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Yu-Ching Teng, Cheng-Feng Lee, Ying-Shinaan Li, Yi-Ren Chen, Pei-Wen Hsiao, Meng-Yu Chan, Feng-Mao Lin, Hsien-Da Huang, Yen-Ting Chen, Yung-Ming Jeng, Chih-Hung Hsu, Qin Yan, Ming-Daw Tsai, and Li-Jung Juan

Precise: Findings establish an oncogenic function in lungs for an Rb binding protein that modifies chromatin, with implications for malignant progression in this tissue.

Proteomic and Lipidomic Signatures of Lipid Metabolism in NASH-Associated Hepatocellular Carcinoma
Kyle Muir, Antonious Hazim, Ying He, Marion Peyressatre, Do-Young Kim, Xiaoling Song, and Laura Beretta

Precise: This study reveals a role for lipid-modifying enzymes in liver cancer, identifying in particular a specific type of long-chain polyunsaturated fatty acid participating in nonalcoholic steatohepatitis and liver cancer risk.

Posttranscriptional Regulation of PER1 Underlies the Oncogenic Function of IRE1γ

Precise: Circadian rhythms that may affect chemotherapeutic efficacy are linked here for the first time to the unfolded protein response, a signaling pathway widely activated in cancer that plays an important role in tumor aggressiveness.

Peroxiredoxin-2 Represses Melanoma Metastasis by Increasing E-Cadherin/β-Catenin Complexes in Adherens Junctions
Doo Jae Lee, Dong Hoon Kang, Mina Choi, Yang Ji Choi, Joo Young Lee, Joo Hyun Park, Yoon Jung Park, Kyung Wha Lee, and Sang Won Kang

Precise: In discovering a specific antioxidant enzyme that can repress melanoma metastasis, this study also suggests a tractable new direction to treat this deadly disease.

TR3 Modulates Platinum Resistance in Ovarian Cancer
Andrew J. Wilson, Annie Y. Liu, Joseph Roland, Oluwafunmilayo B. Adebayo, Sarah A. Fletcher, James C. Slaughter, Jeanette Saskowski, Marta A. Crispens, Howard W. Jones III, Samuel James, Oluwole Fadare, and Dineo Khabele

Precise: There remains great interest in determining general strategies to overcome resistance to platinum compounds that are used very widely to treat cancer, including ovarian cancer.

MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR PATHOBIOLOGY
**Genetic Ablation of the Fatty Acid-Binding Protein FABP5 Suppresses HER2-Induced Mammary Tumorigenesis**

Liraz Levi, Glenn Lobo, Mary Kathryn Doud, Johannes von Lintig, Darcie Seachrist, Gregory P. Tochtrop, and Noa Noy

**Precise:** A protein that delivers fatty acids to the transcription factor PPARG is critical for mammary tumor development, rationalizing the development of FABP5 inhibitors to prevent or treat breast cancer.

**PanIN-Specific Regulation of Wnt Signaling by HIF2α during Early Pancreatic Tumorigenesis**

Angela Criscimanna, Li-Juan Duan, Julie A. Rhodes, Volker Hendrich, Emily Wickline, Douglas J. Hartman, Satdarshan P.S. Monga, Michael T. Lotze, George K. Gittes, Guo-Hua Fong, and Farzad Esni

**Precise:** This study identifies root signaling connections between hypoxia control and the Wnt and Smad pathways in early development of pancreatic cancer.

**Enhanced Radiation Sensitivity in HPV-Positive Head and Neck Cancer**


**Precise:** Activation of residual p53 in HPV+ head and neck cancers may explain why this type of disease has a relatively better outcome in patients.

**Pathway-Based Serum microRNA Profiling and Survival in Patients with Advanced Stage Non–Small Cell Lung Cancer**

Yan Wang, Jian Gu, Jack A. Roth, Michelle A.T. Hildebrandt, Scott M. Lippman, Yuanqing Ye, John D. Minna, and Xifeng Wu

**Precise:** Accumulating evidence argues that microRNA signatures derived from blood serum may offer simple quantitative tools for clinical prognosis and therapeutic development in many settings.

**A 20-Year Prospective Study of Plasma Prolactin as a Risk Marker of Breast Cancer Development**

Shelley S. Tworoger, A. Heather Eliassen, Xuehong Zhang, Jing Qian, Patrick M. Slass, Bernard A. Rosner, and Susan E. Hankinson

**Precise:** Elevated levels of plasma prolactin are associated with an increased risk of breast cancer, but only for 10 years after assessment of this risk marker, supporting a role for prolactin at later stages in breast carcinogenesis.
LIN28 Expression in Malignant Germ Cell Tumors Downregulates let-7 and Increases Oncogene Levels

Precis: This study defines a common oncogenic pathway in malignant germ cell tumors (GCT) and offers preclinical initial proof of concept for its targeting potential in this setting.

A Renewable Tissue Resource of Phenotypically Stable, Biologically and Ethnically Diverse, Patient-Derived Human Breast Cancer Xenograft Models
Xiaomei Zhang, Sofie Claerhout, Aleix Pratt, Lacey E. Dobrolecki, Ivana Petrovic, Qing Lai, Melissa D. Landis, Lisa Wiechmann, Rachel Schiff, Mario Giuliano, Helen Wong, Suzanne W. Fuqua, Alejandro Contreras, Carolina Gutierrez, Jian Huang, Sufeng Mao, Anne C. Pavlick, Anna Tsimelzon, Susan G. Hilsenbeck, Edward S. Chen, Pavel Zuloaga, Chad A. Shaw, Jin Meng-Fen Wu, Charles M. Perou, and Michael T. Lewis

Precis: This well-characterized collection of human breast cancer xenografts will serve as a foundation for conduct of “animal clinical trials” to evaluate experimental therapeutics, as well as a resource for mechanistic studies of treatment resistance and metastasis.

eIF4B Phosphorylation by Pim Kinases Plays a Critical Role in Cellular Transformation by Abl Oncogenes
Jianling Yang, Jun Wang, Ke Chen, Guijie Guo, Ruijiao Xi, Paul B. Rothman, Douglas Whitten, Lianfeng Zhang, Shile Huang, and Ji-Long Chen

Precis: Results identify the translation initiation factor eIF-4B as a critical substrate of Pim kinases, which mediate the activity of Abl oncogenes, suggesting this factor as a candidate therapeutic target in Abl-induced cancers.

Canonical Wnt Signaling Is Required for Pancreatic Carcinogenesis
Yaqing Zhang, John P. Morris IV, Wei Yan, Heather K. Schofield, Austin Gurney, Diane M. Simeone, Sarah E. Millar, Timothy Hoey, Matthias Hebrok, and Marina Pasca di Magliano

Precis: This study establishes a causal role for WNT pathway signaling in the development and progression of K-ras-initiated pancreatic cancers, with therapeutic implications for the use of WNT pathway antagonists in this deadly disease.

Loss of p120-Catenin Induces Metastatic Progression of Breast Cancer by Inducing Anoikis Resistance and Augmenting Growth Factor Receptor Signaling
Ron C.J. Schackmann, Sjoerd Klarenbeek, Eva J. Vlug, Suzan Stelloo, Miranda van Amersfoort, Milou Tenhagen, Tanya M. Braumuller, Jeroen F. Vermeulen, Petro van der Groep, Ton Peeters, Elsken van der Wall, Paul J. van Diest, Jos Jonkers, and Patrick W.B. Derksen

Precis: Based on conditional mouse models of metastatic breast cancer that are immunocompetent and clinically relevant, the current study provides an alternate rationale for therapeutic intervention of p120-catenin negative invasive breast cancer.

TRAF6 Upregulates Expression of HIF-1α and Promotes Tumor Angiogenesis
Heng Sun, Xue-Bing Li, Ya Meng, Li Fan, Min Li, and Jing Fang

Precis: A factor well studied in the TNF response and implicated in innate and adaptive immune control is established in this study to control tumor angiogenesis.

Retraction: Sp100 as a Potent Tumor Suppressor: Accelerated Senescence and Rapid Malignant Transformation of Human Fibroblasts through Modulation of an Embryonic Stem Cell Program

Correction: IKK4a/ARF Inactivation with Activation of the NF-κB/IL-6 Pathway Is Sufficient to Drive the Development and Growth of Angiosarcoma
ABOUT THE COVER

Schematic representation of the IRE1α-dependent activation loop that controls tumor cell adaptation. Tumor cell is presented in light gray, stromal cells in dark gray. Proteins are represented by circles, with upregulation in green and downregulation in red. Connections following stress-mediated activation of IRE1α are presented in green for activation and red for inhibition. For details, see article by Pluquet and colleagues on page 4732.

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