

DCC-3116: A Selective ULK Kinase Inhibitor

Potential First-in-Class
Autophagy Inhibitor to
Treat Mutant RAS Cancers

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- *Daniel Flynn, Ph.D., EVP, Chief Scientific Officer & Founder*
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Agenda

- **Introduction**

Steve Hoerter, President & CEO

- **Autophagy & Mutant RAS Cancers**

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- **ULK Kinase Inhibitors & Autophagy**

Daniel Flynn, Ph.D., EVP, Chief Scientific Officer & Founder

- **Closing Remarks & Q & A**

Steve Hoerter, President & CEO

Setting the Stage for Building Long-Term Value

1 | Deliver on Ripretinib

- Secure approval and launch in ≥ 4 L GIST
- Rapidly progress INTRIGUE in 2L GIST

2 | Advance Clinical Programs

- Drive to initial clinical data for POC
- Accelerate path to pivotal trials

3 | Invest in Next Research Wave

- Progress DCC-3116 to IND
- Focus on next wave of targets

Strong Clinical Stage Oncology Pipeline Of Novel Kinase Inhibitors

	PRE CLINICAL	PHASE 1	PHASE 1B/2	PHASE 3	COMMERCIAL RIGHTS
Ripretinib: Broad Spectrum Inhibitor of KIT & PDGFR α					
INVICTUS ($\geq 4L$ GIST ¹)					decīphera*
INTRIGUE (2L GIST)					
GIST (2L, 3L, $\geq 4L$)					
Other Solid Tumors ²					
Rebastinib: Selective Inhibitor of TIE2					
Solid Tumors in Combination with Paclitaxel (includes breast, ovarian & endometrial cancers)					decīphera
Solid Tumors in Combination with Carboplatin (includes mesothelioma, ovarian & breast cancers)					
DCC-3014: Selective Inhibitor of CSF1R					
Tenosynovial Giant Cell Tumors (TGCT)					decīphera
Other Solid Tumors					
DCC-3116: Selective Inhibitor of ULK					
Autophagy Inhibitor for Targeting Mutant RAS Cancers					decīphera
Additional Programs					
Immunokinase (undisclosed target)					decīphera

Significant 2019 Milestones Across the Pipeline

Ripretinib

- INVICTUS ($\geq 4^{\text{th}}$ Line GIST: Pivotal Phase 3 Results (Expected Mid-2019))
- Phase 1 Expansion Data (2H 2019)

Rebastinib

- ✓ Phase 1b/2 Carboplatin Combination Initiated (1H 2019)
- ✓ Part 1 of the Phase 1b/2 Paclitaxel Combination Completed Enrollment (1H 2019)
- Part 1 of the Phase 1b/2 Paclitaxel Combination Data (2H 2019)

DCC-3014

- ✓ Phase 1 Dose Escalation Presentation (1H 2019)
- Phase 1 Escalation Data Update (2H 2019)

Discovery Platform

- ✓ Select Clinical Candidate Targeting ULK, Potential First-in-Class Autophagy Inhibitor to Treat mRAS Cancers (1H 2019)
- ✓ Initiate IND-enabling Studies (1H 2019)



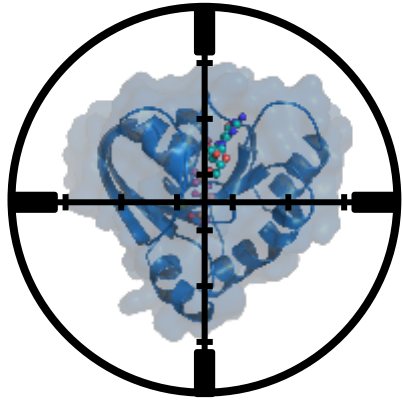
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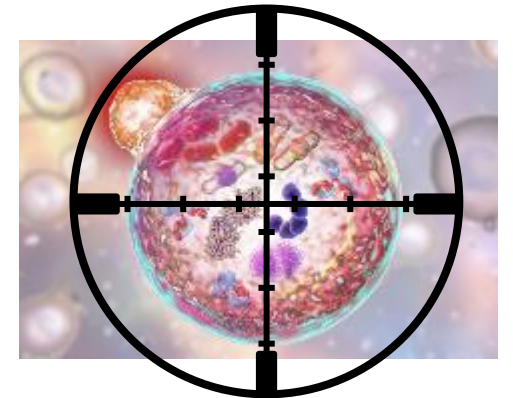
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*KRAS
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Exploiting autophagy for the treatment of RAS-mutant cancers



Autophagy



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Key points

- ‘Undruggable’ RAS-mutant cancers: druggable after all?
- Autophagy: the Achilles’ heel of RAS-mutant cancers?
- Inhibitors of the ERK MAPK cascade – rendering KRAS-mutant cancers addicted to autophagy
- Combination ERK MAPK and autophagy inhibition: a pan-RAS therapy?
- Autophagy inhibition anti-tumor activity is due to targeting tumor cells and the tumor microenvironment
- ULK inhibitors: a more selective autophagy inhibitor?

RAS mutations are associated with the major causes of cancer deaths in the US

RAS mutation frequency

%	Cancer
97	Pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma
52	Colorectal adenocarcinoma
43	Multiple myeloma
32	Lung adenocarcinoma
28	Skin cutaneous melanoma
25	Uterine corpus endometrioid carcinoma
13	Thyroid carcinoma
13	Uterine carcinosarcoma
12	Stomach adenocarcinoma
11	Acute myeloid leukaemia
11	Bladder urothelial carcinoma
8	Cervical adenocarcinoma
6	Head & neck squamous cell carcinoma

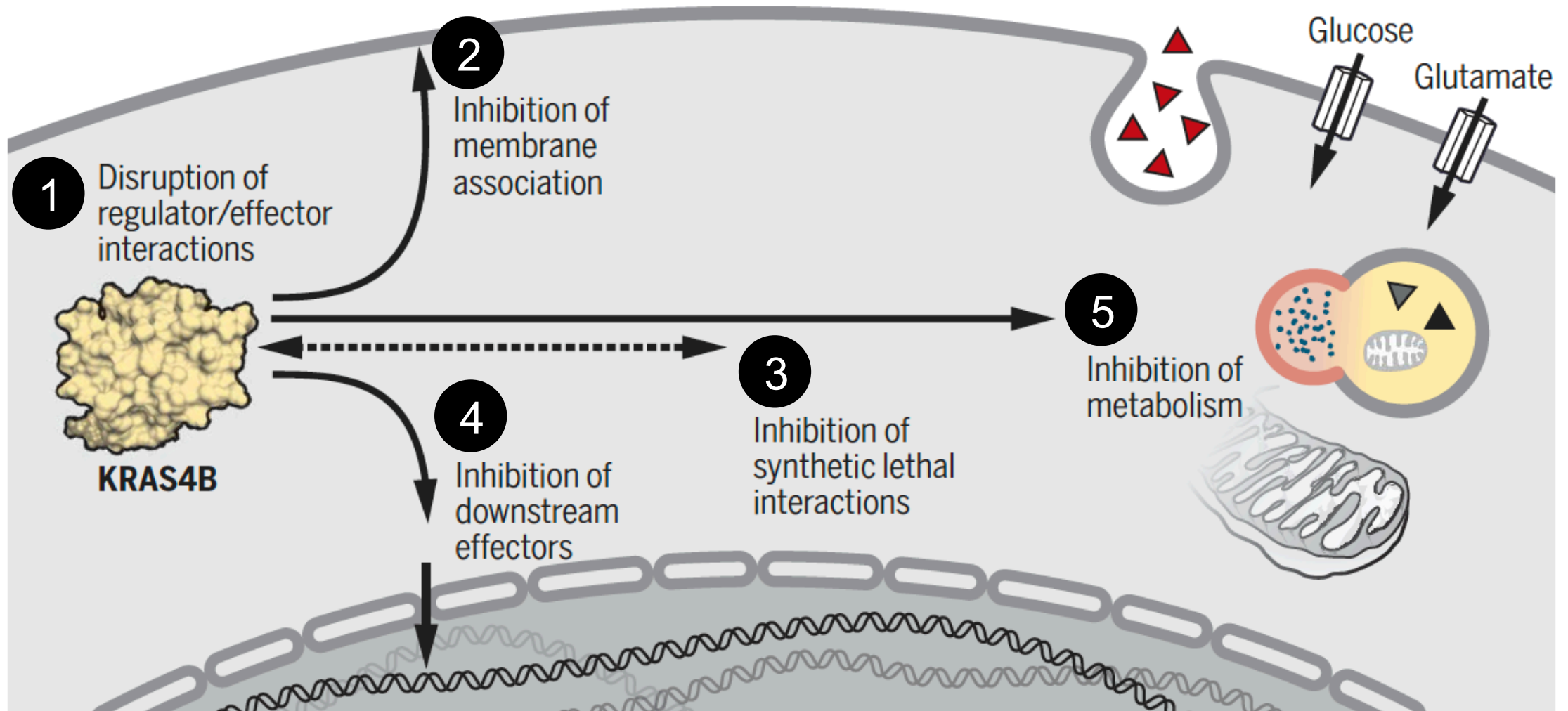
Cox et al (2014) Nat Rev Drug Discov 13:828

Estimated US cancer deaths

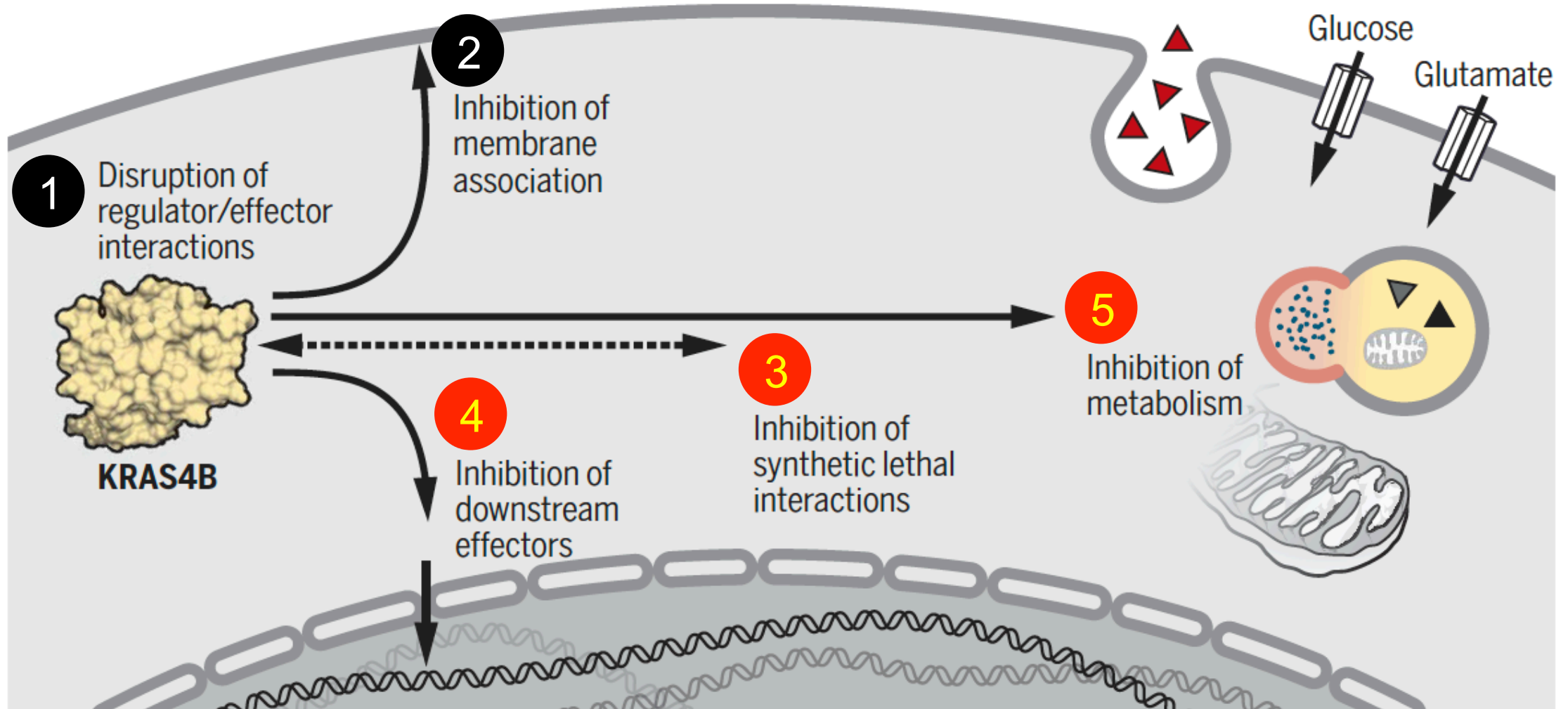
Site	Deaths	%
Lung & bronchus	142,670	23.5
Colon & rectum	51,020	8.4
Pancreas	45,750	7.5
Breast	42,260	6.9
Liver & intrahepatic bile duct	31,780	5.2
Prostate	31,620	5.2
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	19,970	3.2
Brain & nervous system	17,760	2.9
Urinary bladder	17,670	2.9
Esophagus	16,080	2.6
Kidney & renal pelvis	14,770	2.4
Ovary	13,980	2.3
Myeloma	12,960	2.1

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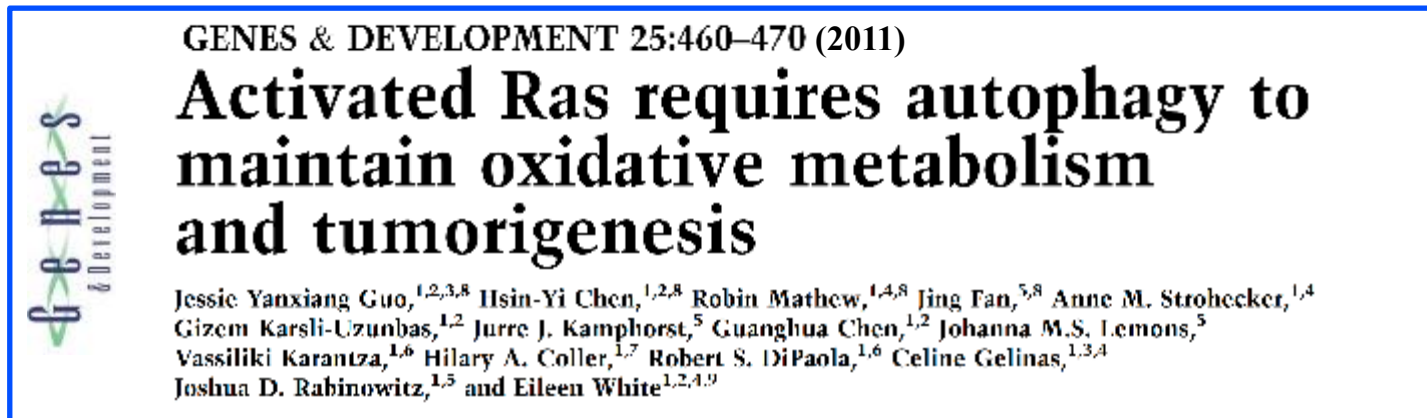
Current strategies for targeting RAS for cancer treatment



Pursuit of three strategies converge on autophagy



RAS mutant cancers are addicted to autophagy

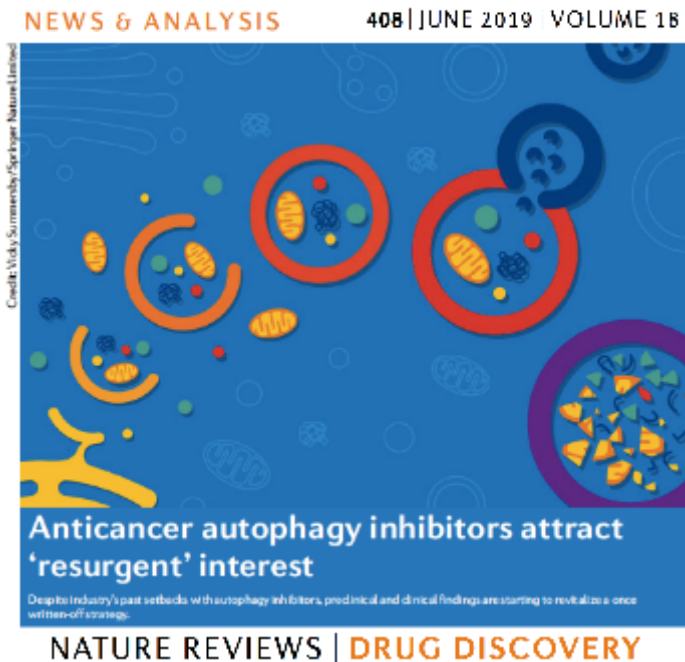


- Autophagy is elevated in RAS-mutant cancers
- Inhibition of autophagy impairs growth of RAS-mutant cancers
- ❖ Does mutant RAS cause increased autophagy? If yes, then how does RAS do this?

We were wrong – suppression of RAS
further elevated, rather than suppressed,
autophagy!

We begin a four year journey to figure out why
and what this means.

Three studies independently establish the therapeutic potential of concurrent ERK MAPK and autophagy inhibition in RAS-mutant cancer



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Chasing after ERK leads us to autophagy

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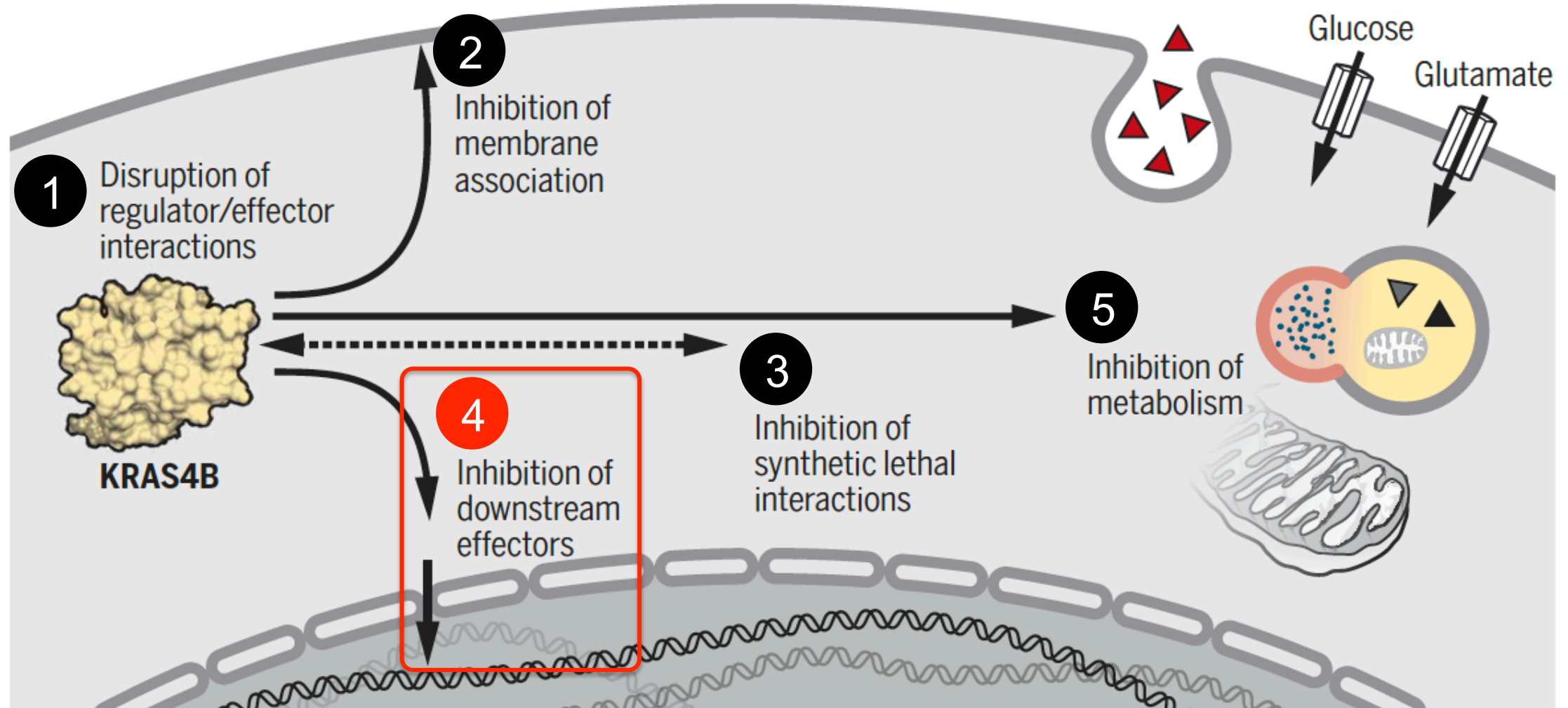
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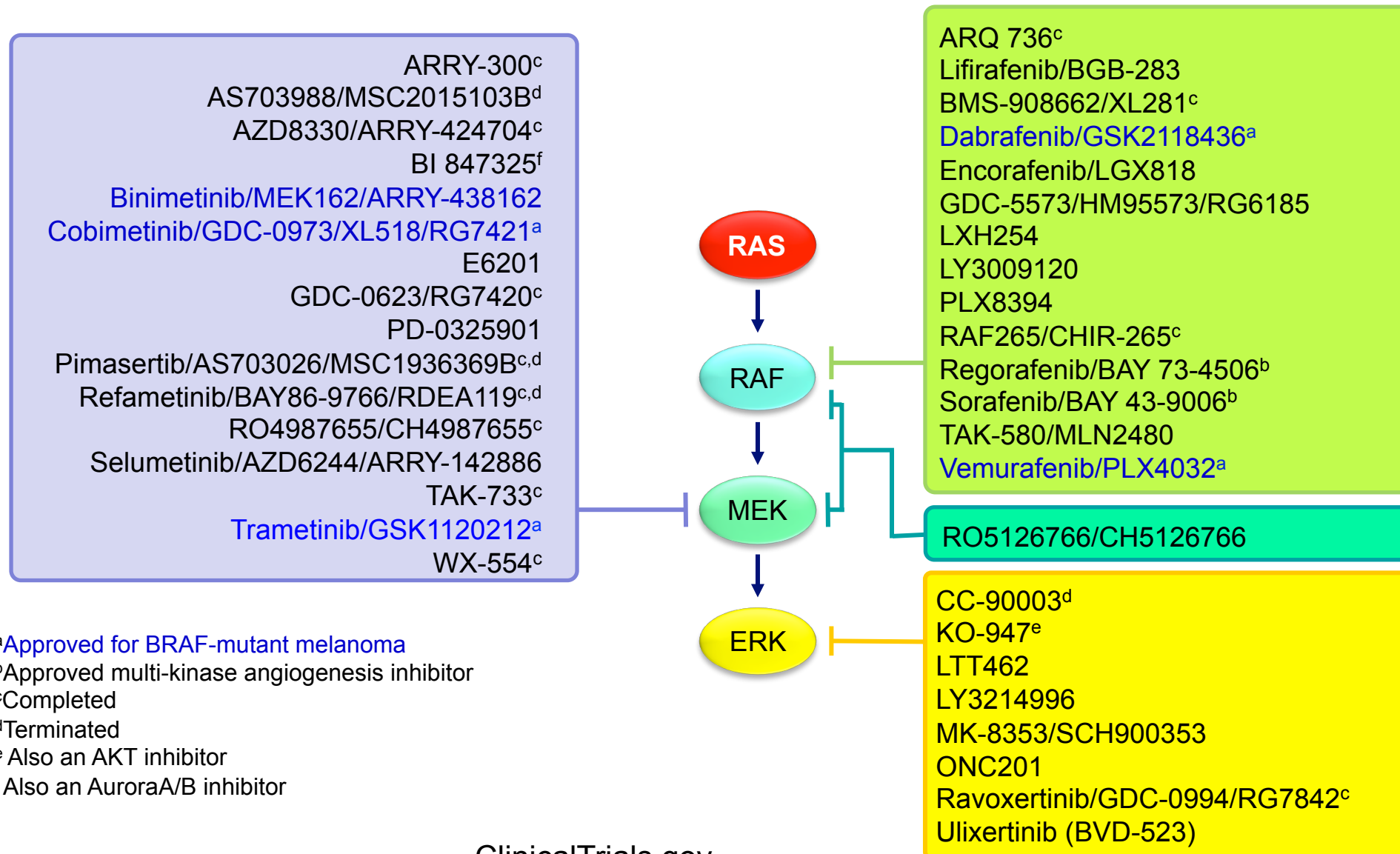
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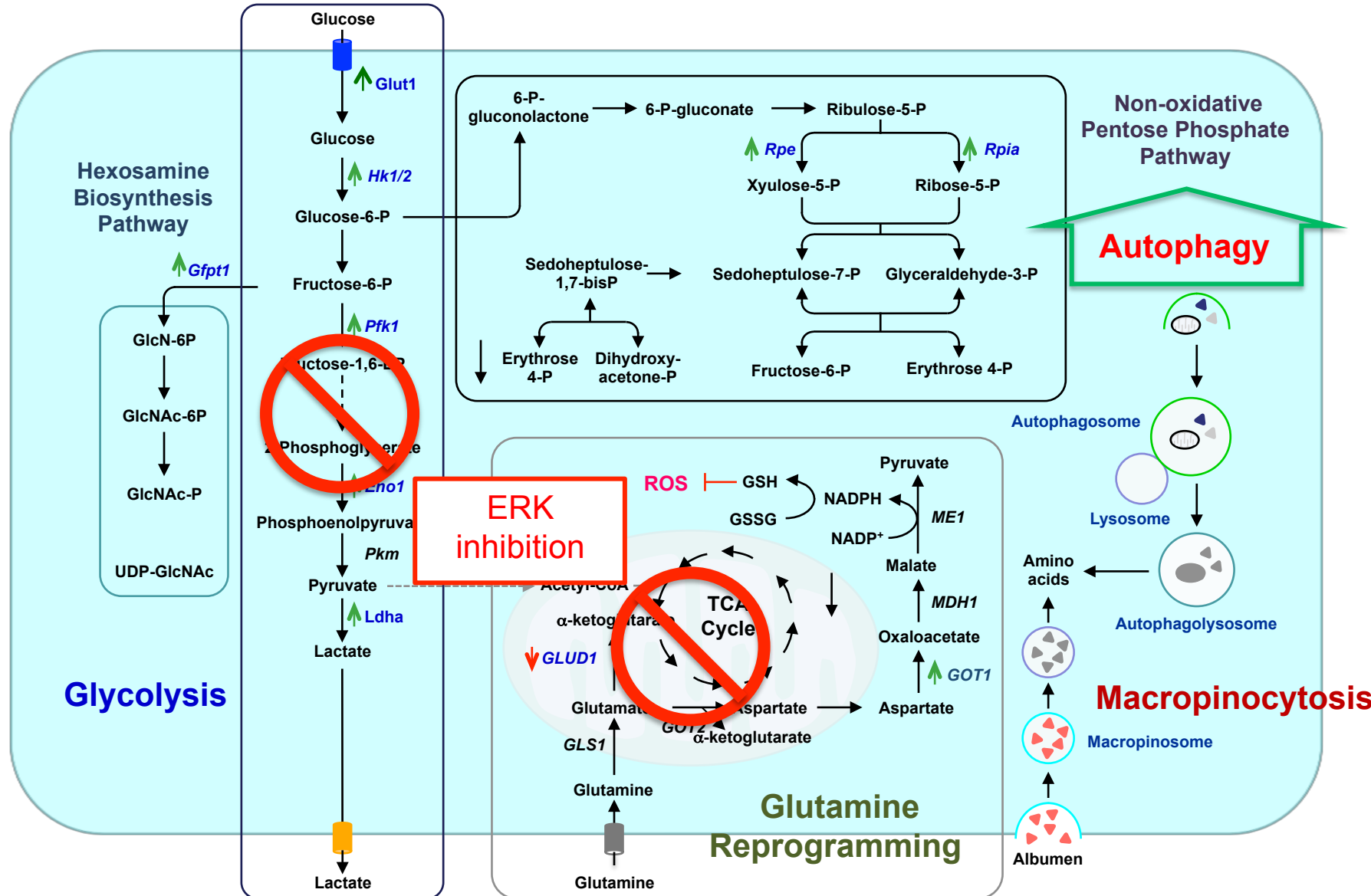
Targeting the RAF-MEK-ERK MAPK cascade



Clinical evaluation of RAF-MEK-ERK protein kinase inhibitors



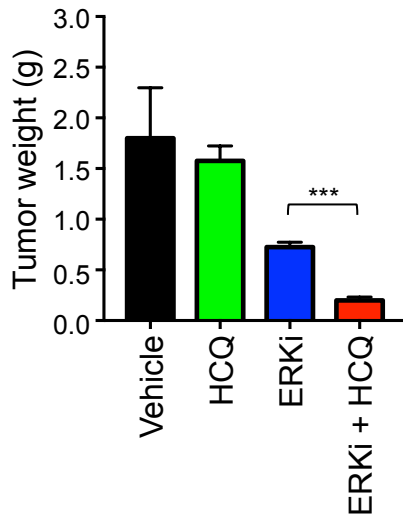
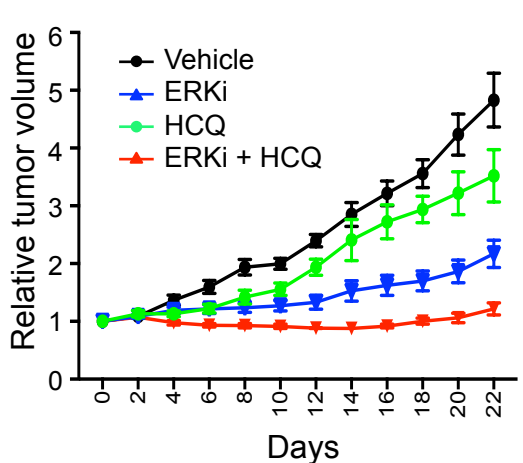
Suppression of ERK-dependent glycolysis and mitochondrial function causes increased autophagy



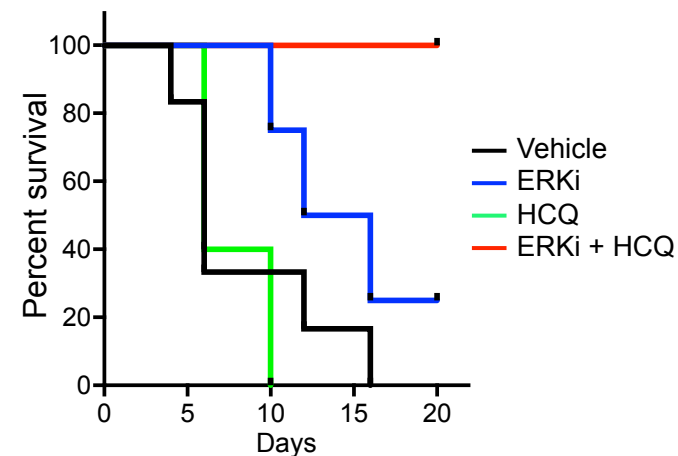
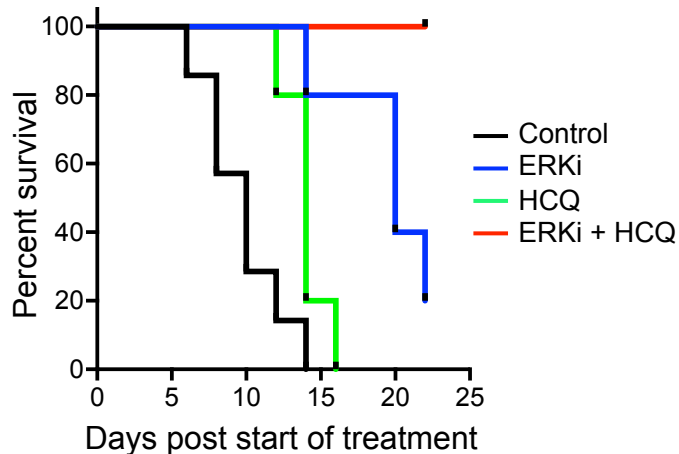
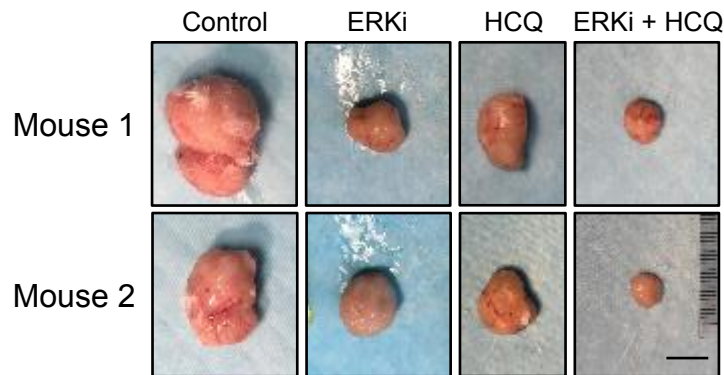
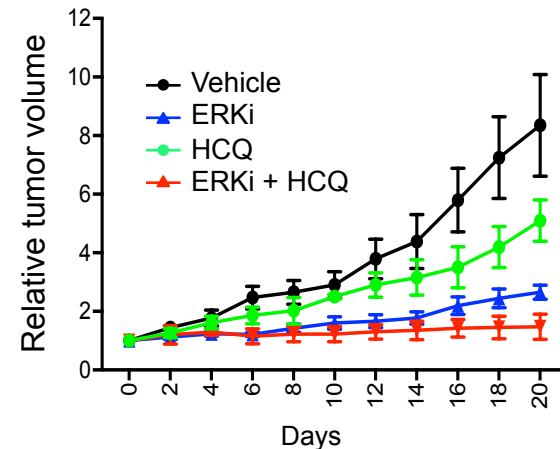
- Increased dependency on autophagy?
- Increased vulnerability to autophagy inhibition?

Concurrent ERK and autophagy inhibition suppresses pancreatic patient-derived xenograft tumor growth

AZ1013 PDX
KRAS G12D
TP53 R248W
NF1 I1186N
KMT2C R4541*
SMAD4 deletion
CDKN2A deletion



AZ97 PDX
*KRAS*G12V
TP53 p.R248Q
SMAD4 p.Y131*
CDKN2A



Independently, another group reaches the same conclusion

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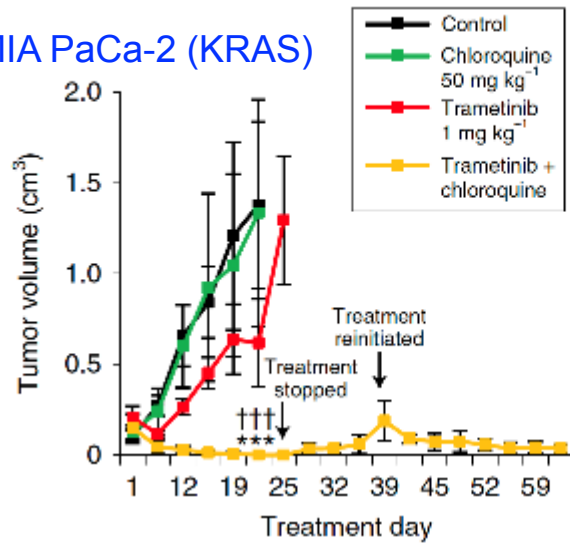
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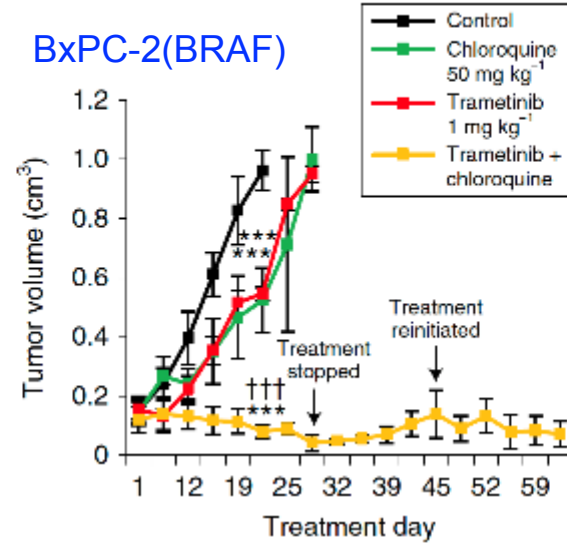
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Concurrent MEK and autophagy inhibition cooperates to cause tumor regression

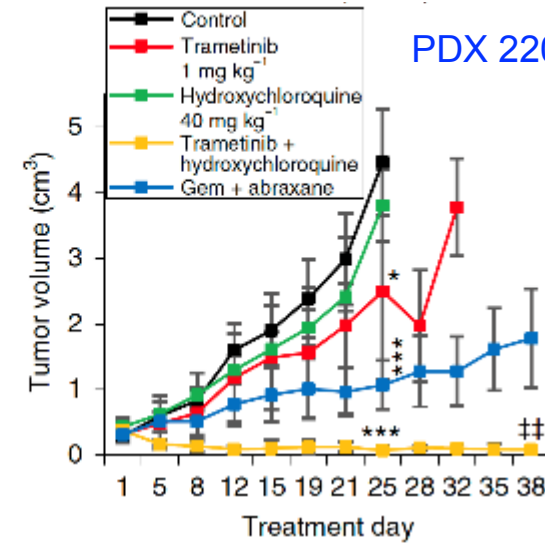
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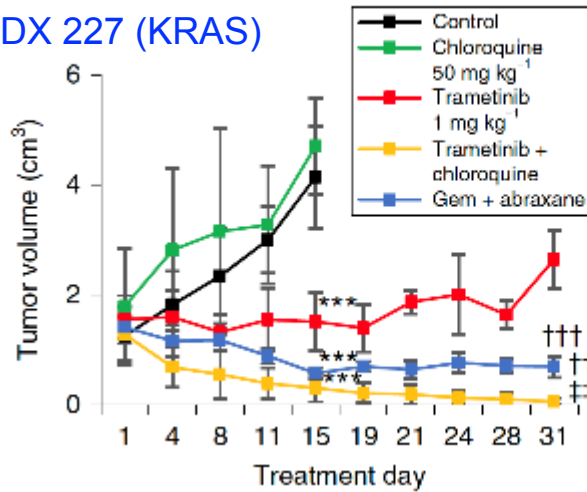
BxPC-2(BRAF)



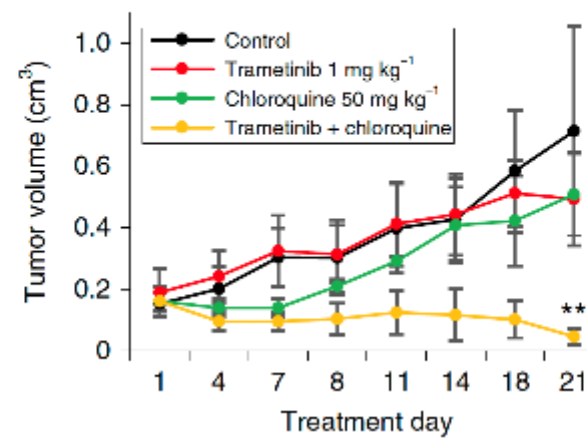
PDX 220 (KRAS)



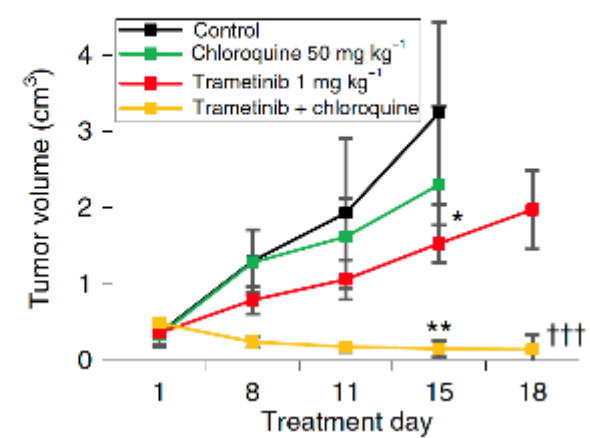
PDX 227 (KRAS)



HCLMeI002 (NRAS)



HCICRC004 CRC PDX (BRAF)

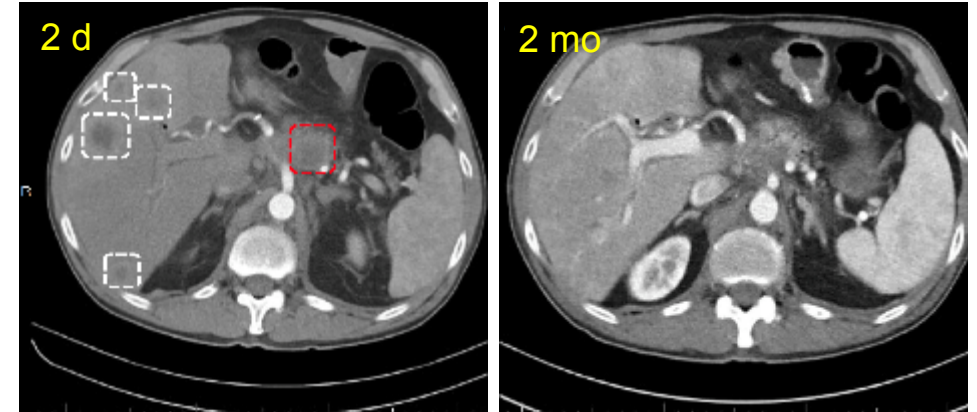


Proof-of-concept in a pancreatic cancer patient

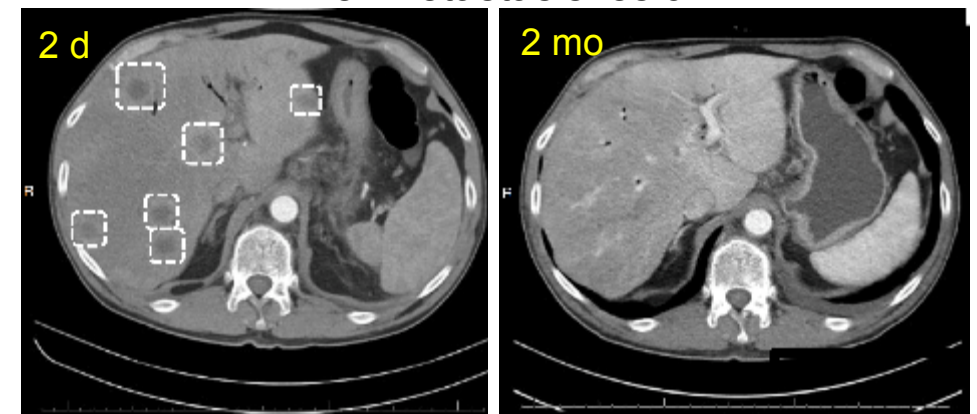
- 2 mg of trametinib plus 1200 mg HCQ daily over last two 2 months
- CA19-9 levels declined ~ 95%
- 50% reduction tumor mass
- Grade 1 rash and grade 1 fatigue
- No ocular and cardiac toxicities

CT Imaging

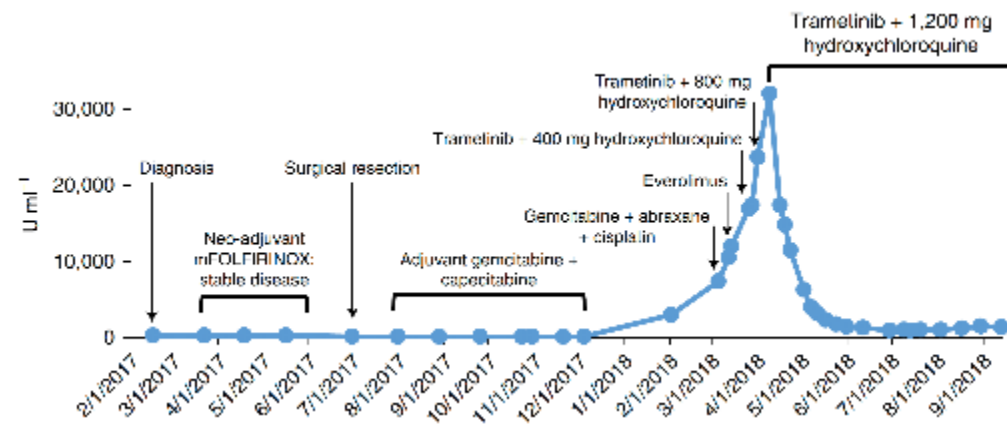
Pancreatic lesion



Liver metastasis lesion



CA19-9 tumor marker



And a third study, taking a different strategy, independently confirms our findings

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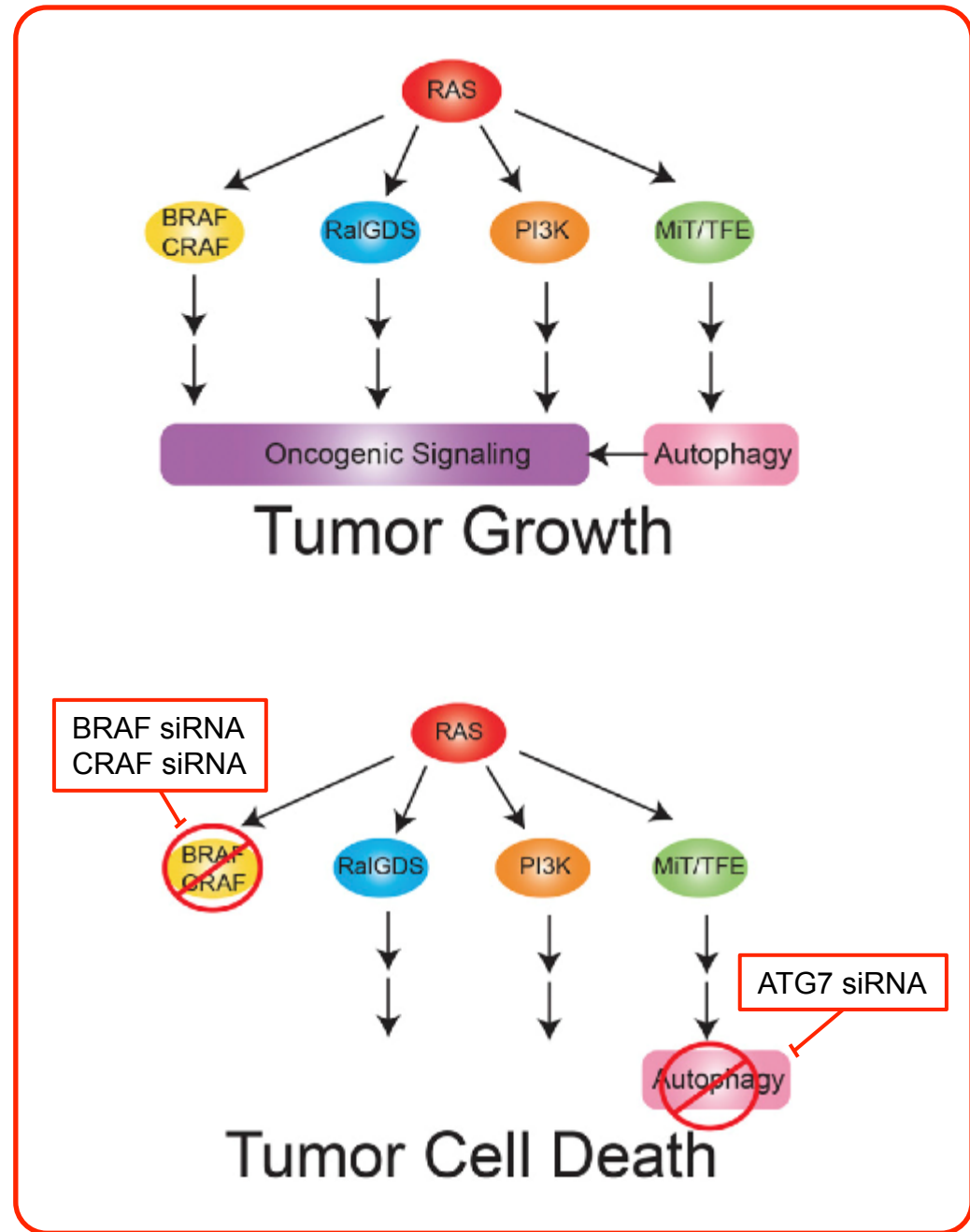
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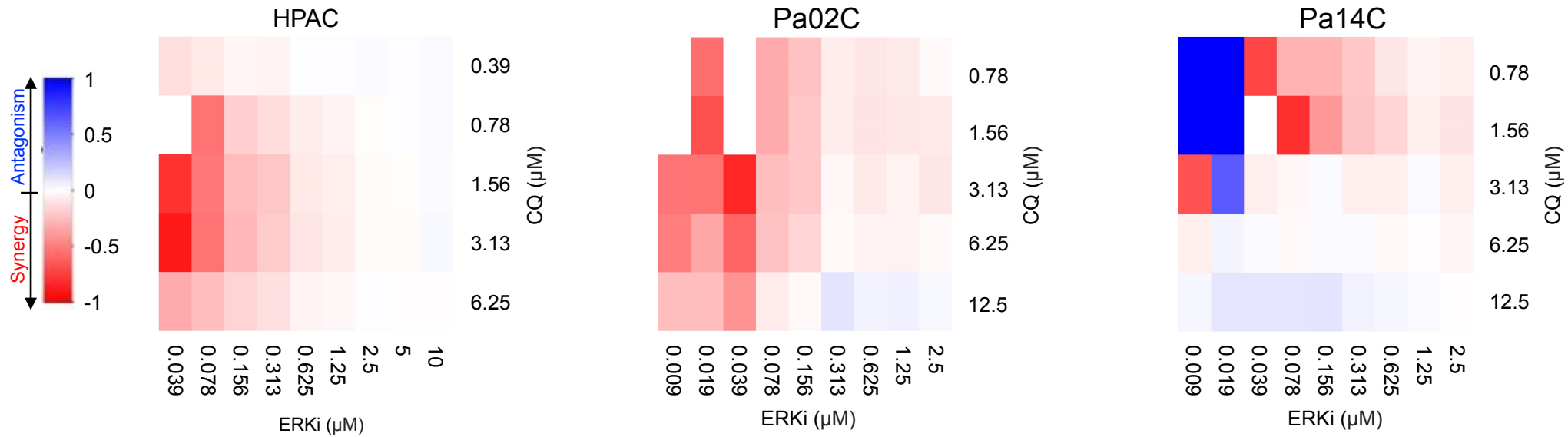
Blockade of RAF and autophagy is the one-two punch to take out Ras

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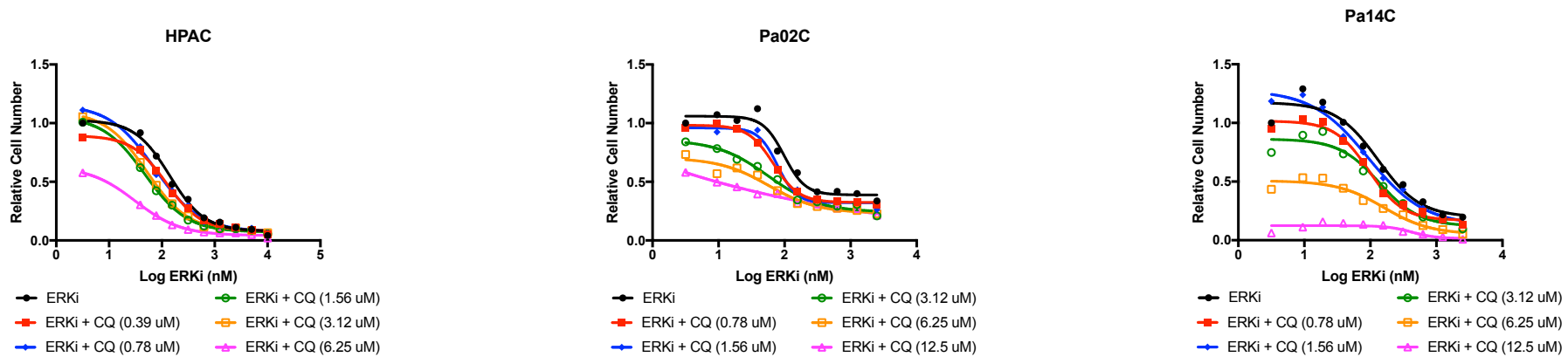
“Essential codependency of RAS-driven cancers on BRAF, CRAF, and autophagy. BRAF and CRAF provide key functional oncogenic signaling downstream of RAS that requires autophagy mediated by ATG7 to sustain survival. **Coordinate blockade of BRAF, CRAF, and ATG7 provides the one-two punch and lethal blow to Ras-driven cancer cells.**”



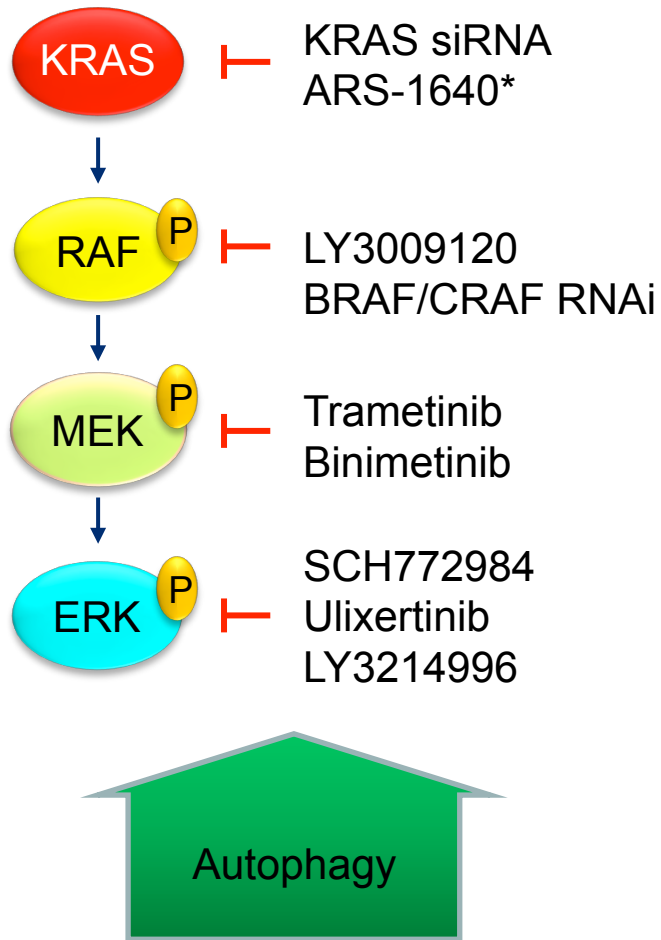
RAFi* and chloroquine synergize in KRAS-mutant PDAC



*LY3009120



Inhibition of RAF-MEK-ERK signaling causes compensatory increase in autophagy in KRAS-mutant cancer cells



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Initiation of pancreatic cancer clinical trials: combination MEK/ERK and autophagy inhibition



THREAD: A Phase I Trial of Trametinib and Hydroxychloroquine in Patients With Advanced Pancreatic Cancer (NCT03825289)



Phase I Trial of Binimetinib Plus Hydroxychloroquine in Metastatic Pancreatic and Colorectal Cancer

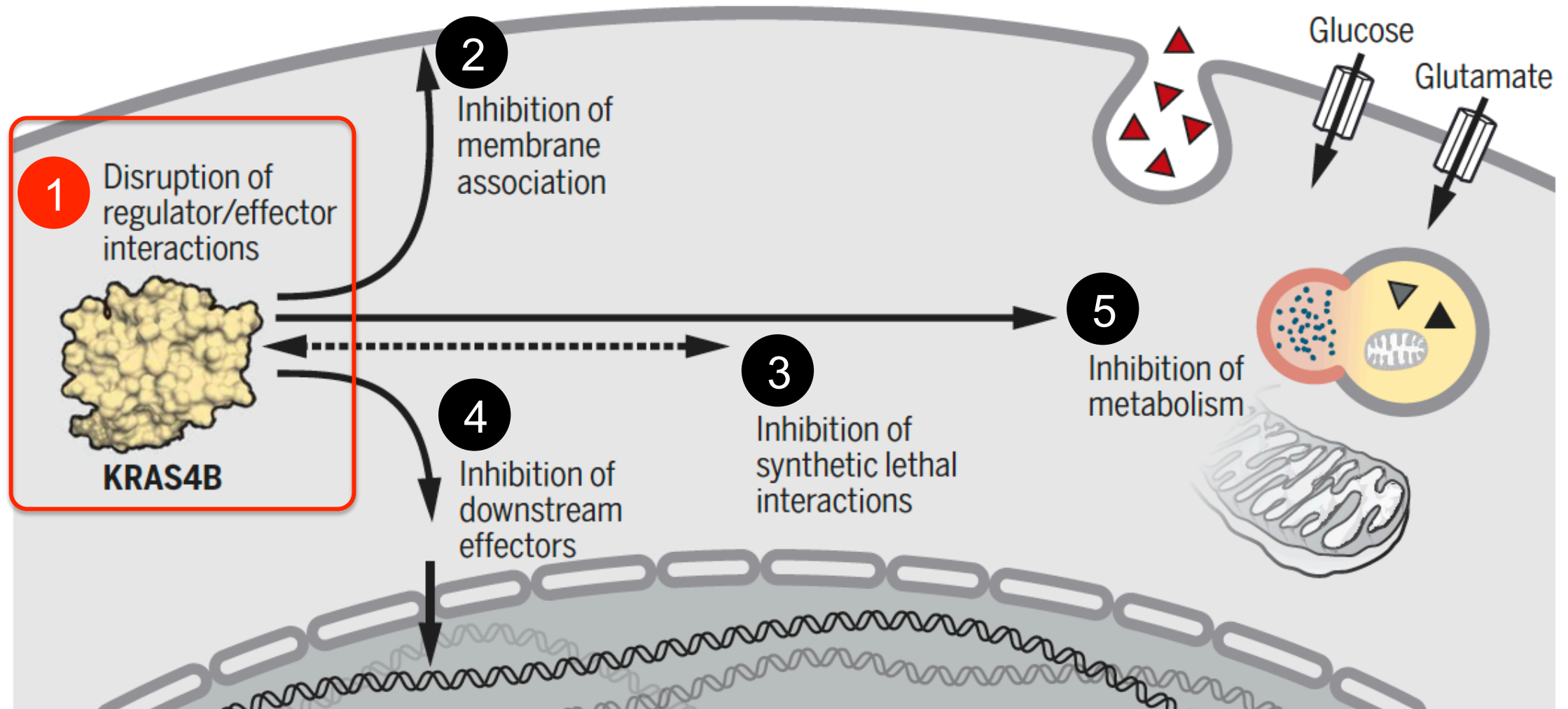
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Initiation of a Phase I Clinical Trial Evaluating Combination ERK and Autophagy (hydroxychloroquine) Inhibition in Pancreatic Cancer

Key points

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- Autophagy: the Achilles’ heel of RAS-mutant cancers?
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- **Combination ERK MAPK and autophagy inhibition: a pan-RAS therapy?**
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- ULK inhibitors: a more selective autophagy inhibitor?

The first direct KRAS inhibitors enter clinical evaluation in 2018



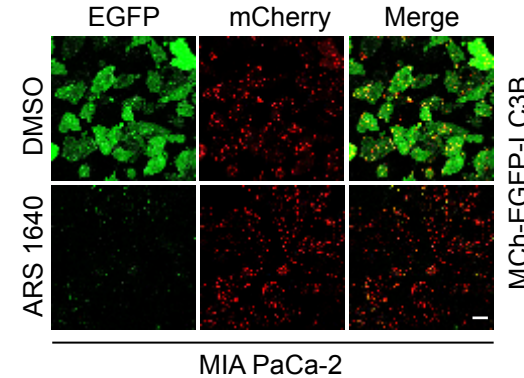
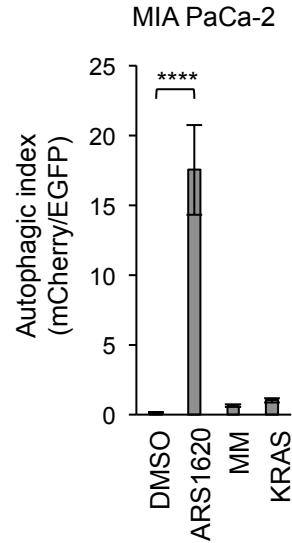
Clinical evaluation of KRAS G12C-specific inhibitors

- A Phase 1, Study Evaluating the Safety, Tolerability, PK, and Efficacy of AMG 510 in Subjects With Solid Tumors With a Specific KRAS Mutation (NCT03600883)
- MRTX849 in Patients With Cancer Having a KRAS G12C Mutation (NCT03785249)

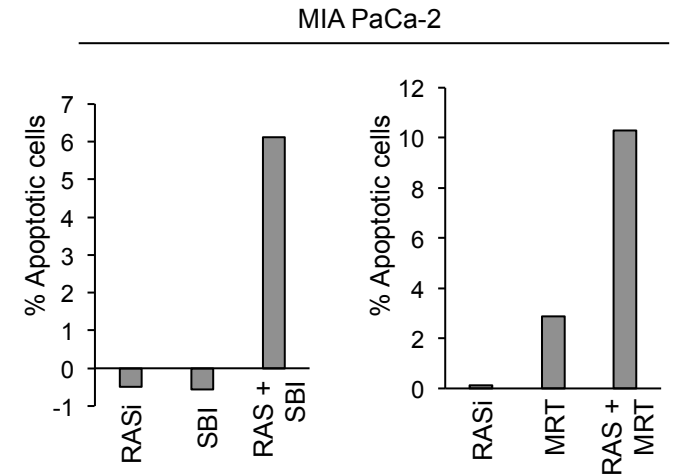
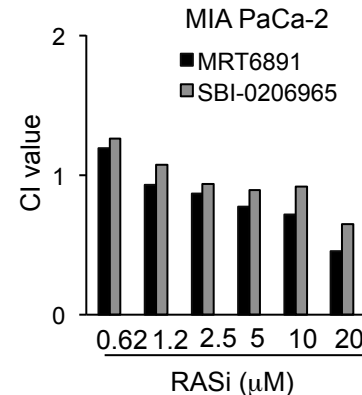
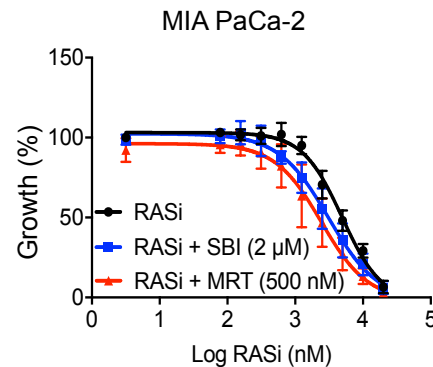
❖ KRAS G12C inhibitors versus ERK MAPK + HCQ?

Concurrent KRAS G12C and ULK inhibition causes pancreatic cancer cell death

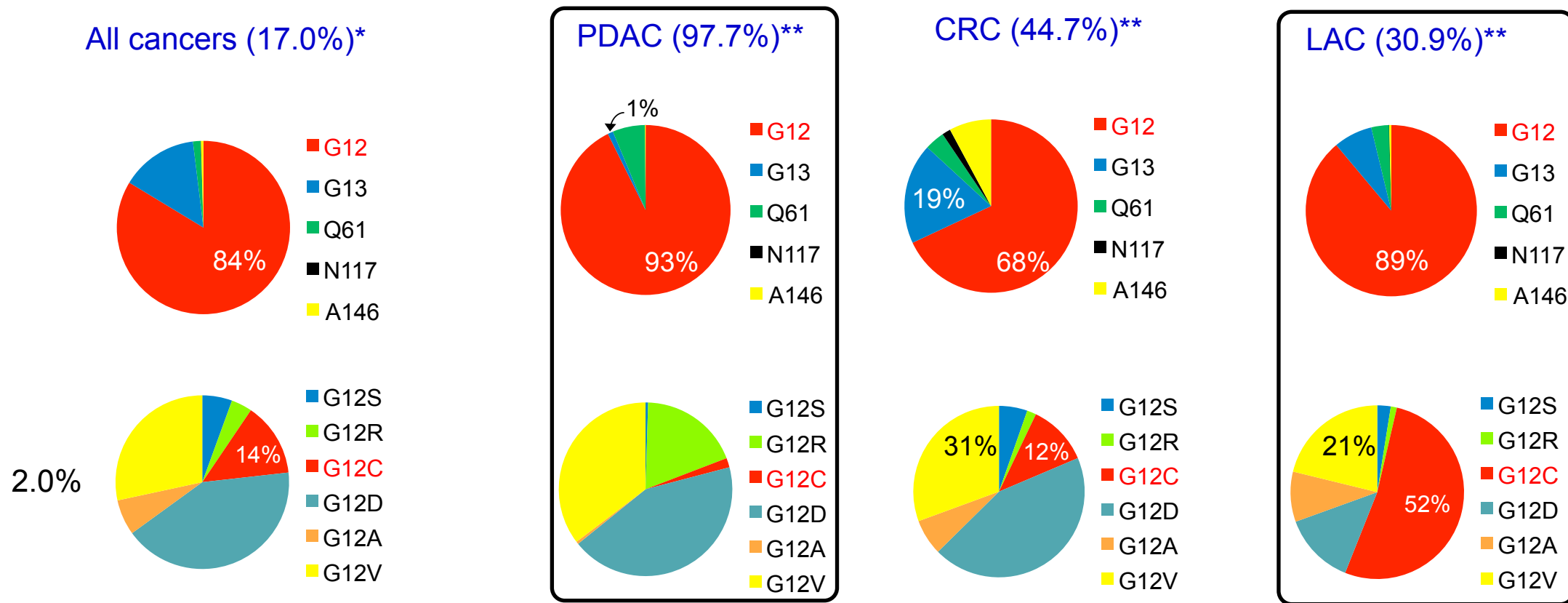
Treatment with the KRAS^{G12C} inhibitor ARS-1620 increases autophagy



Cotreatment with ULK inhibitors enhance KRAS^{G12C} inhibitor growth suppression

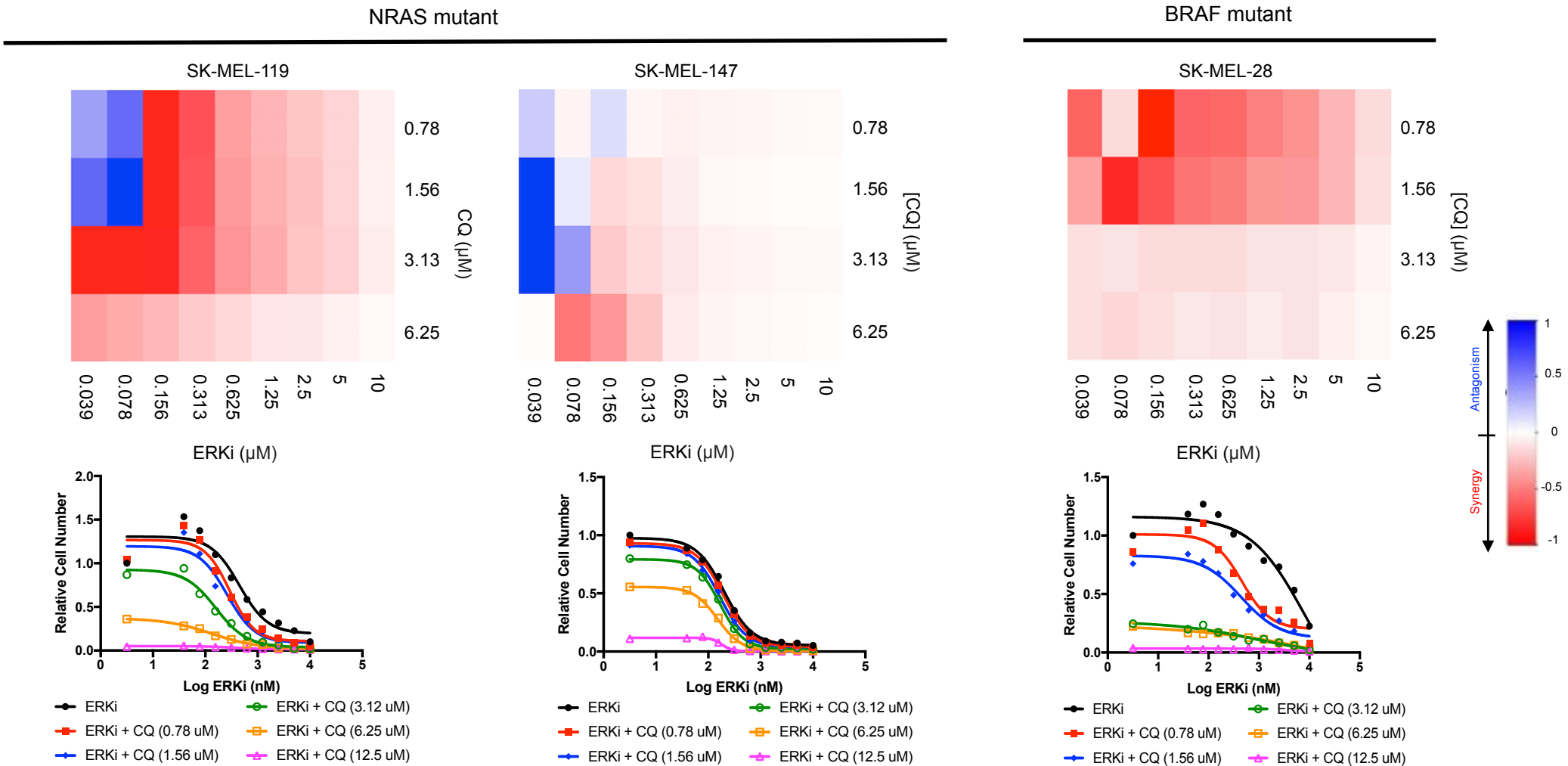


G12C inhibitors target only 2% of all cancers

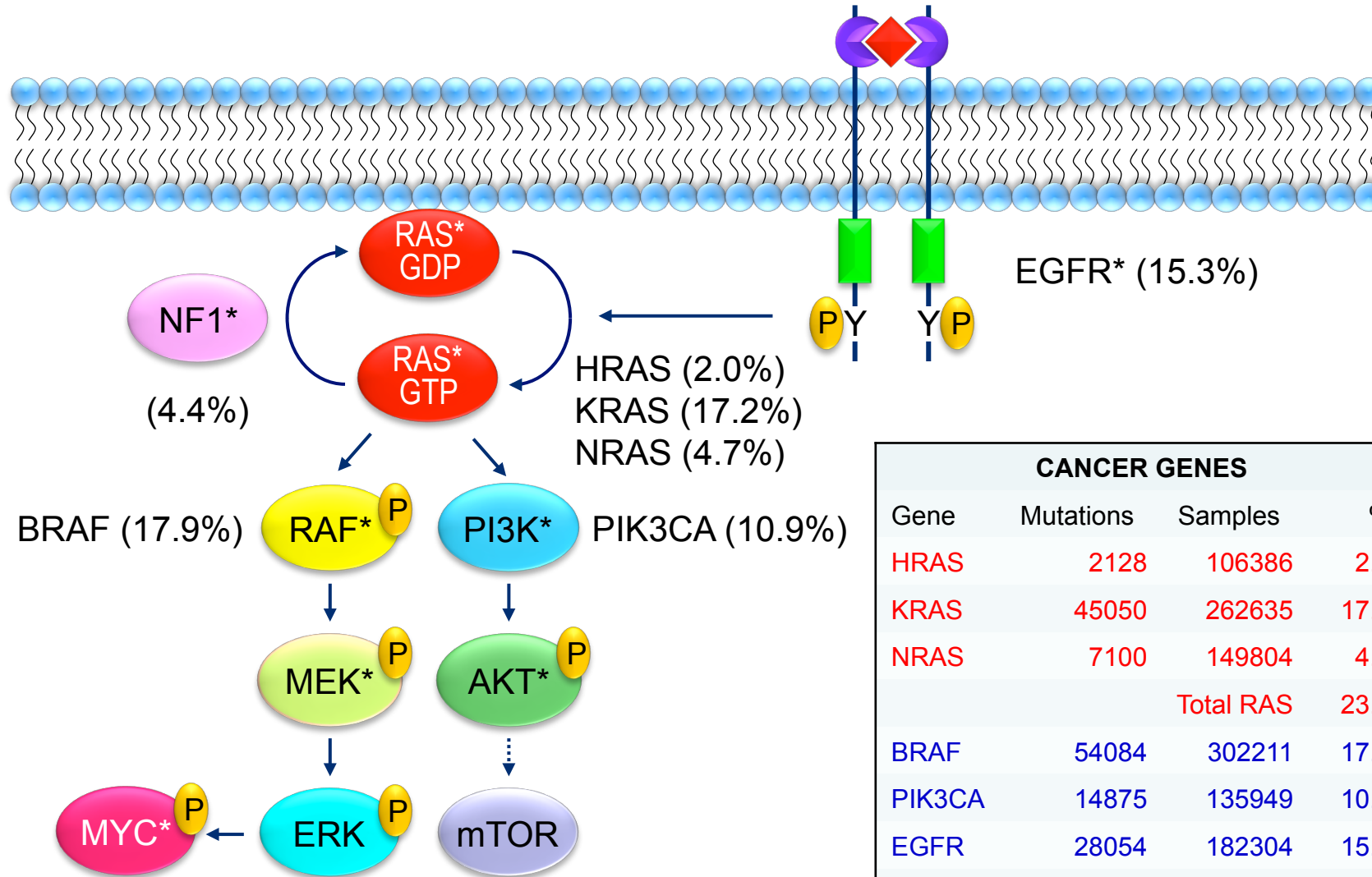


KRAS G12C mutations are common in lung (46% of KRAS mutations), infrequent in colorectal (8%), and rare in pancreatic (2%) cancer

ERKi and chloroquine cause synergistic growth suppression of NRAS- and BRAF-mutant melanoma



Aberrant RAF-MEK-ERK MAPK signaling in cancer

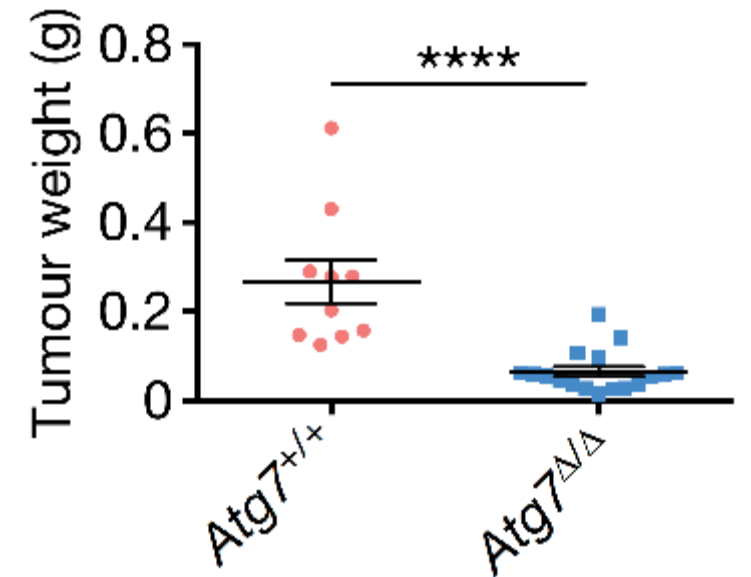
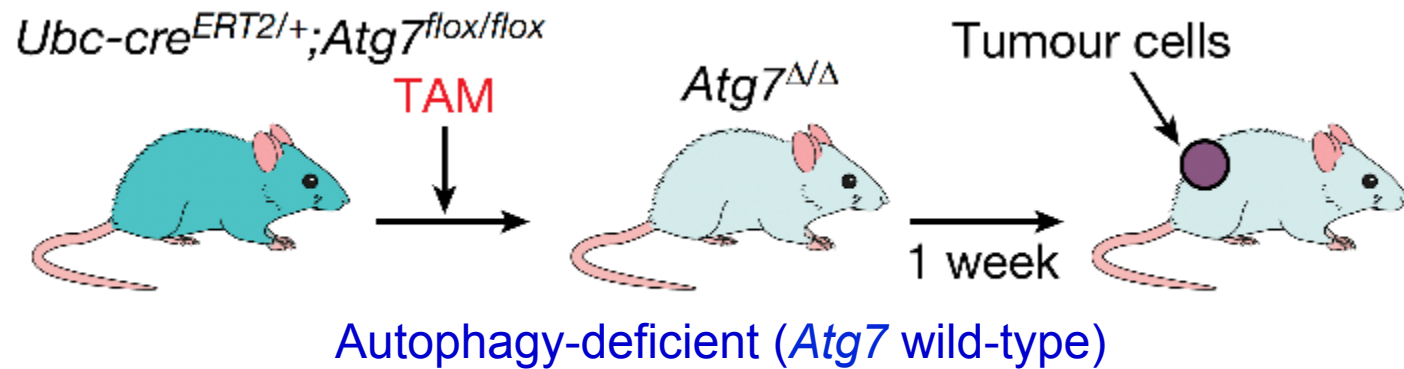
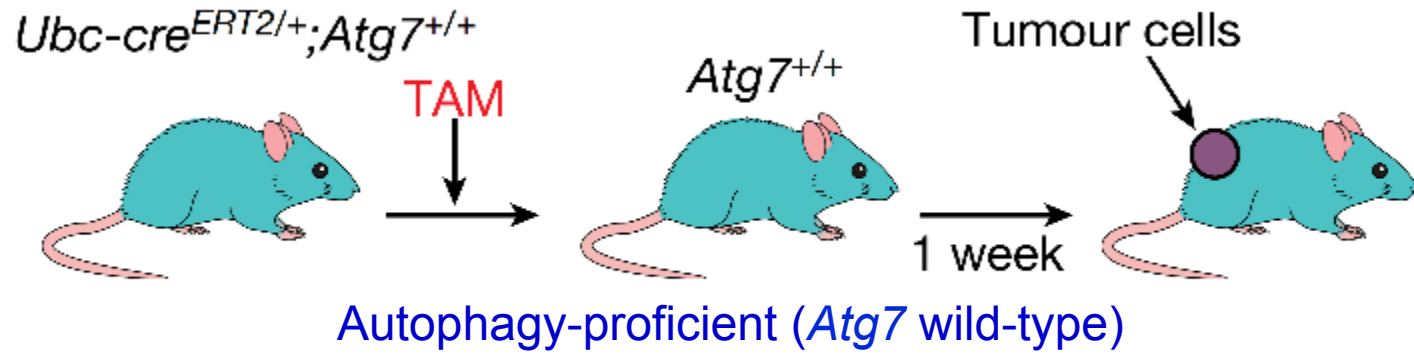


CANCER GENES			
Gene	Mutations	Samples	%
HRAS	2128	106386	2.0
KRAS	45050	262635	17.2
NRAS	7100	149804	4.7
		Total RAS	23.9
BRAF	54084	302211	17.9
PIK3CA	14875	135949	10.9
EGFR	28054	182304	15.3
NF1	2878	65211	4.4
TP53	41588	155424	26.8

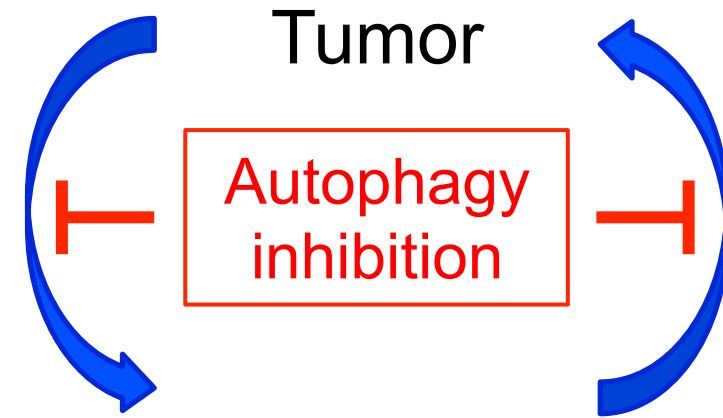
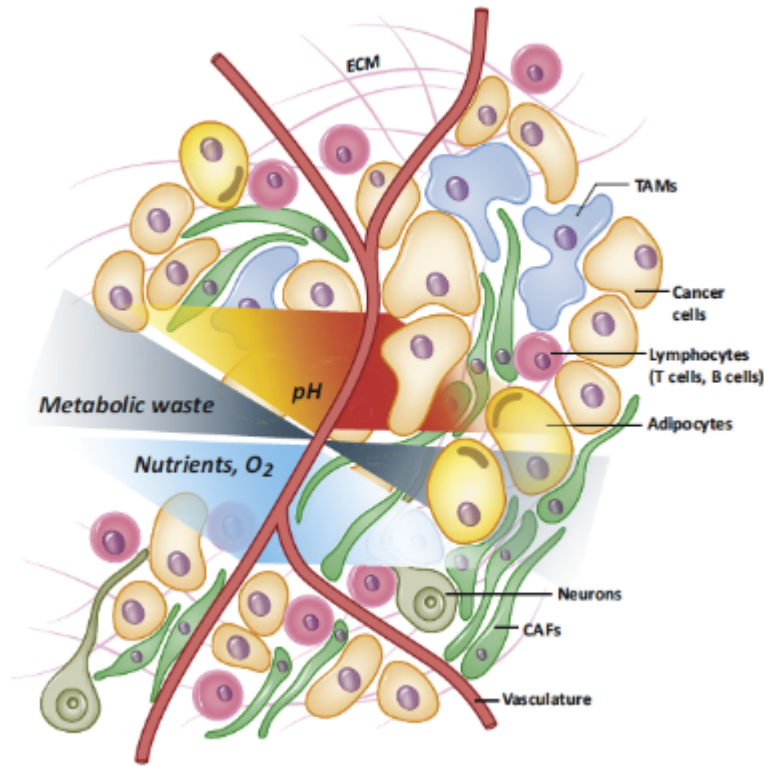
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Host autophagy supports tumor growth



Autophagy-dependent activities of the microenvironment support tumor growth



Microenvironment

- Stroma (stellate cells)
- Immune cells (macrophages)

Sousa et al (2016) Nature 536:479

Cunha et al (2018) Cell 175:429

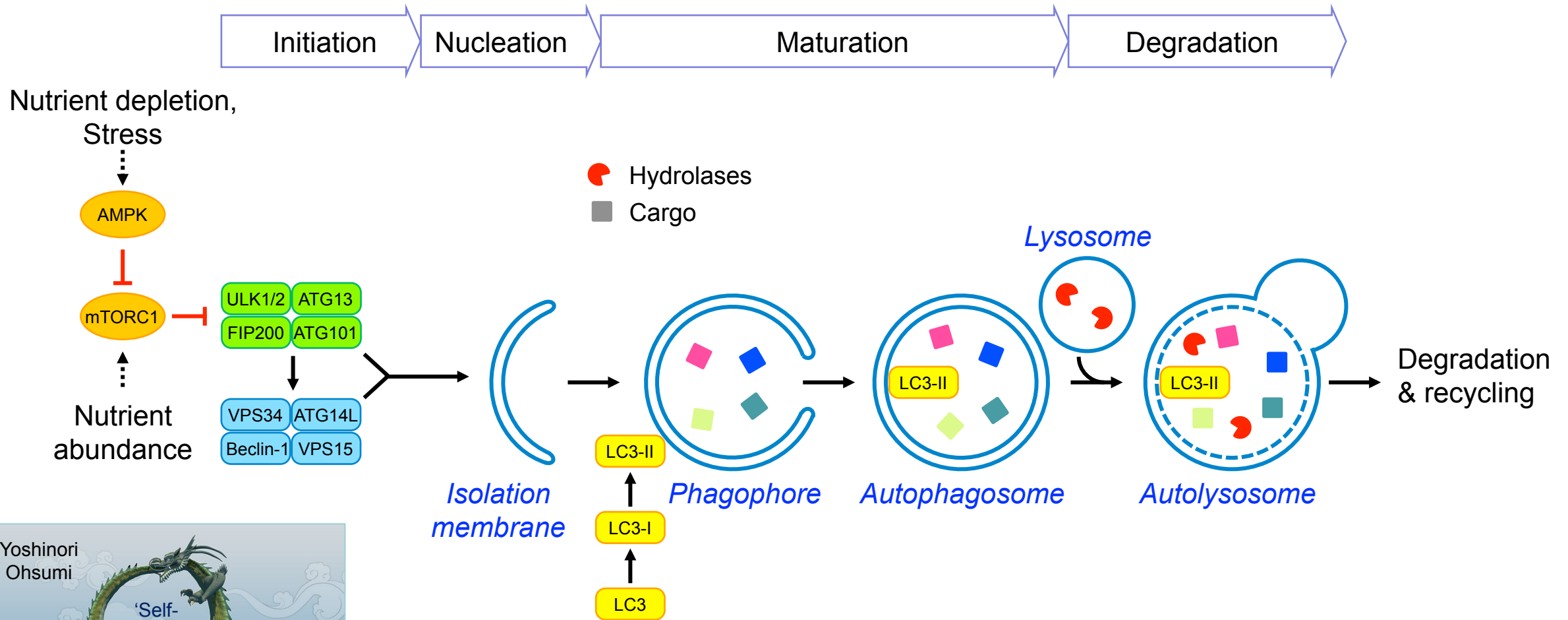
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Autophagy inhibition impairs tumor growth by targeting both tumor cells and normal cells in the microenvironment

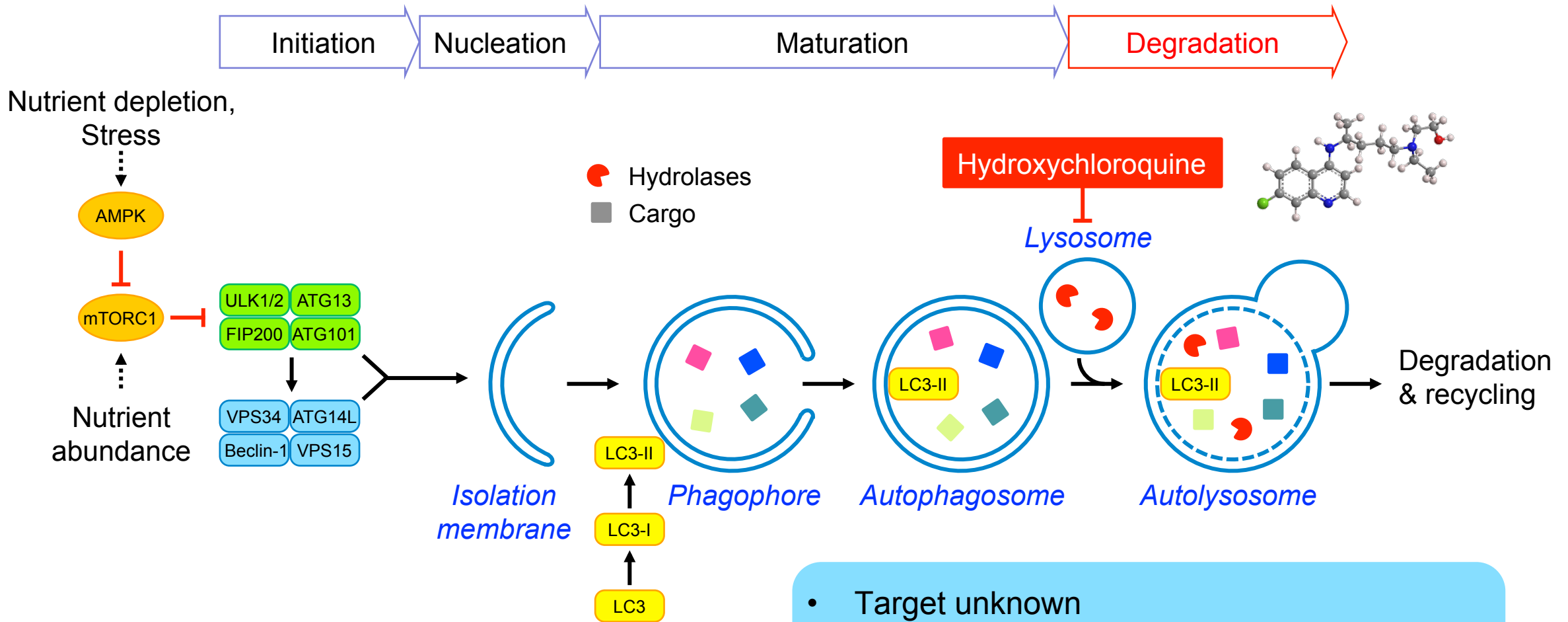
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Autophagy: “self-eating” and recycling cellular materials for nutrient and energy source



Hydroxychloroquine inhibition of autophagy



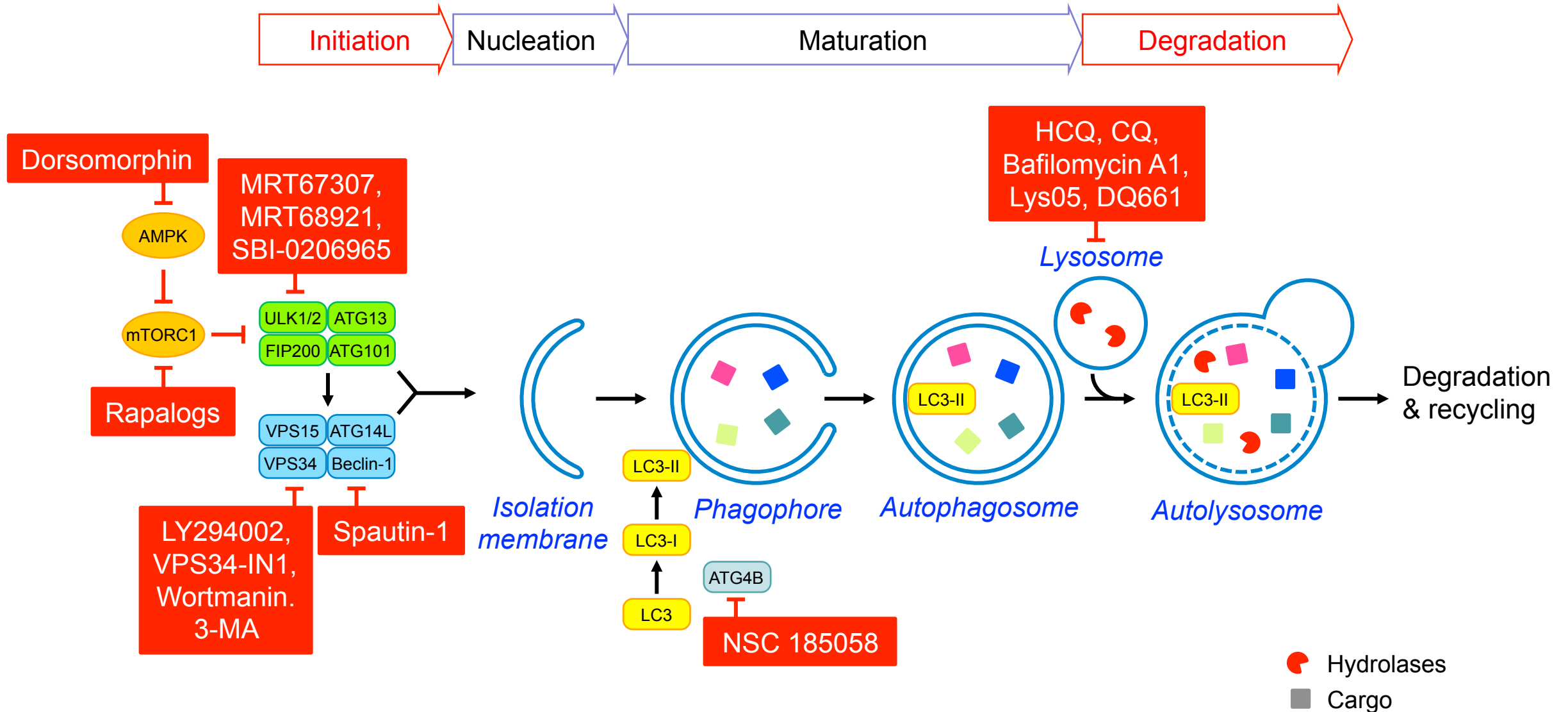
- Target unknown
- Elevate/neutralize the lysosomal/vacuolar pH
- Low potency and selectivity for autophagy

Hydroxychloroquine in pancreatic clinical trials

- Randomized Phase II Trial of Pre-Operative Gemcitabine and Nab Paclitacel With or With Out Hydroxychloroquine (NCT01978184)
- Phase II Study of Hydroxychloroquine in Previously Treated Patients With Metastatic Pancreatic Cancer (NCT01273805) - completed
- A Phase I/II/Pharmacodynamic Study of Hydroxychloroquine in Combination With Gemcitabine/Abraxane to Inhibit Autophagy in Pancreatic Cancer (NCT01506973) – active, not recruiting
- Randomized Phase II Trial of Pre-Operative Gemcitabine, Nab-Paclitaxel, and Hydroxychloroquine With or Without Avelumab (PGHA vs. PGH) (NCT03344172) - suspended

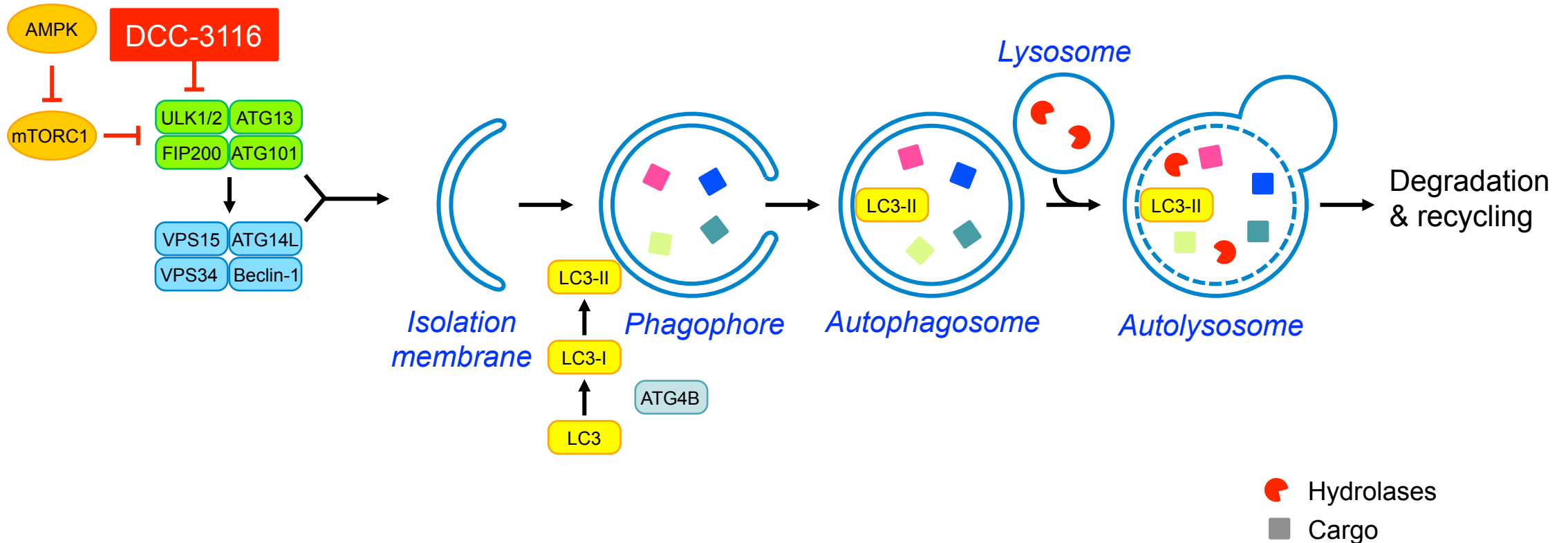
Hydroxychloroquine has shown limited activity as a monotherapy (NCT01273805, NCT01506973 and NCT03344172), but has shown promise in combination with preoperative gemcitabine plus nab-paclitaxel (NCT01978184)

Autophagy inhibitors



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Autophagy inhibitors: a focus on ULK inhibitors



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Conclusions

- Inhibitors of the ERK MAPK cascade render KRAS-mutant cancers addicted to autophagy, enhancing their response to autophagy inhibitor treatment
- Unlike KRAS^{G12C} mutant-selective inhibitors, combination ERK MAPK and autophagy inhibitor treatment may be effective in a broader spectrum of EGFR/RAS/BRAF mutant human cancers.
- Moving forward, more potent and selective autophagy inhibitors will be needed to improve upon this combination

ULK activity plays a metabolic role in RAS-mutant cancers

Molecular Cell

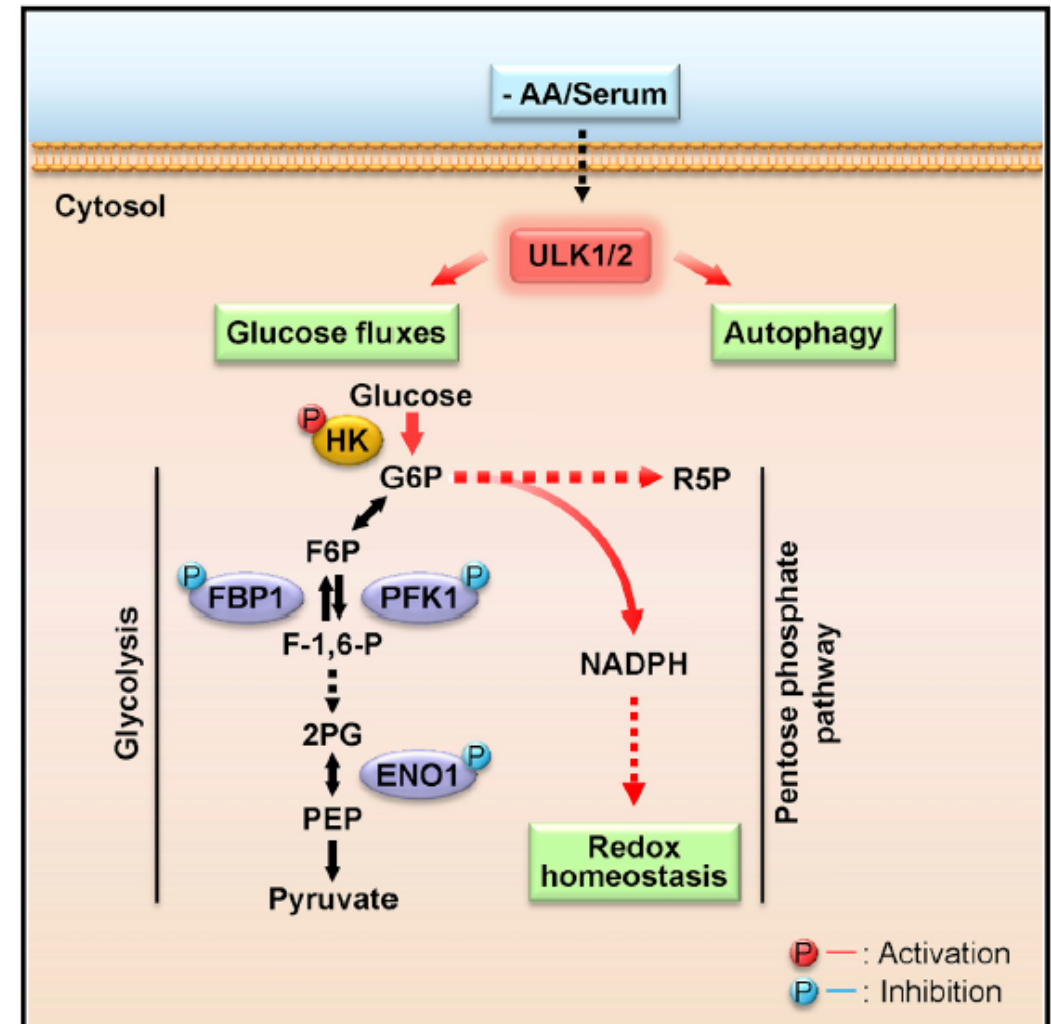
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ULK Kinase Inhibitor & Autophagy

Rationale for DCC-3116 in RAS Cancers

RAS CANCERS DEPEND ON MEK/ERK SIGNALING & AUTOPHAGY FOR SURVIVAL

ULK KINASE IS AN INITIATING FACTOR FOR ACTIVATION OF AUTOPHAGY

DCC-3116 IS A POTENTIAL FIRST-IN-CLASS ULK KINASE INHIBITOR

STRONG PRELIMINARY PRECLINICAL VALIDATION

RAS Cancers Represent Significant Unmet Medical Need

RAS mutations are the most common activating mutations of all cancers

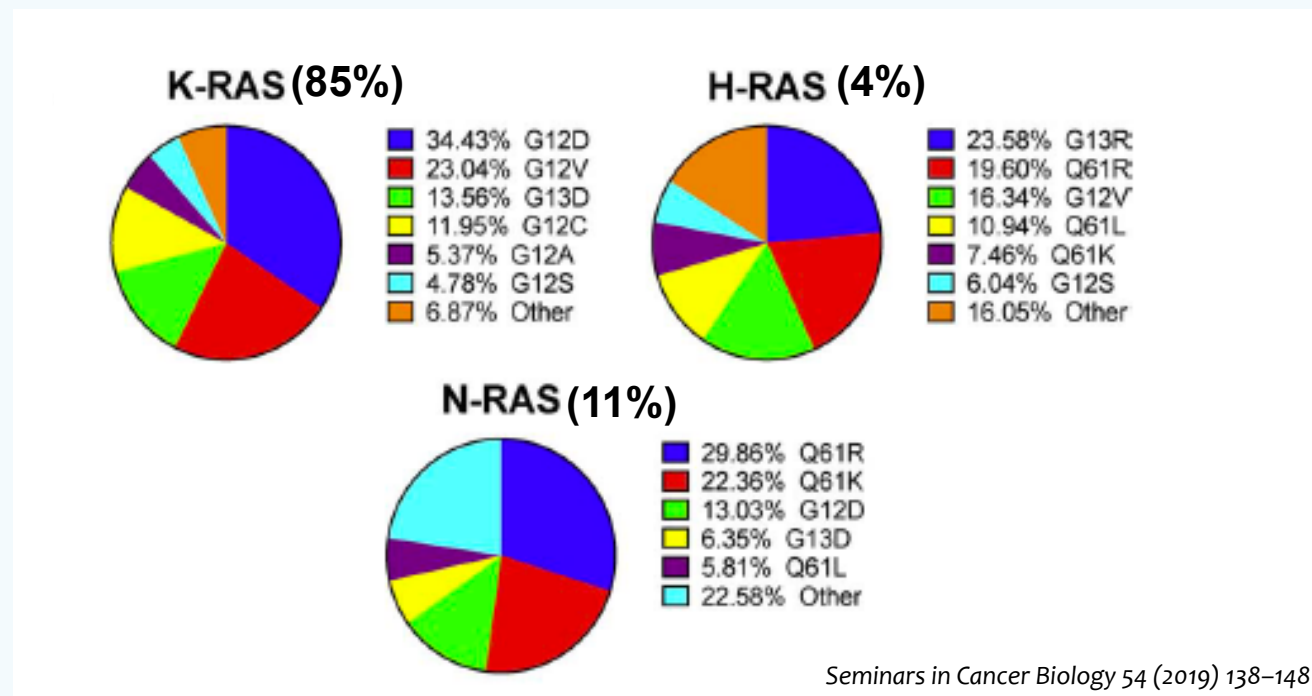
- Pancreatic: ~98%
- Colon: ~ 45%
- Lung: ~ 30%

RAS activates other pathways

- MAPK (RAF-MEK-ERK)
- PI3K/AKT/mTOR

Mutant BRAF cancers are also addressable by DCC-3116

MAPK inhibitors have not been successful thus far as single agents



Direct inhibition of RAS: Quest for the Holy Grail?

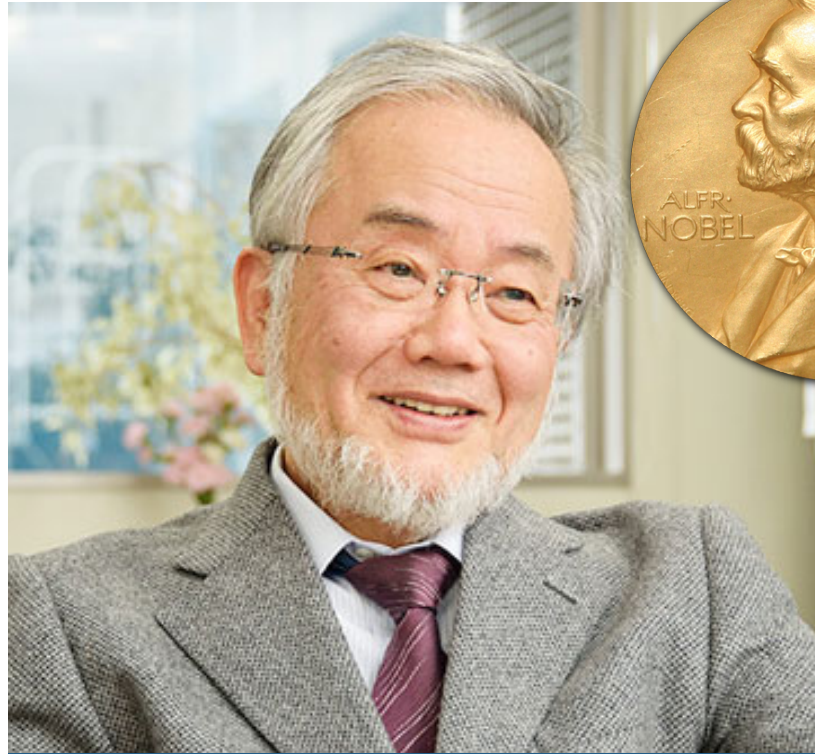
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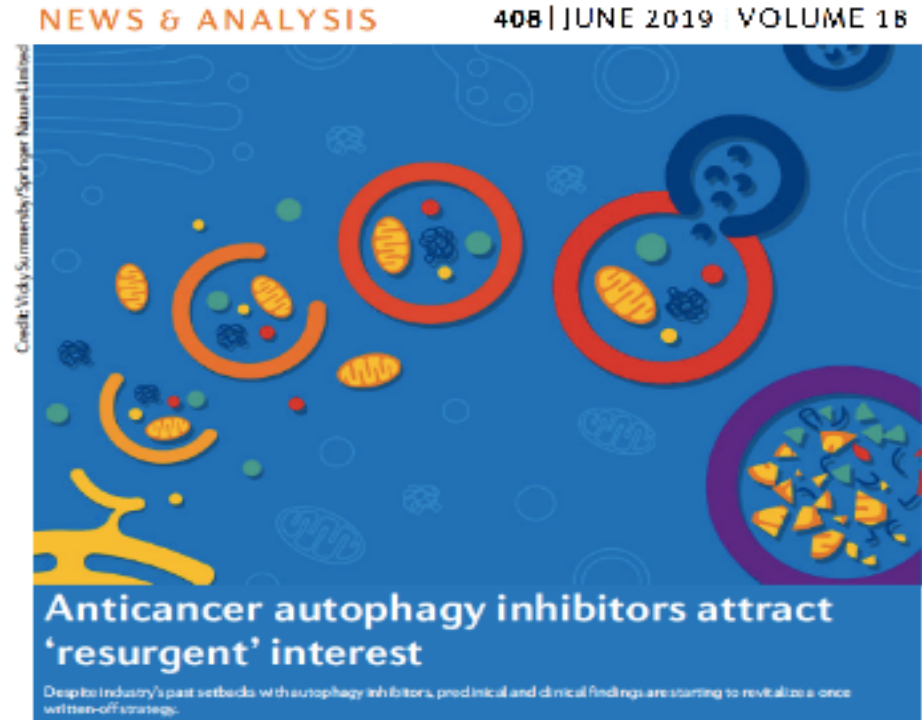
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Revitalized Interest in Autophagy



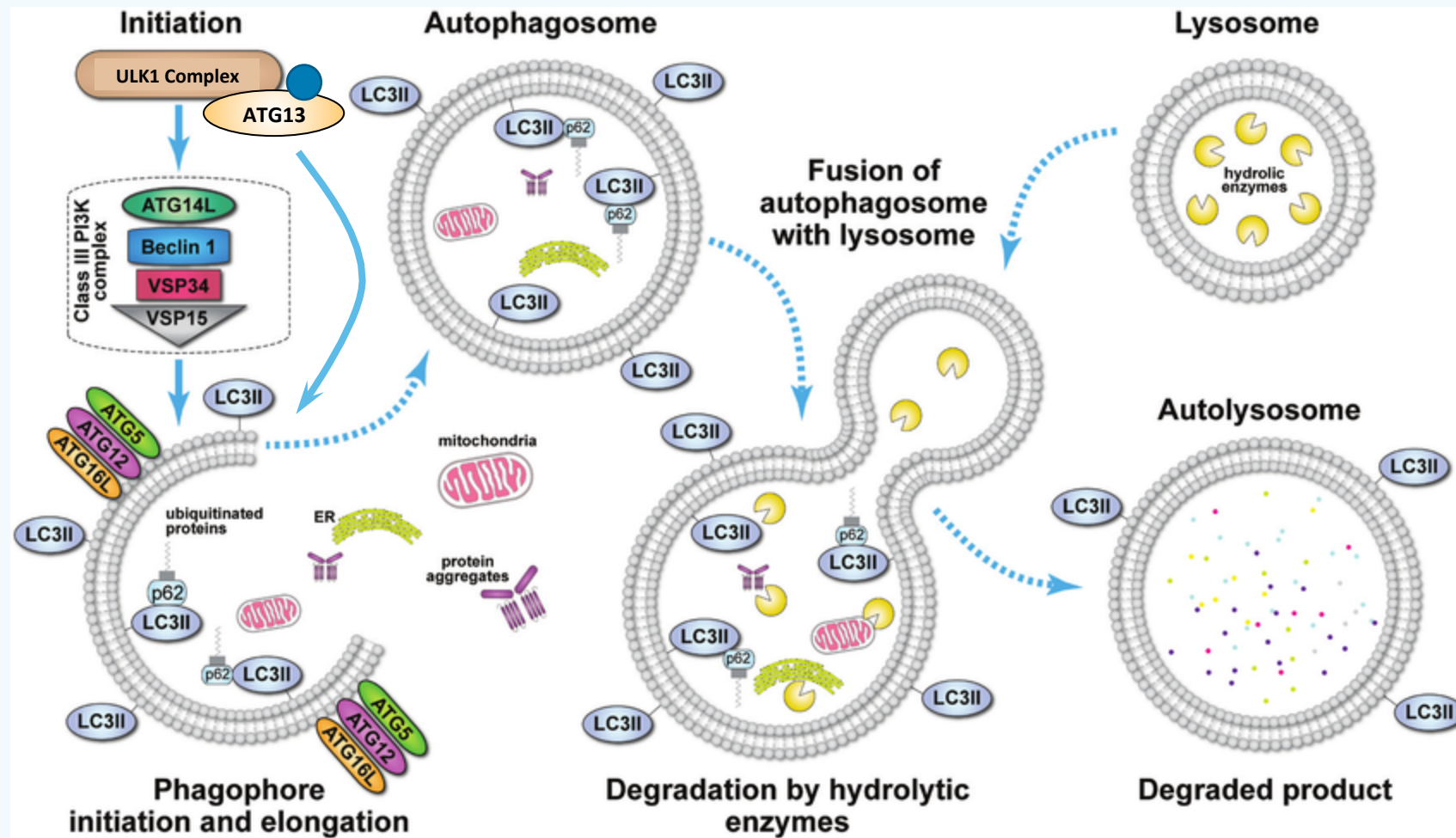
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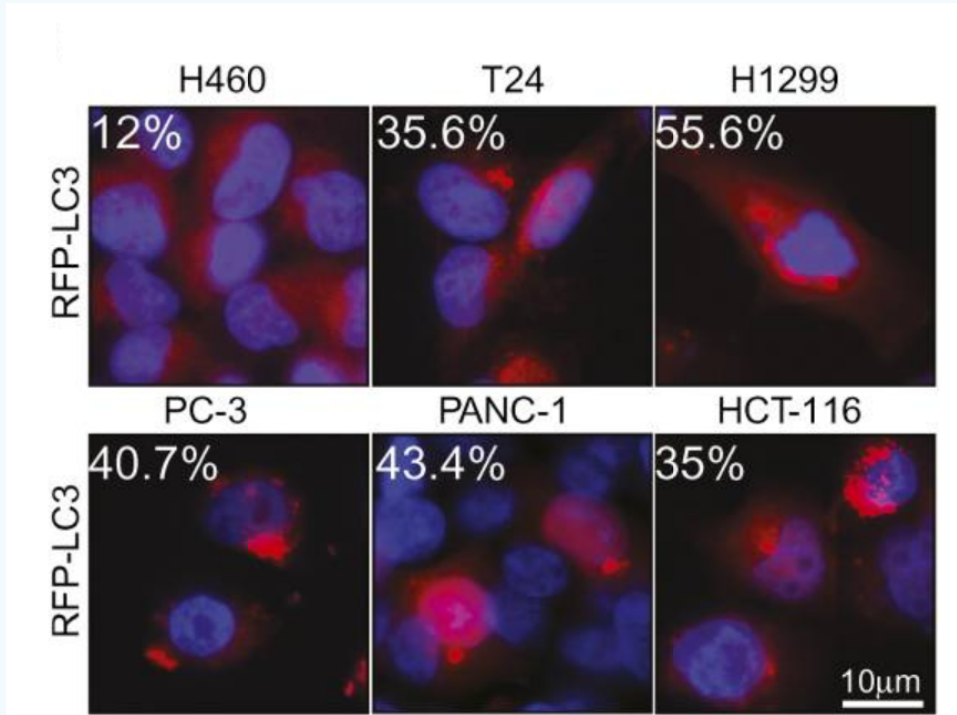
AUTOPHAGY IS A SIGNAL TRANSDUCTION PATHWAY
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Overview of Autophagy and RAS Cancers



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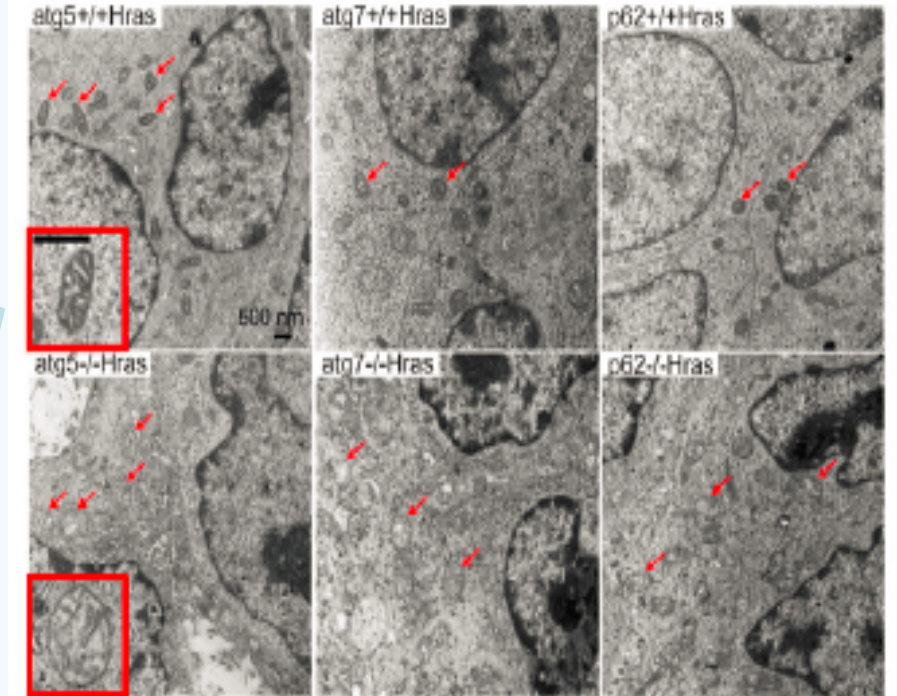
RAS Cancers Exhibit High Levels of Basal Autophagy



Evaluation of Cellular LC-3 Puncta

Competent Autophagy

Incompetent Autophagy



Swollen Mitochondria Accumulate in Cells where Autophagy is Blocked

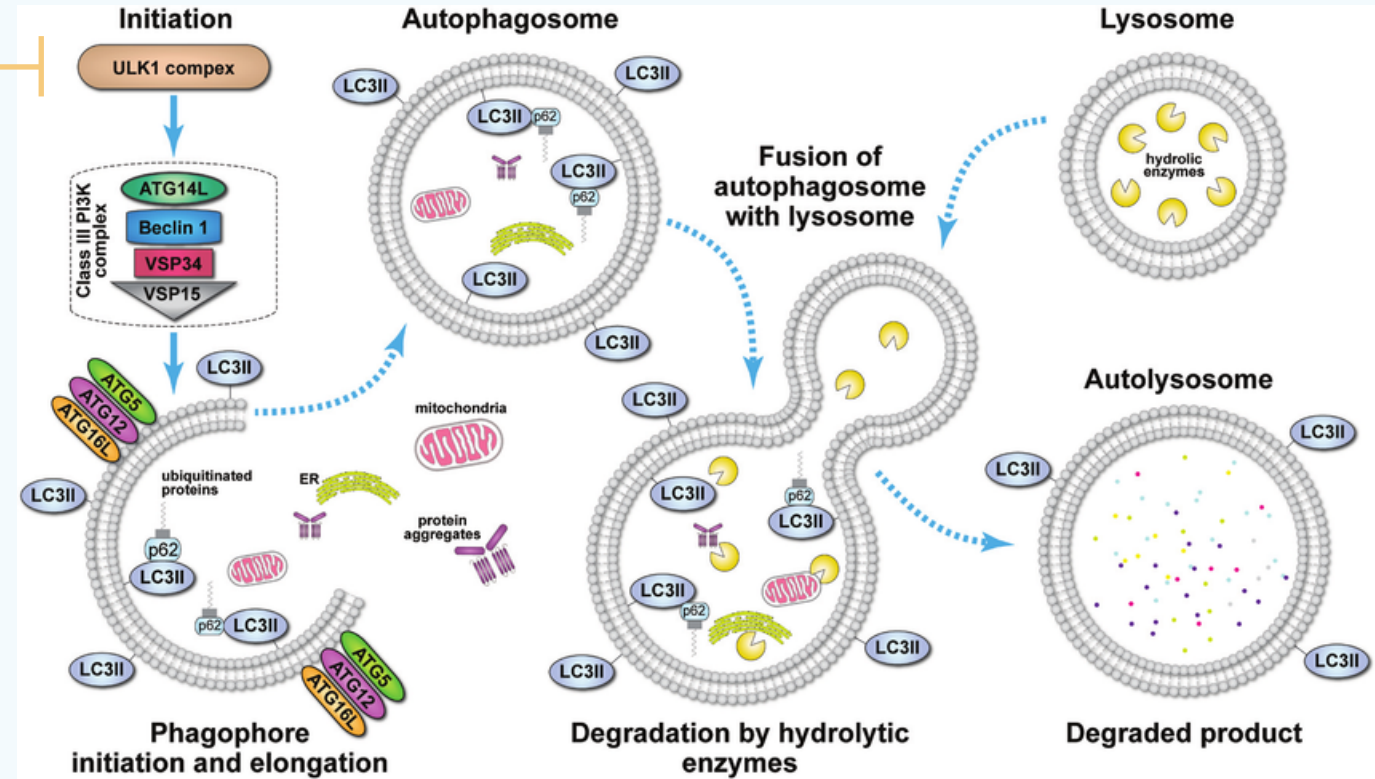
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Strategies for Blocking Autophagy in Cancer

ULK Inhibition

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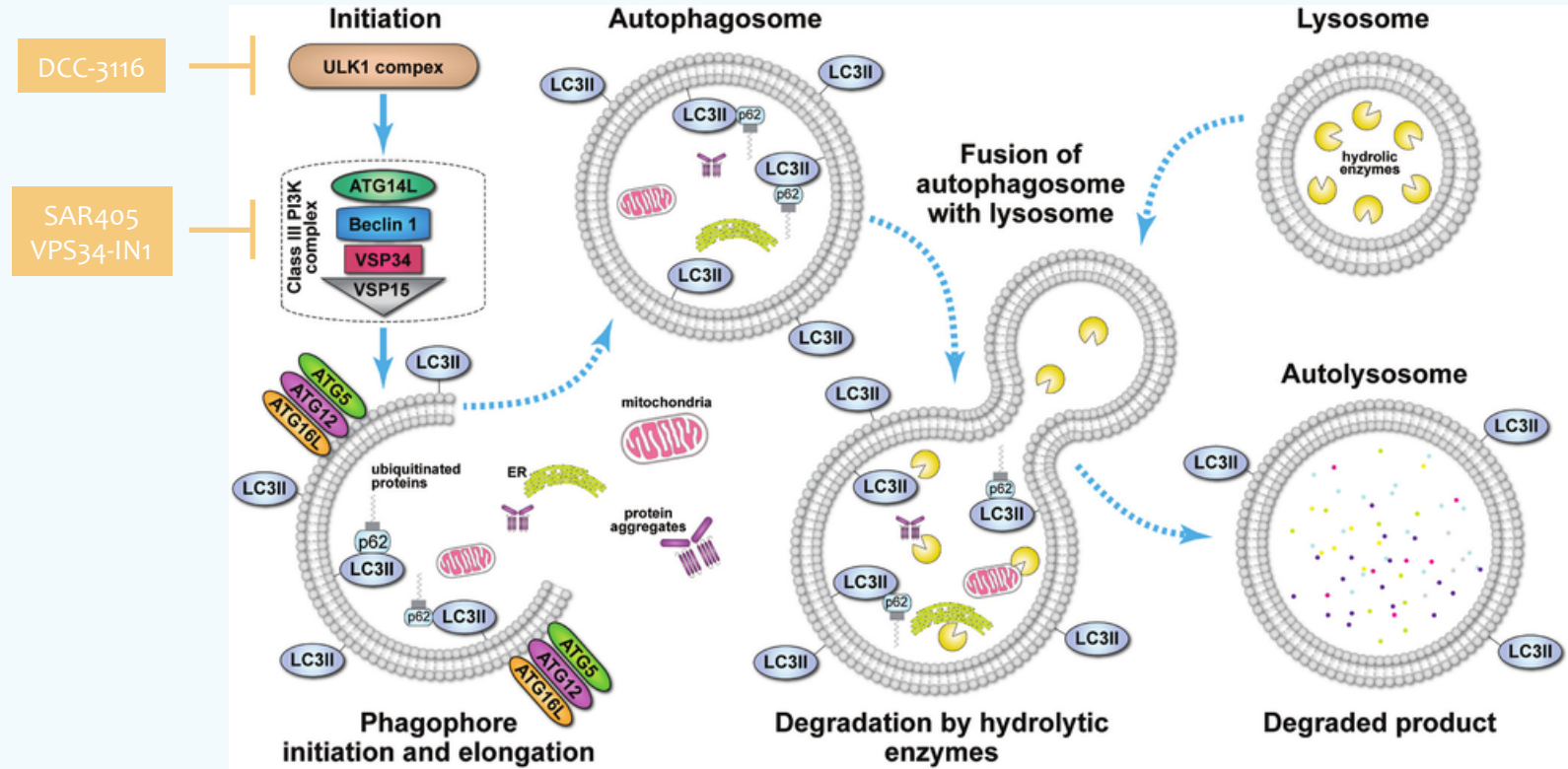
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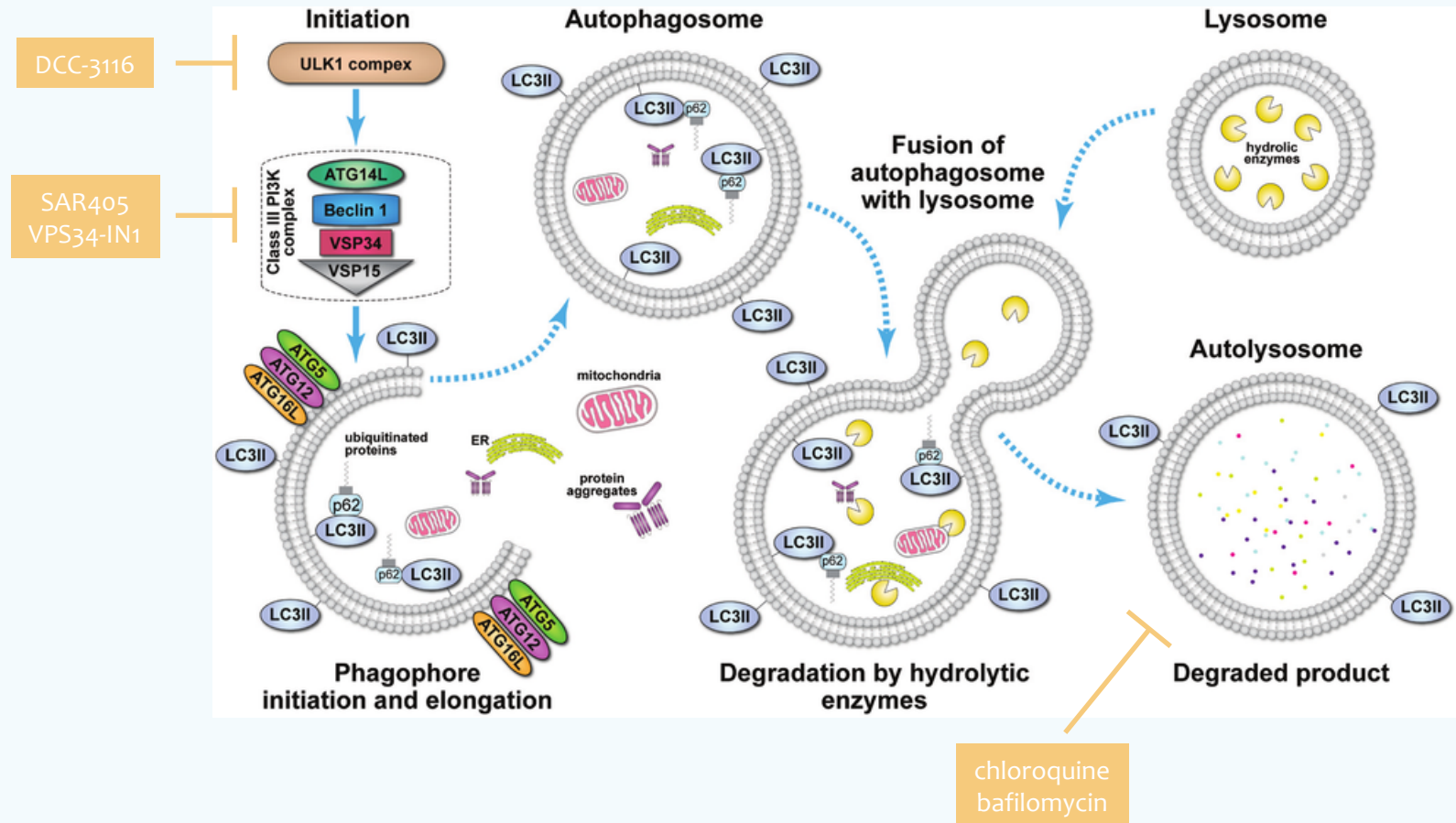
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Lysosomal Inhibition

- Indirect and non-selective inhibition by preventing degradation of the contents
- Elevated pH inactivates hydrolases
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RAS Cancers Exhibit Addiction to Autophagy

THREE 2019 PUBLICATIONS INDEPENDENTLY VALIDATE COMBINED INHIBITION OF MAPK & AUTOPHAGY PATHWAYS AS NEW TARGETED APPROACH FOR POTENTIAL IN RAS CANCERS

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Letters

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Protective autophagy elicited by RAF \rightarrow MEK \rightarrow ERK inhibition suggests a treatment strategy for RAS-driven cancers

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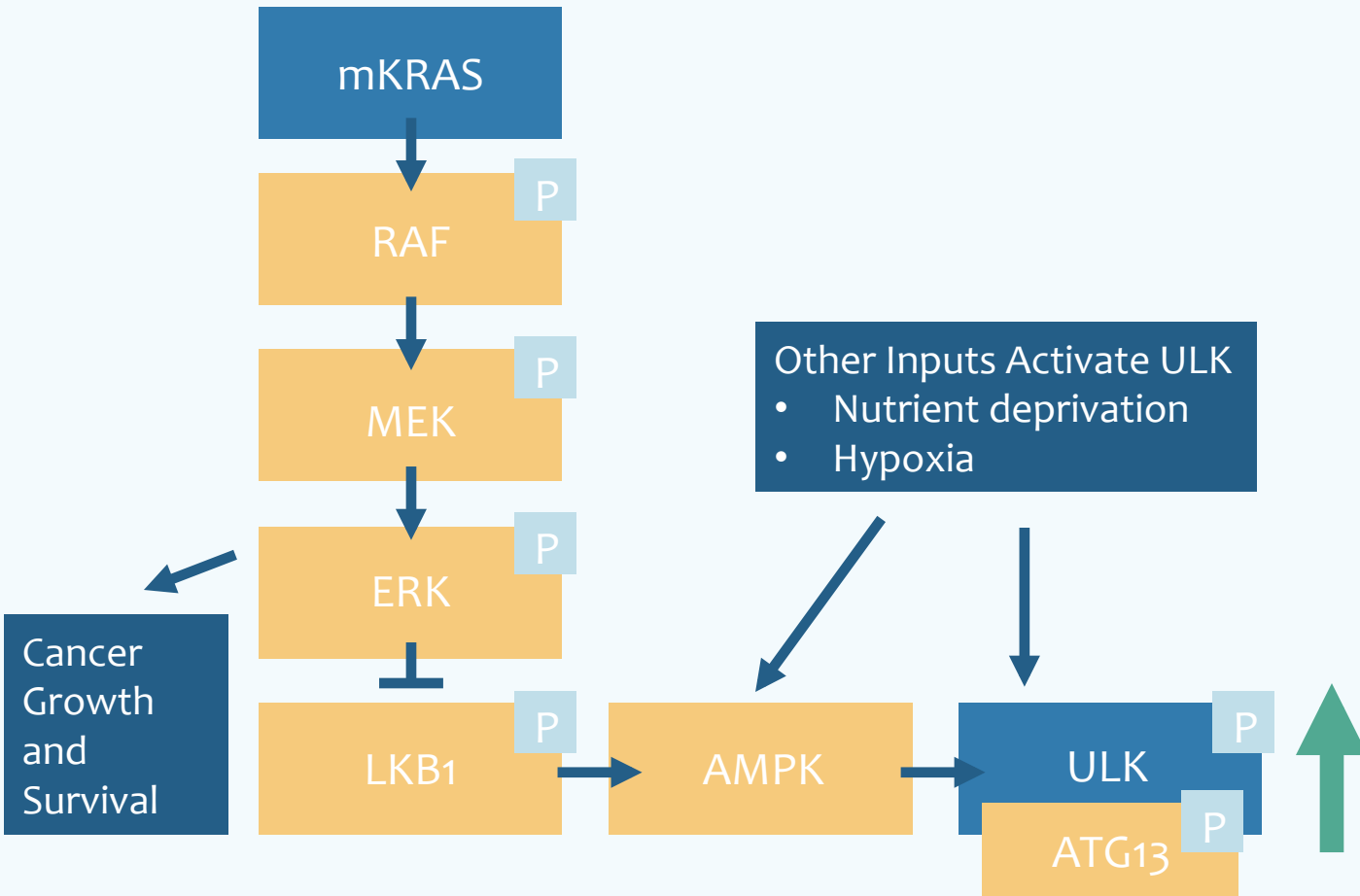
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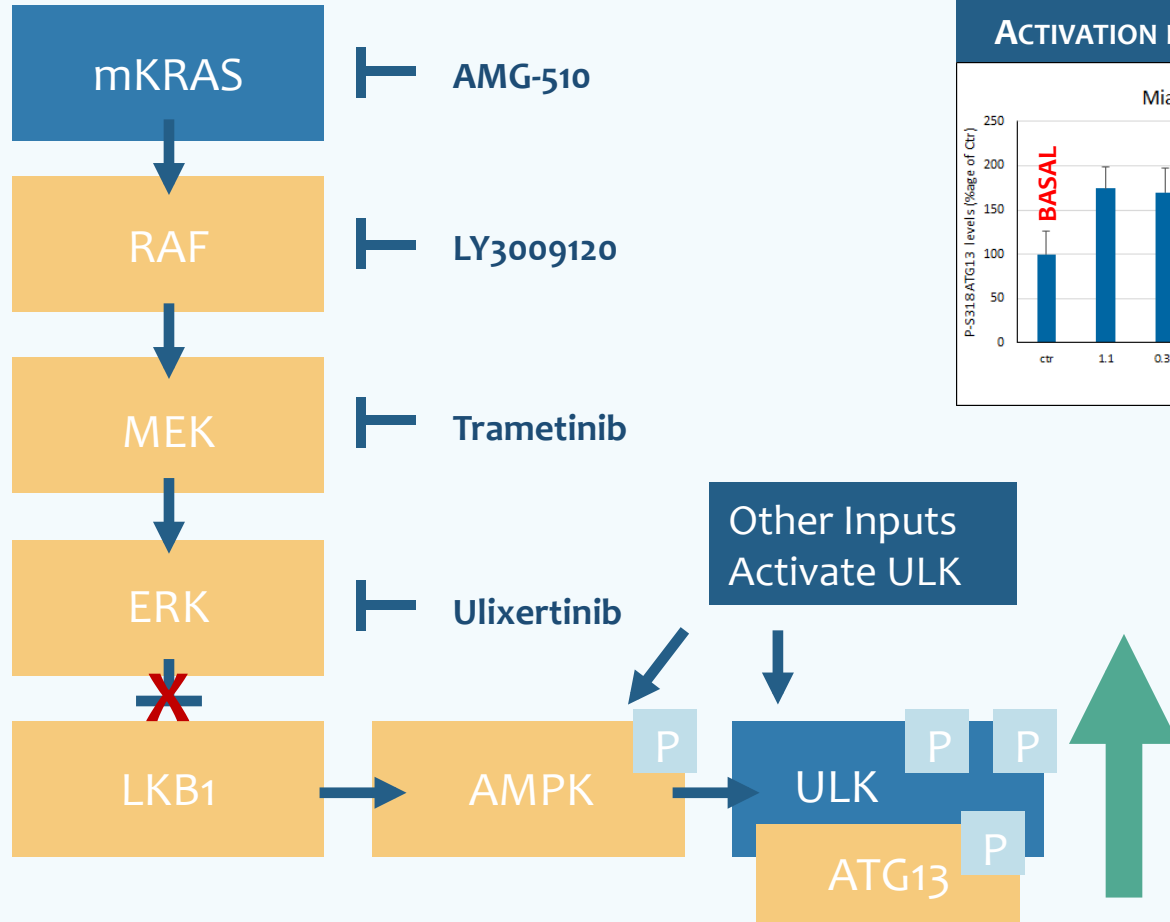
KRAS Activation Drives Tumor Growth and Tonic Regulation of ULK

ULK IS ACTIVE IN RAS CELLS, YET SIGNALING THROUGH KRAS MEDIATES A GOVERNOR ON ULK

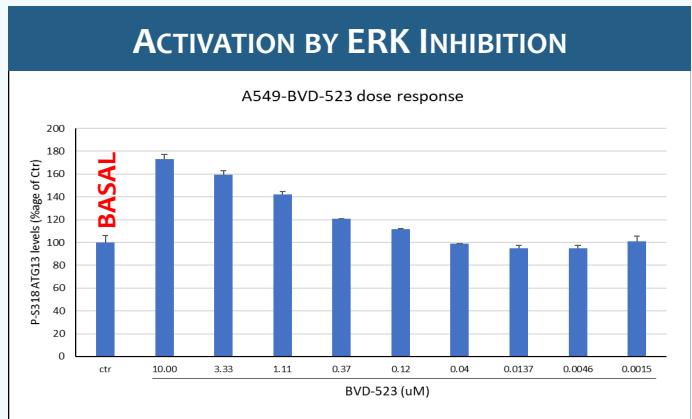
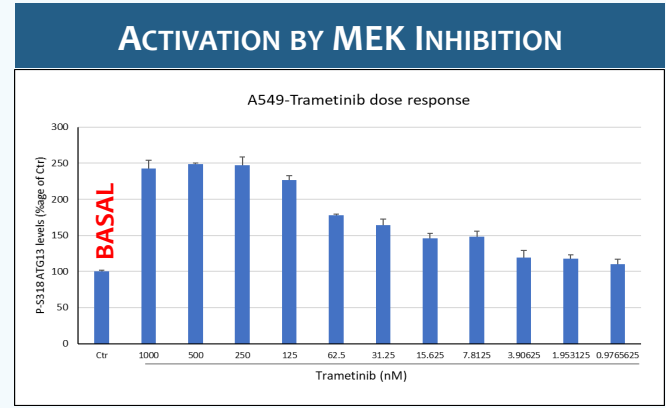
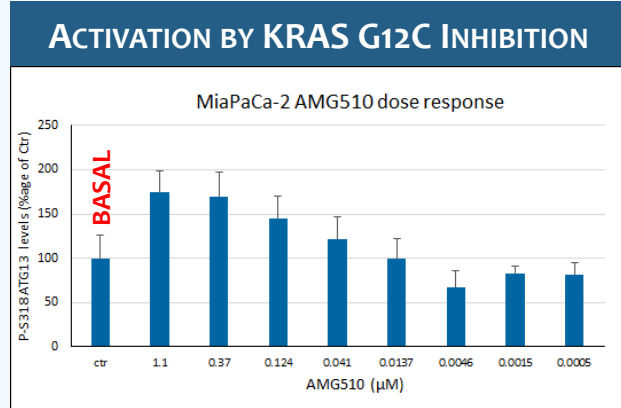


MAPK Pathway Inhibition Leads to Release of Tonic Inhibition of ULK

AUTOPHAGY IS A COMPENSATORY SURVIVAL MECHANISM IN MAPK PATHWAY INHIBITOR-TREATED RAS CANCERS



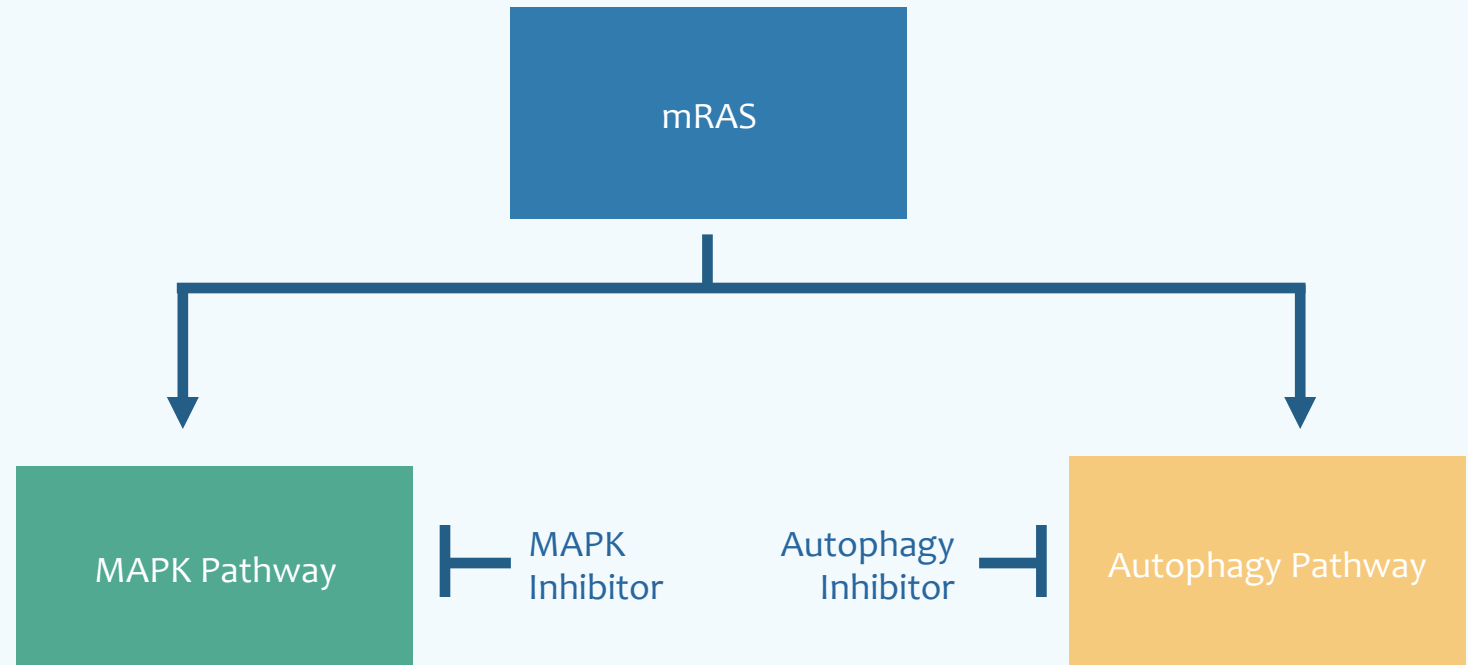
Cancer Growth and Survival



A New Potential Approach to Potentially Treat RAS Cancers

INHIBITORS TARGETING BOTH EFFECTOR PATHWAYS DOWNSTREAM OF RAS SIGNALING

- mRAS cancers signal through the MAPK signaling pathway
- mRAS cancers are addicted to autophagy for survival
- A drug combination of a MAPK pathway inhibitor and an autophagy pathway inhibitor potentially targets all mRAS cancers (KRAS, NRAS, HRAS)



DCC-3116 in Combination with a MAPK Pathway Inhibitors and Other Anti-Tumor Agents in RAS Cancers

POTENTIAL COMBINATION THERAPIES WITH ULK INHIBITORS

MEK Inhibitors

- Trametinib, binimetinib

ERK Inhibitors

- Ulixertinib, LY3214996

RAF Inhibitors

- LY3009120 (pan-RAF inhibitor)

KRAS G12C Small Molecule Covalent Inhibitors

- AMG-510, MRTX 849

Other

- Targeted therapies
- Chemotherapies

DCC-3116 is a Potent & Selective ULK Inhibitor Designed to Inhibit Autophagy

Summary

Highly Potent (IC_{50} at 1 mM ATP)

- ULK1 4.7 nM
- ULK2 35 nM

Highly Selective

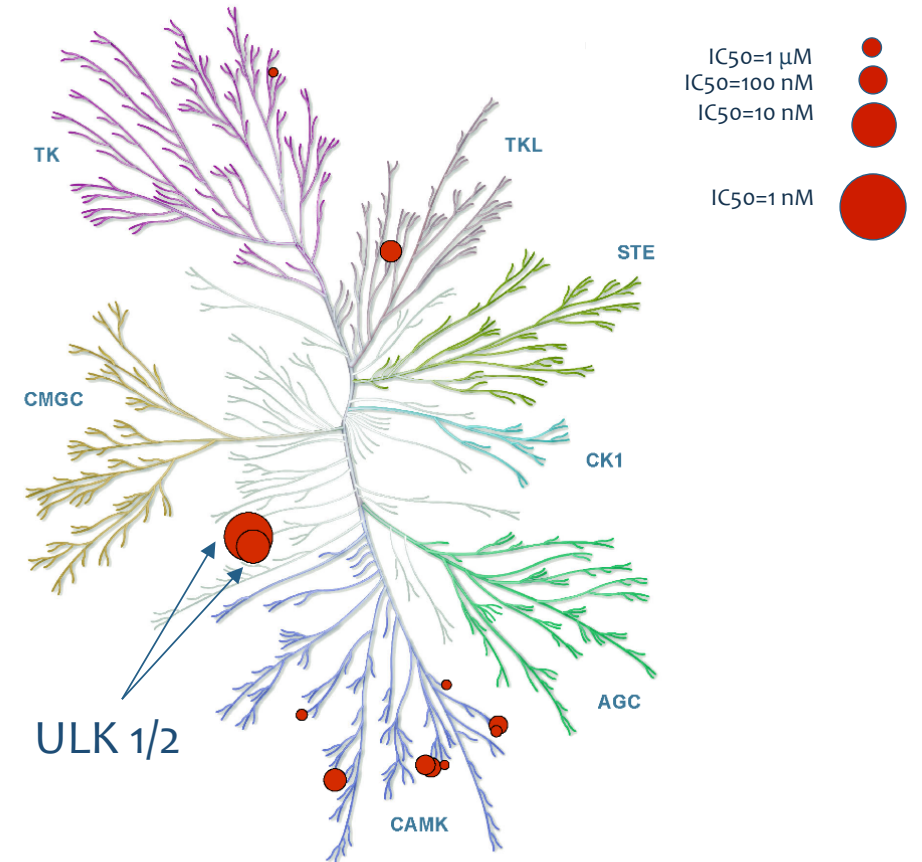
- No off-target kinases within 30-fold of ULK1
- Only 5 kinases within 100-fold of ULK1

Designed to avoid CNS exposure

- Low Ratio Brain_{ff}/Plasma_{ff} (4.3%) to avoid CNS autophagy

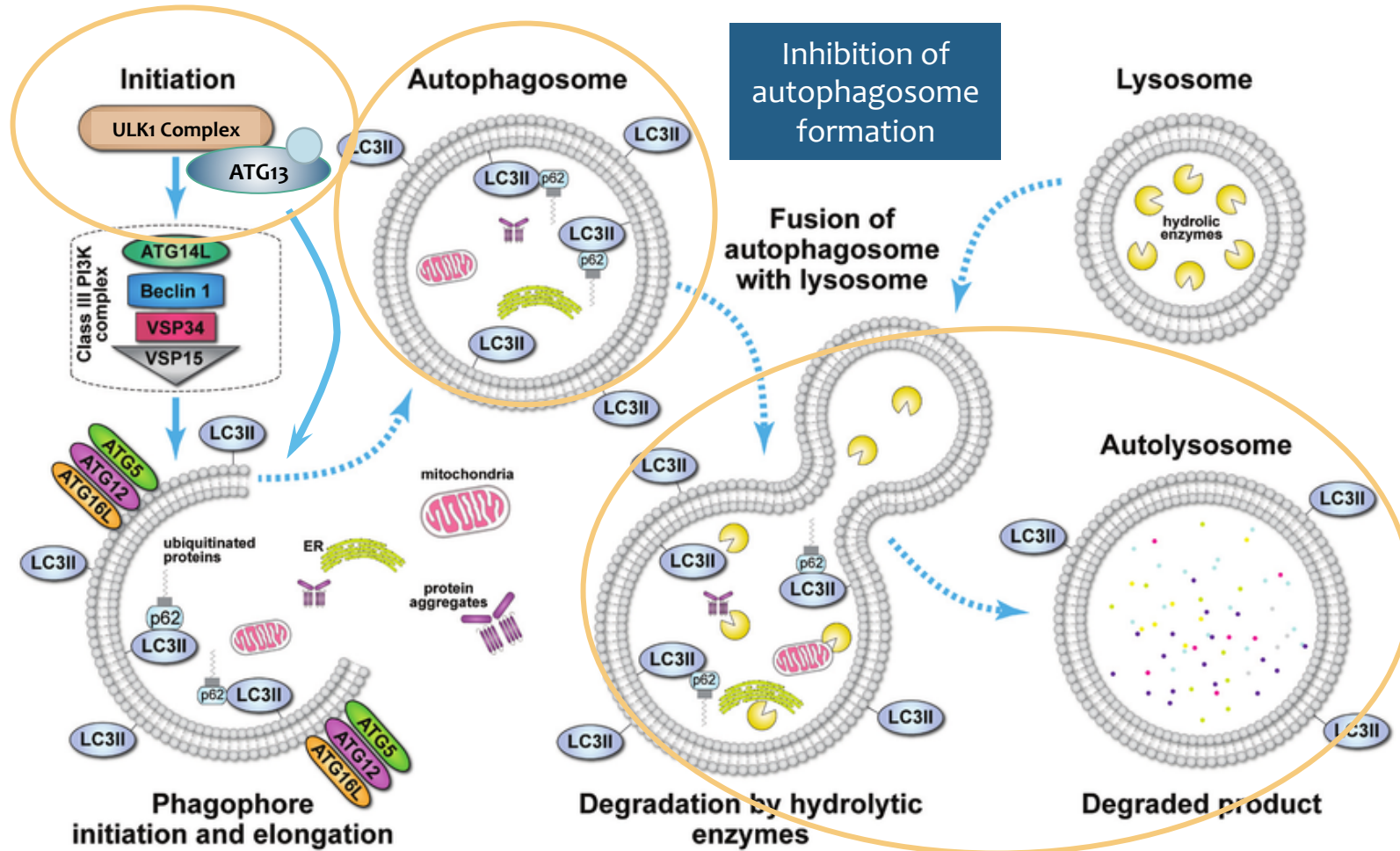
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DCC-3116: A SELECTIVE ULK1/2 INHIBITOR



DCC-3116 Inhibits Autophagy in Cellular Assays

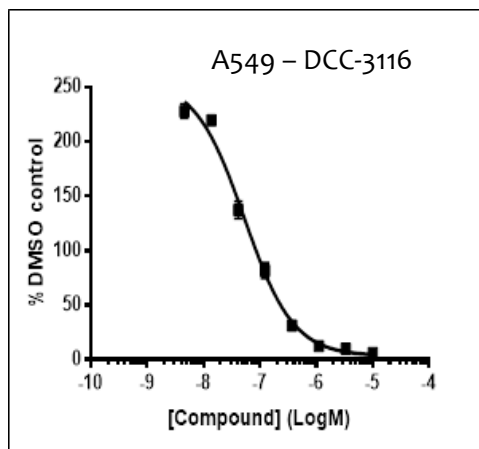
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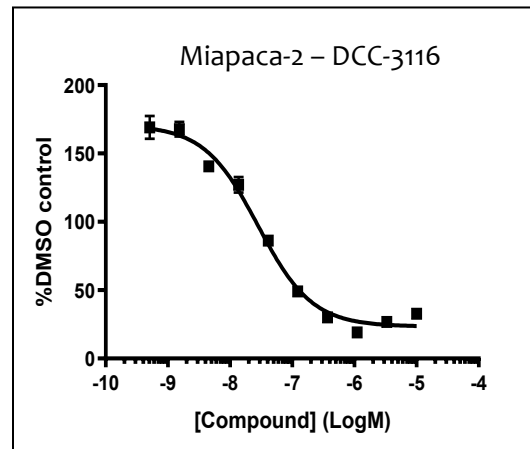
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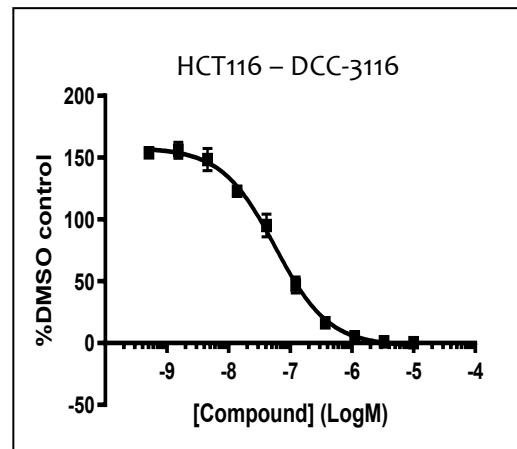
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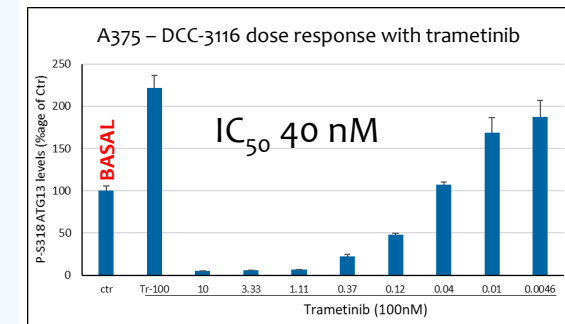
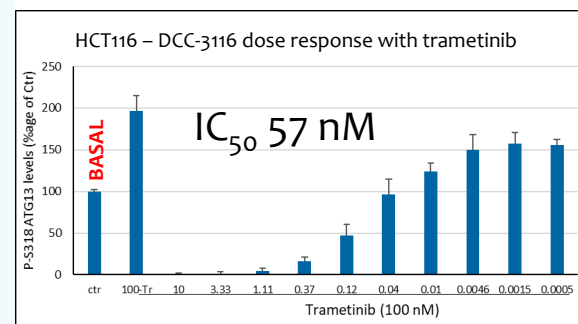
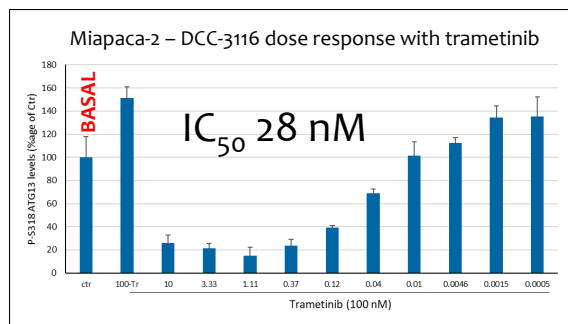
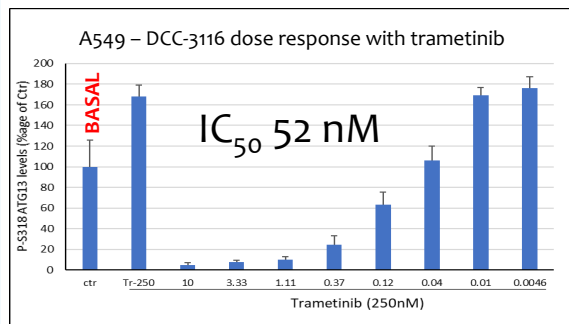
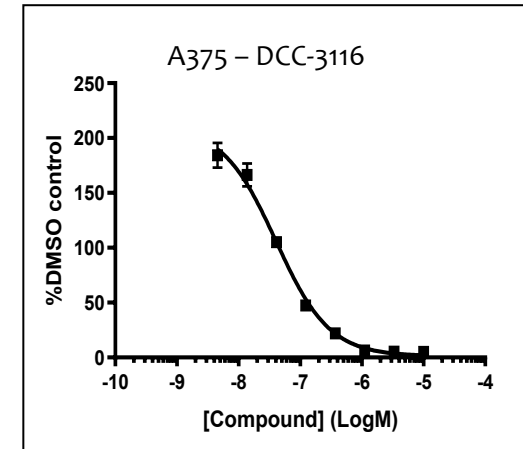
KRAS G12C PANCREATIC CANCER



KRAS COLORECTAL CANCER



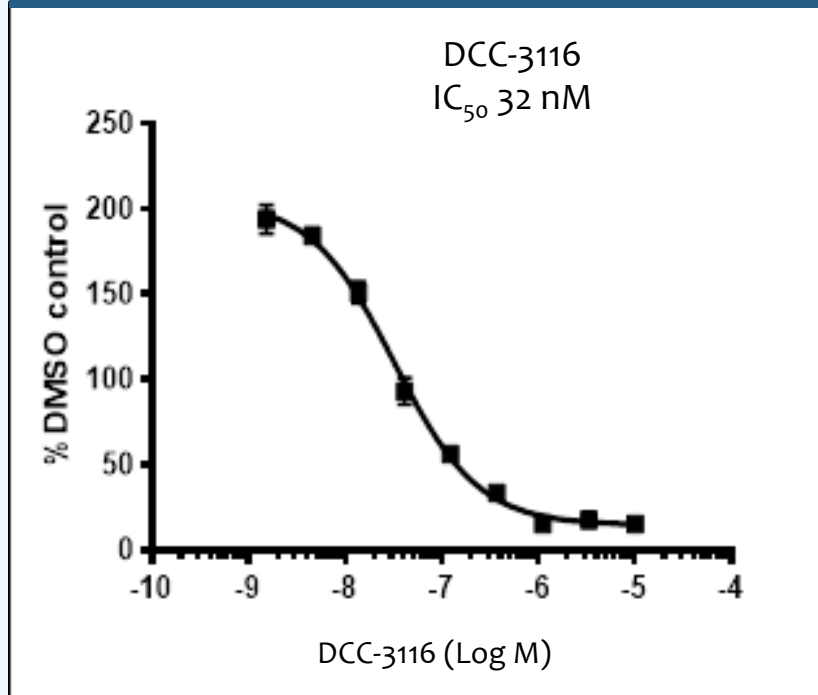
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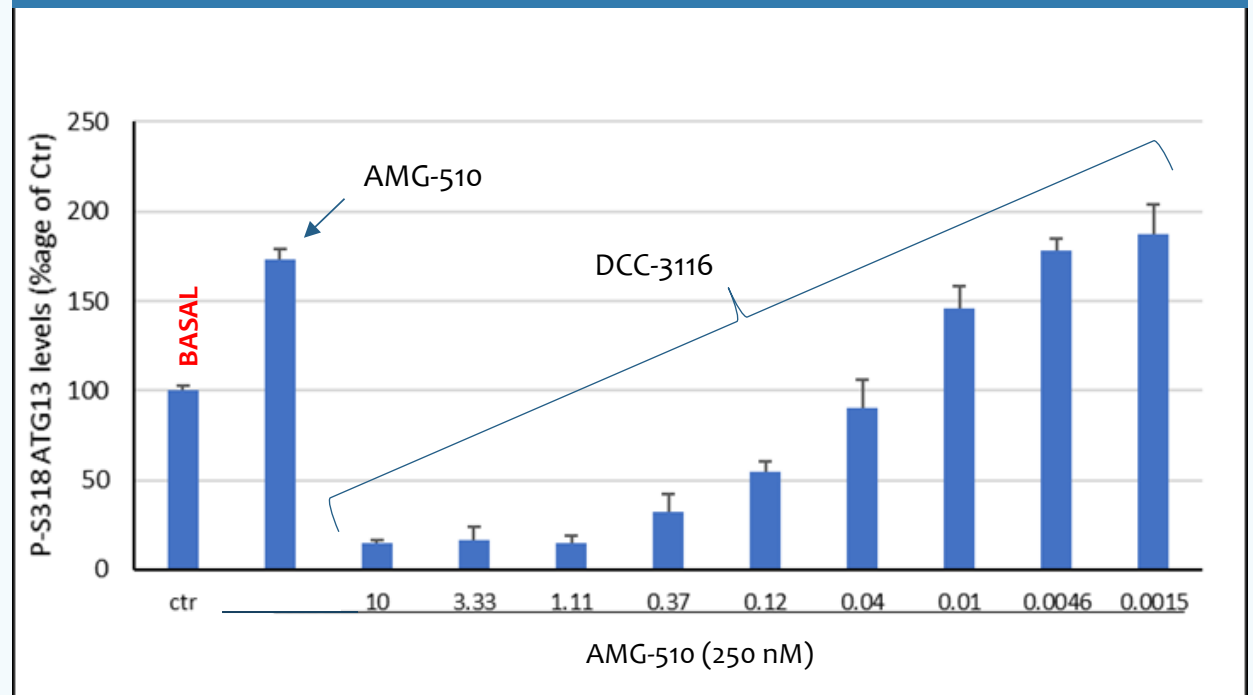
BASAL AND MAPK INHIBITOR-MEDIATED COMPENSATORY INCREASED AUTOPHAGY ARE INHIBITED

DCC-3116 Inhibits Compensatory Autophagy *In Vitro* from KRAS G12C Inhibitors

DCC-3116 IC₅₀ OF 32 nM FOR INHIBITION OF AUTOPHAGY INDUCED BY AMG-510

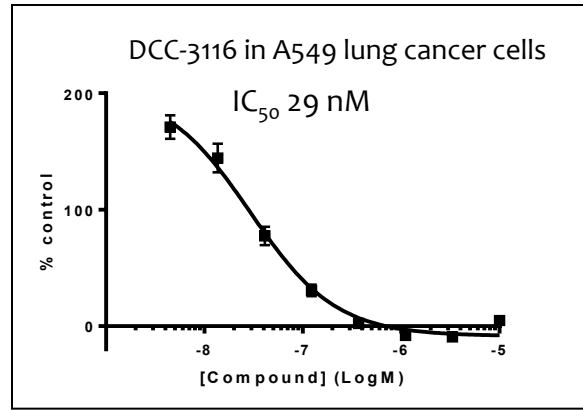


MIAPACA-2 PANCREATIC CANCER STUDY WITH AMG-510

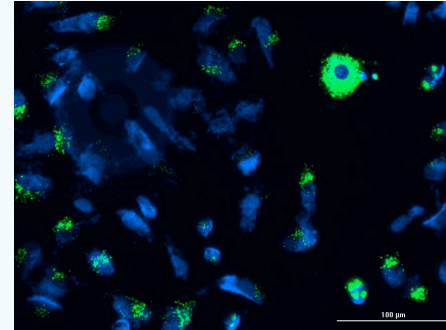


DCC-3116 Inhibits Autophagosome Formation and Lysosomal Degradation in KRAS Mutant Cancer Cells *In Vitro*

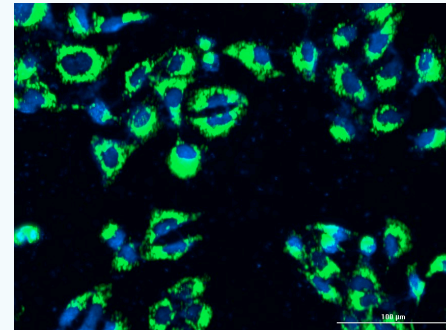
AUTOPHAGOSOME FORMATION INHIBITION



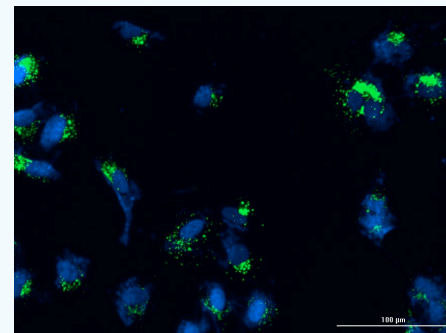
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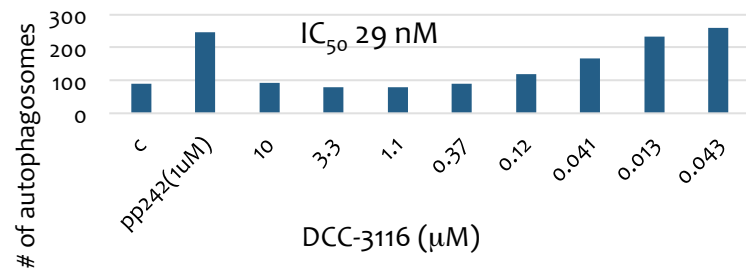
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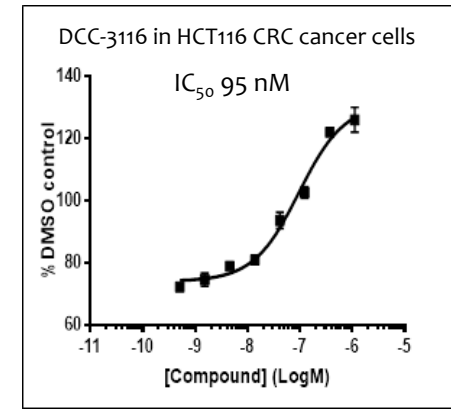
DCC-3116 + mTORi



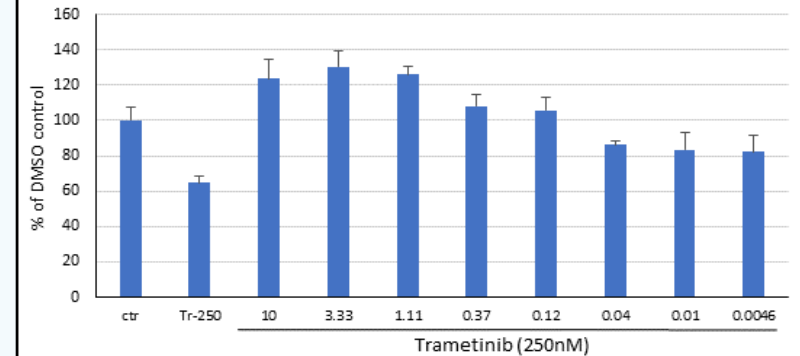
Graphical representation of autophagosome puncta in A549 lung cancer cells



LC3 DEGRADATION INHIBITION

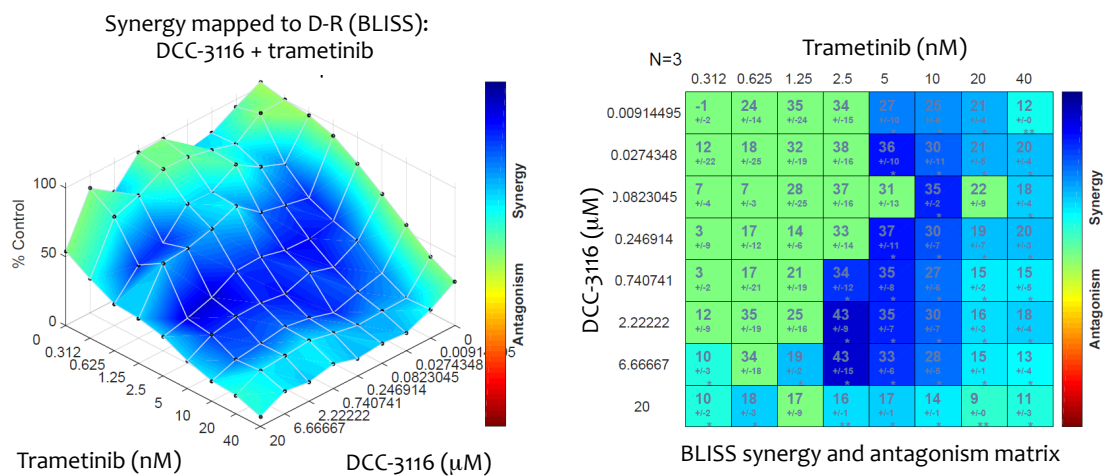


Graphical representation of LC3 levels in HCT-116 colorectal cancer cells



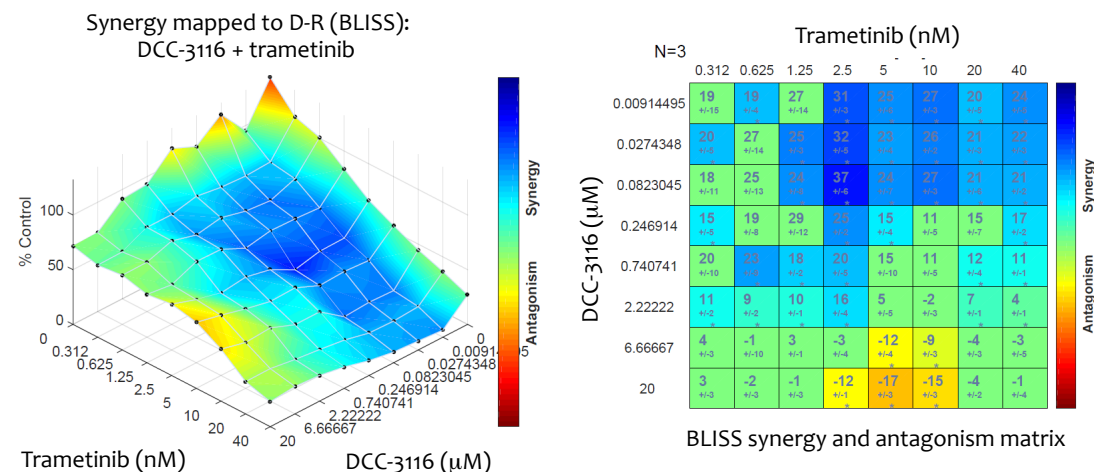
DCC-3116 + Trametinib Synergize to Inhibit Pancreatic Cancer Cell Proliferation *In Vitro*

INHIBITION OF CELL PROLIFERATION IN KRAS MUTANT MIAPACA-2 PANCREATIC CANCER CELLS



Strong synergy observed for various concentrations of DCC-3116 with trametinib combinations across the matrix

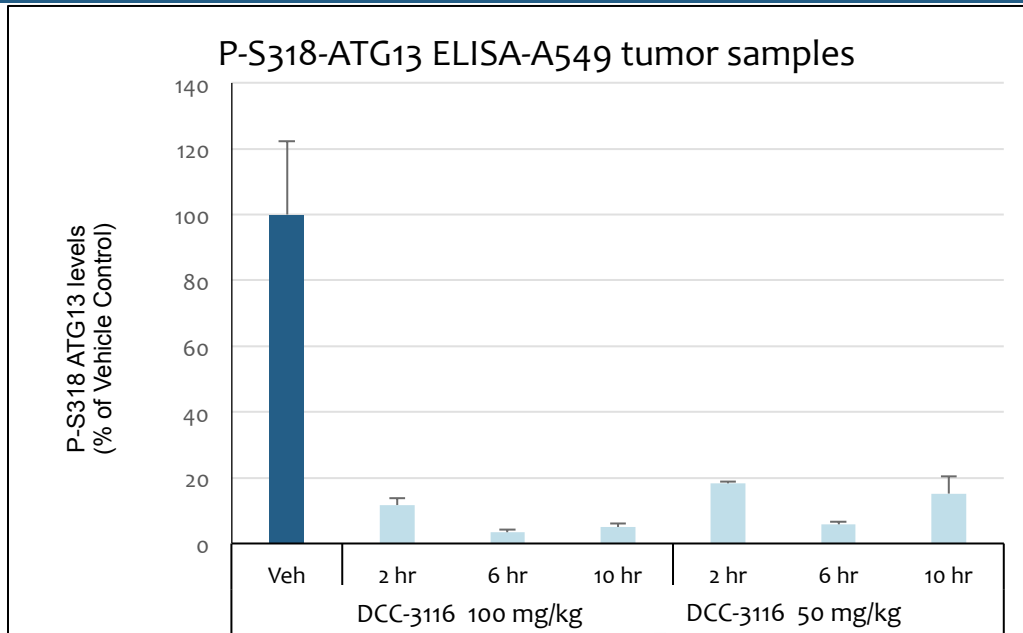
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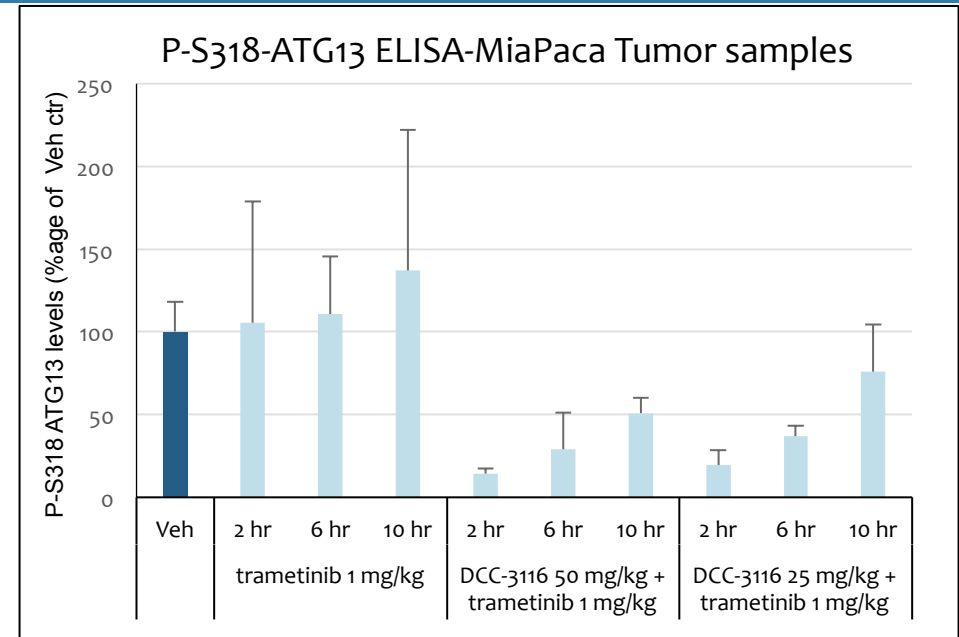
Synergy at lower concentrations of DCC-3116 and across concentration range of trametinib

DCC-3116 Durably Inhibits ULK *In Vivo* in KRAS Cancer PK/PD Models

A549 LUNG CANCER



MIAPACA-2 PANCREATIC CANCER



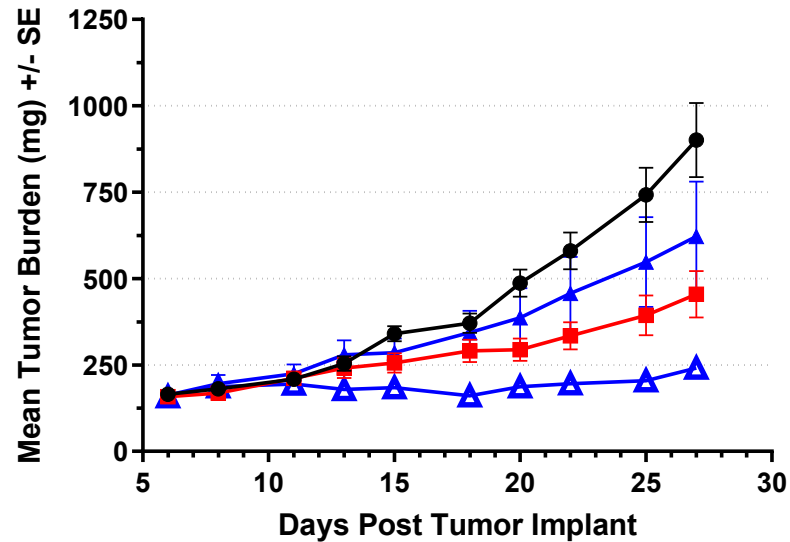
	DCC-3116 100 mg/kg			DCC-3116 50 mg/kg		
	2 hr	6 hr	10 hr	2 hr	6 hr	10 hr
Free drug (nM)	9,542	7,058	8,017	7,643	5,140	1,715
% pATG13 inhibition	88	97	95	82	94	95

	DCC-3116 50 mg/kg			DCC-3116 25 mg/kg		
	2 hr	6 hr	10 hr	2 hr	6 hr	10 hr
Free drug (nM)	3,016	1,079	243	1,582	581	254
% pATG13 inhibition	86	71	49	80	63	24

DCC-3116 + MEK Inhibitors Exhibited Reduced Tumor Growth in KRAS *In Vivo* Cancer Models

KRAS MUTANT PANCREATIC

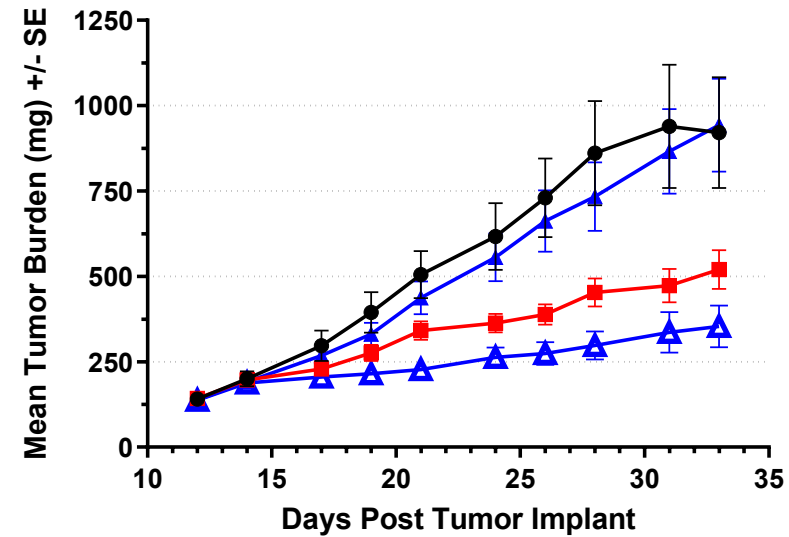
MiaPaca-2 Tumor Growth



- Vehicle
- trametinib 0.5 mg/kg PO QD
- ▲ DCC-3116 100 mg/kg PO BID
- ▲ DCC-3116 100 mg/kg + trametinib

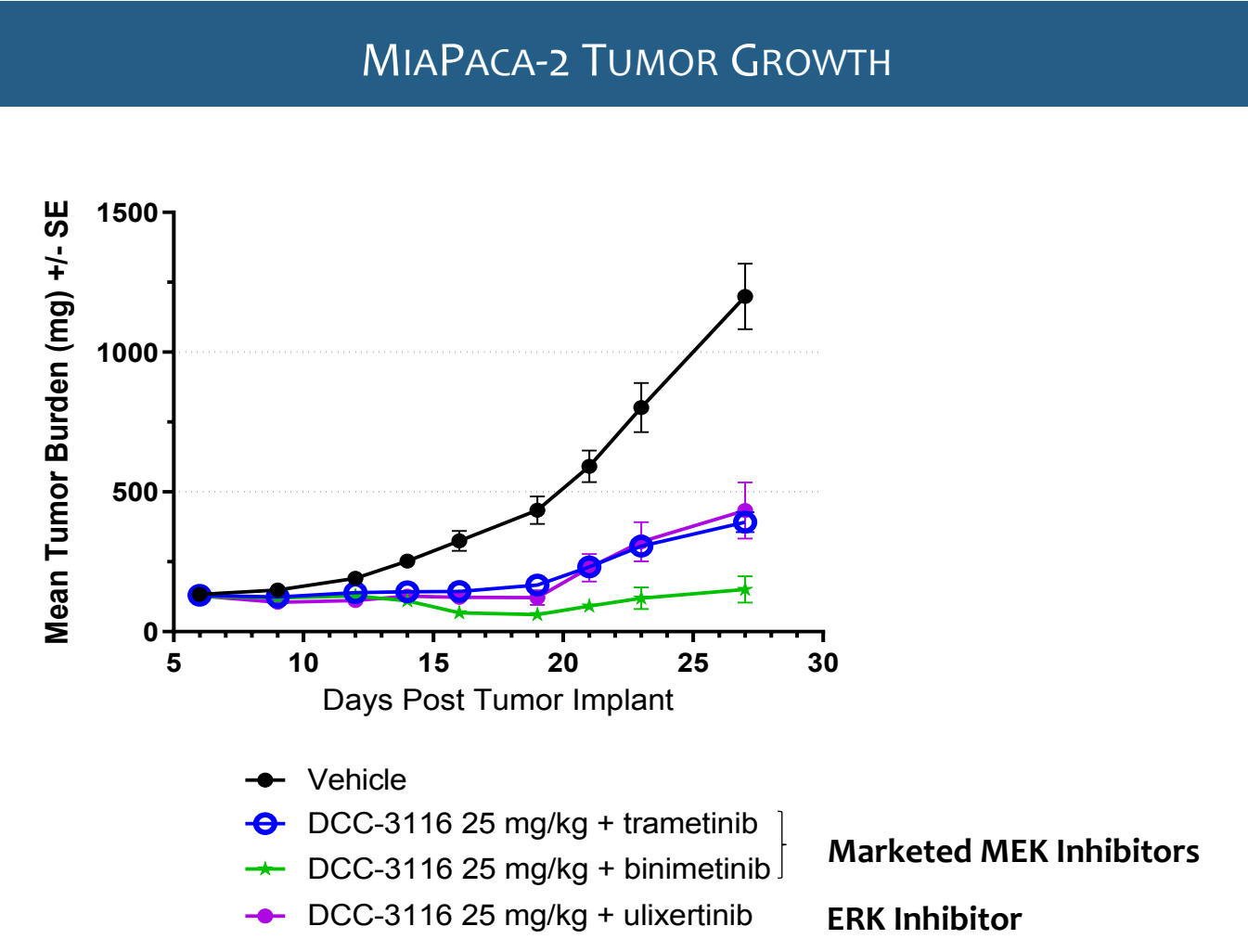
KRAS MUTANT LUNG

A549 Tumor Growth



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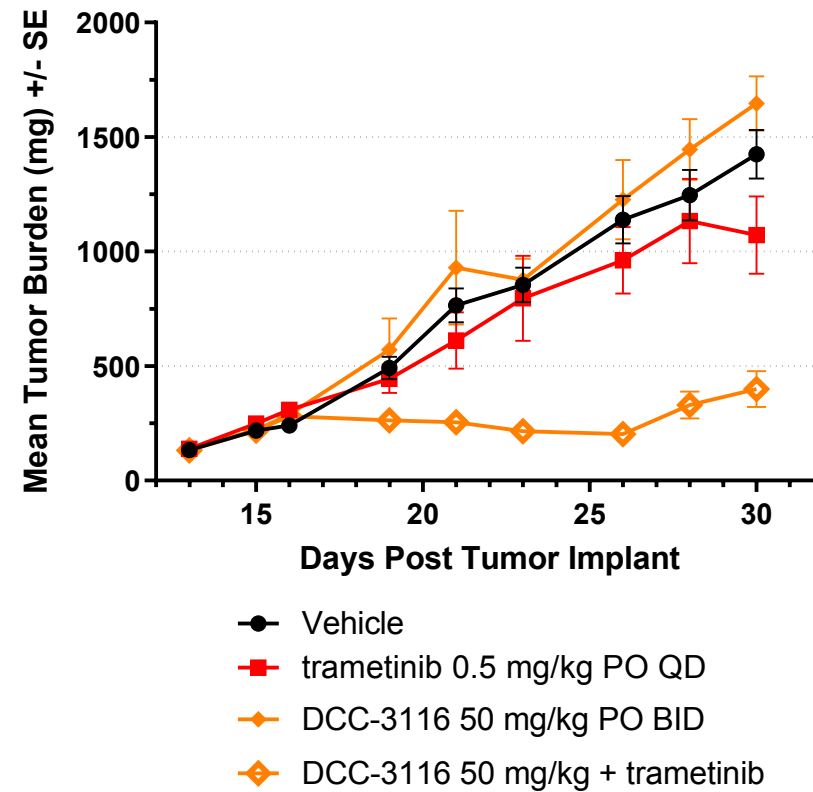
DCC-3116 + MEK and ERK Inhibitors Exhibit Synergy in RAS Cancer Model



DCC-3116 + MAPK Inhibitors Exhibited Reduced Tumor Growth in BRAF in *In Vivo* Cancer Models

BRAF MUTANT MELANOMA

A375 Tumor Growth



Rationale for DCC-3116 in RAS Cancers

RAS CANCERS DEPEND ON MEK/ERK SIGNALING & AUTOPHAGY FOR SURVIVAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• RAS cancers have high basal levels of autophagy• RAS cancers increase autophagy for survival as resistance mechanism to drug treatments
ULK KINASE IS AN INITIATING FACTOR FOR ACTIVATION OF AUTOPHAGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• First-in-class target opportunity for new therapeutic in RAS cancer• Differentiated approach to autophagy inhibition
DCC-3116 IS A POTENTIAL FIRST-IN-CLASS ULK KINASE INHIBITOR	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Highly selective and potent inhibitor of ULK kinase• Designed for combination approach
STRONG PRELIMINARY PRECLINICAL VALIDATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DCC-3116 inhibits autophagy in RAS cancer cell lines• DCC-3116 potently and durably inhibits autophagy <i>in vivo</i>• Combination of DCC-3116 plus MAPK pathway inhibitors synergize to block RAS cancers <i>in vivo</i>



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Closing Remarks & Q & A

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THANK YOU

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