

The Challenges of Tissue Based investigation in Prostate Cancer

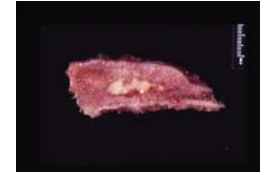
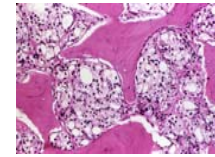
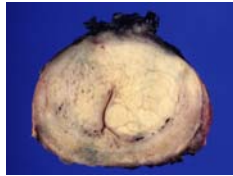
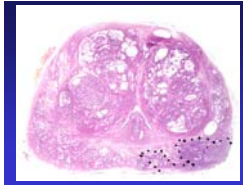
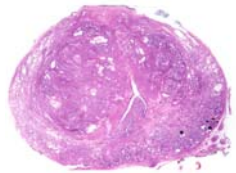
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- Tumor heterogeneity
- Limitation of individual discovery platforms
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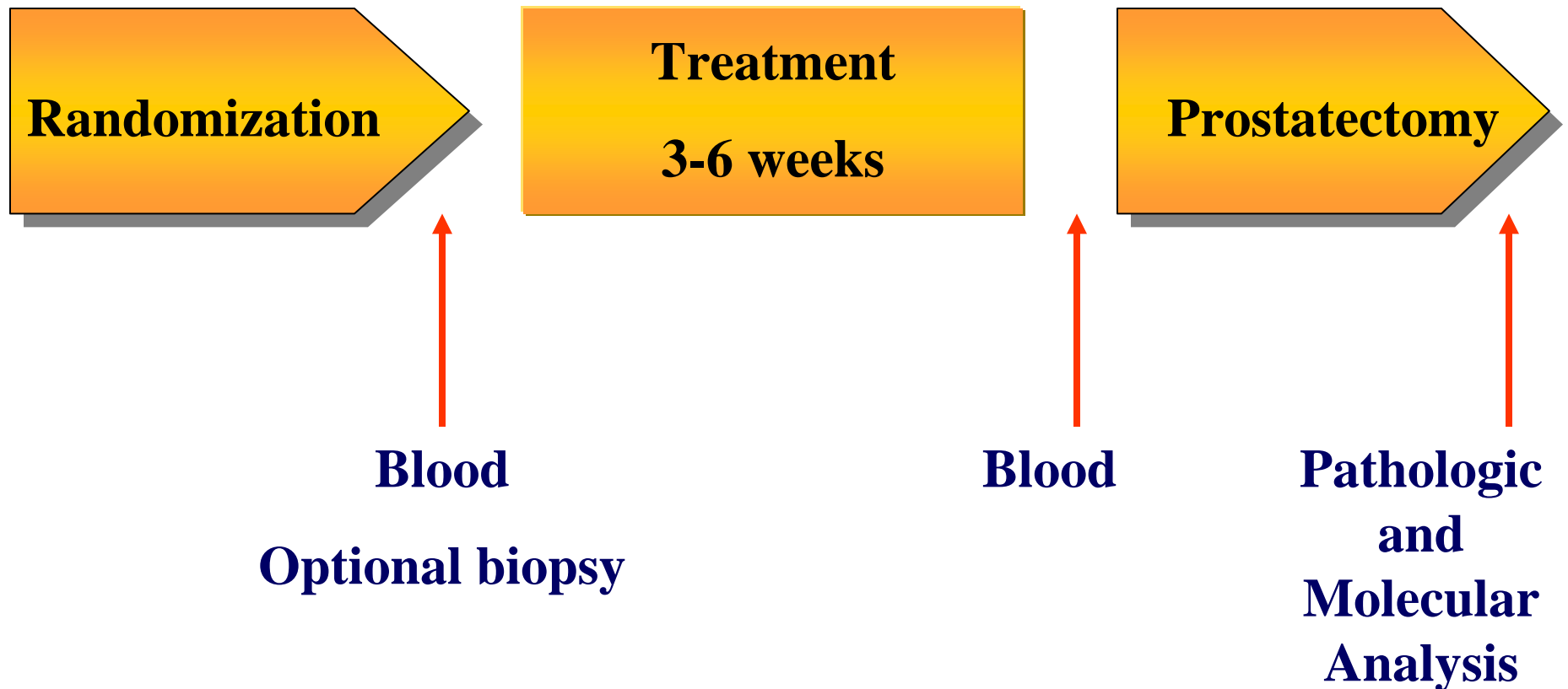
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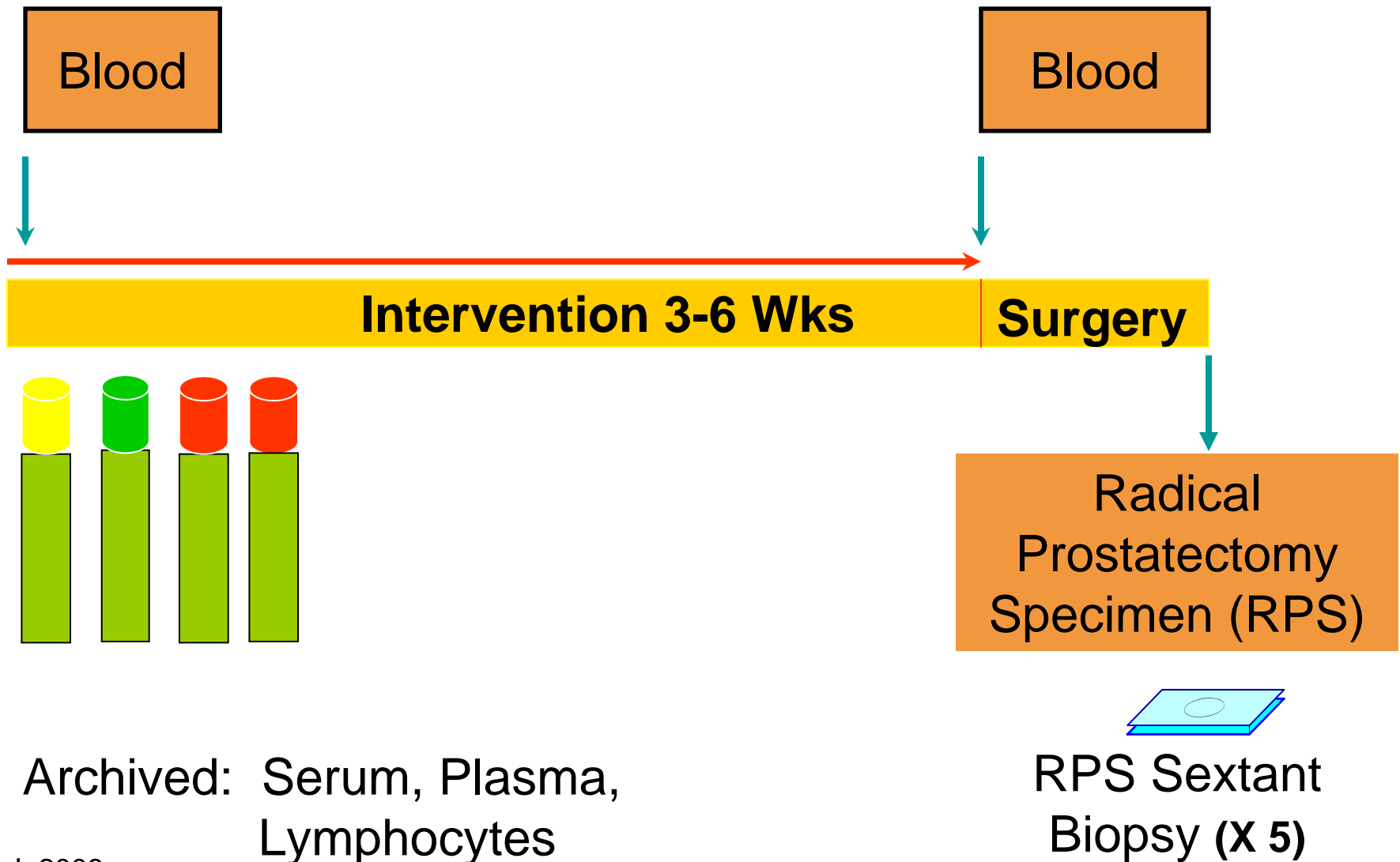
A Preoperative Selenium and Vitamin E Trial in Prostate Cancer

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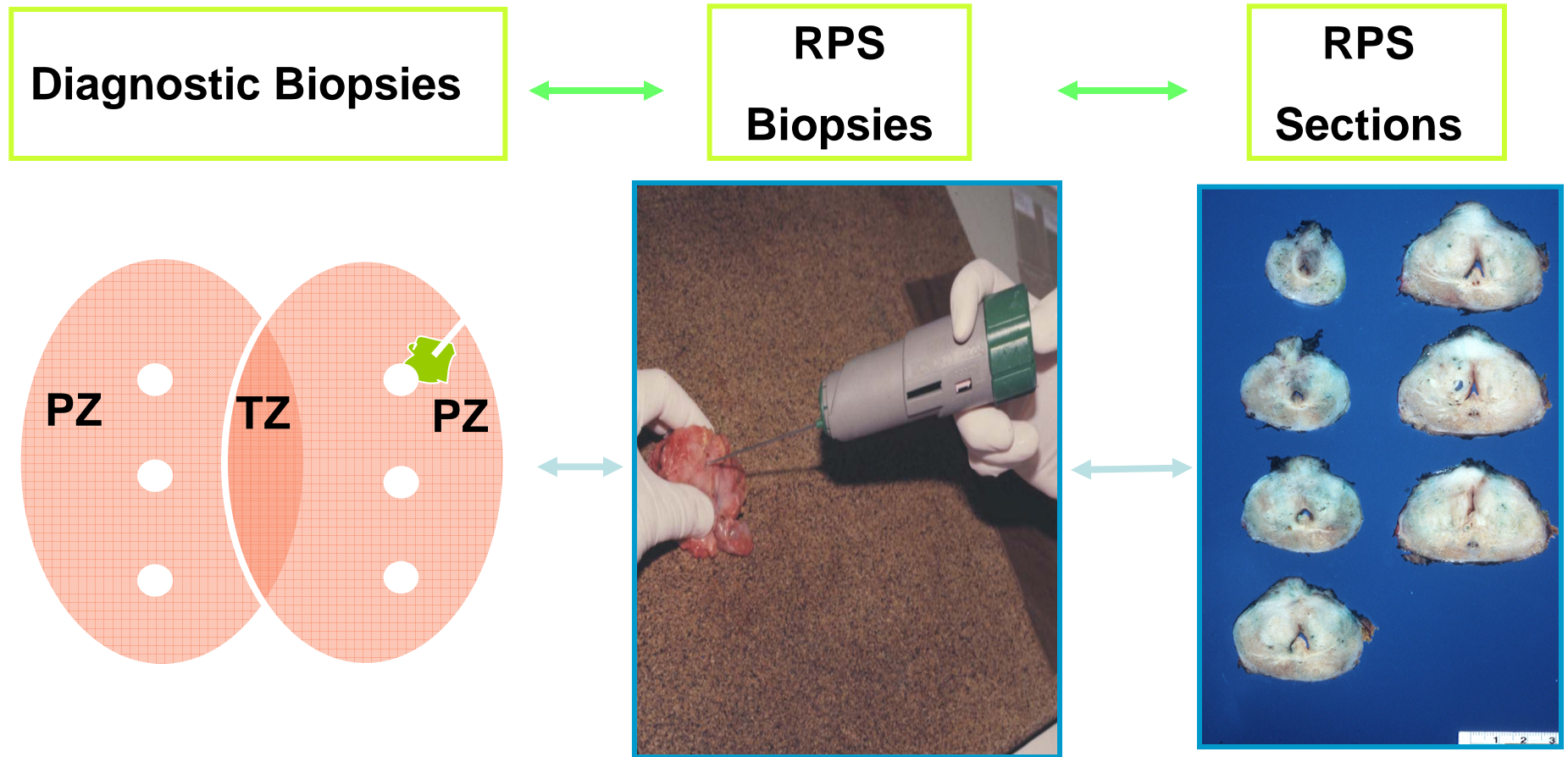
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Biomarker Analyses

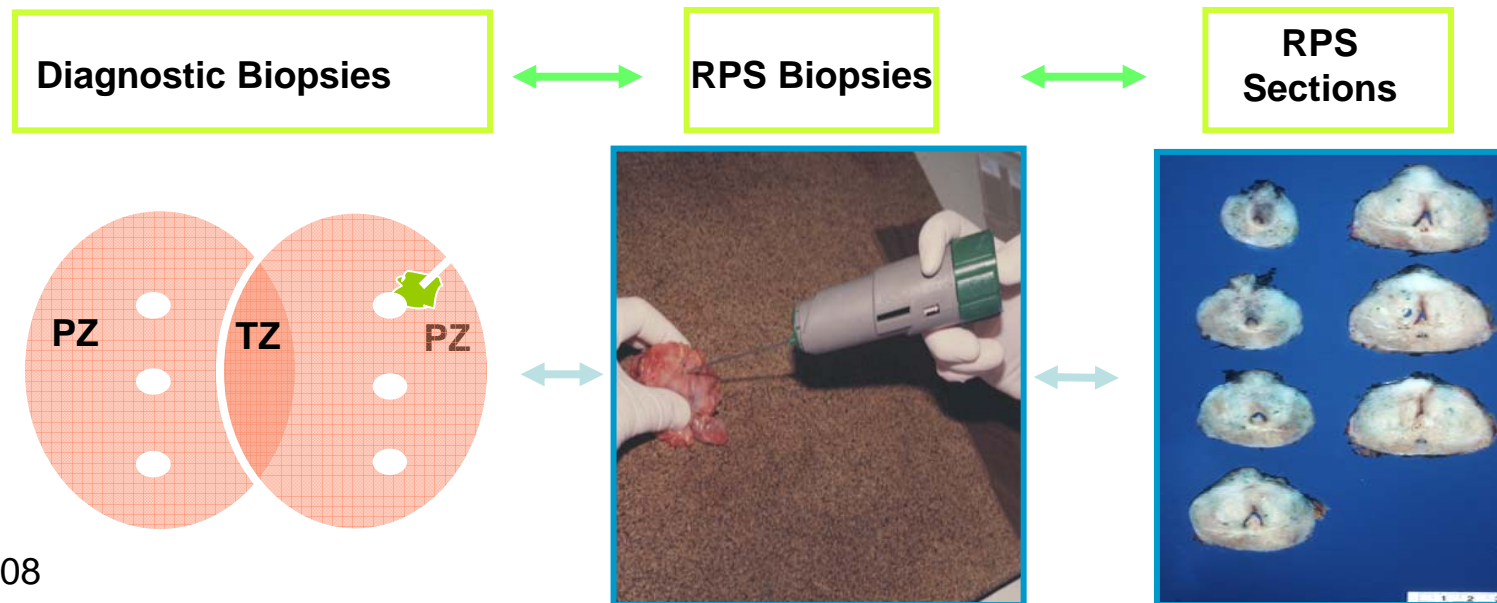


Biomarker Expression: Core Biopsies ↔ RPS Sections

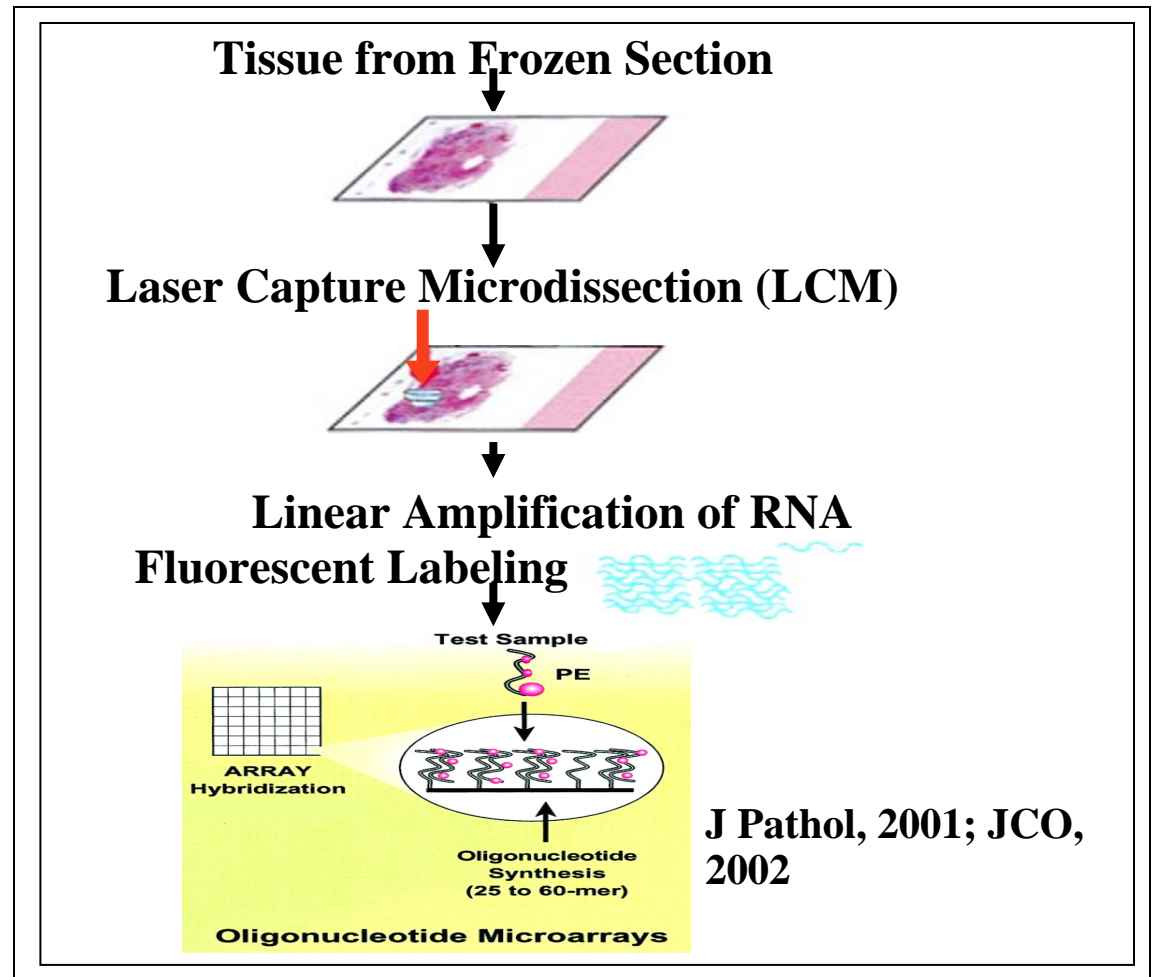
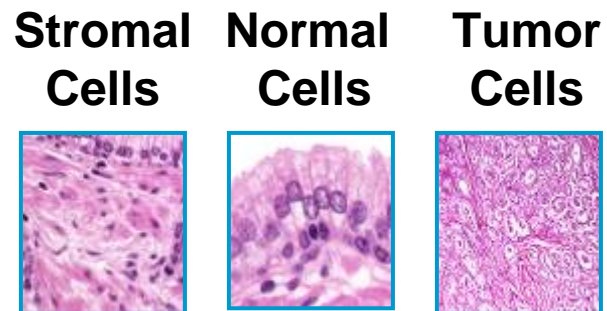


Ex Vivo RPS Biopsy

Positive Biopsy	22/35 RPS (27 cores)
Tumor focus	
Dominant	19/27
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Ca #2	4/27
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Other	4/27



Gene Expression Profiling

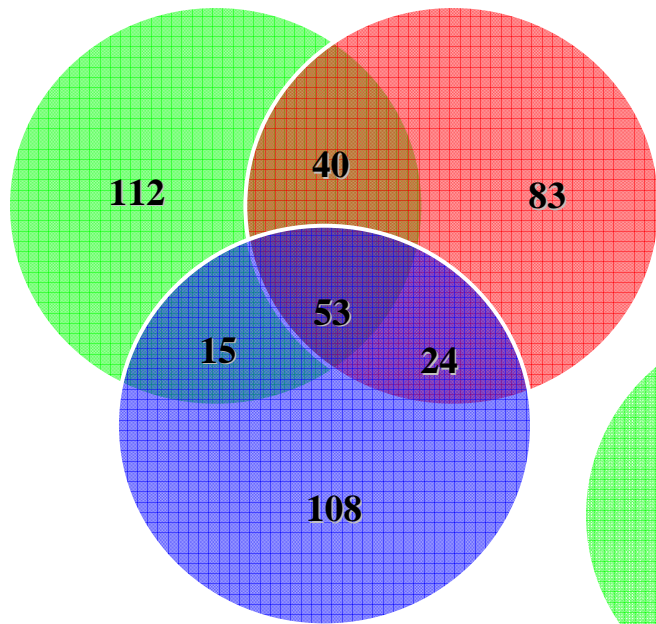


The Prostate is An Organ Composed of different Tissues and Cells

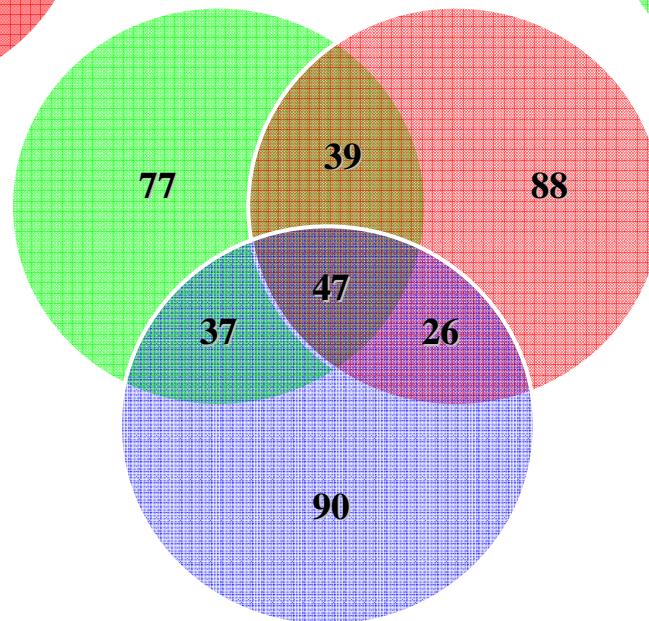
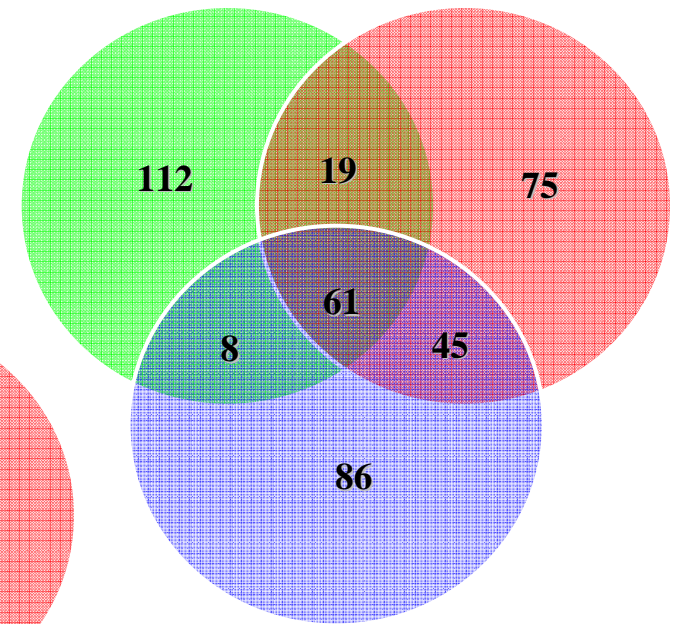
***Assumption: the application of therapy
will result in tissue, or cell-type specific
alterations in gene expression***

Cell-Type and Treatment Specific Effects in Gene Expression Profile




Non-neoplastic Epithelium



Cancer



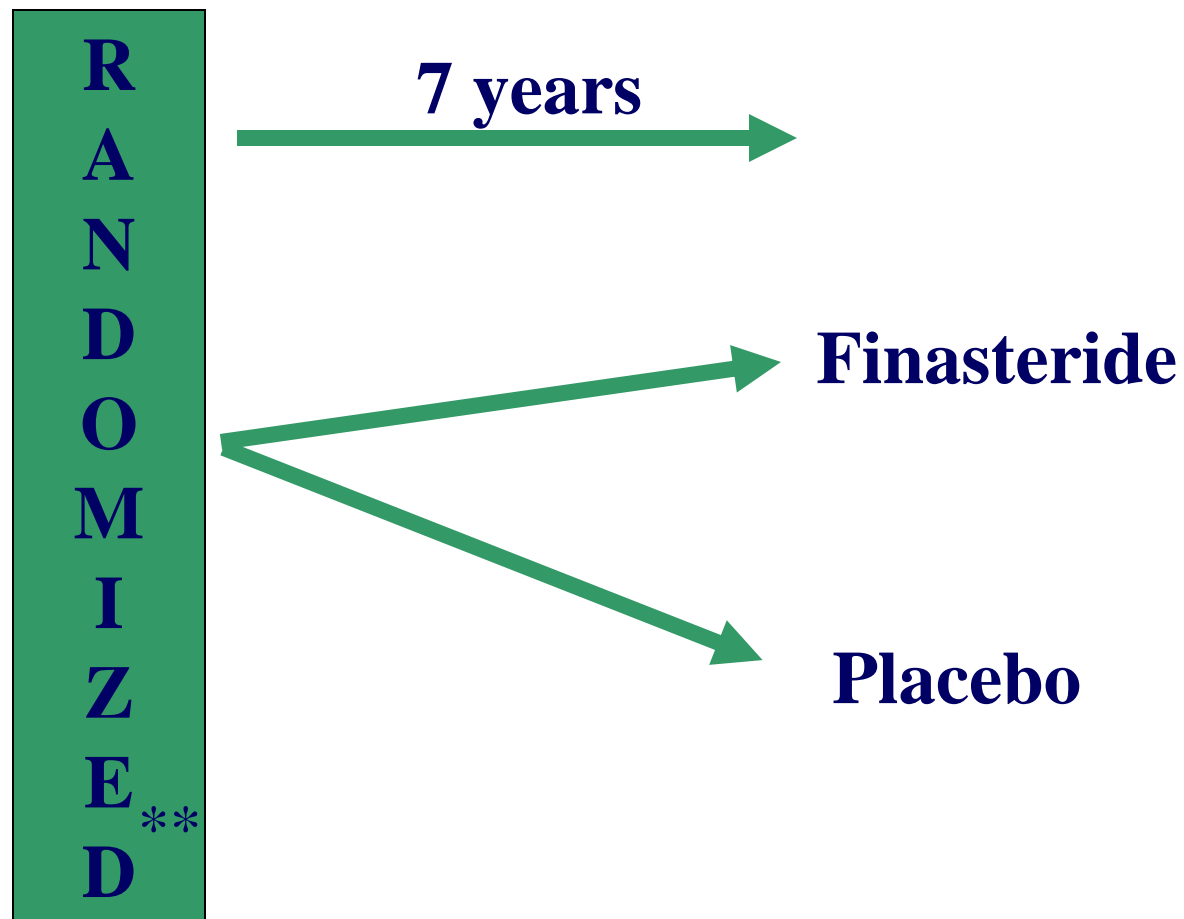
Stroma

Selenium 
Vitamin E 
Combination 

Interacting molecular pathways regulate Prostate Cancer growth

Assumption: signaling networks are modulated in a cell specific manner

Prostate Cancer Prevention Trial



**** Dynamic allocation**

Pathways to Androgen Independence

Androgen-Dependent Prostate Cancer



Hormone Ablation Therapy



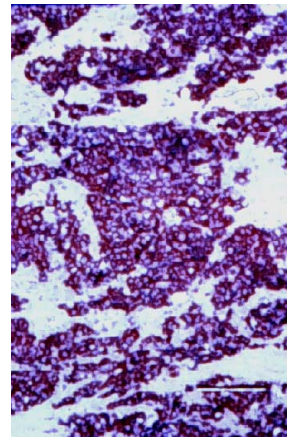
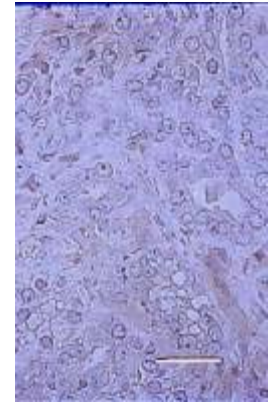
Adaptation



Acquisition of Complimentary Genetic Lesions



Clonal Expansion



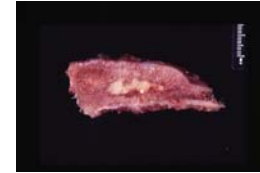
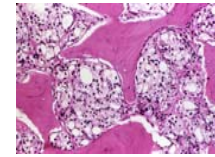
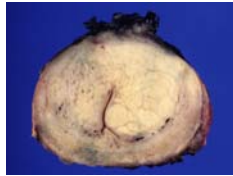
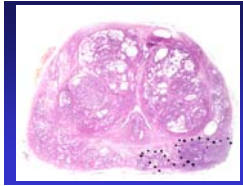
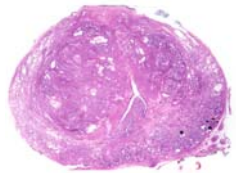
Conclusion

Limitations of small volume prostate cancer can be reduced by using immediate ex-vivo biopsy strategy

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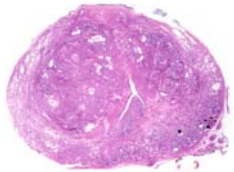
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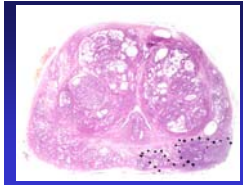
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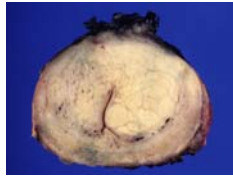
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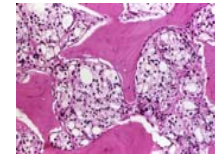
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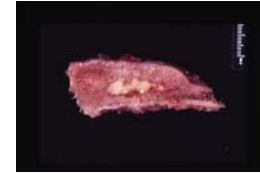
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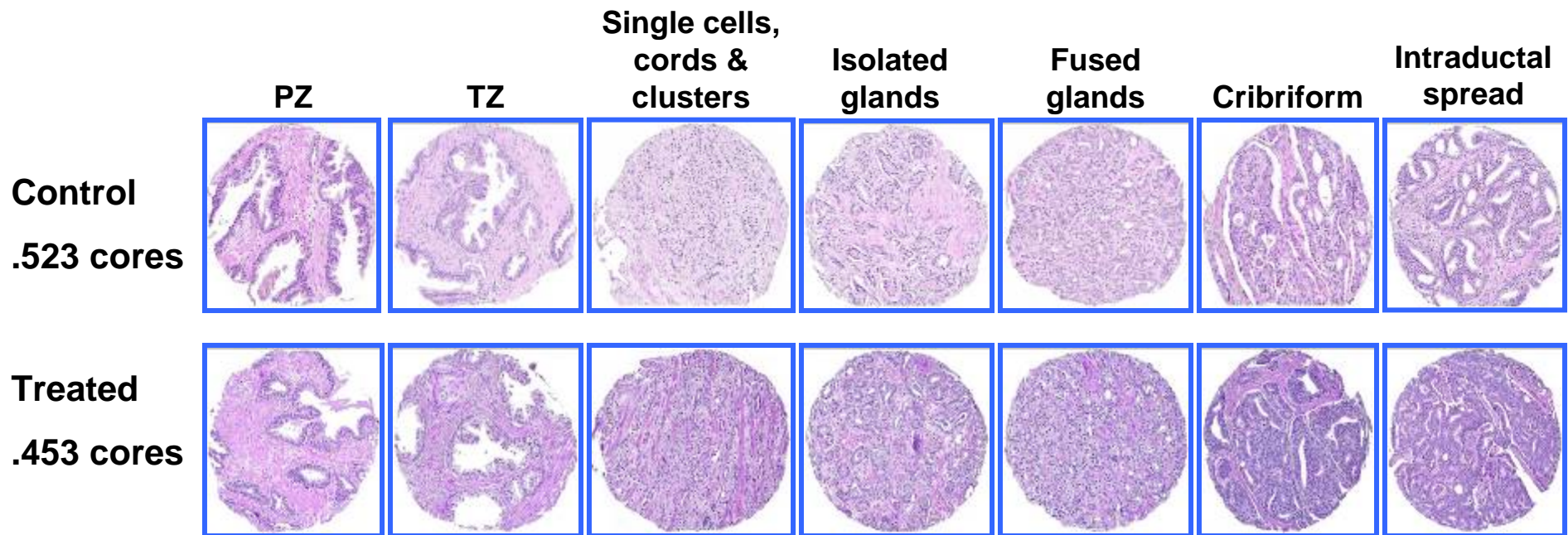
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Pre-Operative Model

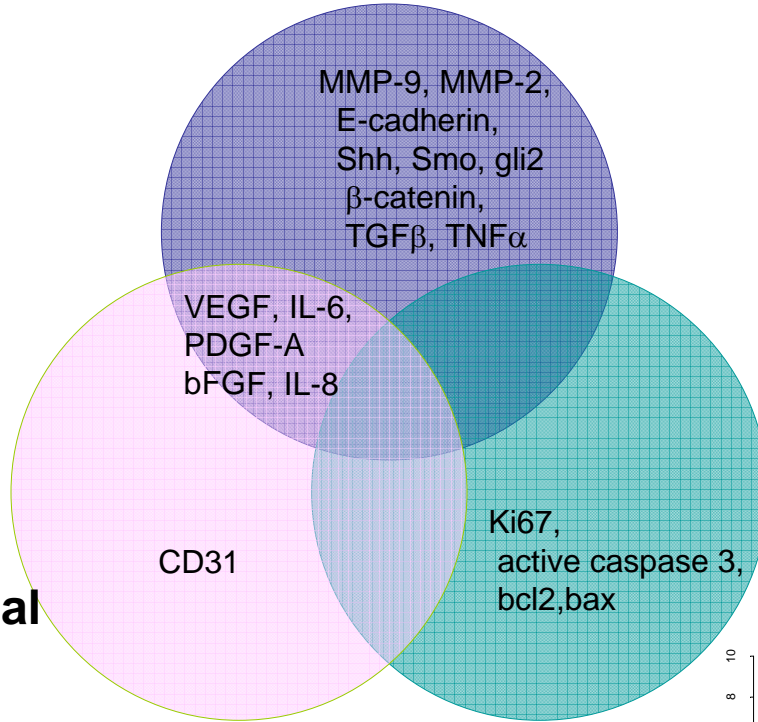
Thalidomide Trial



Effect on stromal-epithelial interaction

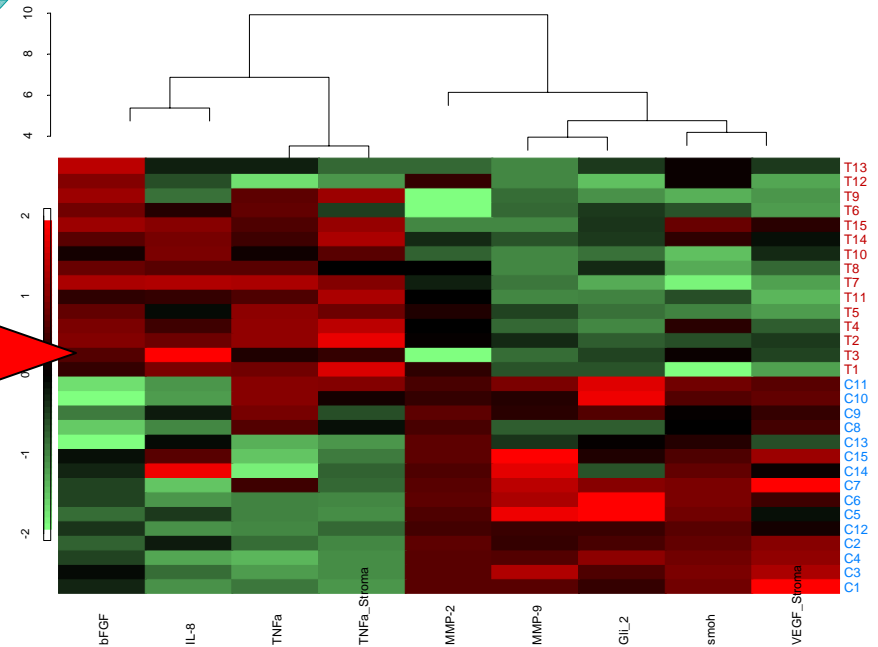
25 Markers Interrogated both in epithelium and stroma (when applicable)

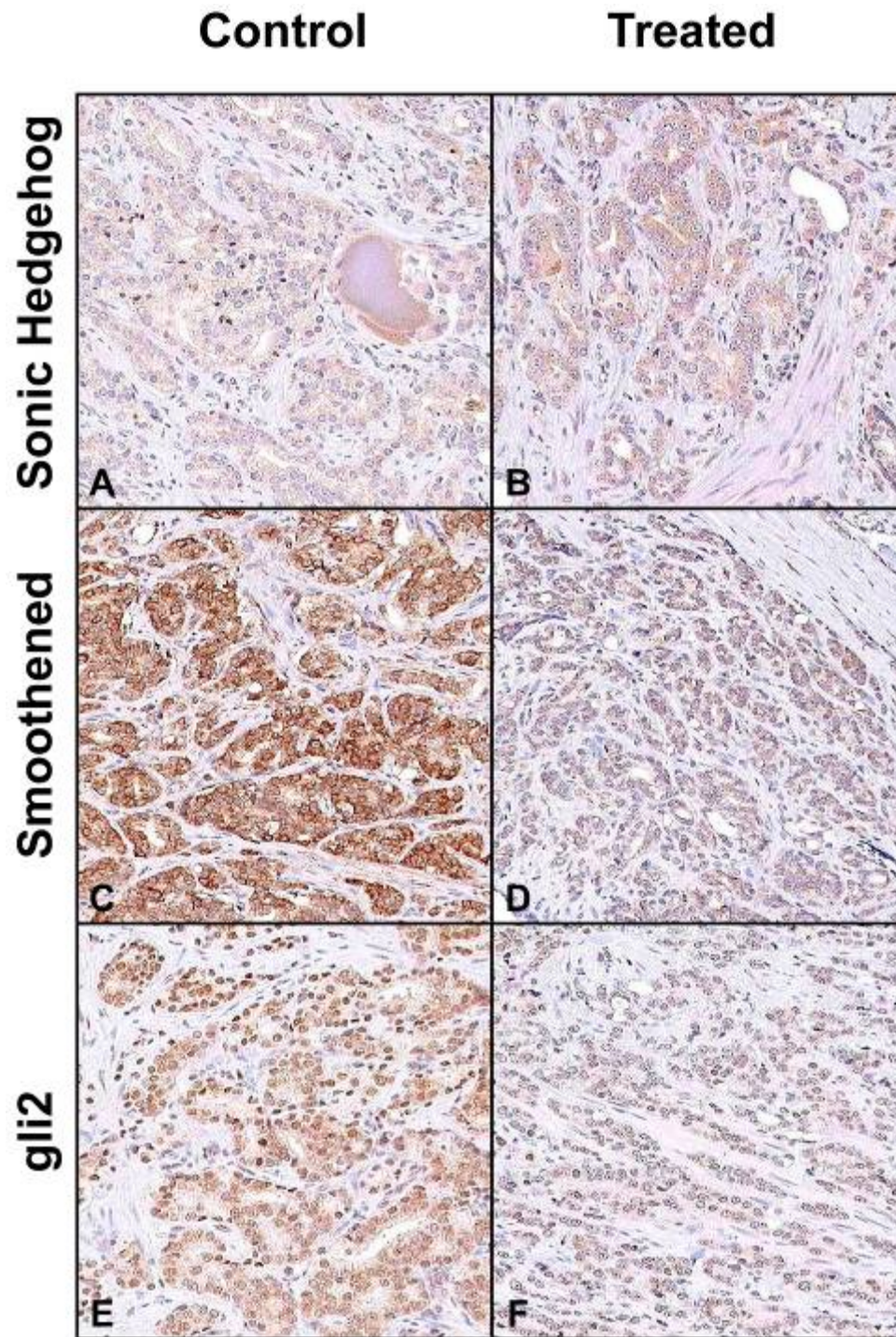
Effect on endothelial cells



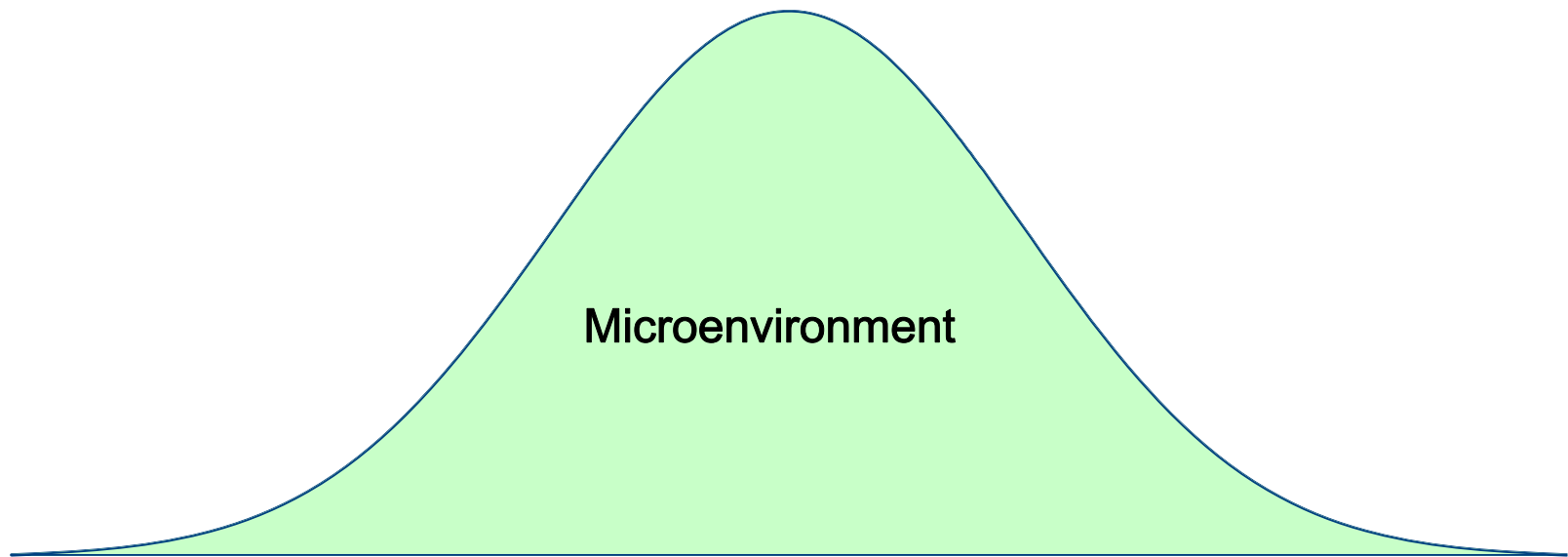
Effect on epithelial-cell proliferation and survival

Significant Findings

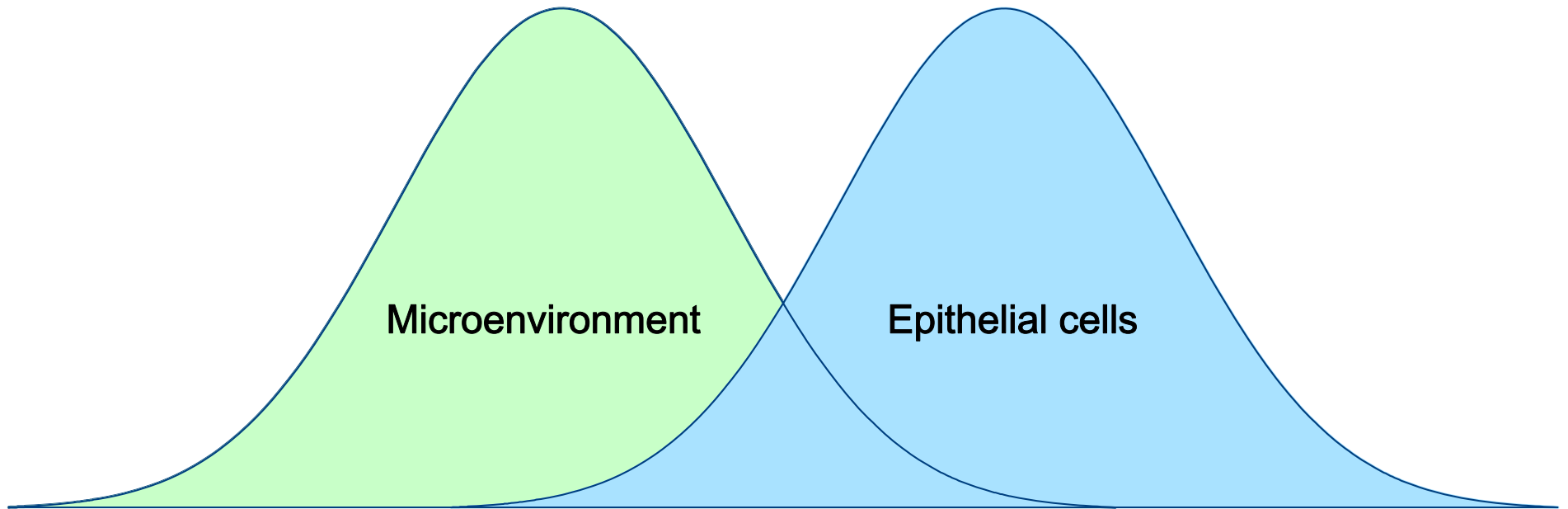




**Serial Modulation
Microenvironment & Neoplastic Epithelium**



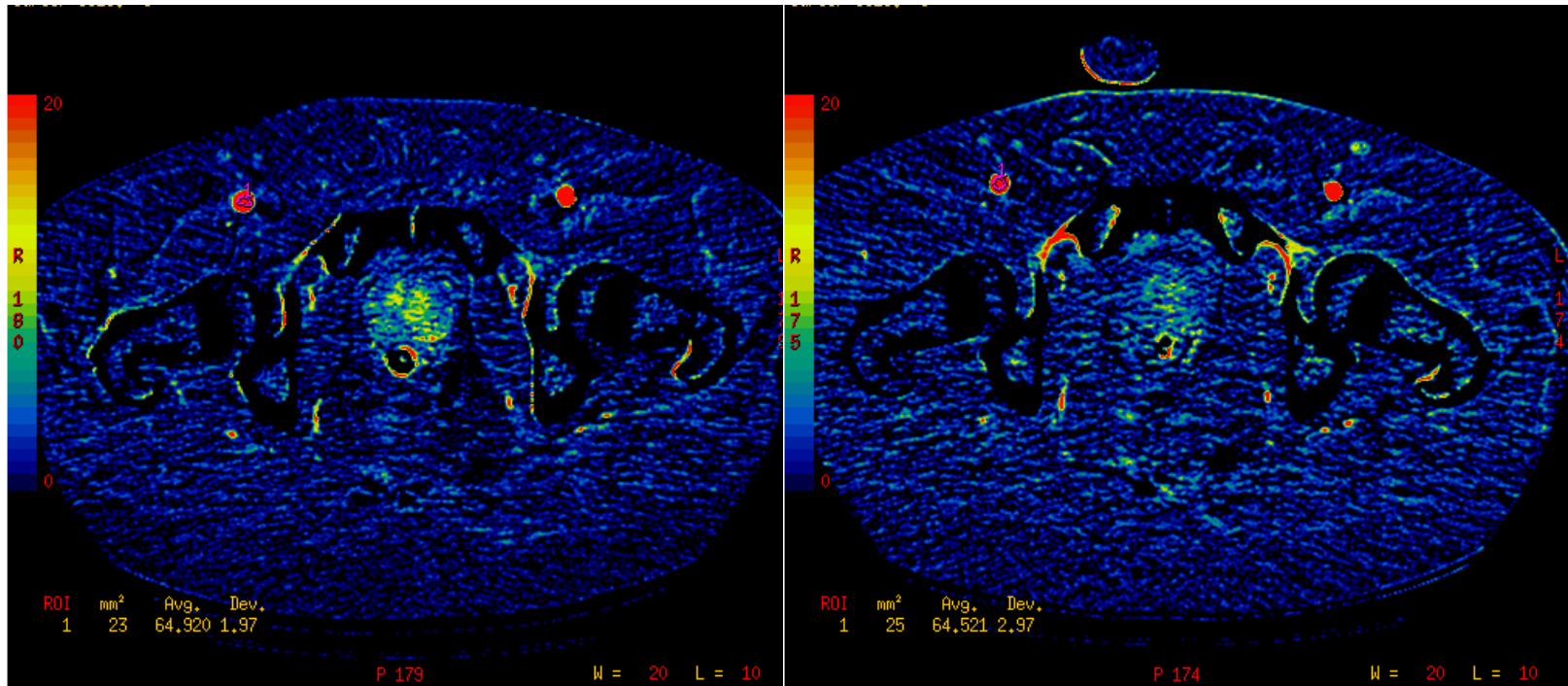
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CT Perfusion Study (confirmation with imaging)

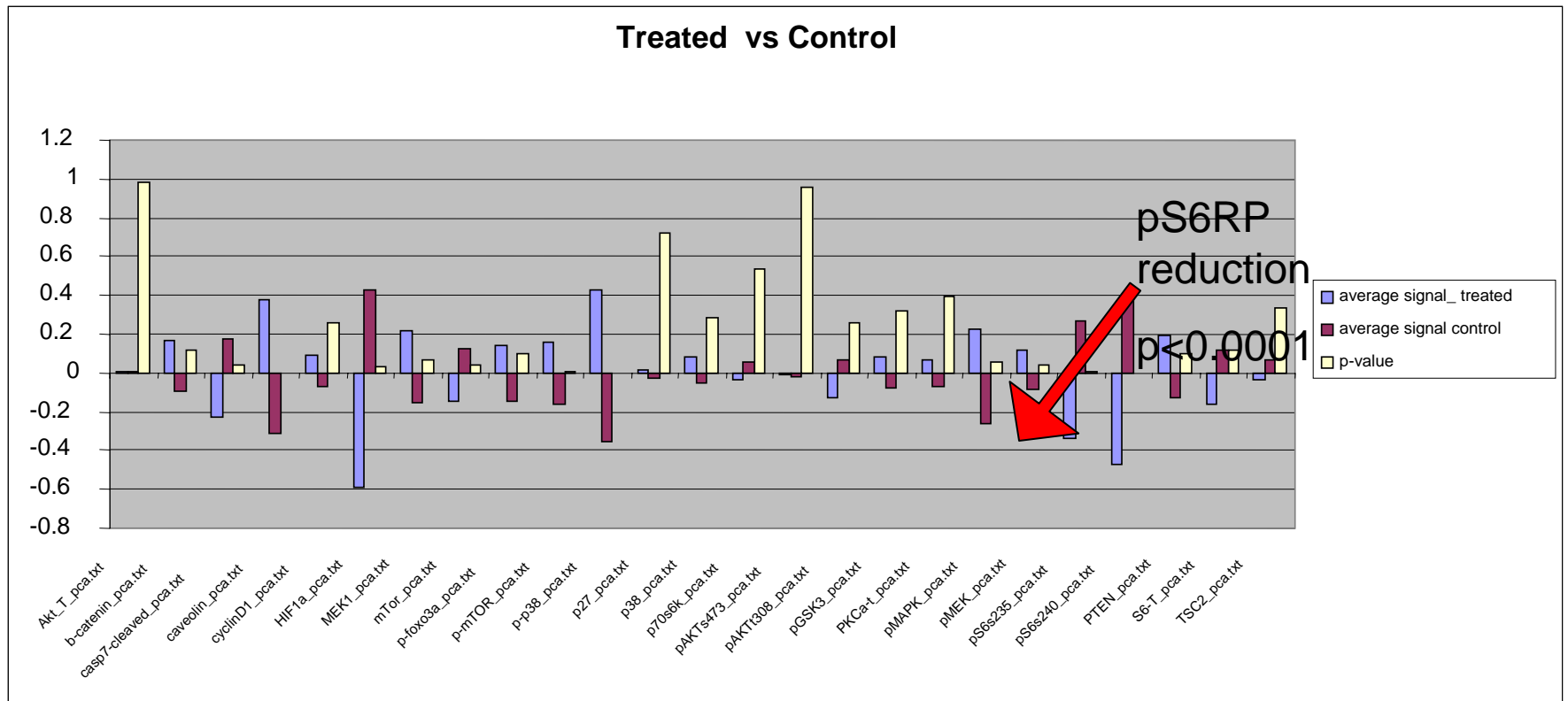


Pretreatment

Posttreatment

Integration of Reverse Phase & Tissue Microarray

(MTOR inhibition Prostate Cancer)



Conclusions

- **Multipatform confirmation can provide confidence in results**
- **Hypothesis testing more reliable than discovery**
- **Fixed genotoxic stress in “pre - operative model” may limit effects of heterogeneity and more efficiently inform**

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Robotic Assisted Prostatectomy

(11 discrete steps)

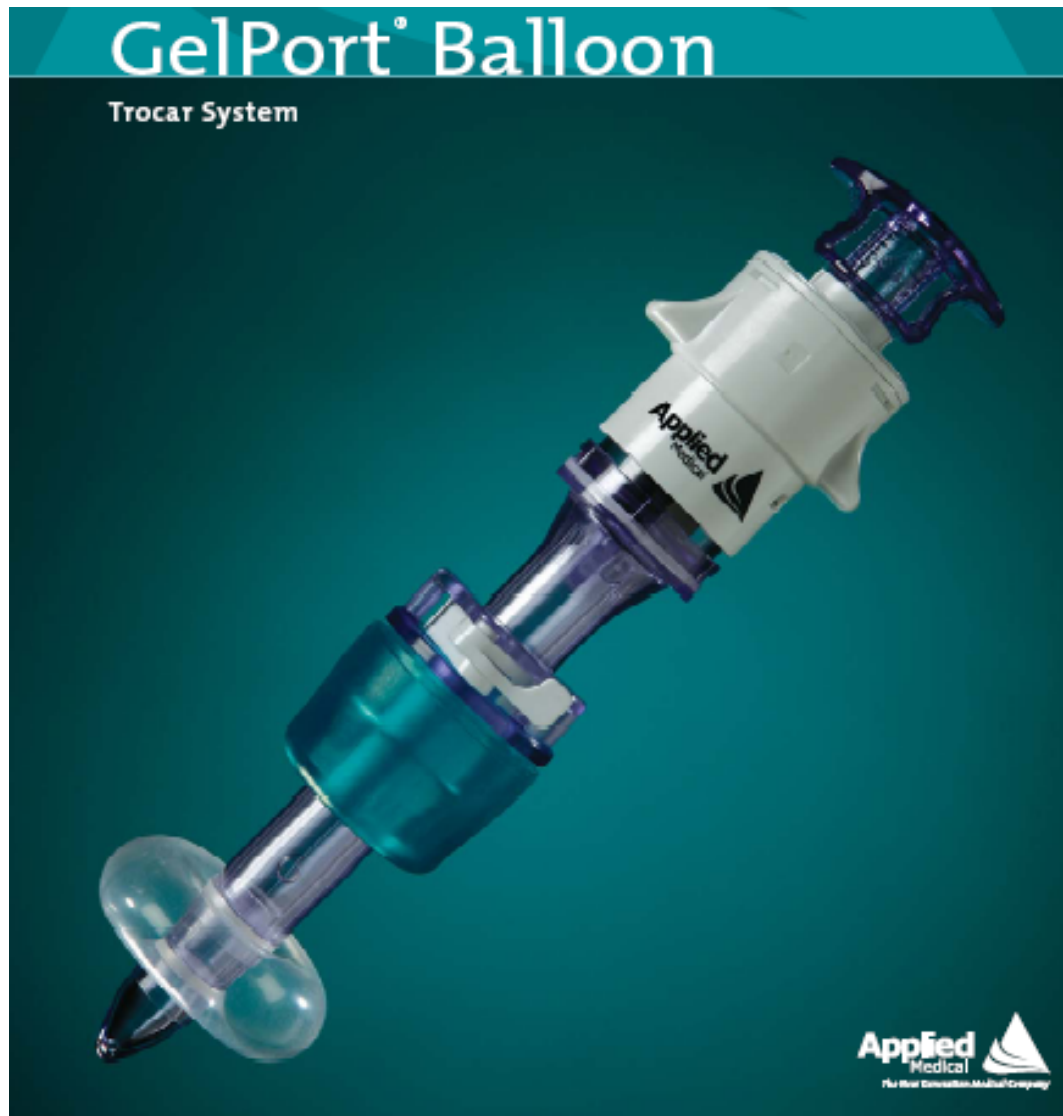
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2.	Drop bladder	8
3.	Endopelvics	10
4.	DVC	10
5.	Anterior bladder	6
6.	Posterior bladder	10
7.	<u>Pedicles</u>	<u>40</u>
8.	Urethra	11
9.	PLND	17
10.	Posterior anastomosis	15
11.	Anterior anastomosis	14
	Totals	140

•Pedicles are divided at the end of step 7,

•average warm ischemia time **57 min!**

•if trainees involved :warm ischemia increase by **60!**

Potential solution: immediate extraction/reconstruction with a balloon port



Davis J, 2008

Immediate Extraction

- For patients on a study with molecular endpoints
- Last pedicle saved to the end, near urethra
- Specimen placed in a bag, incision enlarged for removal—to ice
- Suture reconstruction to size of port—balloon completes the pneumoperitoneum seal
- Surgeon completes the case
- Average pedicle division to ice time in the 5-10 minute range

Conclusions

- **Robotic surgery is here!**
- **Modification needed to meet challenge of delayed “extraction”**
- **Unique opportunity to reduce heterogeneity of surgically induced pre-analytic determinates by codifying surgical behavior**

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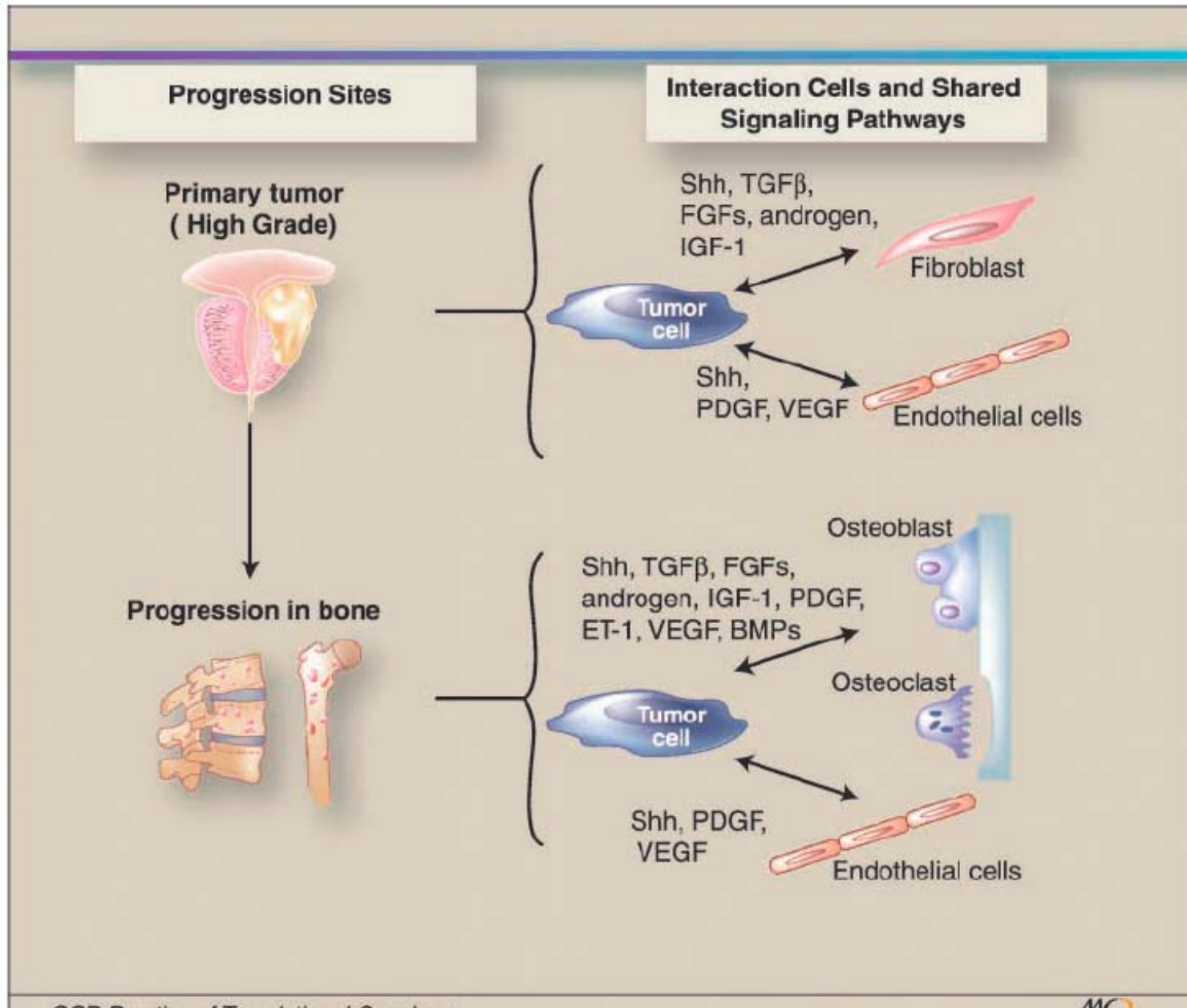




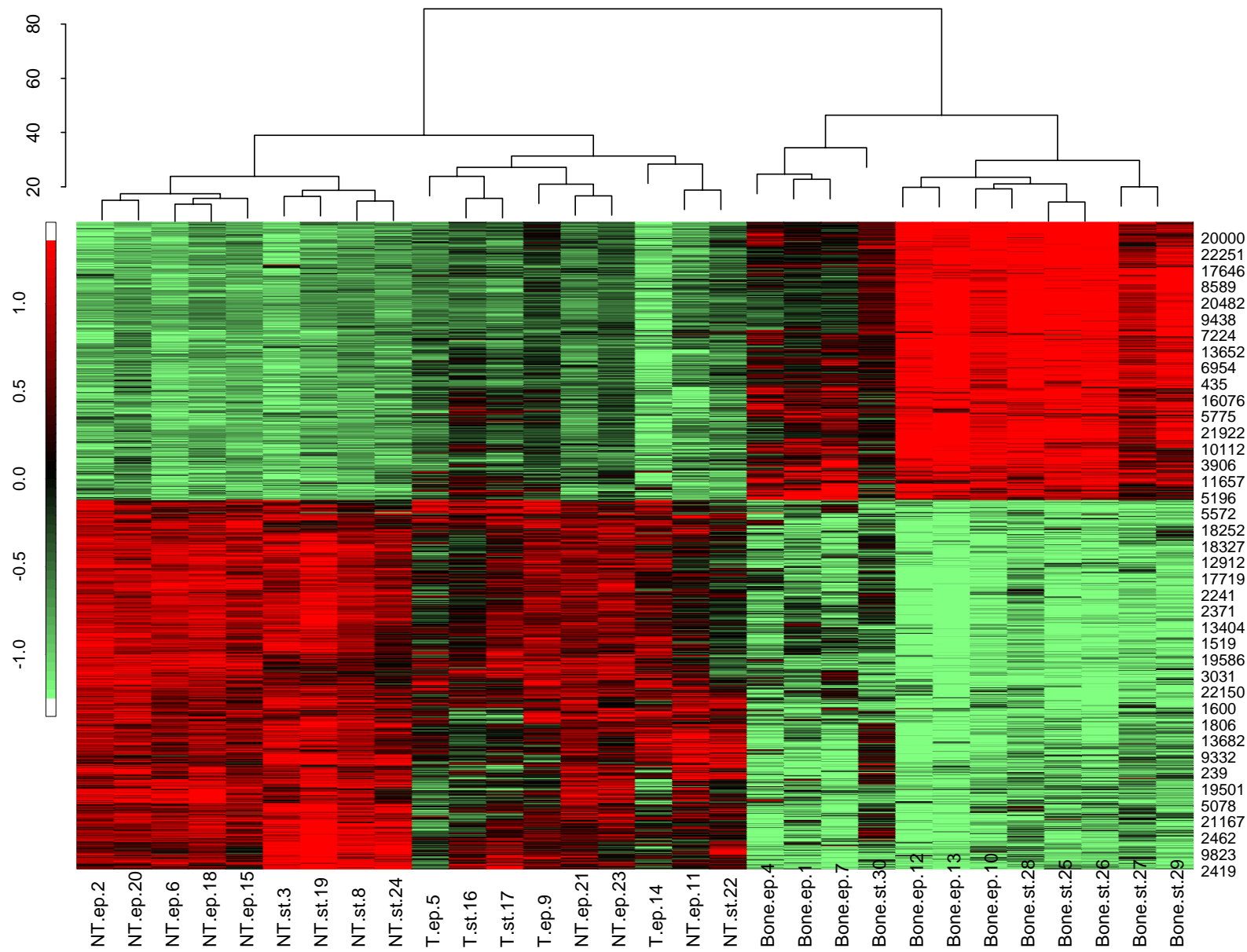
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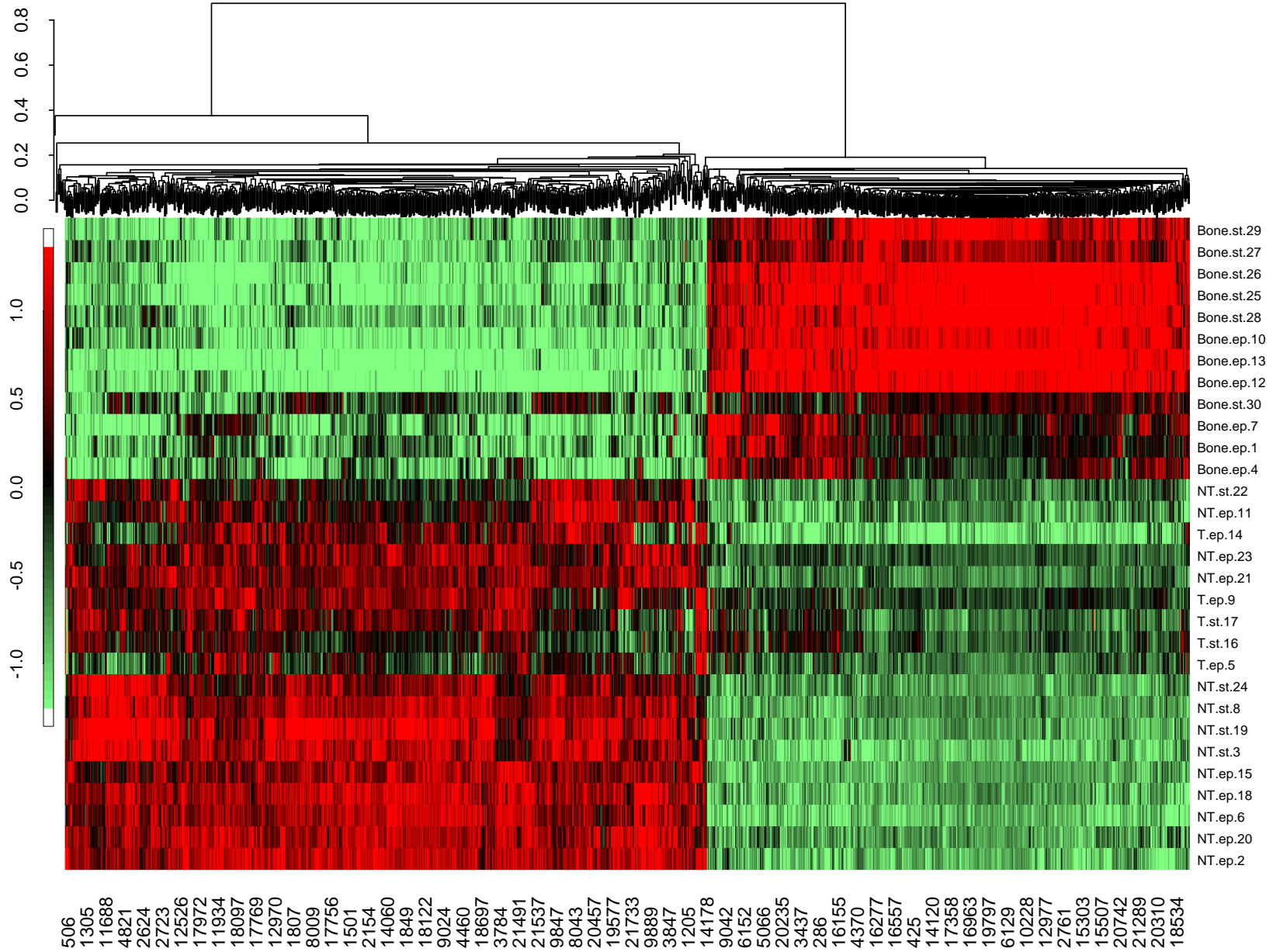
Shared Signaling Pathways Implicated in the Tumor Microenvironment of High Risk Prostate Cancer & Bone.



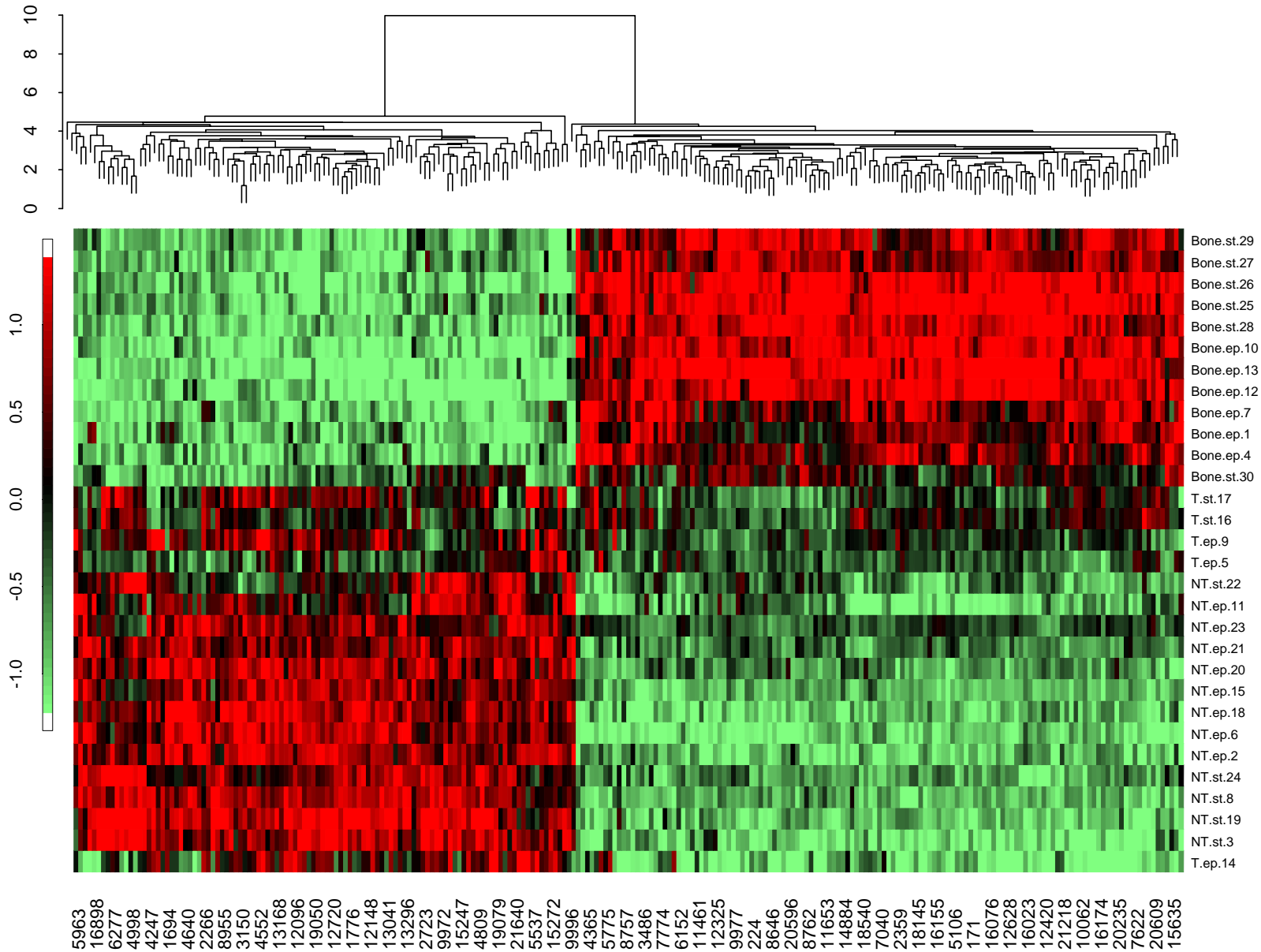
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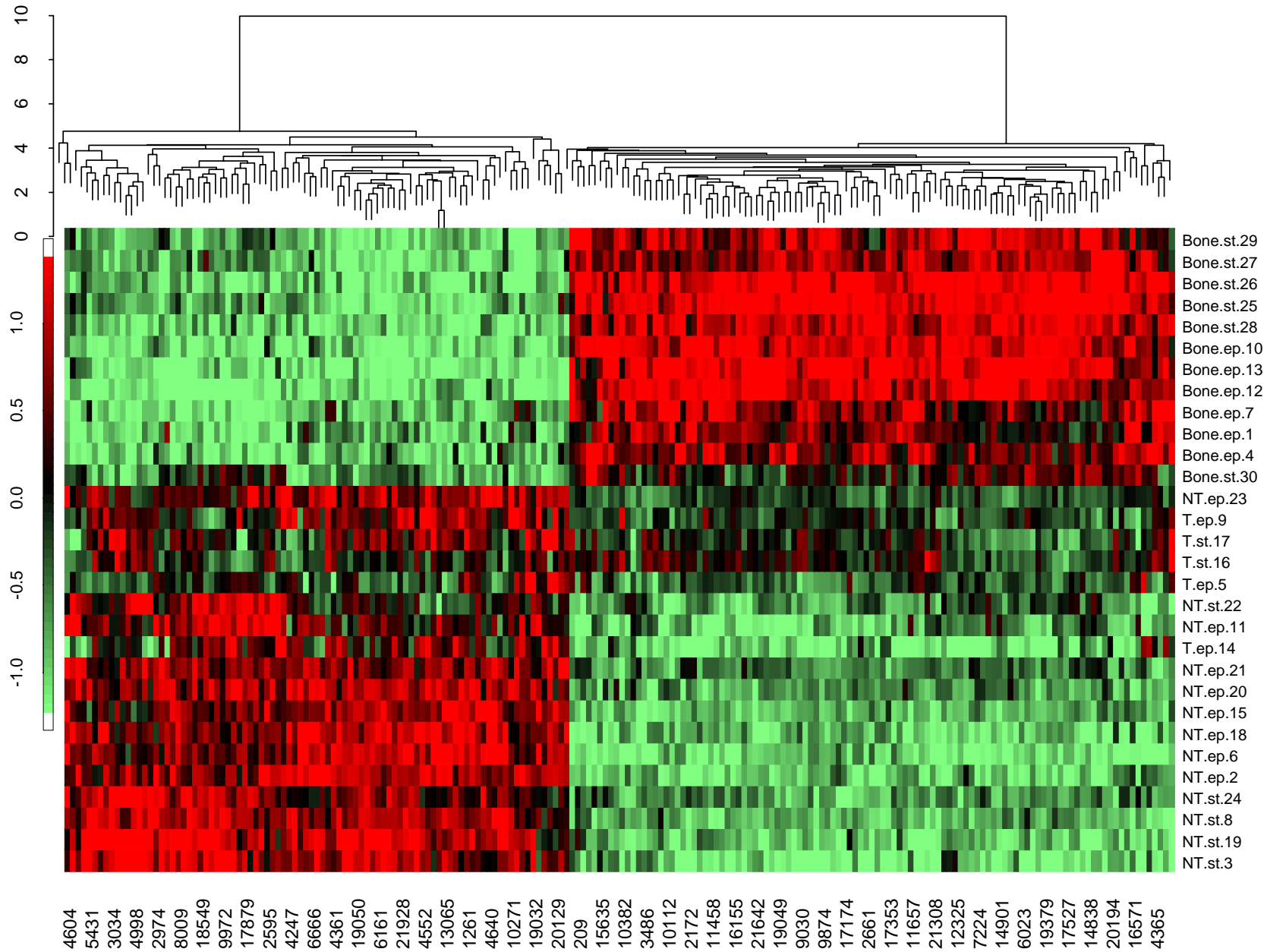
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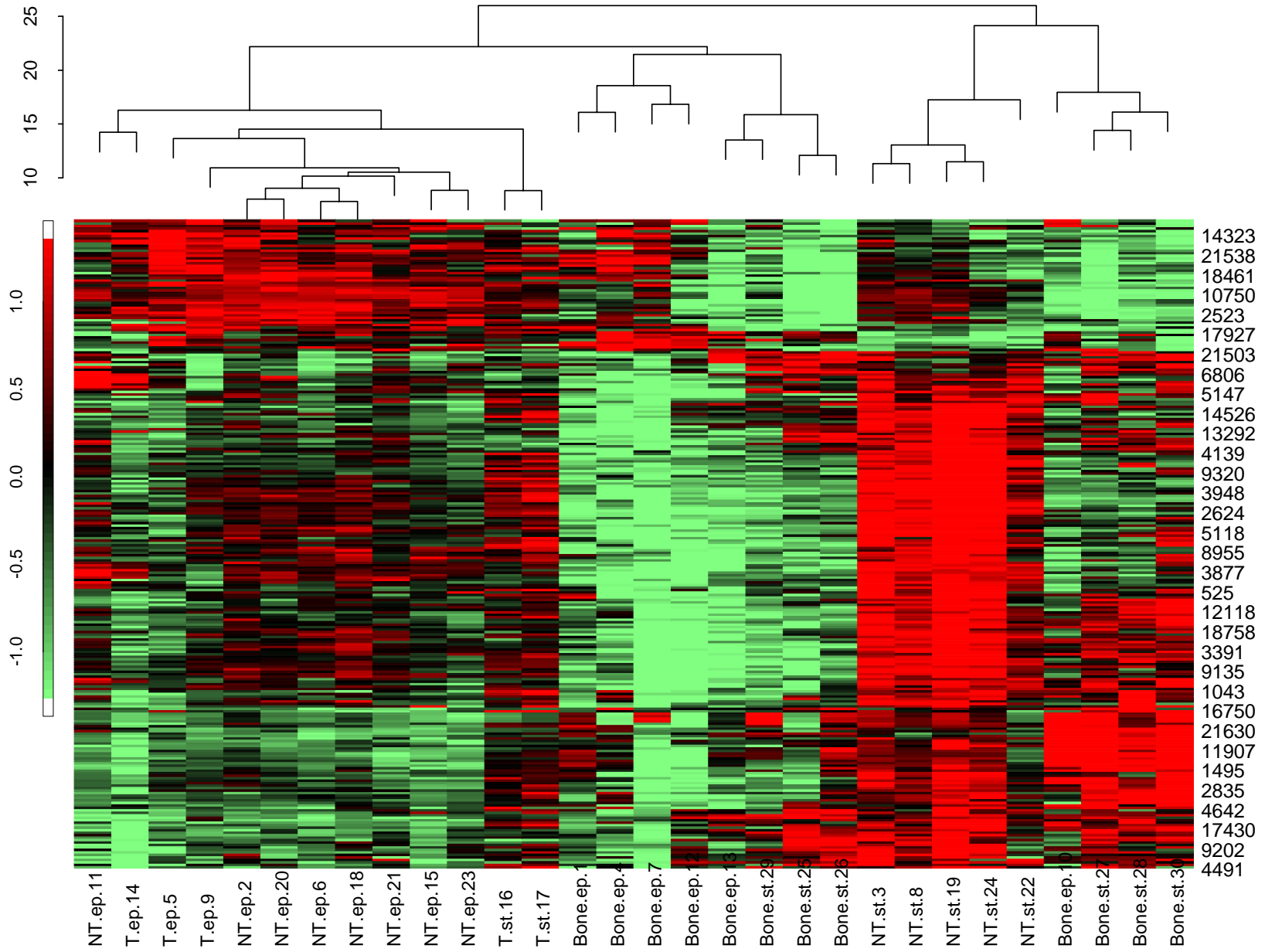
243 genes with smallest SD within bones among 1077 genes

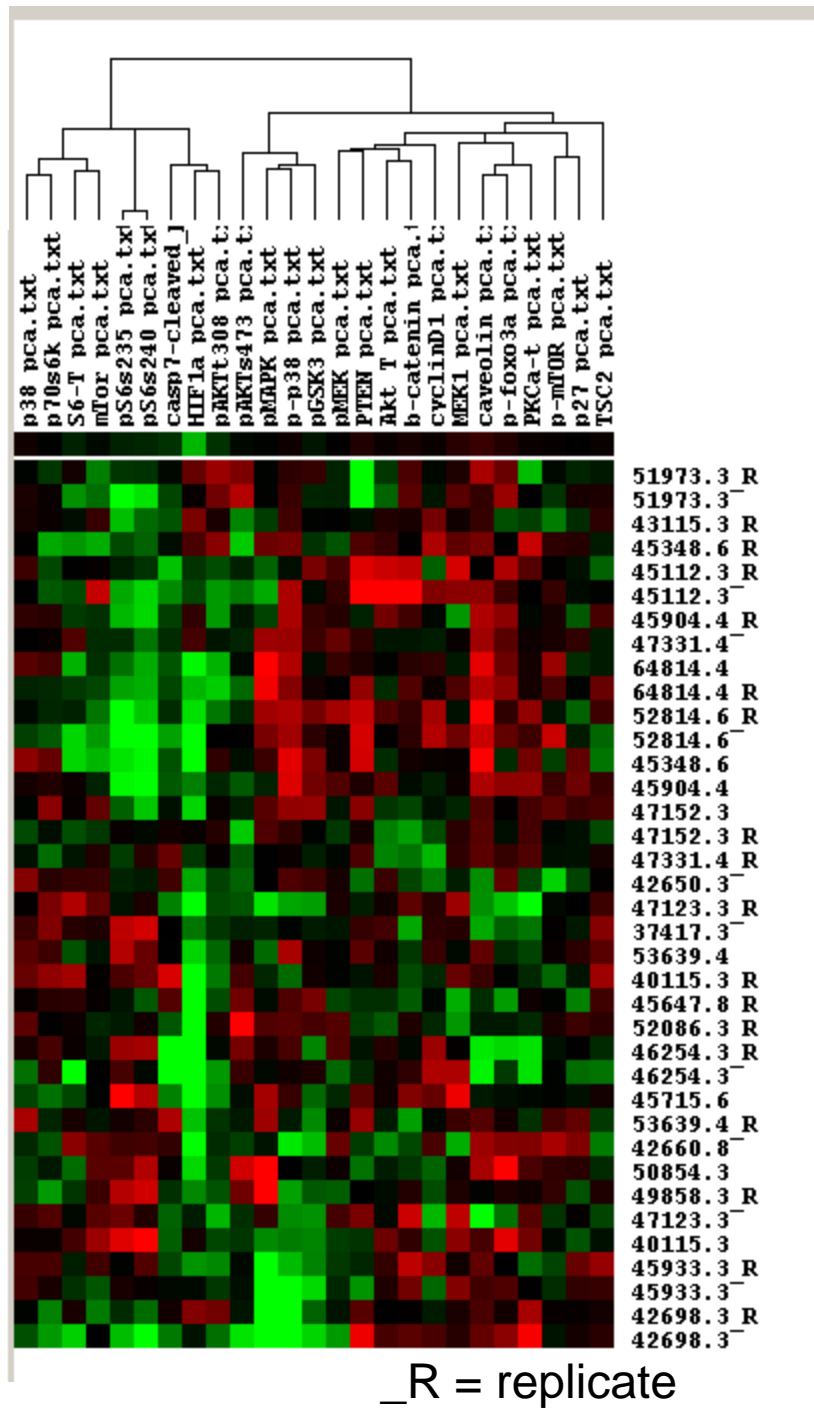
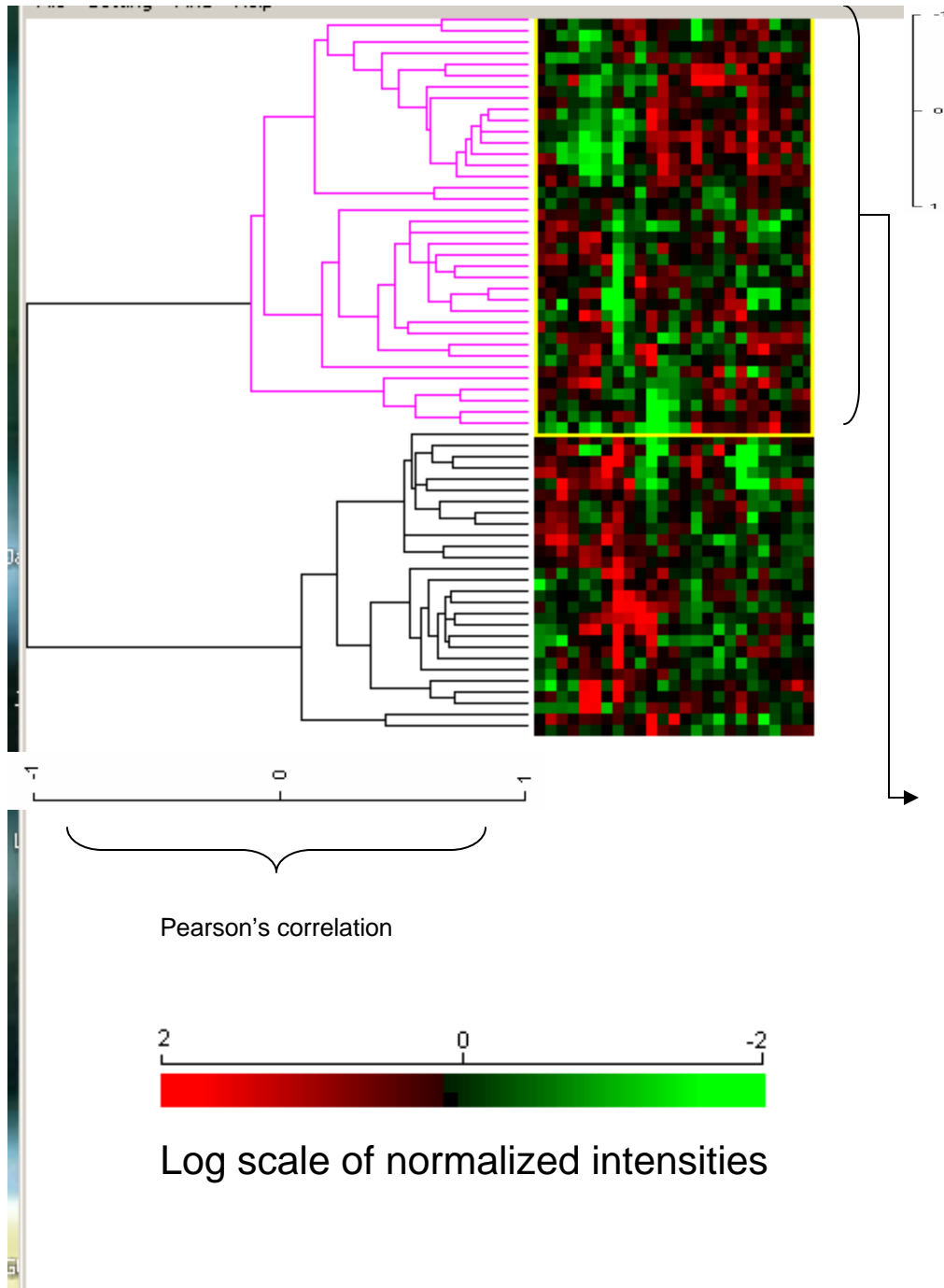


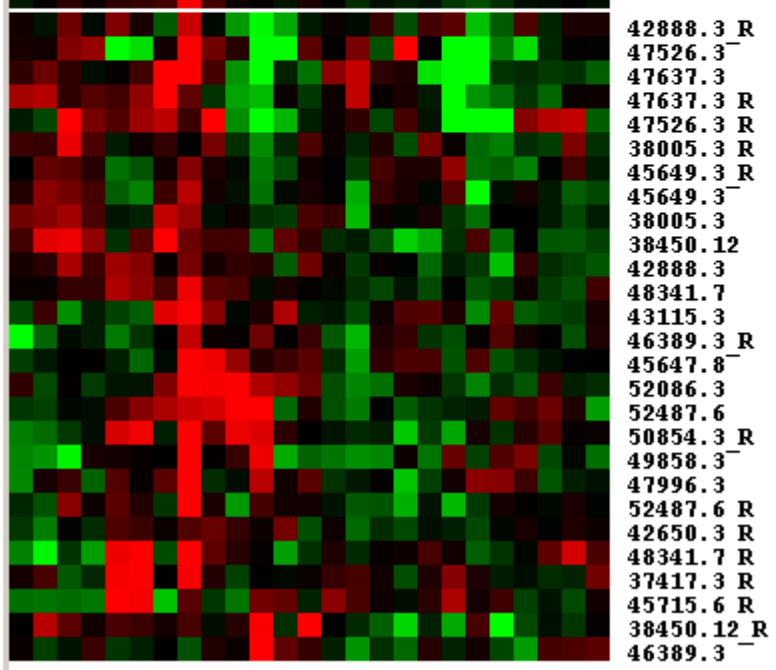
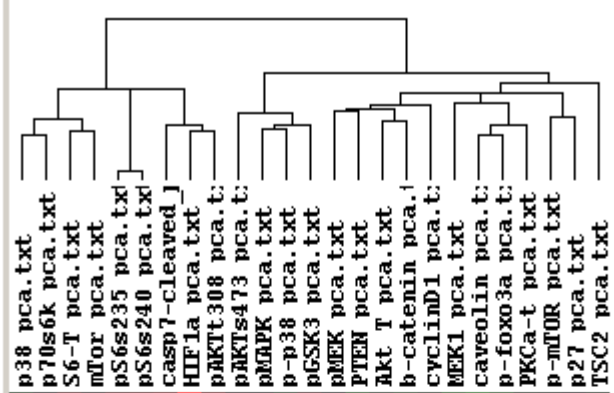
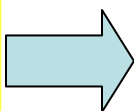
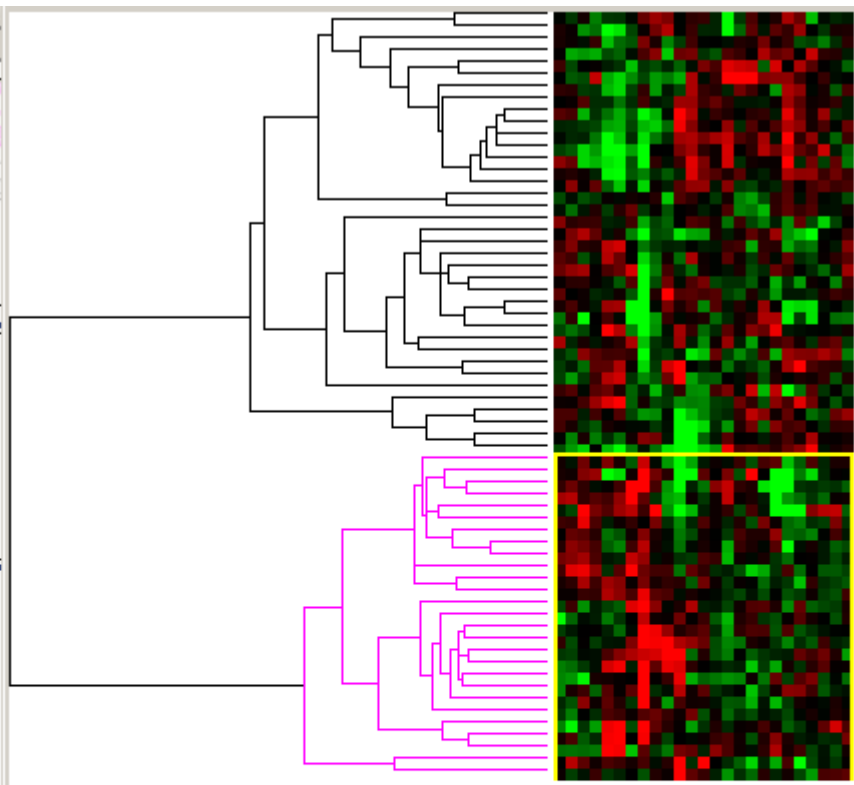
200 genes with smallest SD within bones among 1077 genes



Top 262 genes (stroma vs ep FDR= 0.01) by mixed model







The 'high risk' preoperative model

The experimental platform to test hypotheses on effects of compounds on the tumor microenvironment after limited exposure in a clinically meaningful context.

Material /Methods for tissue interrogation

- **Materials**

RPS of patients treated with the compound of interest and matched controls

(by preop characteristics, ie. clinical stage, biopsy GS, PSA etc)

- **Methods**

- TMAs (extensive representation of heterogeneity, epithelium, stroma, non-tumor, tumor)

- RPPAs by isolation of tumor microenvironment components (LCM /UV cut technologies)

(Controls for TMAs and RPPAs of different origin)

Initial Modulation of the Tumor Microenvironment Accounts for Thalidomide Activity in Prostate Cancer

(Efstathiou et al, CCR 2007 ;13(4):1224-31)

- First clinical evidence to support the hypothesis that the reported thalidomide clinical efficacy is attributable to early modulation of the tumor microenvironment
- ✓ Antiangiogenic effect
 - CD31 reduction
 - VEGF,IL6 reduction
- ✓ Unlinking of broader stromal-epithelial interactions
 - Attenuation of hedgehog signaling
 - MMP9+MMP2/ E cadherin changed to favor e-cadherin

Coordinated Modulation of Sonic Hedgehog and Androgen Signaling in the Prostate Cancer Microenvironment by Chemo-Hormonal Therapy.

(ASCO, Chicago 2007 abstr 5066 , Prostate Poster discussion)

- **Results:**

Following androgen ablation (alone or in combination with chemotherapy) there is an increase in hedgehog signaling activity in the residual tumor epithelium and stroma

Active hedgehog signaling was parallel in the tumor epithelium and adjacent stroma

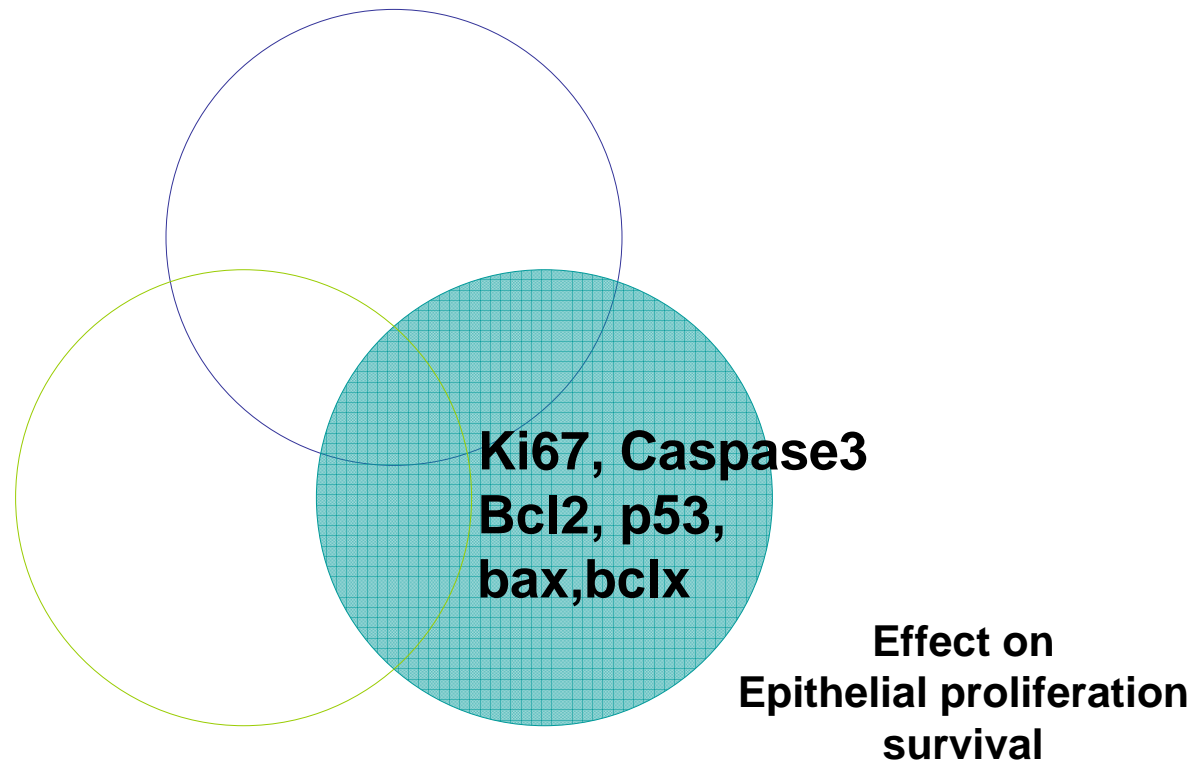
- **Conclusion**

Sonic Hedgehog and androgen pathways are modulated in a manner that suggests they behave in a compensatory fashion, and are determinants of therapy response.

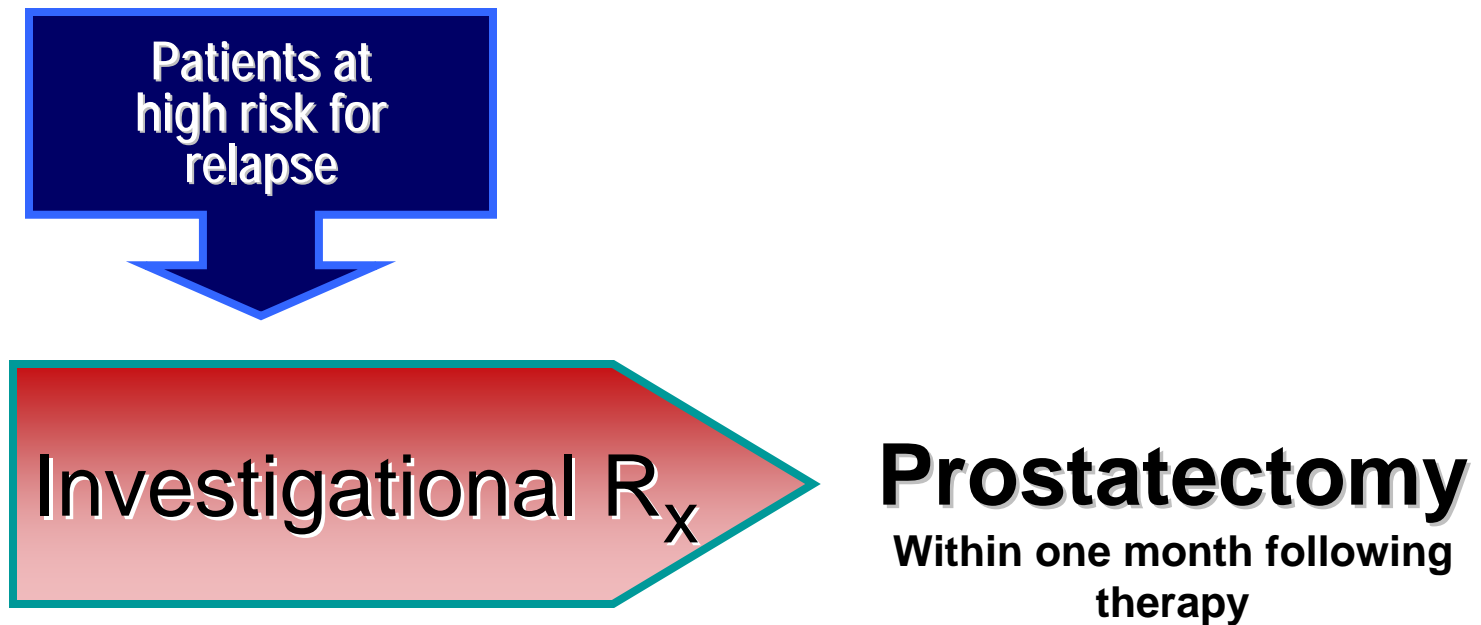
Mixed Model effects comparison	Mean control (sd)	Mean AA (sd)	Mean CH (sd)	P value Control vs AA	P value Control vs CH
Gli2 Epithelium	39.6 (20.7)	79.6 (17.2)	85.5 (11.9)	<0.0001	<0.0001
Gli2 Stroma	22.9 (15.2)	43.3 (17.9)	54.7 (15.4)	<0.0001	<0.0001
Smoothened Epithelium	68.9 (18.2)	81.1 (14.2)	83.5 (8.9)	0.0047	0.0008
Smoothened Stroma	16.1 (11.2)	21.6 (10.7)	28.2 (13.9)	0.118	0.0011
Shh Epithelium	49.9 (24.8)	61.3 (19.2)	62.6 (22.4)	0.085	0.05
Shh Stroma	4.6 (6.5)	12.8 (13.5)	19.4 (13.9)	0.0203	0.0001

Pearson's correlation	Gli2. Epithelium	Gli2 Stroma	Smoothened Epithelium	Smoothened Stroma	Shh Epithelium	Shh Stroma
Gli2. Epithelium	1	0.789	0.516	0.359	0.349	0.545
Gli2 Stroma	0.789	1	0.443	0.601	0.305	0.731
Smoothened Epithelium	0.516	0.443	1	0.449	0.496	0.359
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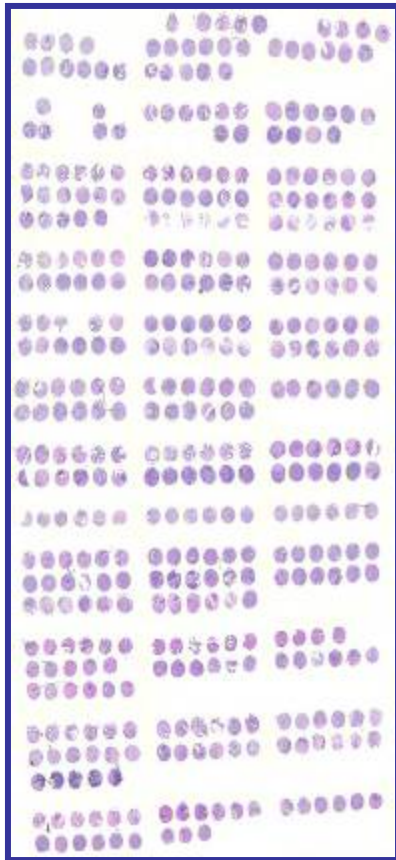
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Treatment Strategy

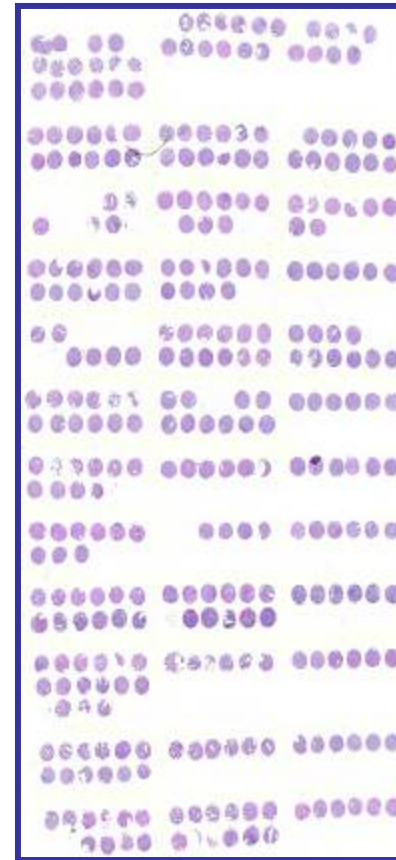


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Control (15 RPS)

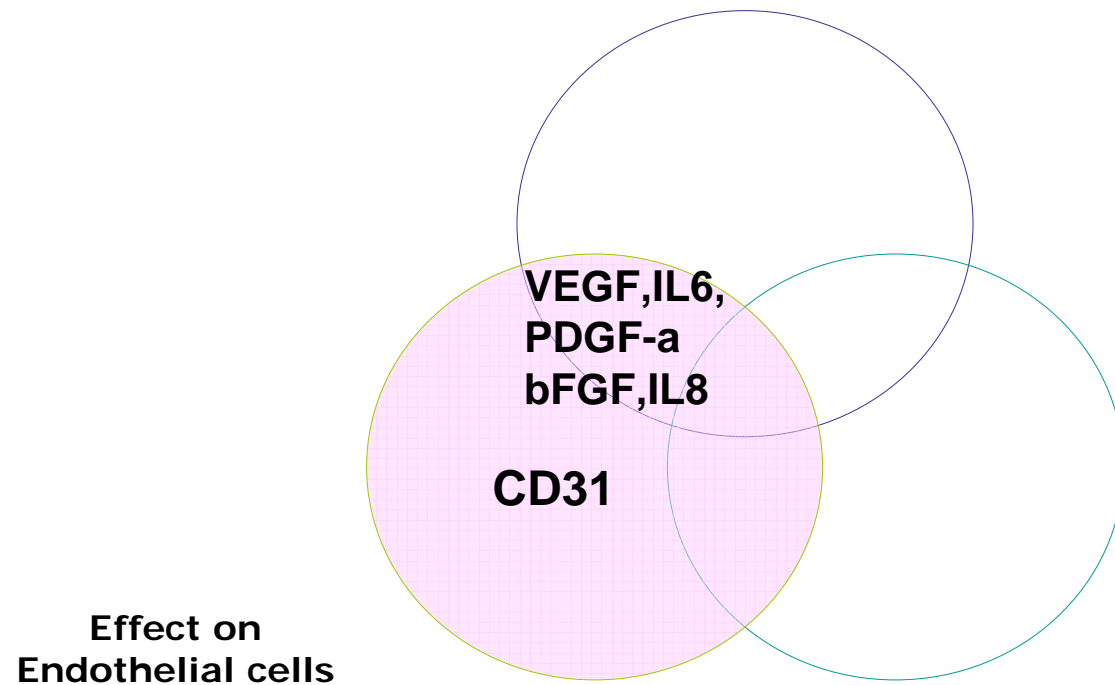
.523 cores



Treated (15 RPS)

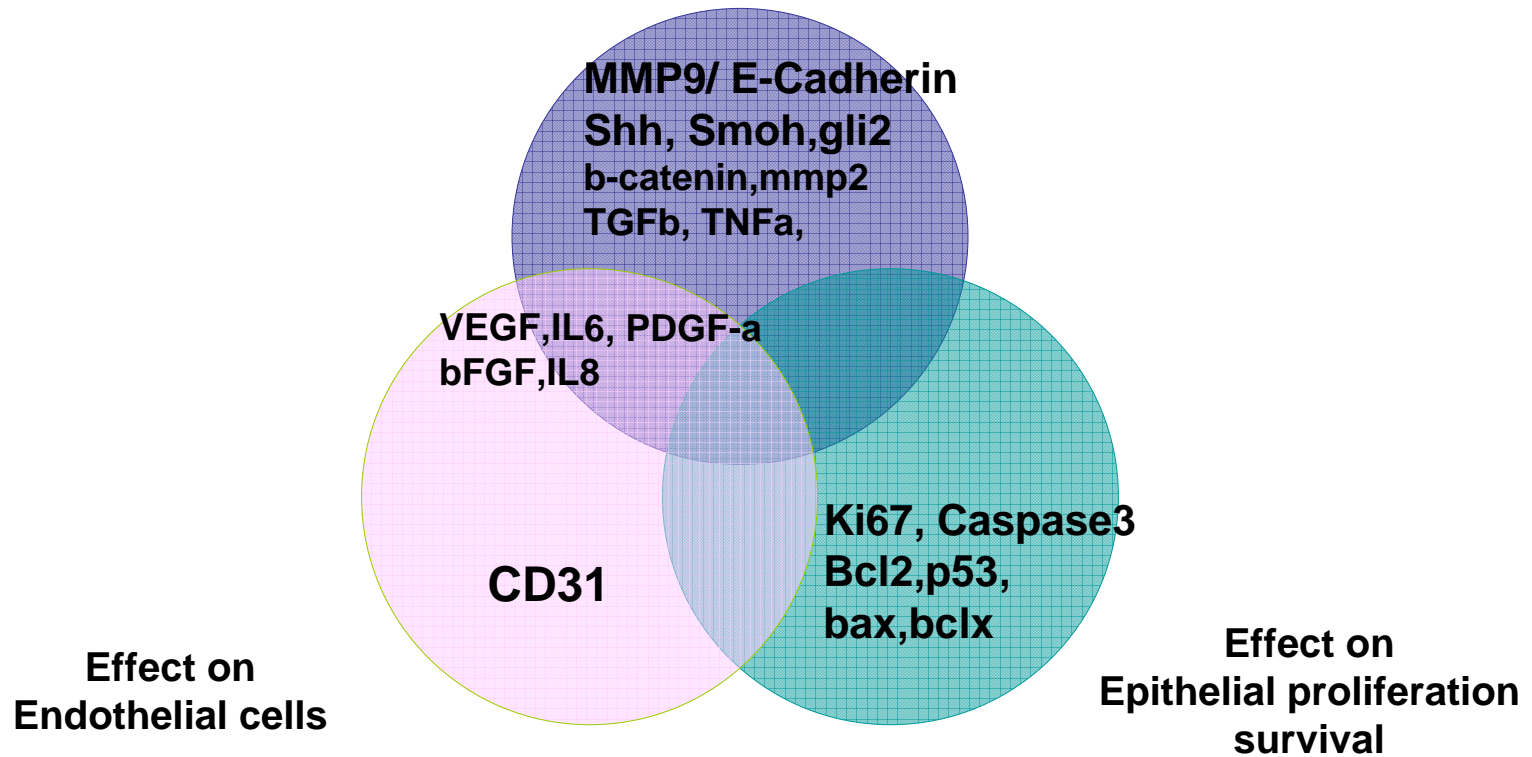
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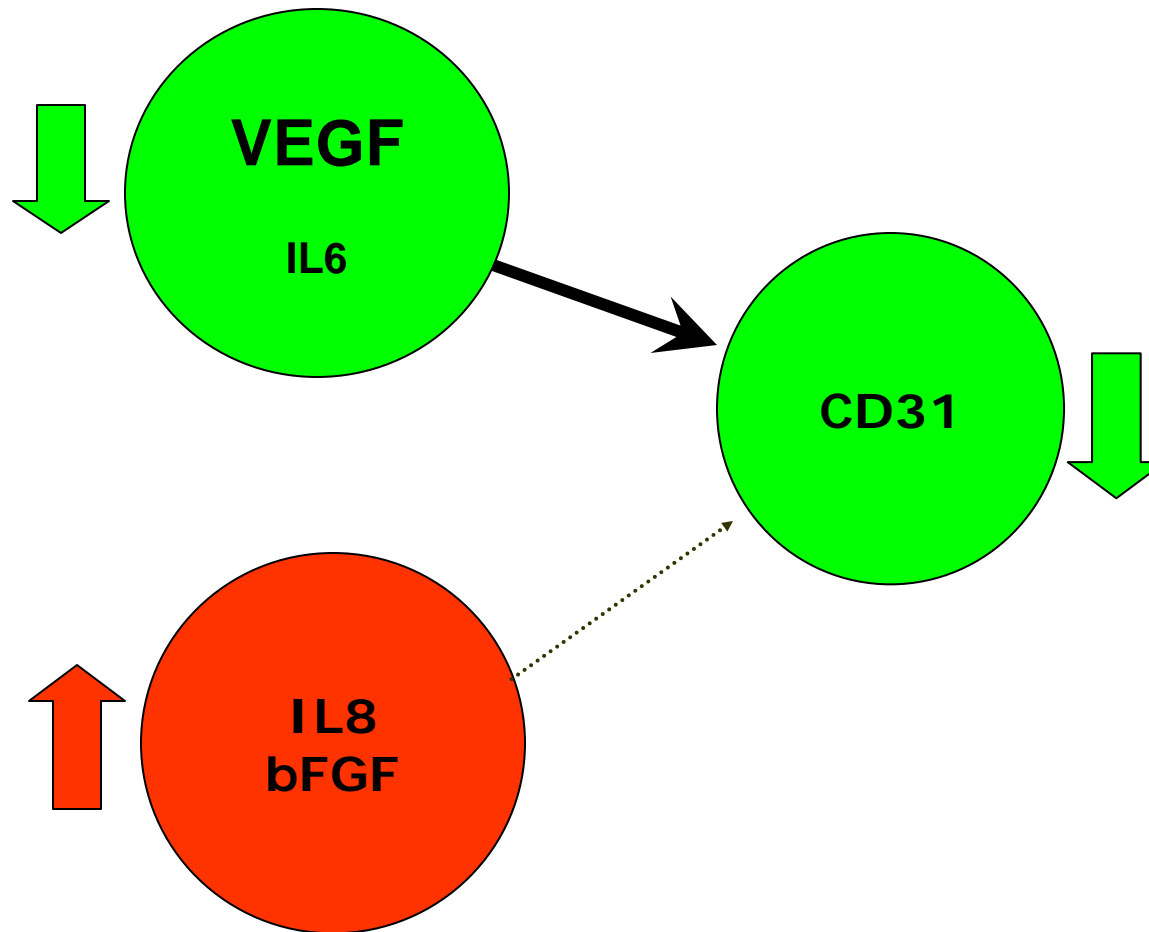
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Effect on S-E interaction



Comparison of marker grouping in treated and controls

Markers of Angiogenesis

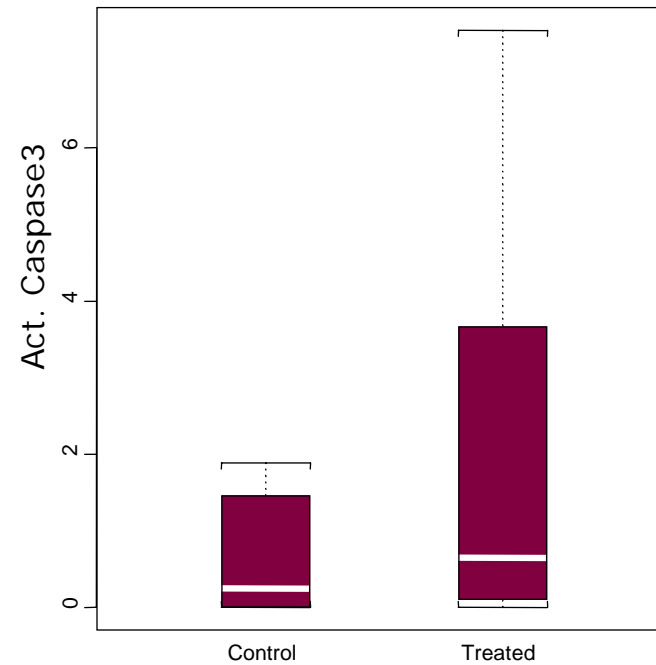
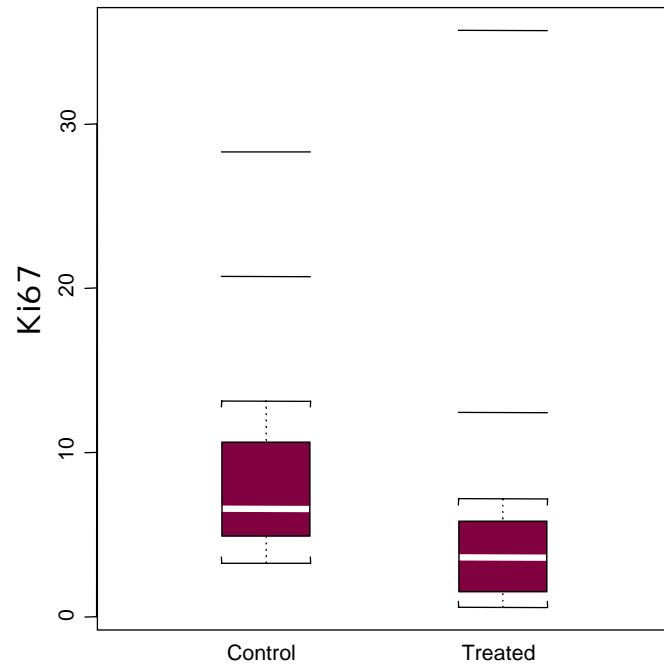


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Tumor Proliferation and Apoptosis treated vs control



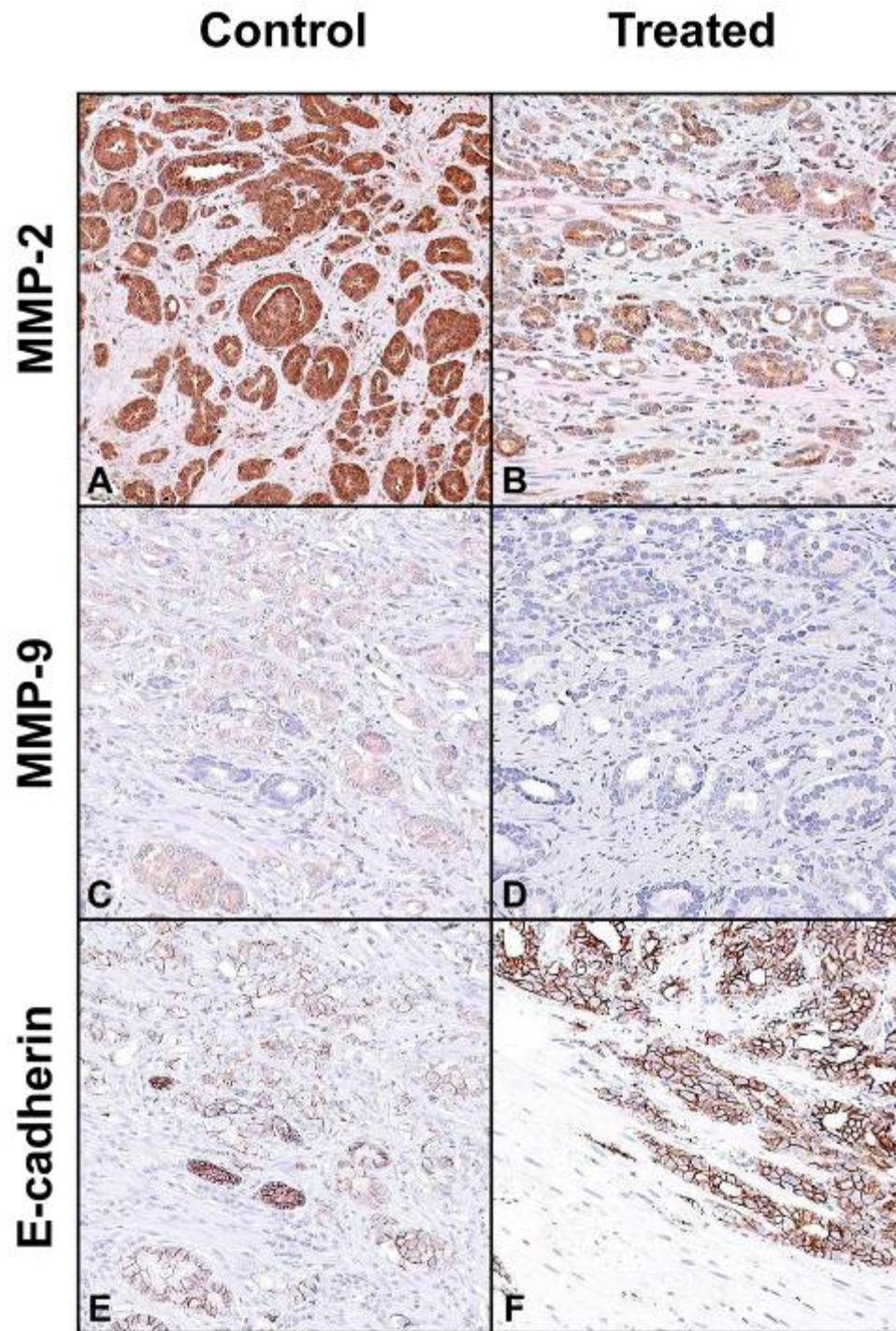
Conclusions

- **Markers of shh signaling and vasculogenesis are reduced in treated as compared to control specimens**
- **MMP-9/E-Cadherin ratio favors E-cadherin in treated specimens**
- **No significant change was seen in epithelial markers (Proliferation & Apoptosis)**

S-E Interaction

	Control Mean (s.d)	Treated Mean (s.d)	p value (t-test)	p value (mixed model)
Gli2	2.11 (.5)	1.20 (.3)	<.0001	<.0001
Smoh	2.84 (.19)	2.33 (.46)	.0005	.0005
Shh	2.1 (.53)	2.3 (.54)	.7702	.7782
MMP9	1.86 (.74)	.208 (.2)	<.0001	<.0001
E-Cadherin	2.6 (.15)	2.85 (.18)	.002	.004

$P \leq .003$ for significance

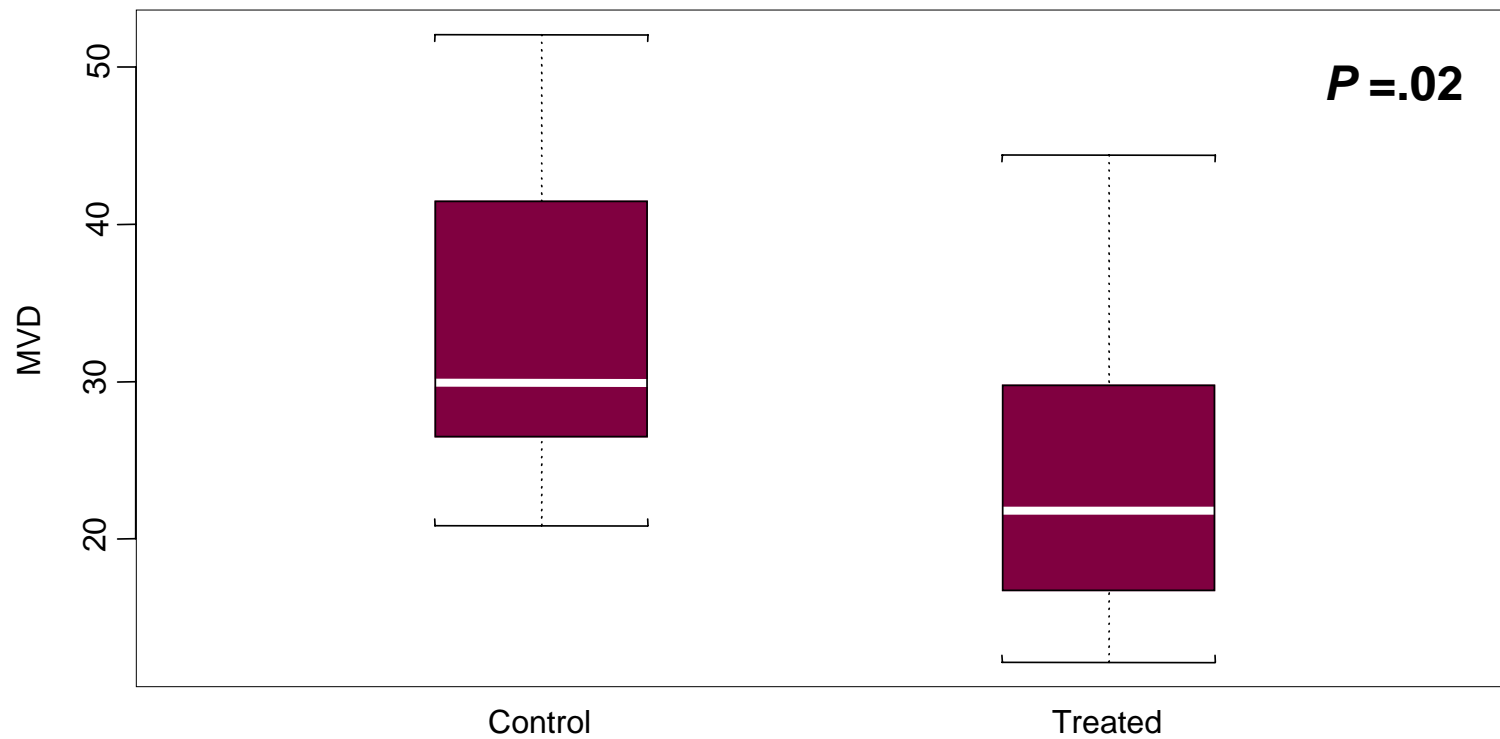


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VEGF	2.24 (.58)	1.63 (.56)	.007	.004
VEGF stroma	.76 (.34)	.34 (.18)	<.0001	<.0001
IL6	1.68 (.5)	1.23 (.62)	.04	.04
IL6 stroma	1.53 (.4)	1.41 (.49)	.46	.27
PDGF-a	2.7 (.23)	2.59 (.41)	.31	.24
IL8	.49 (.50)	1.26 (.62)	.0009	.0008
bFGF	1.55 (.61)	2.55 (.33)	<.0001	<.0001

$P \leq .003$ for significance

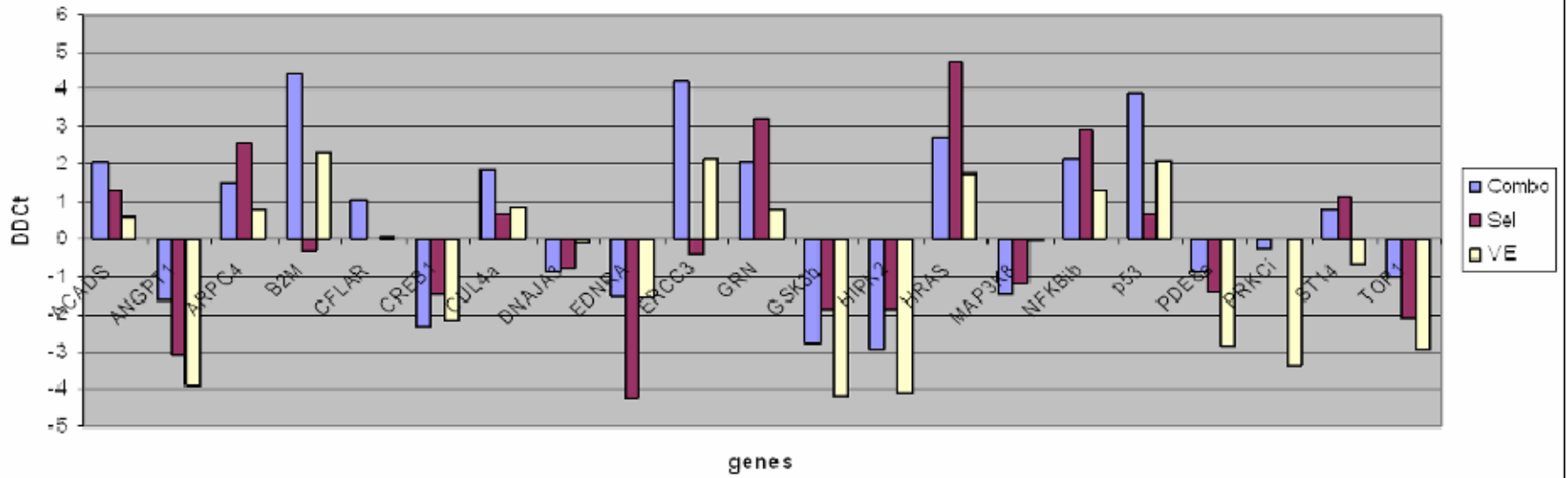
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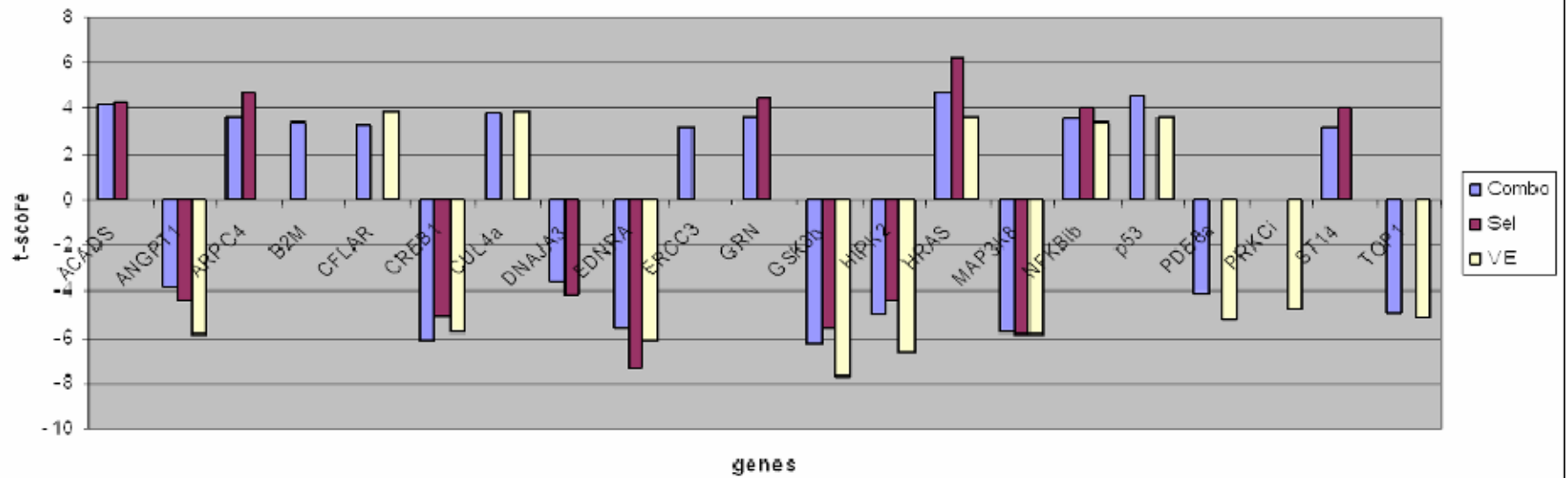
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The biologic activity of finasteride may promote identification of molecular events that precede morphologic changes.

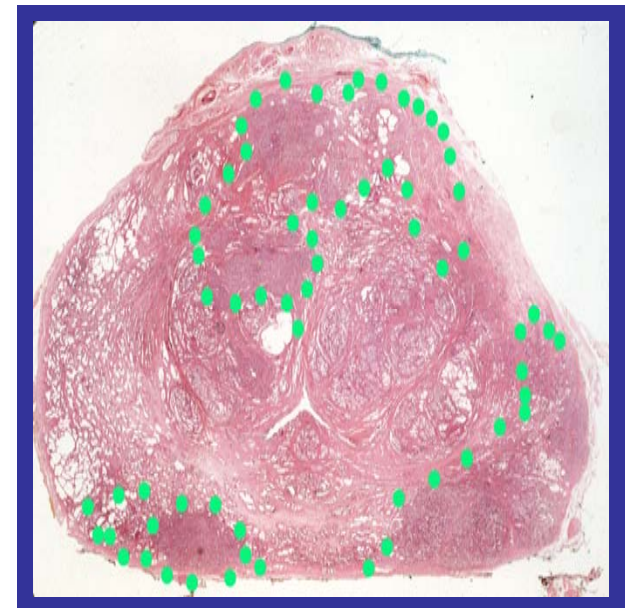
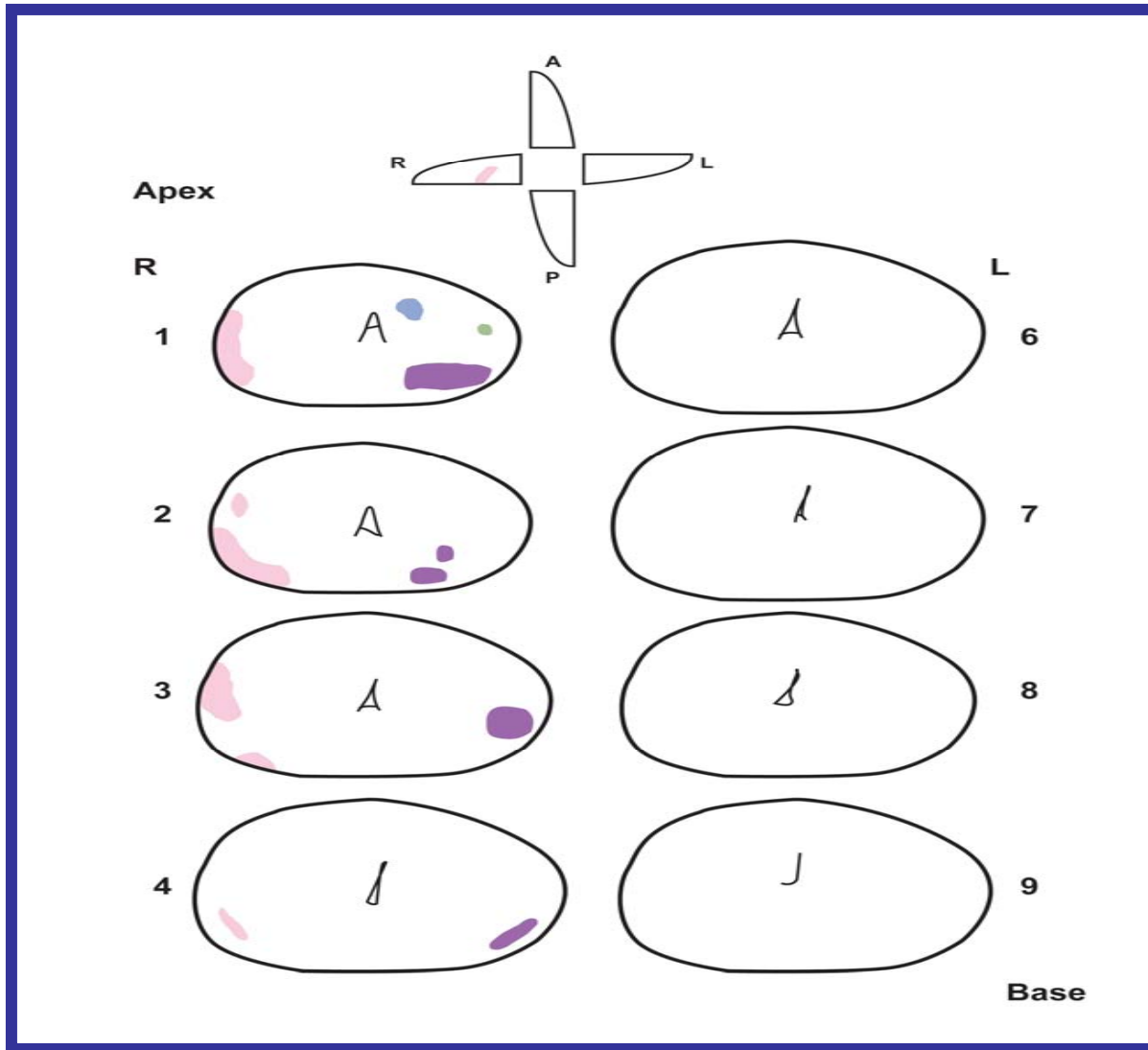
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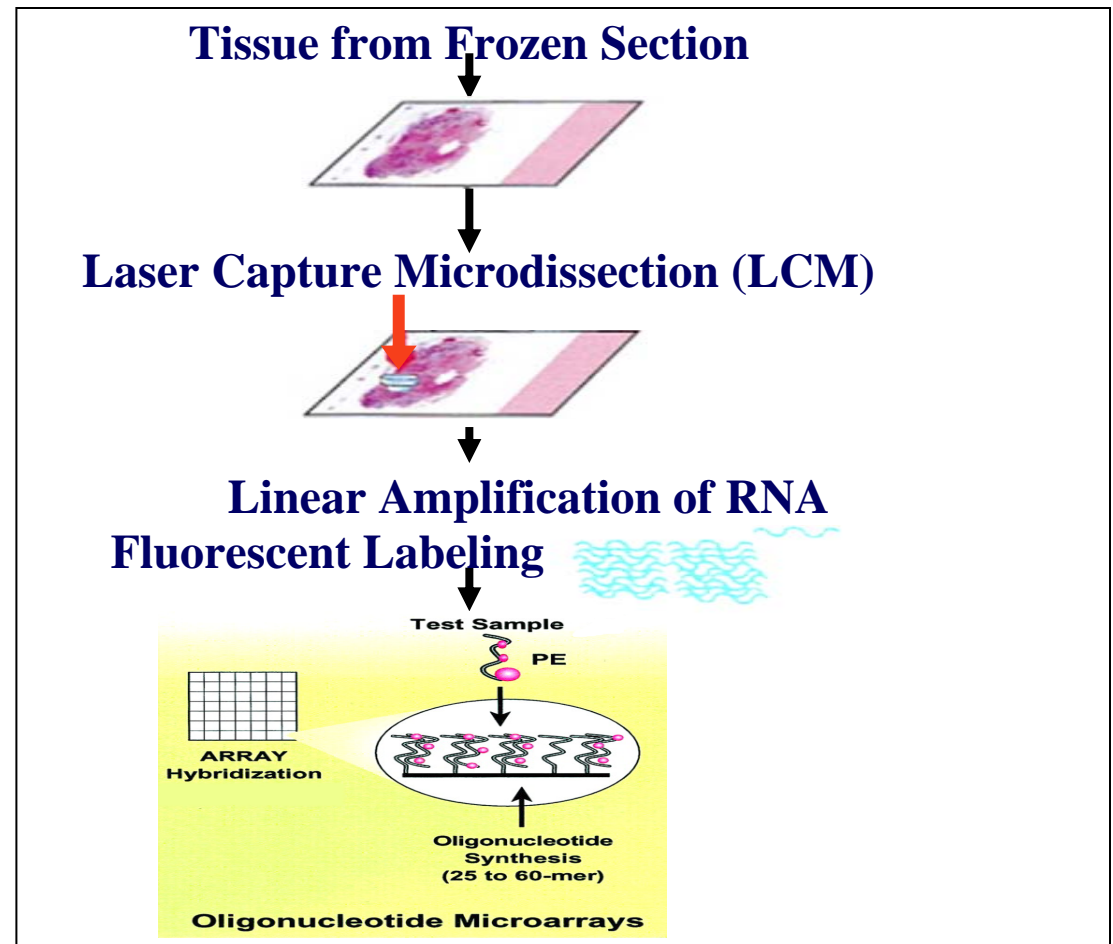
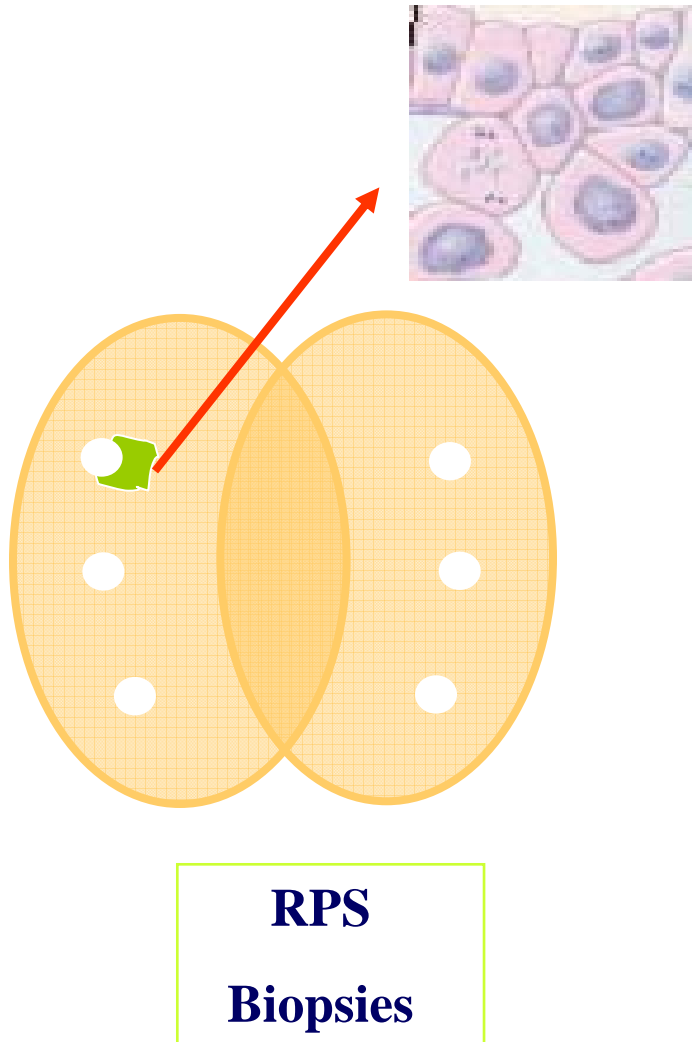


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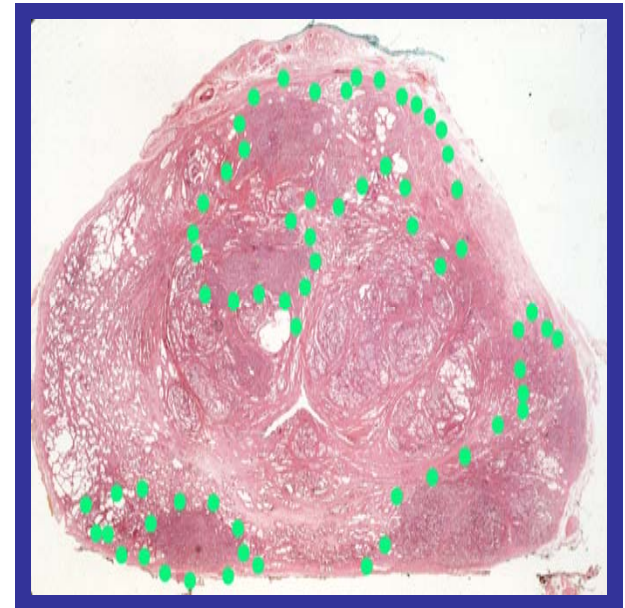
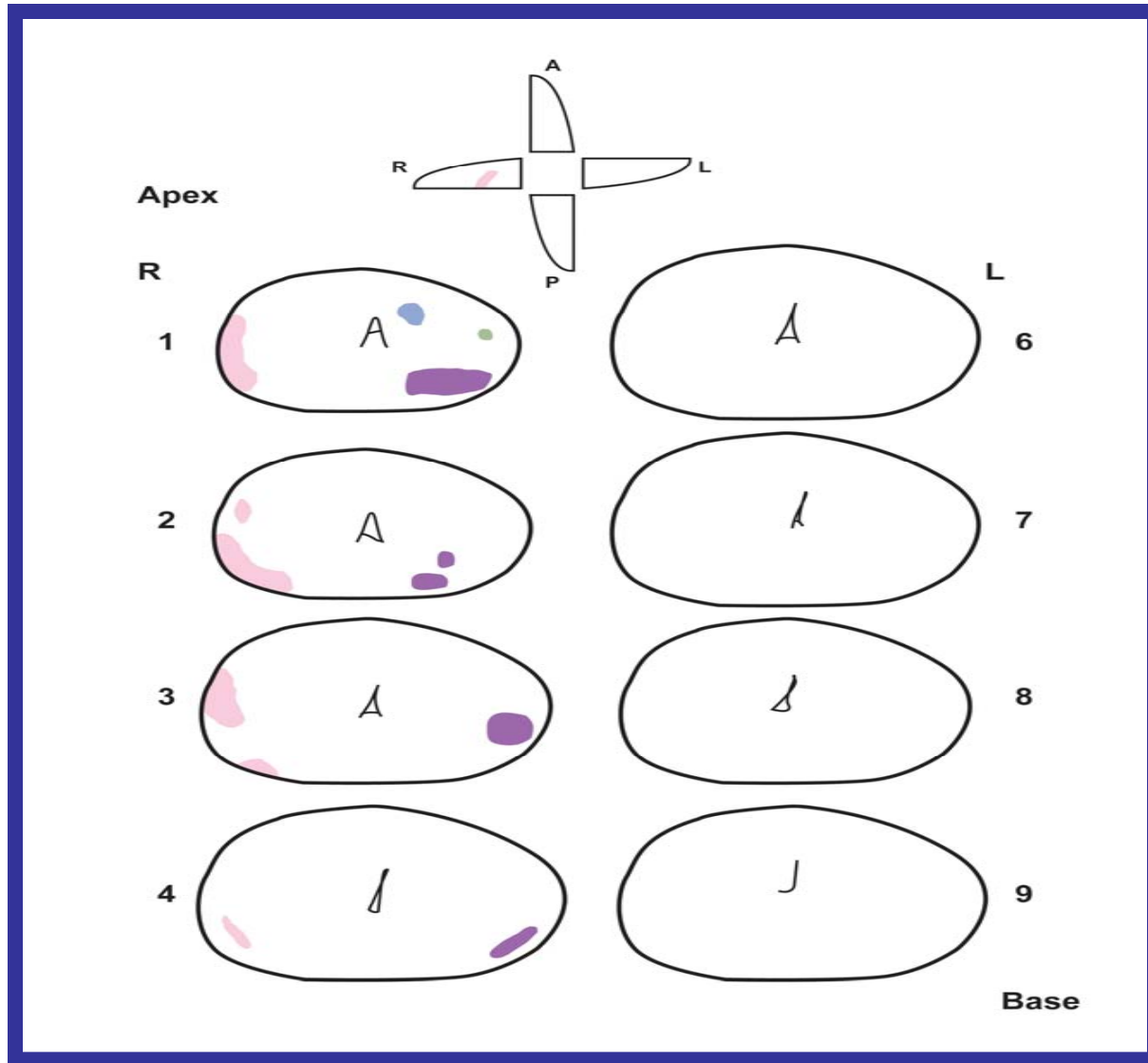


**All Tumor Foci in
Peripheral Zone**

Laser Capture Microdissection Oligonucleotide Microarrays

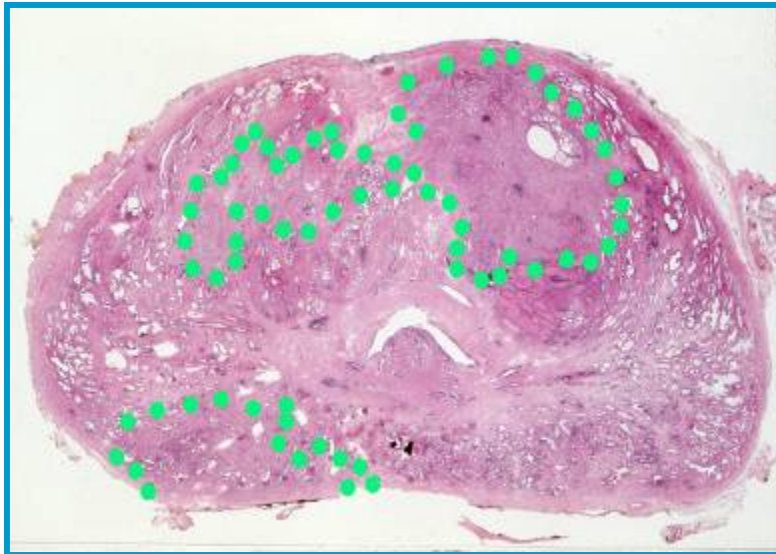
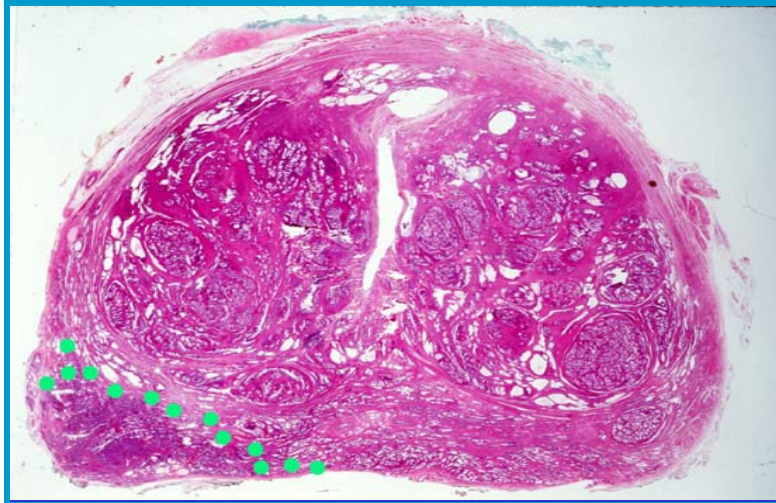


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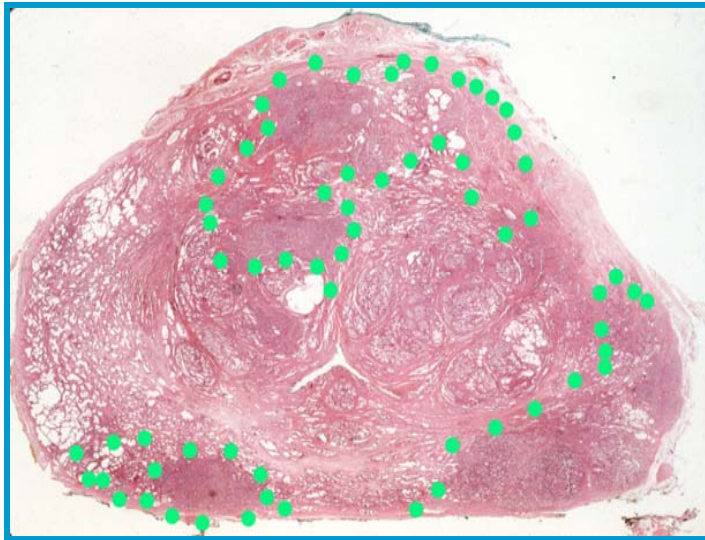
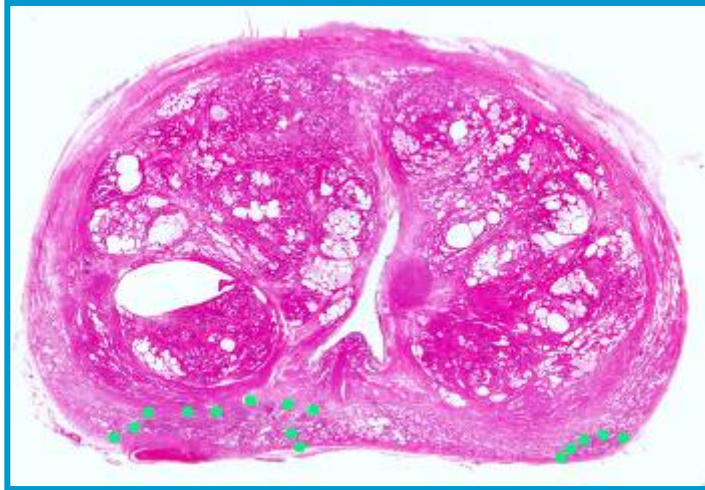
**Dominant Tumor
Focus in
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Pathologic Evaluation Challenges



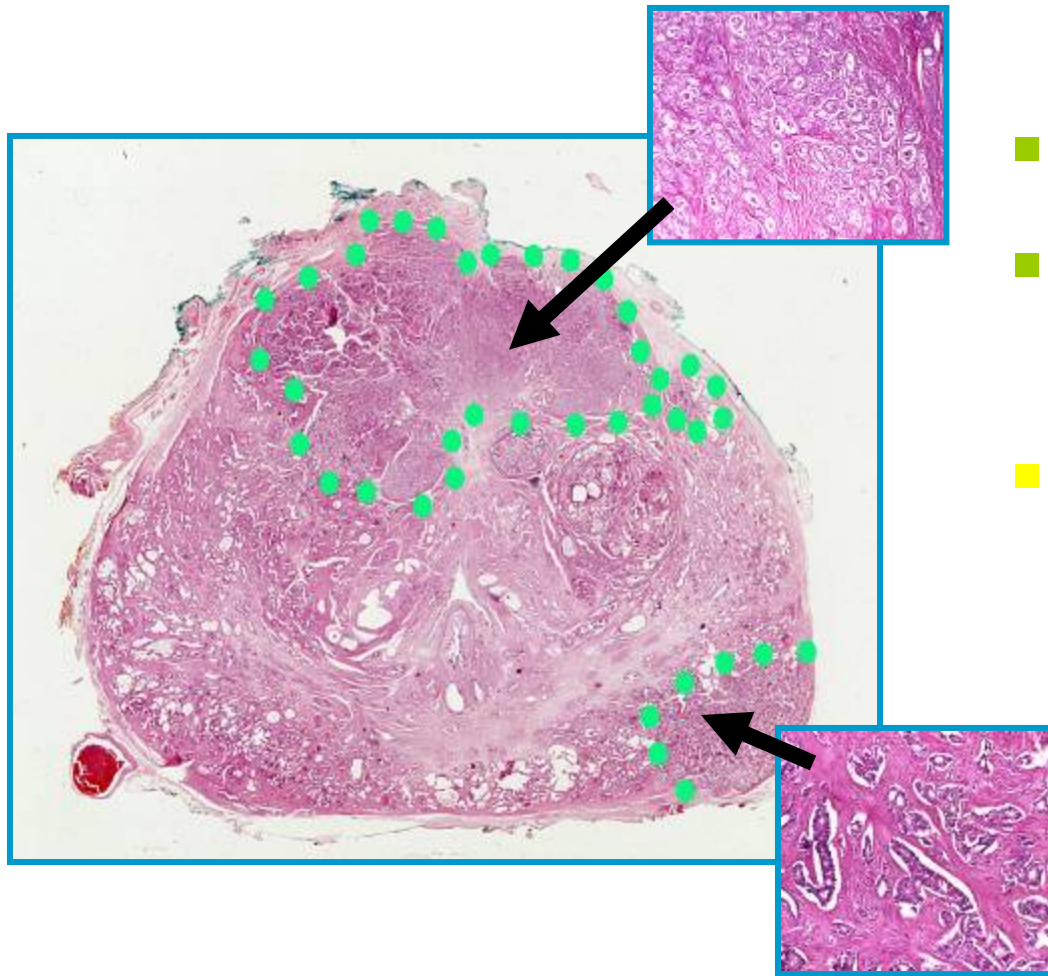
- Tumors multifocal
- Tumors multizonal
- Tumor foci of different Gleason score and pathologic stage

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PREOPERATIVE SELENIUM AND VITAMINE E

**The University of Texas
M. D. Anderson Cancer Center**

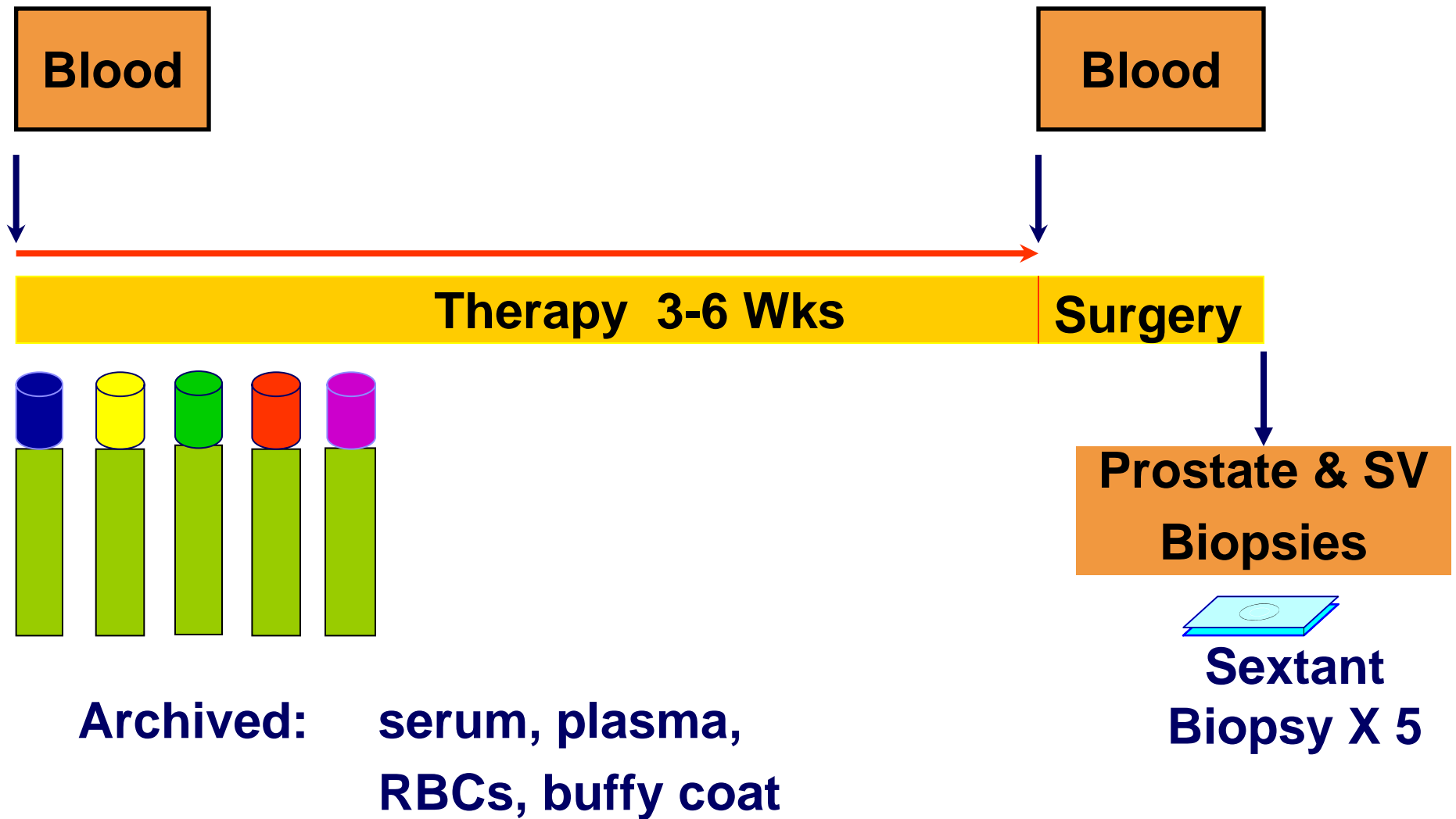
Eligibility

- ◆ Clinical T1c/T2
- ◆ GS \leq 7
- ◆ PSA < 10
- ◆ Scheduled prostatectomy 3 - 6 wks from study entry
- ◆ Life expectancy \geq 10 years
- ◆ PS 0,1
- ◆ In 1 mo. before study entry cumulative dose
 - selenium < 150 μ g
 - vitamin E < 900 IU

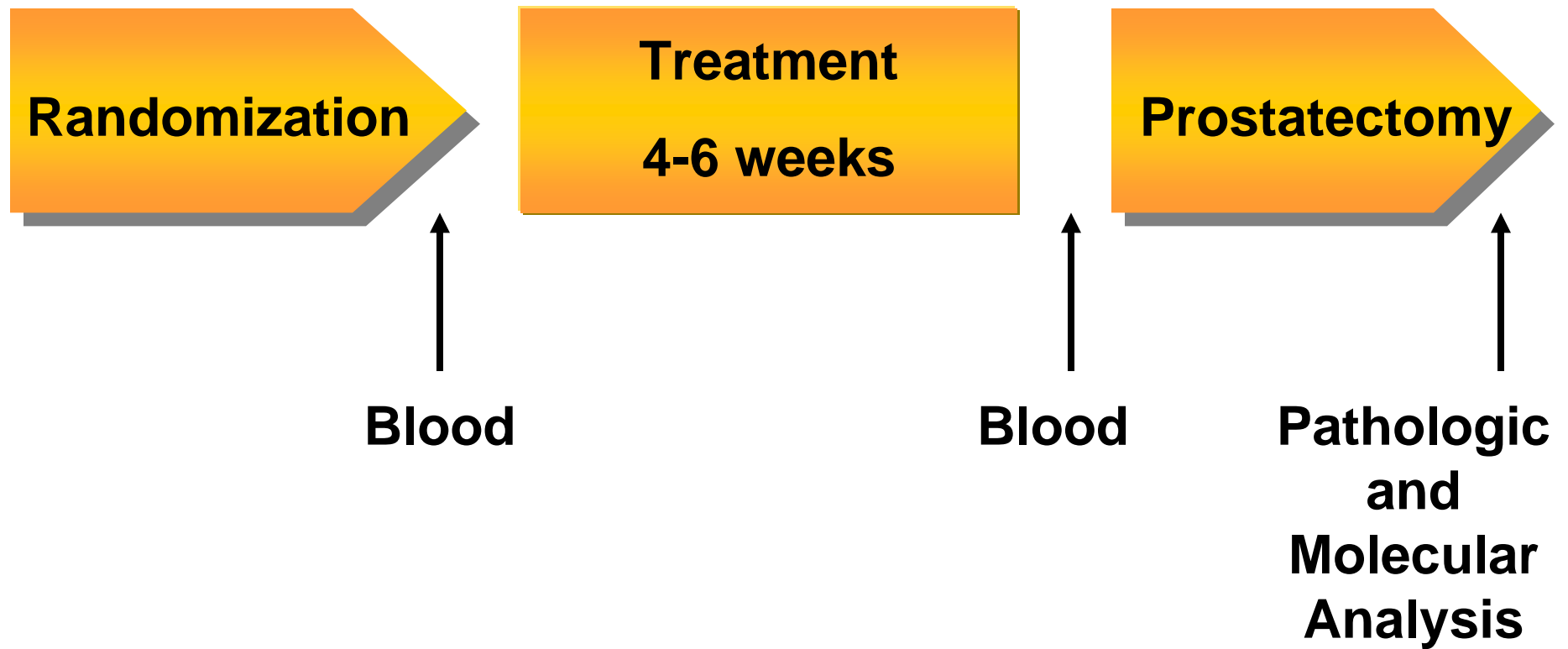
Summary

- Ex vivo core biopsies are a source of tissue for LCM and gene expression arrays
- The Pre-operative strategy can serve as investigational platform in *low volume cancer*
- Genes in the oxidative stress response and apoptosis pathways are differentially modulated by selenium, vitamin E, or selenium + vitamin E by cell compartment
- ***Link to biology will validate findings***

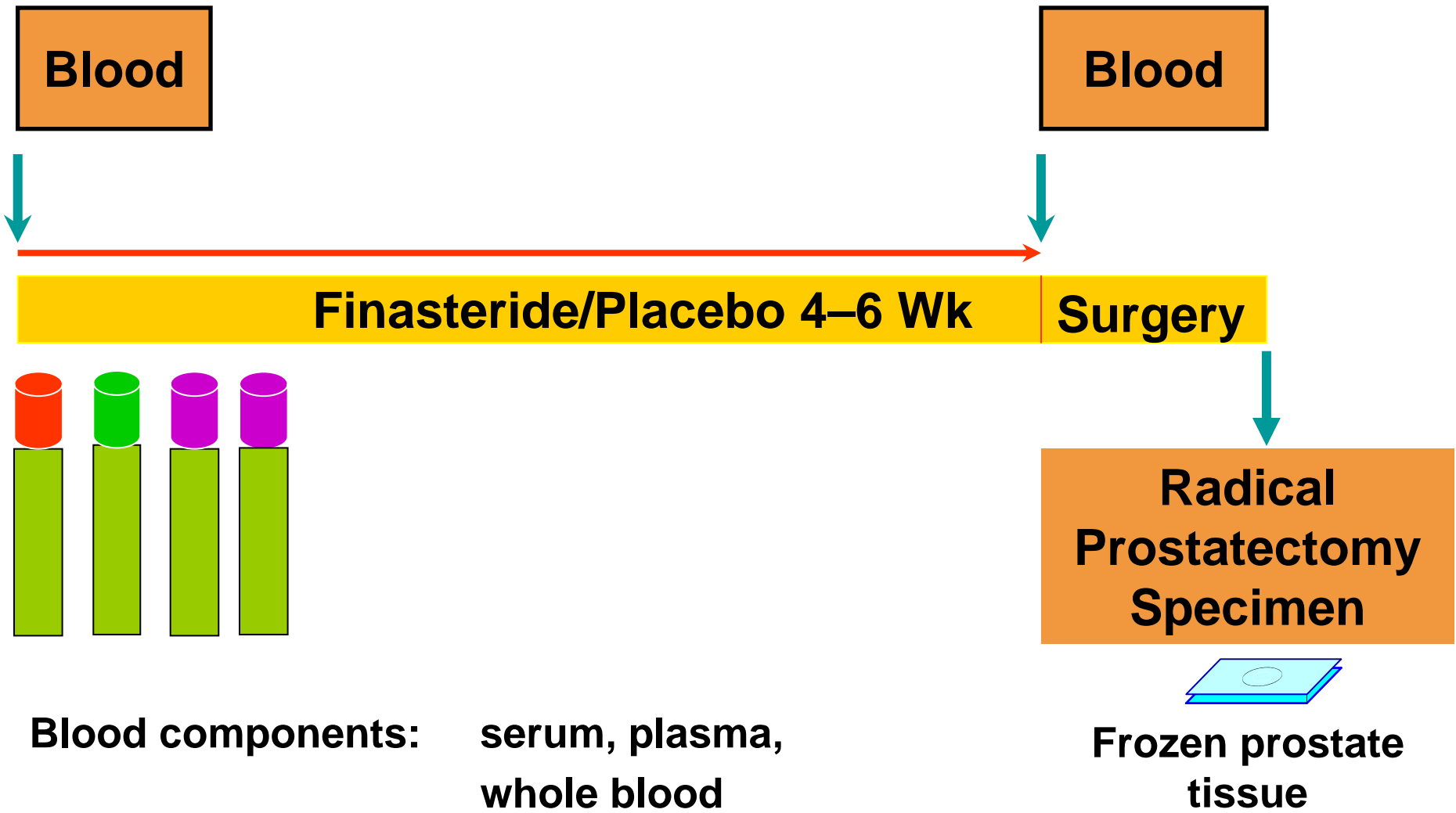
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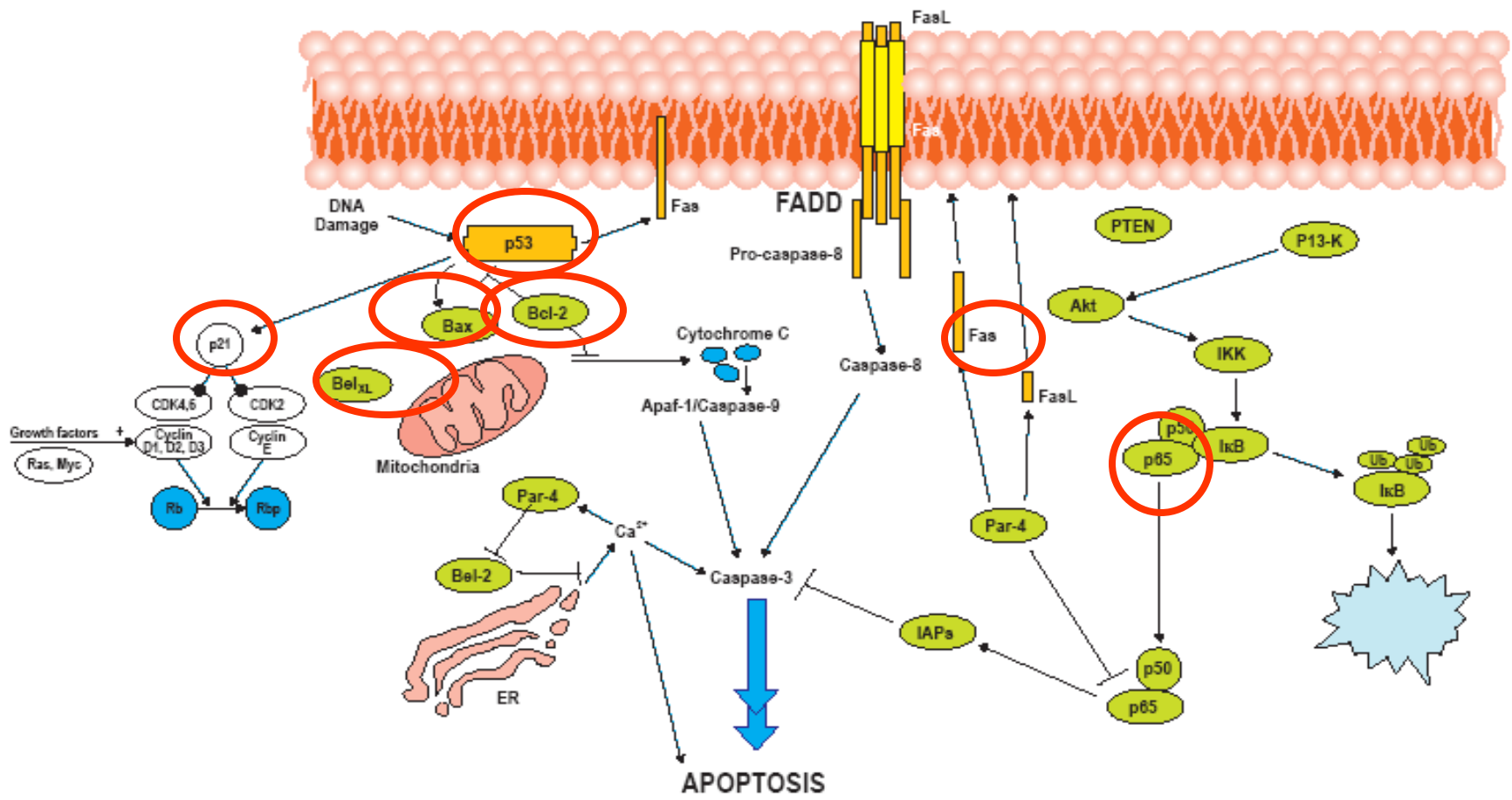


Study Schema

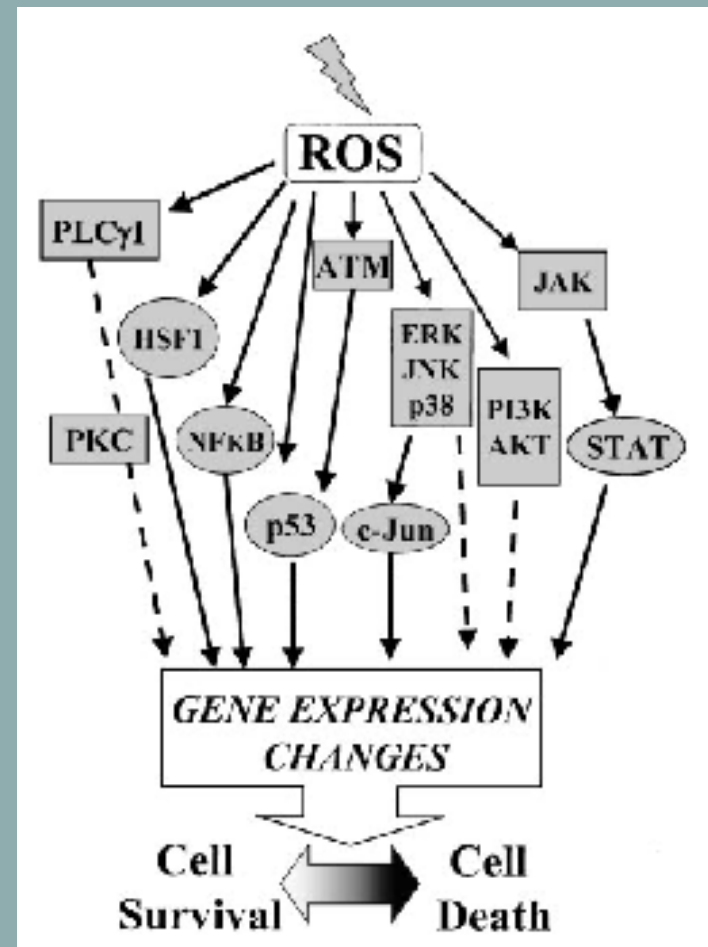
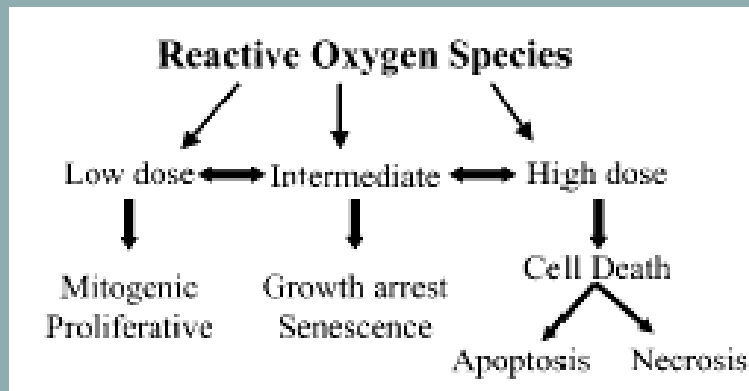


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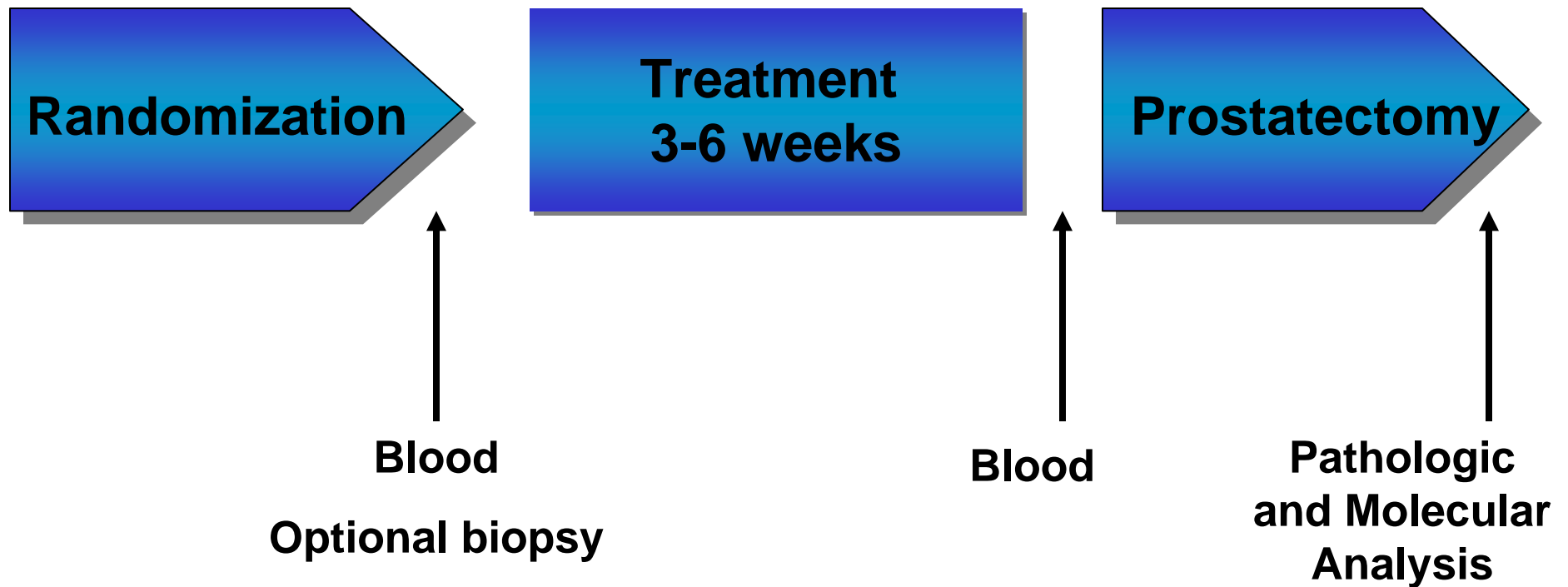




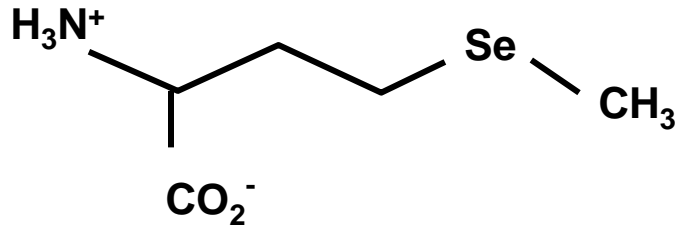
Response to Oxidative Stress Is Complex and Includes Changes in Gene Expression



Study Schema

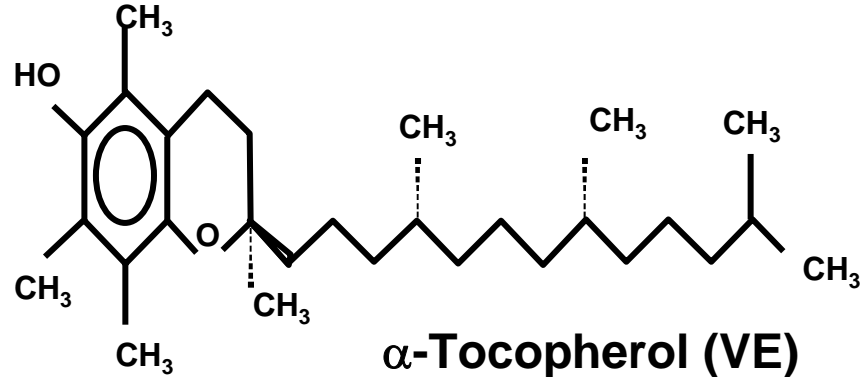


Treatment Plan



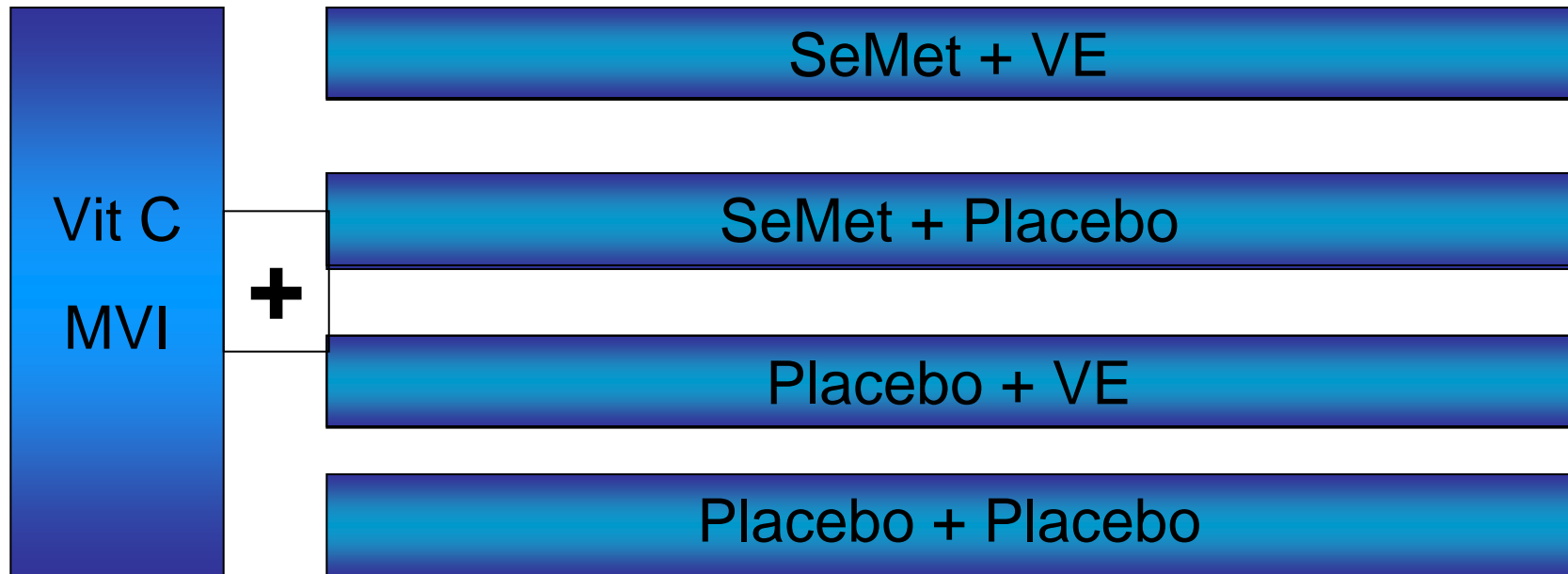
L-Selenomethionine (SeMet)

200 µg



α-Tocopherol (VE)

400 IU



Discriminating Molecular Signature

Table R3. Logistic analysis with response variable (Gleason score) and independent variables (molecular marker expressions) represented by involvement

MOLECULAR MARKER	GS ¹	INVOLVEMENT		TOTAL	UNIVARIABLE ANALYSIS		MULTIVARIABLE MODEL ²	
		0,1,2	3		ODDS RATIO	P VALUE	ODDS RATIO	P VALUE
<i>Bax</i>	6	6 (40%)	9 (60%)	15	6	.179		
	7	1 (10%)	9 (90%)	10				
	Total	7	18	25				
<i>Bcl-2</i>	6	15 (100%)	0 (0%)	15				
	7	9 (90%)	1 (10%)	10				
	Total	24	1	30				
<i>Bcl-XL</i>	6	0 (0%)	15 (100%)	15				
	7	0 (0%)	10 (100%)	10				
	Total	0	25	25				
<i>Bin1</i>	6	9 (60%)	6 (40%)	15	6	.099		
	7	2 (20%)	8 (80%)	10				
	Total	11	14	25				
<i>FAS</i>	6	14 (93.3%)	1 (6.7%)	15	21	.007	16.14	.028
	7	4 (40%)	6 (60%)	10				
	Total	18	7	25				
<i>MDM2</i>	6	11 (73%)	4 (27%)	15	6.4	.049	4.46	.155
	7	3 (30%)	7 (70%)	10				
	Total	14	11	25				
<i>p21</i>	6	6 (40%)	9 (60%)	15	6	.179		
	7	1 (10%)	9 (90%)	10				
	Total	7	18	25				
<i>p53</i>	6	15 (100%)	0 (0%)	15	3.2*	.4		
	7	9 (90%)	1 (10%)	10				
	Total	24	1	25				
<i>p65</i>	6	9 (60%)	6 (40%)	15	13.5	.018		
	7	1 (10%)	9 (90%)	10				
	Total	10	15	25				
<i>p27</i>	6	7 (50%)	7 (50%)	14	2.3	.327		
	7	3 (30%)	7 (70%)	10				
	Total	10	14	24				

¹ GS is the response variable, and molecular marker expressions, represented by involvement, are predictors in the logistic model.

² GS is the response variable and the involvement measurements for *FAS* and *MDM2* are predictors.

Discriminating Molecular Signature—Continued

Table R4. Logistic analysis (GEE approach) based on the three highest values of molecular marker involvement for each patient using the GENMOD procedure in SAS

MOLECULAR MARKER	GS ¹	INVOLVEMENT		TOTAL	UNIVARIABLE MODEL BY GEE ¹		MULTIVARIABLE MODEL BY GEE ¹	
		0,1,2	3		CHI-SQUARE	P VALUE	CHI-SQUARE	P VALUE
<i>Bax</i>	6	21 (47%)	24 (53%)	45	2.55	.11		
	7	5 (17%)	25 (83%)	30				
	Total	26	49	75				
<i>Bcl-2</i>	6	45 (100%)	0 (0%)	45	not converged	N/A		
	7	27 (90%)	3 (10%)	30				
	Total	72	3	75				
<i>Bcl-XL</i>	6	1 (2.2%)	44 (97.8%)	45	not converged	N/A		
	7	0 (0%)	30 (100%)	30				
	Total	1	74	75				
<i>Bin1</i>	6	31 (68.9%)	14 (31.1%)	45	3.81	.051		
	7	9 (30%)	21 (70%)	30				
	Total	40	35	75				
<i>FAS</i>	6	43 (95.6%)	2 (4.4%)	45	5.53	.019	2.98	.084
	7	17 (56.7%)	13 (43.3%)	30				
	Total	60	15	75				
<i>MDM2</i>	6	33 (73%)	12 (27%)	45	1.31	.2523		
	7	15 (50%)	15 (50%)	30				
	Total	48	27	75				
<i>p21</i>	6	20 (44.4%)	25 (55.6%)	45	3.73	.053		
	7	4 (13.3%)	26 (86.7%)	30				
	Total	24	51	75				
<i>p53</i>	6	45 (100%)	0 (0%)	45	not converged	N/A		
	7	27 (90%)	3 (10%)	30				
	Total	72	3	75				
<i>p65</i>	6	32 (71%)	13 (29%)	45	6.17	.013	3.53	.06
	7	7 (23.3%)	23 (66.7%)	30				
	Total	39	36	75				
<i>p27</i>	6	21 (56.8%)	16 (43.2%)	37	1.13	.287		
	7	11 (36.7%)	19 (63.3%)	30				
	Total	32	35	67				

¹ Gleason score (GS) is response variable, and molecular marker involvement is predictor in the logistic model.

Discriminating Molecular Signature—Continued

Table R5. Logistic analysis (GEE approach) based on three random values of involvement for each patient using the GENMOD procedure in SAS

MOLECULAR MARKER	GS ¹	INVOLVEMENT		TOTAL	UNIVARIABLE MODEL BY GEE ¹		MULTIVARIABLE MODEL BY GEE ¹	
		0,1,2	3		CHI-SQUARE	P VALUE	CHI-SQUARE	P VALUE
<i>Bax</i>	6	21 (47%)	24 (53%)	45	.17	.676		
	7	10 (33%)	25 (67%)	30				
	Total	31	44	75				
<i>Bcl-2</i>	6	45 (100%)	0 (0%)	45	Not converged	N/A		
	7	27 (90%)	3 (10%)	30				
	Total	72	3	75				
<i>Bcl-XL</i>	6	1 (2.2%)	44 (97.8%)	45	Not converged	N/A		
	7	0 (0%)	30 (100%)	30				
	Total	1	74	75				
<i>Bin1</i>	6	31 (68.9%)	14 (31.1%)	45	2.56	.109		
	7	12 (40%)	18 (60%)	30				
	Total	43	32	75				
<i>FAS</i>	6	43 (95.6%)	2 (4.4%)	45	4.95	.026	3.29	.07
	7	20 (66.7%)	10 (33.3%)	30				
	Total	63	12	75				
<i>MDM2</i>	6	33 (73%)	12 (27%)	45	1.29	.255		
	7	19 (63%)	11 (37%)	30				
	Total	52	23	75				
<i>p21</i>	6	20 (44.4%)	25 (55.6%)	45	.08	.774		
	7	12 (13.3%)	18 (86.7%)	30				
	Total	32	43	75				
<i>p53</i>	6	45 (100%)	0 (0%)	45	Not converged	N/A		
	7	28 (90%)	2 (10%)	30				
	Total	73	2	75				
<i>p65</i>	6	32 (71%)	13 (29%)	45	2.09	.148	1.1	.294
	7	16 (53%)	14 (47%)	30				
	Total	48	27	75				

¹ Gleason score (GS) is the response variable, and molecular marker involvement is the predictor in the logistic model.

Eligibility Inclusion Criteria

- Clinical T1c/T2, GS \leq 7, and PSA $<$ 10
- Scheduled prostatectomy 4–6 weeks from study entry
- Life expectancy \geq 10 years
- Performance status \leq 2 (ECOG scale)

Eligibility

Inclusion Criteria—*Continued*

- Agrees not to take DHEA, phytoestrogen supplements, antiandrogen agents, dutasteride, or finasteride while on study, independent of pill provided by MDACC
- Agrees to have tissue blocks of the prostatectomy specimen used for molecular marker studies
- Is scheduled for prostatectomy
- Agrees to use adequate contraception prior to study entry and for the duration of study participation
- Signs an informed consent

Eligibility Exclusion Criteria

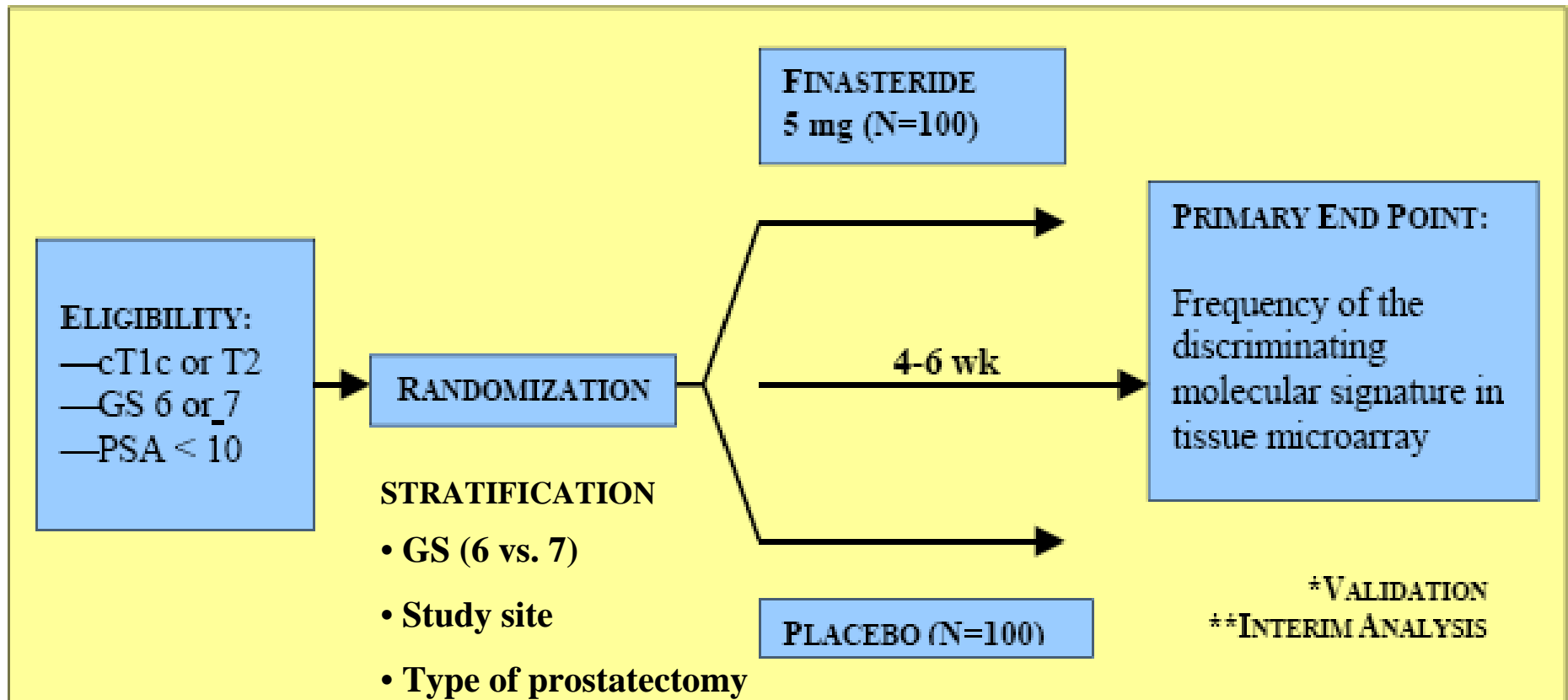
- Active malignancy at any other site
- Prior radiation therapy for treatment of the primary tumor
- Participation in another investigational study within one month before enrollment
- History of allergic reactions attributed to compounds similar to finasteride in chemical or biological composition

Eligibility

Exclusion Criteria—*Continued*

- Uncontrolled intercurrent illness
- Use of any anticoagulation agents except daily aspirin (81–325 mg)
- Use of all hormonal agents, including dutasteride and finasteride, within 6 months of study entry
- Use of chemotherapy within 6 months of study entry

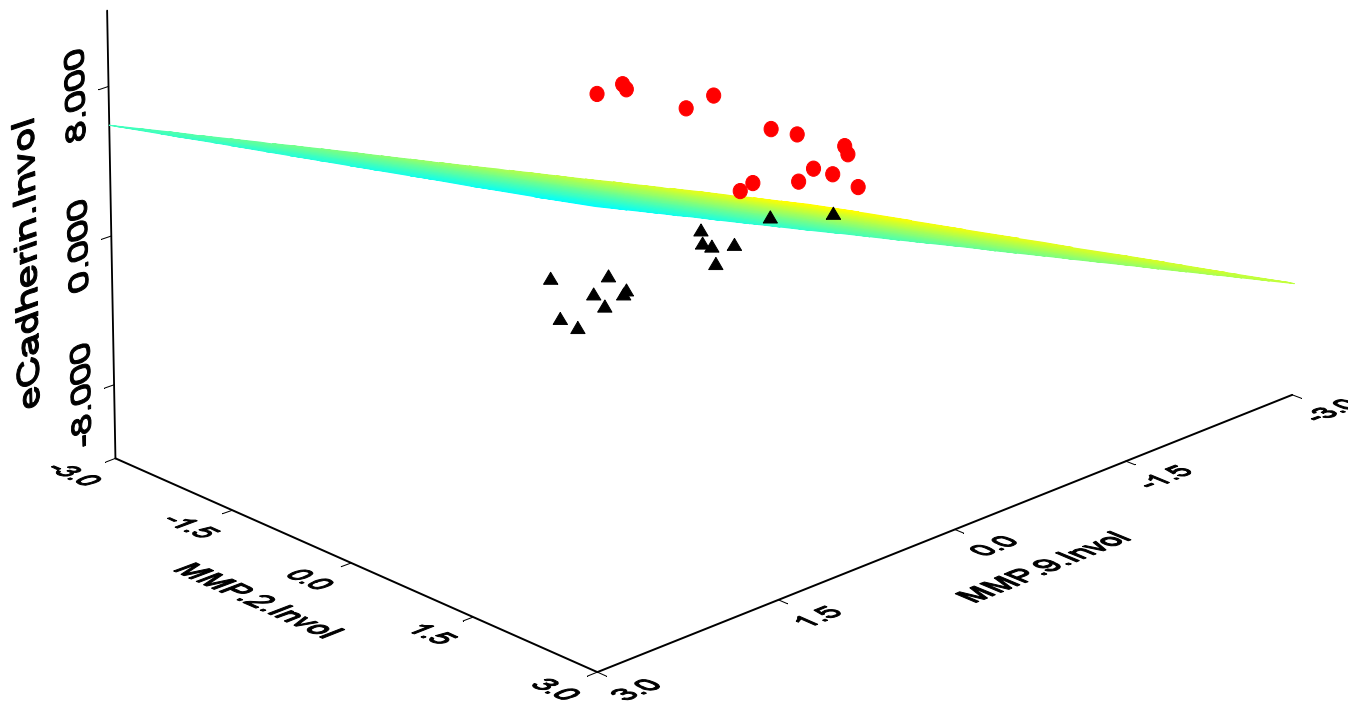
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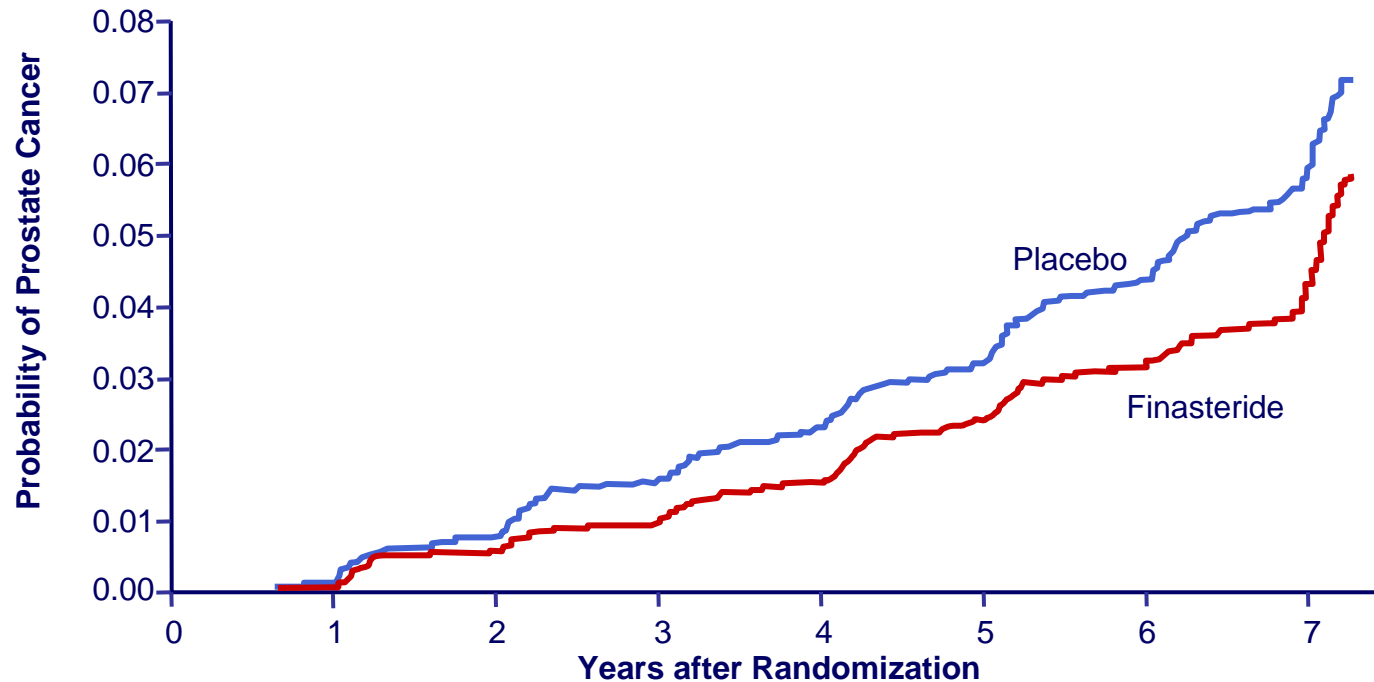
*VALIDATION (AFTER THE FIRST 52 PATIENTS [26 IN EACH TREATMENT ARM])

**INTERIM ANALYSIS (AFTER THE FIRST 100 PATIENTS [50 IN EACH TREATMENT ARM])

**3D plot of the relative expression of
MMP2, MMP9 and e-cadherin the plane is determined by discriminant
analysis $R = \text{Ecad}/(3\text{MMP9} + \text{MMP2})$**



Prostate Cancer Prevention Trial



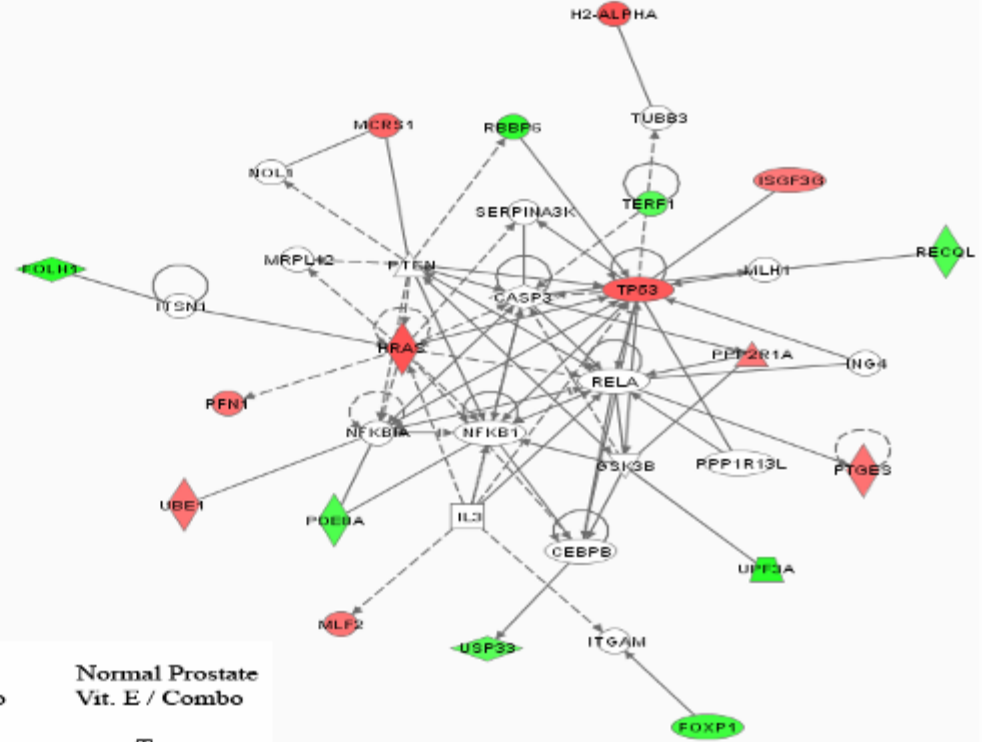
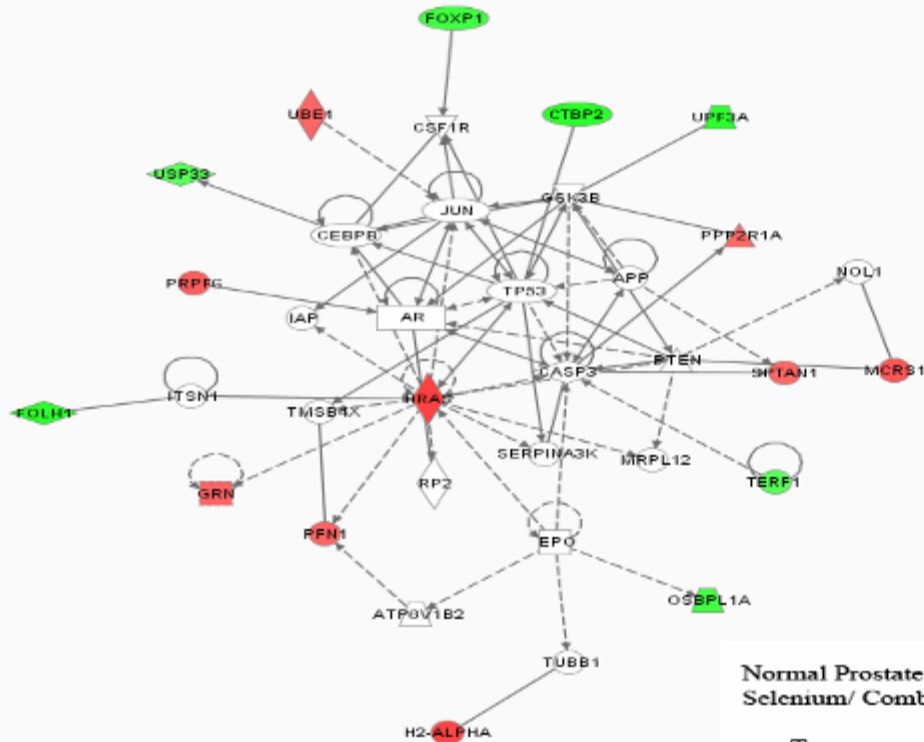
Placebo group

Biopsy rate (%)	3.0	2.8	2.2	2.9	2.8	2.6	7.1
Total no. of cancers diagnosed	48	71	60	80	92	96	124
No. of grade 7-10 cancers	5	6	15	35	24	24	38

Finasteride group

Biopsy rate (%)	3.3	2.0	2.1	2.5	2.1	2.2	7.0
Total no. of cancers diagnosed	42	35	39	68	78	51	122
No. of grade 7-10 cancers	11	11	17	31	28	26	64

Thompson et al., 2003

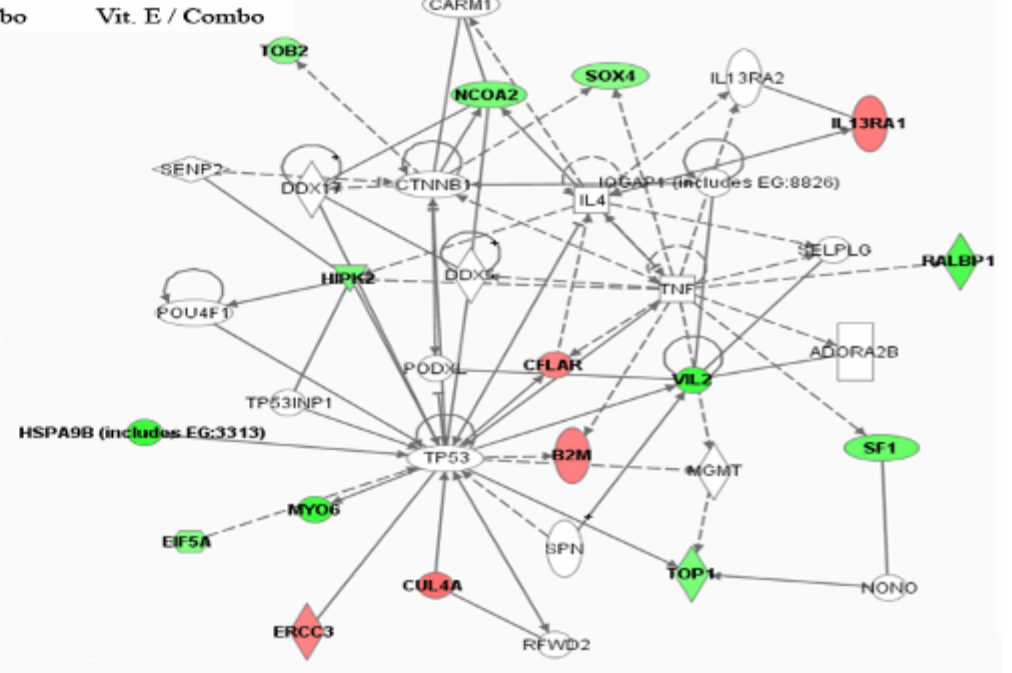
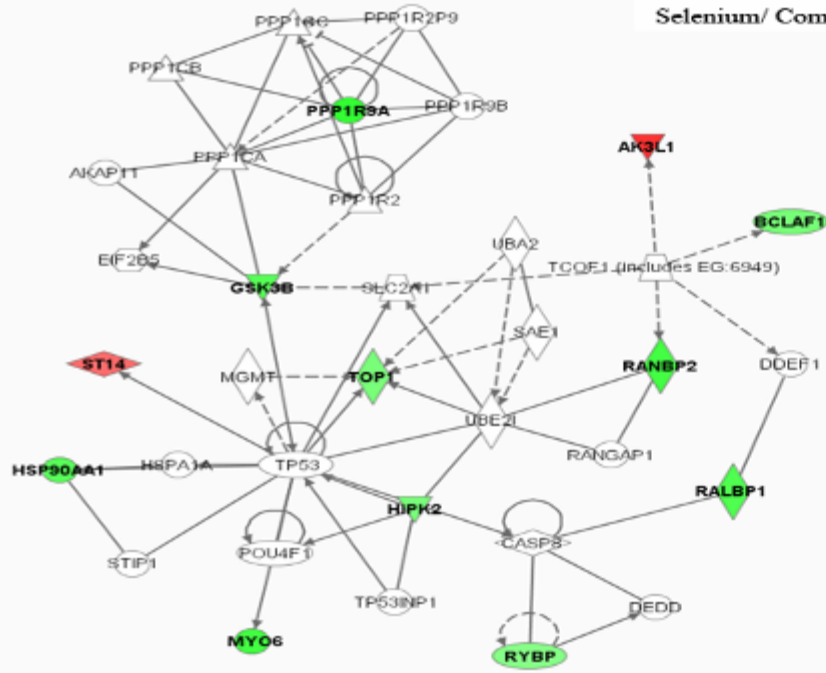


Normal Prostate
Selenium/ Combo

Normal Prostate
Vit. E / Combo

Tumor
Selenium/ Combo

Tumor
Vit. E / Combo



Figures From Manuscript

Slide 1 = Connectivity networks including p53. Interconnections of differentially expressed genes found uniquely in selenium or vitamin E treatments, and in common with combination treatment are shown. Networks that contain p53 are included in this figure. Red refers to up-regulation and green to down-regulation with respect to placebo

Slide 2 = Validation of 21 genes with quantitative PCR

**Coordinated Modulation of Sonic Hedgehog and
Androgen Signaling in the Prostate Cancer
Microenvironment by Chemo-Hormonal Therapy.**

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Background

Sonic hedgehog (Shh) and androgen signaling are implicated experimentally in prostate development, regeneration and neoplastic progression.

We assessed expression of components of these pathways in preoperatively treated and control high risk prostate cancers (PCa) in a hypothesis generating search for an association with resistance to therapy.

Methods I

Sixty-Four men with high risk PCa were randomized to receive either complete androgen ablation (AA) or AA and Ketoconazole, Adriamycin, Vinblastine and Estramustine (KAVE) for 16 weeks followed by radical prostatectomy (RP).

We constructed 3 Tissue Microarrays from RP specimens of:

- a) 26 patients pretreated with AA,
- b) 27 patients pretreated with AA + KAVE (CH)
- c) 26 untreated patients (Control)

Patients were matched for clinical stage, biopsy Gleason Score and PSA at diagnosis.

Preoperative Characteristics		Control	Hormonally ablated	Chemo-hormonally treated
Clinical Stage at diagnosis	T2a	9	8	7
	T2b	14	17	14
	T3	3	1	6
Biopsy Gleason Score (GS)	7	10	9	10
	At least 1 biopsy GS_≥8	16	17	17
Median PSA (ng/dl)		8	8	11
(Range)		(2.2-38.6)	(2.2-130.8)	(0.7-205)
PSA>10ng/dl		10	10	12
PSA<10ng/dl		16	16	15

Table 1: Clinical characteristics used to match RPS across groups for TMA construction

Methods II

A total of 3178 cores were obtained [median cores: 36 (range 18-90), median blocks: 5 (range 3-9) per specimen].

Immunohistochemical expression of Shh pathway components (Shh ligand, smoothed and gli2) and Androgen Receptor (AR) were assessed in the tumor epithelium and stroma.

Scoring for involvement (percentage of cells exhibiting detectable staining of the marker of interest) was performed by a 11- point system:

0:0-1%, 10: 2-10%, 20: 11-20%, 30: 21-30%, 40: 31-40%, 50: 41-50%, 60: 51-60%, 70: 61-70%, 80:71-80%, 90:81-90%, 100: 91-100%.

Statistics: A mixed-effects model was used for fitting the correlated data with regard to involvement (multiple observations from a subject), and the between and within variations were estimated from the model. Pearson's correlations between biomarkers were calculated based on mean expression.

Results (I)

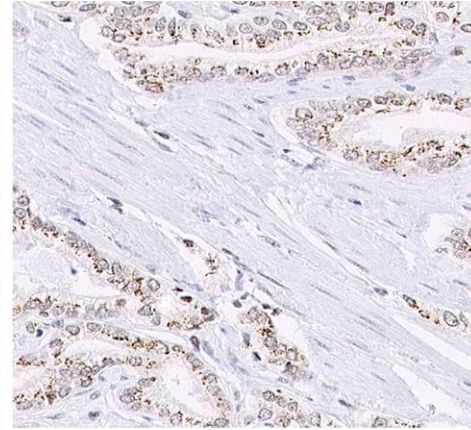
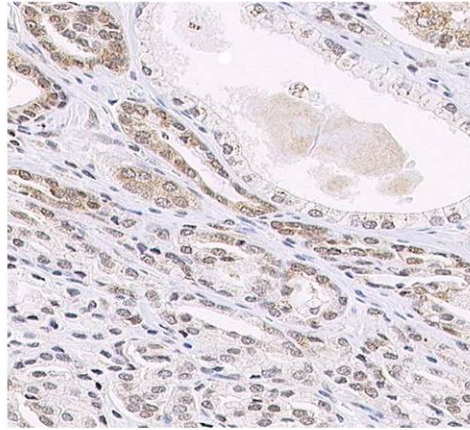
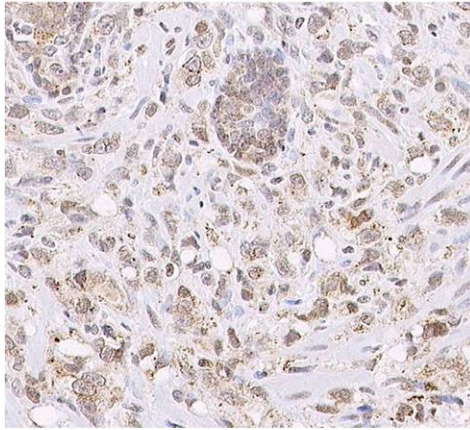
- **Hedgehog signaling** in the residual tumor epithelium and adjacent stroma of samples treated with androgen ablation or the combination of AA with chemotherapy was higher than in controls.

This was indicated by the difference in :

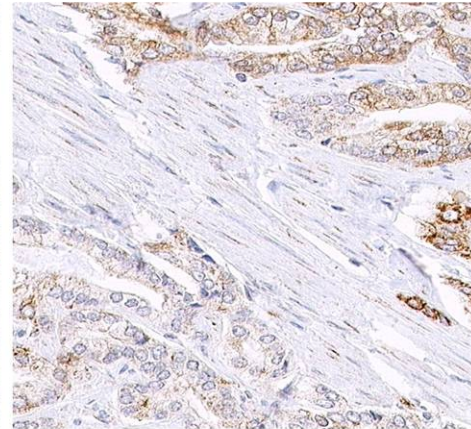
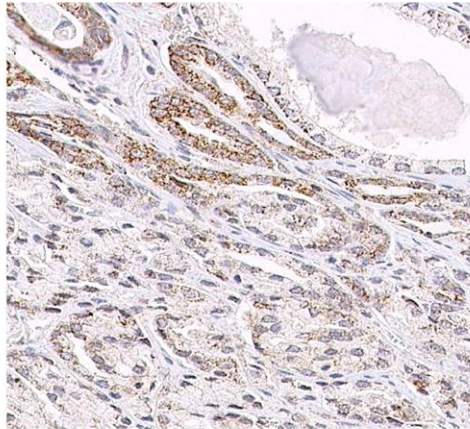
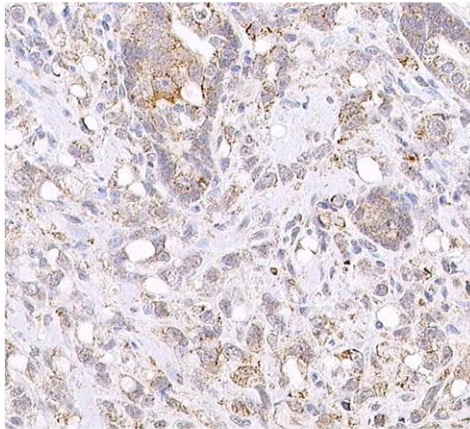
- a. the mean nuclear expression of the transcription factor gli2, considered the main downstream effector of human hedgehog signaling,
- b. the expression of the hedgehog signaling intermediate smoothed, considered the limiting factor of shh pathway activation in PCa and
- c. the ligand Sonic Hedgehog.

	Mean control (sd)	Mean AA (sd)	Mean CH (sd)	P value Control vs AA	P value Control vs CH
Gli2 Epithelium	39.6 (20.7)	79.6 (17.2)	85.5 (11.9)	<0.0001	<0.0001
Gli2 Stroma	22.9 (15.2)	43.3 (17.9)	54.7 (15.4)	<0.0001	<0.0001
Smoothened Epithelium	68.9 (18.2)	81.1 (14.2)	83.5 (8.9)	0.0047	0.0008
Smoothened Stroma	16.1 (11.2)	21.6 (10.7)	28.2 (13.9)	0.118	0.0011
Shh Epithelium	49.9 (24.8)	61.3 (19.2)	62.6 (22.4)	0.085	0.05
Shh Stroma	4.6 (6.5)	12.8 (13.5)	19.4 (13.9)	0.0203	0.0001

Gli2



Smoothed



Sonic Hedgehog

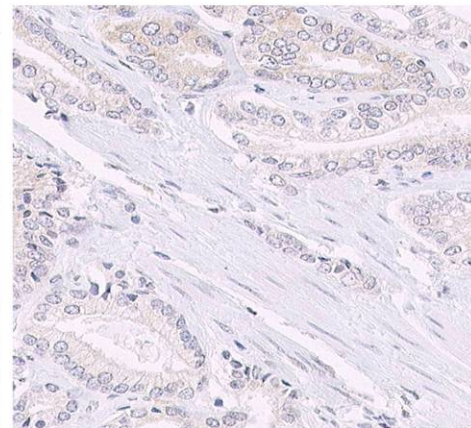
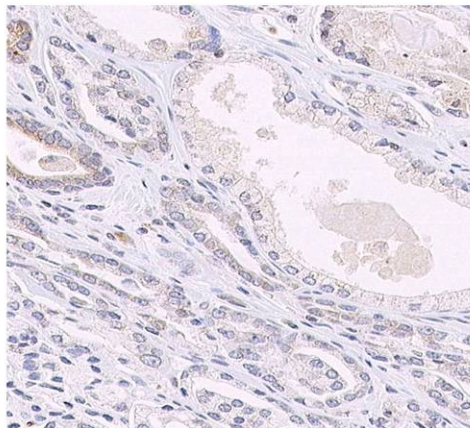
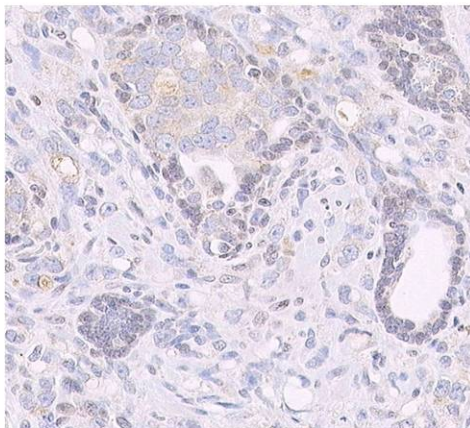


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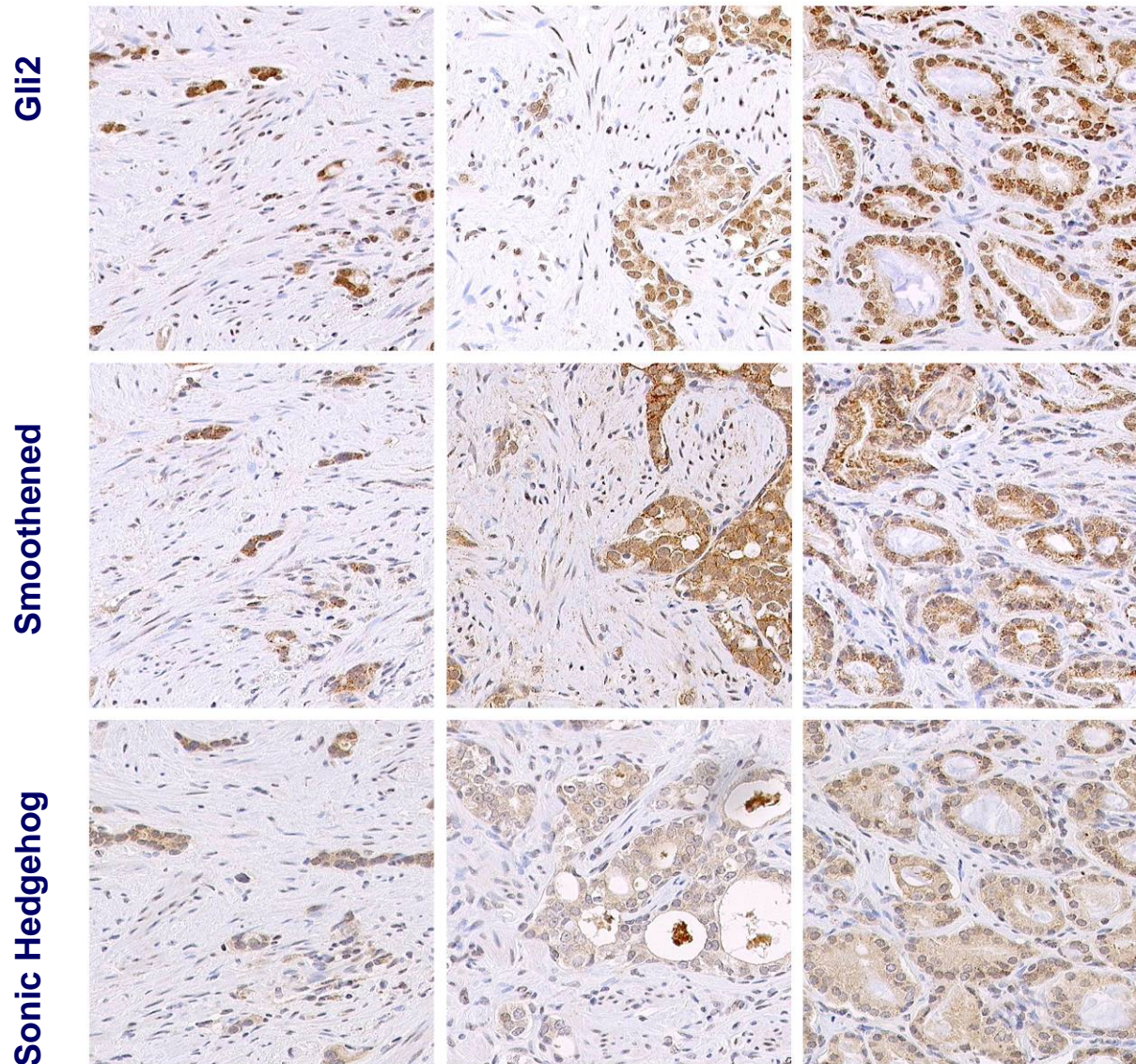


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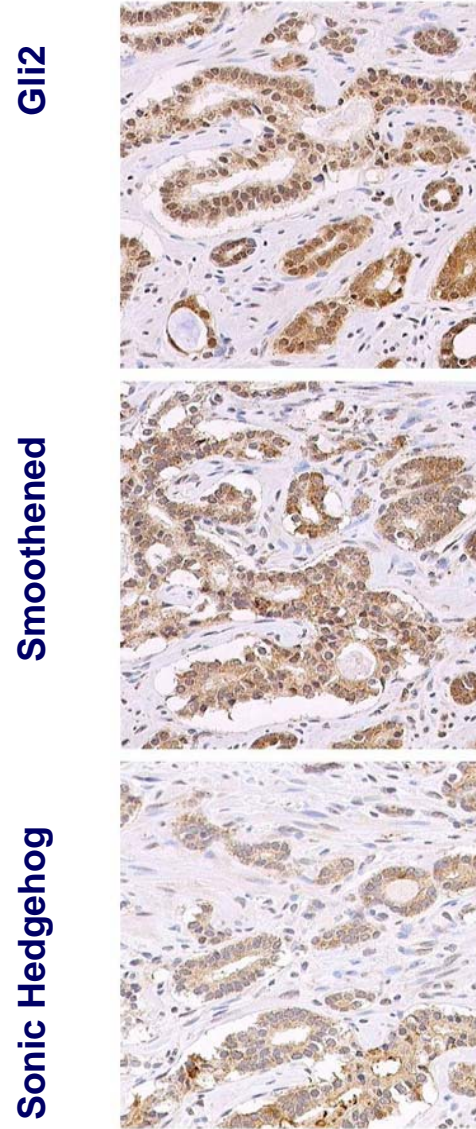


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- **Active hedgehog signaling** was parallel in the tumor epithelium and adjacent stroma as indicated by mean nuclear expression of gli2 (0.78 by Pearson's correlation)

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Gli2. Epithelium	1	0.789	0.516	0.359	0.349	0.545
Gli2 Stroma	0.789	1	0.443	0.601	0.305	0.731
Smoothened Epithelium	0.516	0.443	1	0.449	0.496	0.359
Smoothened Stroma	0.359	0.601	0.449	1	0.172	0.552
Shh Epithelium	0.349	0.305	0.496	0.172	1	0.333
Shh Stroma	0.545	0.731	0.352	0.552	0.333	1

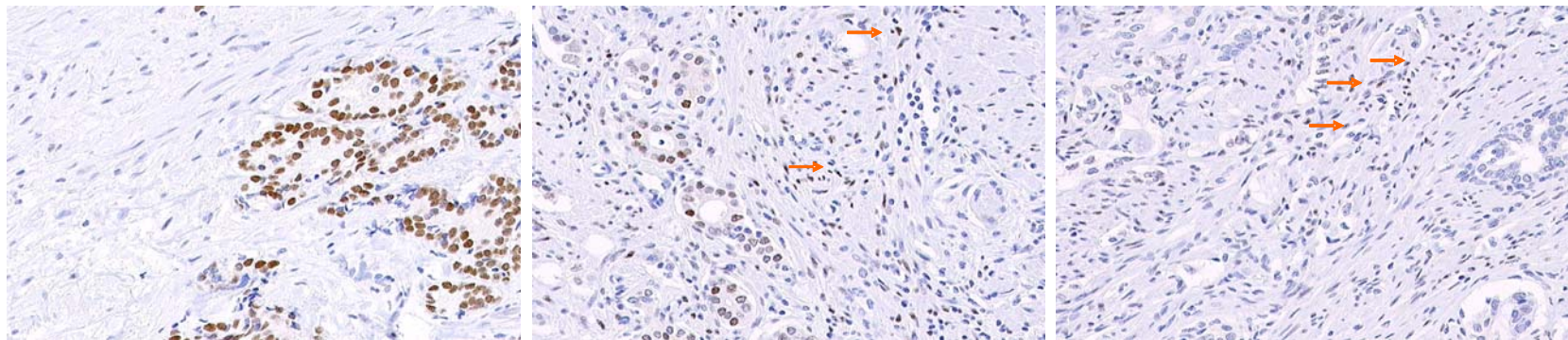


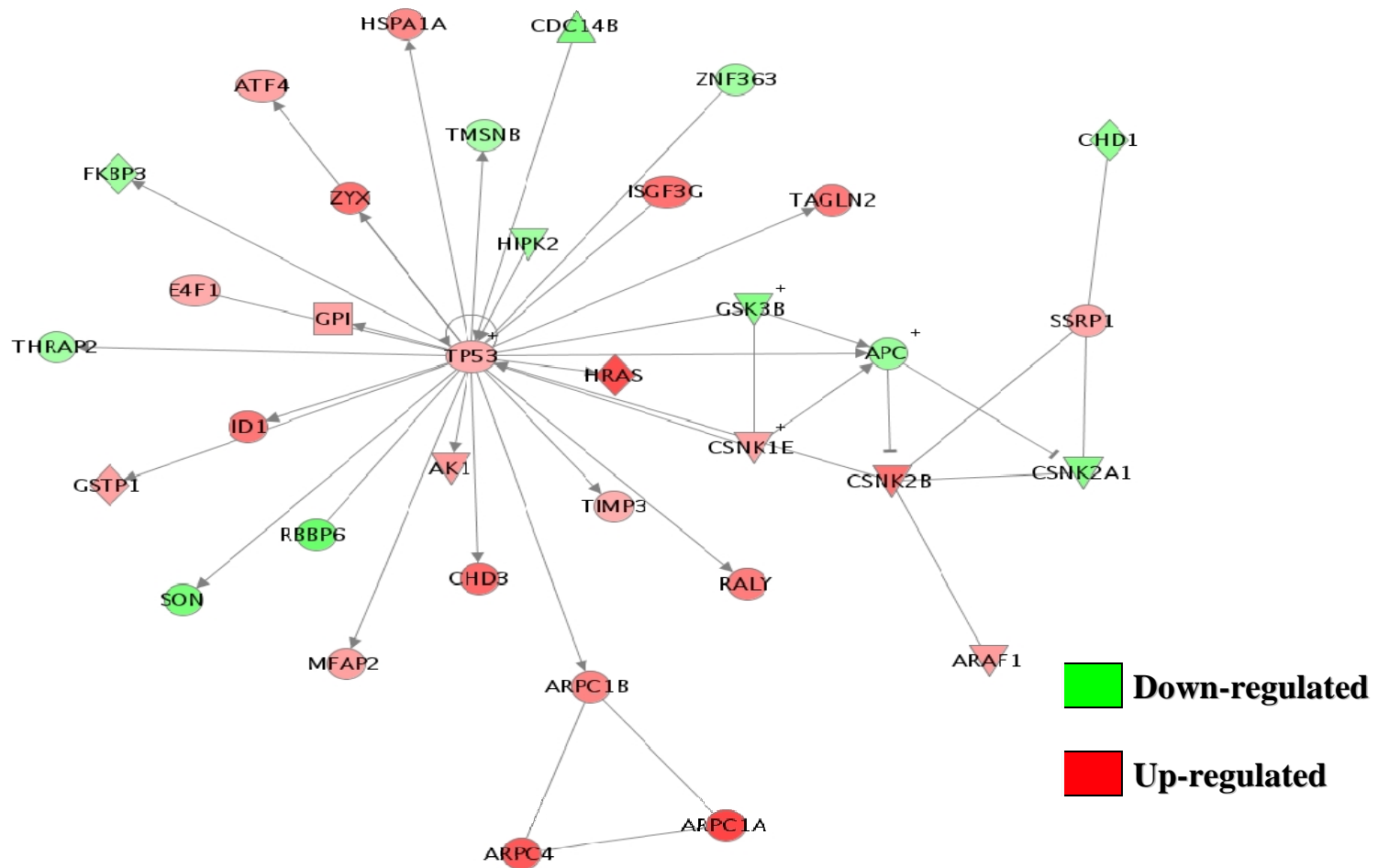
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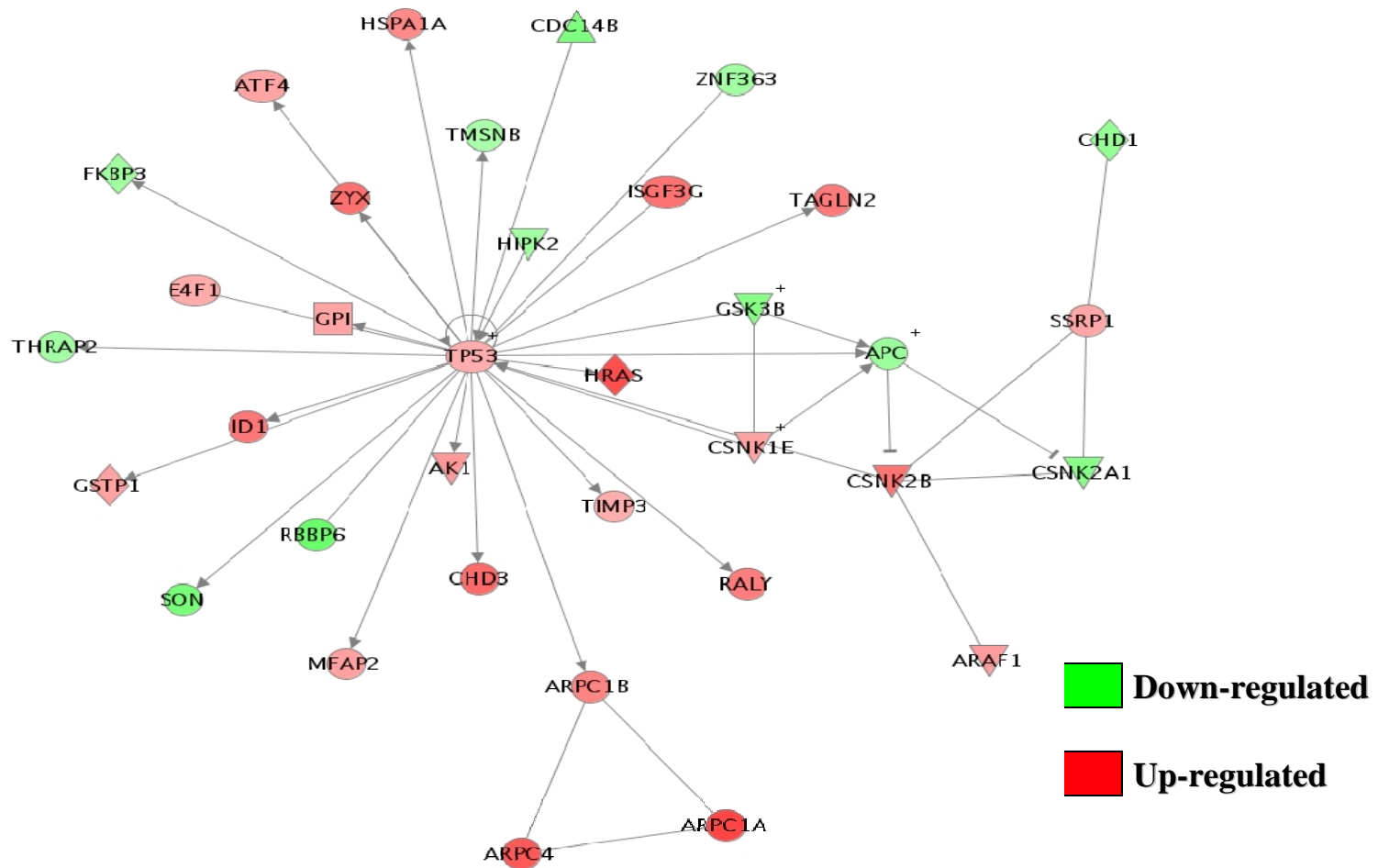
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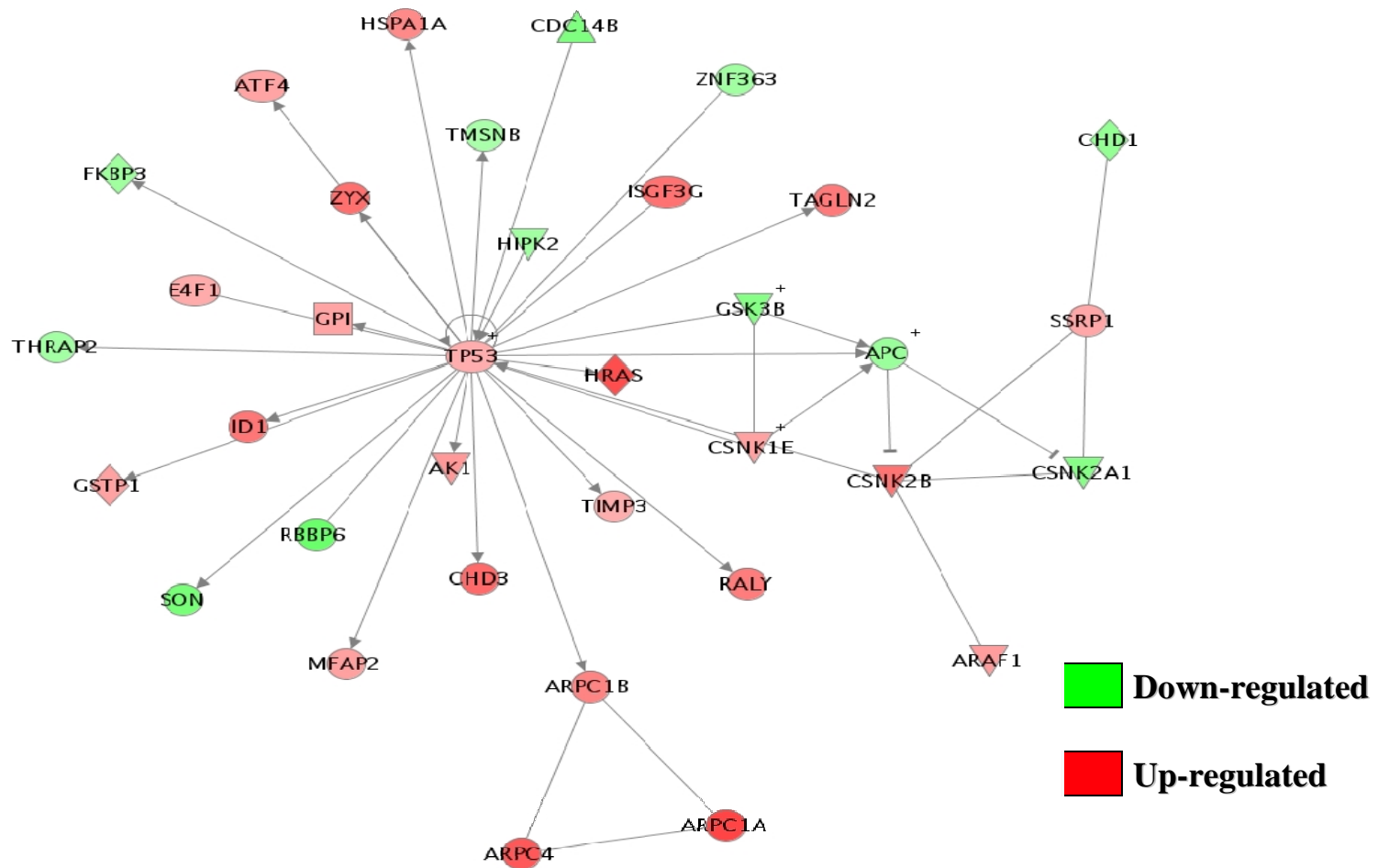
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Discriminating Molecular Signature

Table R3. Logistic analysis with response variable (Gleason score) and independent variables (molecular marker expressions) represented by involvement

MOLECULAR MARKER	GS ¹	INVOLVEMENT		TOTAL	UNIVARIABLE ANALYSIS		MULTIVARIABLE MODEL ²	
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	7	1 (10%)	9 (90%)	10				
	Total	7	18	25				
<i>Bcl-2</i>	6	15 (100%)	0 (0%)	15				
	7	9 (90%)	1 (10%)	10				
	Total	24	1	30				
<i>Bcl-XL</i>	6	0 (0%)	15 (100%)	15				
	7	0 (0%)	10 (100%)	10				
	Total	0	25	25				
<i>Bin1</i>	6	9 (60%)	6 (40%)	15	6	.099		
	7	2 (20%)	8 (80%)	10				
	Total	11	14	25				
<i>FAS</i>	6	14 (93.3%)	1 (6.7%)	15	21	.007	16.14	.028
	7	4 (40%)	6 (60%)	10				
	Total	18	7	25				
<i>MDM2</i>	6	11 (73%)	4 (27%)	15	6.4	.049	4.46	.155
	7	3 (30%)	7 (70%)	10				
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<i>p53</i>	6	15 (100%)	0 (0%)	15	3.2*	.4		
	7	9 (90%)	1 (10%)	10				
	Total	24	1	25				
<i>p65</i>	6	9 (60%)	6 (40%)	15	13.5	.018		
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	Total	10	15	25				
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² GS is the response variable and the involvement measurements for *FAS* and *MDM2* are predictors.

Discriminating Molecular Signature—Continued

Table R4. Logistic analysis (GEE approach) based on the three highest values of molecular marker involvement for each patient using the GENMOD procedure in SAS

MOLECULAR MARKER	GS ¹	INVOLVEMENT		TOTAL	UNIVARIABLE MODEL BY GEE ¹		MULTIVARIABLE MODEL BY GEE ¹	
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<i>Bax</i>	6	21 (47%)	24 (53%)	45	2.55	.11		
	7	5 (17%)	25 (83%)	30				
	Total	26	49	75				
<i>Bcl-2</i>	6	45 (100%)	0 (0%)	45	not converged	N/A		
	7	27 (90%)	3 (10%)	30				
	Total	72	3	75				
<i>Bcl-XL</i>	6	1 (2.2%)	44 (97.8%)	45	not converged	N/A		
	7	0 (0%)	30 (100%)	30				
	Total	1	74	75				
<i>Bin1</i>	6	31 (68.9%)	14 (31.1%)	45	3.81	.051		
	7	9 (30%)	21 (70%)	30				
	Total	40	35	75				
<i>FAS</i>	6	43 (95.6%)	2 (4.4%)	45	5.53	.019	2.98	.084
	7	17 (56.7%)	13 (43.3%)	30				
	Total	60	15	75				
<i>MDM2</i>	6	33 (73%)	12 (27%)	45	1.31	.2523		
	7	15 (50%)	15 (50%)	30				
	Total	48	27	75				
<i>p21</i>	6	20 (44.4%)	25 (55.6%)	45	3.73	.053		
	7	4 (13.3%)	26 (86.7%)	30				
	Total	24	51	75				
<i>p53</i>	6	45 (100%)	0 (0%)	45	not converged	N/A		
	7	27 (90%)	3 (10%)	30				
	Total	72	3	75				
<i>p65</i>	6	32 (71%)	13 (29%)	45	6.17	.013	3.53	.06
	7	7 (23.3%)	23 (66.7%)	30				
	Total	39	36	75				
<i>p27</i>	6	21 (56.8%)	16 (43.2%)	37	1.13	.287		
	7	11 (36.7%)	19 (63.3%)	30				
	Total	32	35	67				

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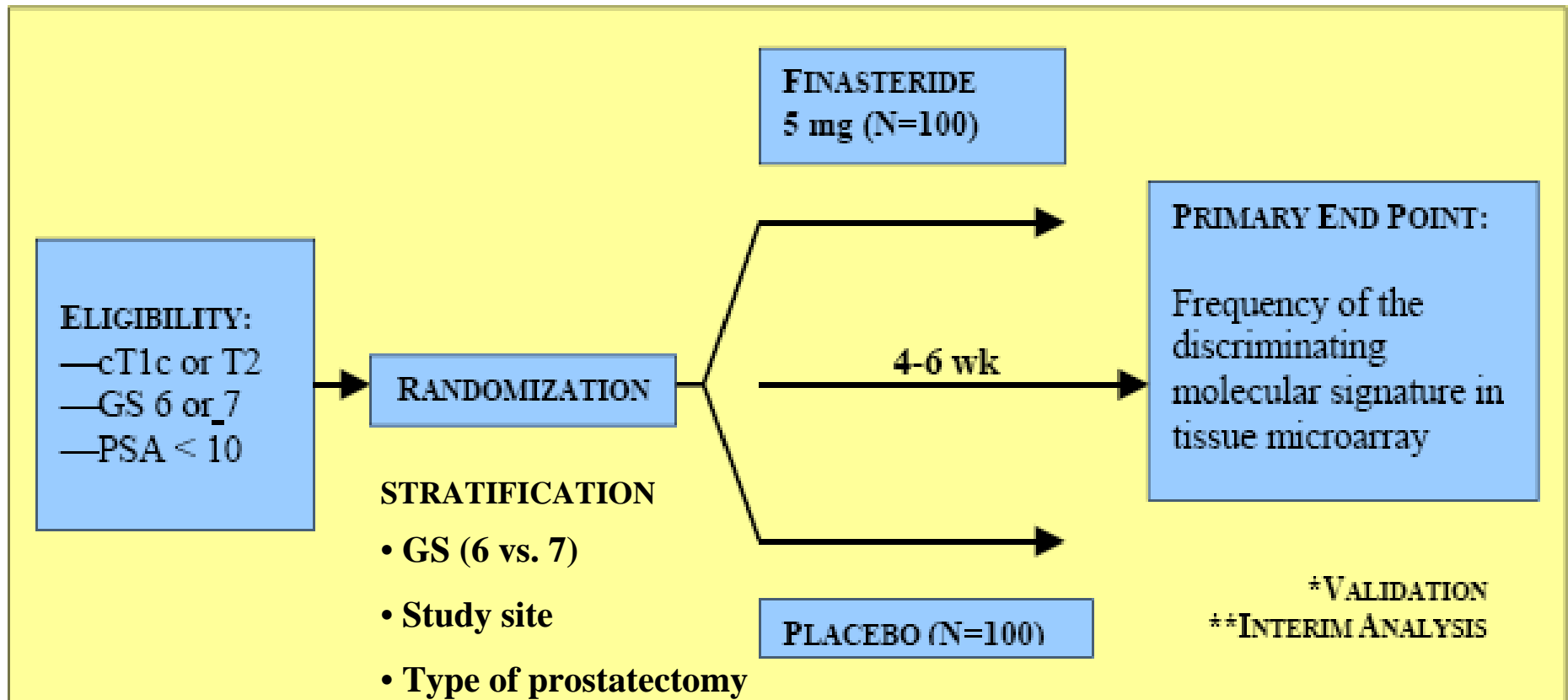
Discriminating Molecular Signature—Continued

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MOLECULAR MARKER	GS ¹	INVOLVEMENT		TOTAL	UNIVARIABLE MODEL BY GEE ¹		MULTIVARIABLE MODEL BY GEE ¹	
		0,1,2	3		CHI-SQUARE	P VALUE	CHI-SQUARE	P VALUE
<i>Bax</i>	6	21 (47%)	24 (53%)	45	.17	.676		
	7	10 (33%)	25 (67%)	30				
	Total	31	44	75				
<i>Bcl-2</i>	6	45 (100%)	0 (0%)	45	Not converged	N/A		
	7	27 (90%)	3 (10%)	30				
	Total	72	3	75				
<i>Bcl-XL</i>	6	1 (2.2%)	44 (97.8%)	45	Not converged	N/A		
	7	0 (0%)	30 (100%)	30				
	Total	1	74	75				
<i>Bin1</i>	6	31 (68.9%)	14 (31.1%)	45	2.56	.109		
	7	12 (40%)	18 (60%)	30				
	Total	43	32	75				
<i>FAS</i>	6	43 (95.6%)	2 (4.4%)	45	4.95	.026	3.29	.07
	7	20 (66.7%)	10 (33.3%)	30				
	Total	63	12	75				
<i>MDM2</i>	6	33 (73%)	12 (27%)	45	1.29	.255		
	7	19 (63%)	11 (37%)	30				
	Total	52	23	75				
<i>p21</i>	6	20 (44.4%)	25 (55.6%)	45	.08	.774		
	7	12 (13.3%)	18 (86.7%)	30				
	Total	32	43	75				
<i>p53</i>	6	45 (100%)	0 (0%)	45	Not converged	N/A		
	7	28 (90%)	2 (10%)	30				
	Total	73	2	75				
<i>p65</i>	6	32 (71%)	13 (29%)	45	2.09	.148	1.1	.294
	7	16 (53%)	14 (47%)	30				
	Total	48	27	75				

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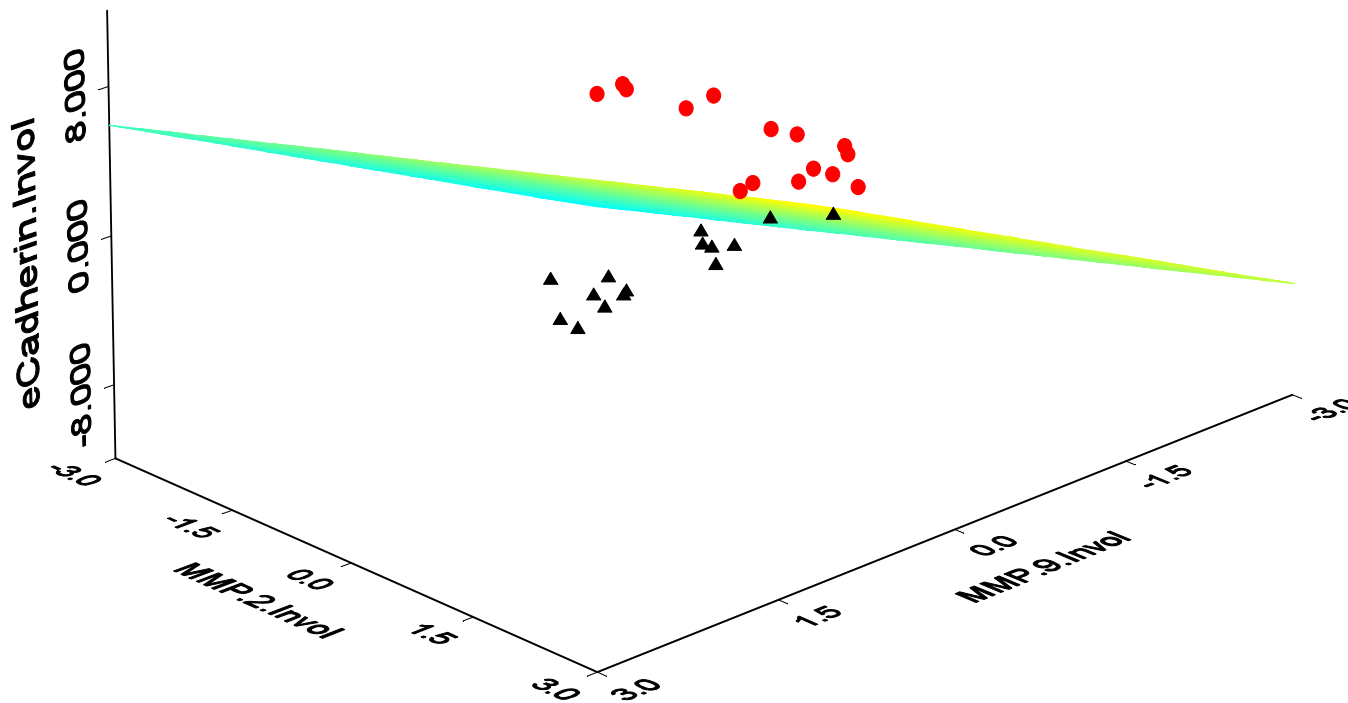
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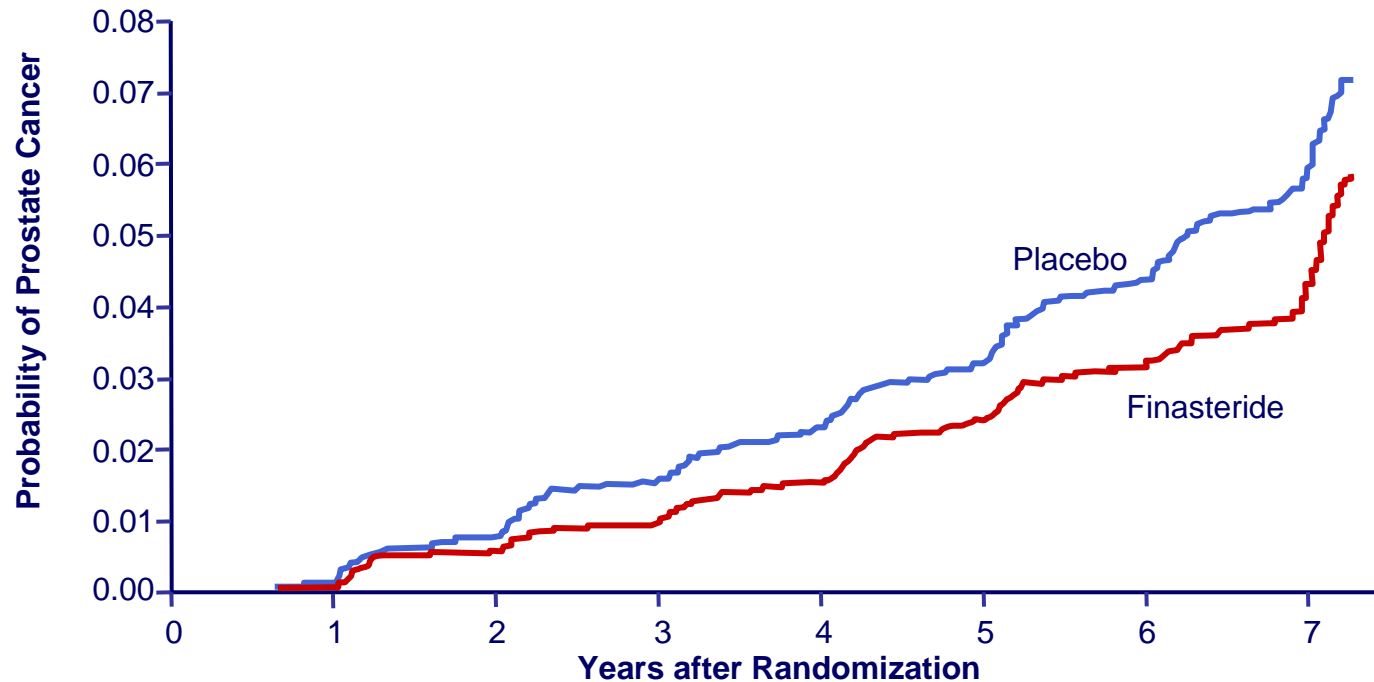
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**3D plot of the relative expression of
MMP2, MMP9 and e-cadherin the plane is determined by discriminant
analysis $R = \text{Ecad}/(3\text{MMP9} + \text{MMP2})$**



RESULTS

Prostate Cancer Prevention Trial



Placebo group

Biopsy rate (%)	3.0	2.8	2.2	2.9	2.8	2.6	7.1
Total no. of cancers diagnosed	48	71	60	80	92	96	124
No. of grade 7-10 cancers	5	6	15	35	24	24	38

Finasteride group

Biopsy rate (%)	3.3	2.0	2.1	2.5	2.1	2.2	7.0
Total no. of cancers diagnosed	42	35	39	68	78	51	122
No. of grade 7-10 cancers	11	11	17	31	28	26	64

Thompson et al., 2003

Methods I

Sixty-Four men with high risk PCa were randomized to receive either complete androgen ablation (AA) or AA and Ketoconazole, Adriamycin, Vinblastine and Estramustine (KAVE) for 16 weeks followed by radical prostatectomy (RP).

We constructed 3 Tissue Microarrays from RP specimens of:

- a) 26 patients pretreated with AA,
- b) 27 patients pretreated with AA + KAVE (CH)
- c) 26 untreated patients (Control)

Patients were matched for clinical stage, biopsy Gleason Score and PSA at diagnosis.

Preoperative Characteristics		Control	Hormonally ablated	Chemo-hormonally treated
Clinical Stage at diagnosis	T2a	9	8	7
	T2b	14	17	14
	T3	3	1	6
Biopsy Gleason Score (GS)	7	10	9	10
	At least 1 biopsy GS_≥8	16	17	17
Median PSA (ng/dl)		8	8	11
(Range)		(2.2-38.6)	(2.2-130.8)	(0.7-205)
PSA>10ng/dl		10	10	12
PSA<10ng/dl		16	16	15

Table 1: Clinical characteristics used to match RPS across groups for TMA construction

Methods II

A total of 3178 cores were obtained [median cores: 36 (range 18-90), median blocks: 5 (range 3-9) per specimen].

Immunohistochemical expression of Shh pathway components (Shh ligand, smoothed and gli2) and Androgen Receptor (AR) were assessed in the tumor epithelium and stroma.

Scoring for involvement (percentage of cells exhibiting detectable staining of the marker of interest) was performed by a 11- point system:

0:0-1%, 10: 2-10%, 20: 11-20%, 30: 21-30%, 40: 31-40%, 50: 41-50%, 60: 51-60%, 70: 61-70%, 80:71-80%, 90:81-90%, 100: 91-100%.

Statistics: A mixed-effects model was used for fitting the correlated data with regard to involvement (multiple observations from a subject), and the between and within variations were estimated from the model. Pearson's correlations between biomarkers were calculated based on mean expression.

Results (I)

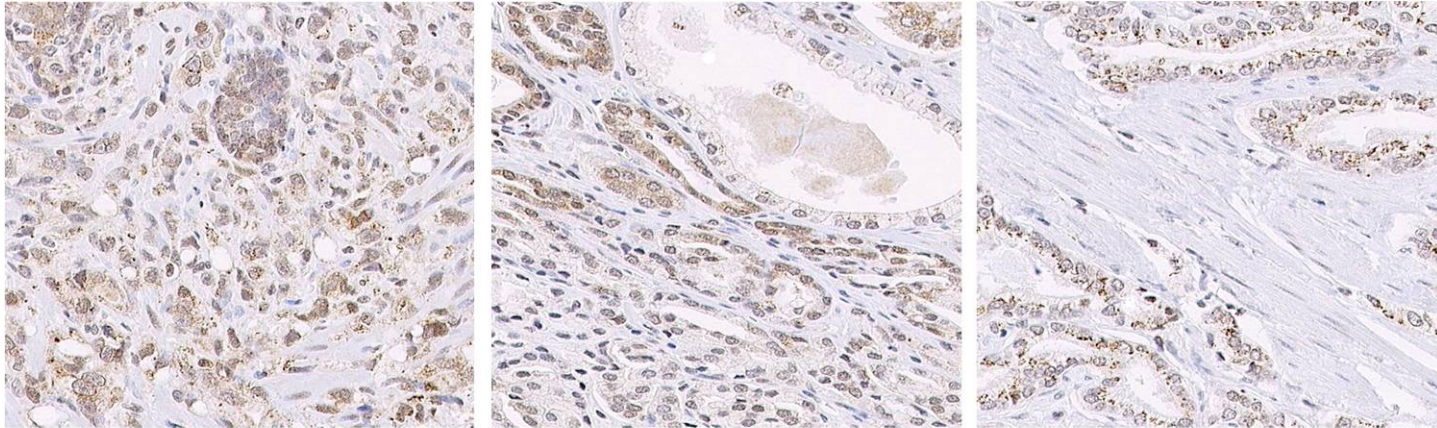
- **Hedgehog signaling** in the residual tumor epithelium and adjacent stroma of samples treated with androgen ablation or the combination of AA with chemotherapy was higher than in controls.

This was indicated by the difference in :

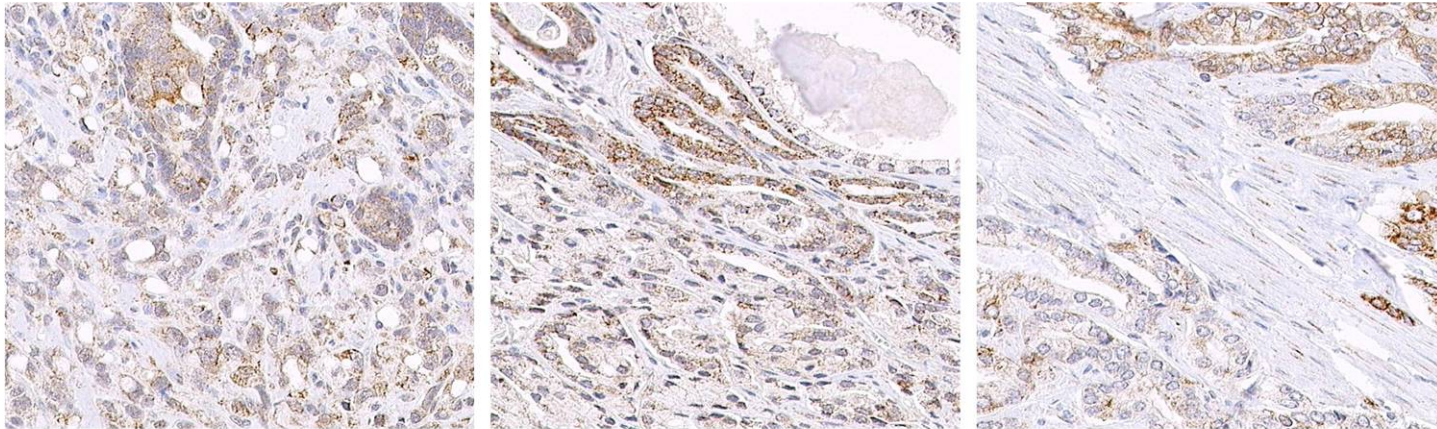
- a. the mean nuclear expression of the transcription factor gli2, considered the main downstream effector of human hedgehog signaling,
- b. the expression of the hedgehog signaling intermediate smoothed, considered the limiting factor of shh pathway activation in PCa and
- c. the ligand Sonic Hedgehog.

	Mean control (sd)	Mean AA (sd)	Mean CH (sd)	P value Control vs AA	P value Control vs CH
Gli2 Epithelium	39.6 (20.7)	79.6 (17.2)	85.5 (11.9)	<0.0001	<0.0001
Gli2 Stroma	22.9 (15.2)	43.3 (17.9)	54.7 (15.4)	<0.0001	<0.0001
Smoothened Epithelium	68.9 (18.2)	81.1 (14.2)	83.5 (8.9)	0.0047	0.0008
Smoothened Stroma	16.1 (11.2)	21.6 (10.7)	28.2 (13.9)	0.118	0.0011
Shh Epithelium	49.9 (24.8)	61.3 (19.2)	62.6 (22.4)	0.085	0.05
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Gli2



Smoothed



Sonic Hedgehog

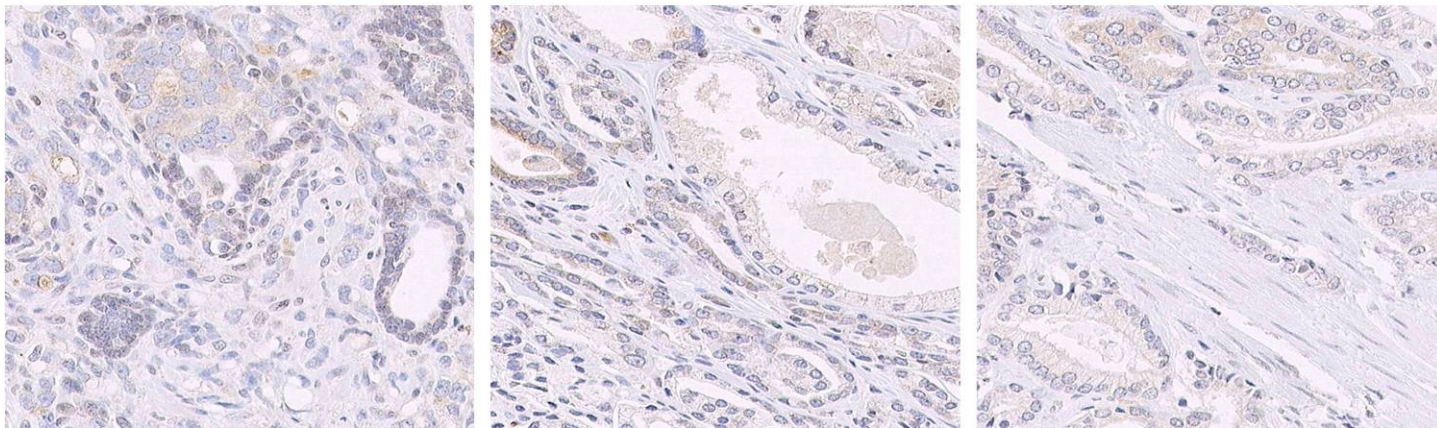


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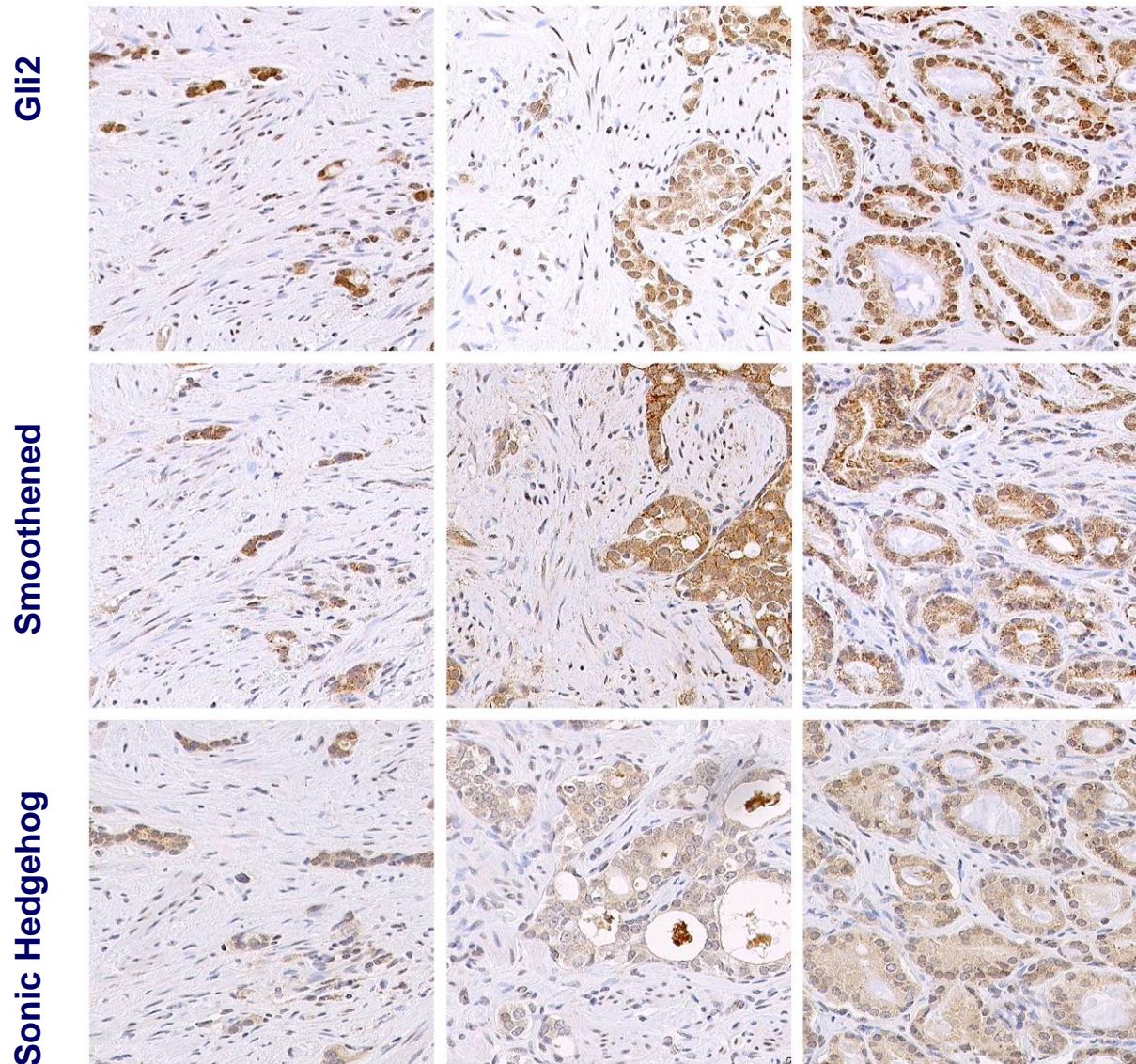


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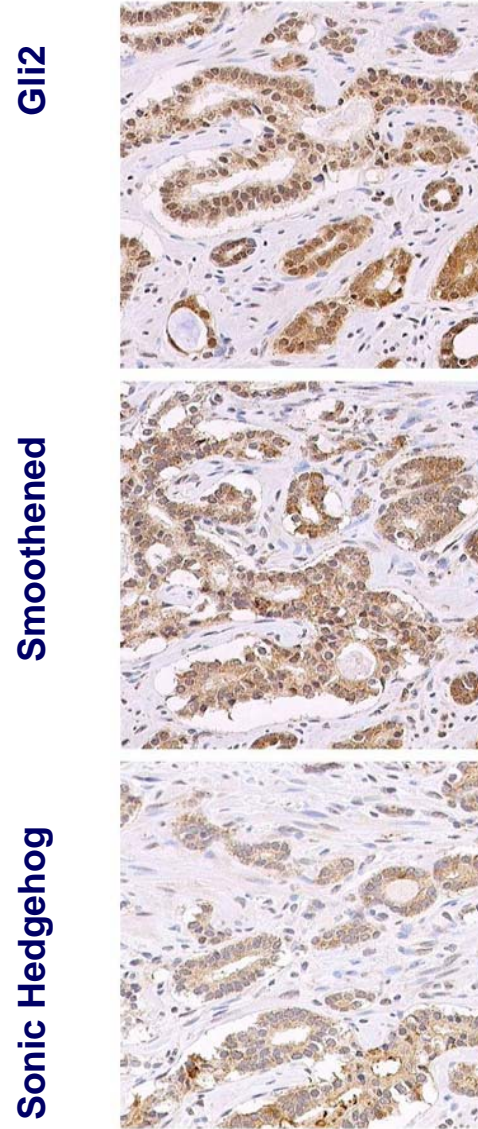


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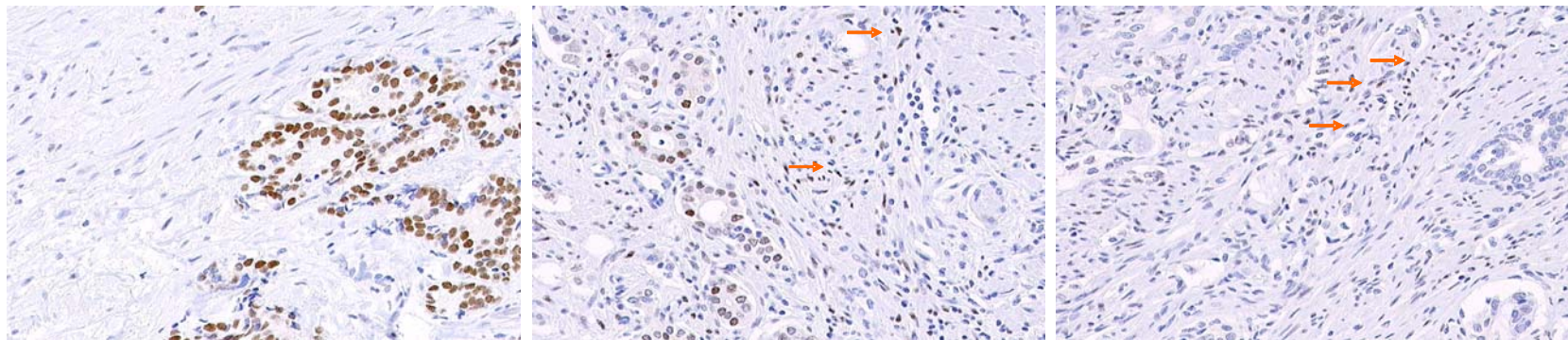


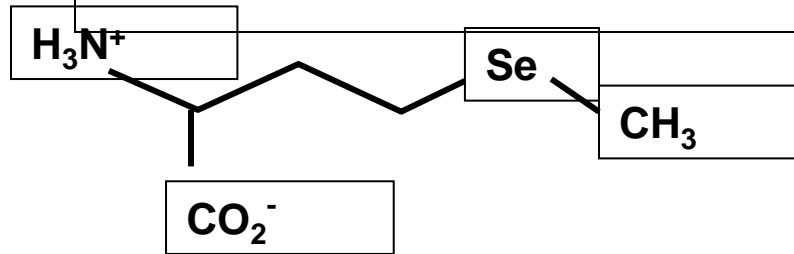
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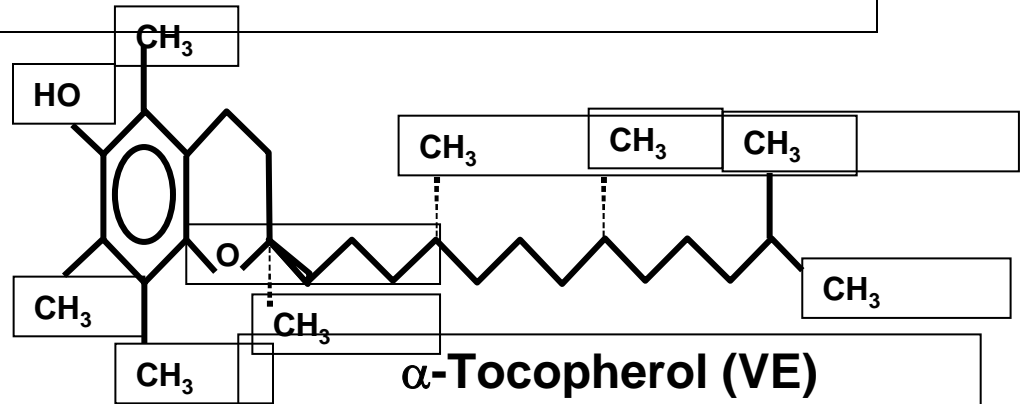
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Treatment Plan



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α-Tocopherol (VE)

400 IU



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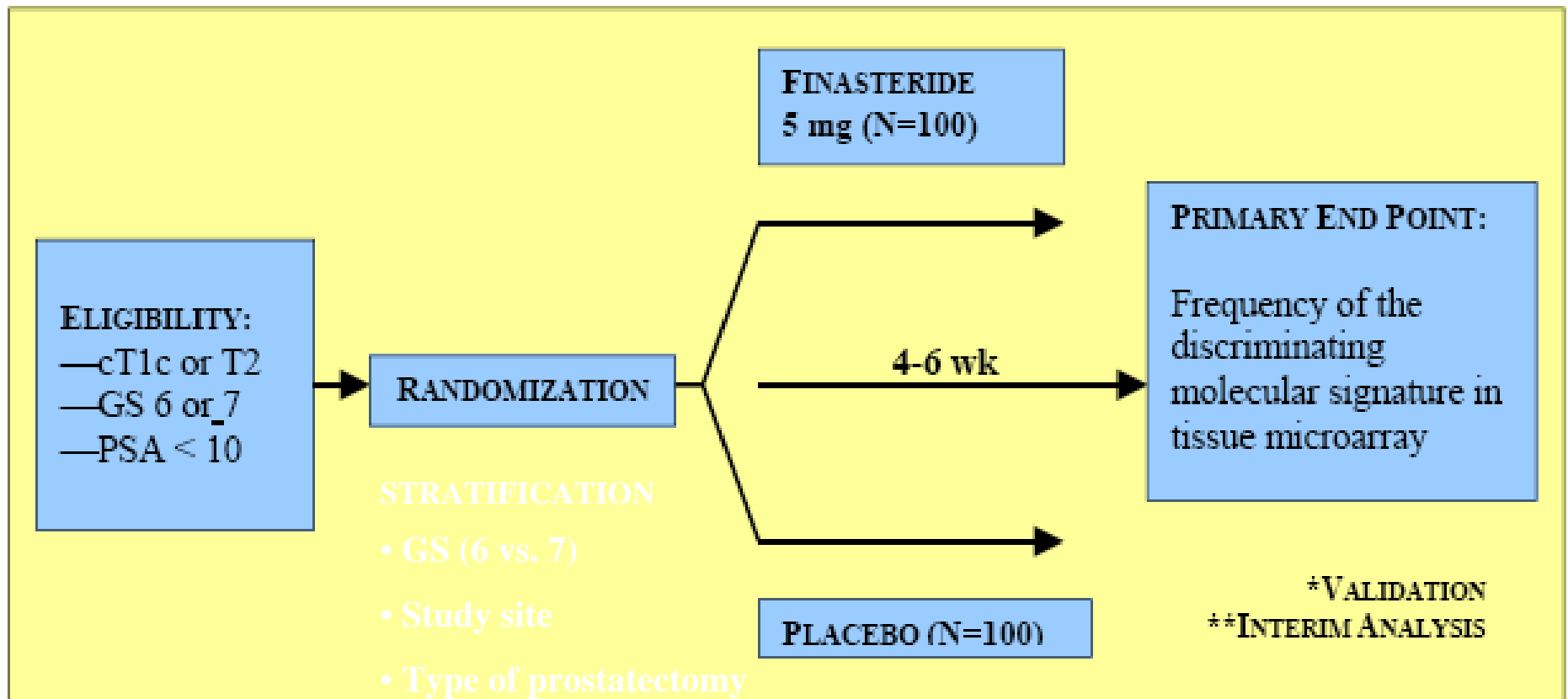
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	7	27 (90%)	3 (10%)	30				
	Total	72	3	75				
<i>p65</i>	6	32 (71%)	13 (29%)	45	6.17	.013	3.53	.06
	7	7 (23.3%)	23 (66.7%)	30				
	Total	39	36	75				
<i>p27</i>	6	21 (56.8%)	16 (43.2%)	37	1.13	.287		
	7	11 (36.7%)	19 (63.3%)	30				
	Total	32	35	67				

¹ Gleason score (GS) is response variable, and molecular marker involvement is predictor in the logistic model.

Table R5. Logistic analysis (GEE approach) based on three random values of involvement for each patient using the GENMOD procedure in SAS

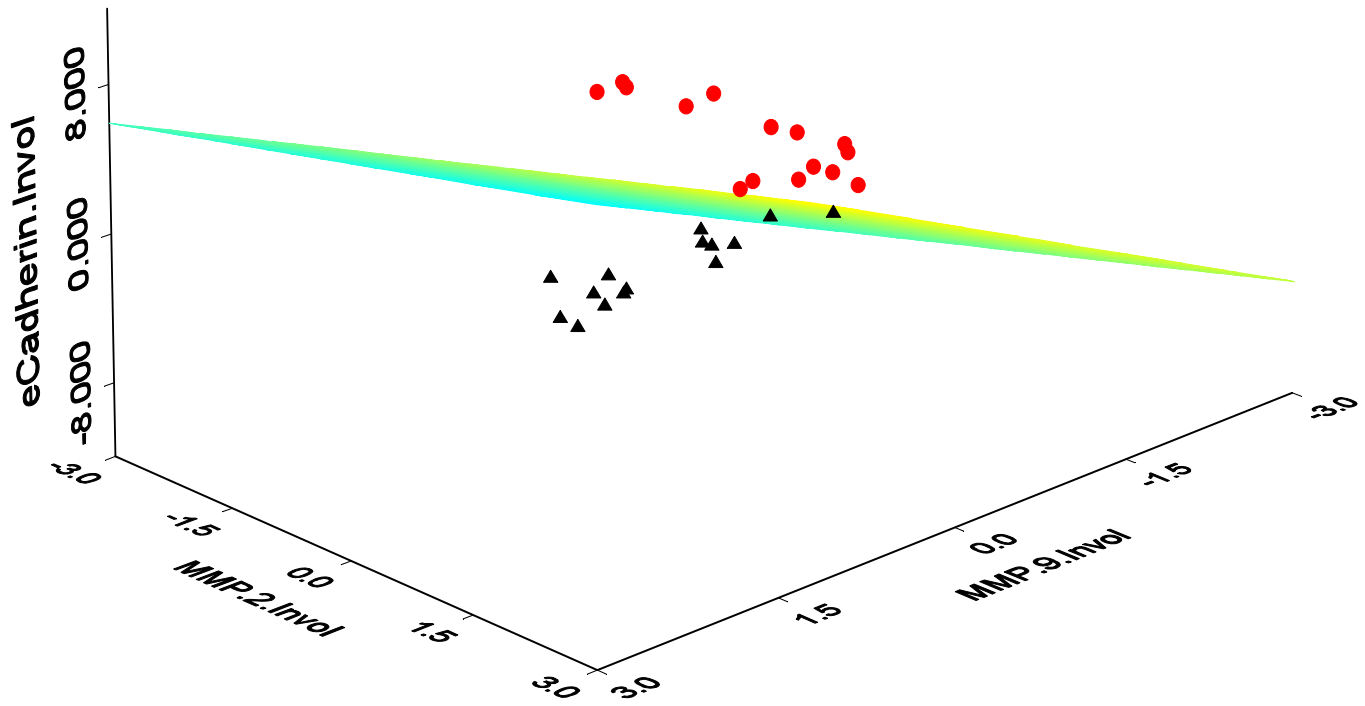
MOLECULAR MARKER	GS ¹	INVOLVEMENT		TOTAL	UNIVARIABLE MODEL BY GEE ¹		MULTIVARIABLE MODEL BY GEE ¹	
		0,1,2	3		CHI-SQUARE	P VALUE	CHI-SQUARE	P VALUE
<i>Bax</i>	6	21 (47%)	24 (53%)	45	.17	.676		
	7	10 (33%)	25 (67%)	30				
	Total	31	44	75				
<i>Bcl-2</i>	6	45 (100%)	0 (0%)	45	Not converged	N/A		
	7	27 (90%)	3 (10%)	30				
	Total	72	3	75				
<i>Bcl-XL</i>	6	1 (2.2%)	44 (97.8%)	45	Not converged	N/A		
	7	0 (0%)	30 (100%)	30				
	Total	1	74	75				
<i>Bin1</i>	6	31 (68.9%)	14 (31.1%)	45	2.56	.109		
	7	12 (40%)	18 (60%)	30				
	Total	43	32	75				
<i>FAS</i>	6	43 (95.6%)	2 (4.4%)	45	4.95	.026	3.29	.07
	7	20 (66.7%)	10 (33.3%)	30				
	Total	63	12	75				
<i>MDM2</i>	6	33 (73%)	12 (27%)	45	1.29	.255		
	7	19 (63%)	11 (37%)	30				
	Total	52	23	75				
<i>p21</i>	6	20 (44.4%)	25 (55.6%)	45	.08	.774		
	7	12 (13.3%)	18 (86.7%)	30				
	Total	32	43	75				
<i>p53</i>	6	45 (100%)	0 (0%)	45	Not converged	N/A		
	7	28 (90%)	2 (10%)	30				
	Total	73	2	75				
<i>p65</i>	6	32 (71%)	13 (29%)	45	2.09	.148	1.1	.294
	7	16 (53%)	14 (47%)	30				
	Total	48	27	75				

¹ Gleason score (GS) is the response variable, and molecular marker involvement is the predictor in the logistic model.

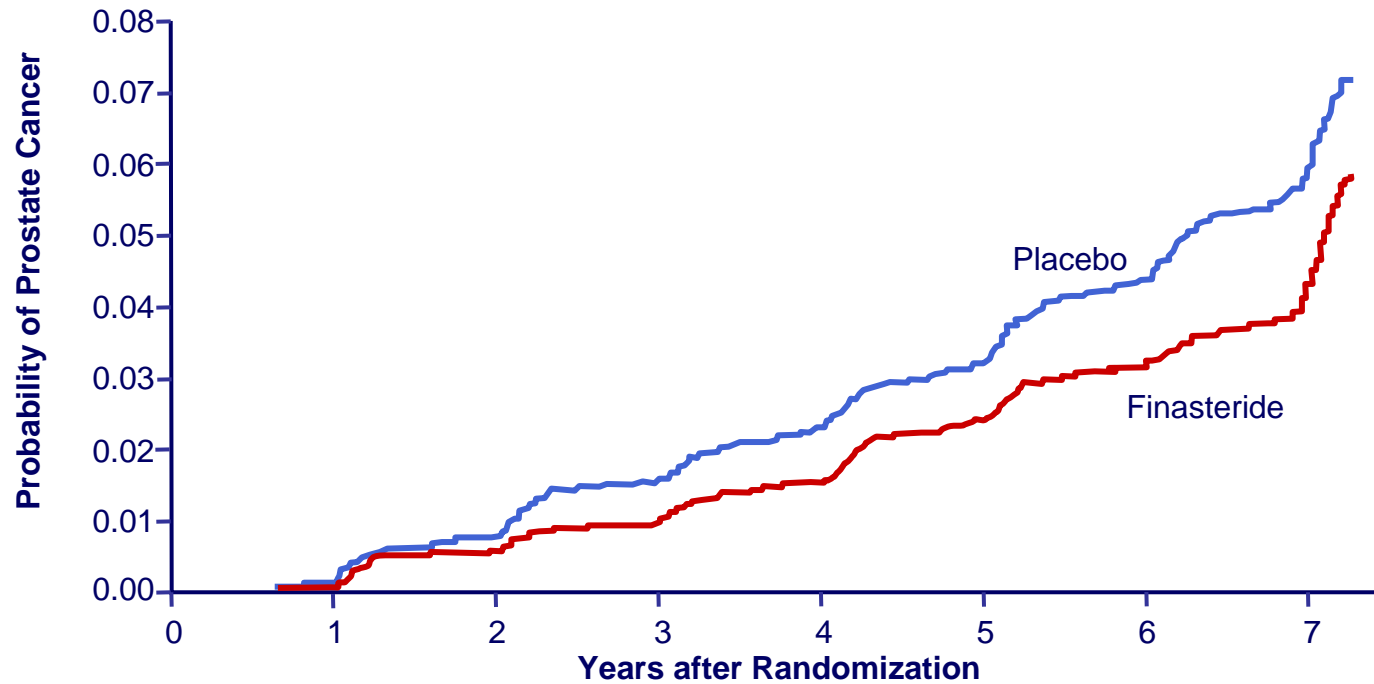


*VALIDATION (AFTER THE FIRST 52 PATIENTS [26 IN EACH TREATMENT ARM])

**INTERIM ANALYSIS (AFTER THE FIRST 100 PATIENTS [50 IN EACH TREATMENT ARM])



Prostate Cancer Prevention Trial



Placebo group

Biopsy rate (%)	3.0	2.8	2.2	2.9	2.8	2.6	7.1
Total no. of cancers diagnosed	48	71	60	80	92	96	124
No. of grade 7-10 cancers	5	6	15	35	24	24	38

Finasteride group

Biopsy rate (%)	3.3	2.0	2.1	2.5	2.1	2.2	7.0
Total no. of cancers diagnosed	42	35	39	68	78	51	122
No. of grade 7-10 cancers	11	11	17	31	28	26	64

Thompson et al., 2003

Methods I

Sixty-Four men with high risk PCa were randomized to receive either complete androgen ablation (AA) or AA and Ketoconazole, Adriamycin, Vinblastine and Estramustine (KAVE) for 16 weeks followed by radical prostatectomy (RP).

We constructed 3 Tissue Microarrays from RP specimens of:

- a) 26 patients pretreated with AA,
- b) 27 patients pretreated with AA + KAVE (CH)
- c) 26 untreated patients (Control)

Patients were matched for clinical stage, biopsy Gleason Score and PSA at diagnosis.

Preoperative Characteristics		Control	Hormonally ablated	Chemo-hormonally treated
Clinical Stage at diagnosis	T2a	9	8	7
	T2b	14	17	14
	T3	3	1	6
Biopsy Gleason Score (GS)	7	10	9	10
	At least 1 biopsy GS_≥8	16	17	17
Median PSA (ng/dl)		8	8	11
(Range)		(2.2-38.6)	(2.2-130.8)	(0.7-205)
PSA>10ng/dl		10	10	12
PSA<10ng/dl		16	16	15

Table 1: Clinical characteristics used to match RPS across groups for TMA construction

Methods II

A total of 3178 cores were obtained [median cores: 36 (range 18-90), median blocks: 5 (range 3-9) per specimen].

Immunohistochemical expression of Shh pathway components (Shh ligand, smoothed and gli2) and Androgen Receptor (AR) were assessed in the tumor epithelium and stroma.

Scoring for involvement (percentage of cells exhibiting detectable staining of the marker of interest) was performed by a 11- point system:

0:0-1%, 10: 2-10%, 20: 11-20%, 30: 21-30%, 40: 31-40%, 50: 41-50%, 60: 51-60%, 70: 61-70%, 80:71-80%, 90:81-90%, 100: 91-100%.

Statistics: A mixed-effects model was used for fitting the correlated data with regard to involvement (multiple observations from a subject), and the between and within variations were estimated from the model. Pearson's correlations between biomarkers were calculated based on mean expression.

Results (I)

- **Hedgehog signaling** in the residual tumor epithelium and adjacent stroma of samples treated with androgen ablation or the combination of AA with chemotherapy was higher than in controls.

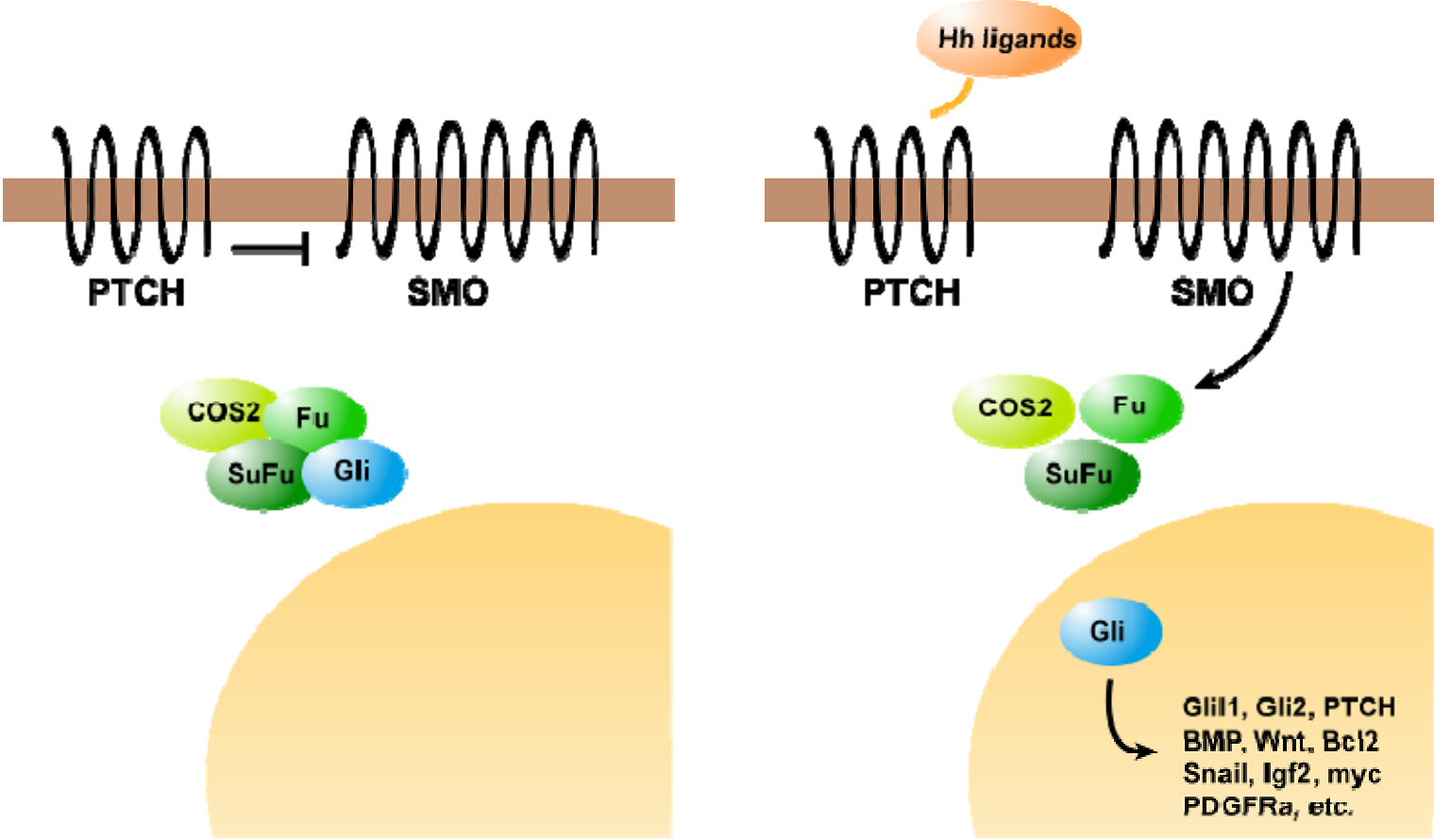
This was indicated by the difference in :

- a. the mean nuclear expression of the transcription factor gli2, considered the main downstream effector of human hedgehog signaling,
- b. the expression of the hedgehog signaling intermediate smoothed, considered the limiting factor of shh pathway activation in PCa and
- c. the ligand Sonic Hedgehog.

Future Directions

- Confirm findings in larger patient cohorts
- Elucidate the mechanism by which stromal epithelial interaction affects phenotype
- Determine if a mechanistic link between Androgen and Hedgehog signaling is a determinant of therapy response

Overview of Hedgehog Signaling (II)



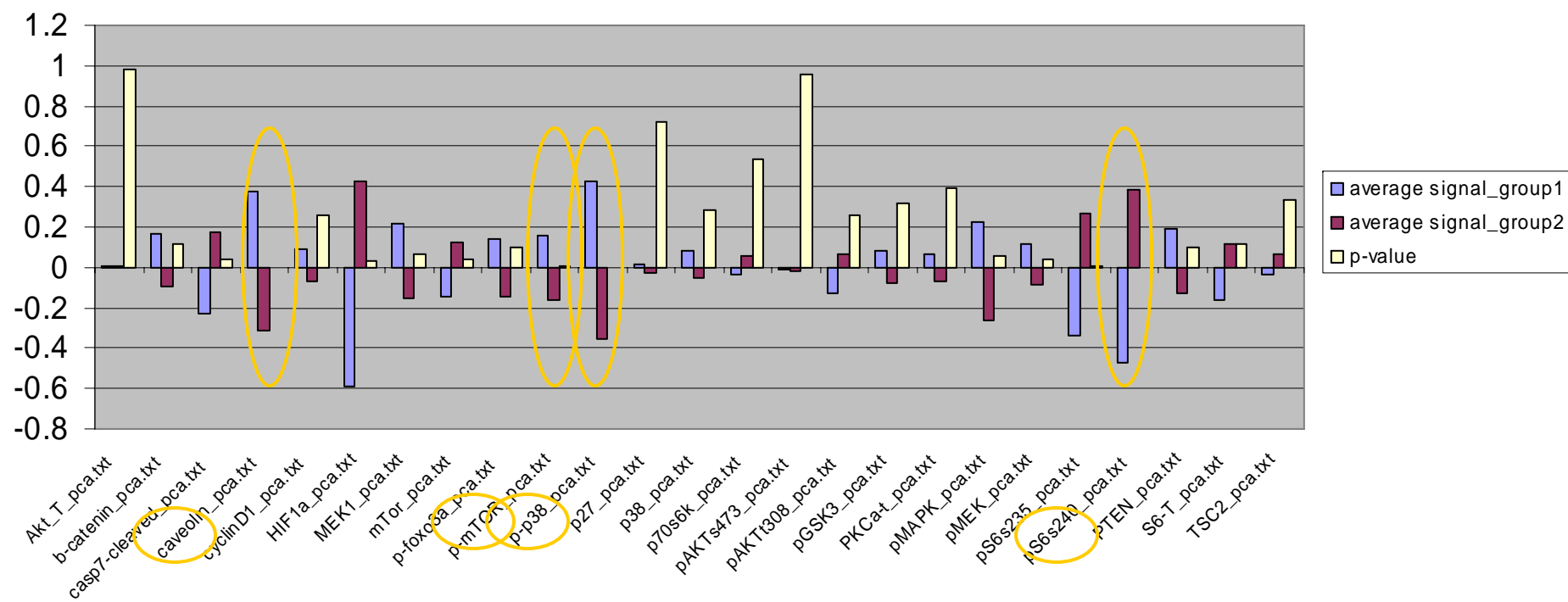
Inactive Signaling

Active Signaling

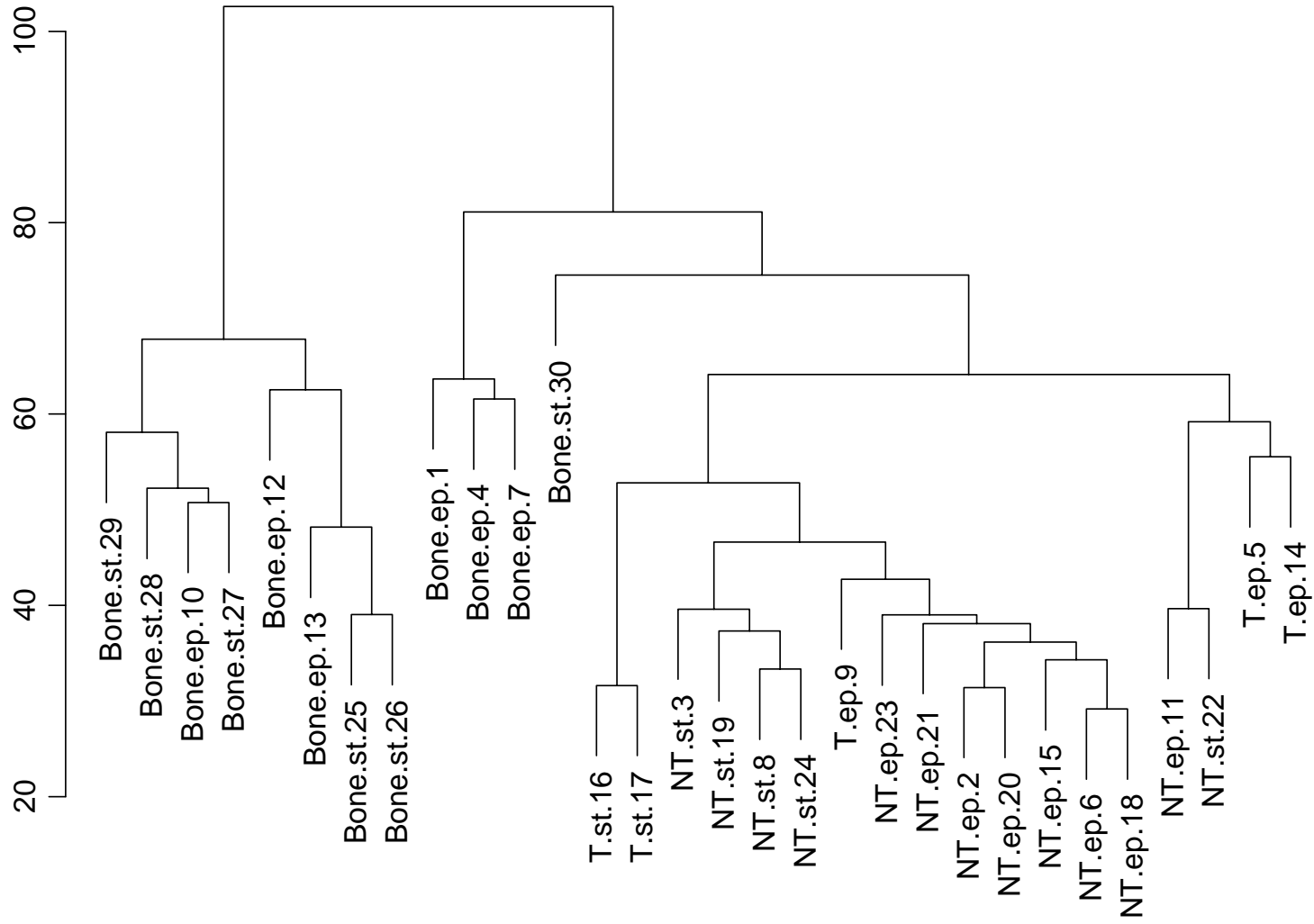
Implications for Hedgehog – Androgen Signaling Associations in Prostate Development/Regeneration

- *Shh* mutant fetuses display abnormal urogenital development and fail to form prostate buds. This prostate defect can be rescued by explant culture in the presence of androgens, and administration of dihydrotestosterone (DHT) to pregnant mice
- Hh pathway blockade blocks epithelial regeneration in androgen –ablated rodent ventral prostate upon androgen supplementation

Group1 vs Group2



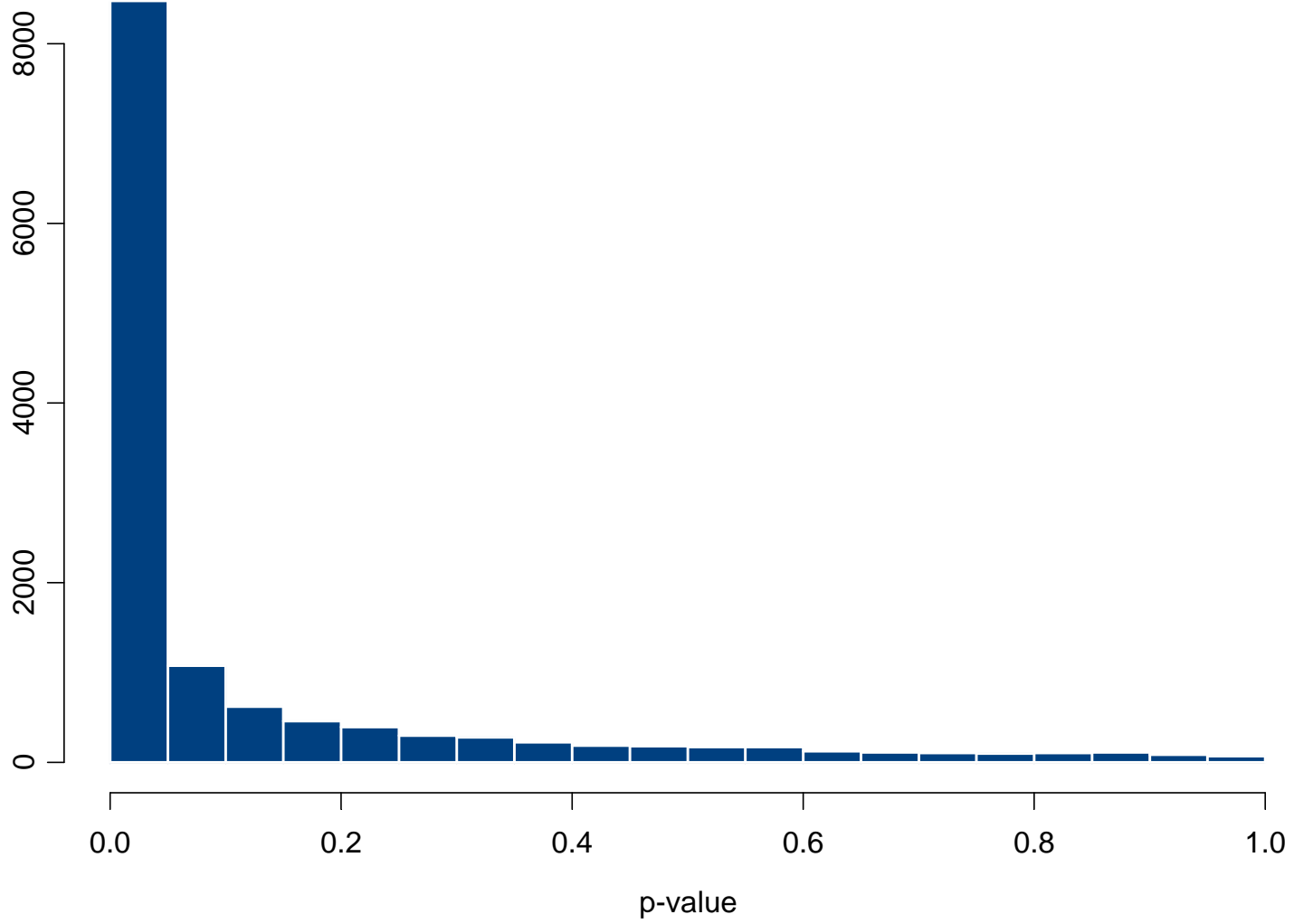
Hierarchical clustering based on all genes (n=13346)



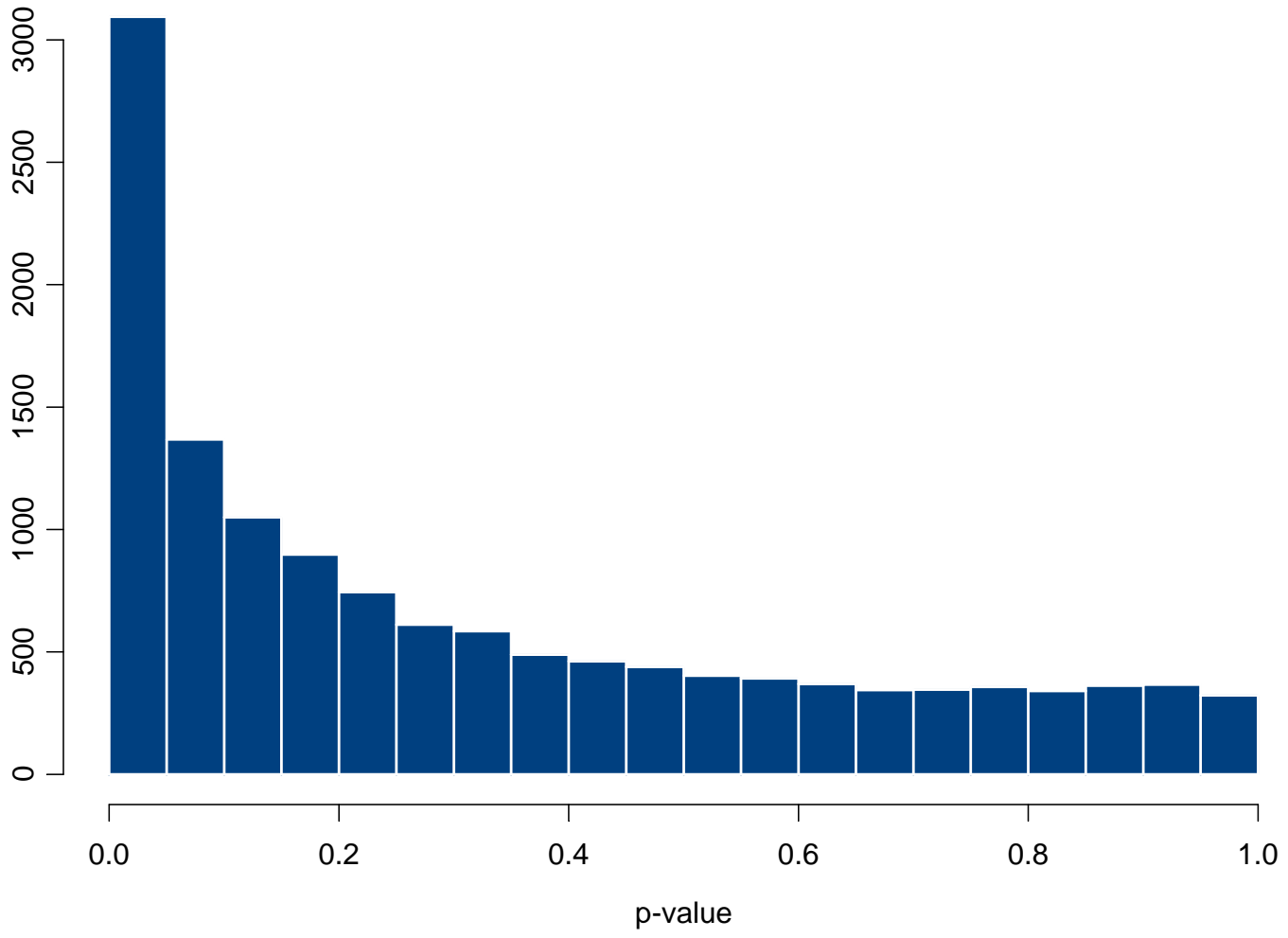
FDR table for Bone analysis (mixed model)

Bone vs Tumor/Non-Tumor	FDR	p-value	number of genes
	0.01	0.021	7169
	0.001	0.001	3413
	0.0001	0.00006	1077
	0.00001	<0.00001	167
Eps vs stroma			
	0.05	0.012	1451
	0.01	0.0005	262
	0.001	<0.00001	14

Bone vs Tumor/NonTumor



Stroma vs Epth.



Pre-Operative High Risk Prostate Cancer Protocols



Preoperative Protocols	Years	RXPX	ACCRUAL	EXPECTED
KAVE & Horm.abl.*	97-98	30	33	30
p53*	98-99	26	29	30
TNP*	98-00	24	27	27
KAVE vs Horm. abl.*	99-03	58	64	64
Thalidomide*	01-02	15	18	40
Docetaxel & Imatinib, & Horm. Abl.*	03-05	37	37	36
CCI-779 (UTMDACC & UCLA)	04-05	18	18	40
Total		208	226	267

* Completed

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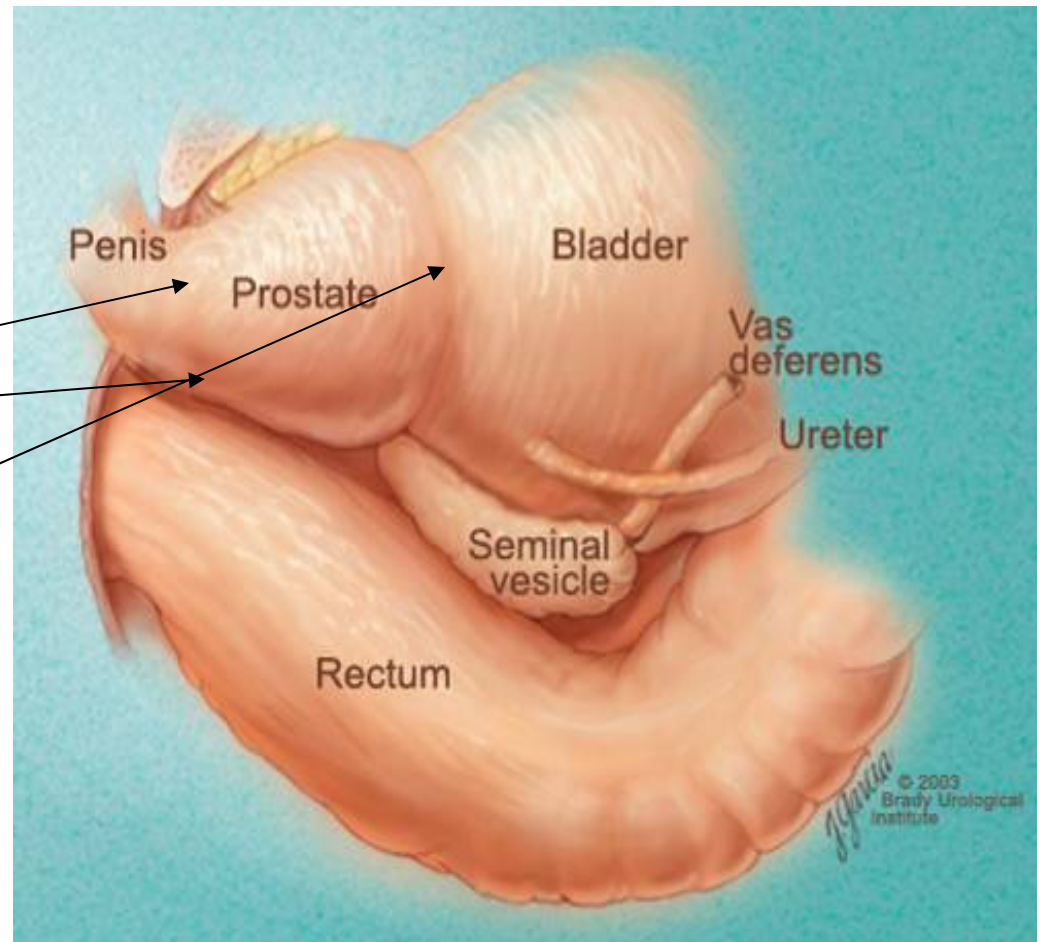
Laparoscopic Radical Prostatectomy (LRP) or Robotic-Assisted Laparoscopic Prostatectomy (RALP)

- Techniques employ multiple port access to the surgical field
- Dissection is antegrade—starts at the bladder neck, then pedicles, then urethra
- Pneumoperitoneum with 15 mmHg CO₂ required
- *Typically entire case finished before organ extracted to maintain pneumoperitoneum*



Tissue Ischemia and Laparoscopy: Potentially increased time compared to open

- Open RP: organ immediately available to place on ice
- Retrograde dissection starts with the urethra, then pedicles and ends with the bladder neck
- ? Differential ischemia > at apex than base

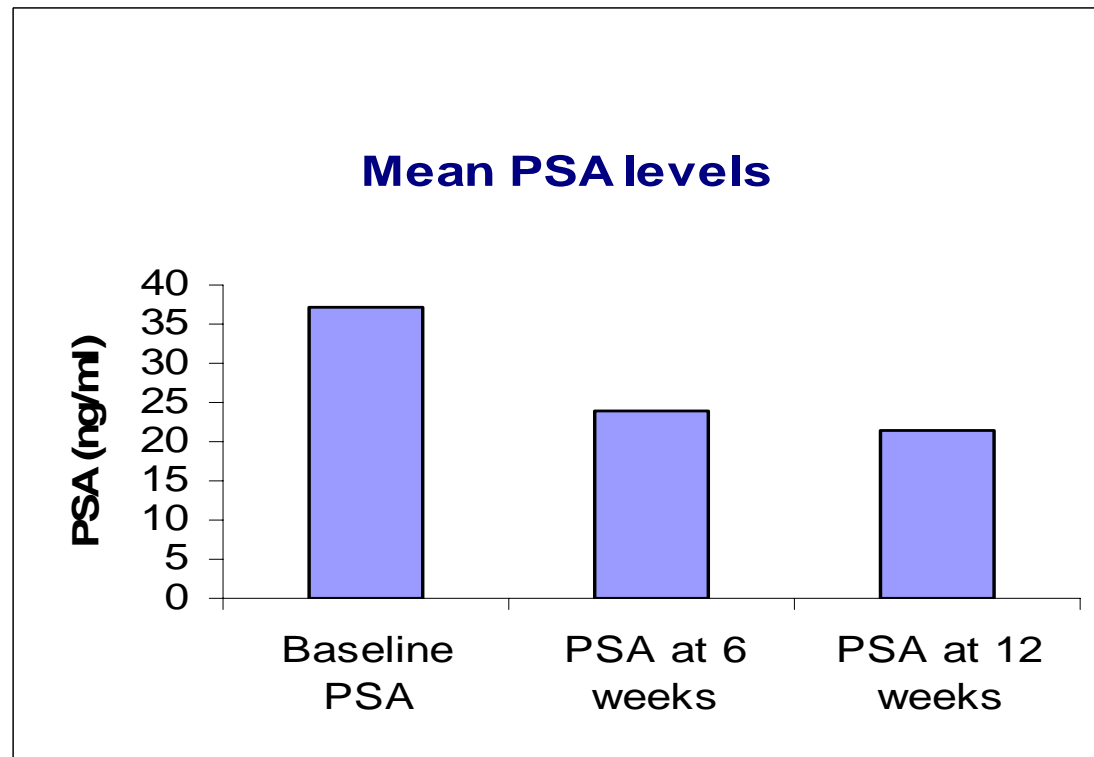


Study Design

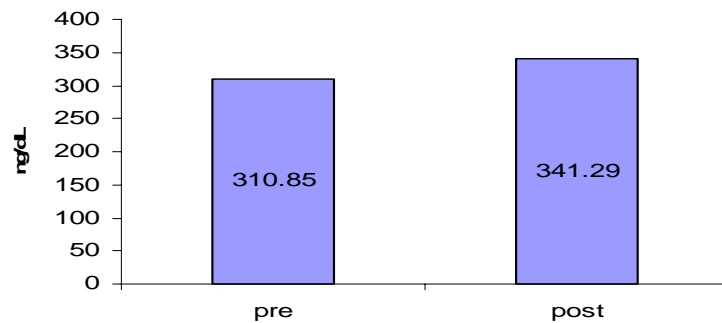


Thalidomide (600 mg daily)

Change in PSA Levels



Median Testosterone levels



PSA drop > 50% = 33%
Median PSA reduction at 6 weeks 38.28%
Median PSA reduction at 12weeks 41.82%
No effect on testosterone

Materials/Methods

- Tissue microarrays of **15 treated cancer & 15 matched controls**: Median cores per case 30
- Protein expression by IHC
- Statistical Analysis: 3 methods on raw data (hierarchical clustering, standard t-test, mixed model incorporating sample variation)