Clonal trajectories from CH to myeloid malignancies *Why and when does it matter?*

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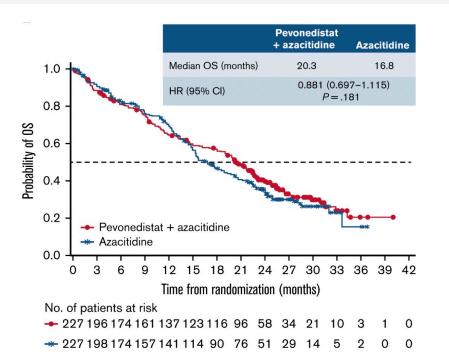
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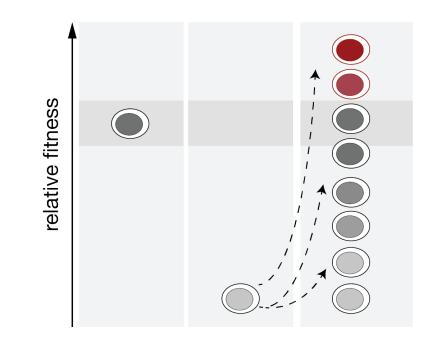
Challenges (opportunities)

Clonal trajectories in real life

Challenge 1: Using genomics in clinical trial interpretation and regulatory evaluation

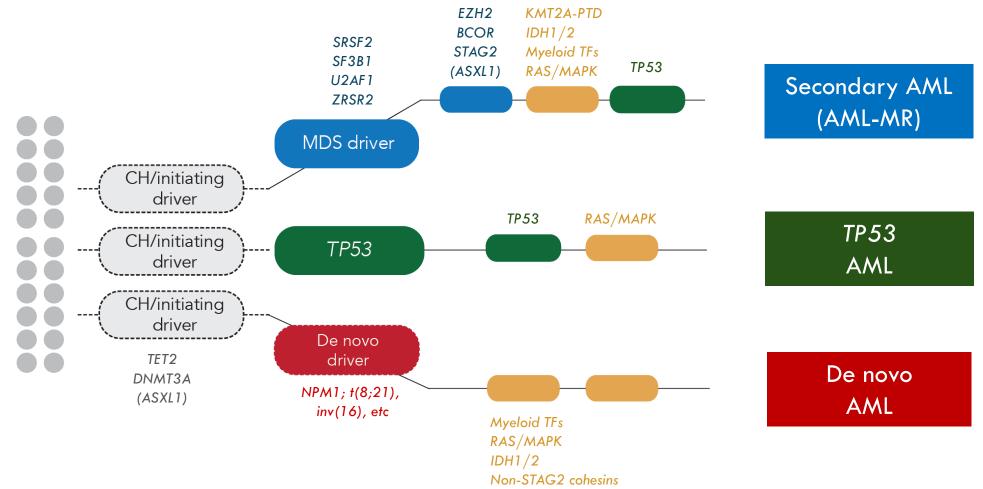


Challenge 2: Rational prediction and surveillance in at-risk precursor states





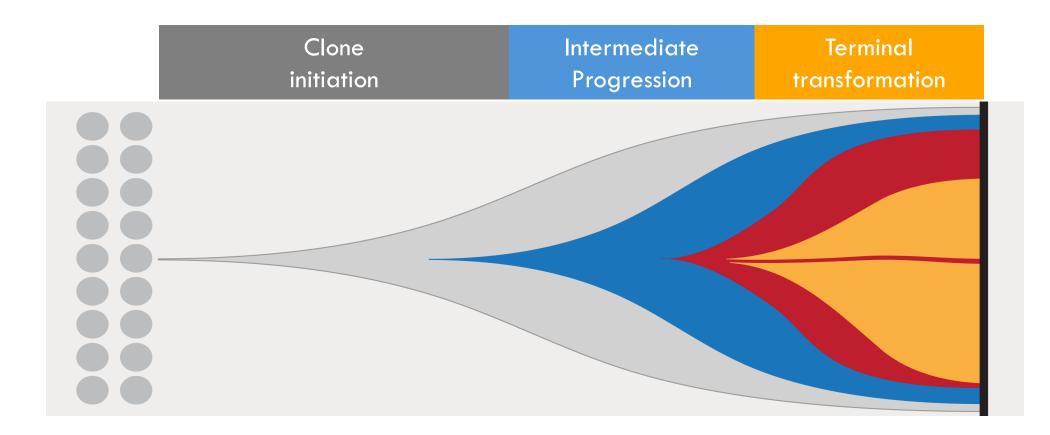
AML ontogeny: a reductionist model



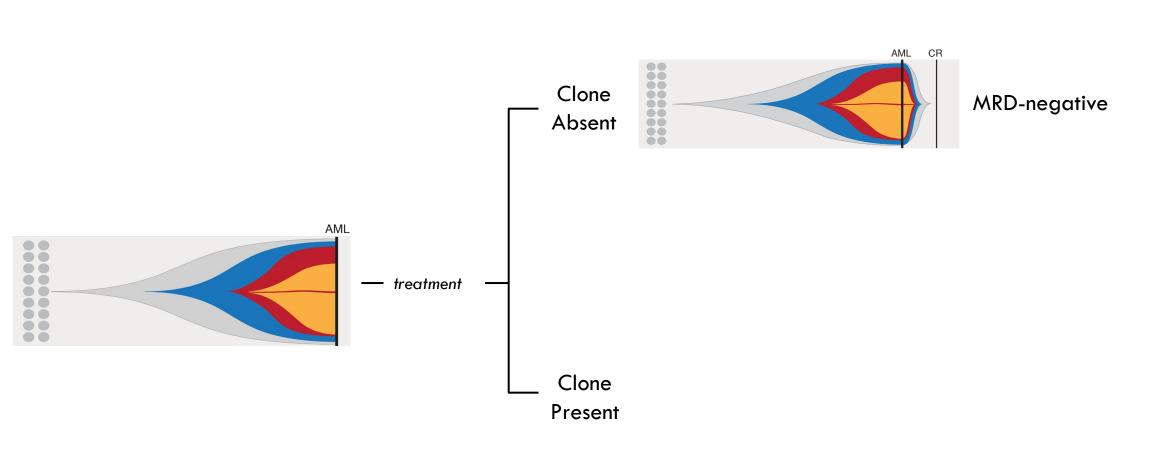
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Temporal heuristic

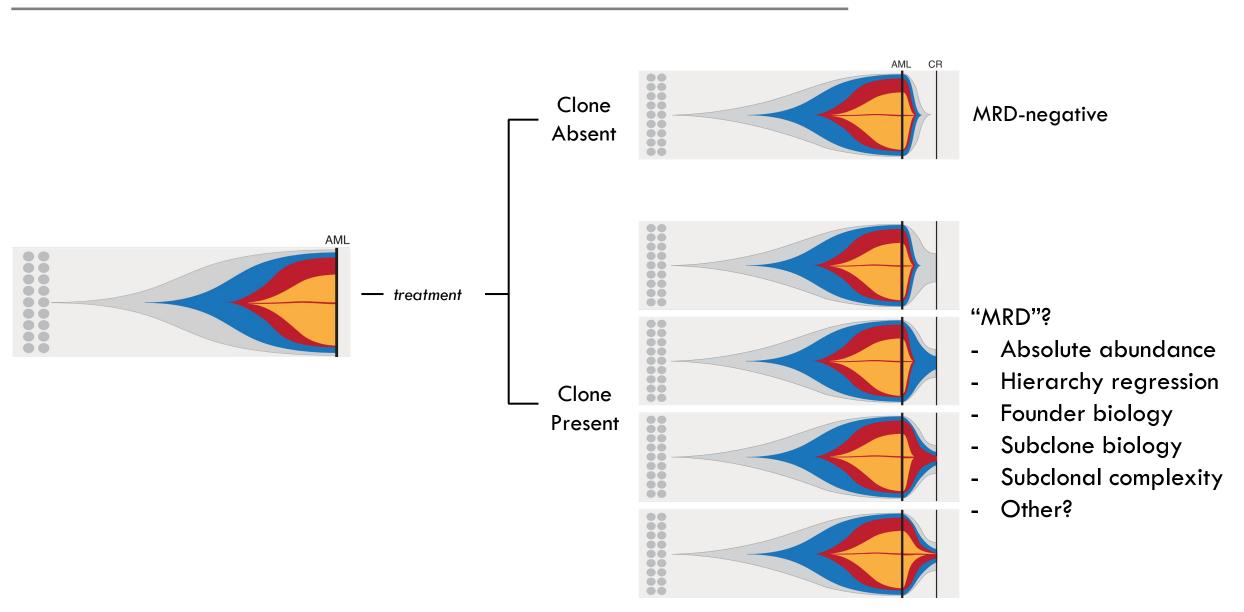
Defining the order of operations



The clonal architecture of response and remission Quantify what?

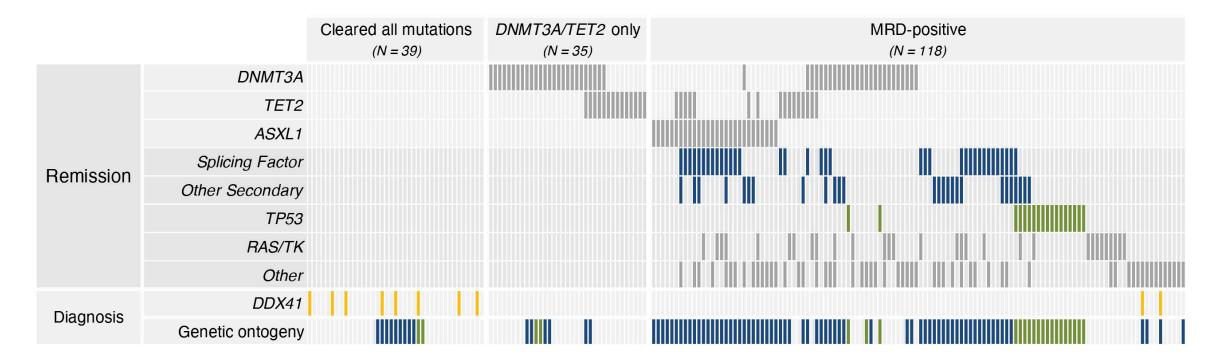


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Molecular genetics in remission

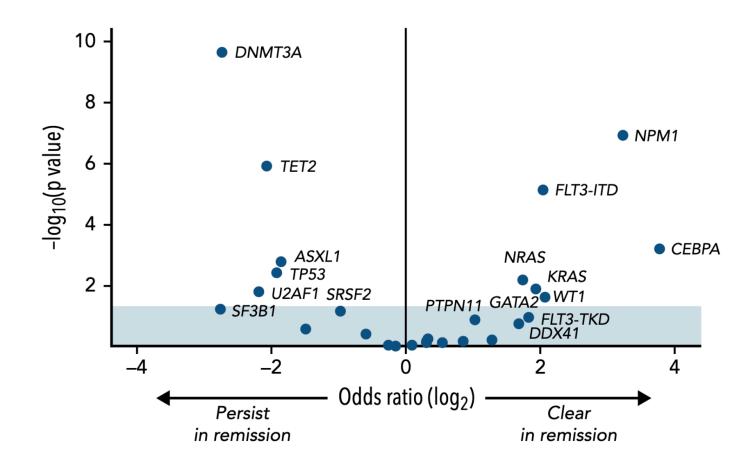
80% have persistent mutations





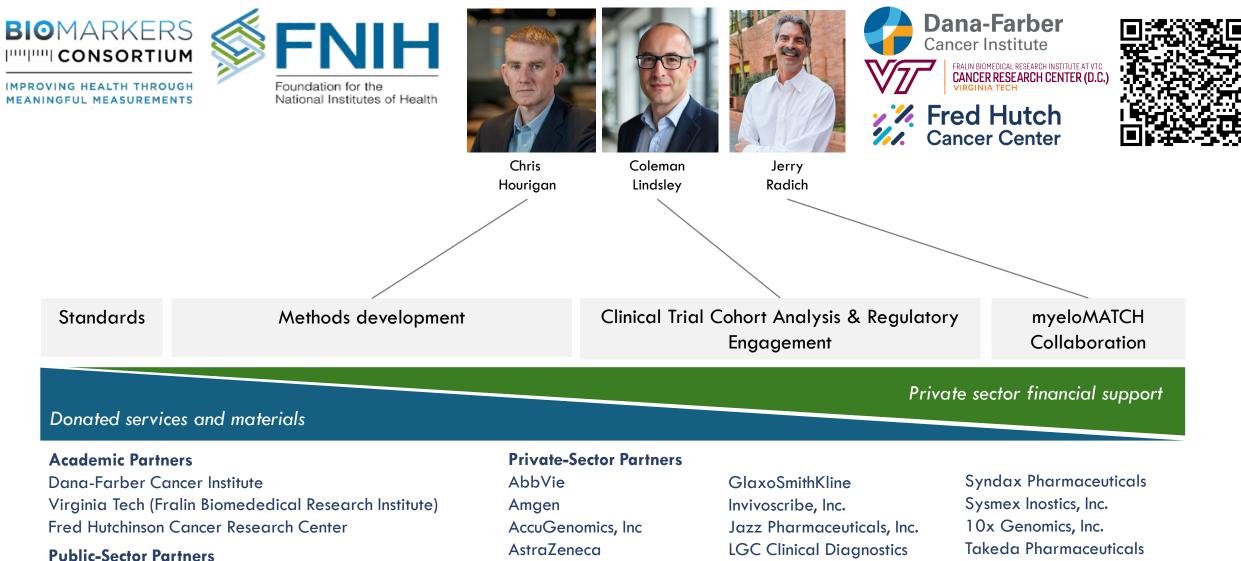
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Molecular clearance linked to position in clonal hierarchy





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LGC Clinical Diagnostics **Mission Bio** Novartis NuProbe

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Molecular dynamics on treatment PANTHER: Randomized Phase 3 - AZA +/- pevonedistat



Clinical Summary

IWG 2006

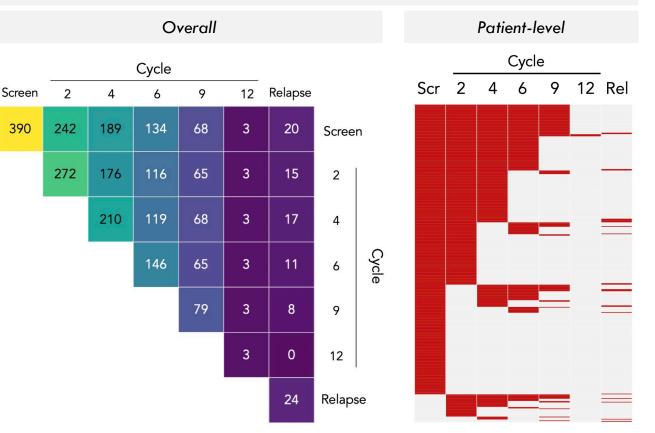
IWG 2006 INV: as reported by the trial investigator (INV)

- IWG 2006 IRC: as reported by the trial independent review committee (IRC)
- IWG 2006: Re-coded by our study team based on response-informing raw data
- aspirate/core/PB blasts %, ANC, Hb and platelet count +/- 14 days within the BM biopsy.
- [No reliable information on timing of blood transfusion, so hematological improvement (HI) not coded]

IWG 2023

Response per IWG 2023 by our study team based on response-informing raw data, as above

Complete remission)
i (Complete remission with bi lineage hematologic recovery)
ni (Complete remission with uni lineage hematologic recovery)
(Complete remission with partial hematologic recovery)
Partial remission)
esponse
Progressive disease/disease relapse)
ing data (could not code response because of missing data on blasts, ANC, Hb or platele
(e.g. baseline marrow or only one marrow obtained)
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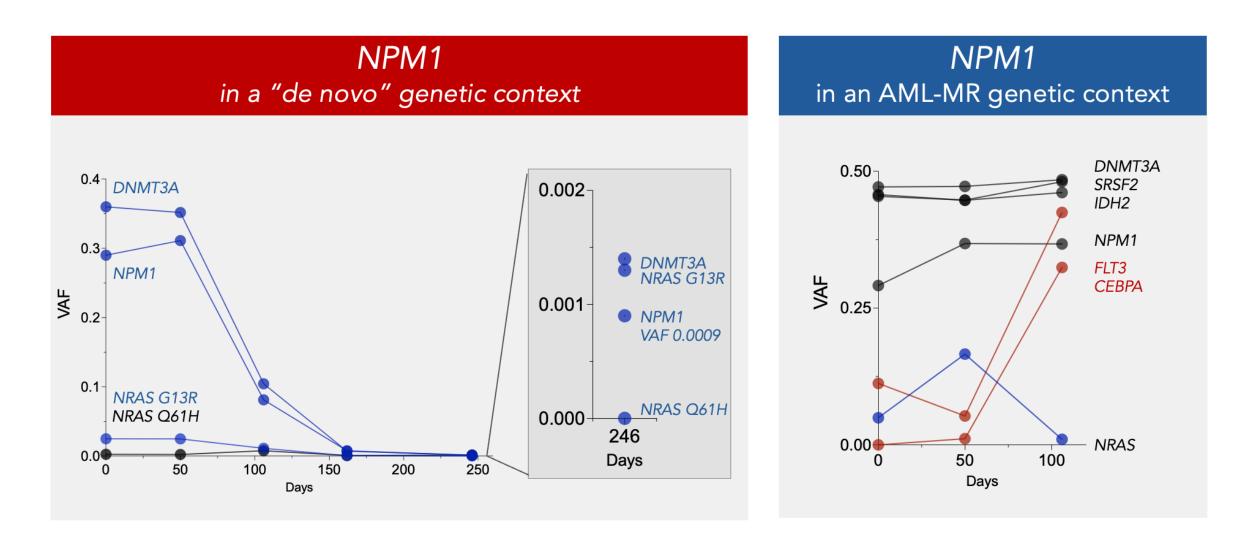
Patients with any sample: 428 of 454 enrolled patients (94.3%)

- Total with screening/pre-treatment sample: 390 (85.9%)

Sample Summary

Consequence of Context: re-framing what we know

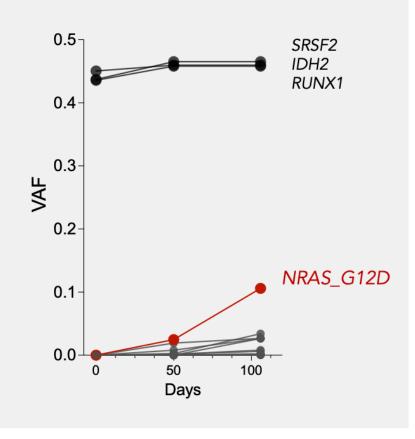
NPM1 mutation dynamics



Fitness constraint drives selection

Treatment-emergent resistance pathways

Rapid progression in an MDS genetic context

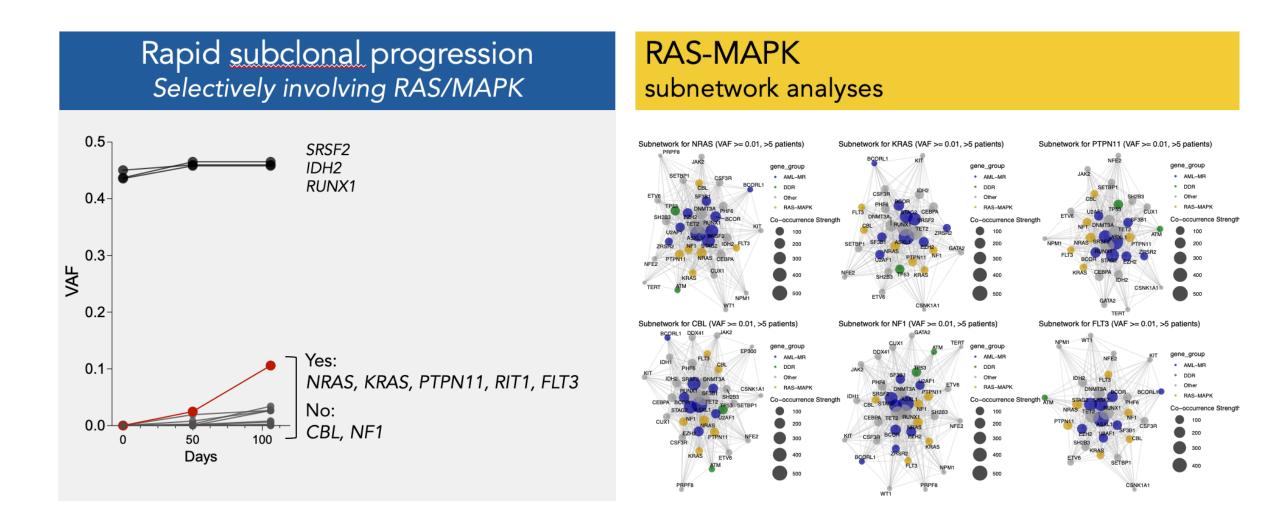


Treatment emergent mutations All RAS-MAPK

Diagnosis (C2D22	C4D22	
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Refining the RAS-MAPK heuristic?

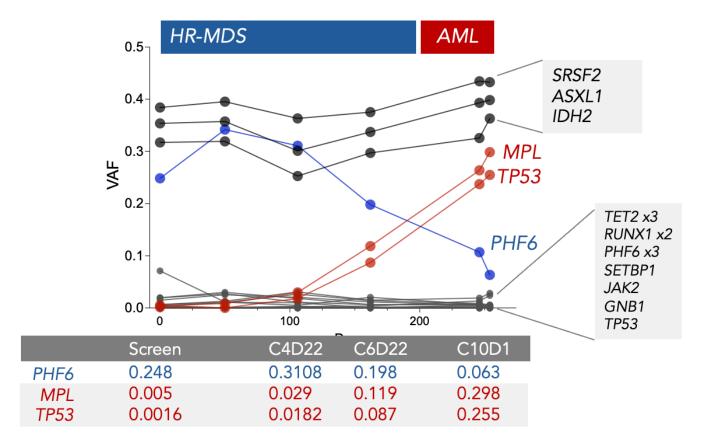
Using clinical phenomenology to understand pathway heterogeneity



Fitness constraint drives selection

Treatment drives subclone exchange \rightarrow PROGRESSION

False premise: dominant subclone at diagnosis mediates resistance/clinical failure



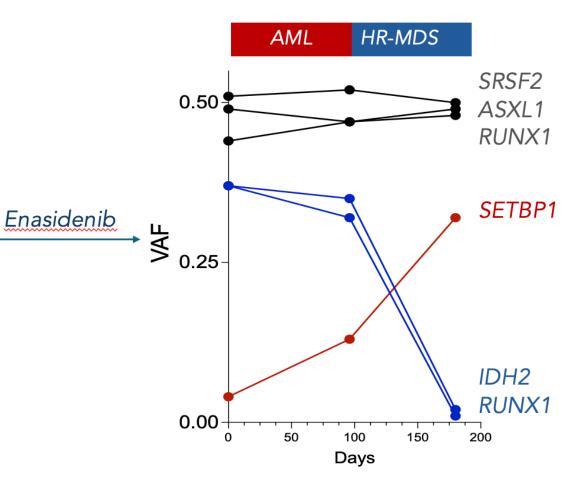
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But rules may change as the treatments change...

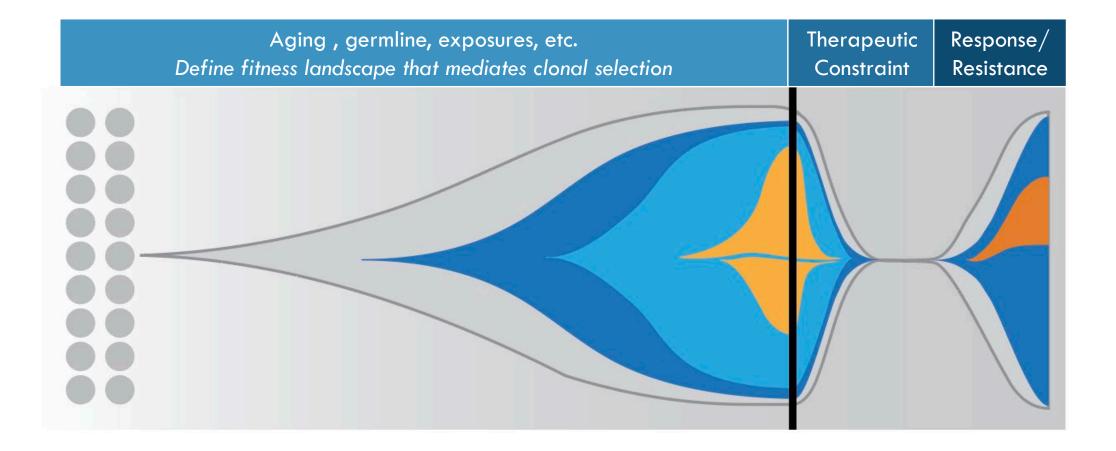
Subclone-specific constraint drives subclone exchange

 \rightarrow Phenotype change

		Pre-treatment
SRSF2	p.P95H	51%
RUNX1	p.R201*	49%
ASXL1	p.Q760*	44%
IDH2	p.R140Q	37%
RUNX1	p.K110*	37%
SETBP1	p.D868N	4%

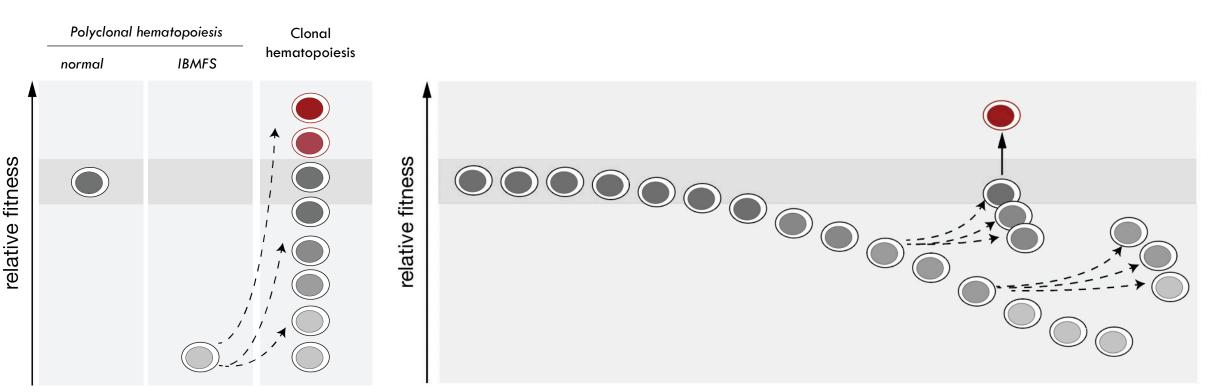


Understanding response and resistance to therapy



Germline-encoded fitness

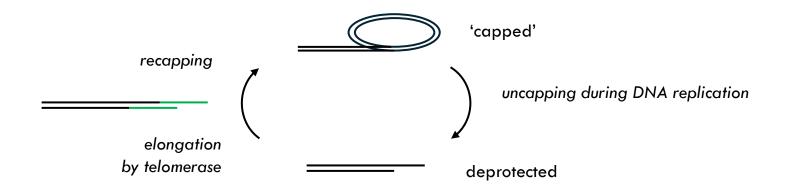
Somatic clones are driven by context-selective fitness constraints



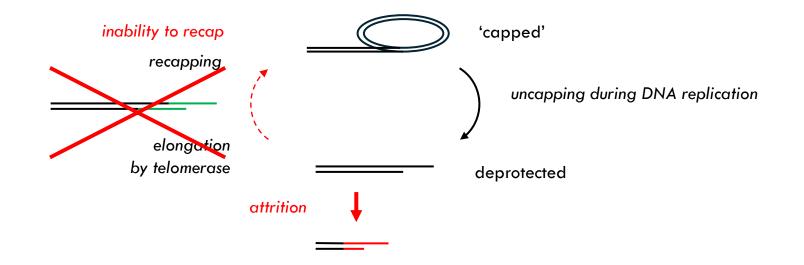
Progressive fitness loss across age

H₁: Age and gene distribution of CH reflects the mechanism and magnitude of constraint

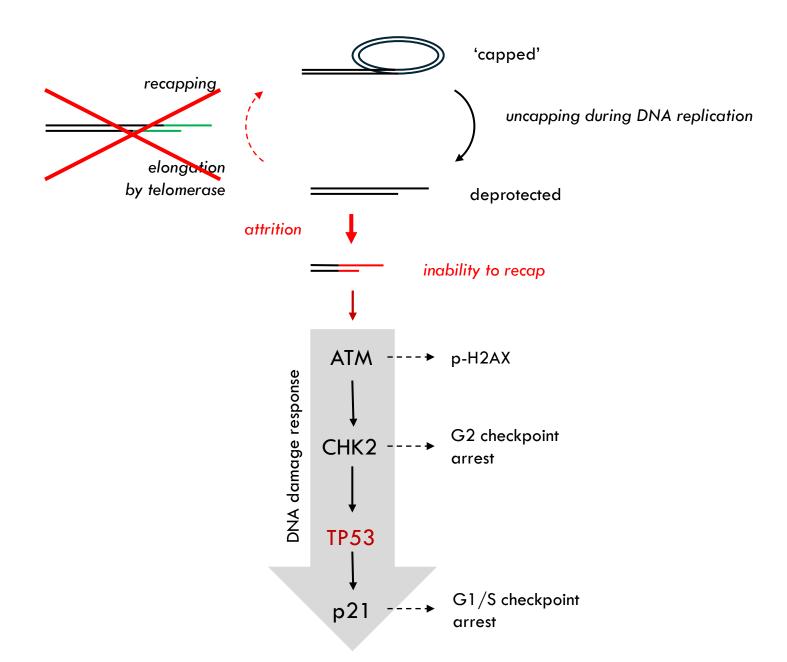
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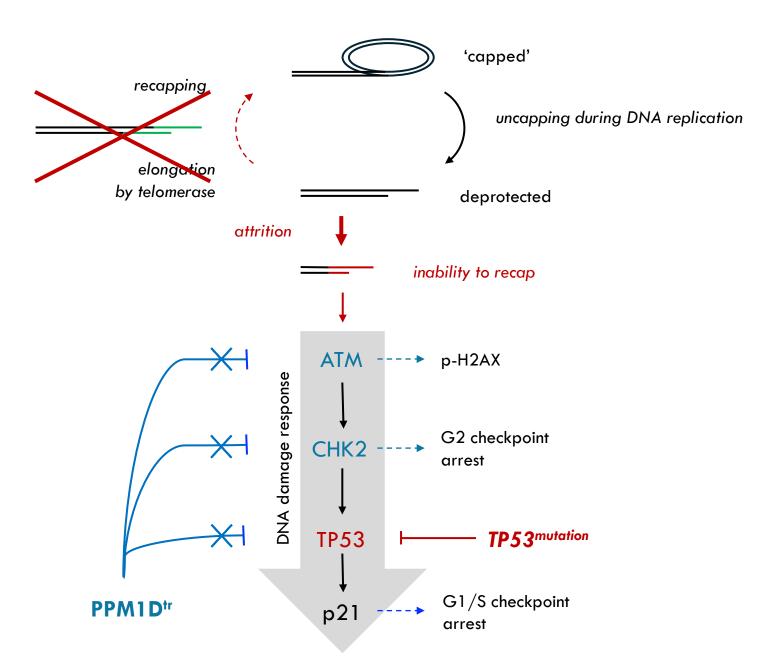
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Hypothesis: TP53 and PPM1D suppress telomeric DDR signaling





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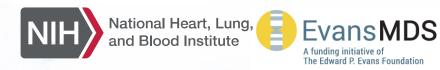
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