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Small cell carcinoma genomics

A convergent but distinct pathogenesis

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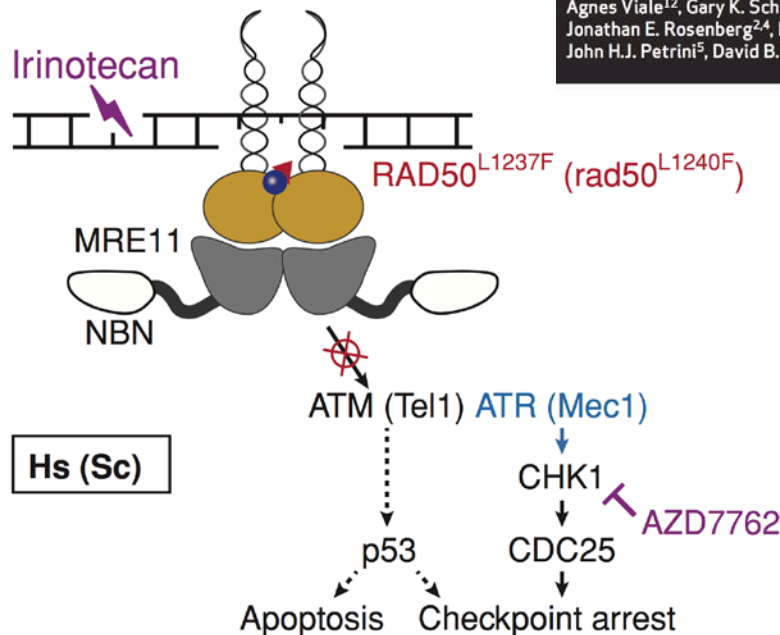
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Small cell genomics by way of exceptional responders

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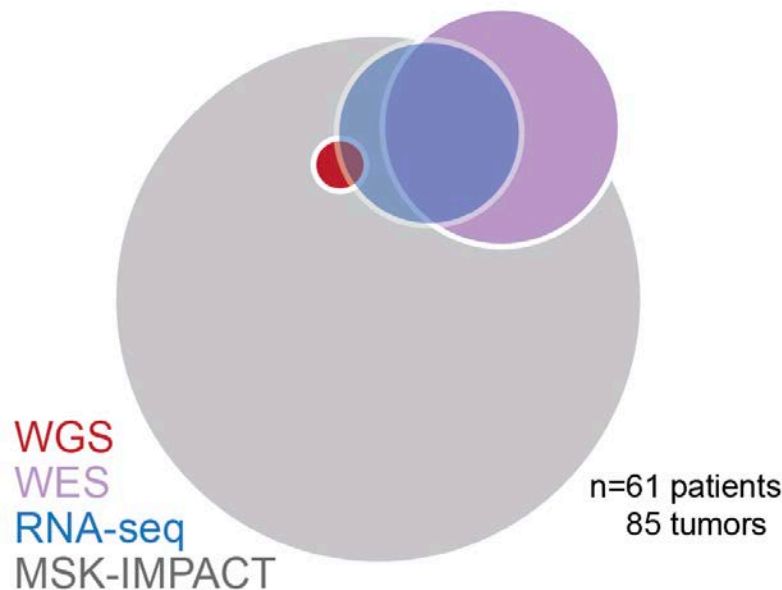
Synthetic Lethality in ATM-Deficient *RAD50*-Mutant Tumors Underlies Outlier Response to Cancer Therapy

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Bladder, cell lineage, or organ-specific differences?

Multi-modality sequencing of a rare histology



Mix of frozen and FFPE, primary untreated and post-treatment disease, patients with multi-histology disease or matched primary and metastatic specimen pairs

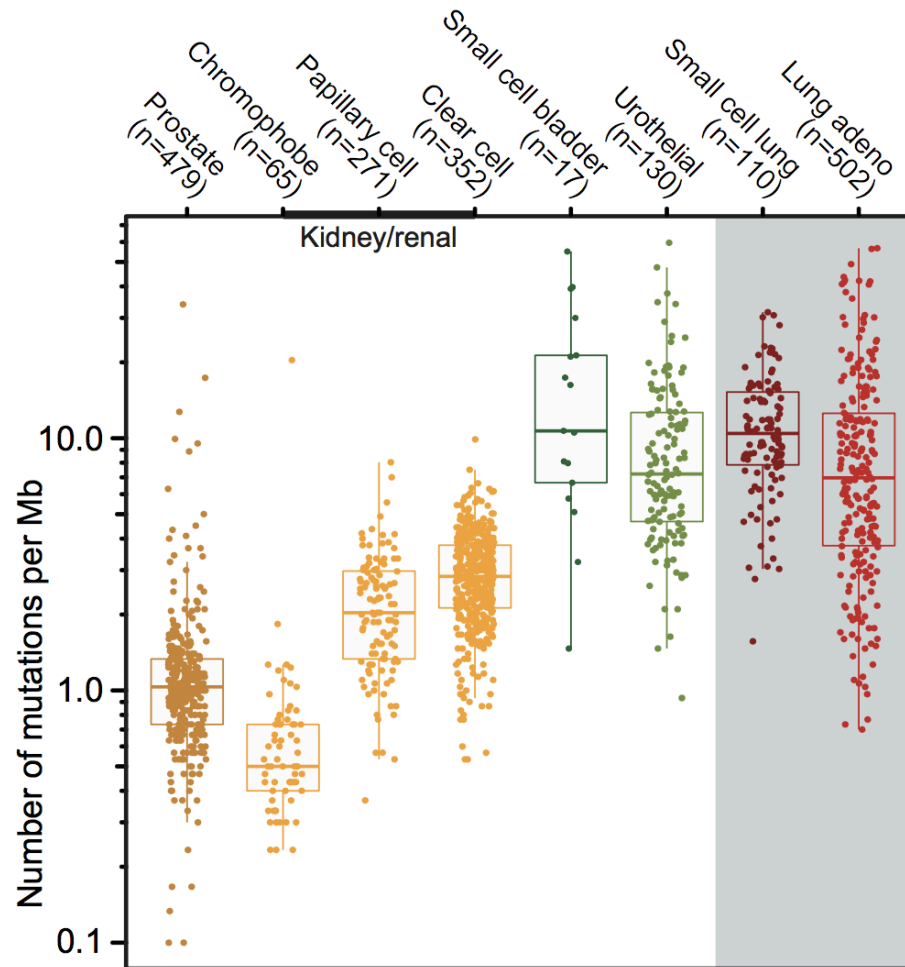
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500 retrospectively sequenced bladder and SCLC tumors for comparative analysis

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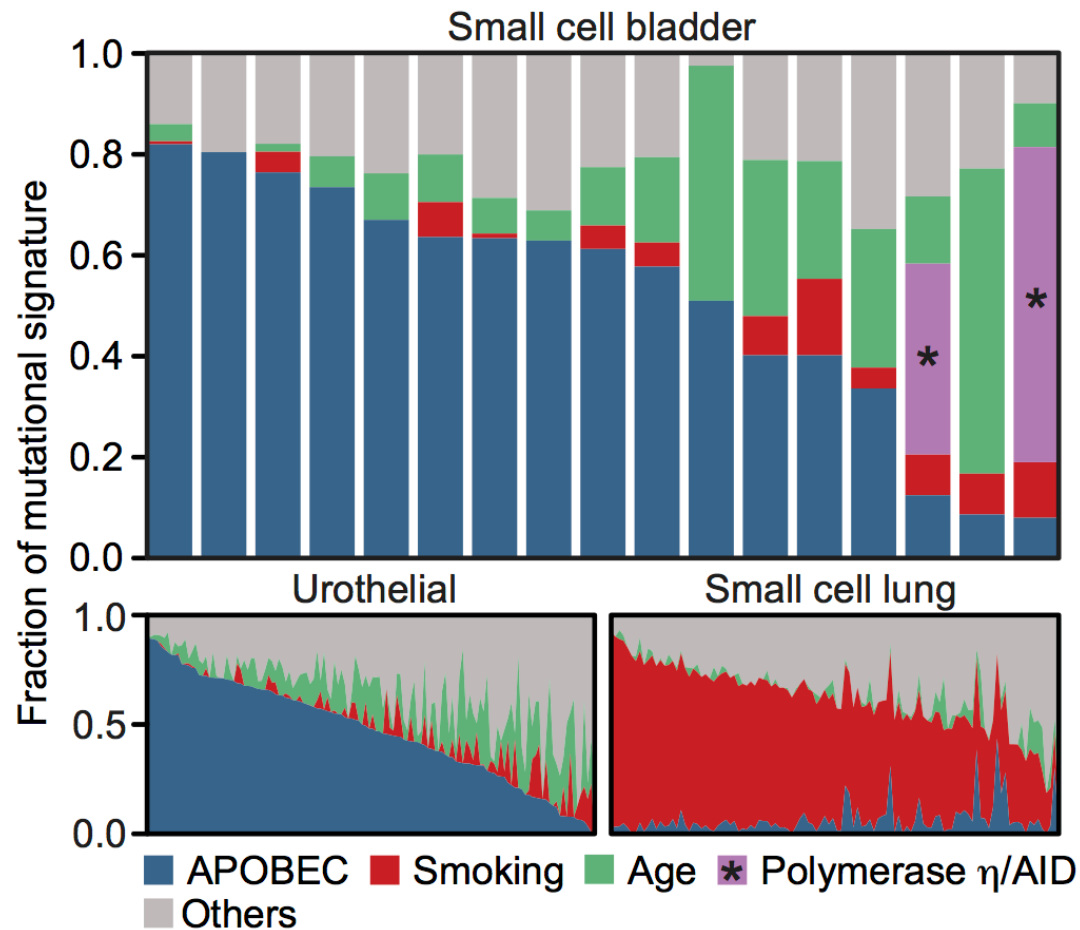
High somatic mutational burden

A consistent story emerging...



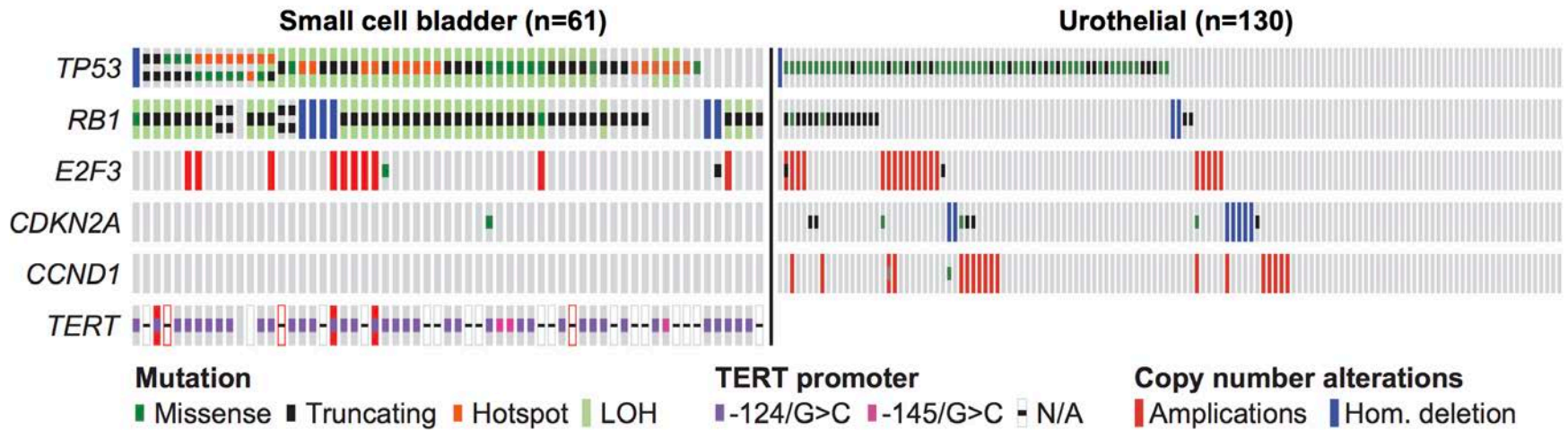
APOBEC-driven

And not tobacco-associated mutagenesis



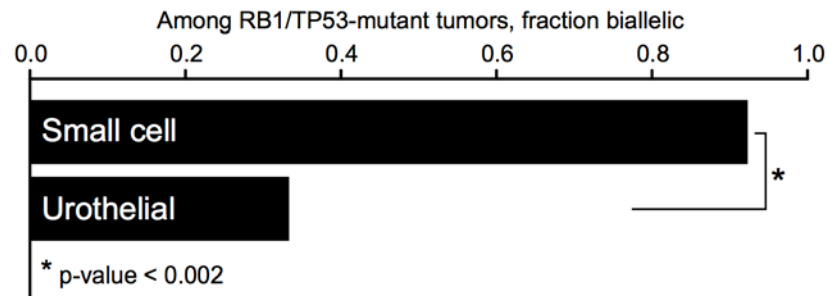
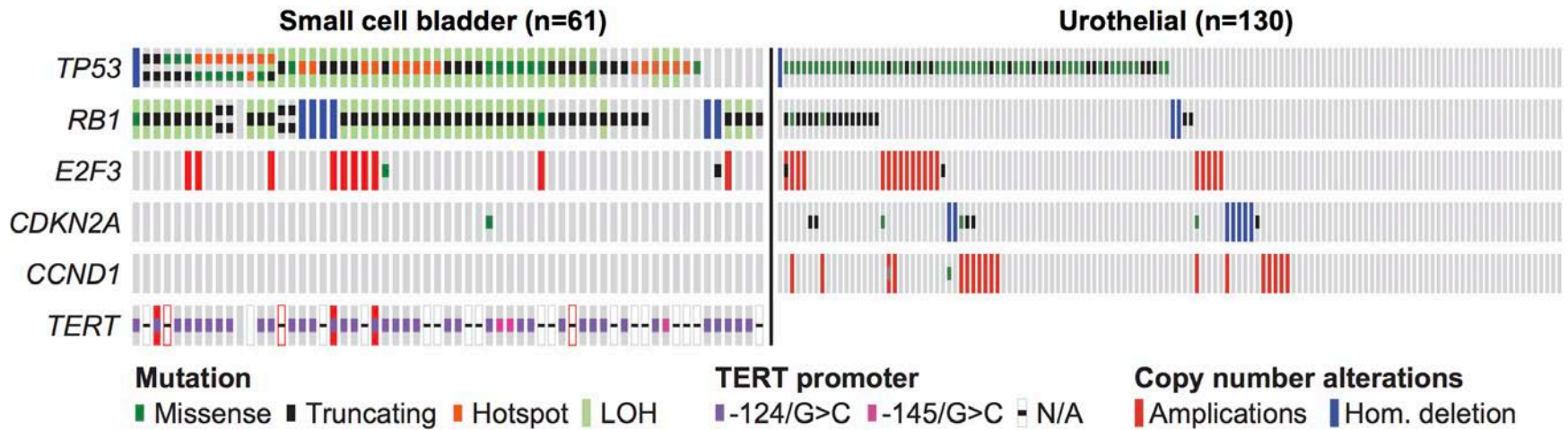
Pattern and frequency of key lesions

Obligate *TP53*, *RB1*, *TERT*



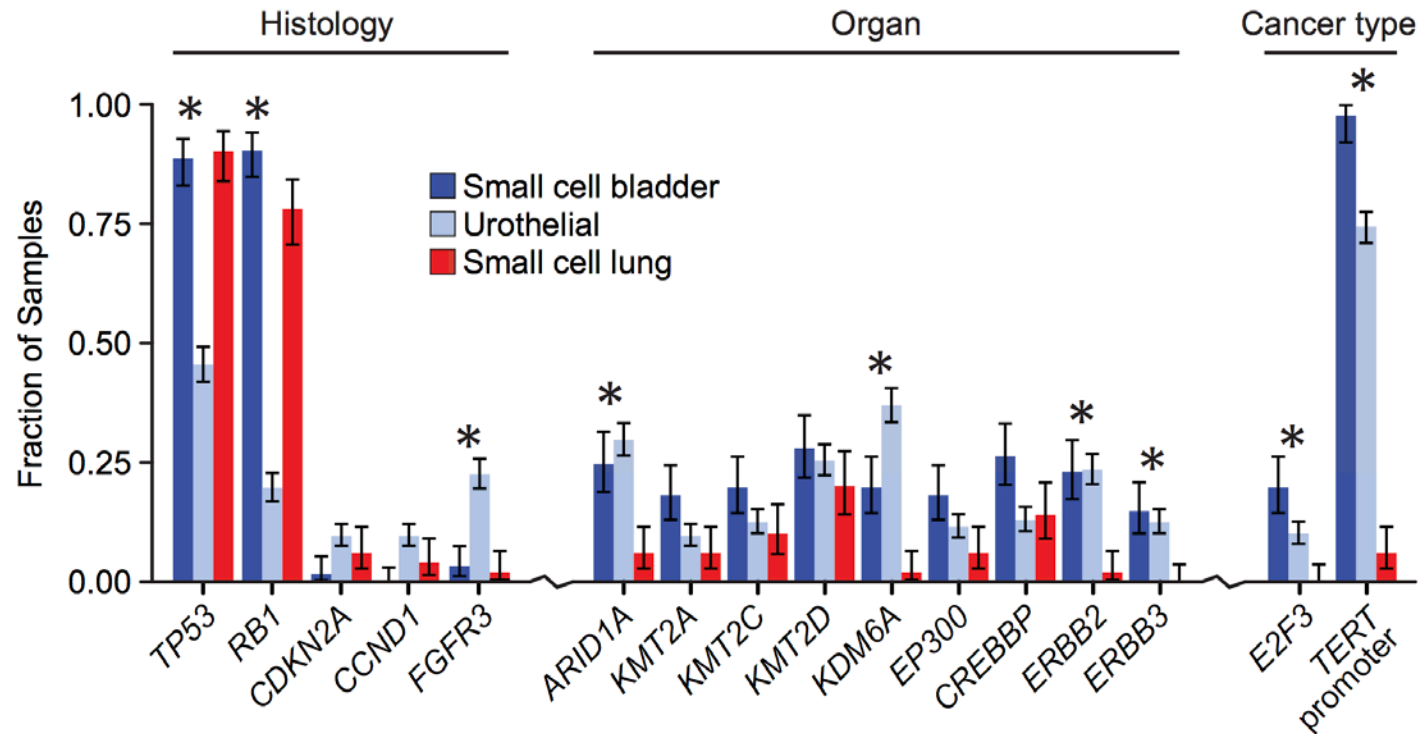
Not absent but rare in urothelial

TP53+RB1



Different differences

Histology, organ, and cancer type

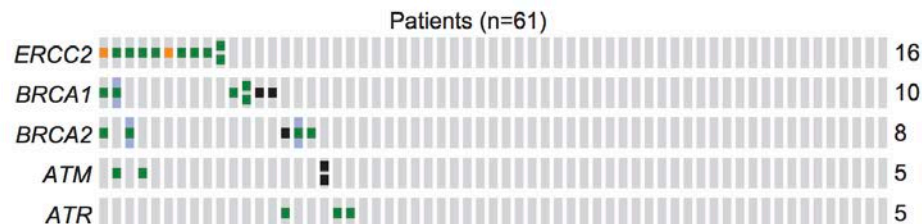
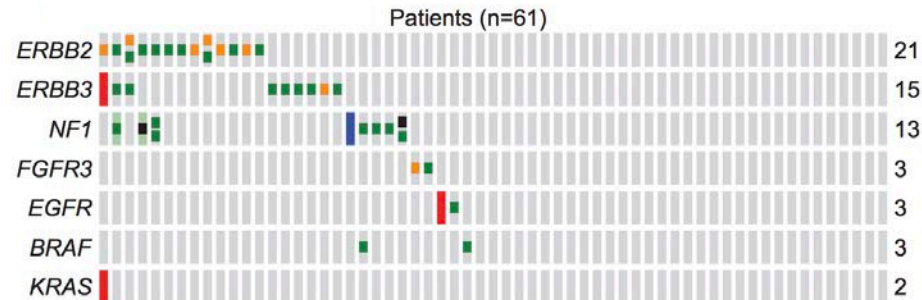


Potential therapeutic significance

46% of patients

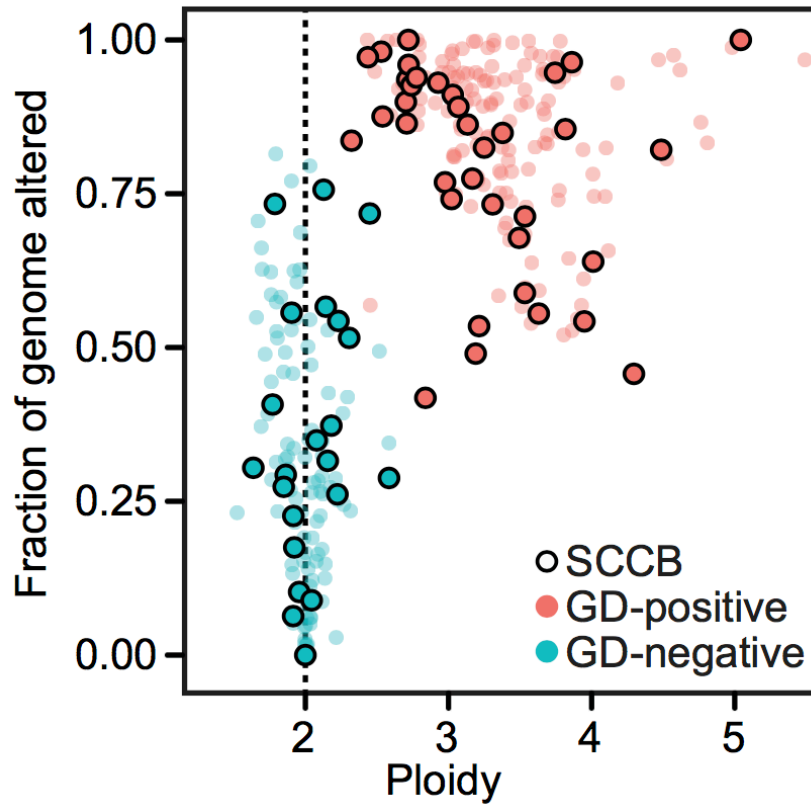


■ Missense Mutation ■ Amplification ■ Heterozygous loss
■ Truncating Mutation ■ Copy-neutral LOH ■ Homozygous deletion
■ Hotspot



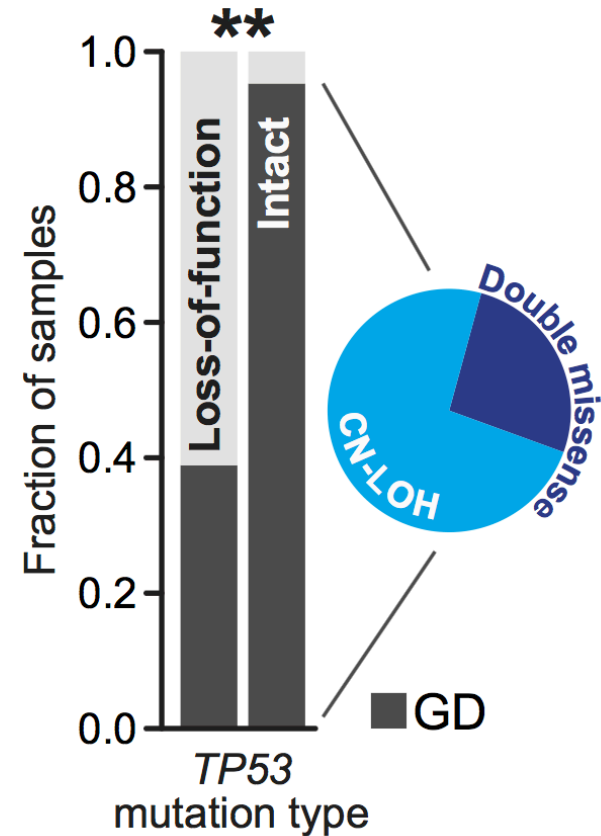
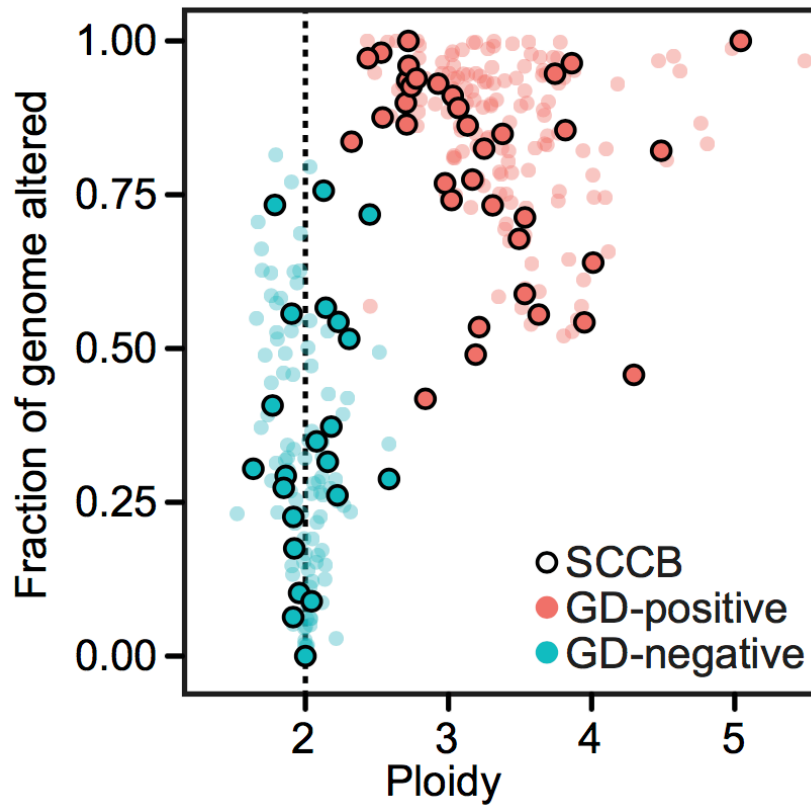
High CNA burden was common

Driven by whole-genome doubling



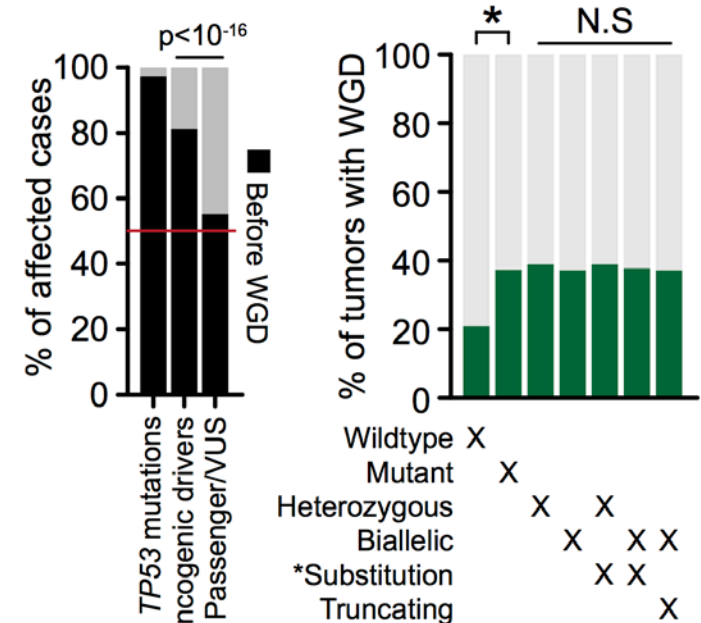
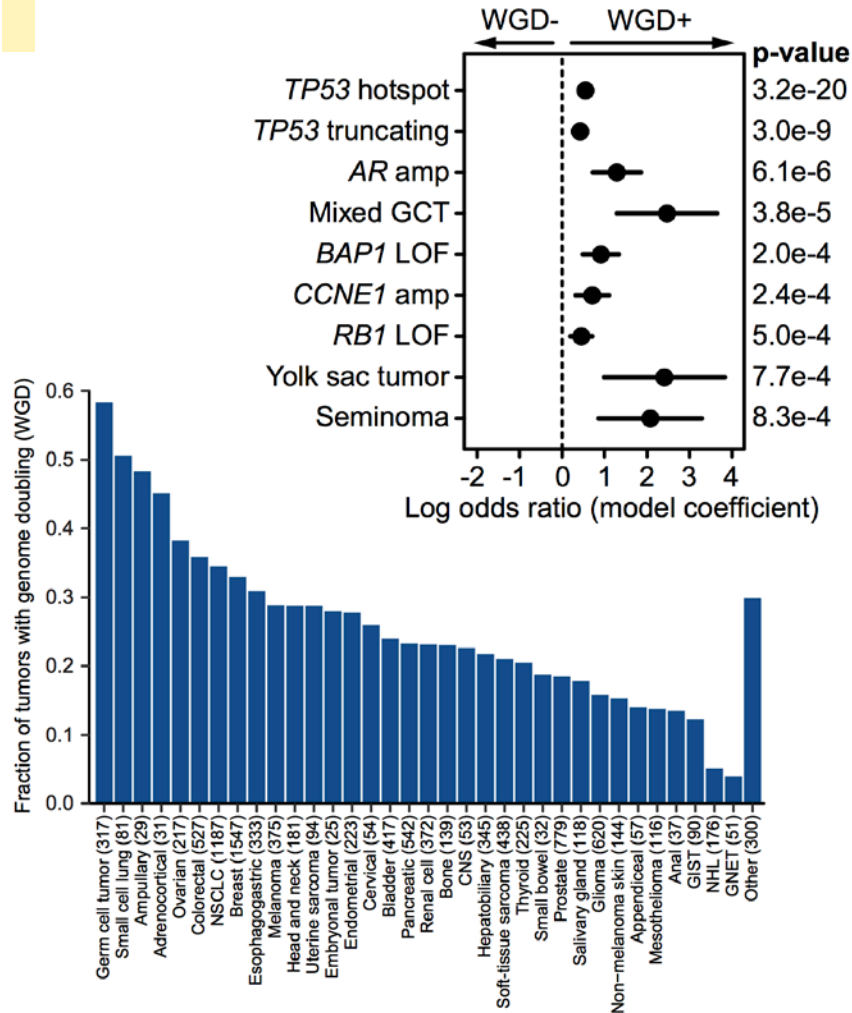
WGD+ and biallelic missense TP53

Here, but not pan-cancer...



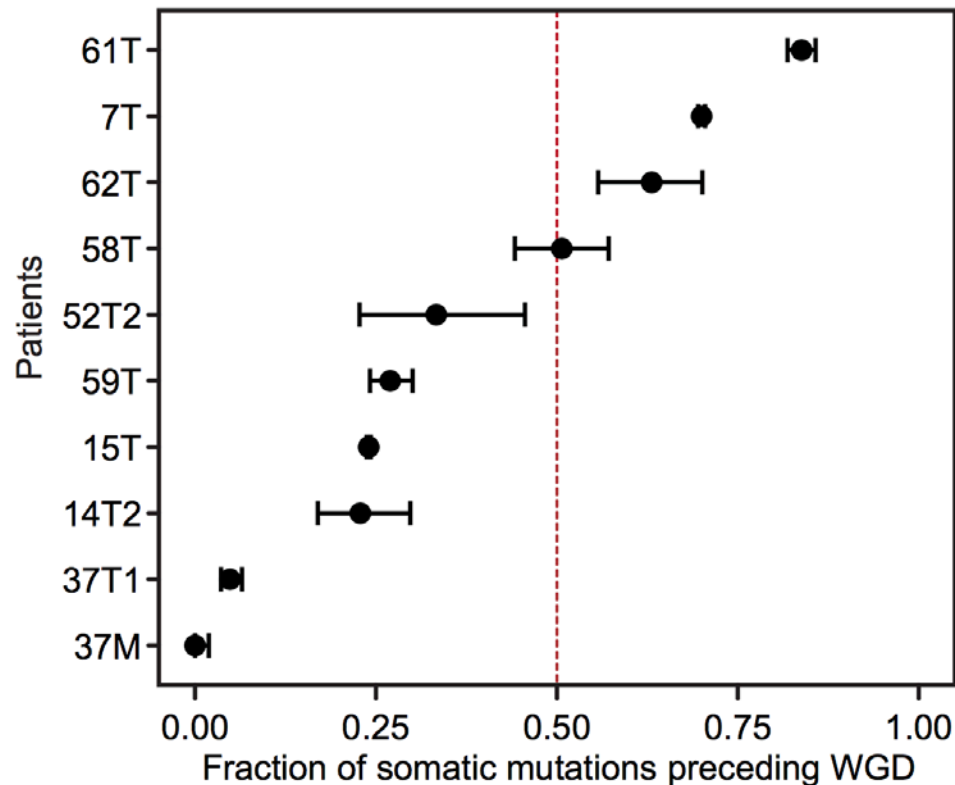
WGD pan-cancer, a digression

Common, but 46% of WGD in cancer arise in TP53-wildtype tumors



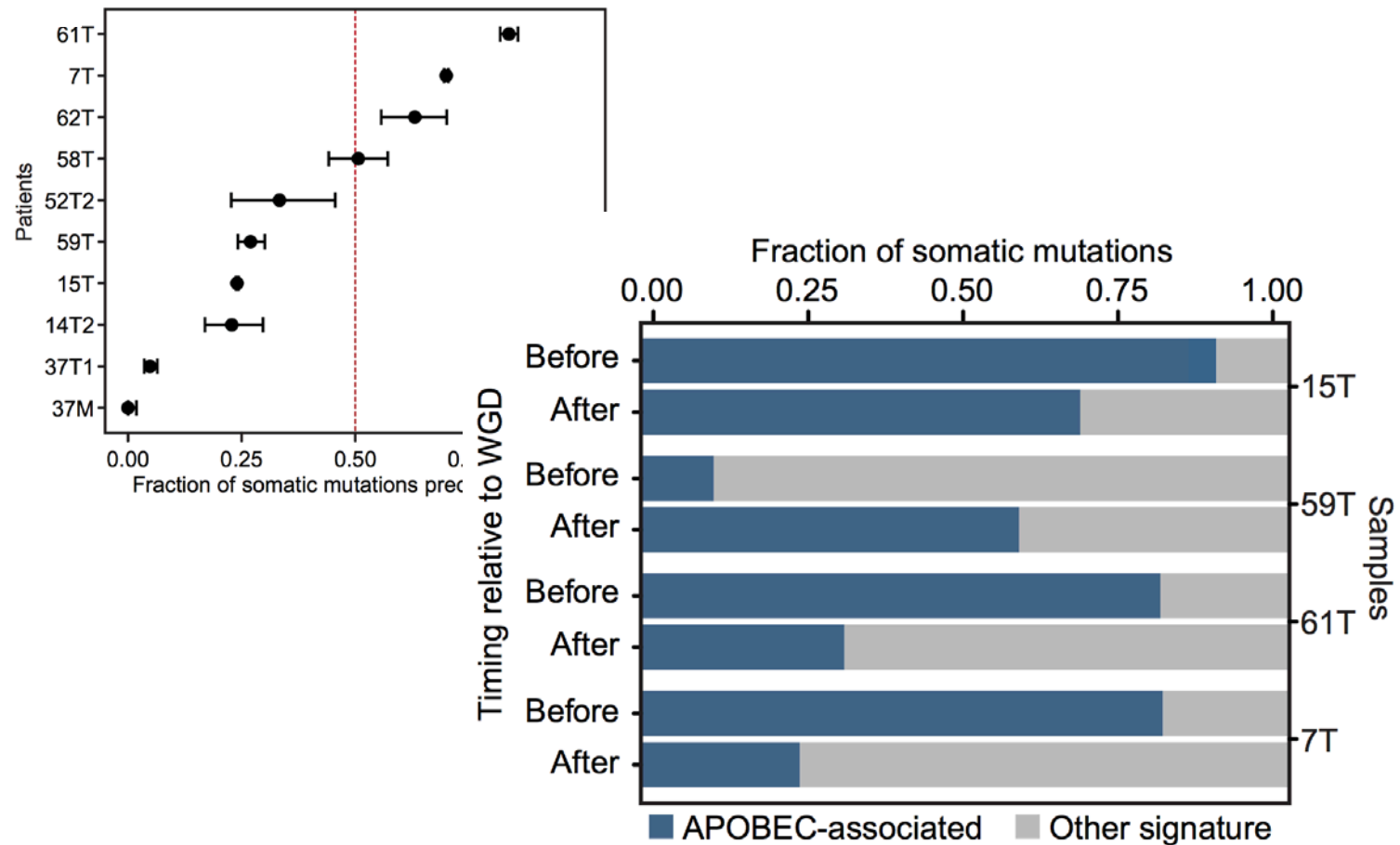
Timing of WGD can vary

Rather than absolute timing, relative to somatic mutations...



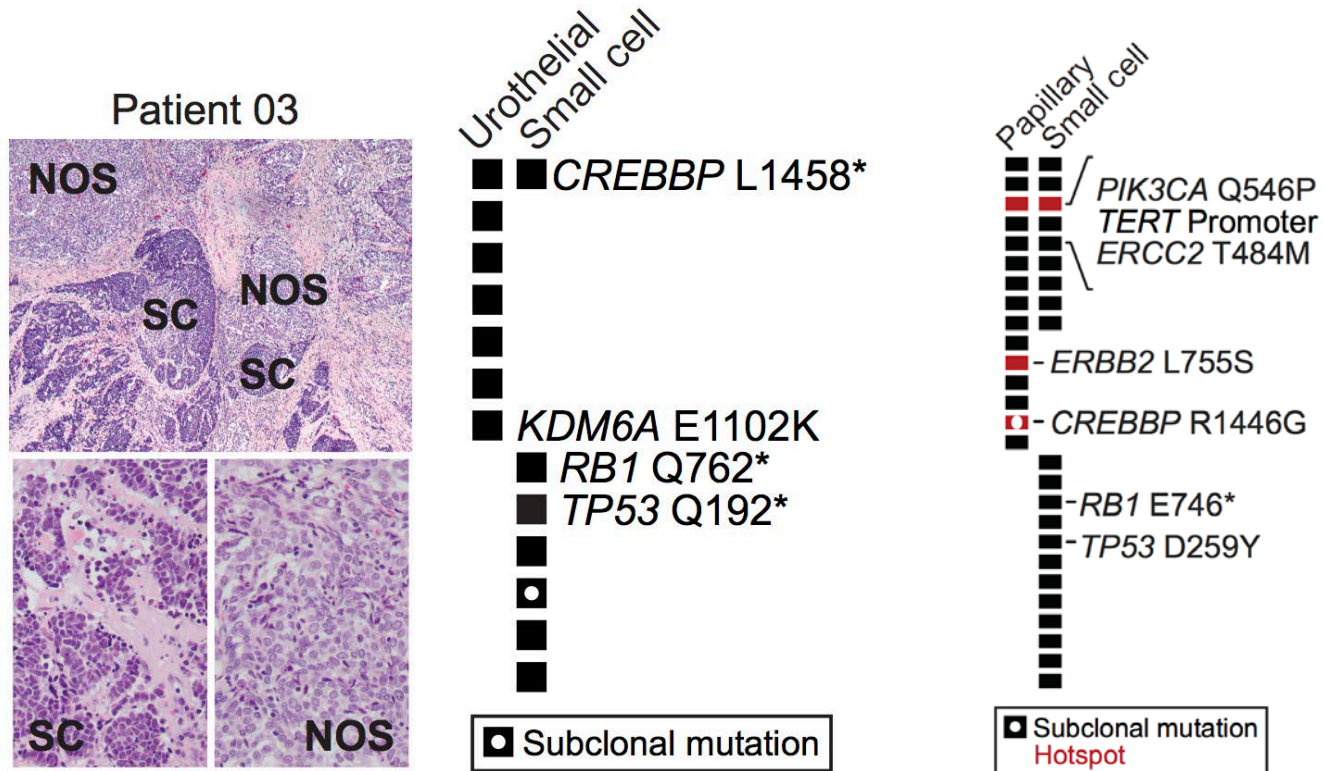
Waxing and waning APOBEC

Before or after WGD



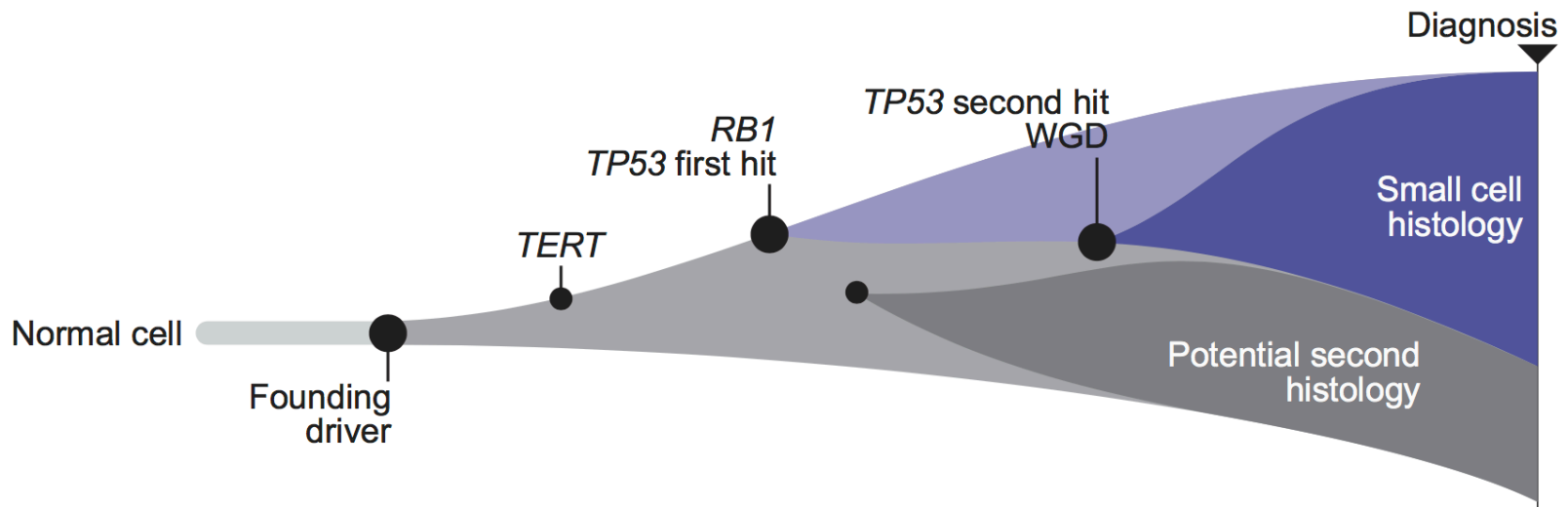
Mixed histology tumors

Branching evolution, RB1 and TP53 are histology-specific and come after a founding driver



Obligate, but not the founder?

Something else initially transforms and leads to clonal outgrowth?





Conclusions

- Small cell carcinomas of the bladder and lung have a convergent but distinct pathogenesis.
- Obligate likely early-arising lesions in *RB1* and *TP53*
 - Necessary but alone insufficient to drive small cell differentiation
- A founding driver along with other truncal driver mutations can precede histology-specific lesions in *RB1* and *TP53*.
 - Small cell and urothelial bladder cancers have a shared cellular origin where the former represents de-differentiation from UC
- Overall, aside from *RB1* and *TP53* alterations, genomic alterations present in SCCB more closely resemble UC than small cell lung cancers, indicating that most alterations contribute to oncogenesis in an organ-specific manner rather than cell type-specific manner.



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