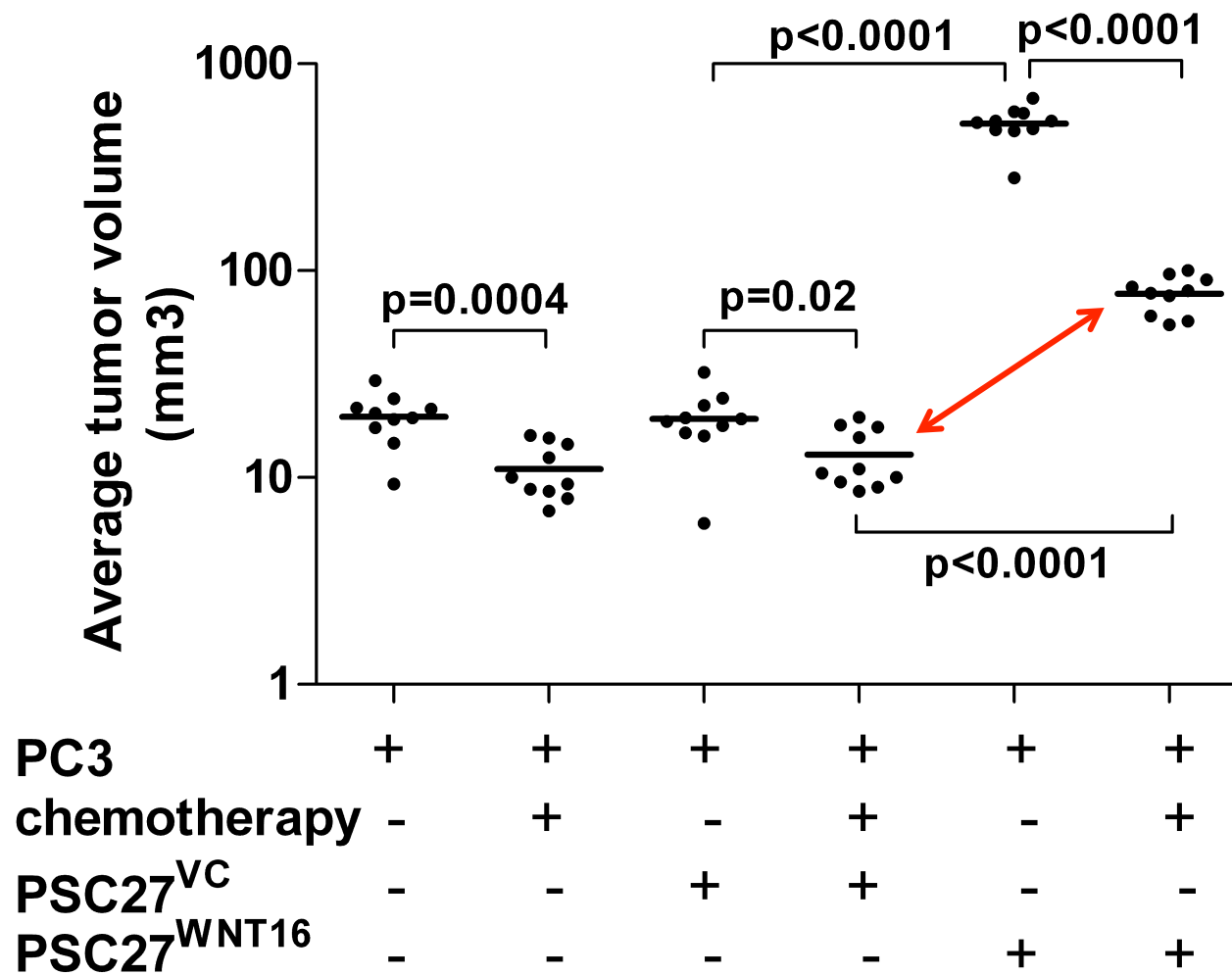
- ✓ Lethally-irradiated tumor cells reduced the number of non-irradiated tumor cells required to initiate a tumor...
- ✓ Lethally-irradiated tumor cells reduced the latency period of tumor growth...
- ✓ Irradiating the tumor bed (microenvironment conferred the same effects, and enhanced metastasis...
- ✓ Irradiated benign cells, co-implanted with tumor cells, conferred this effect



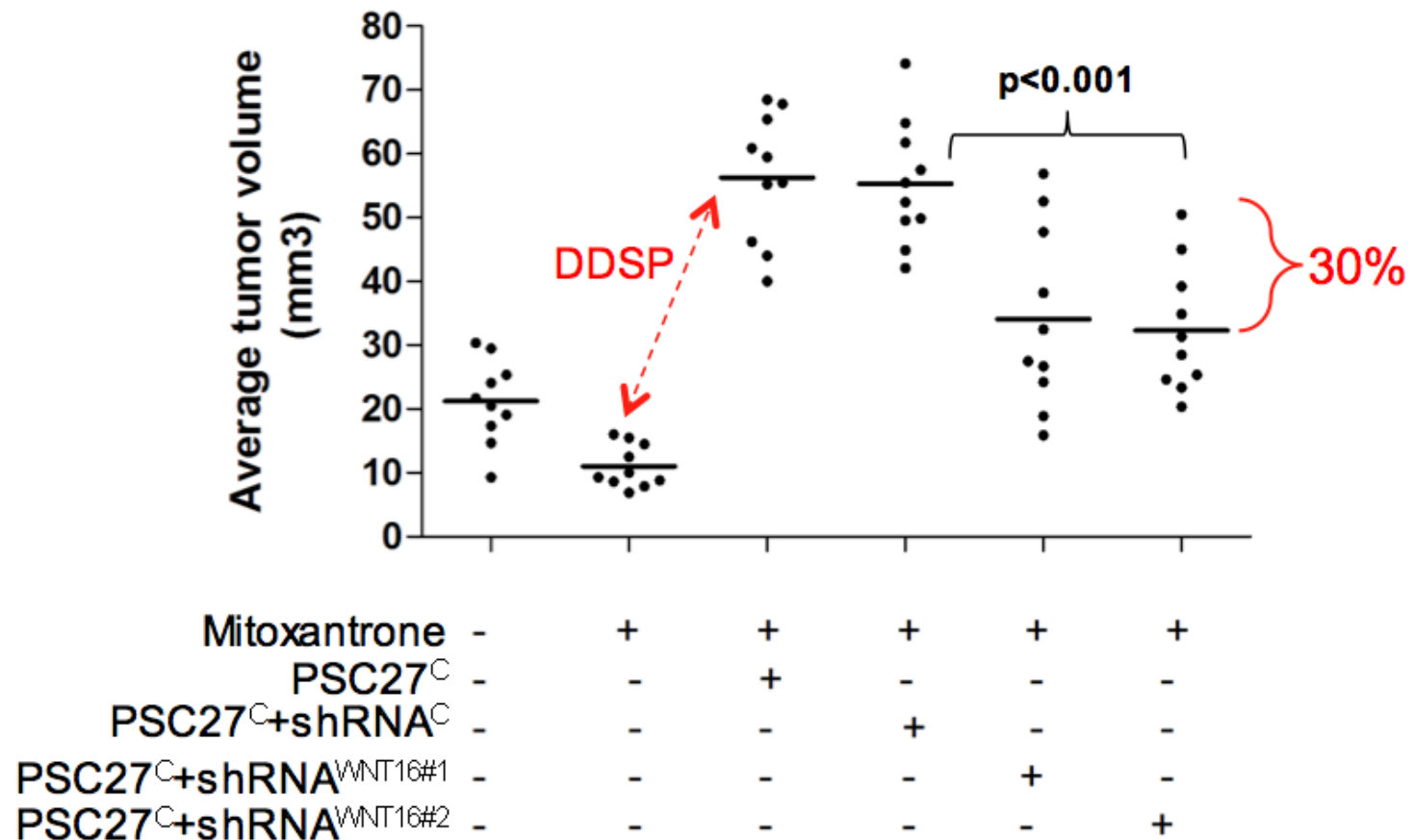
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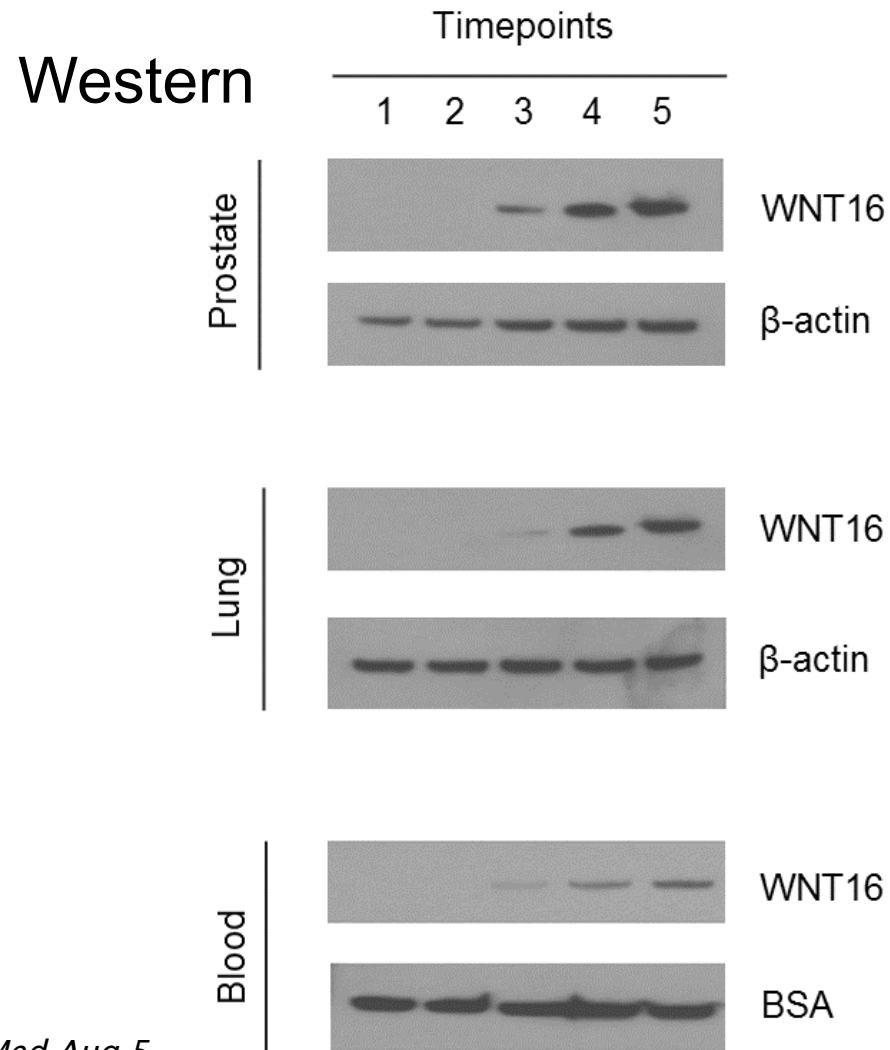


# Suppression of the WNT16B contribution to the full DDSP attenuates the chemoprotective effect of the DDSP *In Vivo*



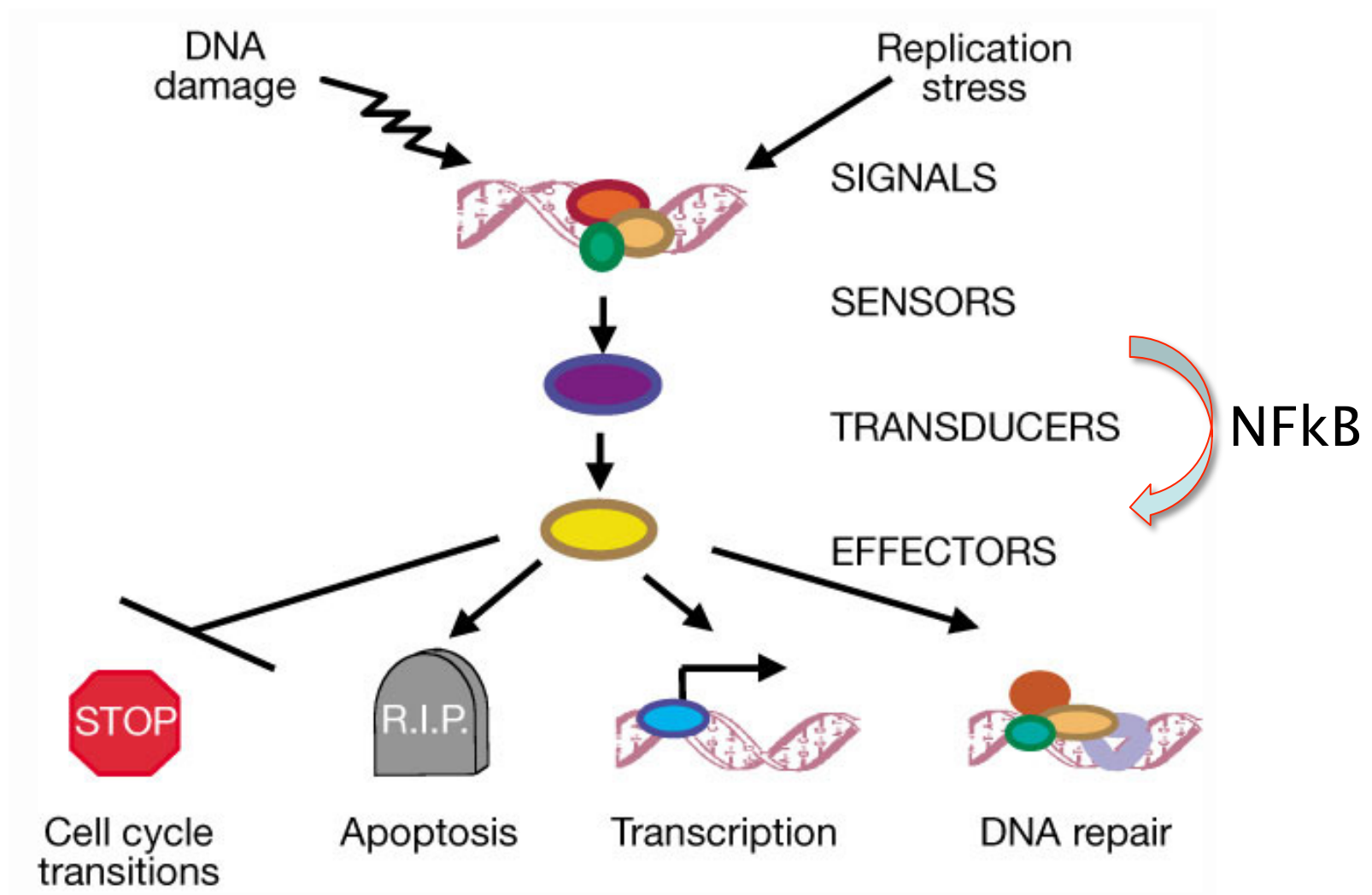
# Enhanced Wnt16B expression in multiple organs of chemotherapy-treated mice

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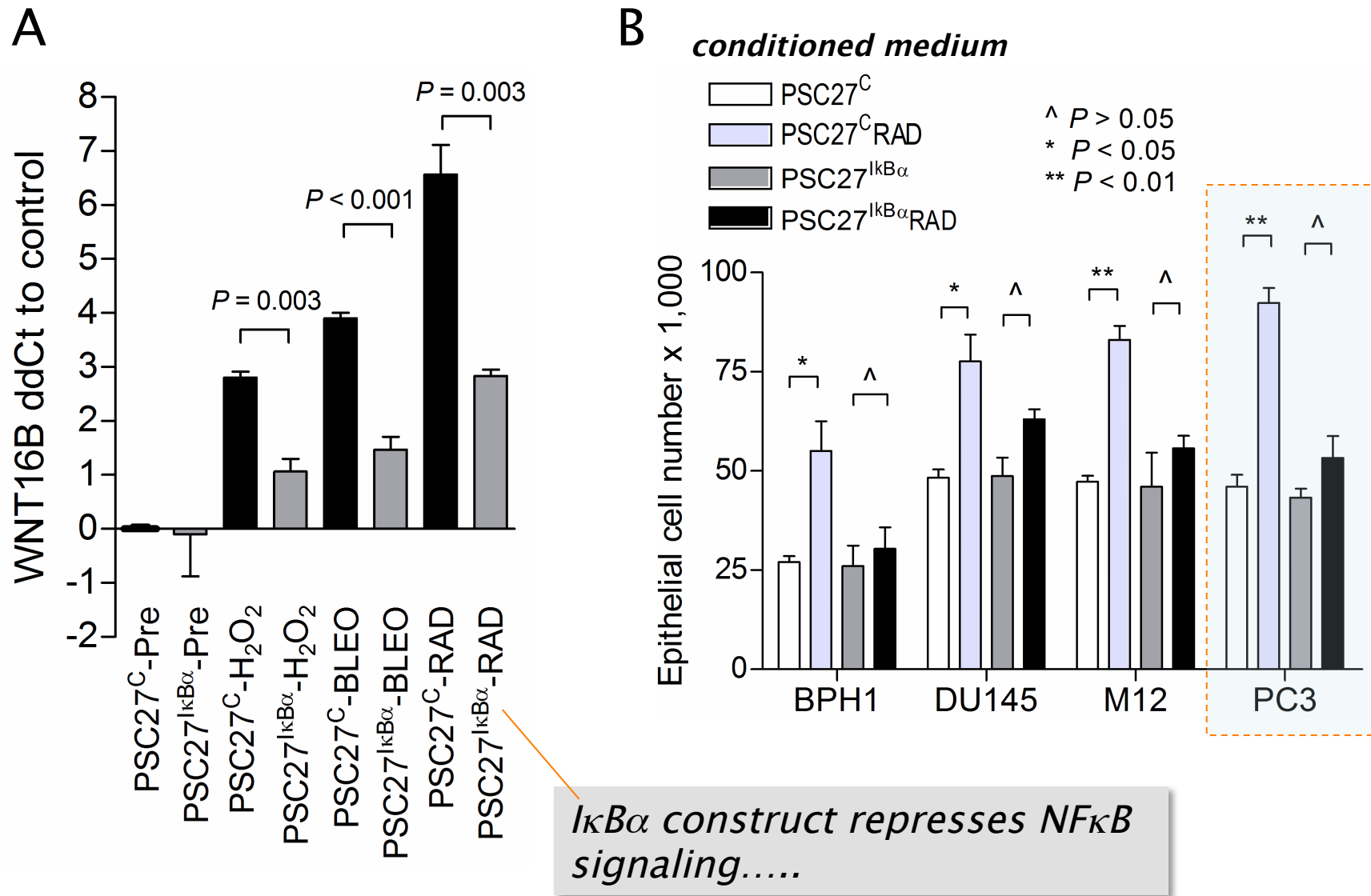


# DDSP: Transduction of Damage to Effector Proteins

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# DNA Damage Induction of WNT16B Occurs Via NFκB



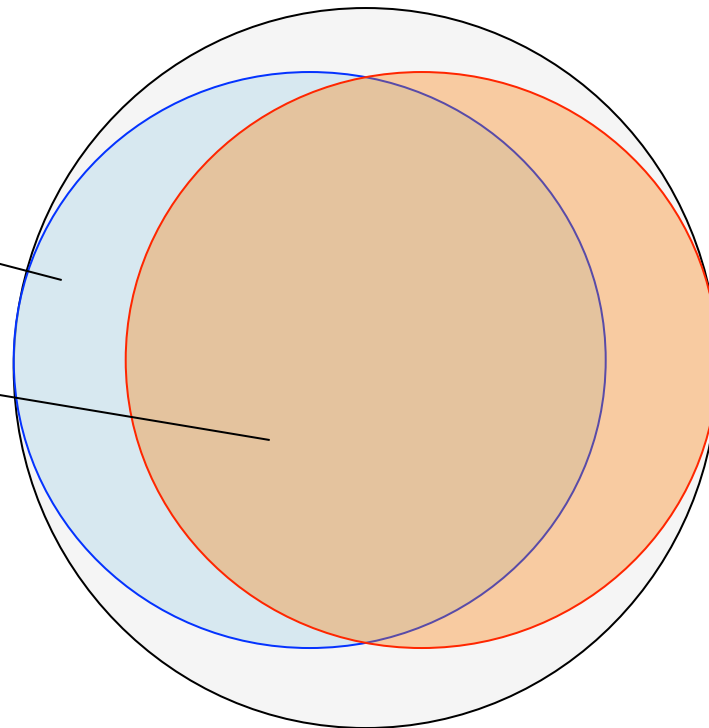
## DDSP: Master Regulators?

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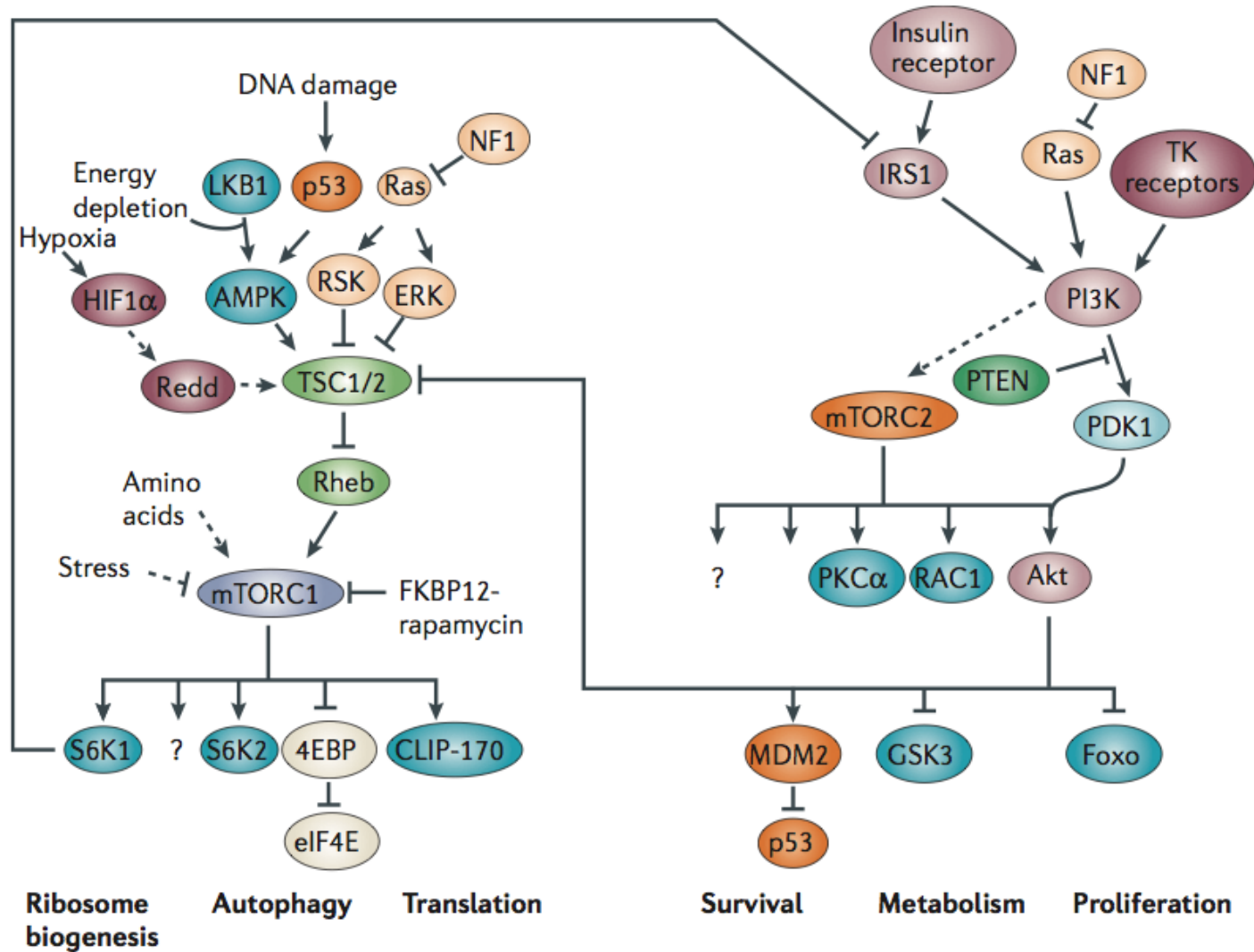
Focus on pathways that are verified or likely regulators of the DNA damage secretory response.

The target molecules will include the DDR proteins:

- ✓ ATM
- ✓ CHK2
- ✓ p38MAPK
- ✓ NF $\kappa$ B
- ✓ mTOR
- ✓ IL-1 $\alpha$
- ✓ HSP27?



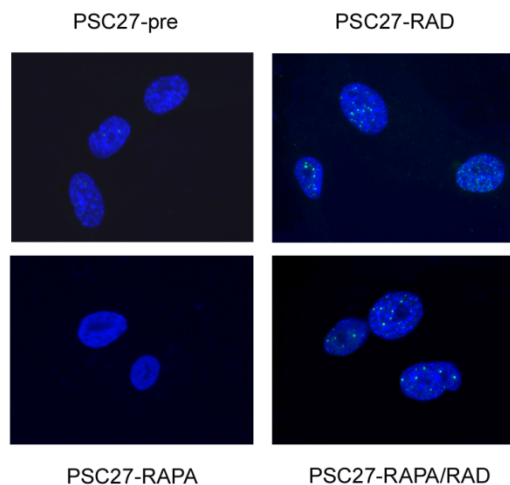
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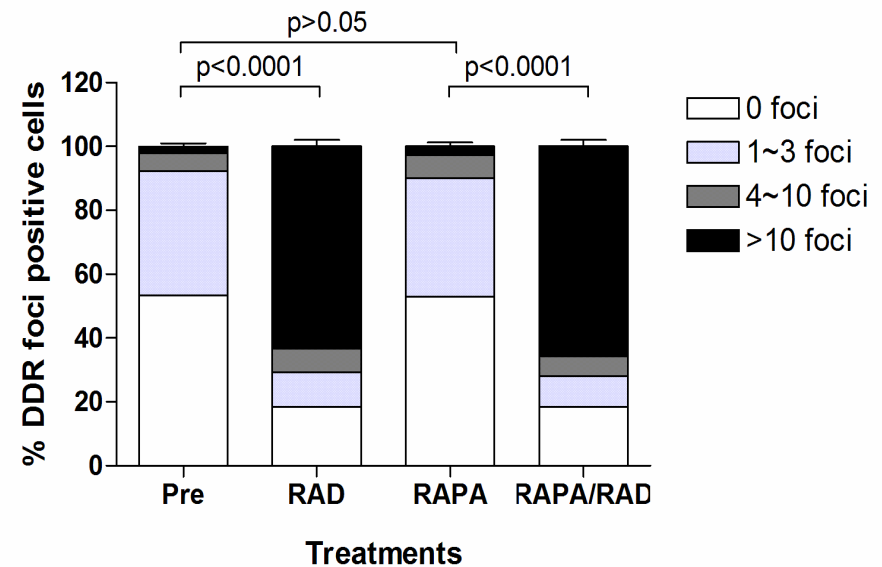


# mTOR blockade with Rapamycin does not augment or inhibit DNA damage

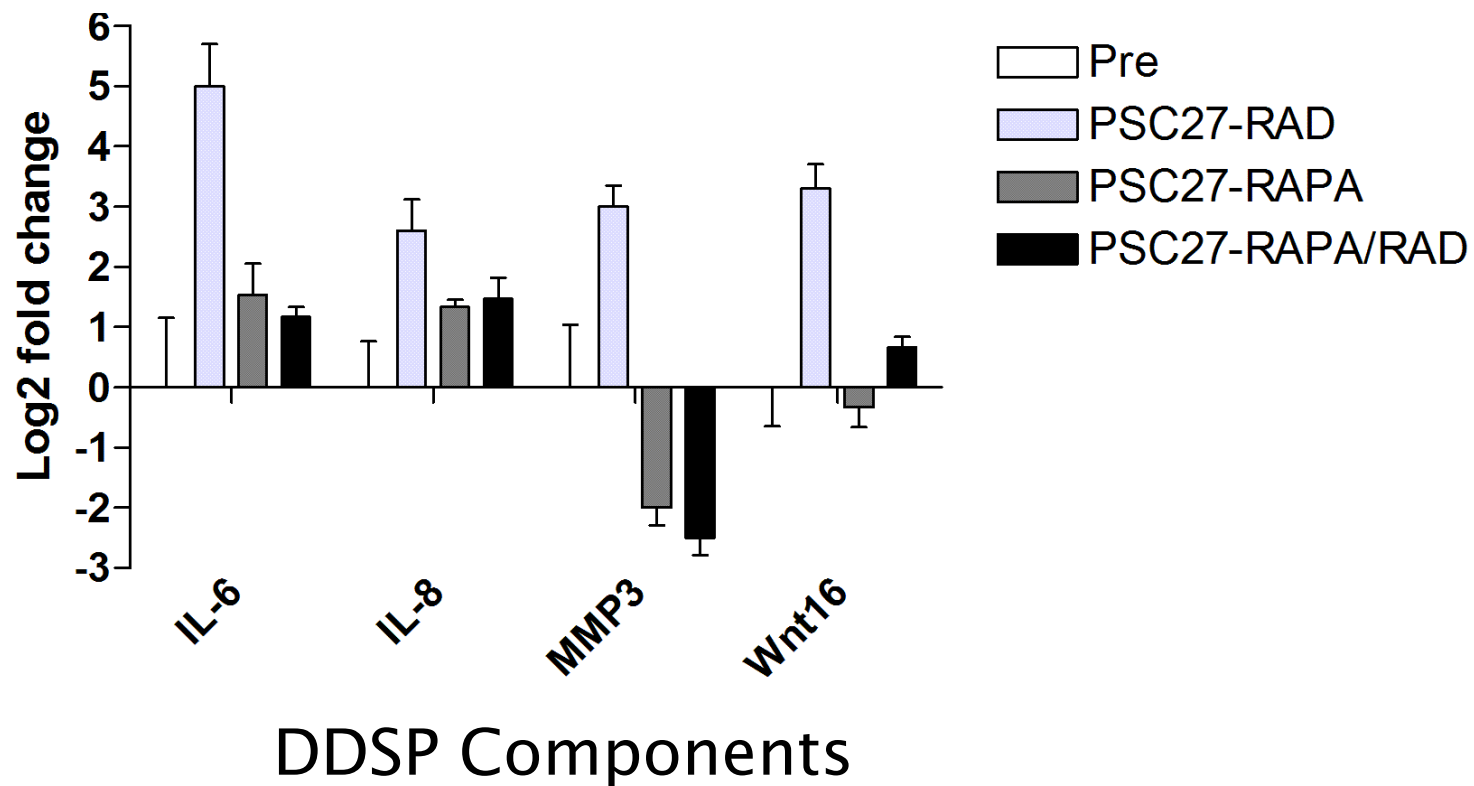
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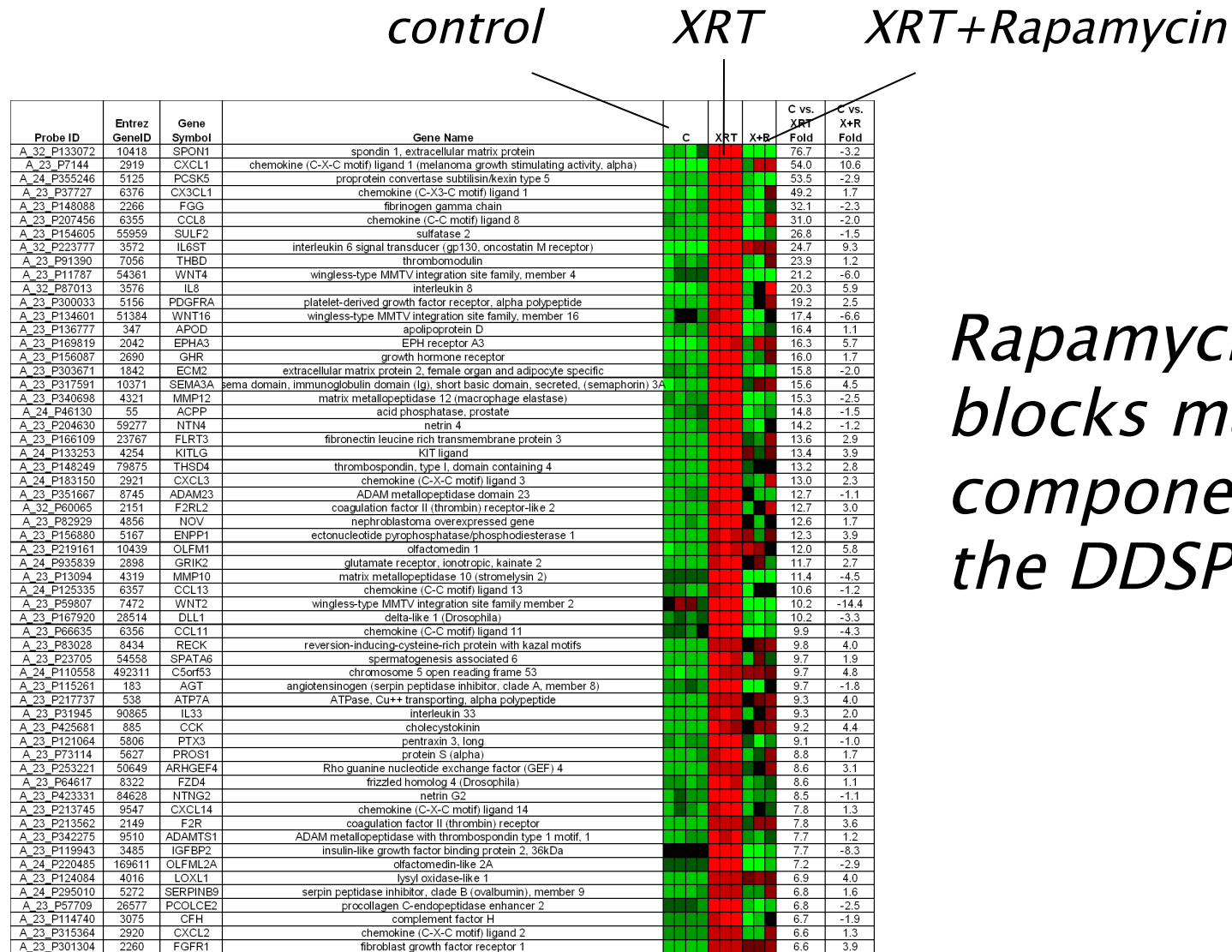
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Quantitation



## mTOR Blockade Largely Suppresses Key Effectors of the DNA Damage Secretory Program



# mTOR is an upstream regulator of the DDSP



*Rapamycin blocks major components of the DDSP*

*Sun et al unpublished*

*Red=induced by DNA damage...*

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Probe ID	Entrez GeneID	Gene Symbol	Gene Name	C	XRT	X+R	C vs. XRT Fold	C vs. X+R Fold
A_32_P133072	10418	SPON1	spondin 1, extracellular matrix protein	Green	Red	Green	76.7	-3.2
A_23_P7144	2919	CXCL1	chemokine (C-X-C motif) ligand 1 (melanoma growth stimulating activity, alpha)	Green	Red	Red	54.0	10.6
A_24_P355246	5125	PCSK5	proprotein convertase subtilisin/kexin type 5	Green	Red	Green	53.5	-2.9
A_23_P37727	6376	CX3CL1	chemokine (C-X3-C motif) ligand 1	Green	Red	Red	49.2	1.7
A_23_P148088	2266	FGG	fibrinogen gamma chain	Green	Red	Green	32.1	-2.3
A_23_P207456	6355	CCL8	chemokine (C-C motif) ligand 8	Green	Red	Red	31.0	-2.0
A_23_P154605	55959	SULF2	sulfatase 2	Green	Red	Green	26.8	-1.5
A_32_P223777	3572	IL6ST	interleukin 6 signal transducer (gp130, oncostatin M receptor)	Green	Red	Red	24.7	9.3
A_23_P91390	7056	THBD	thrombomodulin	Green	Red	Red	23.9	1.2
A_23_P11787	54361	WNT4	wingless-type MMTV integration site family, member 4	Green	Red	Green	21.2	-6.0
A_32_P87013	3576	IL8	interleukin 8	Green	Red	Red	20.3	5.9
A_23_P300033	5156	PDGFRA	platelet-derived growth factor receptor, alpha polypeptide	Green	Red	Red	19.2	2.5
A_23_P134601	51384	WNT16	wingless-type MMTV integration site family, member 16	Green	Red	Red	17.4	-6.6
A_23_P136777	347	APOD	apolipoprotein D	Green	Red	Green	16.4	1.1
A_23_P169819	2042	EPHA3	EPH receptor A3	Green	Red	Red	16.3	5.7
A_23_P156087	2690	GHR	growth hormone receptor	Green	Red	Red	16.0	1.7
A_23_P303671	1842	ECM2	extracellular matrix protein 2, female organ and adipocyte specific	Green	Red	Green	15.8	-2.0

  
 Rapamycin

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A_23_P363034	116236	ABHD15	abhydrolase domain containing 15	1	1	1	28.5	23.2
A_23_P359630	5343	PLGLB1	plasminogen-like B1	1	1	1	23.1	37.0
A_23_P429950	3730	KAL1	Kallmann syndrome 1 sequence	1	1	1	22.7	15.2
A_23_P4161	22901	ARSG	arylsulfatase G	1	1	1	16.8	16.9
A_24_P937405	11098	PRSS23	protease, serine, 23	1	1	1	16.7	8.9
A_24_P205994	255324	EPGN	epithelial mitogen homolog (mouse)	1	1	1	13.1	15.9
A_24_P413941	205327	C2orf69	chromosome 2 open reading frame 69	1	1	1	10.7	8.0
A_23_P214079	6690	SPINK1	serine peptidase inhibitor, Kazal type 1	1	1	1	10.6	9.3
A_23_P218918	2247	FGF2	fibroblast growth factor 2 (basic)	1	1	1	10.3	15.4
A_23_P218858	25890	ABI3BP	ABI family, member 3 (NESH) binding protein	1	1	1	8.6	12.9
A_23_P215634	3486	IGFBP3	insulin-like growth factor binding protein 3	1	1	1	8.1	7.0
A_24_P325992	3977	LIFR	leukemia inhibitory factor receptor alpha	1	1	1	8.0	5.8
A_24_P787897	64131	XYLT1	xylosyltransferase I	1	1	1	7.9	11.1
A_23_P23611	278	AMY1C	amylase, alpha 1C (salivary)	1	1	1	7.5	5.4
A_23_P258136	25878	MXRA5	matrix-remodelling associated 5	1	1	1	7.3	5.2
A_23_P24129	22943	DKK1	dickkopf homolog 1 (Xenopus laevis)	1	1	1	7.3	5.9

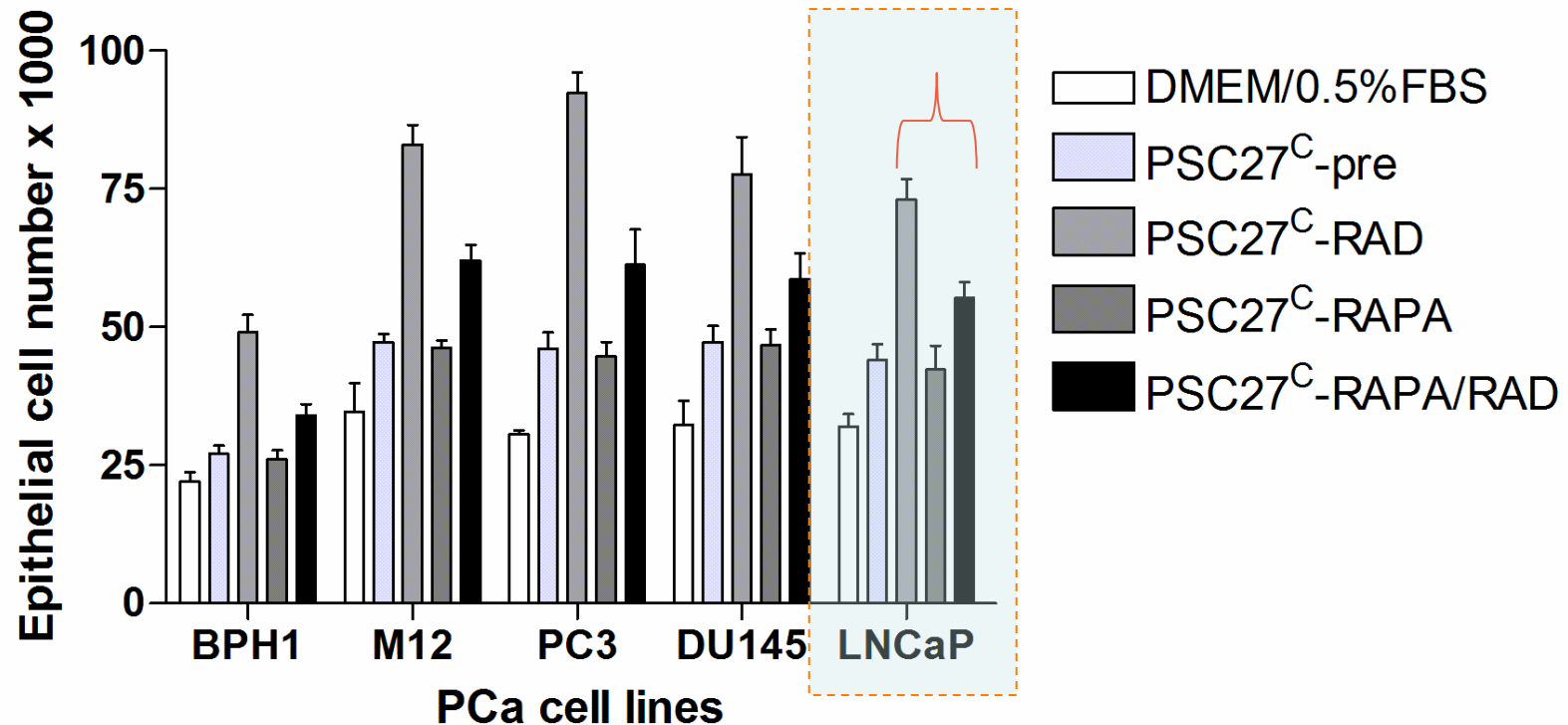
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A_24_P181254	10562	OLFM4	olfactomedin 4	1.0	1.0	1.0	15.0	220.4
A_23_P214821	1906	EDN1	endothelin 1	1.0	1.0	1.0	13.1	61.8
A_23_P126836	7292	TNFSF4	tumor necrosis factor (ligand) superfamily, member 4	1.0	1.0	1.0	11.1	84.6
A_23_P94754	9966	TNFSF15	tumor necrosis factor (ligand) superfamily, member 15	1.0	1.0	1.0	11.0	36.5
A_24_P535256	3624	INHBA	inhibin, beta A	1.0	1.0	1.0	8.9	18.4
A_24_P158946	121512	FGD4	FYVE, RhoGEF and PH domain containing 4	1.0	1.0	1.0	6.9	22.7
A_32_P313405	284217	LAMA1	laminin, alpha 1	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.9	10.9
A_24_P234116	54964	C1orf56	chromosome 1 open reading frame 56	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.7	8.9
A_23_P130158	7473	WNT3	wingless-type MMTV integration site family, member 3	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.5	14.3
A_23_P404494	3575	IL7R	interleukin 7 receptor	1.0	1.0	1.0	5.2	8.2
A_24_P290585	55075	UACA	uveal autoantigen with coiled-coil domains and ankyrin repeats	1.0	1.0	1.0	4.3	9.4
A_24_P111106	2246	FGF1	fibroblast growth factor 1 (acidic)	1.0	1.0	1.0	3.3	5.9
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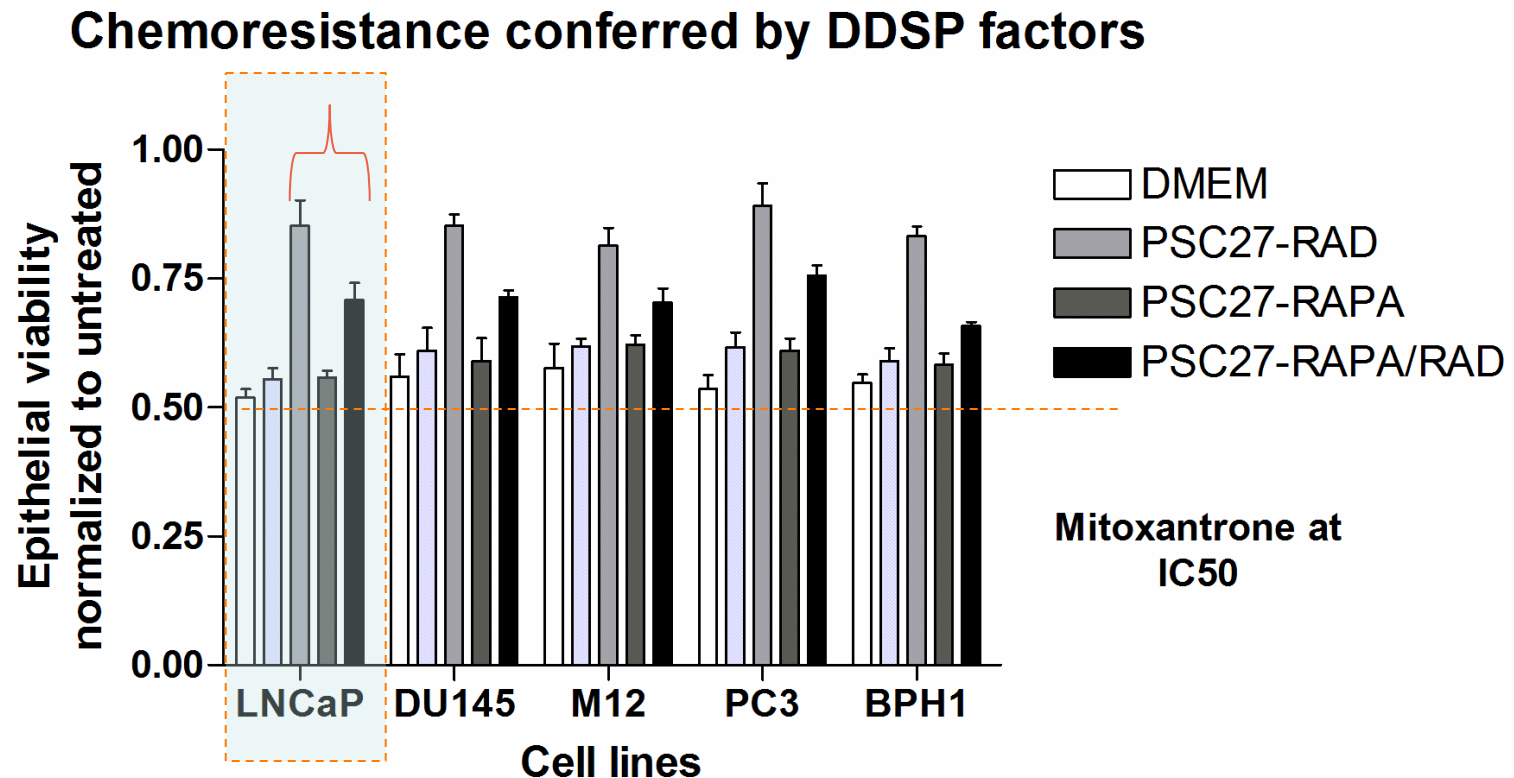
Rapamycin

Enhanced epithelial cell proliferation induced by DNA damage to fibroblasts (PSC27–RAD) is attenuated by treatment of fibroblasts with Rapamycin (RAPA/RAD)



Resistance to chemotherapy conferred by the DDSP from prostate fibroblasts (PSC27-RAD) is attenuated by pre-treatment of fibroblasts with Rapamycin (RAPA/RAD)

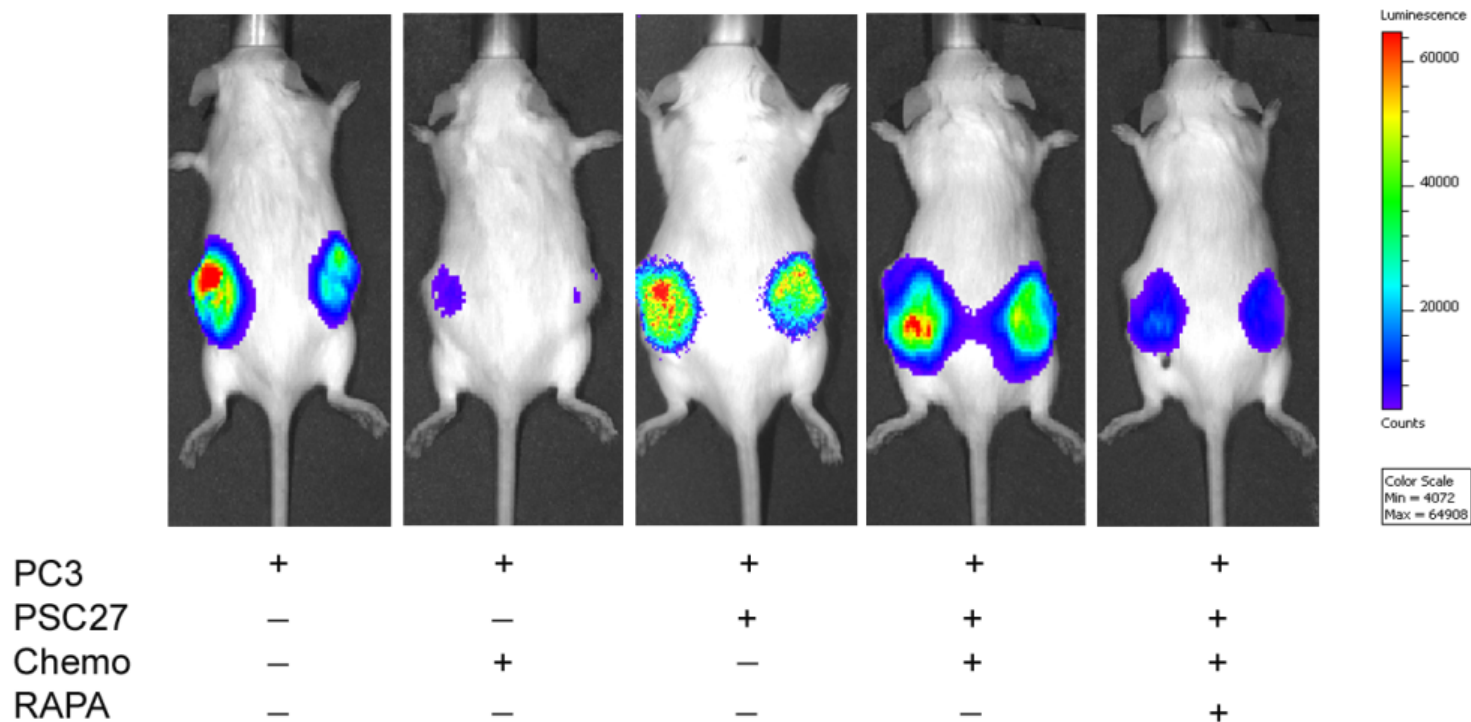
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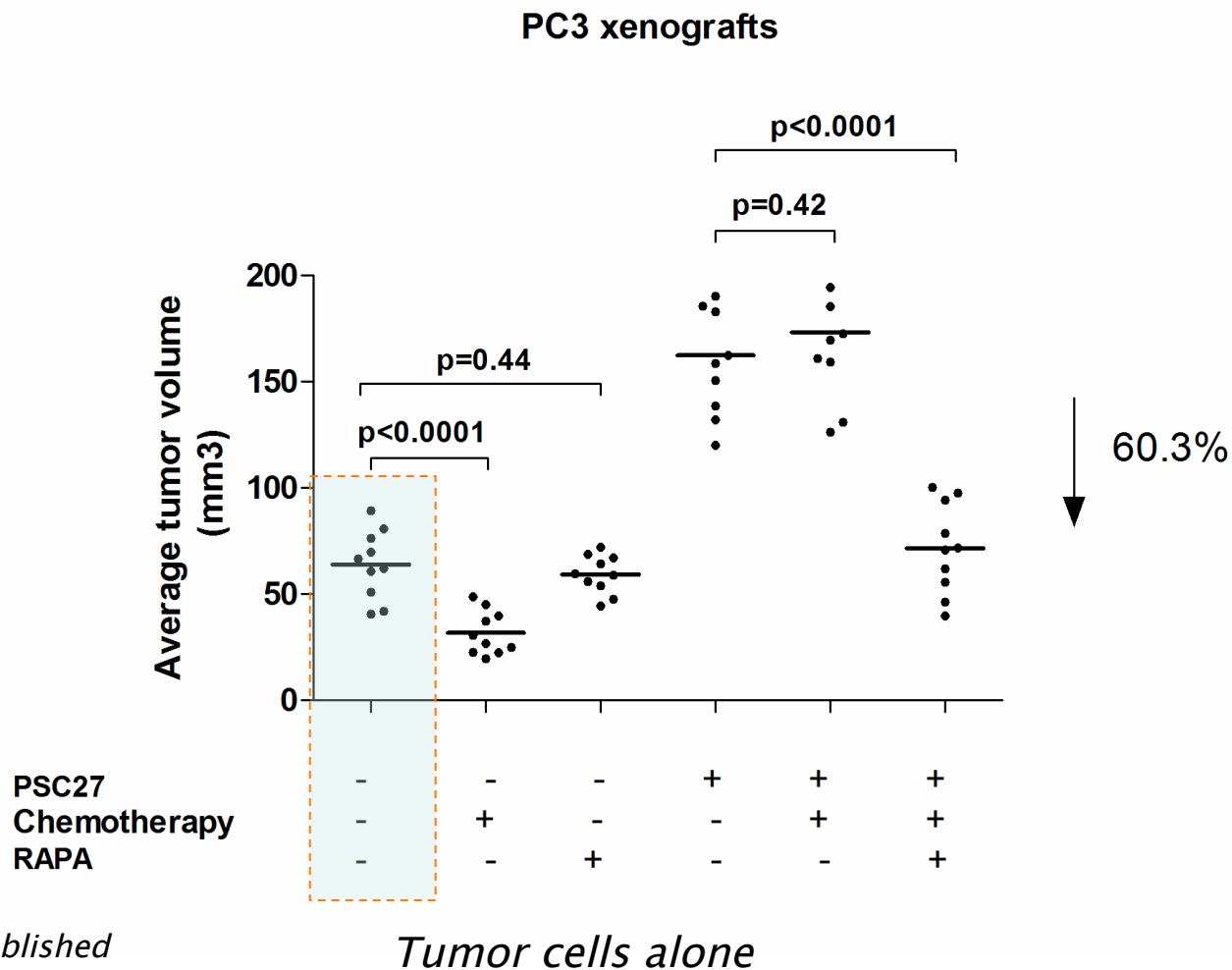
# Prostate Cancer Xenografts: Tumor Epithelium +/- Prostate Fibroblasts (PSC27)

1. Fibroblasts induce prostate cancer resistance to systemic chemotherapy
2. Inhibition of the fibroblast DDSP with rapamycin attenuates prostate cancer chemotherapy resistance

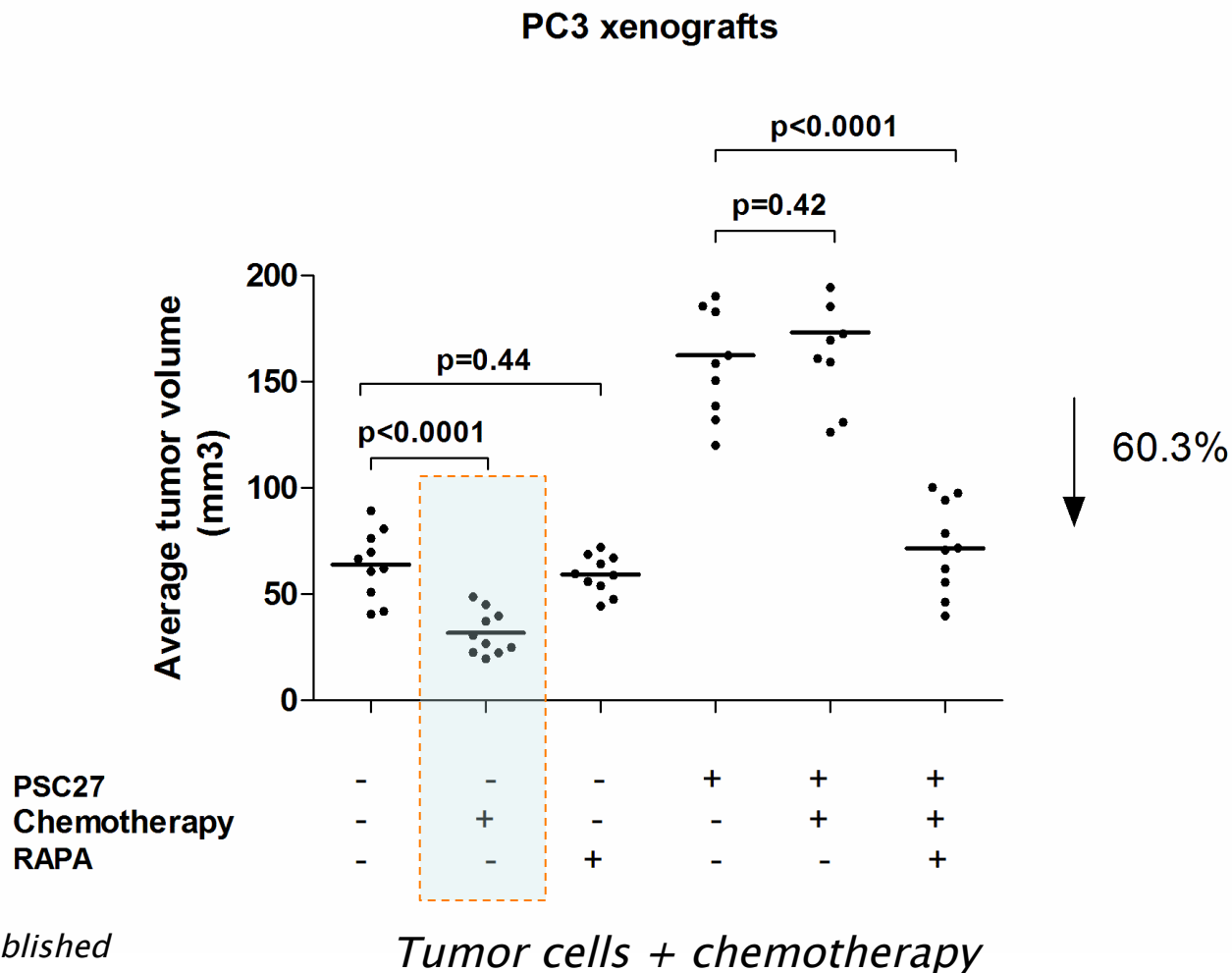


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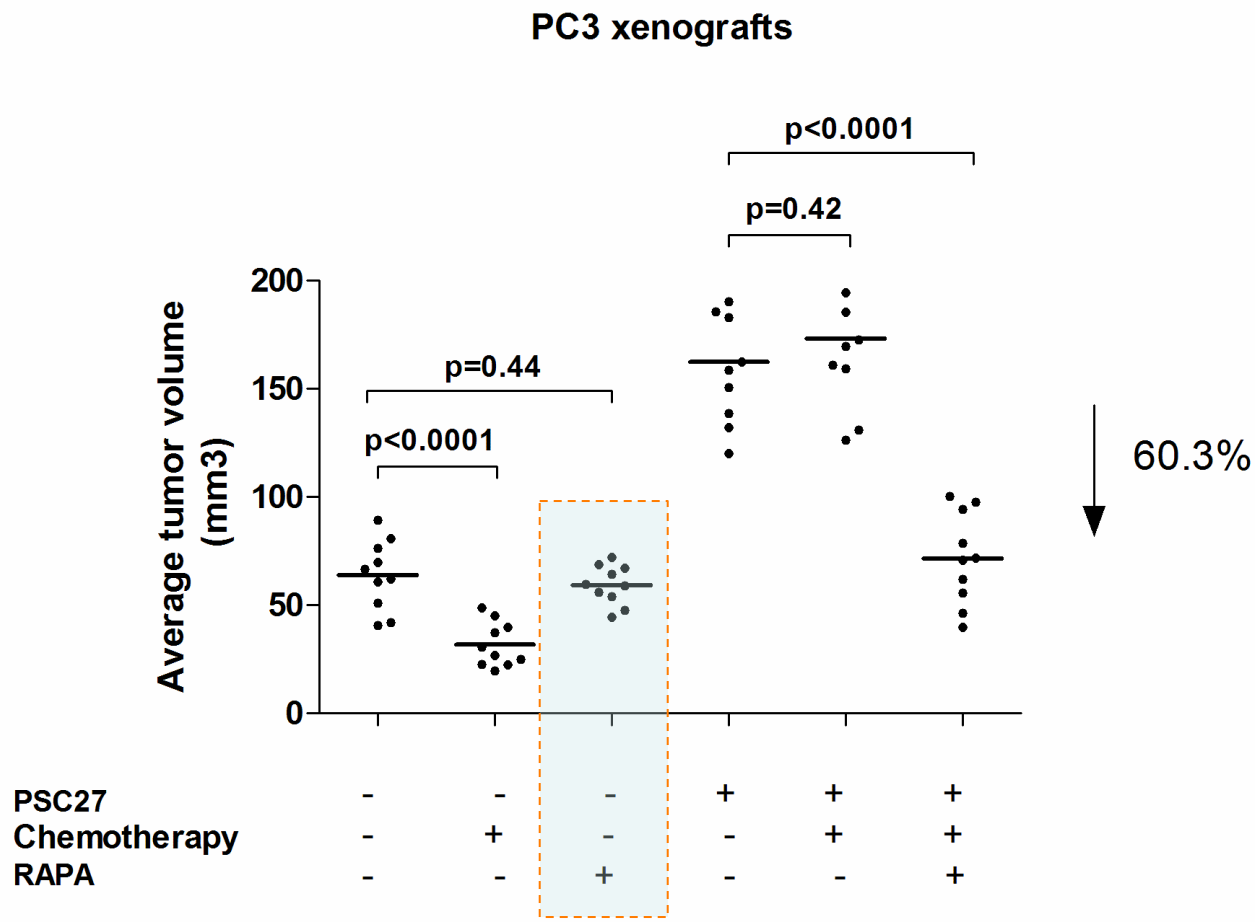
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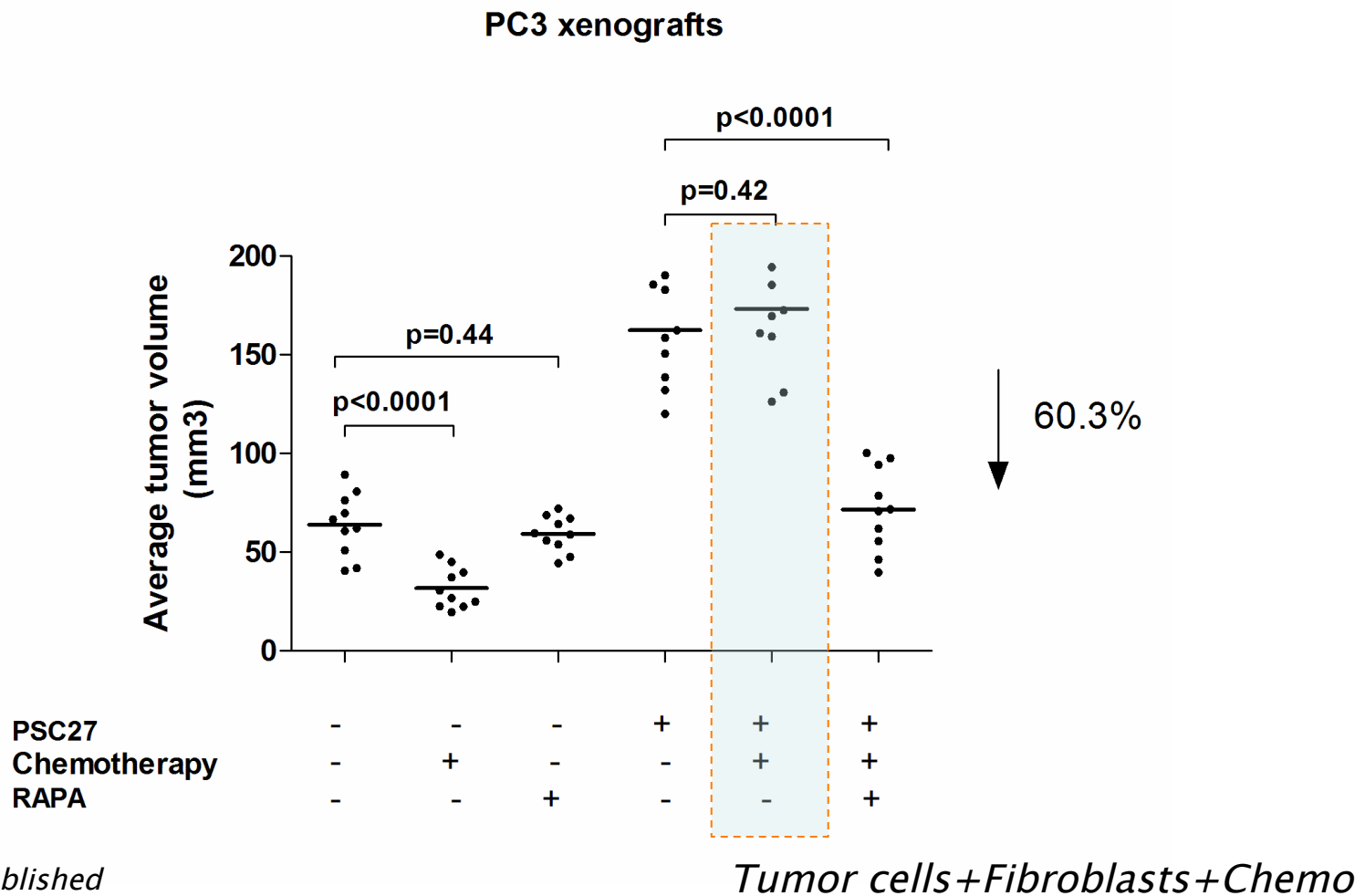
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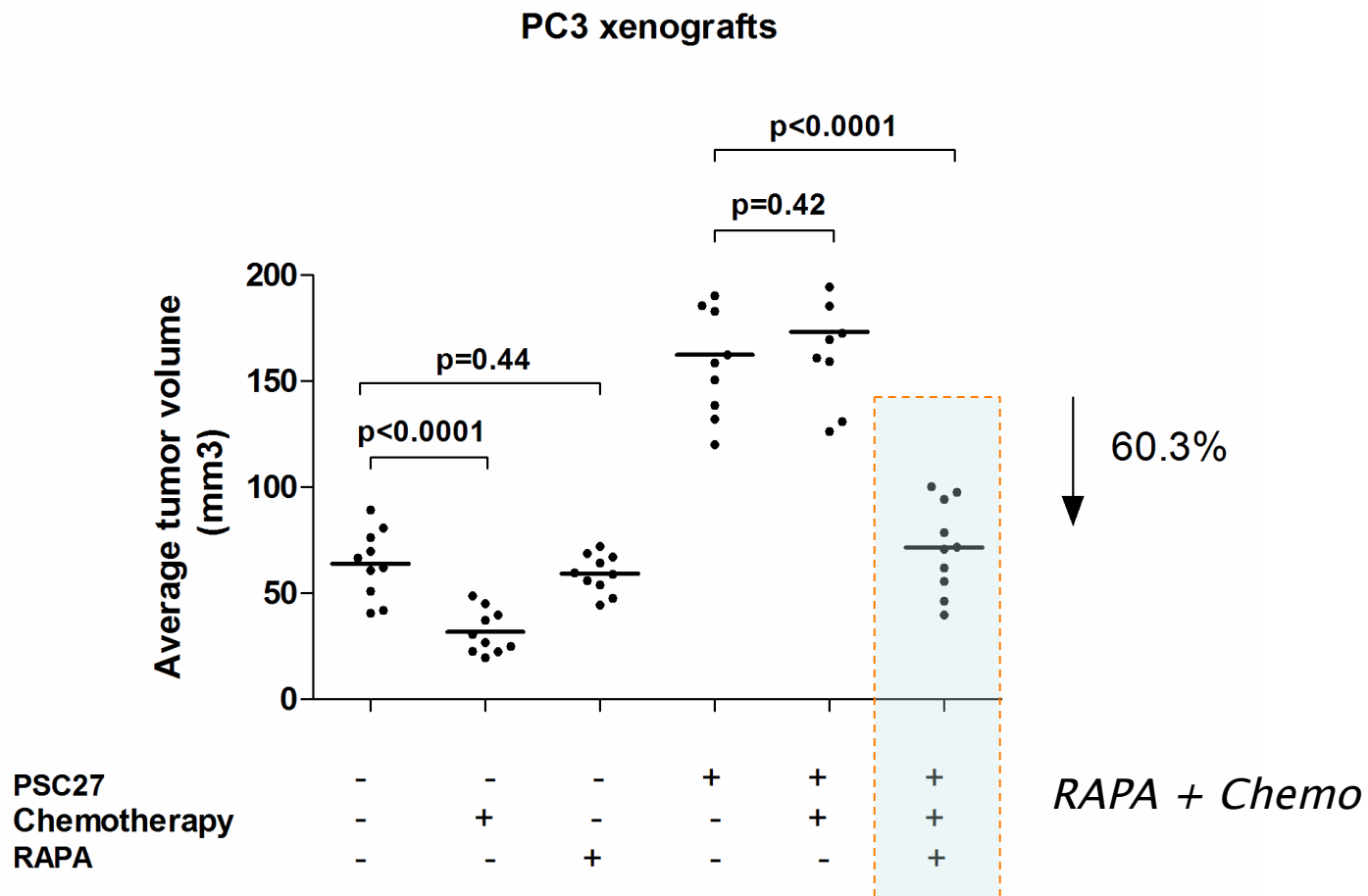
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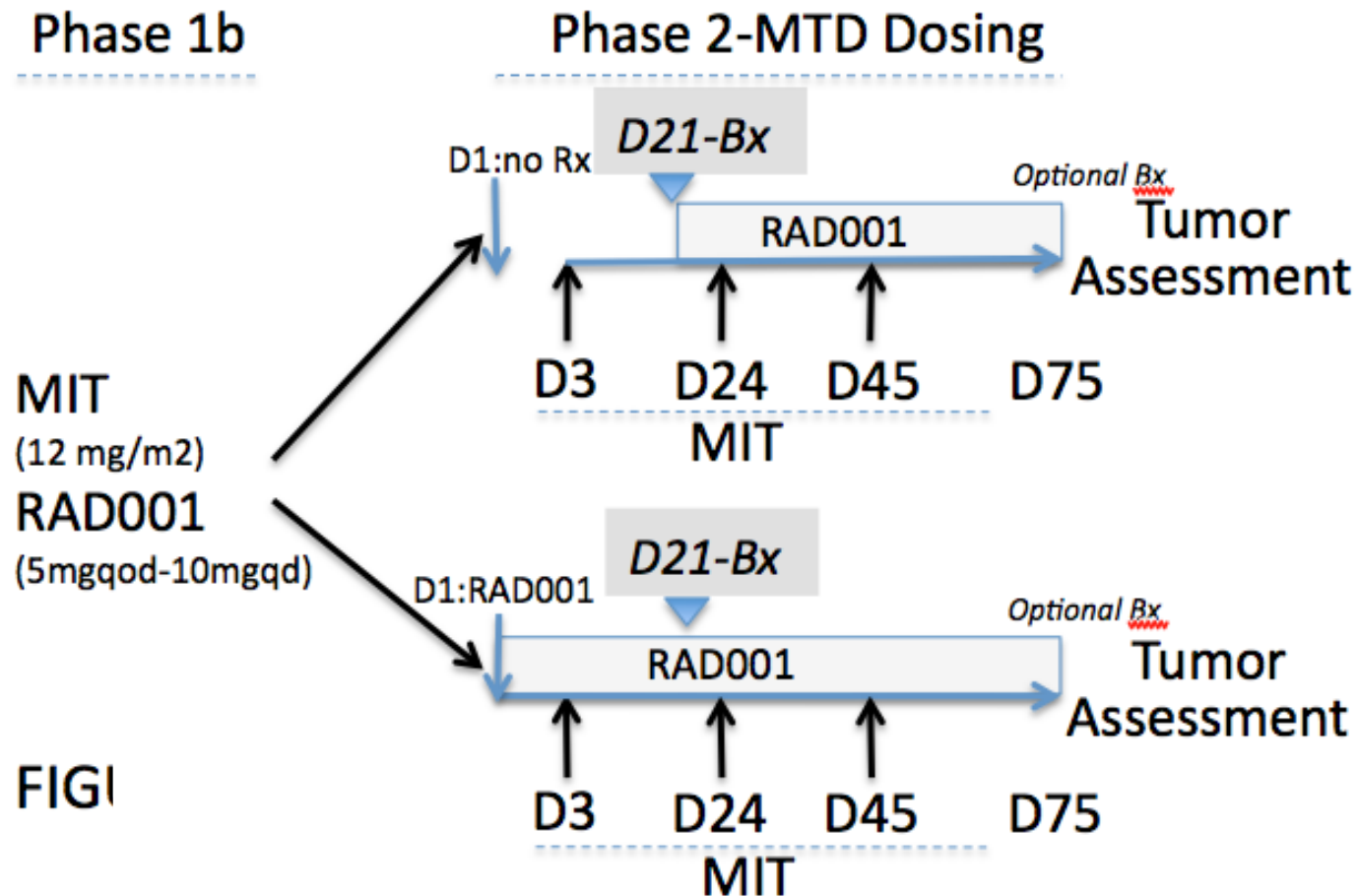


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# Clinical Trial: Co-Targeting Microenvironment Damage Response Signals

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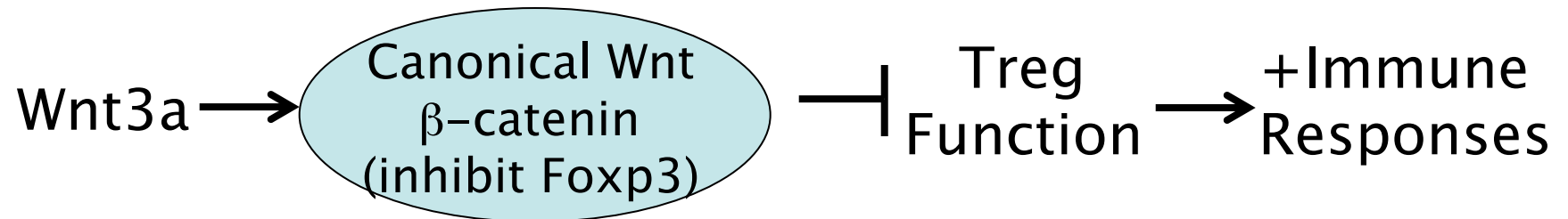
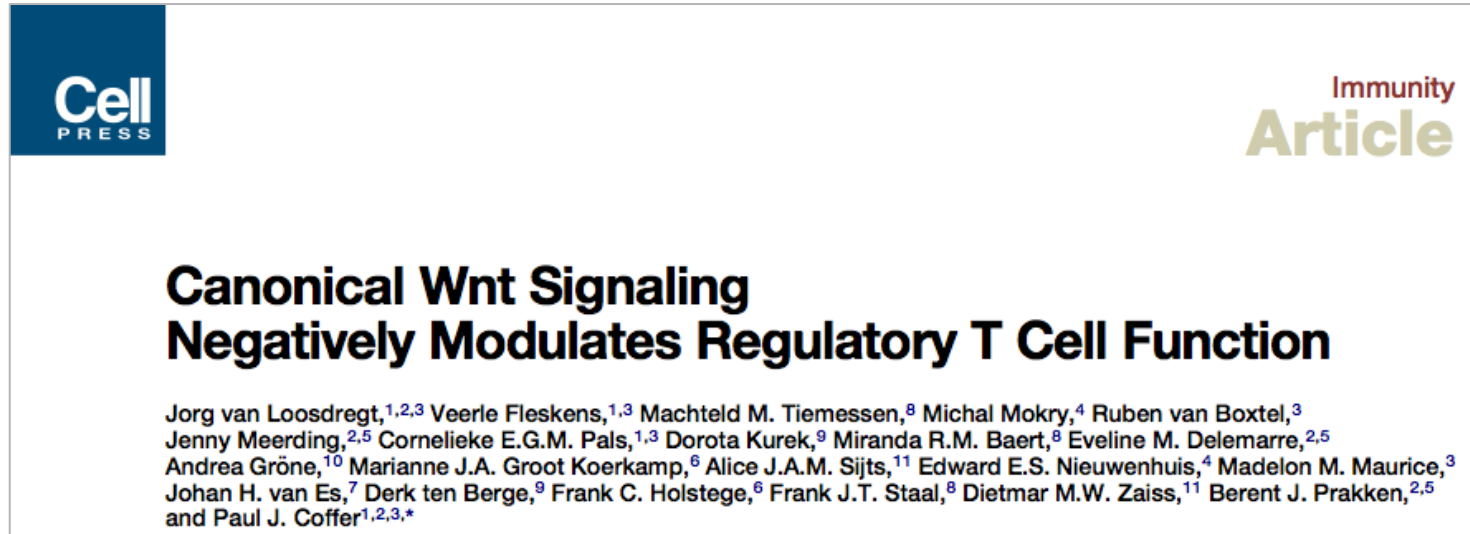
# SUMMARY

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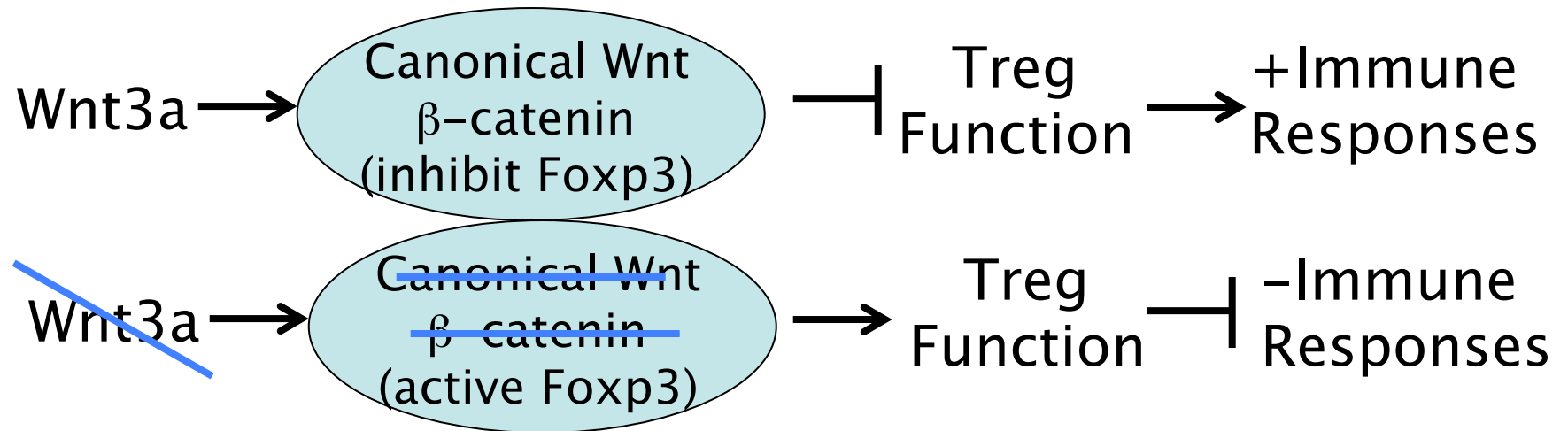
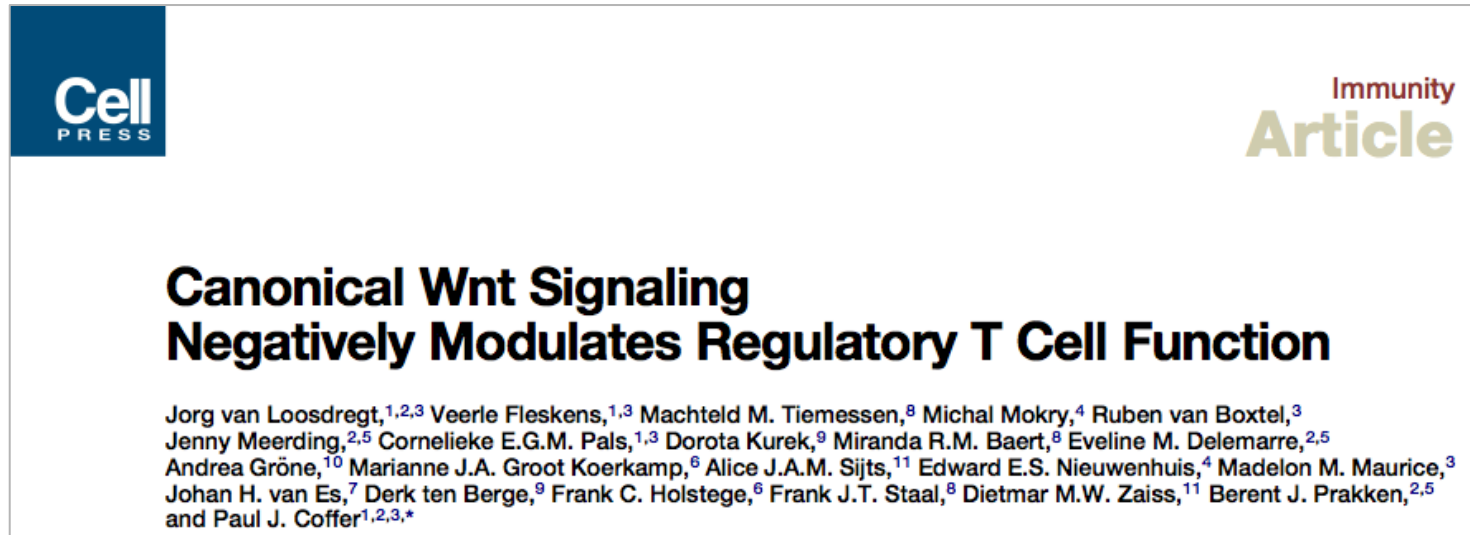
- DNA Damage results in a reproducible and expansive gene expression program that includes paracrine mediators of epithelial growth (e.g. AREG, HGF, **WNT16B...**).
- ⊙ The fibroblast DDSP includes a spectrum of secreted cytokines and chemokines that modulate immune cell function (e.g. IL6, IL8, CXCL2... **WNT16B?**).
- ⊙ The DDSP may contribute to therapy resistance through multiple mechanisms:
  - ✓ EMT
  - ✓ Resistance to apoptosis
  - ✓ Angiogenesis
  - ✓ Enhanced tumor cell proliferation/tumor repopulation
  - ✓ Modulation of tumor immunity



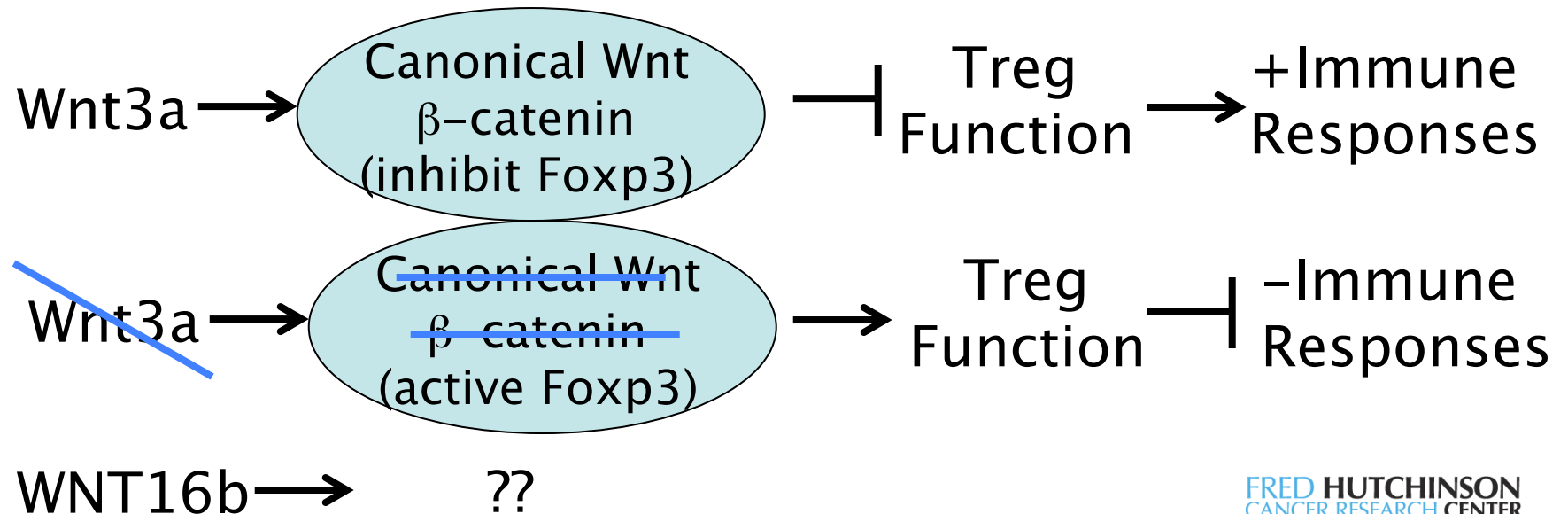
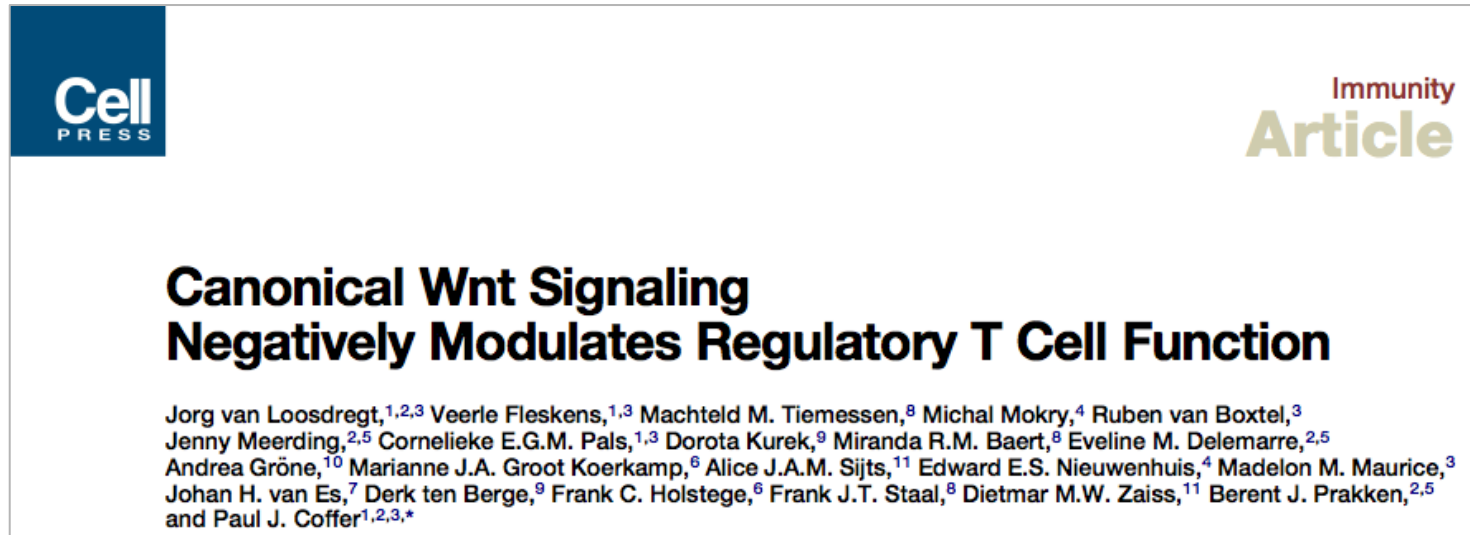
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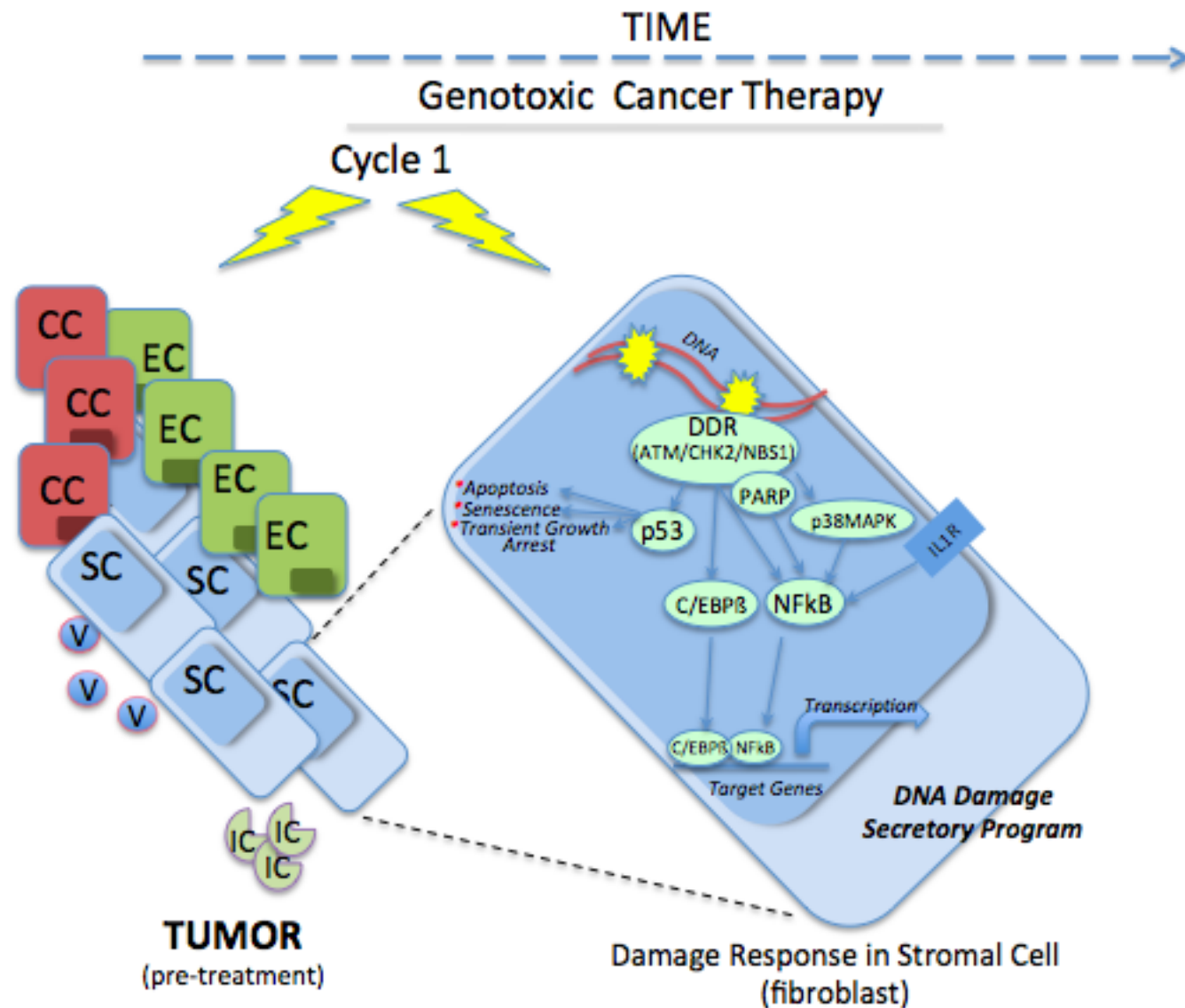
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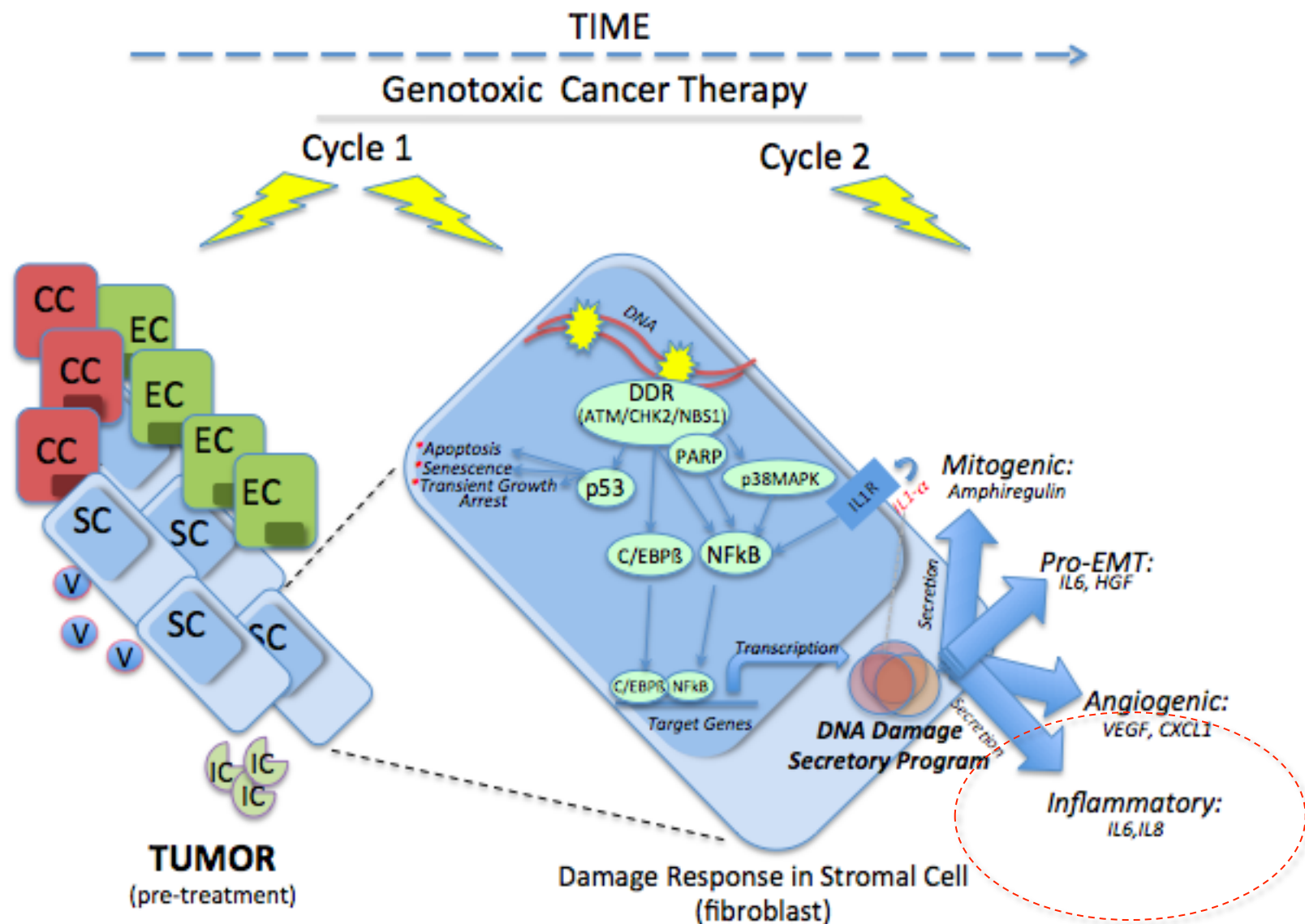


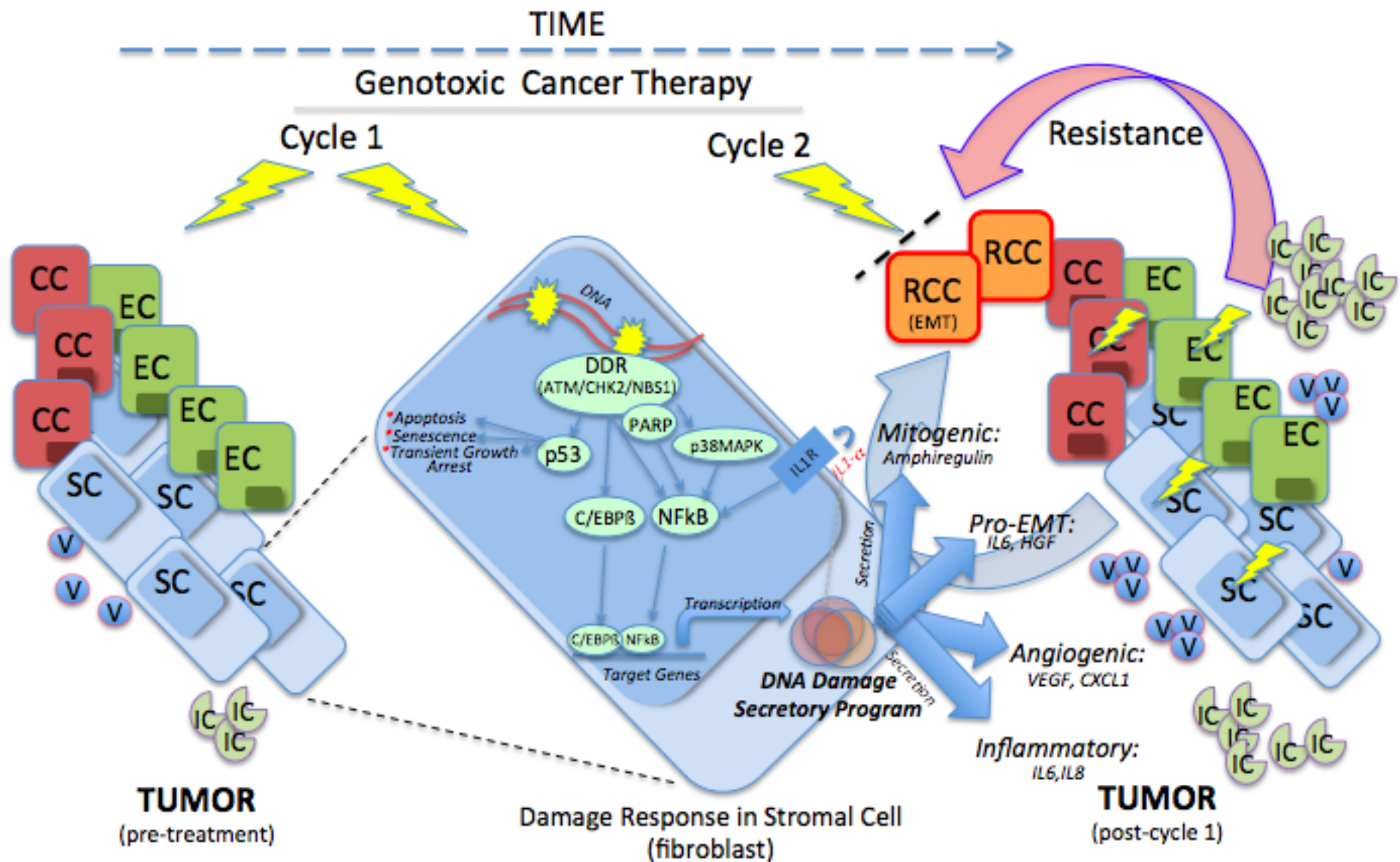
# Complexities in Modulating Microenvironments...



# Effects of Cytotoxic Cancer Therapeutics on Benign Cells Comprising the Tumor Microenvironment







## Key Questions/Directions

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- ✓ What are the key initiators and effectors of the DNA Damage program?
- ✓ Is the DNA damage program (and DDSP) the same in every tissue? Every cell?
- ✓ What contributes to the inter-individual variation in the microenvironment DDSP ?
- ✓ Does the therapy-induced DNA Damage/stress program contribute substantially to treatment resistance? Can it be modified to enhance responses?
- ✓ What is the composite effect of the DDSP on tumor cells versus immune responses



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