# Liquid Biopsy Targeted Therapies for NSCLC in the Era of Precision Medicine

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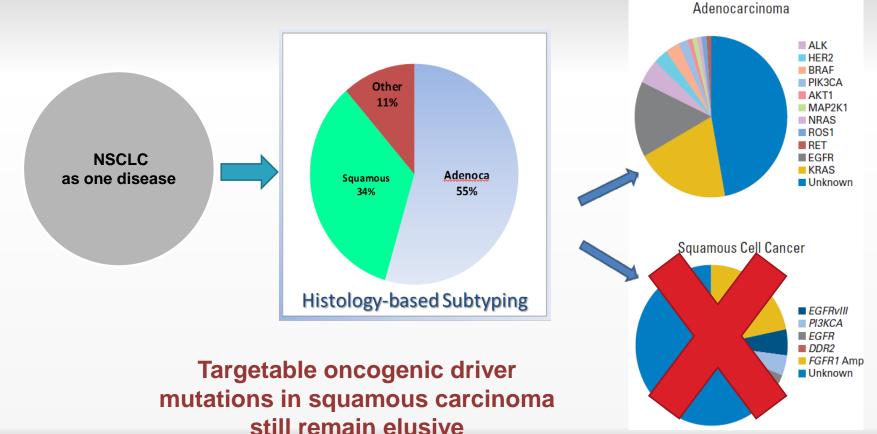
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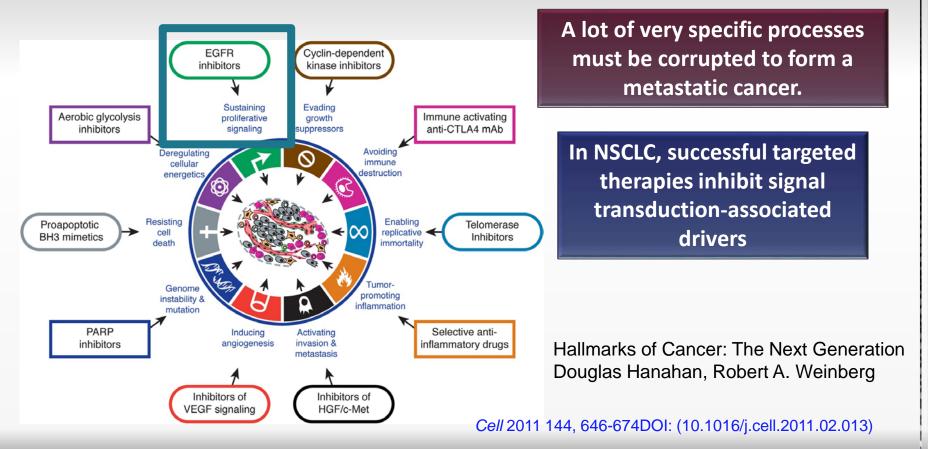
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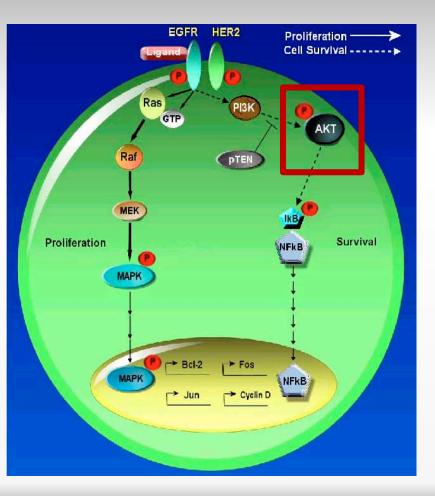
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#### **Evolution of NSCLC Subtyping**



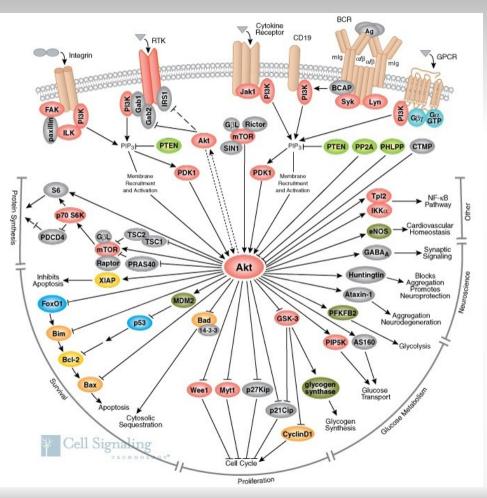
#### The "Hallmarks" of Cancer





**Signal Transduction -**If only it were that simple

An idealized diagram of signal transduction: two pathways controlling proliferation and survival



## **Signal Transduction**

- Slightly more complex
- A diagram of AKT interactions: It's more of a network than a pathway.
- Still understates true complexity
  - Feedback loops
  - Cellular localization
  - Post-translational modifications

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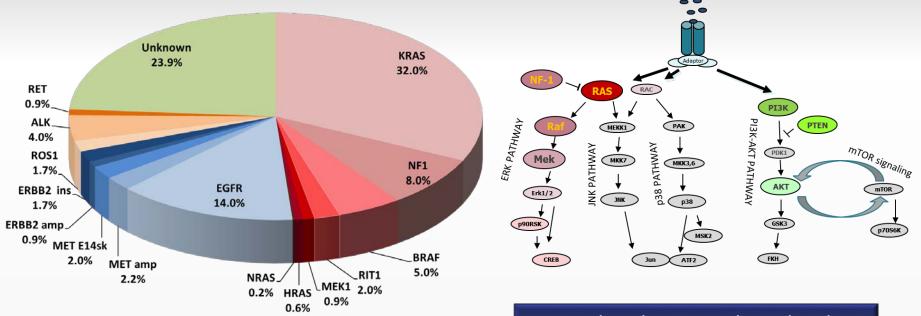
Reality hurts



Cancer signal transduction is miswired and constitutively active

Modern day oncologist?

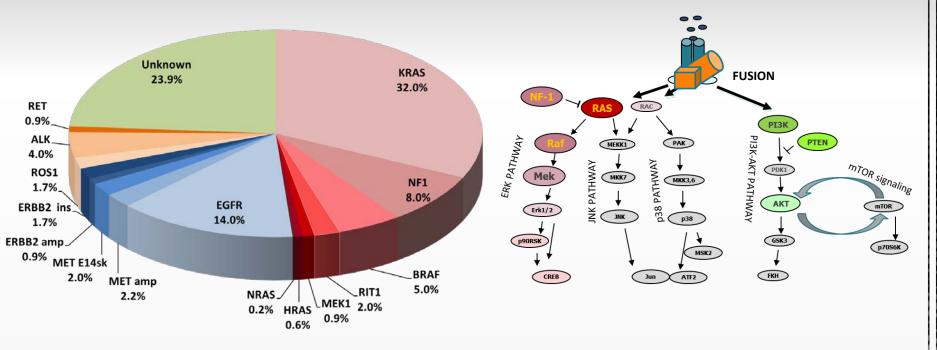
Fortunately, tumors with actionable drivers are relatively simple



Blue sections indicate RTK signaling abnormalities

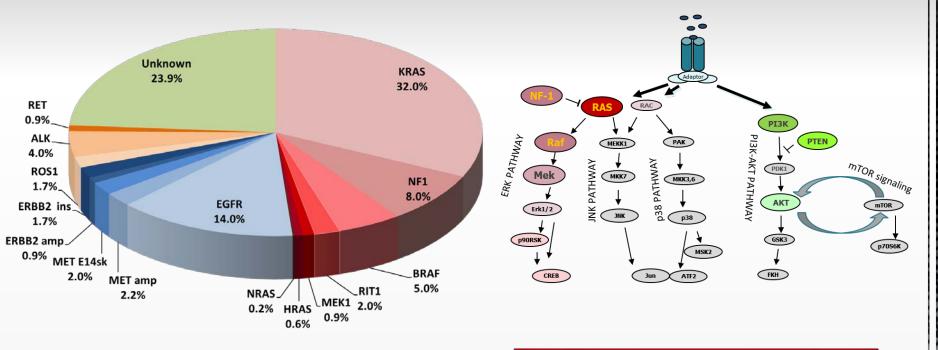
Mutual exclusion with each other and with other known drivers

A key indicator of tumor dependency



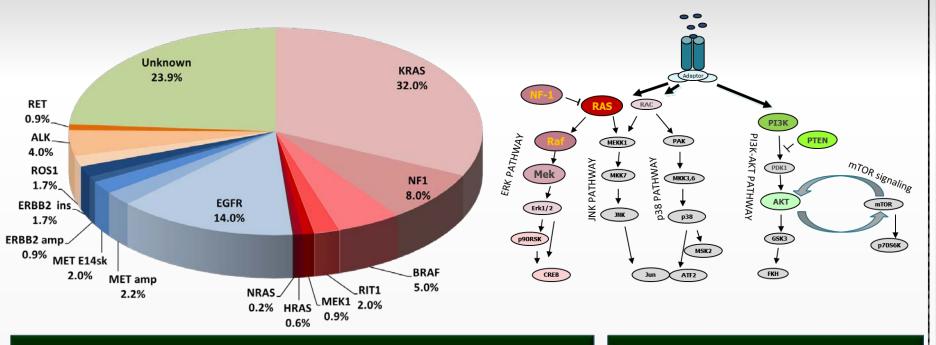
Gold sections indicate transforming fusion events

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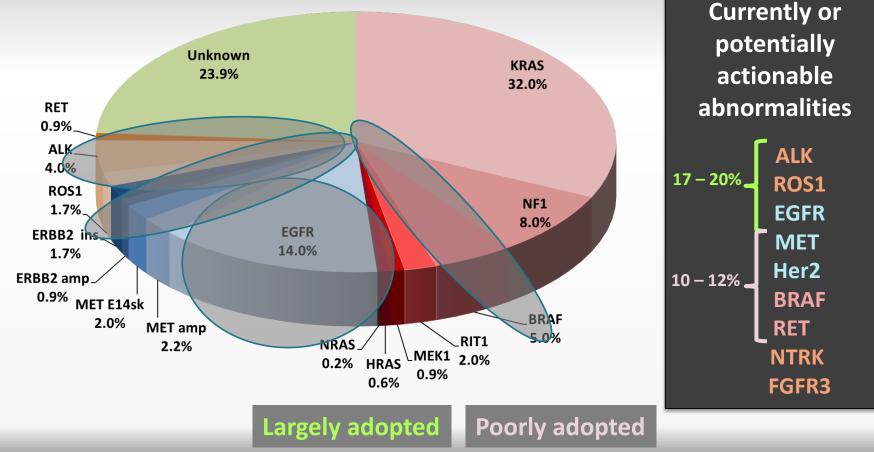
# Red sections indicate MAPK signaling abnormalities

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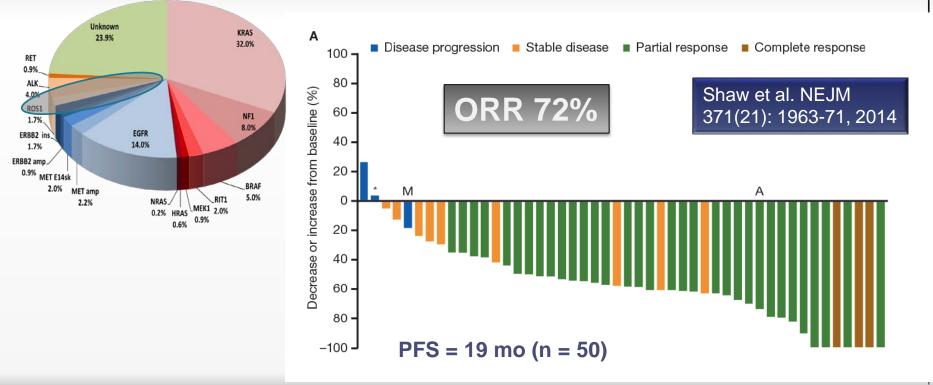


Green section indicates the proportion of cases with no known signaling abnormalities (undiscovered, underappreciated, non-existent) PI3K pathway abnormalities often overlap with other drivers

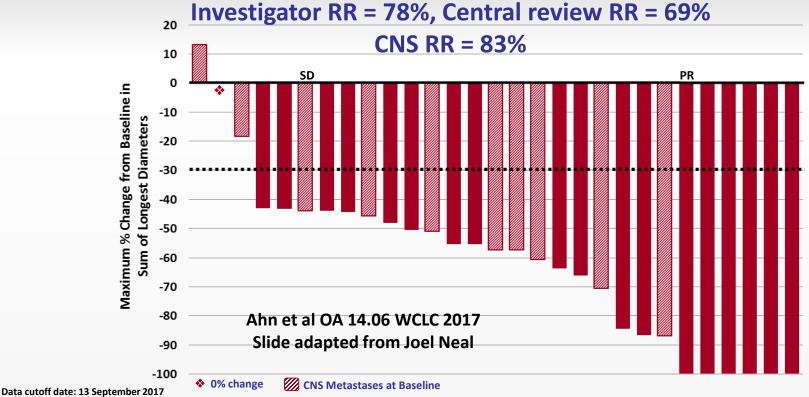
#### Actionable Drivers in Lung Adenocarcinoma



#### Clinical Activity of Crizotinib in Advanced ROS1+ NSCLC: PROFILE 1001 Study

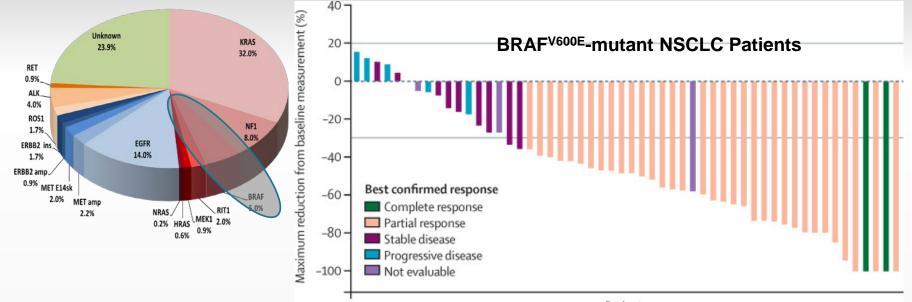


#### Best Response to Entrectinib in ROS1 Fusion+, Inhibitor-Naïve NSCLC 34% (11 out of 32) of the patients had CNS disease at baseline



Three out of 32 patients had no post-baseline scans and were non-evaluable

#### Lung Adenocarcinoma: BRAF as a driver



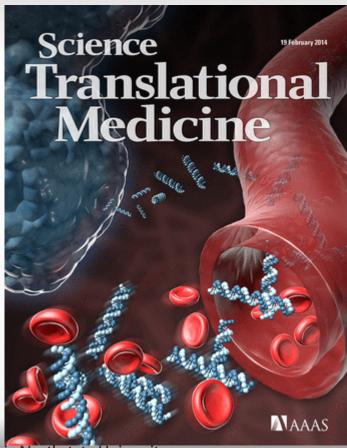
Dabrafenib plus trametinib receives "breakthrough therapy" designation for BRAF-mutant NSCLC July 2015; full FDA approval June 2017 Patient

David Planchard et al, **Dabrafenib plus trametinib in** patients with previously treated BRAFV600E-mutant metastatic non-small cell lung cancer: an open-label, multicentre phase 2 trial. Lancet Oncology Volume 17, Issue 7, 2016, 984–993

### Liquid biopsies: cell-free circulating tumor DNA

- Advanced malignancies shed DNA into circulation
  - DNA is highly fragmented
  - Stable for a few hours
- Technology is already in routine clinical practice
  - Identify emergent resistance factors
  - Expand biomarker detection in patients with insufficient biopsies
  - Monitor disease progression & evolution

#### How much information can we get from ctDNA?



#### **Analysis of Guardant Health Cancer Database**

Goal: Evaluate mutation distribution in cancer cases submitted to Guardant Health in comparison to The Cancer Genome Atlas (TCGA)

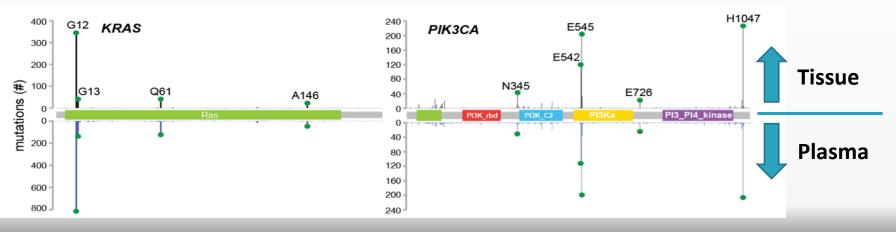
The landscape of actionable genomic alterations in cell-free circulating tumor DNA from 21,807 advanced cancer patients. Zill et al, Clinical Cancer Research 2018 in press

8,388 NSCLC cases reported at WCLC 2016 (Mack et al, OA06.01) Manuscript near complete

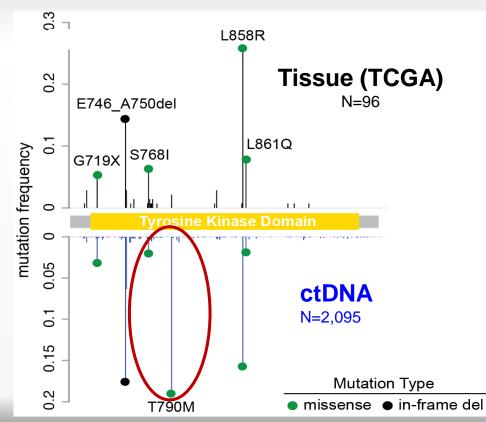
Mutation frequency and distribution in plasma is synonymous with tissue

Plasma ctDNA NGS found truncal alterations at frequencies predicted from the TCGA

Also identified resistance mutations at progression



#### **Population-scale genomics: TCGA and GH360** ctDNA have similar mutation patterns

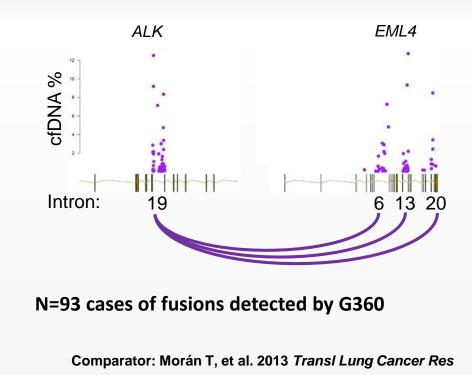


The EGFR secondary resistance mutation T790M frequently found in ctDNA cohort, but rare in TCGA (surgical/treatment naïve)

EGFR (r = 0.9 excluding T790M and C797S)

# **Population-scale genomics:** Guardant ctDNA fusion patterns mirror tumor tissue (r=0.99)

EML4 intron	Breakpoints in	Breakpoints in
(EML4-ALK)	ctDNA (n=47)	COSMIC (n=375)
13	46%	47%
6	37%	35%
20	5%	14%
KIF5B intron	Breakpoints in	Breakpoints in
(KIF5B-RET)	ctDNA (n=28)	COSMIC (n=589)
15	66%	67%
16	18%	18%
23	5%	5%
20	3%	0%
24	0%	5%
CCDC6 intron	Breakpoints in	Breakpoints in
(CCDC6-RET)	ctDNA (n=18)	COSMIC (n=60)
1	96%	99%
3	4%	0%
2	0%	1%
8	0%	0%



#### Results: GH360 ctDNA Genomic Landscape in Lung Adenocarcinoma

Alteration	Ν	%		
EGFR mutations	1361	26.4%		
ALK fusion	65	1.3%		
RET fusion	45	0.9%		
ROS1 fusion	9	0.2%		
MET E14 skip	49	1.0%		
BRAF mutations	139	2.7%		
ERBB2 mutations	119	2.3%		
KRAS mutations	888	17.2%		
MET amp	295	5.7%		
ERBB2 amp	229	4.4%		

Cases from 70-gene panel only

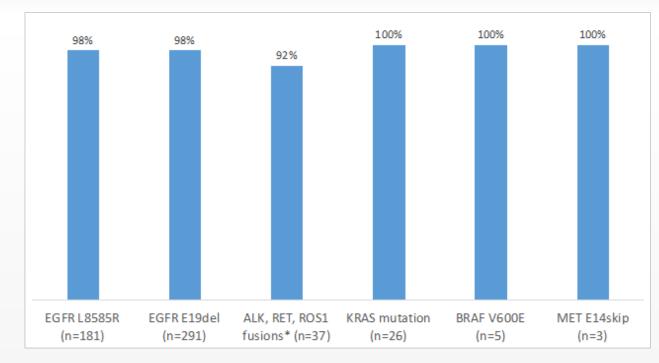
*EGFR* Driver Mutations

•52% E19 del

- •34% L858R
- •4% E20 ins
- •10% other
  - G719
  - L861
  - S768
  - E709
  - Other rare mutations

Not a random cross-section of US patients (Enriched for patients progressing on targeted agents)

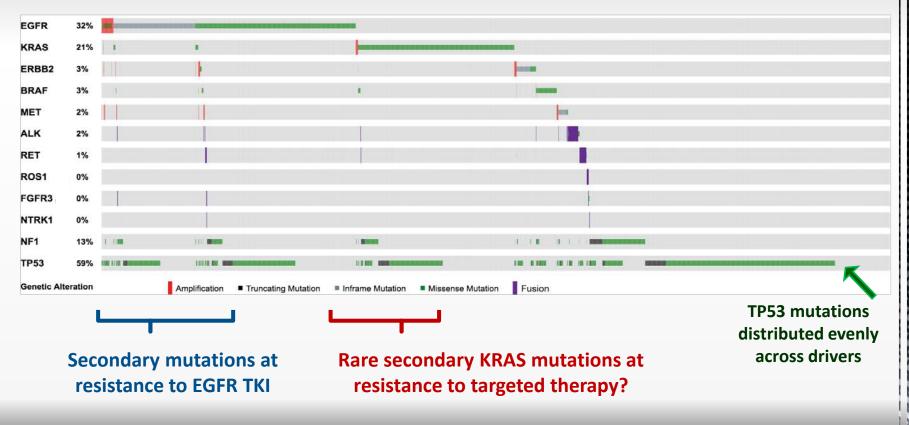
#### **Clinical Accuracy: Matched ctDNA vs. Tissue Biopsy: Positive Predictive Value (PPV)**



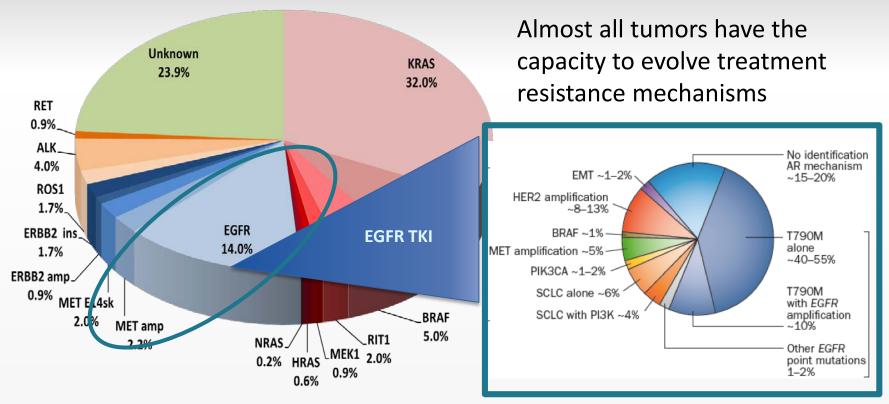
\* Three cases with ctDNA-positive, tissuenegative *ALK* fusion responded to crizotinib.

likely representing a false negative in tissue

### **Mutual Exclusivity of Driver Oncogenes**

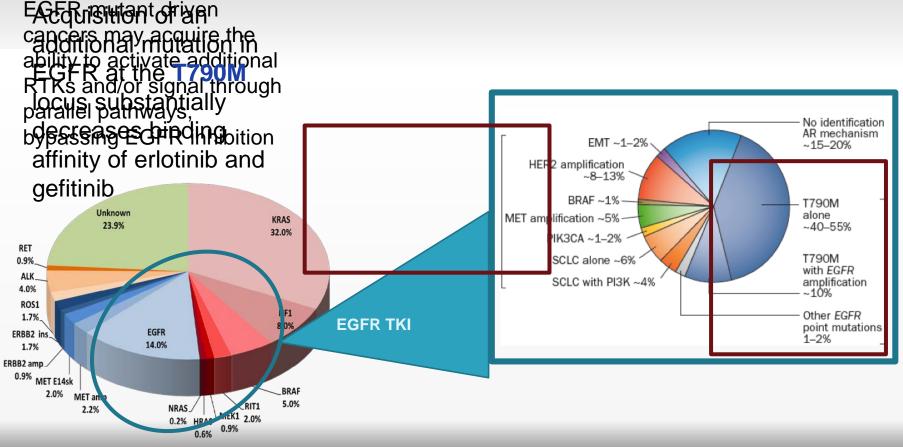


#### Lung Adenocarcinoma: Acquired Resistance



#### Camidge Nature Rev Clin Oncol 2014

#### **The Genomic Landscape of Lung Cancer**

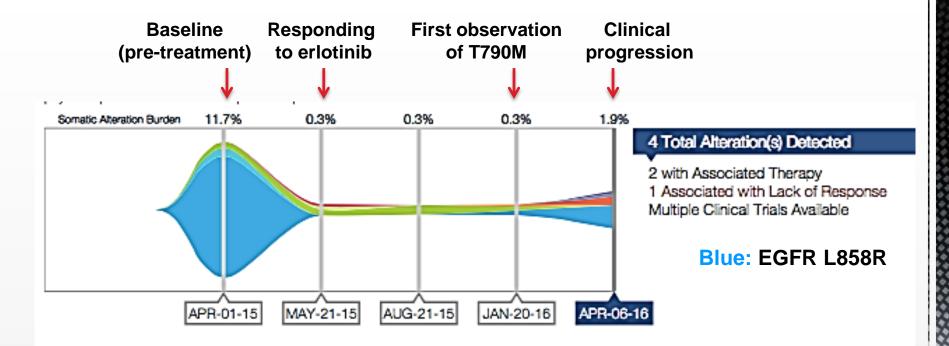


## How to identify emergent resistance

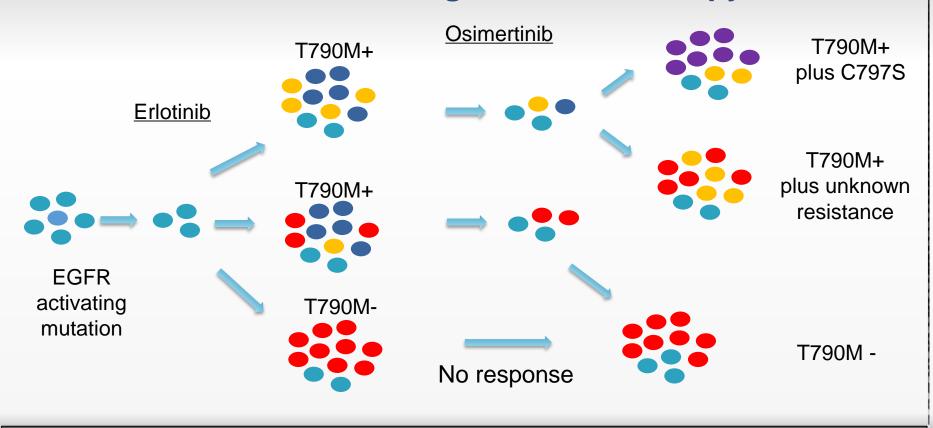
### Tissue biopsies at tumor progression

# Liquid biopsiescirculating tumor DNA

### **Treatment-induced changes in plasma mutant** allele frequencies

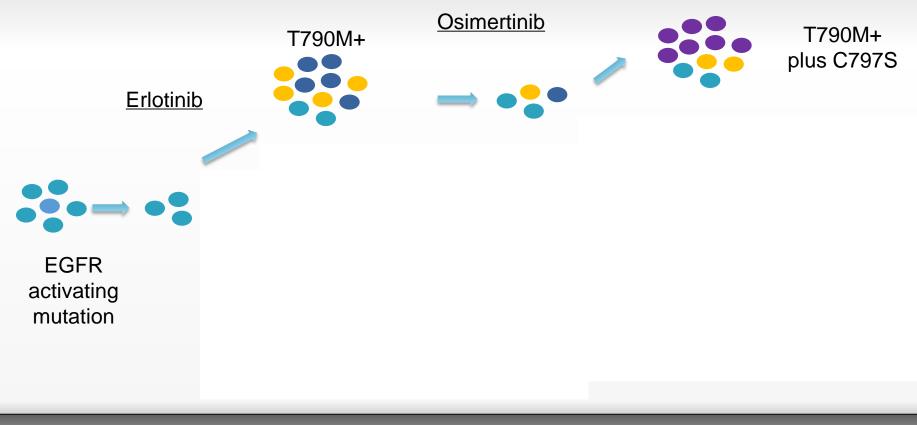


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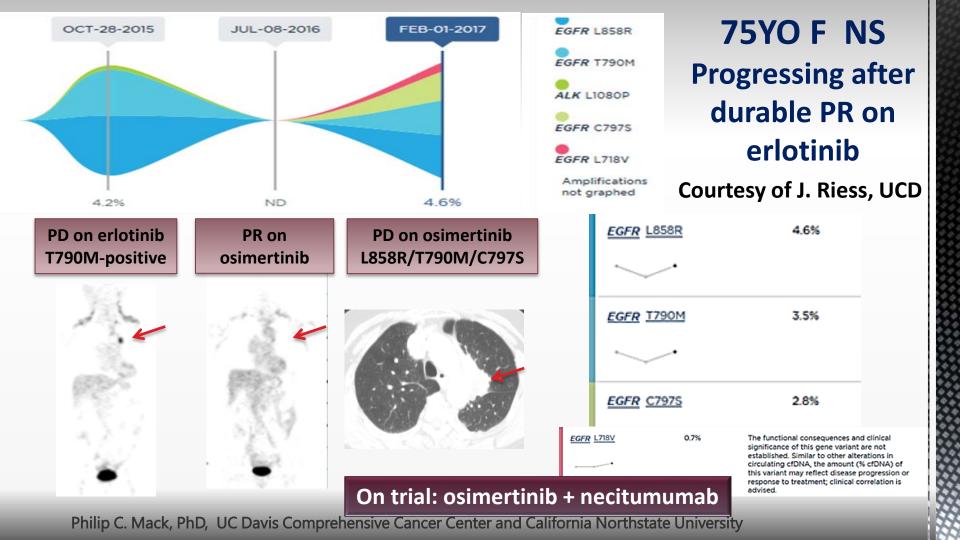


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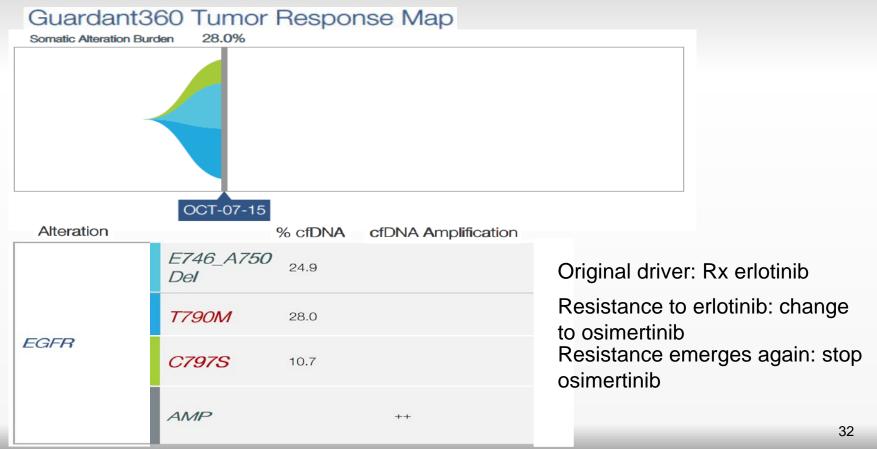
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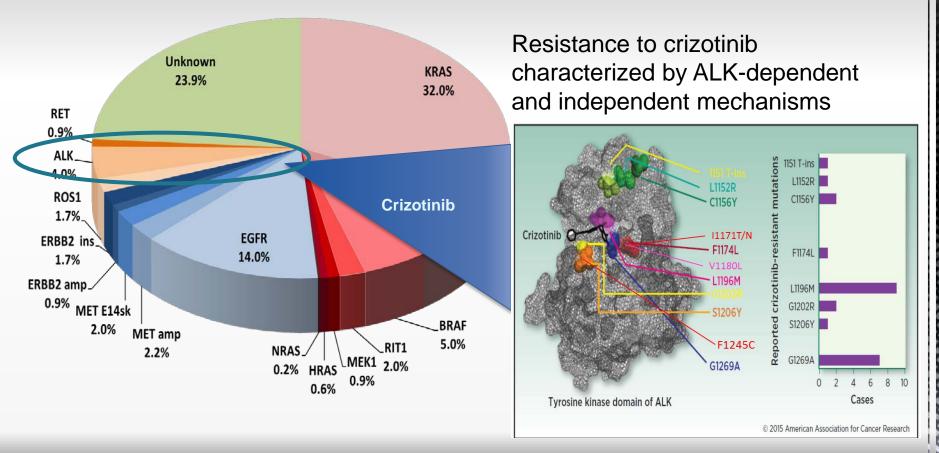


#### EGFR resistance mutations: single time point



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#### **Next-gen ALK Inhibitors in**

> Ceritinib FDA and EMEA approved based on ASCEND-1, ASCENT 2

> Alectinib, FDA approval Dec. 2015

	Ceritinib <sup>1</sup> ASCEND-1	Ceritinib <sup>2</sup> ASCEND-2	Alectinib <sup>3</sup> NP28673	Alectinib⁴ NP28761	Brigatinib⁵ AP26113	Lorlatinib <sup>6</sup> PF-064639224	
Phase	1	2	1-2		1-2	1-2	
Number of pts	163	140	138	87	70	34	
ORR (%)	56	54	50	48	71	44	
DCR (%)	74	77	79	-	-	nr	
Median PFS (mo)	6.9	5.7	8.9	6.3	13.4	nr	
CNS activity	-	Yes	Yes	Yes!	Yes	Yes	
		(45%)	(43%)	(69%)	(53%)	(36%)	
Ethnicity	Global	Global	Global	USA	US/Spain	-	
<sup>1</sup> Felip ESMO 2014* <sup>2</sup> Mok, ASCO 2015; <sup>3</sup> Seto ASCO 2015; <sup>4</sup> Ghandi, ASCO 20152;							

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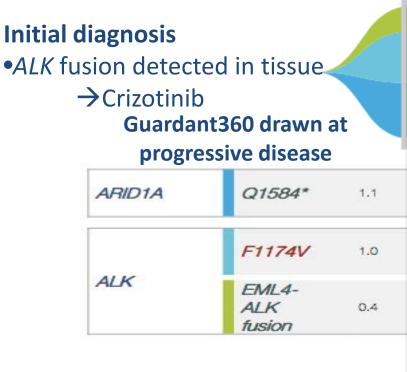
# ALK fusion case example showing emergence of sequential resistance mutations

Initial diagnosis

•ALK fusion detected in tissue  $\rightarrow$ Crizotinib

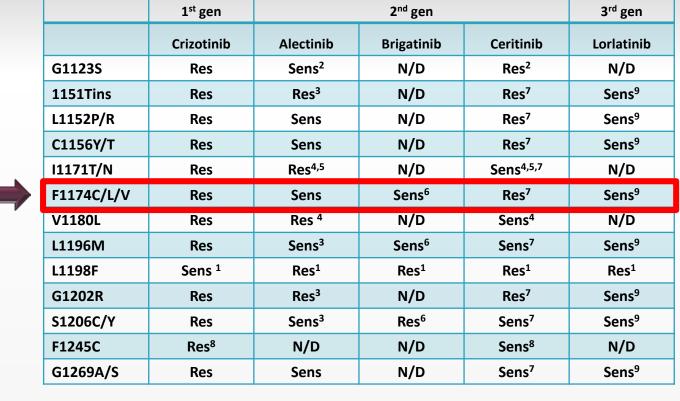
Durable response, But patient is progressing

Courtesy Collin Blakely MD, UCSF



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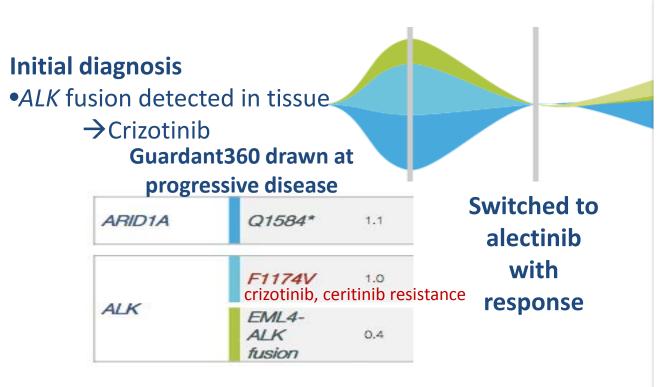
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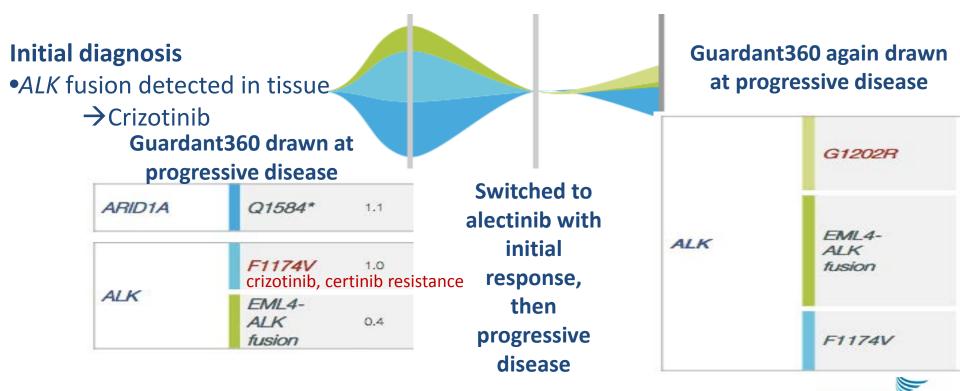
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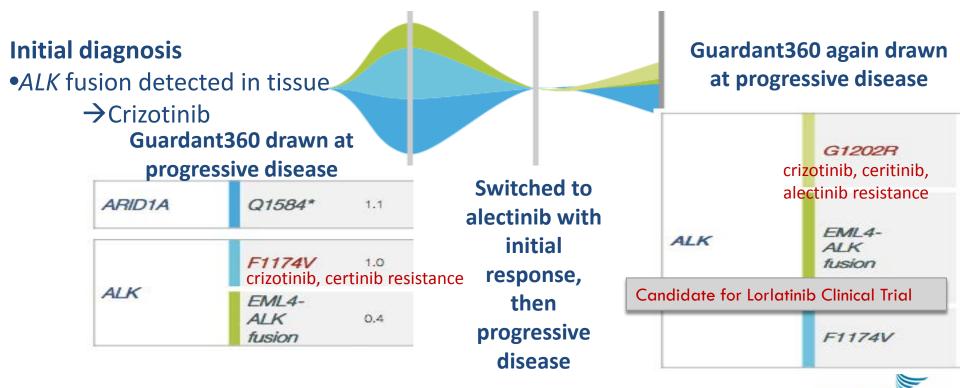
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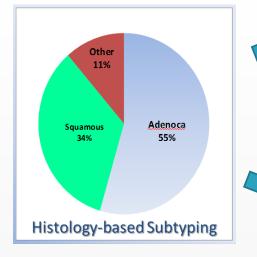
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MET amp	74							

Actionable Resistance Mutations Observed in Guardant 360 ctDNA

> 40% of ALK fusion cases and 50% of EGFR cases had one of these potentially actionable resistance targets at progression

### **NSCLC Subtyping in the era of Immune Oncology**



#### **Low Mutation Burden**

Usually Never/light Smokers Often have oncogenic driver Typically non-squamous

Often poorly responsive to immune therapies



Actionable driver oncogenes uncommon Often responsive to immune therapies



32.0%

MEK1 2.0%

23.9%

EGFR

0.9% ALK 4.0% ROS1 1.7%

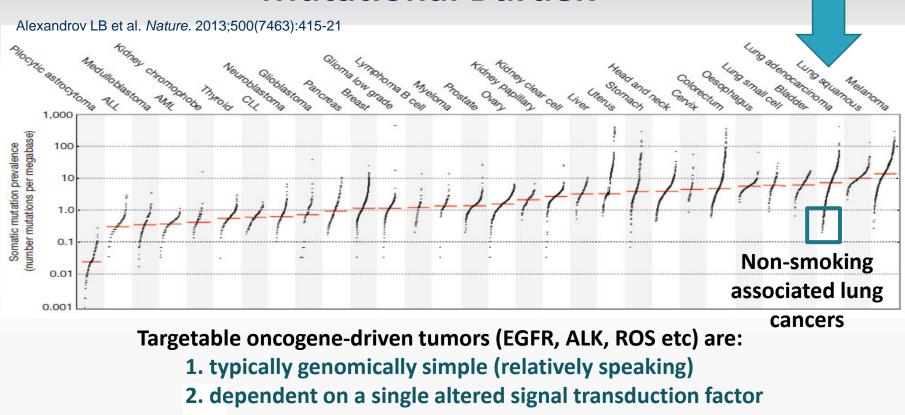
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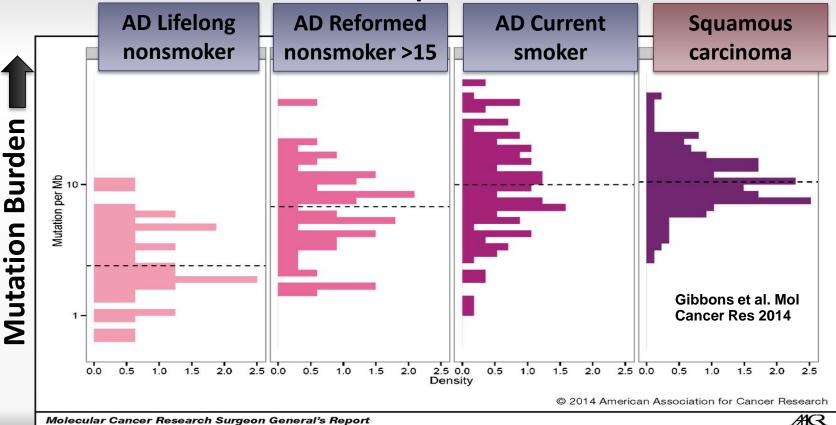
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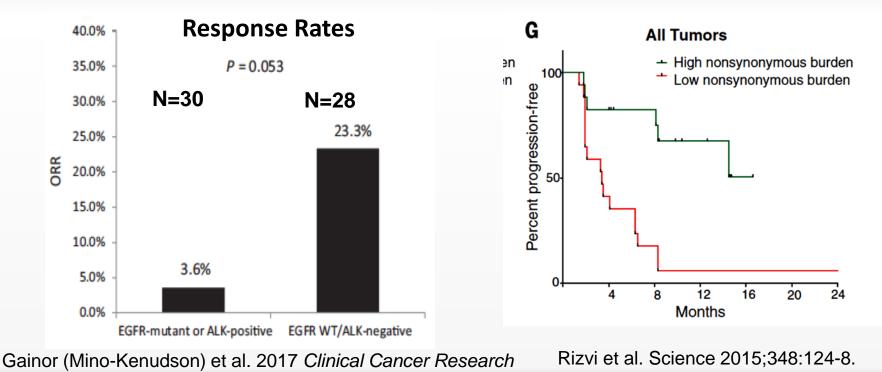




# Genome-wide Mutation Density from the TCGA datasets for lung adenocarcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma.



# EGFR and ALK-positive NSCLC are less responsive to immune therapies



## Conclusions

Mutations detected in plasma have a synonymous frequency and distribution as reported in tissue This applies to truncal mutations present in all lineages of the tumor

Liquid biopsies are capable of identifying and tracking actionable emergent resistance mutations

IO drugs are generally more effective in NSCLC with high TMB. Biomarker-driven adenocarcinoma (EGFR, ALK, ROS1 etc) are typically low TMB and are best treated with targeted therapies

## **Plasma Analysis Considerations**

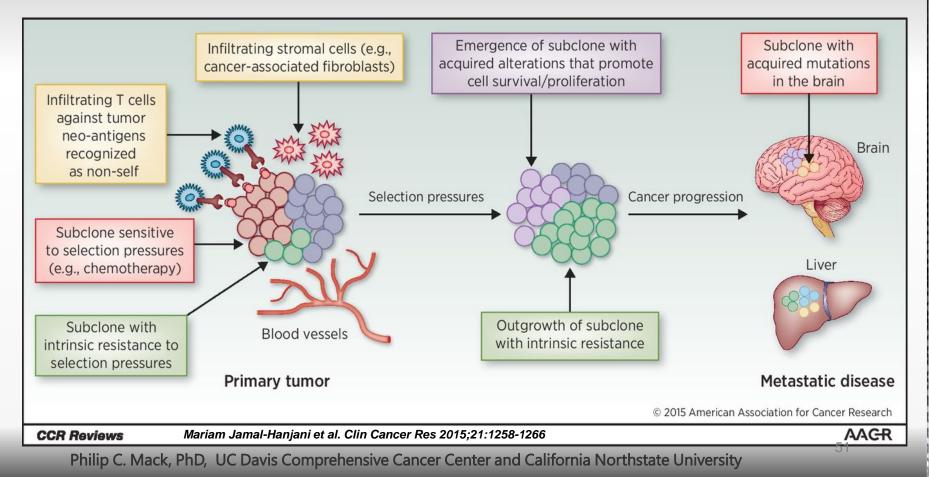
For treatment-naïve patients, tissue is the standard and is required for complete diagnosis Plasma can complement tissue Serve as a baseline for future draws

For validated plasma analysis, a positive result is actionable but a negative result should be considered <u>inconclusive</u> Unknown if true negative or insufficient shed DNA

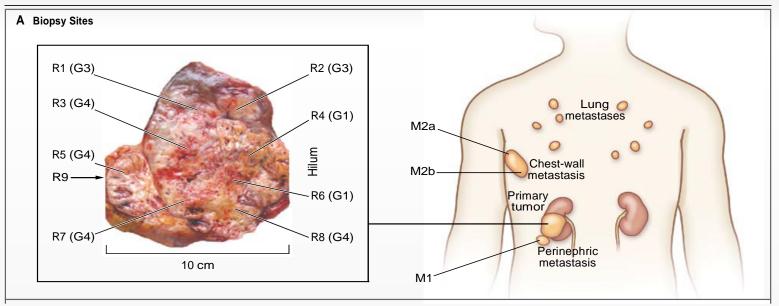
At progression, consider a "plasma-first" option for patients if applicable

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### **Intratumor Heterogeneity (ITH) and Clonal Evolution**



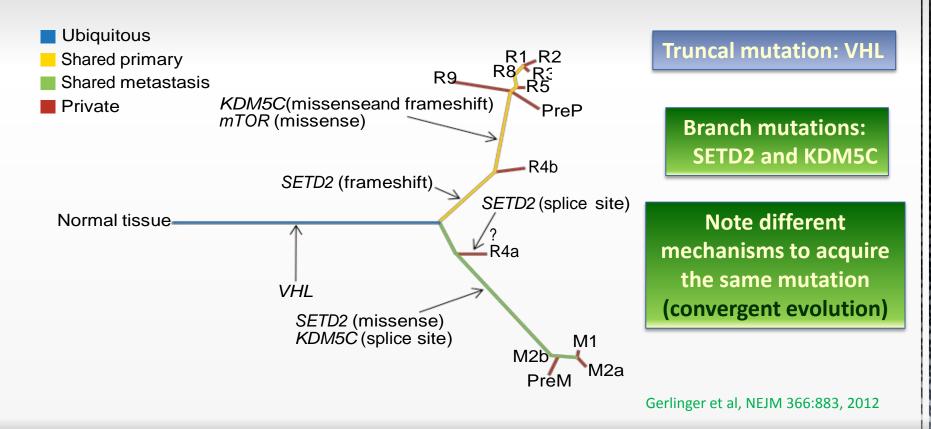
## Massively Parallel Sequencing to Document Tumor Evolution



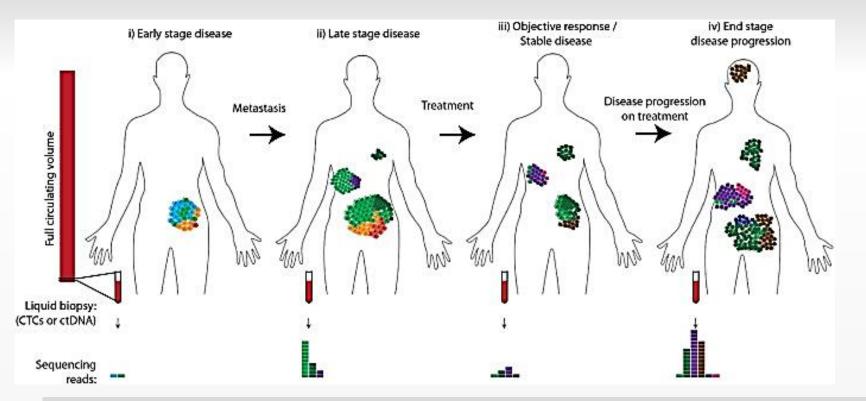
Researchers acquired biopsies from different regions of the tumor and from metastatic lesions

Gerlinger et al, NEJM 366:883, 2012

### Phylogenetic Relationships of Tumor Regions

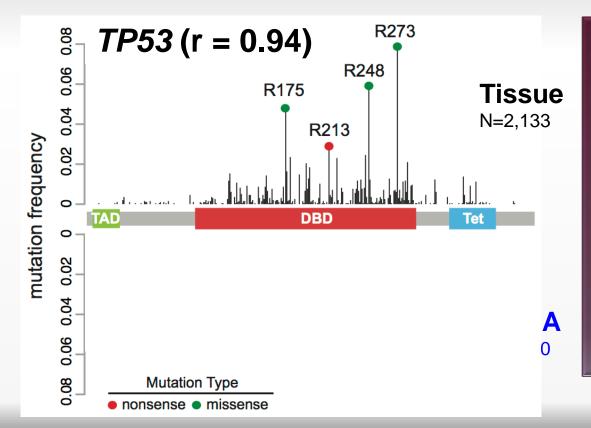


### **Clonal Evolution – Role of Liquid Biopsy**



R. Burrell and C. Swanton, Molecular Oncology, Volume 8, 2014, 1095 - 1111

#### Guardant Database (15,000 cases, reported at ASCO 2016) Over 5,000 from NSCLC



TCGA and ctDNA have synonymous TP53 mutation patterns...

...including "hotspot" Gain-of-Function (GOF) mutations

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Lorlatinib potently inhibits ALK resistance mutations, including ALK G1202R.

