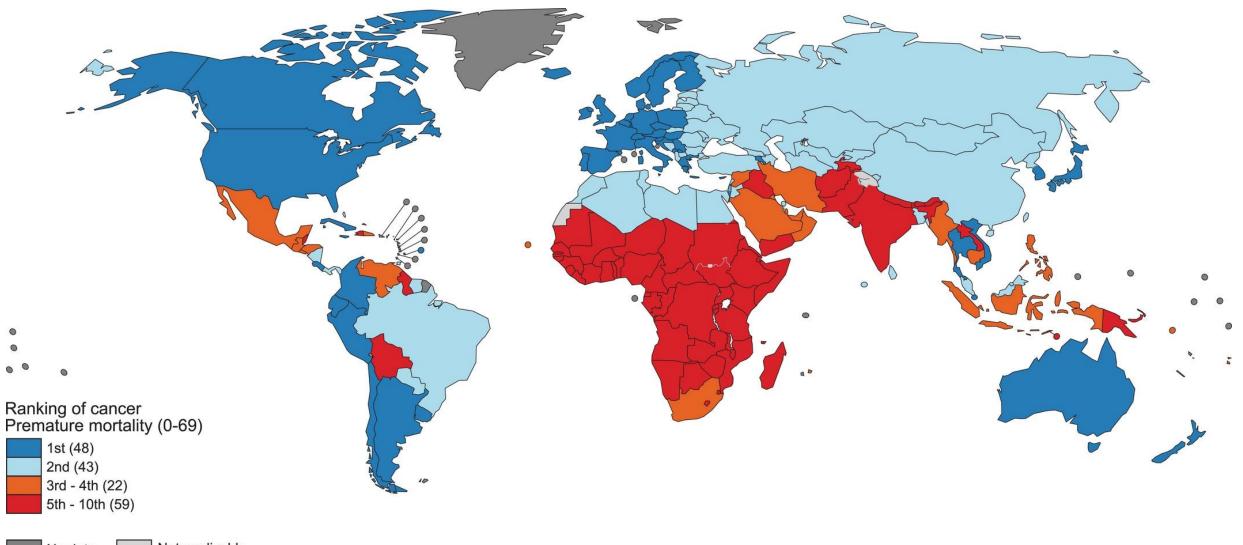


# he Genetics of Cancer

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#### Hallmarks of Cancer: The Next Generation

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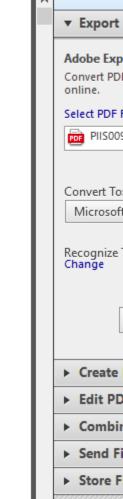
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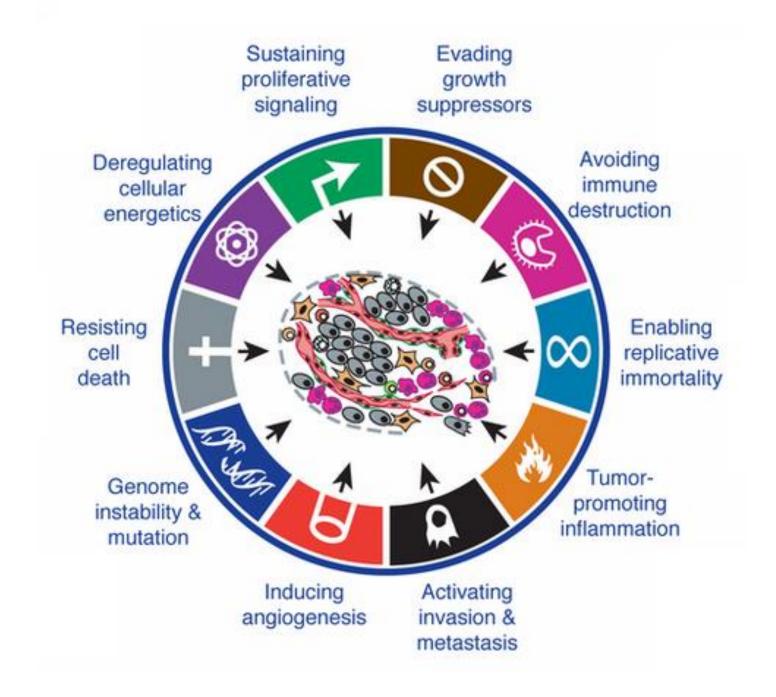
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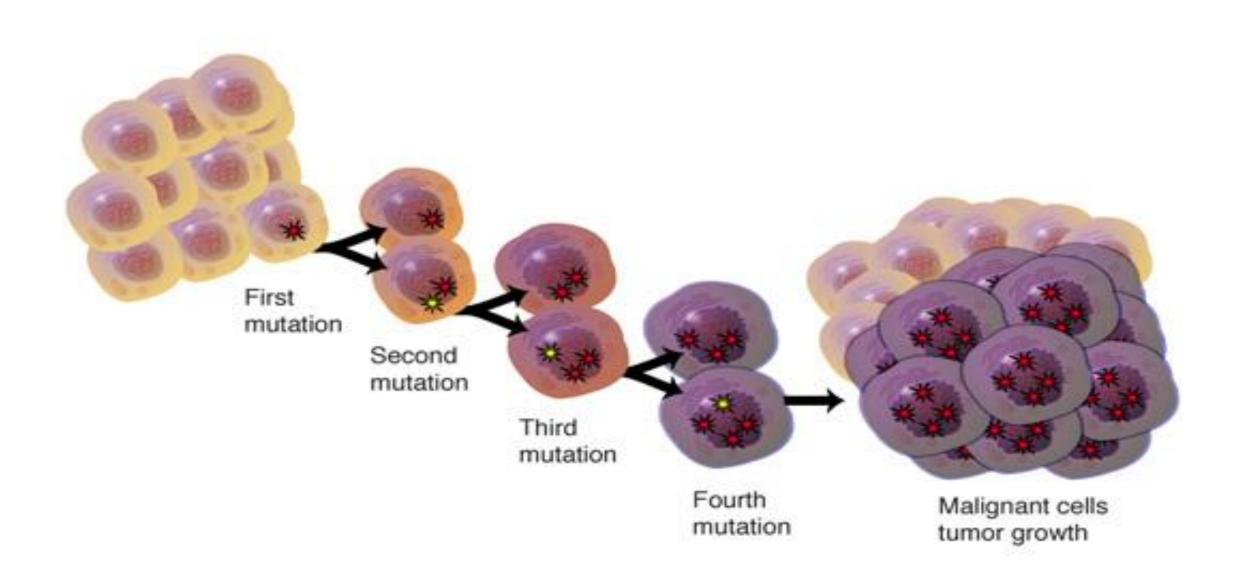
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The hallmarks of cancer comprise six biological capabilities acquired during the multistep development of human tumors. The hallmarks constitute an organizing principle for rationalizing the complexities of neoplastic disease. They include sustaining proliferative signaling, evading growth suppressors, resisting cell death, enabling replicative immortality, inducing angiogenesis, and activating invasion and metastasis. Underlying these hallmarks are genome instability, which generates the genetic diversity that expedites their acquisition, and inflammation, which fosters multiple hallmark functions. Conceptual progress in the last decade has added two emerging hallmarks of potential generality to this list—reprogramming of energy metabolism and evading immune destruction. In addition to cancer cells, tumors exhibit another dimension of complexity: they contain a repertoire of recruited, ostensibly normal cells that contribute to the acquisition of hallmark traits by creating the "tumor microenvironment." Recognition of the widespread applicability of these concepts will increasingly affect the development of new means to treat human cancer.

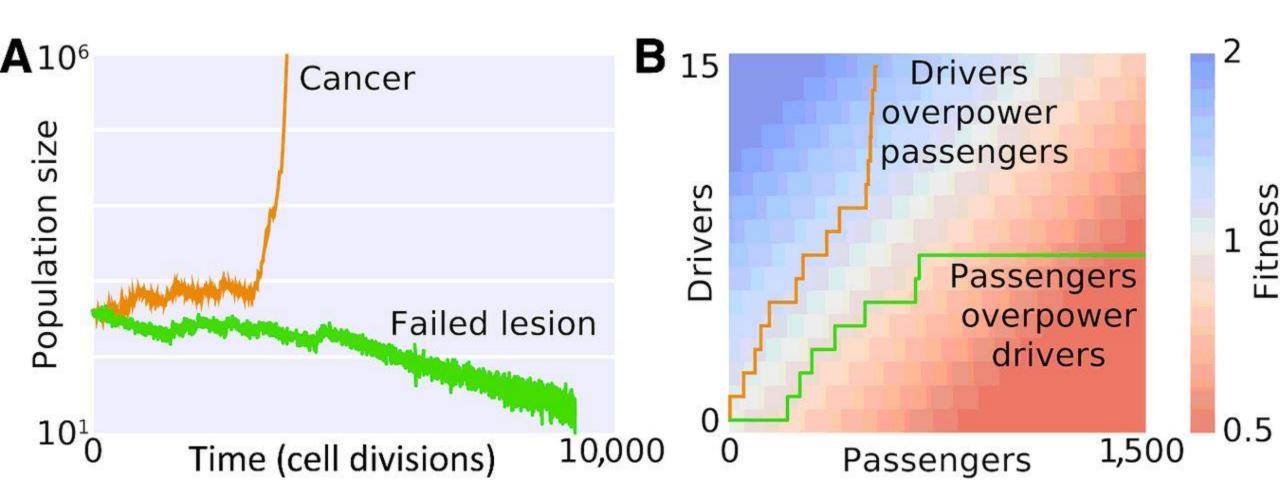


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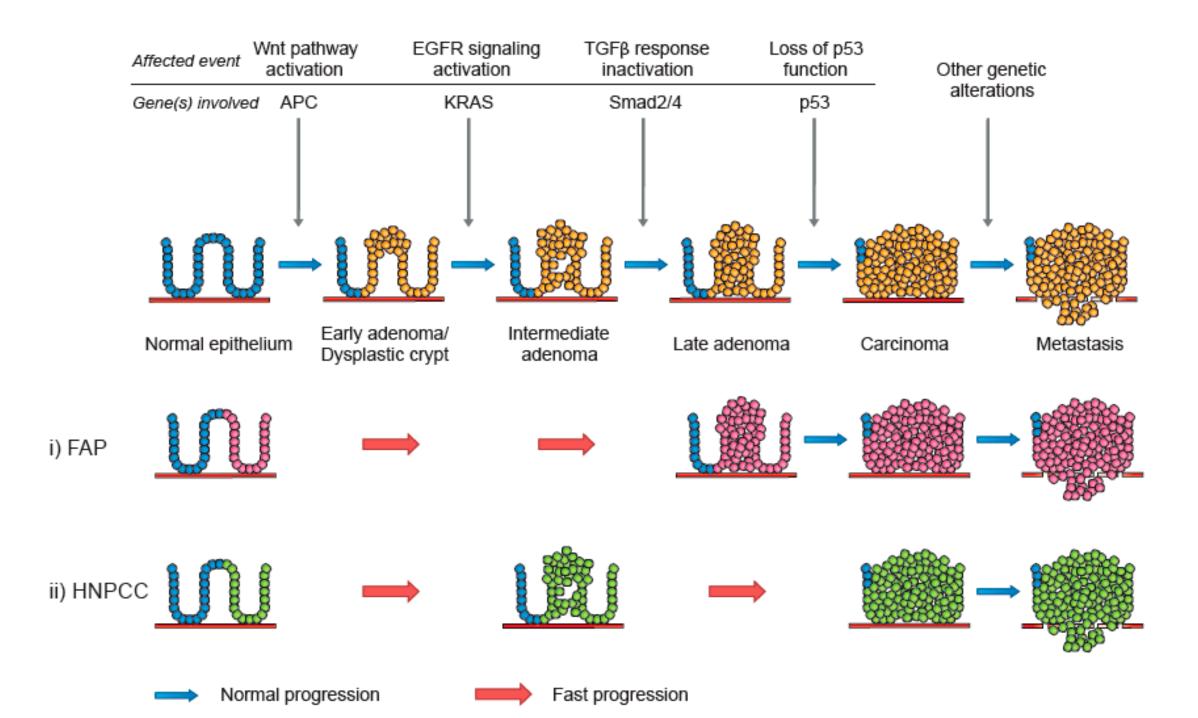


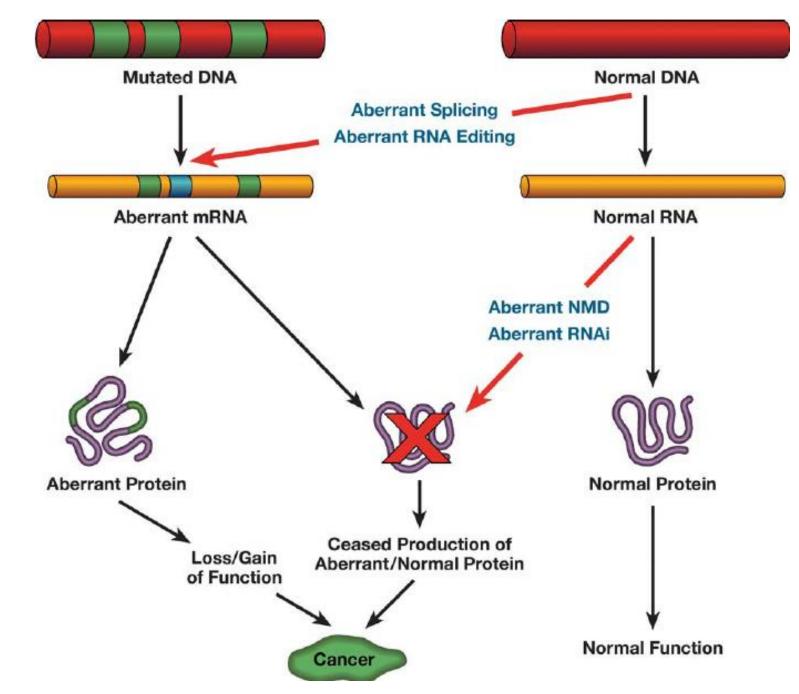




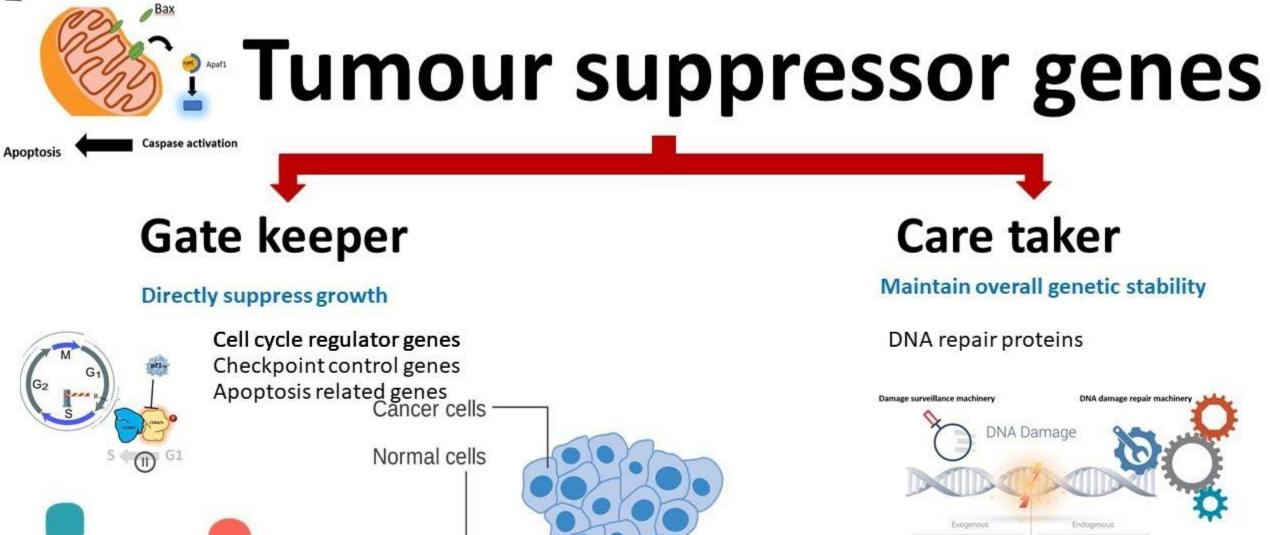


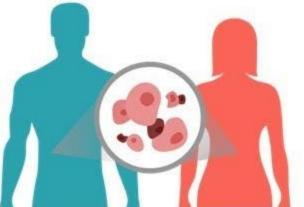
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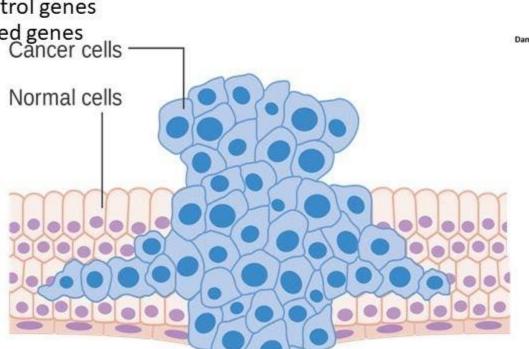


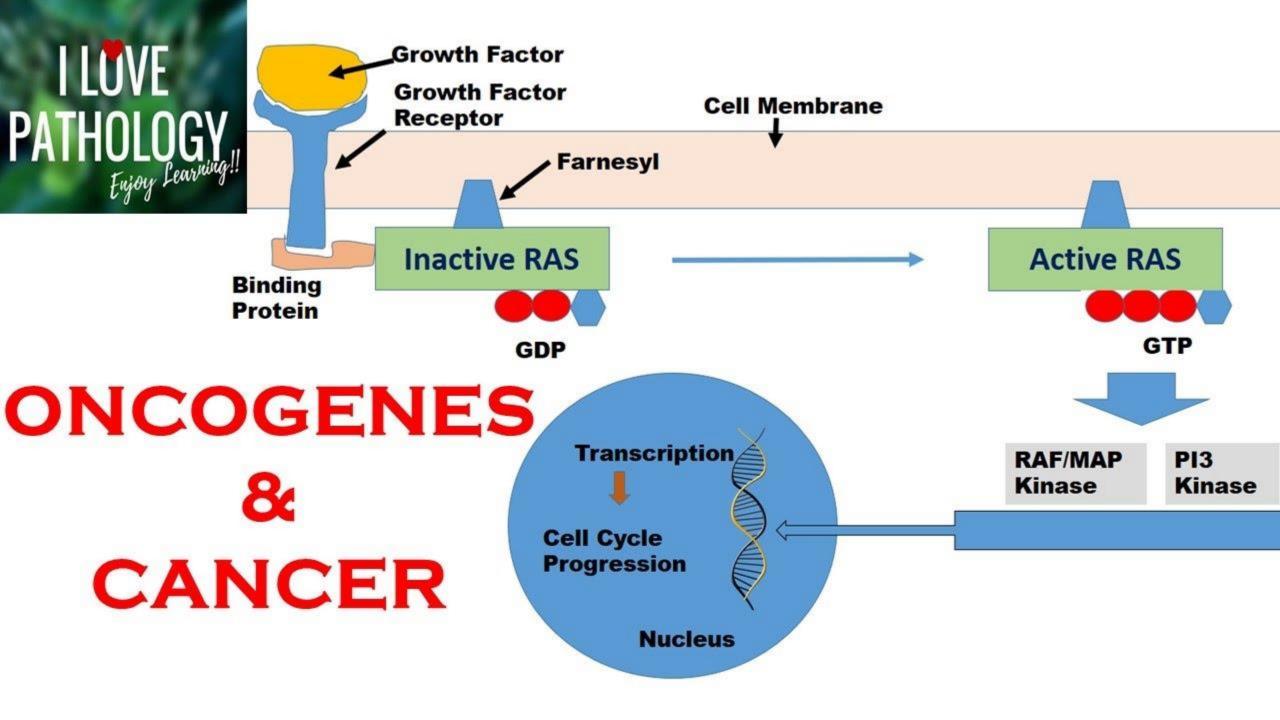


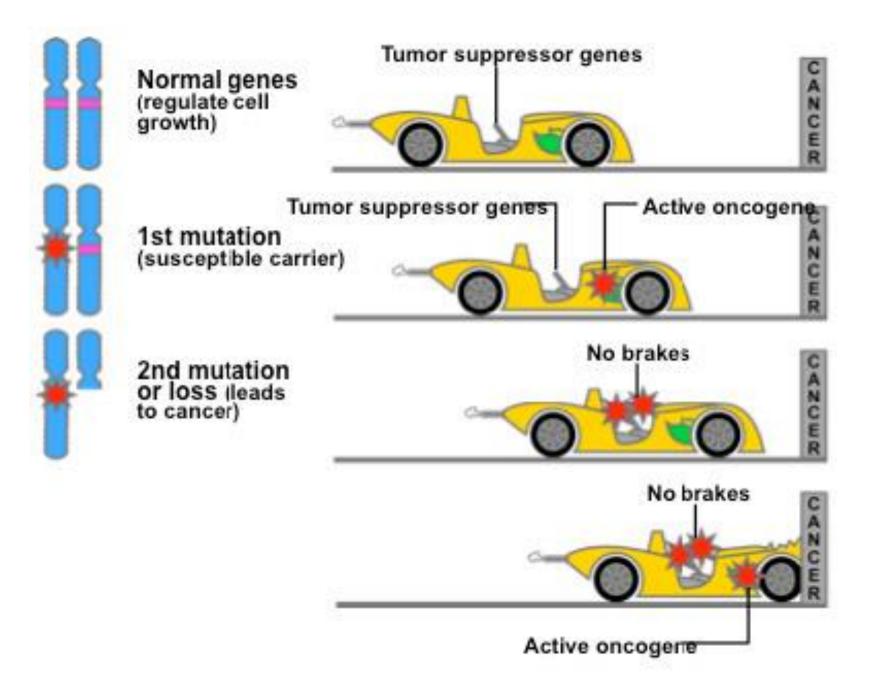
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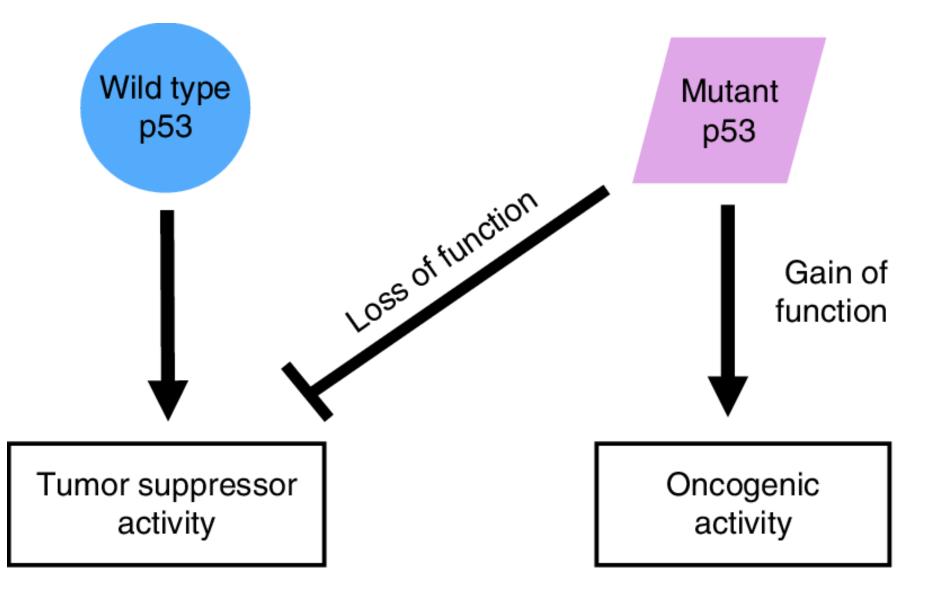






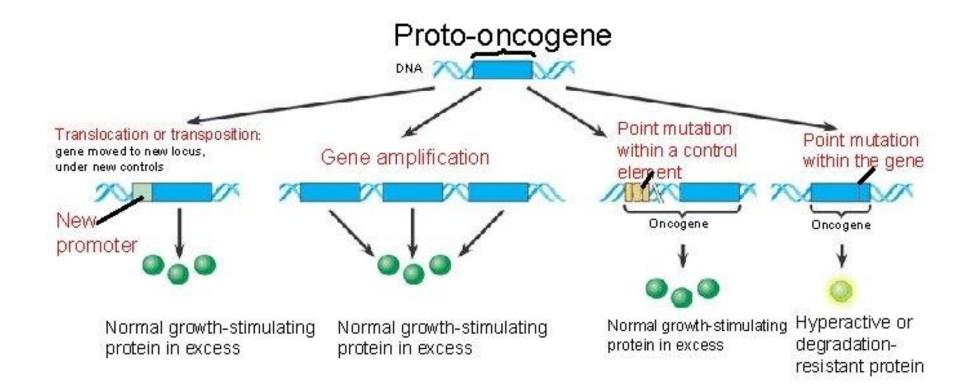




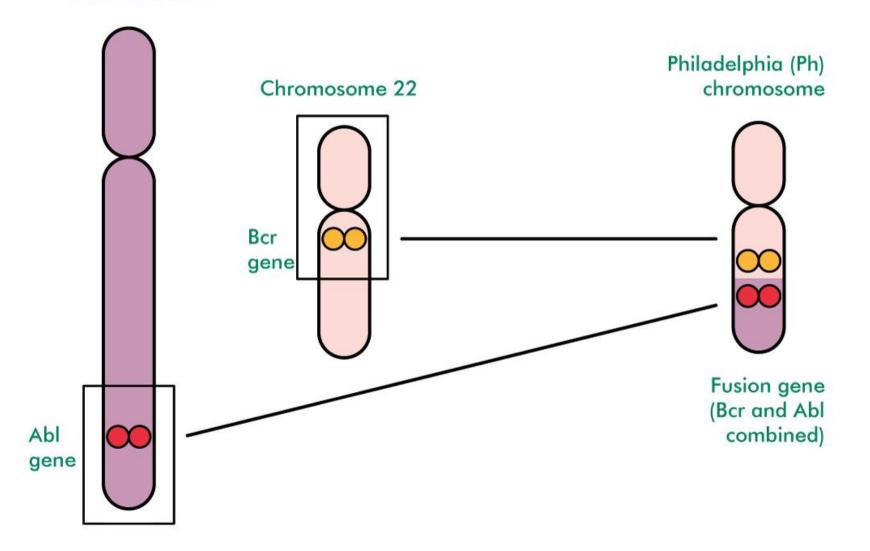


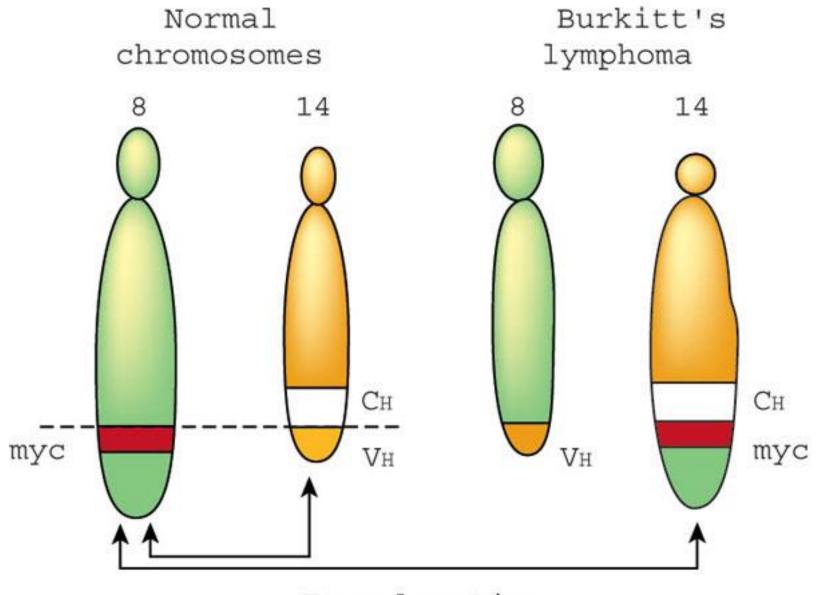
4 The relationship between mutant p53 and development of cancer. Mutations in p53 protein often result in either the loss of normal tumor suppressor activity or the gain of new oncogenic functions, both of which can contribute to genomic instability and the carcinogenic process

# Genetic changes that can turn proto-oncogenes into oncogenes



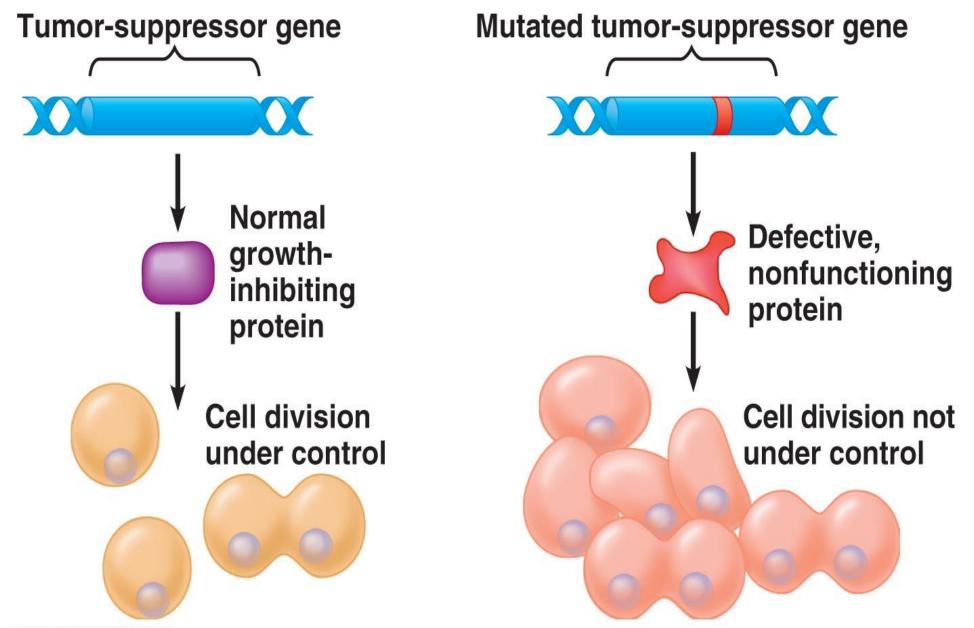
#### Chromosome 9





Translocation

# Mechanisms of tumor suppressor gene inactivation Deletion Point mutation Mutation followed by duplication Loss of heterozygosity DNA methylation Post-translational mechanism-binding to **DNA viral oncoproteins**



Knudson two-hit Hypothesis

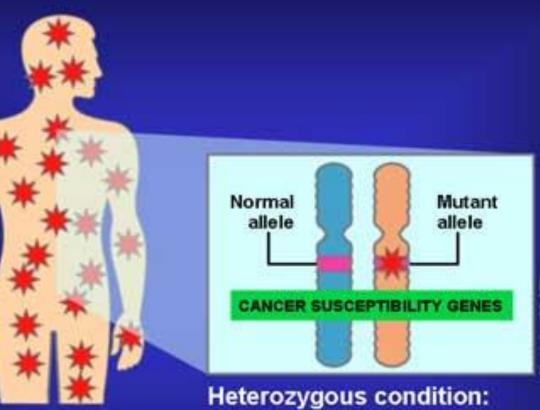


a TSG mutation in a normal cell, leading to sporadic cancer Deletion Wild-type TSGs New mutation Progression to tumour formation First 'hit' Second 'hit' (e.g. a mutation (e.g. a deletion in one copy of the TSG) in the other copy of the TSG) **b** TSG mutation in a cell with a germline mutation, leading to familial cancer Deletion Inherited germline Progression to mutation tumour formation in TSG Second 'hit' First 'hit' (e.g. a deletion (the germline in the other copy mutation) of the TSG)

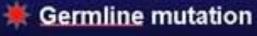
Knudson's two-hit hypothesis for tumourigenesis involving a tumour suppressor gene (TSG)

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#### Loss of Heterozygosity



Heterozygous condition: normal gene balances the mutated gene

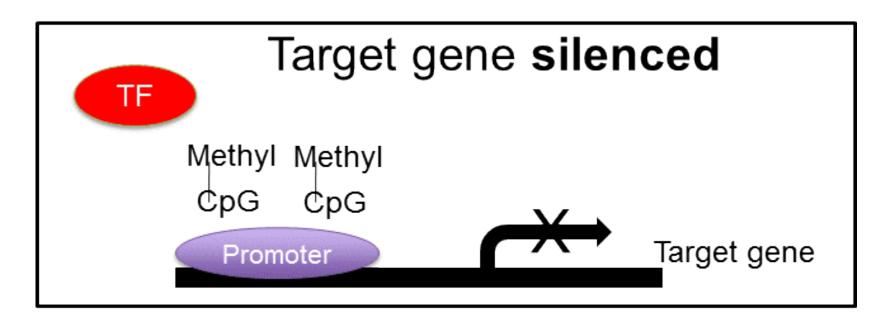


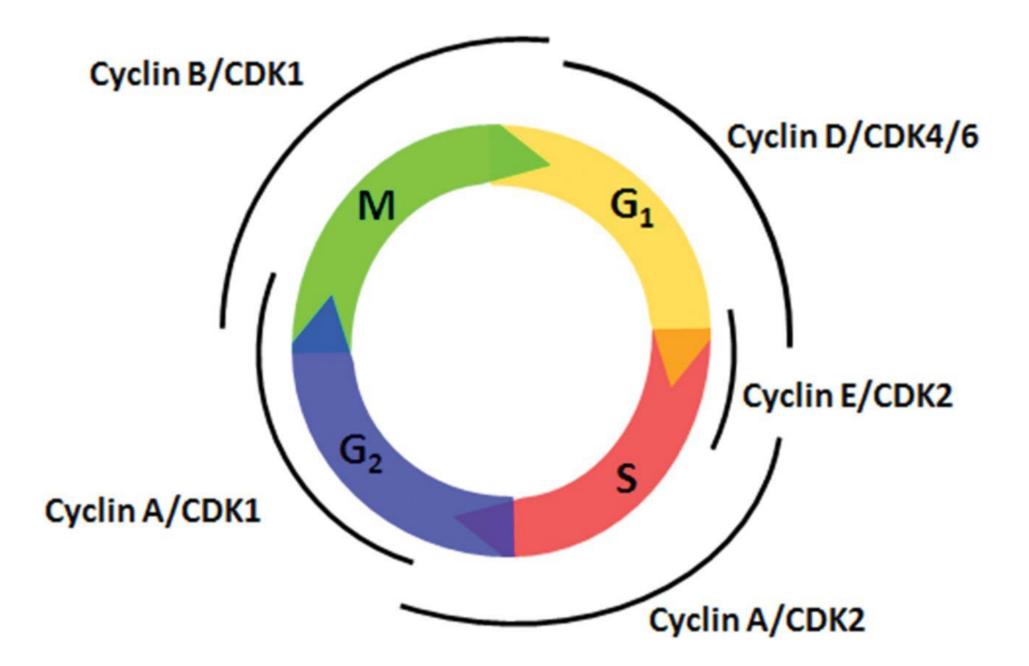


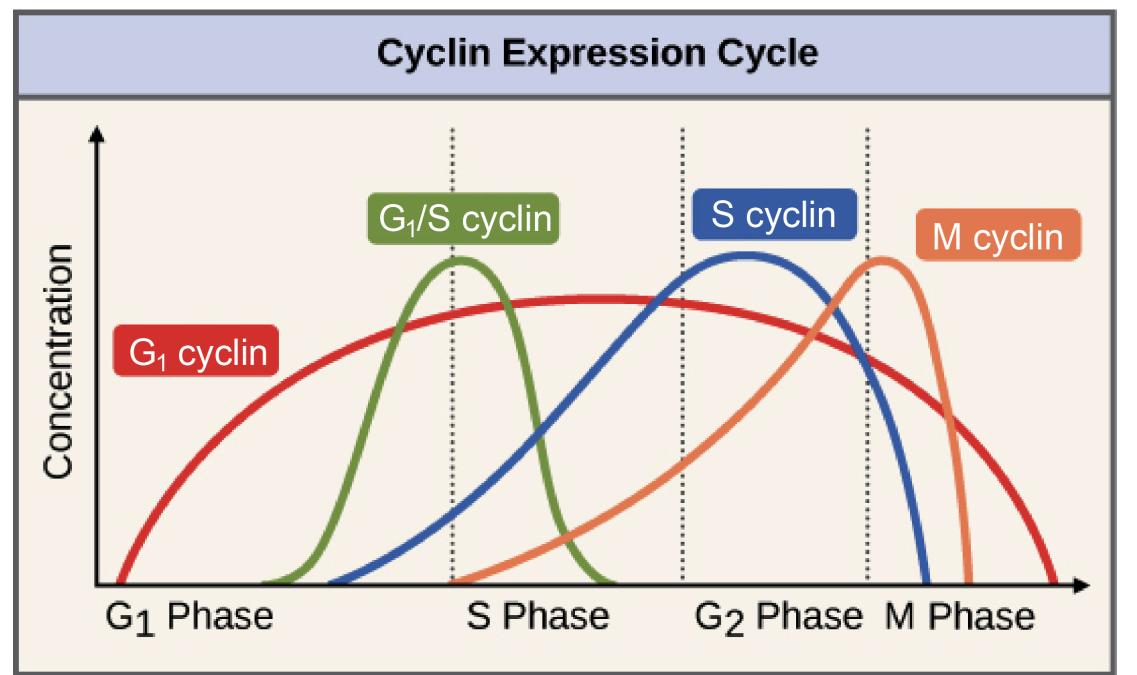
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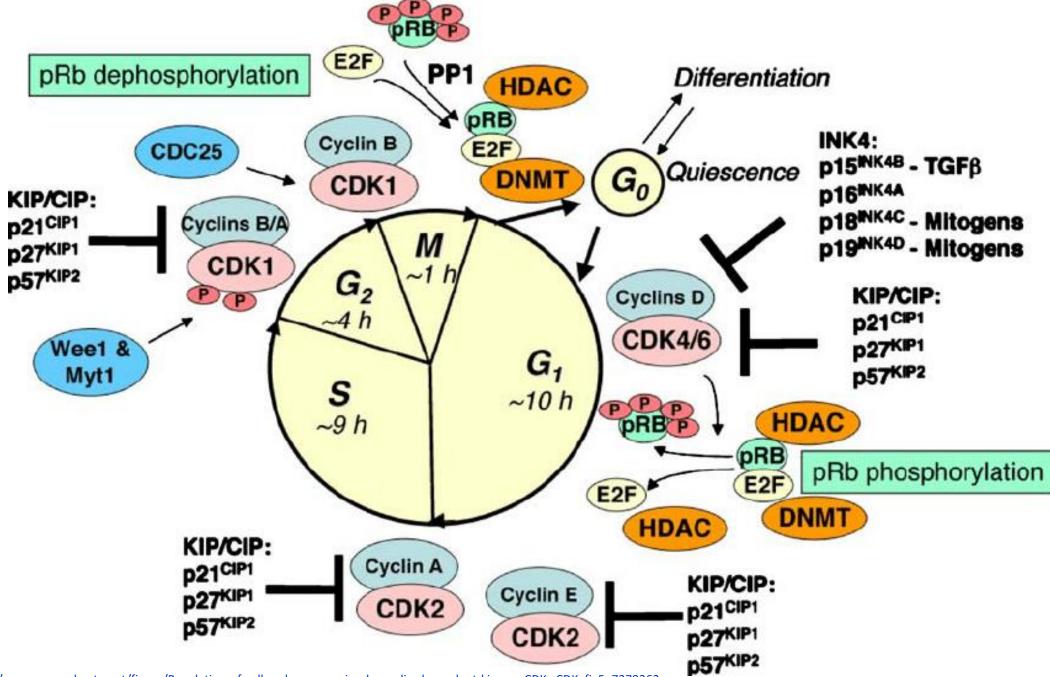
#### Target gene expressed





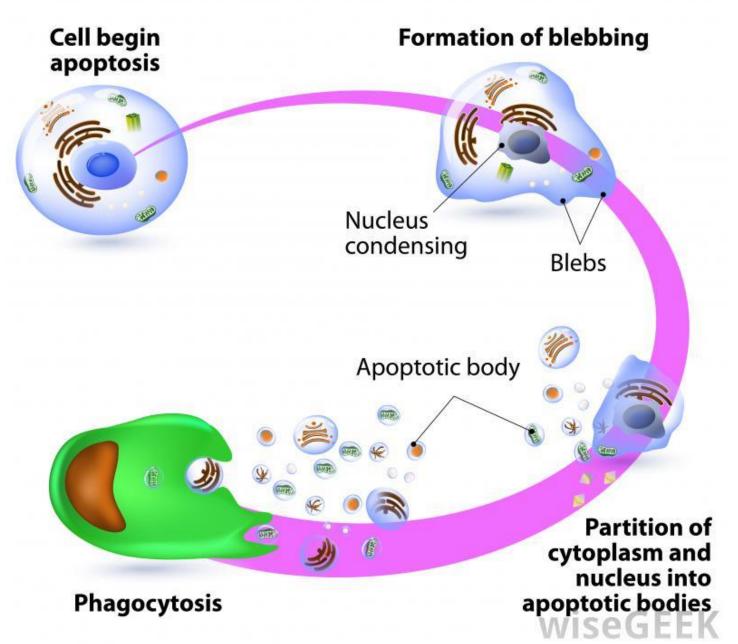


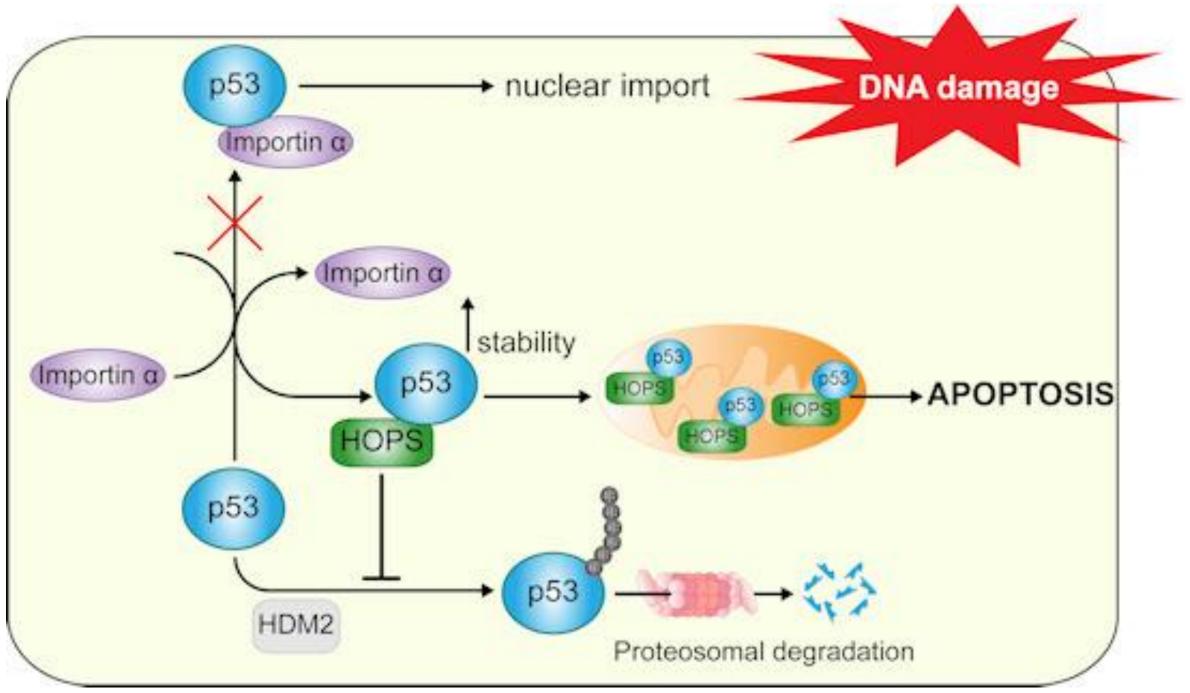




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#### APOPTOSIS



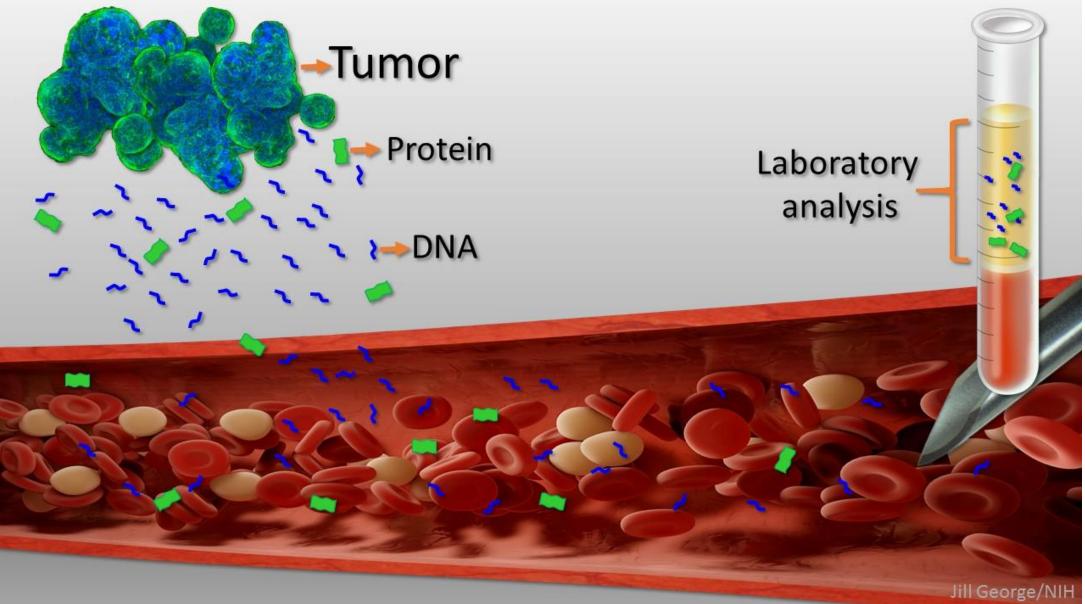


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## **Molecular Medicine Implications in Cancer**

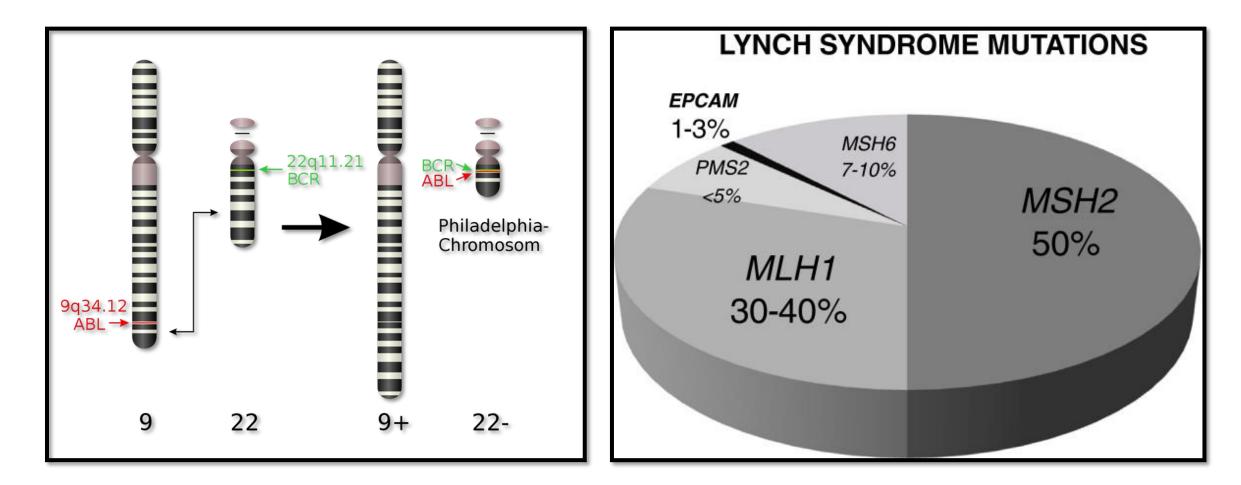


#### Early detection and screening of cancer



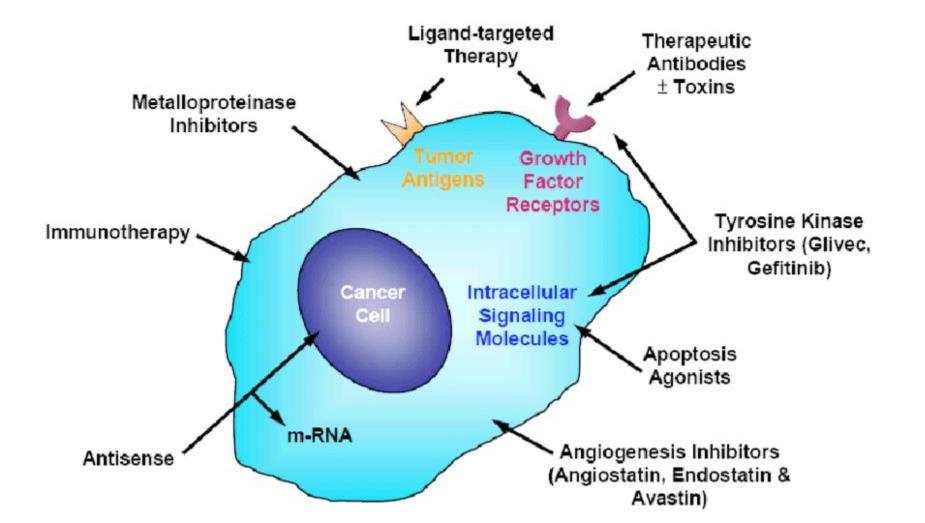
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### **Diagnostic Implications**



#### **Therapeutic Implications**

#### Targeted therapy



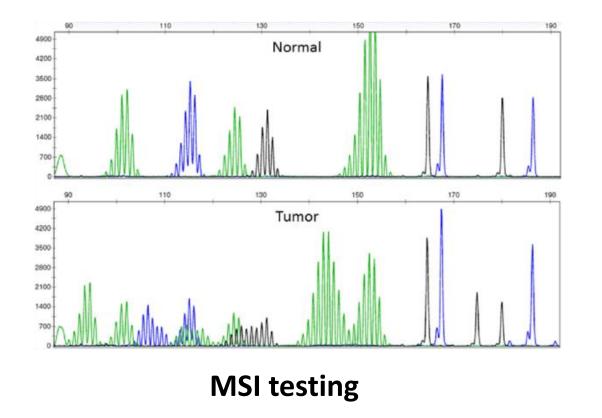
Marker	Malignancy	Therapy	Biological role of marker
ER	Breast	Hormone	Primary target
HER2	Breast	Trastuzumab	Primary target
Mutant K-RAS	Non small- cell lung	Gefitinib, erlotinib	Downstream of primary target
Mutant K-RAS,	Colorectal	Cetuximab,	Downstream of
BRAF, PIK3, PTEN		panitumumab	primary target
MGMT	Glioma	Alkylating agents	DNA repair
ERCC1	NSCLC	Platinum agents	DNA repair
CYD2D6 <sup>a</sup>	Breast cancer	Tamoxifen	Drug metabolism
TPMT	ALL	6-Mercaptopurine, 6-Thioguanine	Drug metabolism
UGT1A1 <sup>a</sup>	Colorectal cancer	Irinotecan	Drug metabolism

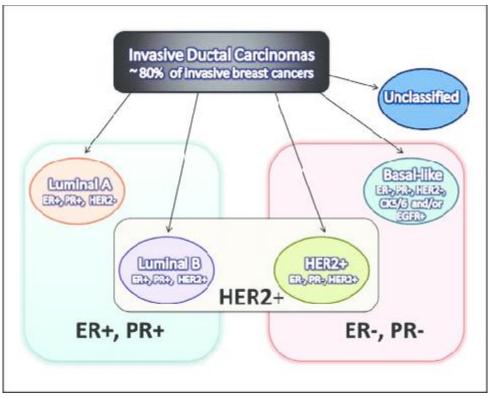
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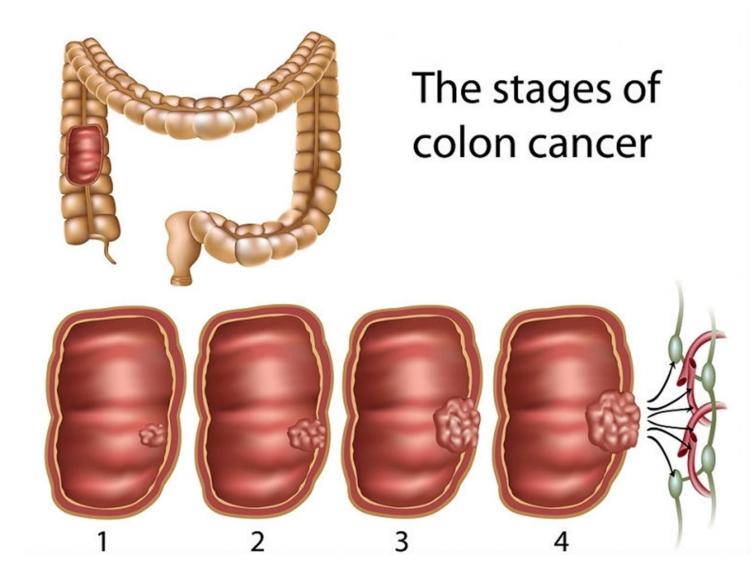
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### **Prognostic Implications**





#### **Preventive Implications**



Syndrome	Genes (Chromosomal Locus)	Common Cancers	Other Common Manifestations	Cancer Screening Guidelines
Hereditary breast and ovarian cancer syndrome	<i>BRCA1</i> (17q21) <i>BRCA2</i> (13q13)	Breast cancer and high-grade serous cancer of the ovary	Peritoneal serous carcinoma; primary fallopian tube carcinoma; pancreatic, prostate, and colon cancers	Annual breast MR imaging and/or mammogram starting between the ages of 25–29 y
Lynch syndrome	<i>MLH1</i> (3p21) <i>MSH2</i> (2p16) <i>MSH6</i> (2p16) <i>PMS2</i> (7p22)	Colorectal and endometrial cancers	Cancers of the ovary, stomach, and small bowel	Annual colonoscopy in all mutation carriers, beginning at the age of 25 or 5–10 y before the earliest age of colon cancer onset in the family
FAP	<i>AP</i> C (5q21)	Multiple colorectal adenomatous polyps and colorectal carcinoma	Gastric and duodenal polyps, osteomas, and desmoid tumors	Annual colonoscopy in patients with classic FAP and their first-degree relatives at the age of 12–14 y Annual upper GI endoscopy and neck US starting at 25–30 y
Li-Fraumeni syndrome	<i>TP53</i> (17p13)	Sarcomas, breast cancers, brain tumors, hematologic cancers, and adrenal cortical carcinomas	_	Annual mammography with or without breast MR imaging, starting at age 20–25 y Annual whole-body MR imaging examination is increasingly being considered
Cowden syndrome	<i>PTEN</i> gene (10q21)	Breast, thyroid, renal, and endometrial cancers	Trichilemmomas, macrocephaly, Lhermitte-Duclos disease, benign thyroid nodules, fibrocystic breast disease, multiple GI polyps, and uterine fibroids	Annual renal US at 40 y and repeating every 1–2 y Annual endometrial biopsy and/or the transvaginal US starting at age 30 y and colonoscopy starting at 35–40 y
Hereditary diffuse gastric cancer	E-cadherin (16q22)	Aggressive diffuse, infiltrating gastric cancer (signet-ring type)		Prophylactic gastrectomy in asymptomatic carriers of CDH1 gen and intensive annual endoscopic surveillance in those who decline gastrectomy Annual breast MR imaging with or without mammogram starting at 30 y

## Important Criteria for Cancer Genetics Counseling

- 1) One FDR members affected to cancer in age < 50 or two FDRs in any age
- 2) A family history of cancer in successive generations
- 3) A family history of rare cancers without any known risk factors
- 4) A family history of known hereditary cancer syndromes



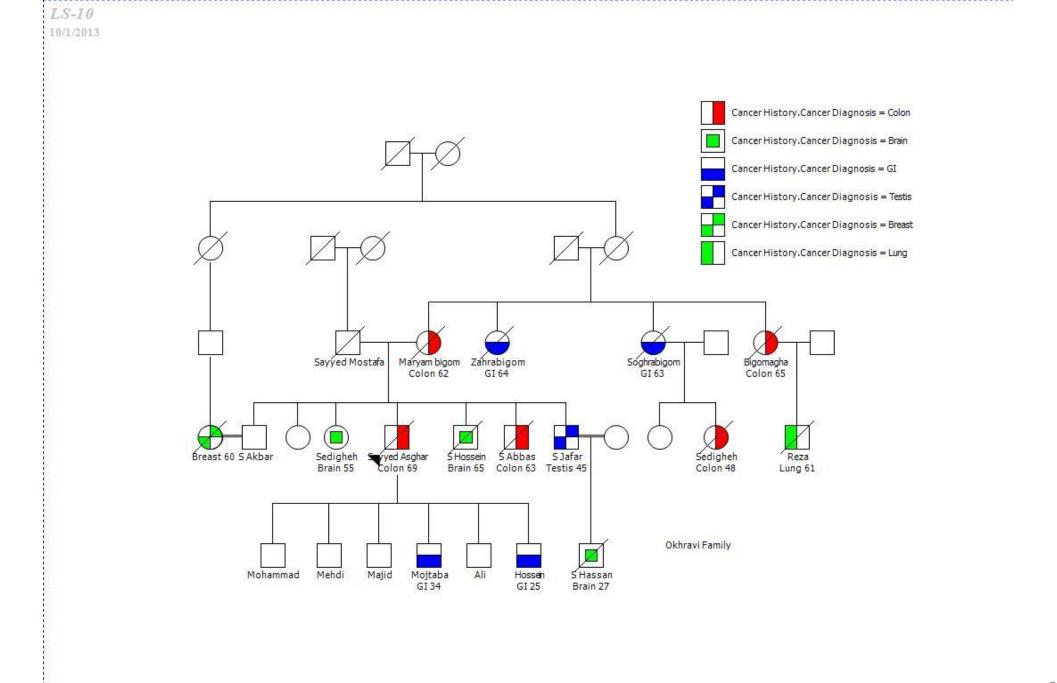
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