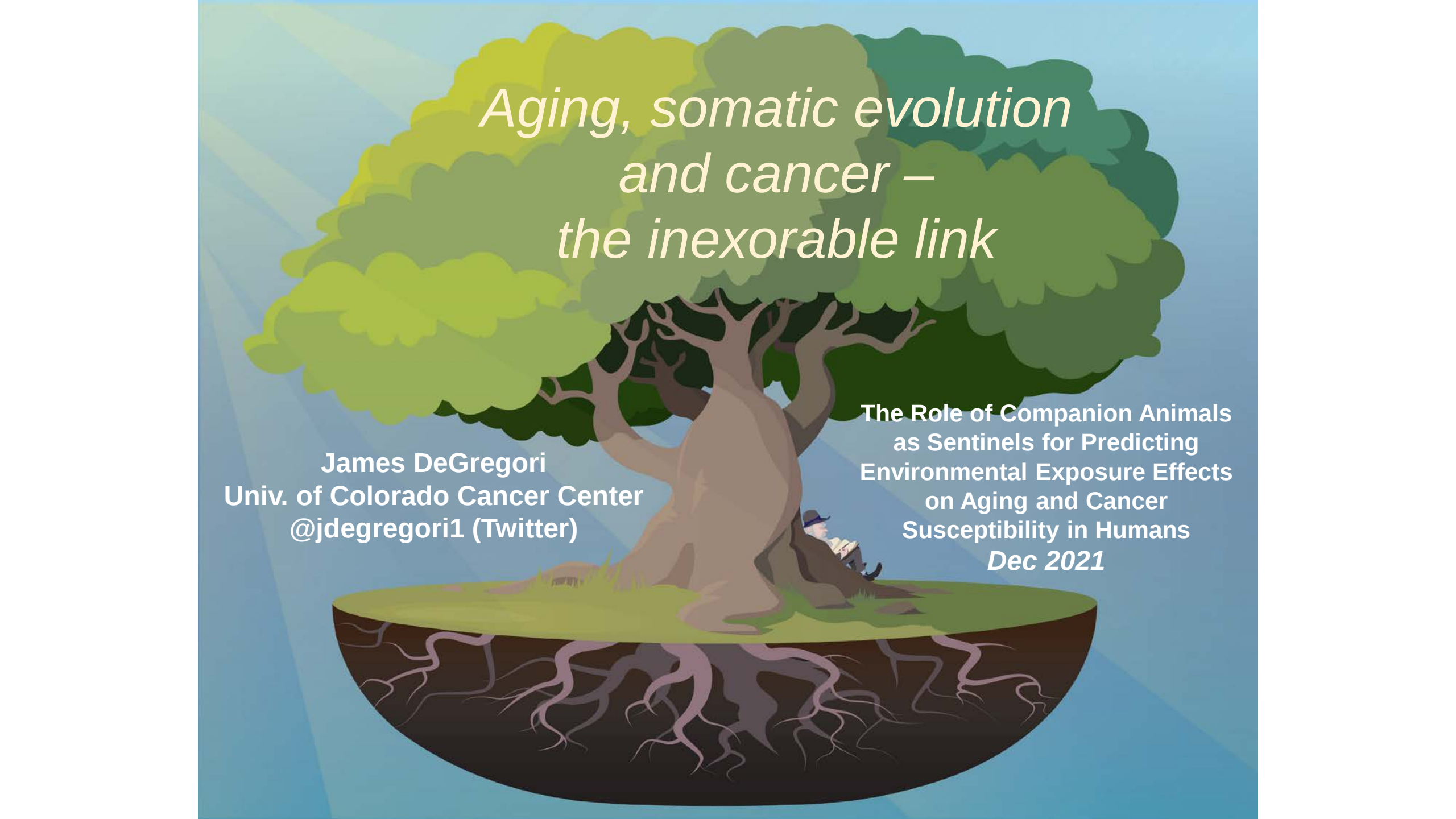


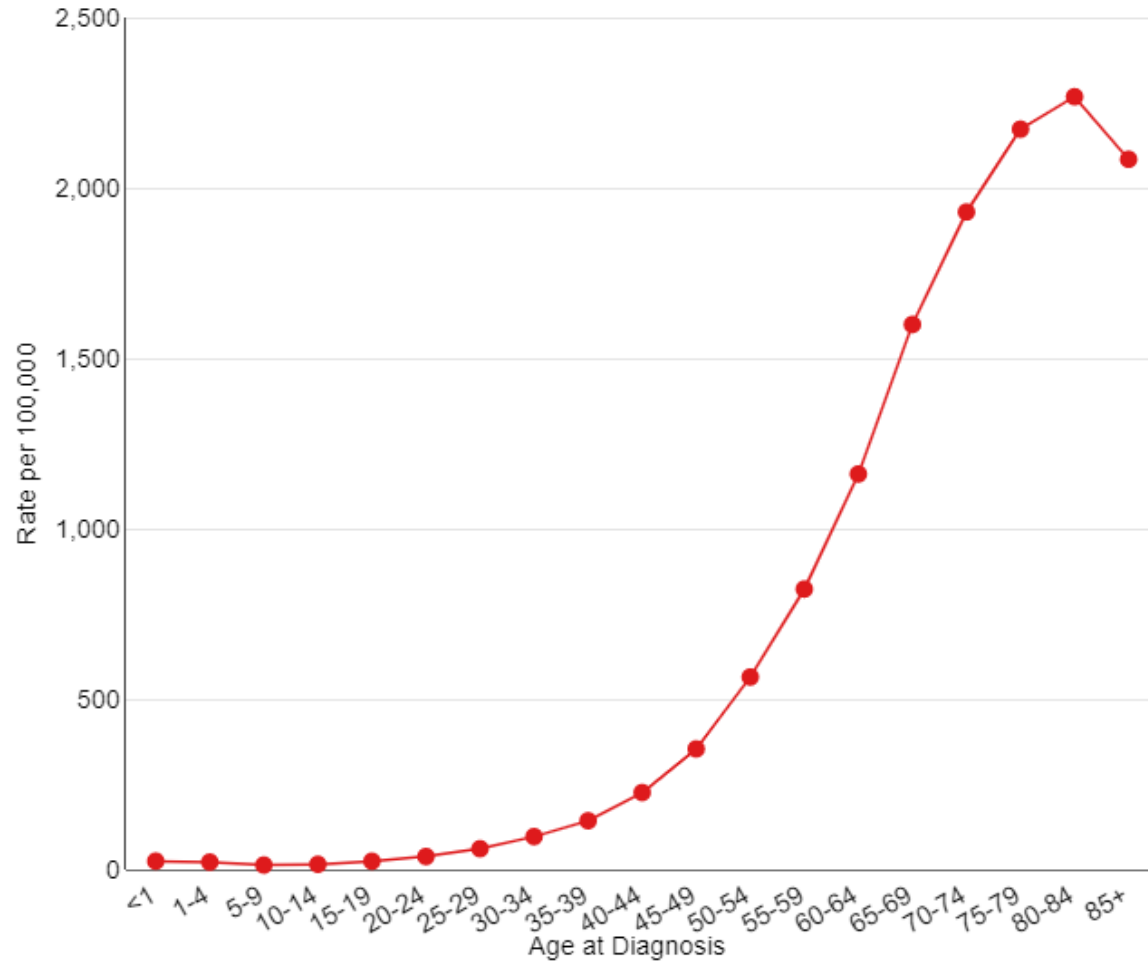


Aging, somatic evolution and cancer – the inexorable link

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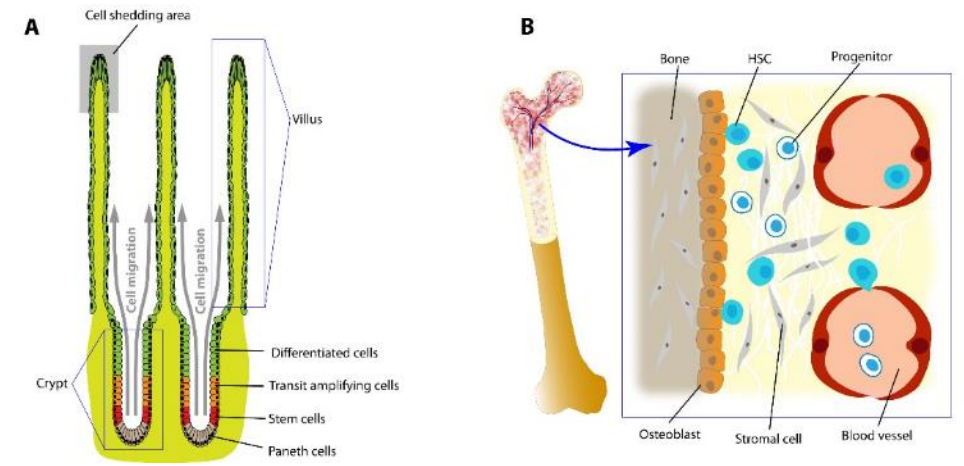
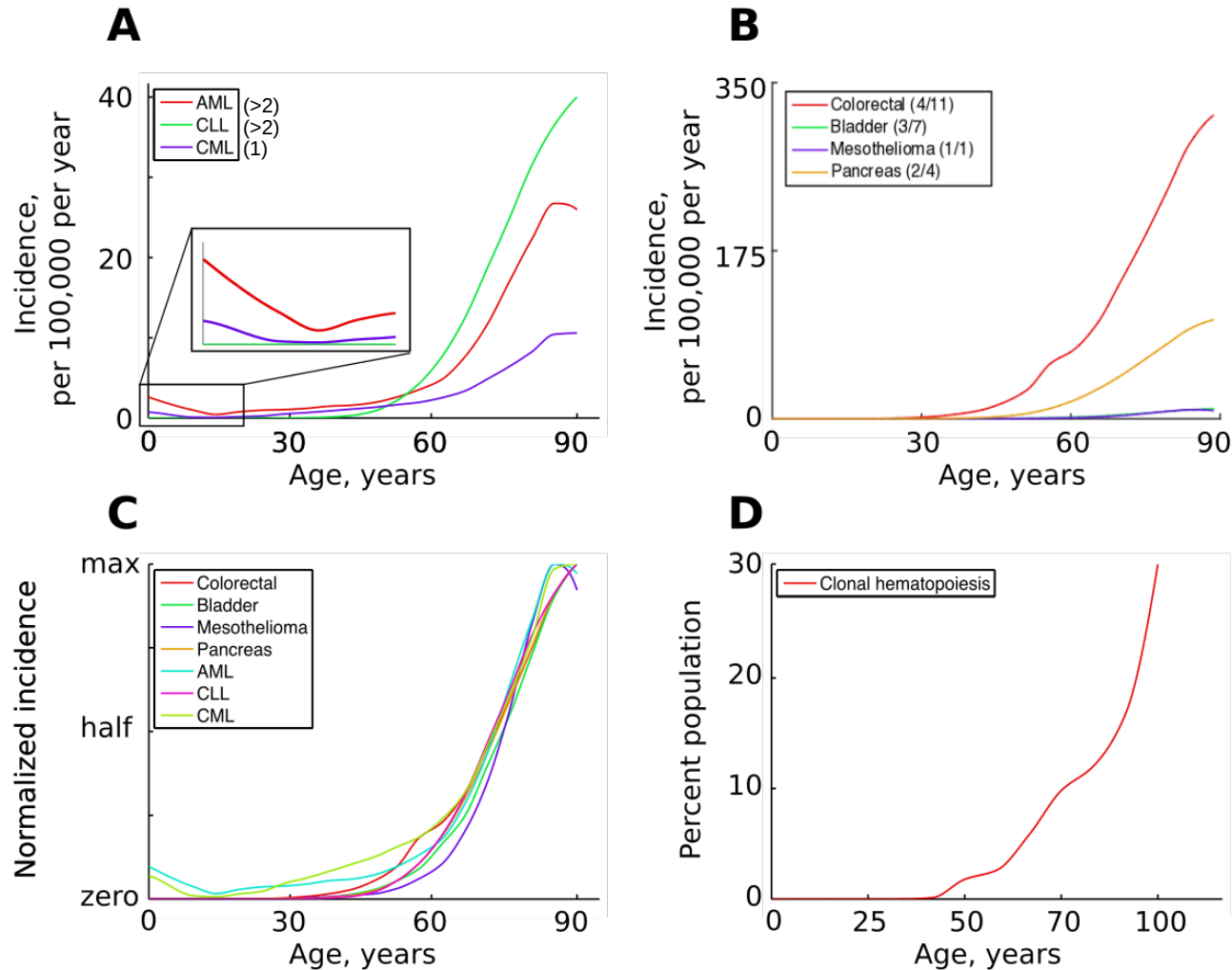
The Role of Companion Animals
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Susceptibility in Humans
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90% of cancers develop
after the age of 50



WHY?

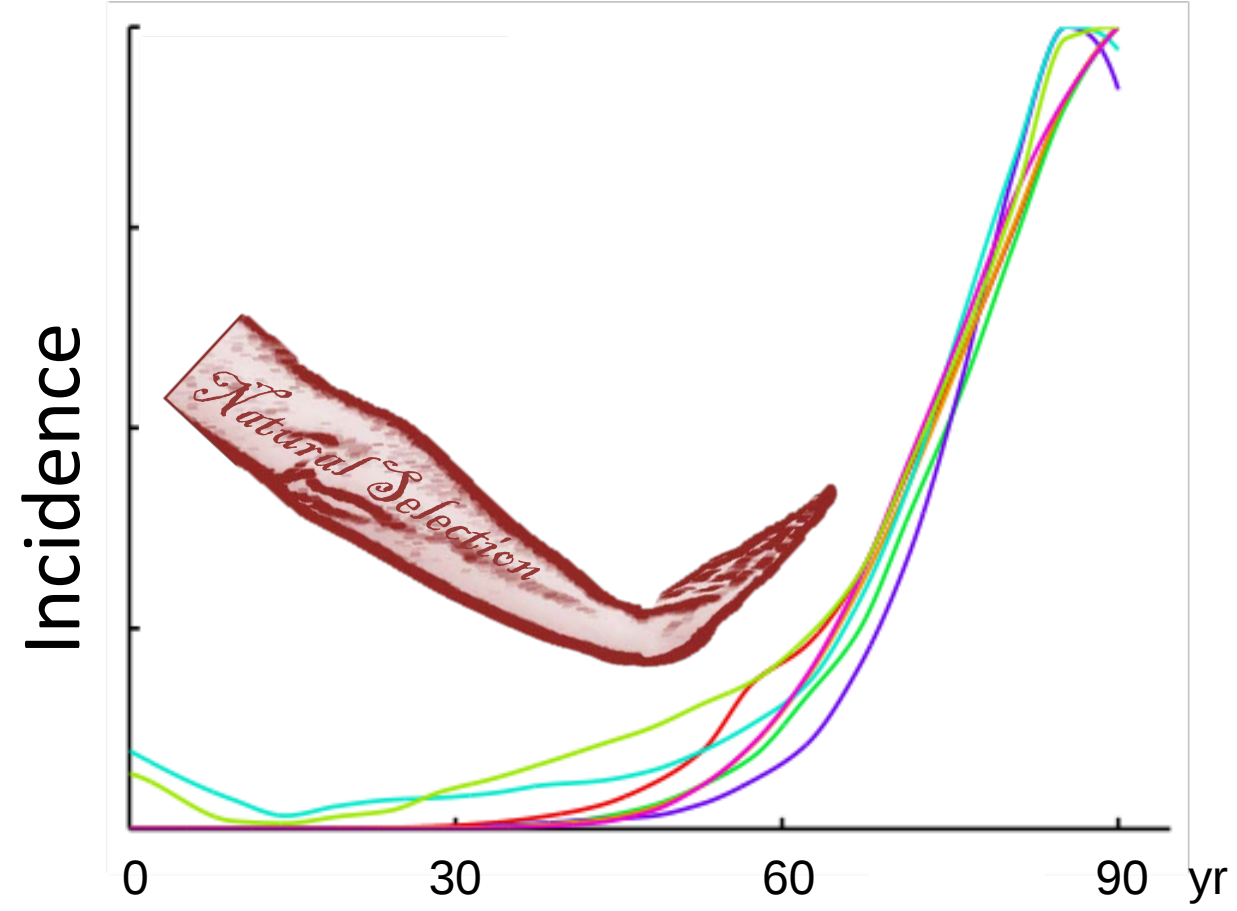
Cancers requiring different numbers of driver mutations and originating from vastly differently organized stem cell pools demonstrate very similar age-dependent incidence



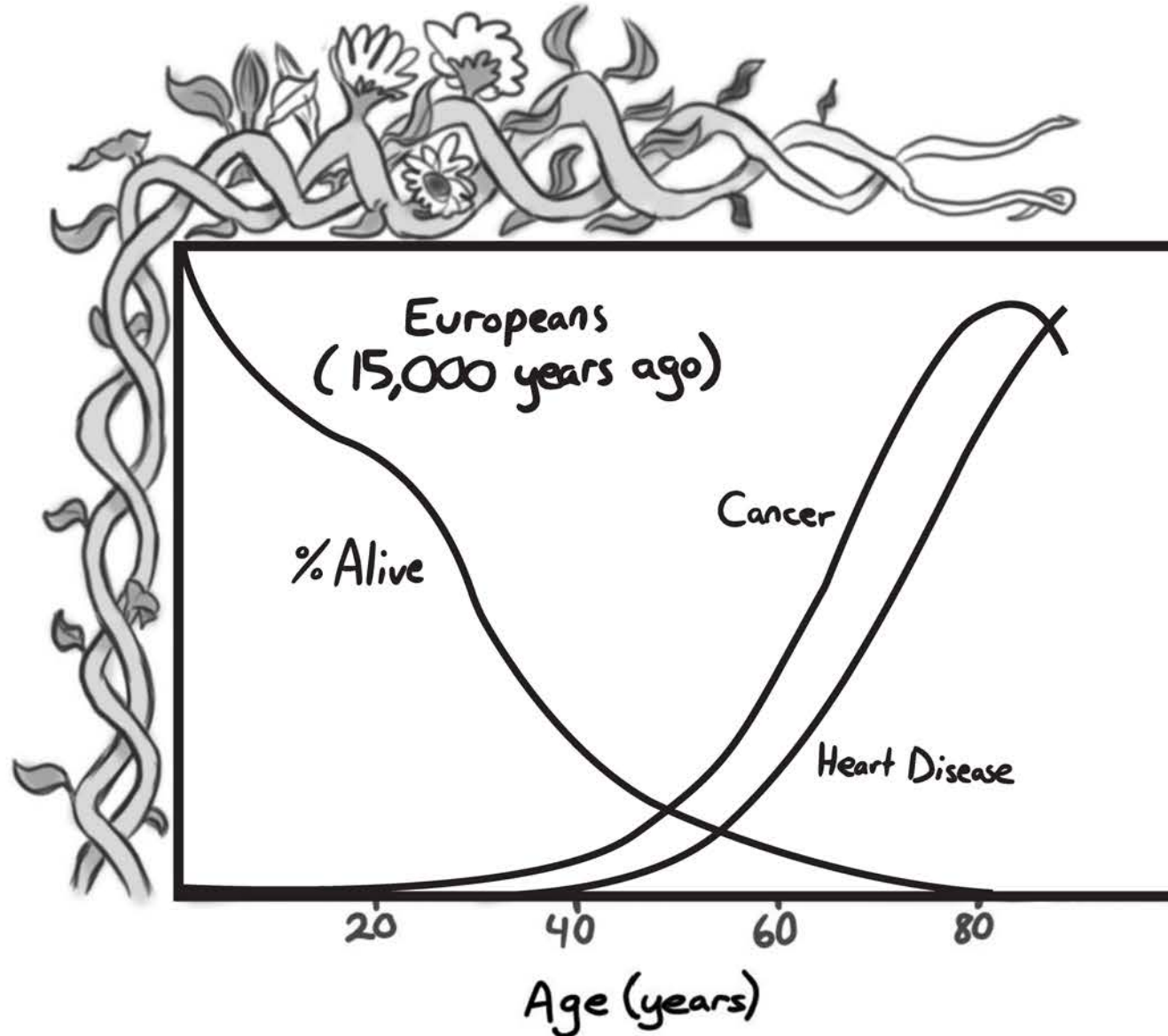
Rozhok and DeGregori, *eLife*, 2019



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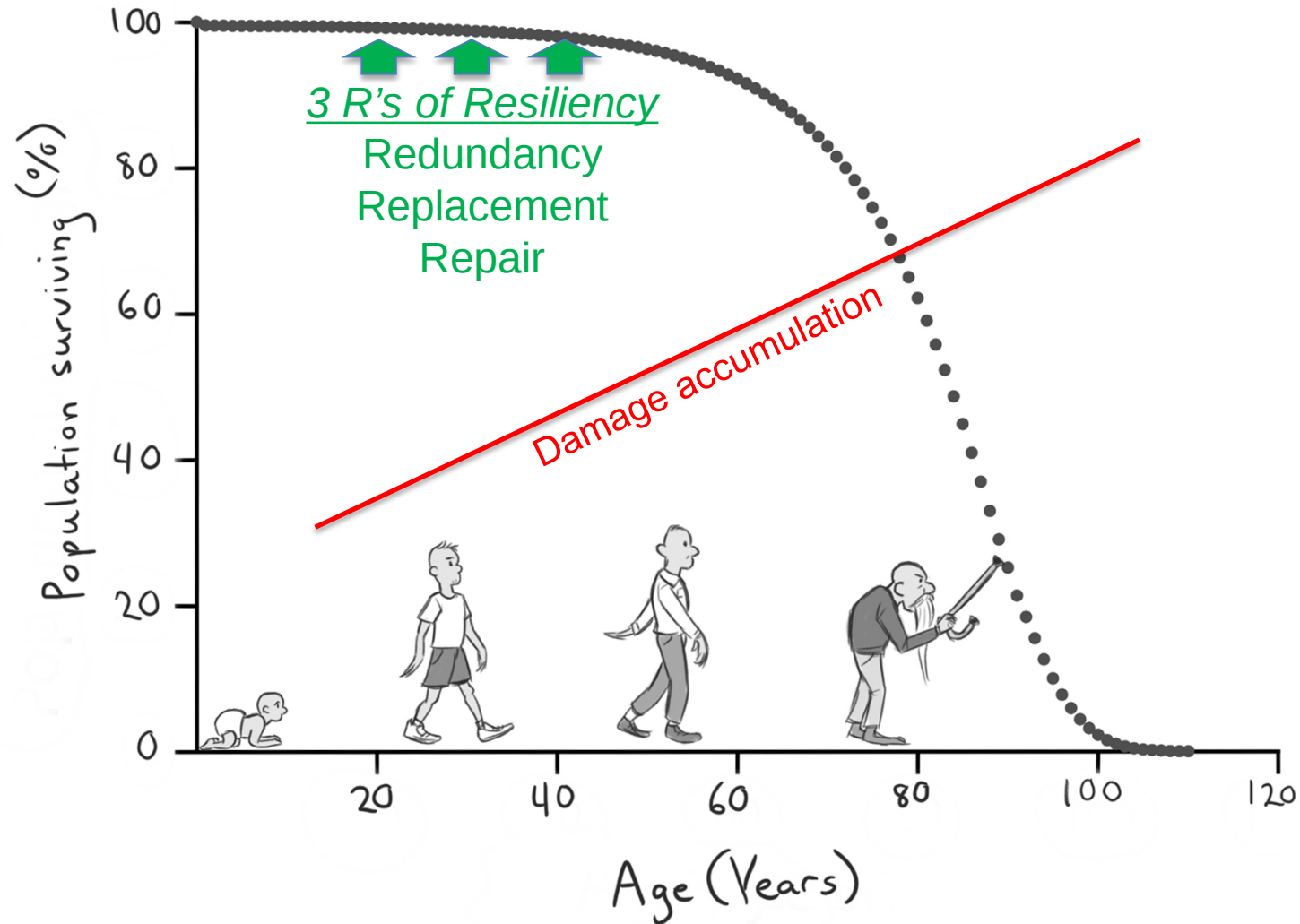
There is minimal selection against cancer (and other diseases of aging) beyond the age where most individuals would already be dead by other causes



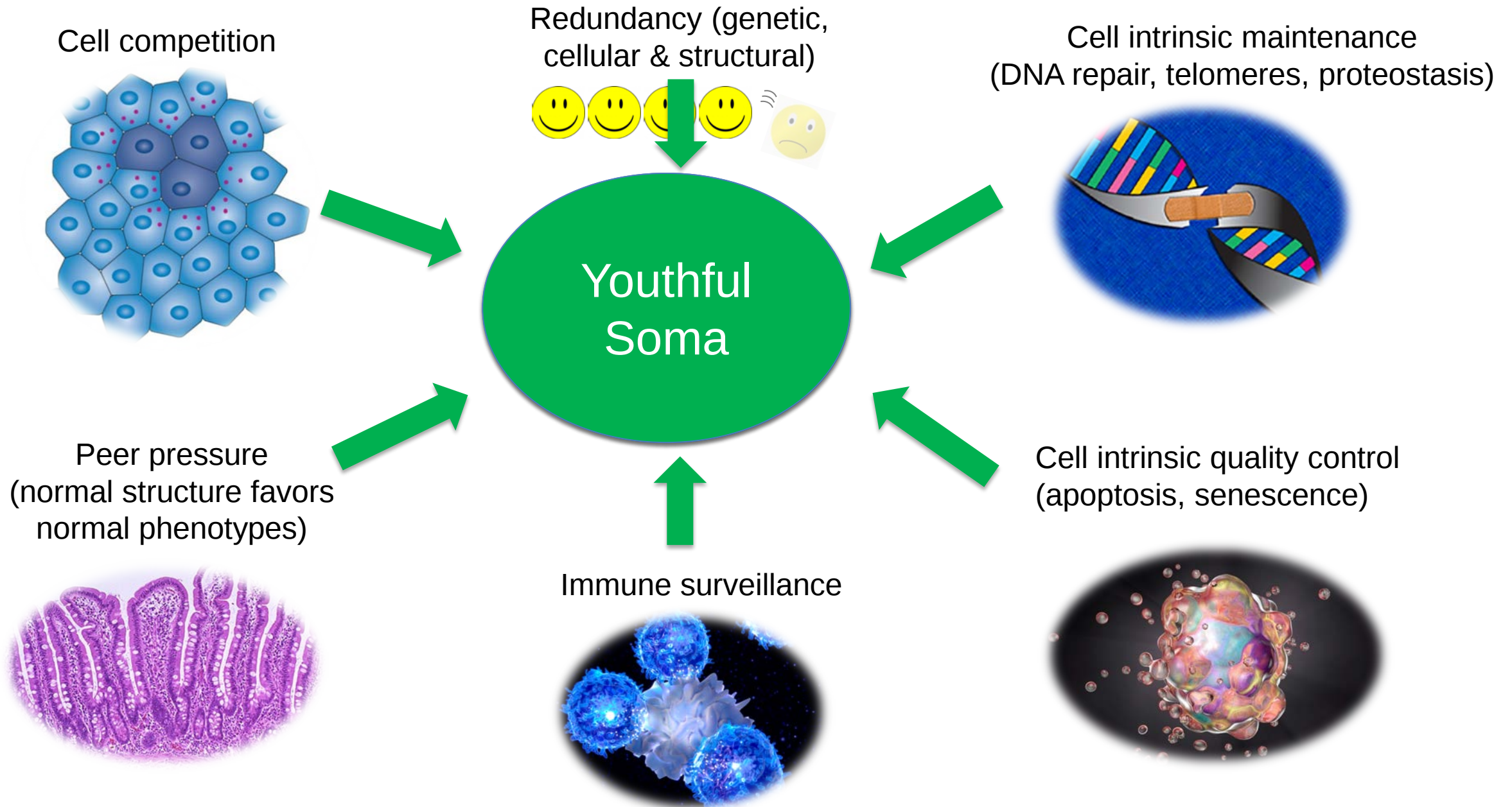
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Life is not linear



So how are tissues maintained?

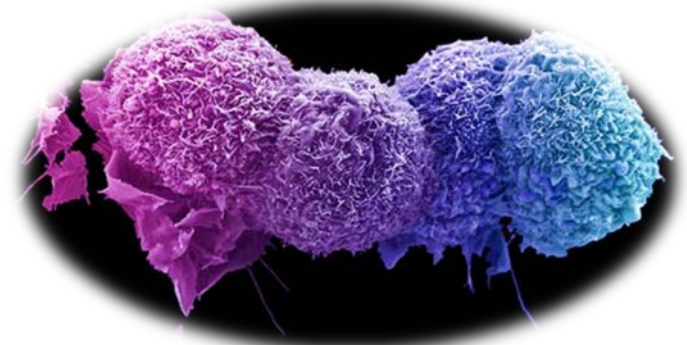


Why does it matter?

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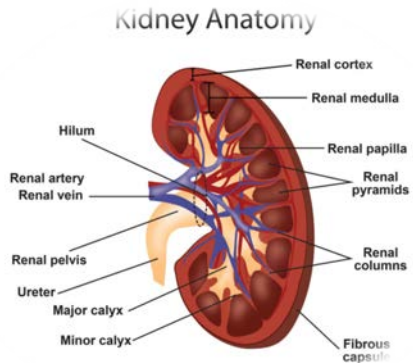


Anti-cancer defense



Youthful
Soma

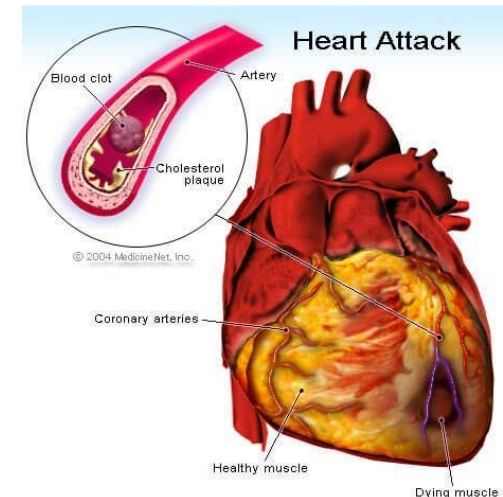
Tissue function



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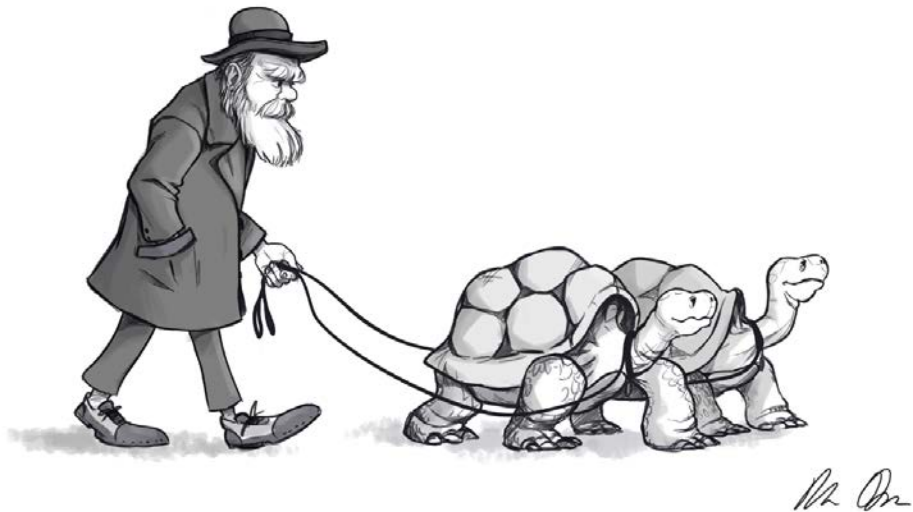


Disease avoidance

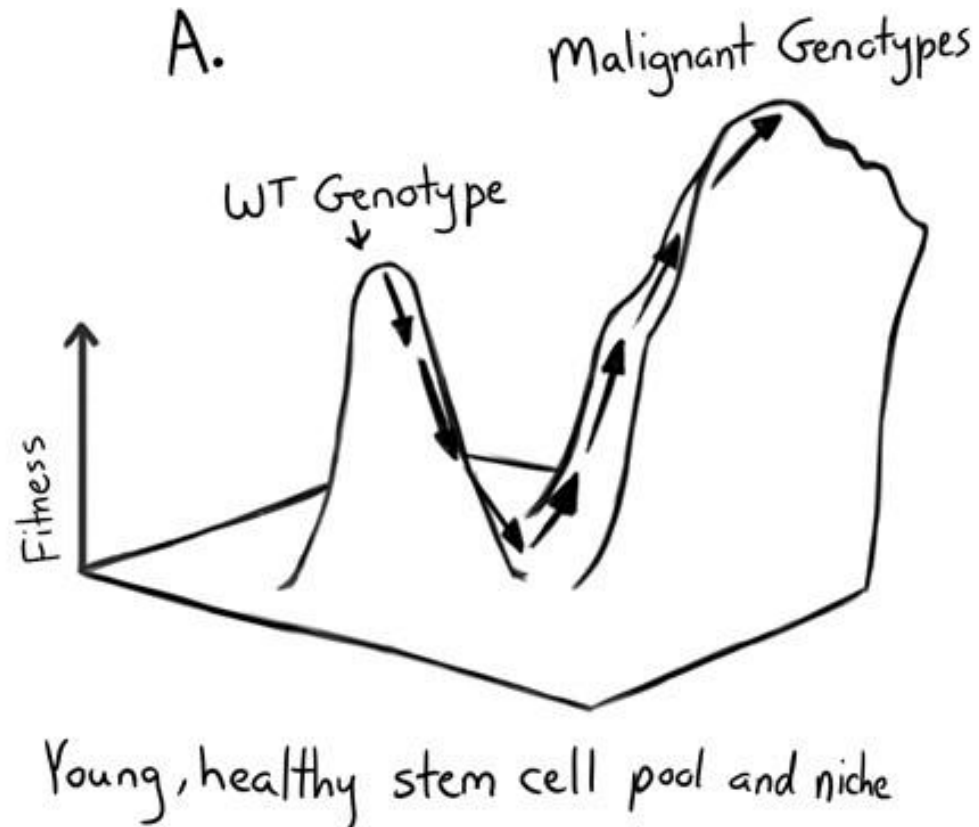


So what does the investment in tissue maintenance during youth, and the waning of this investment in old age, have to do with cancer?

Adaptive Oncogenesis



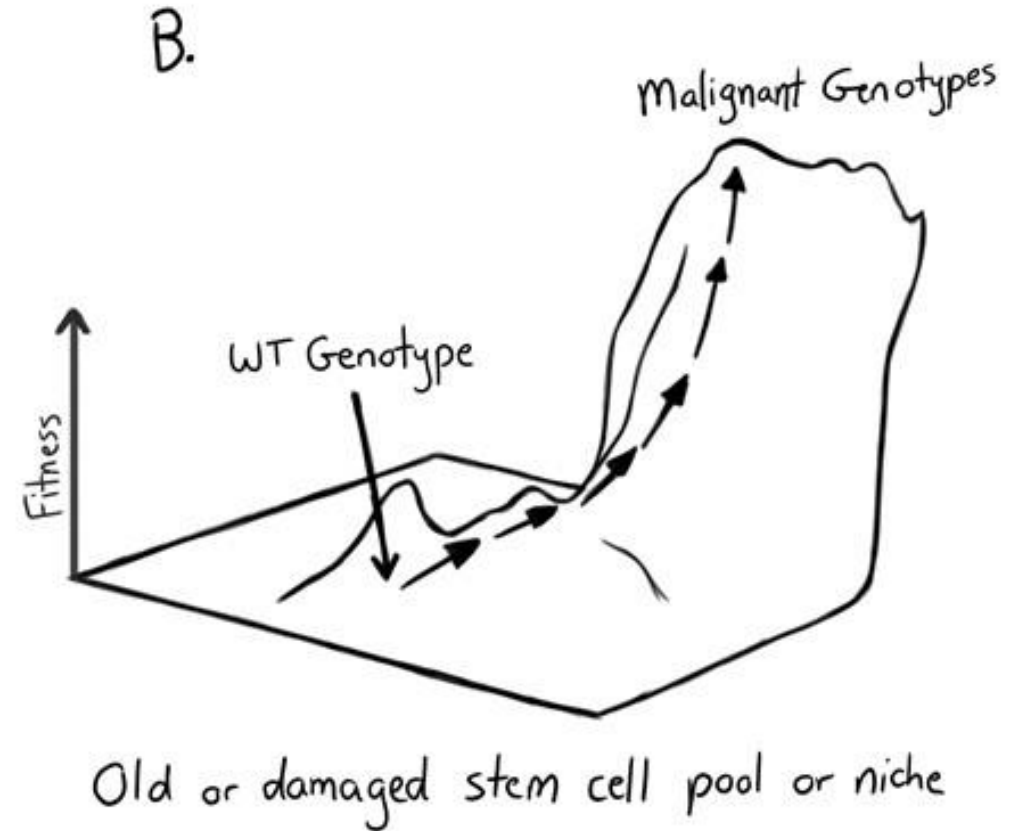
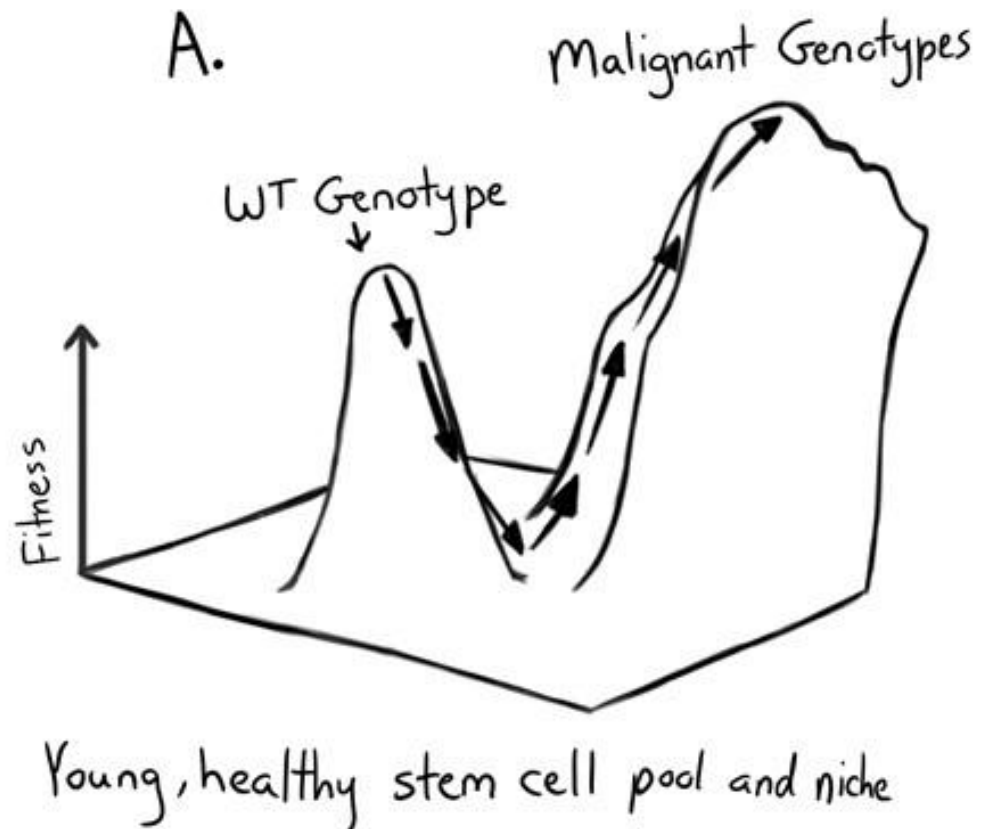
High stem cell fitness opposes somatic evolution,
and thus promotes the status quo.



*X-Y plane: potential phenotypes
(dependent on genotypes and
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Inspiration from Simpson, Eldredge and Gould

Aging/damage alters the adaptive landscape

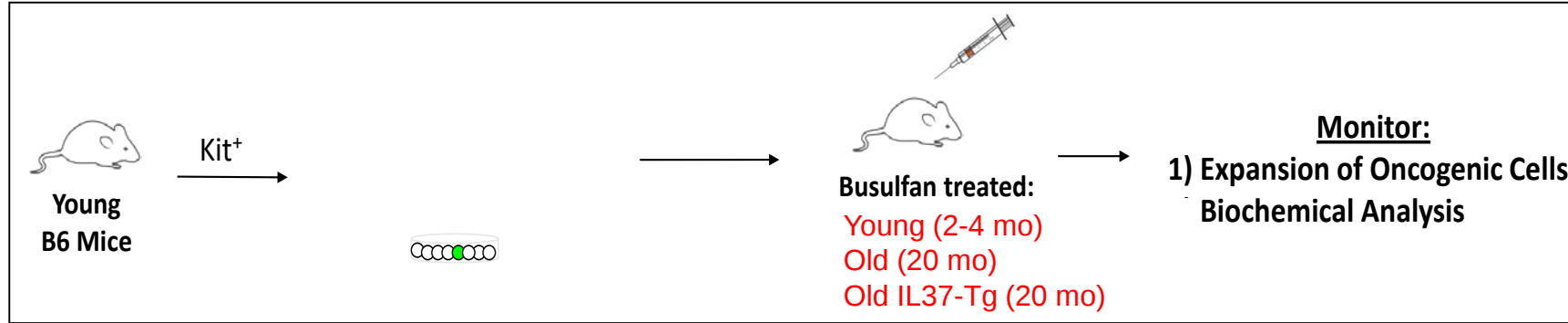


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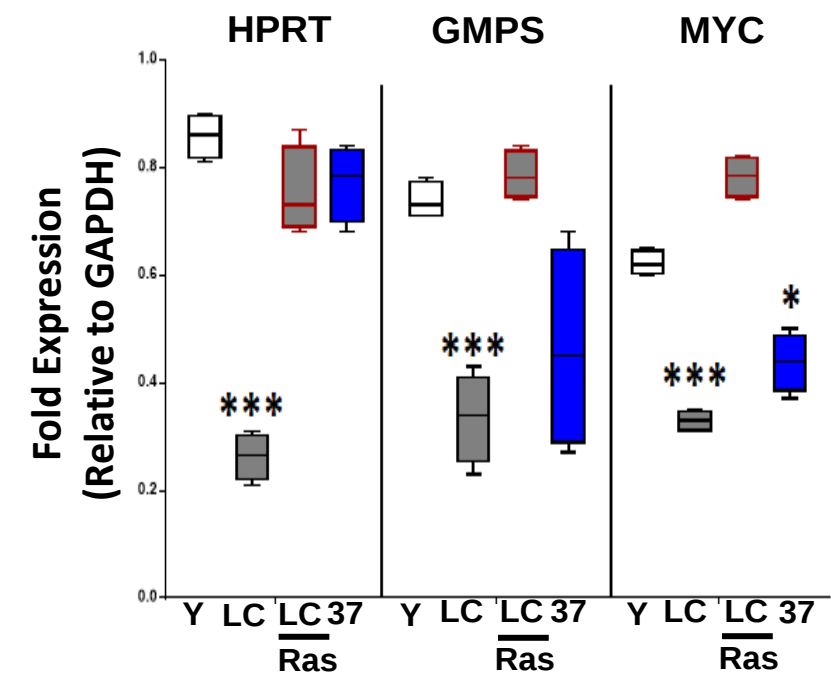
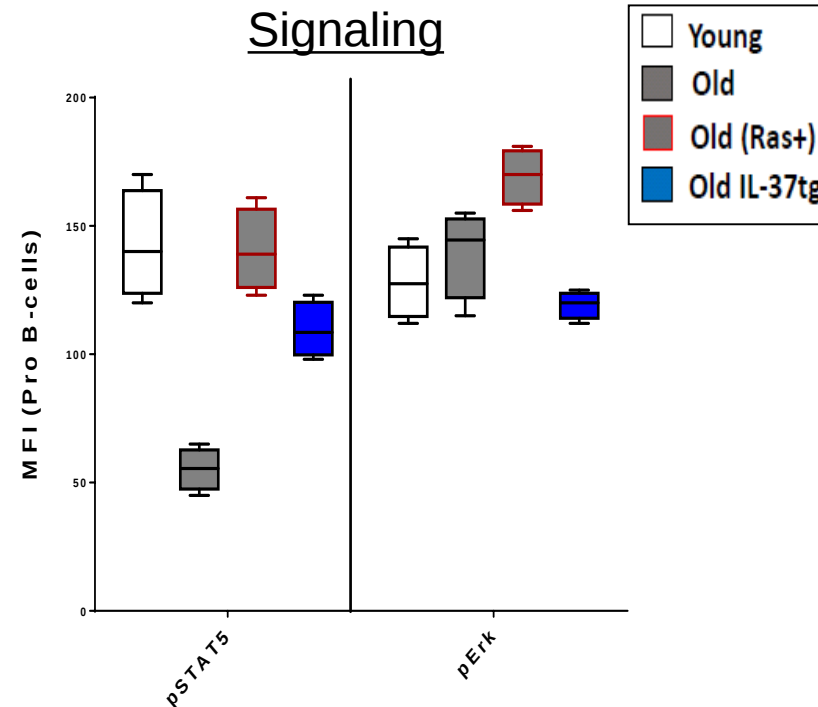
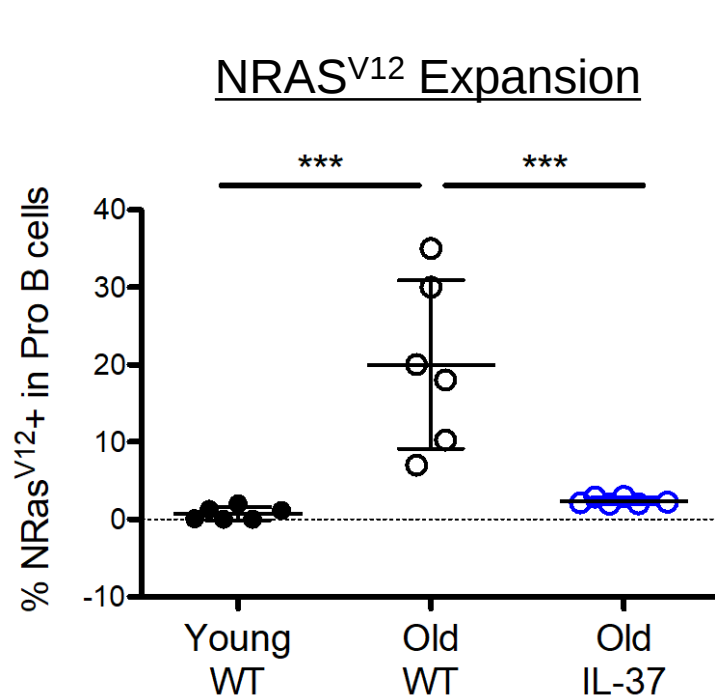
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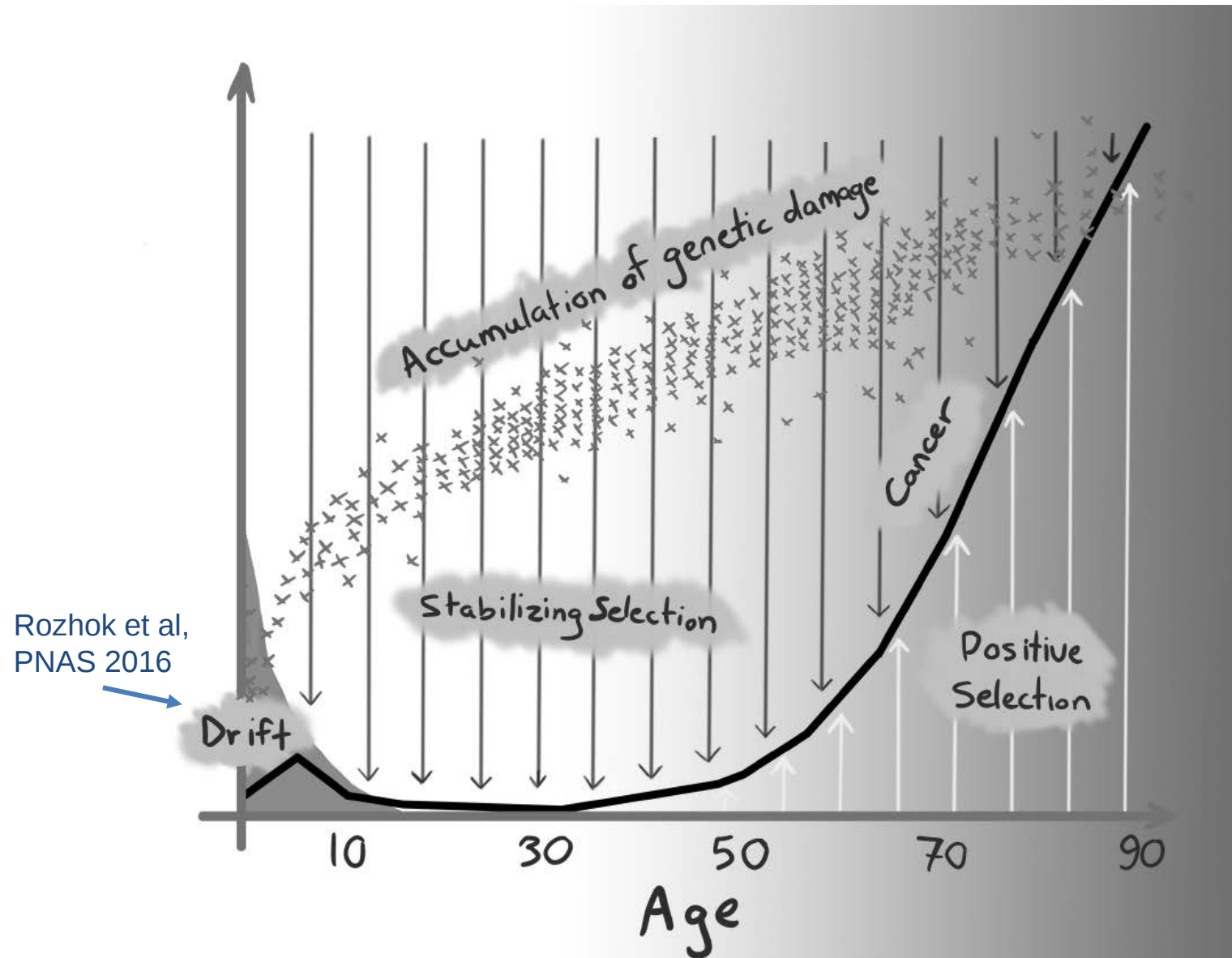
Specific oncogenic events are selected for within *aged* hematopoietic contexts *dependent on inflammation*



Curtis Henry



Model: Cancer incidence is shaped by the changing age-dependent balance of drift, stabilizing selection and positive selection



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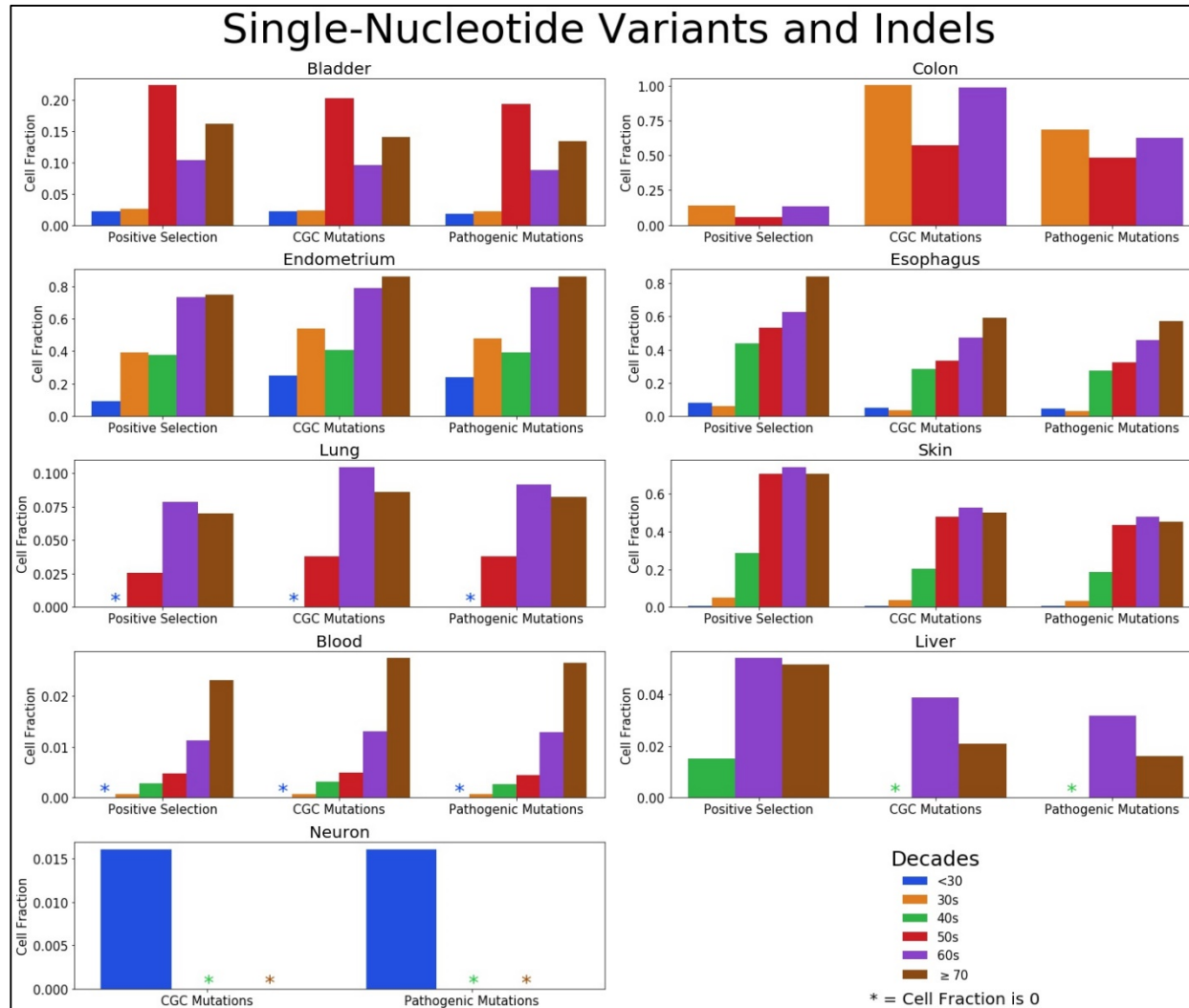
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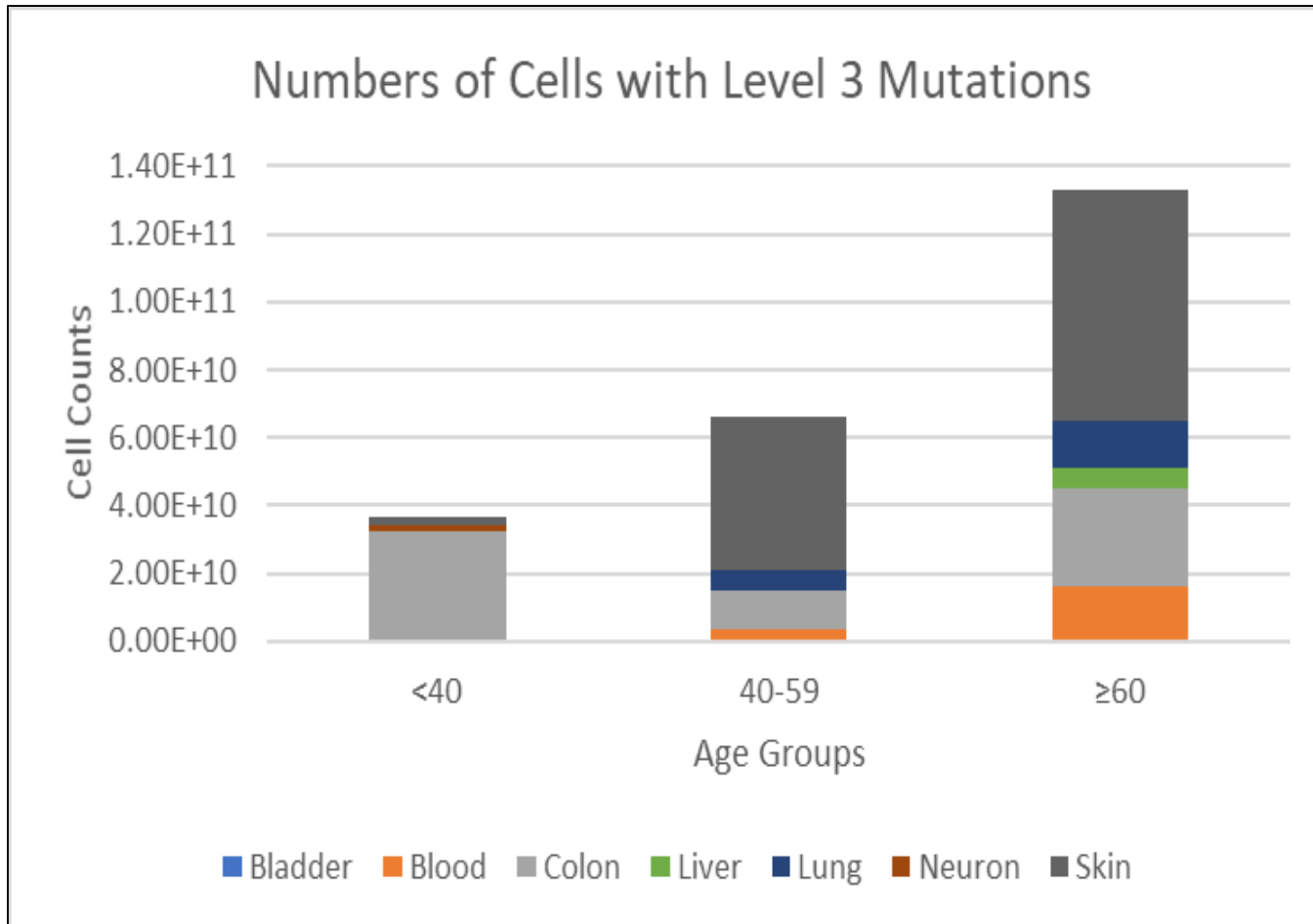


- Expansions with cancer-associated mutations become more prevalent with age.
- Kinetics differ for different tissues.

CGC = Cancer Gene Consensus
Pathogenic – FATHMM algorithm

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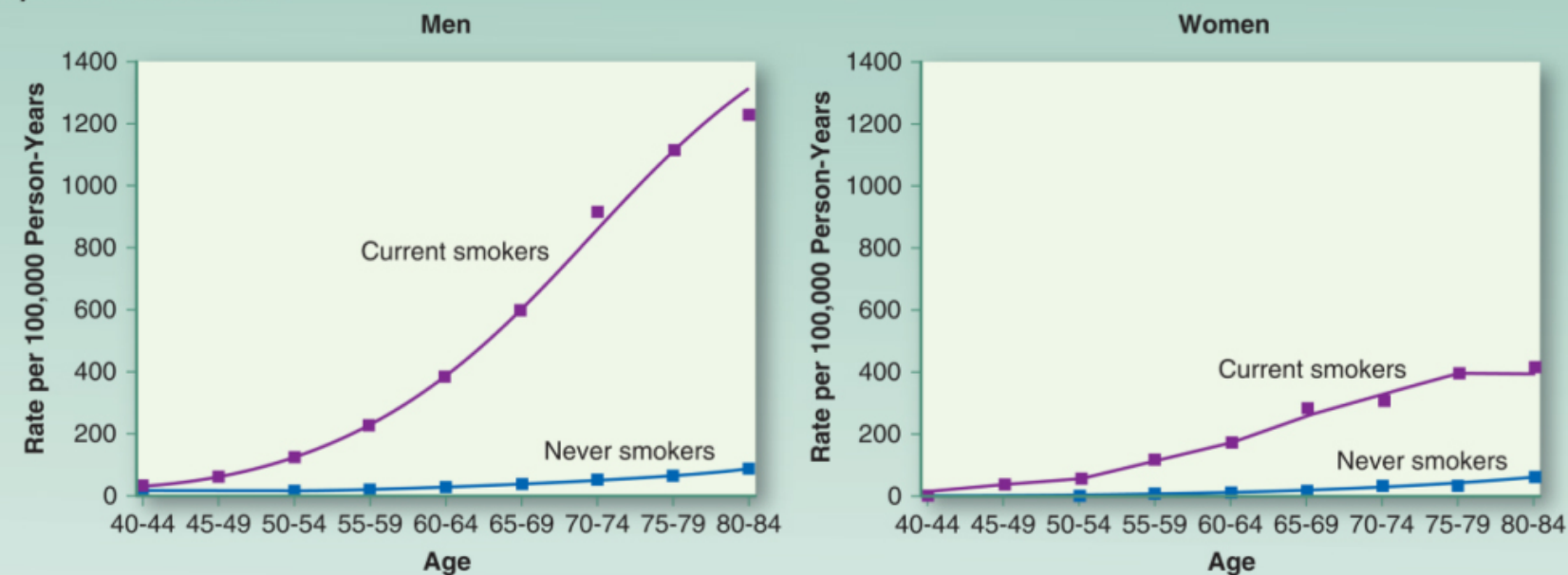


- Most older and cancer-free individuals possess at least a *100 billion cells* that harbor at least one oncogenic mutation
- And yet ~40% of us will develop cancer, which will almost always arise from a single oncogenically initiated cell
- What do the other 99,999,999,999 cells with “oncogenic” mutations do?

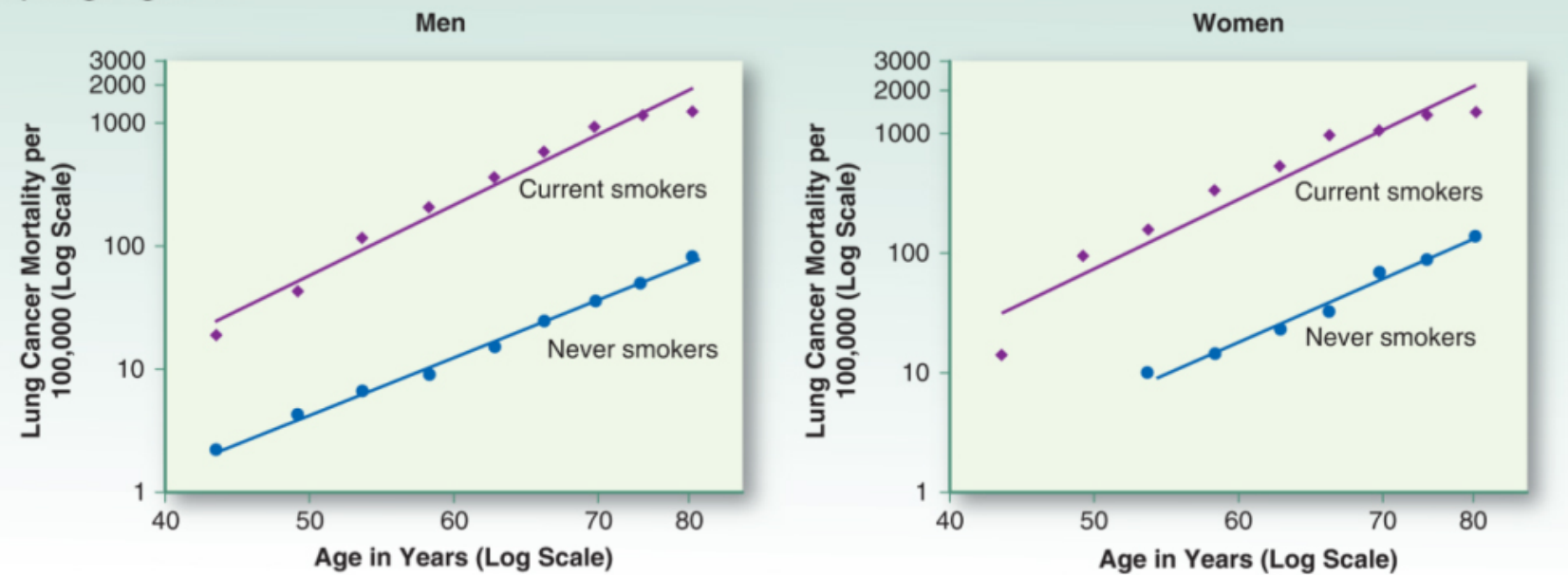
Whether you get lung cancer is largely determined by smoking.

When you get it is determined by your age.

a) Arithmetic Scale

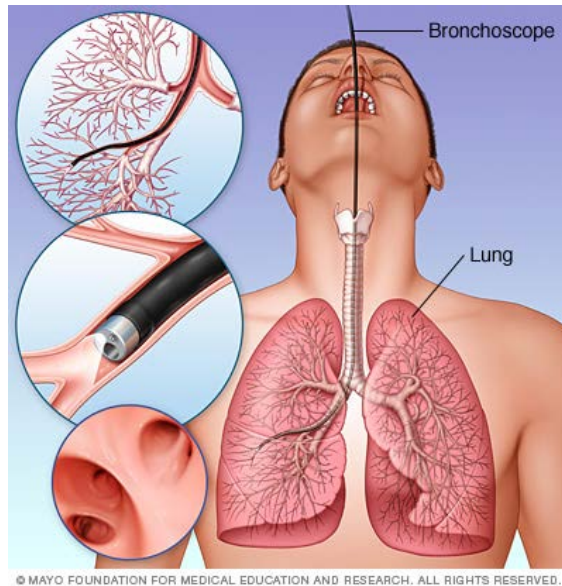


b) Log-log Scale



How does smoking status influence oncogene-driven clonal expansions in the lung?

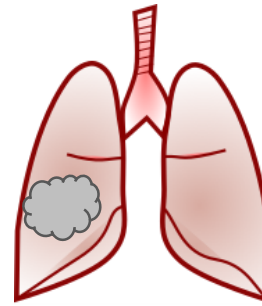
Smokers or former smokers with CT scan detected nodules.



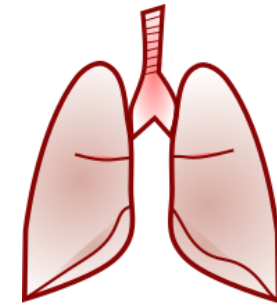
Cancerous lesion

vs

Benign or no lesion



Involved site vs Contralateral



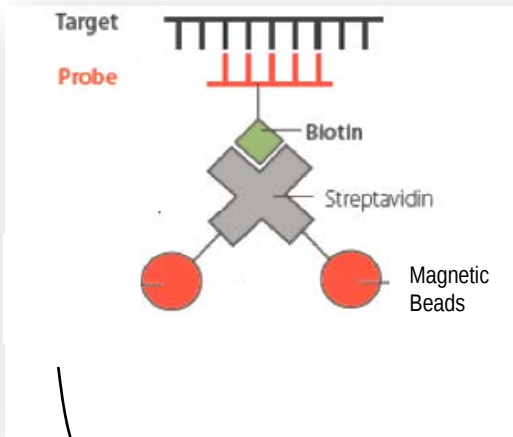
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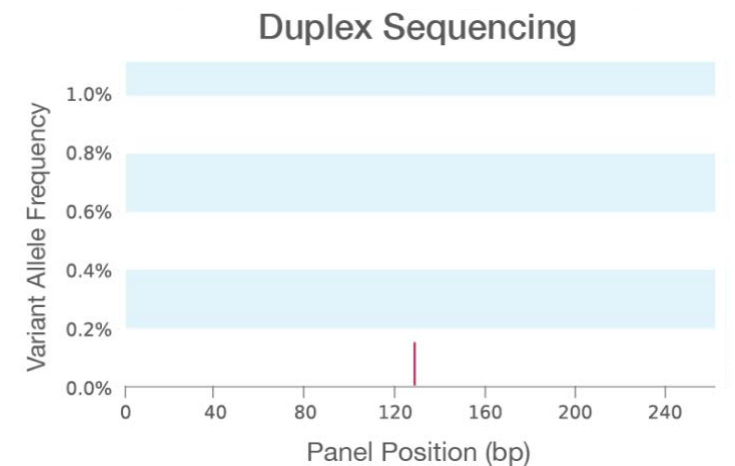
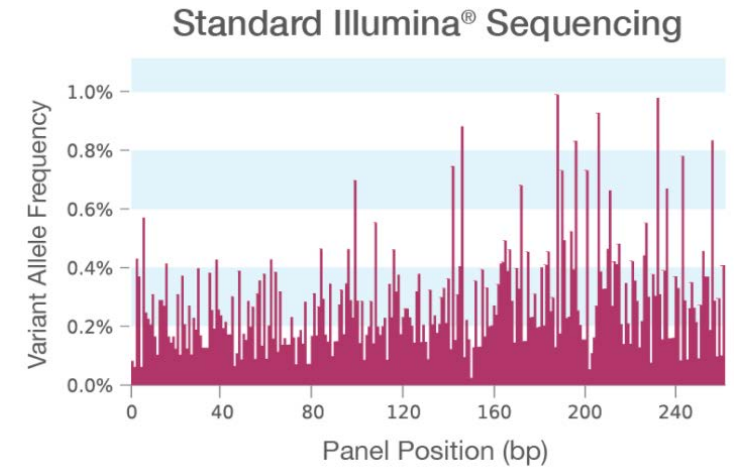
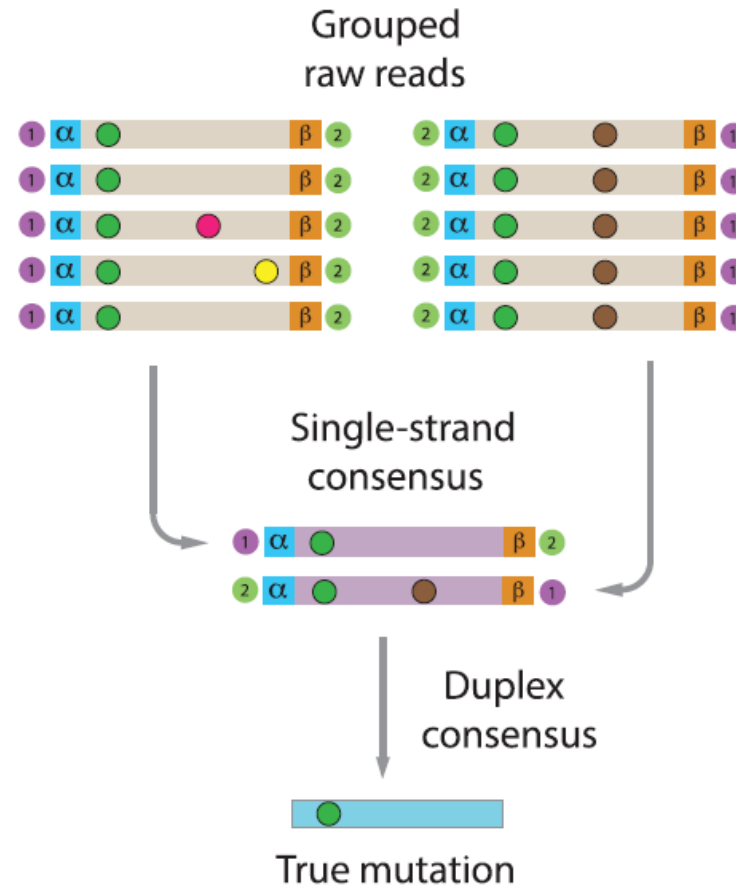
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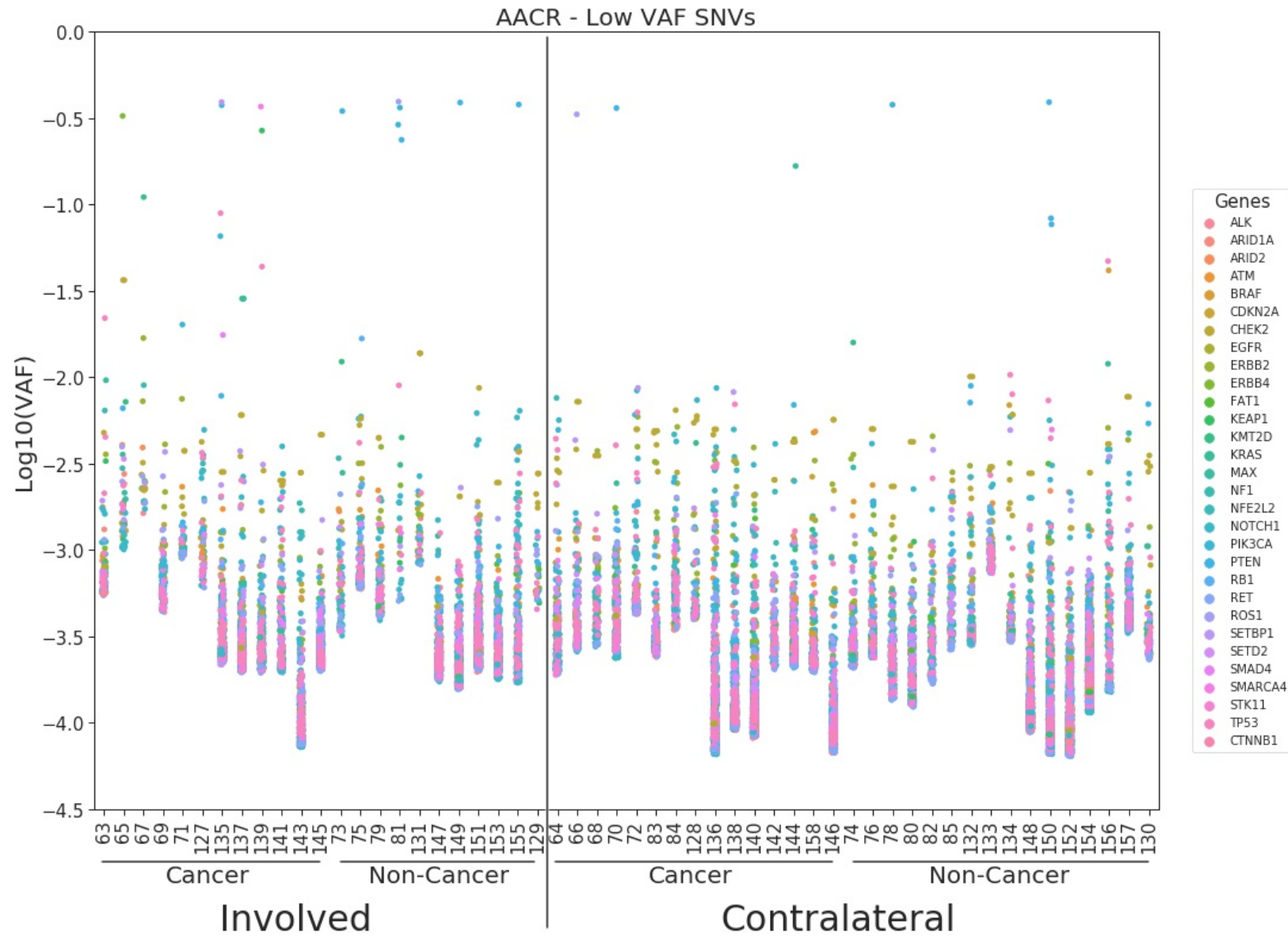
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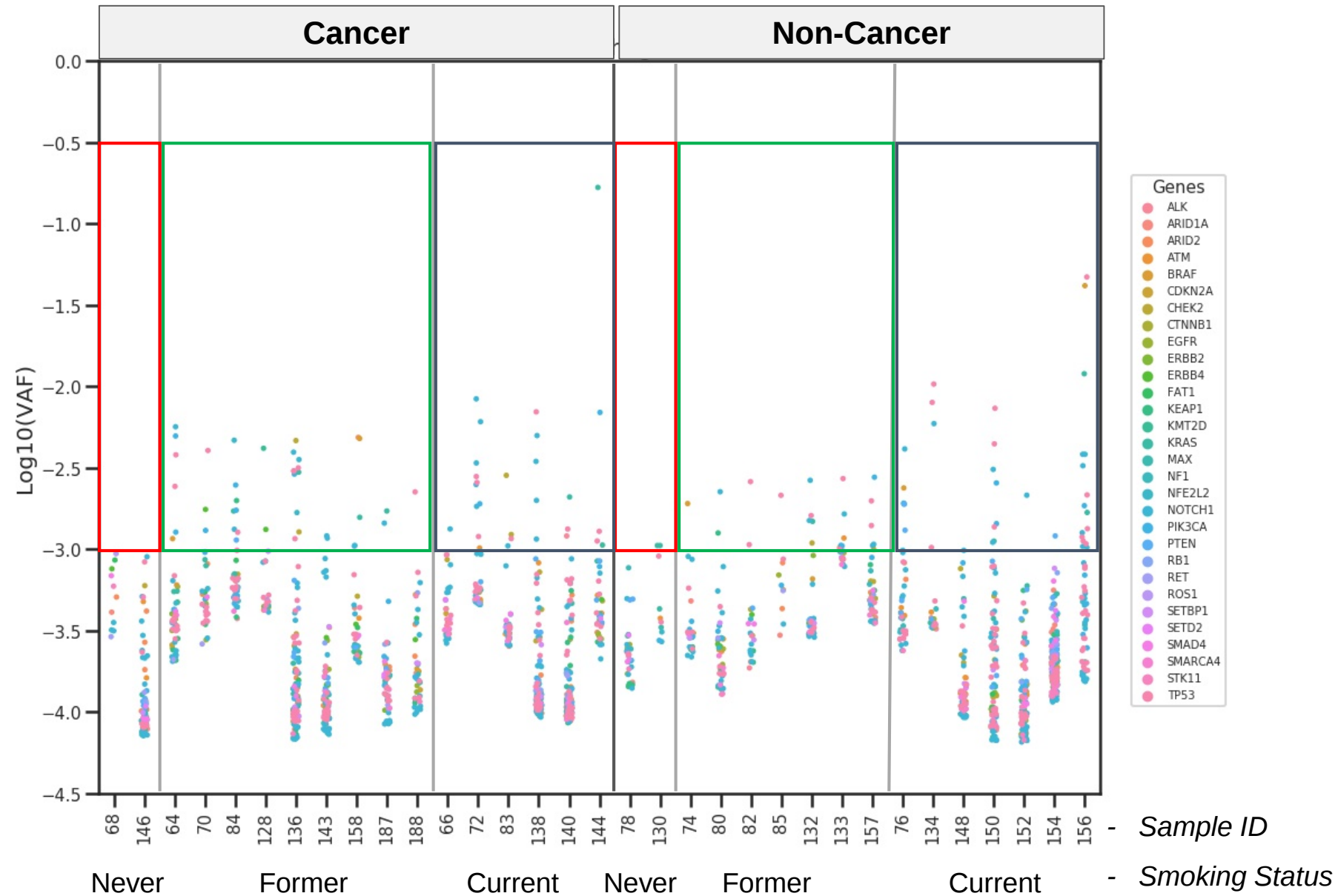
2 consecutive captures + PCR



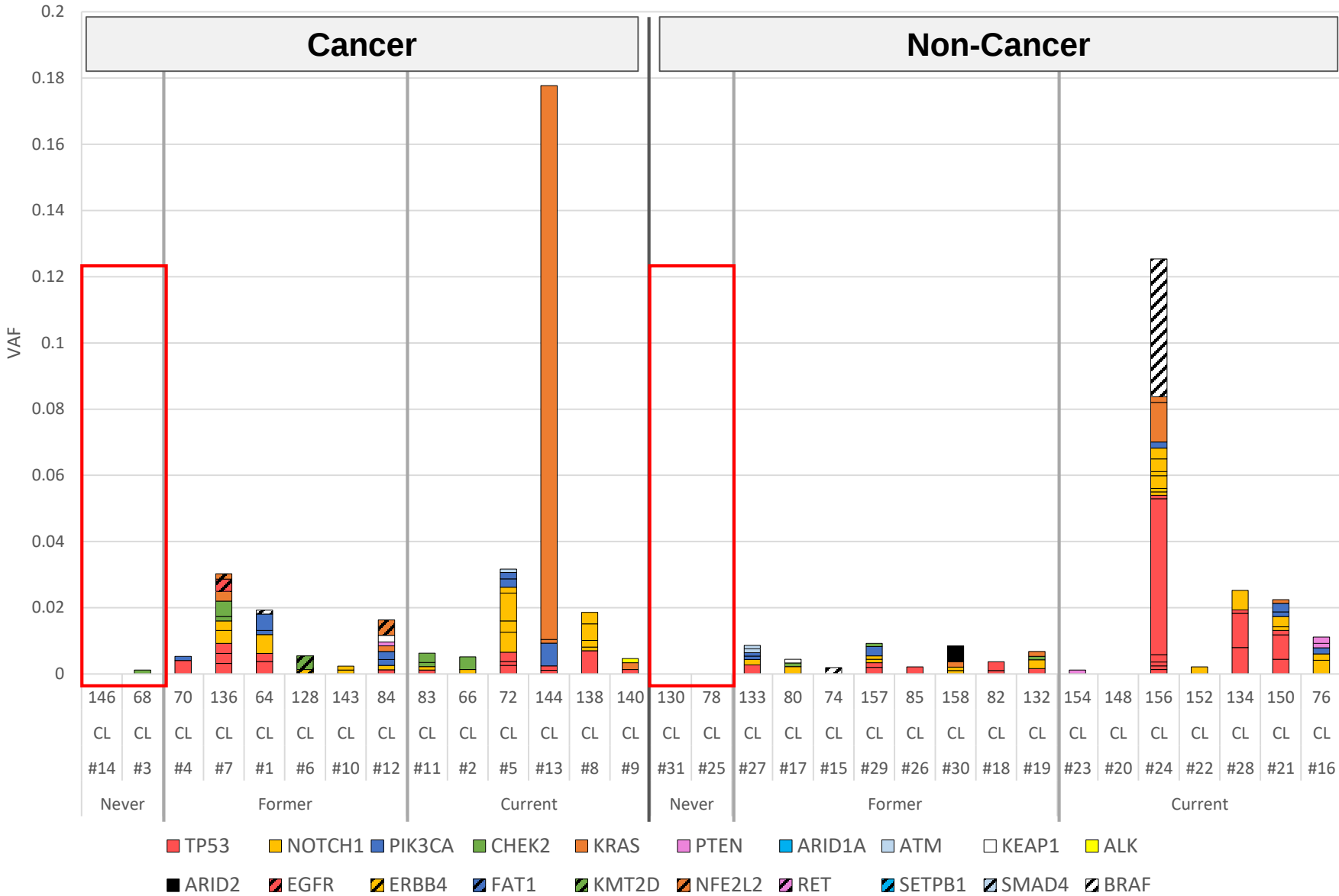
Even a small fragment of lung tissue is riddled with mutations



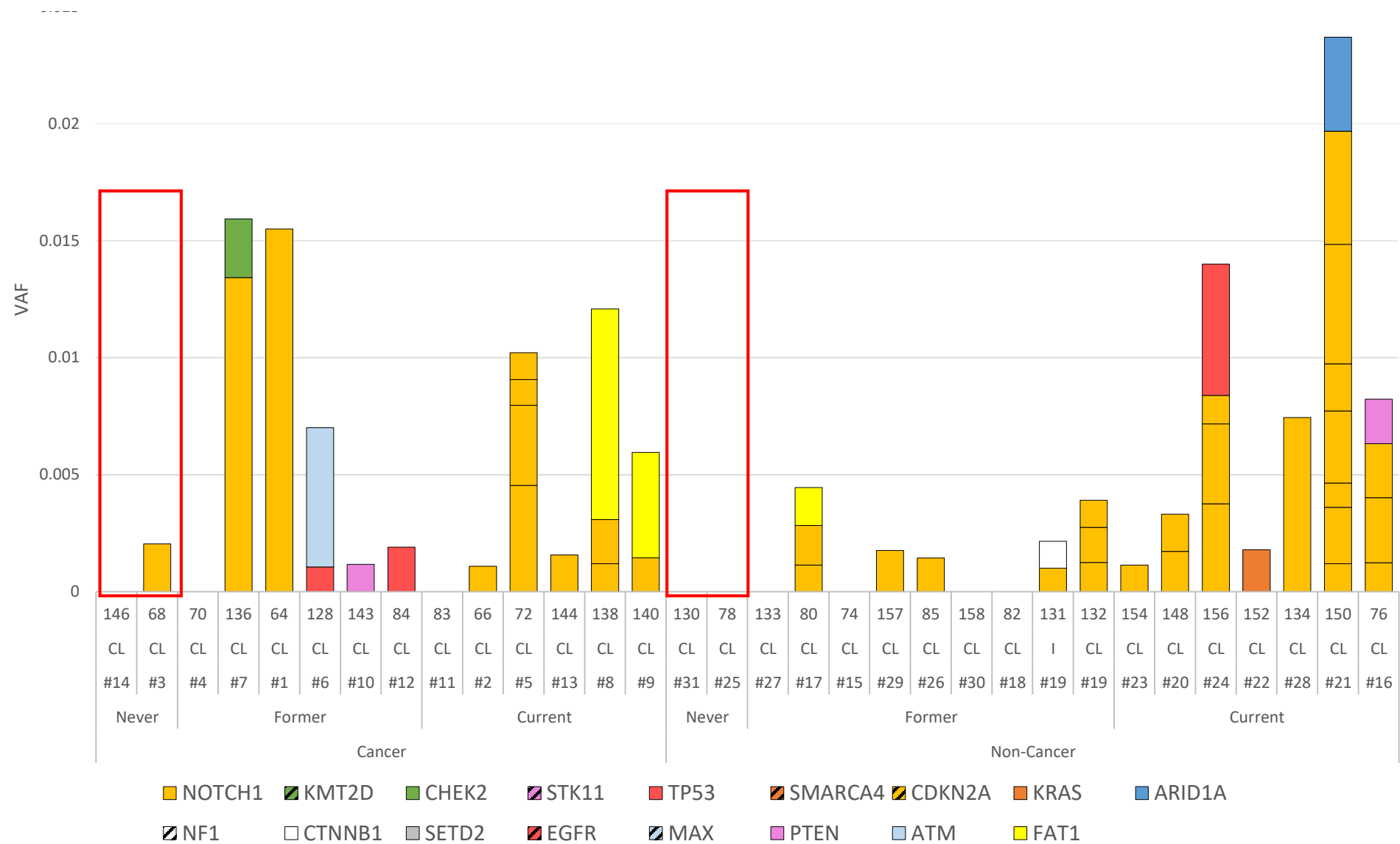
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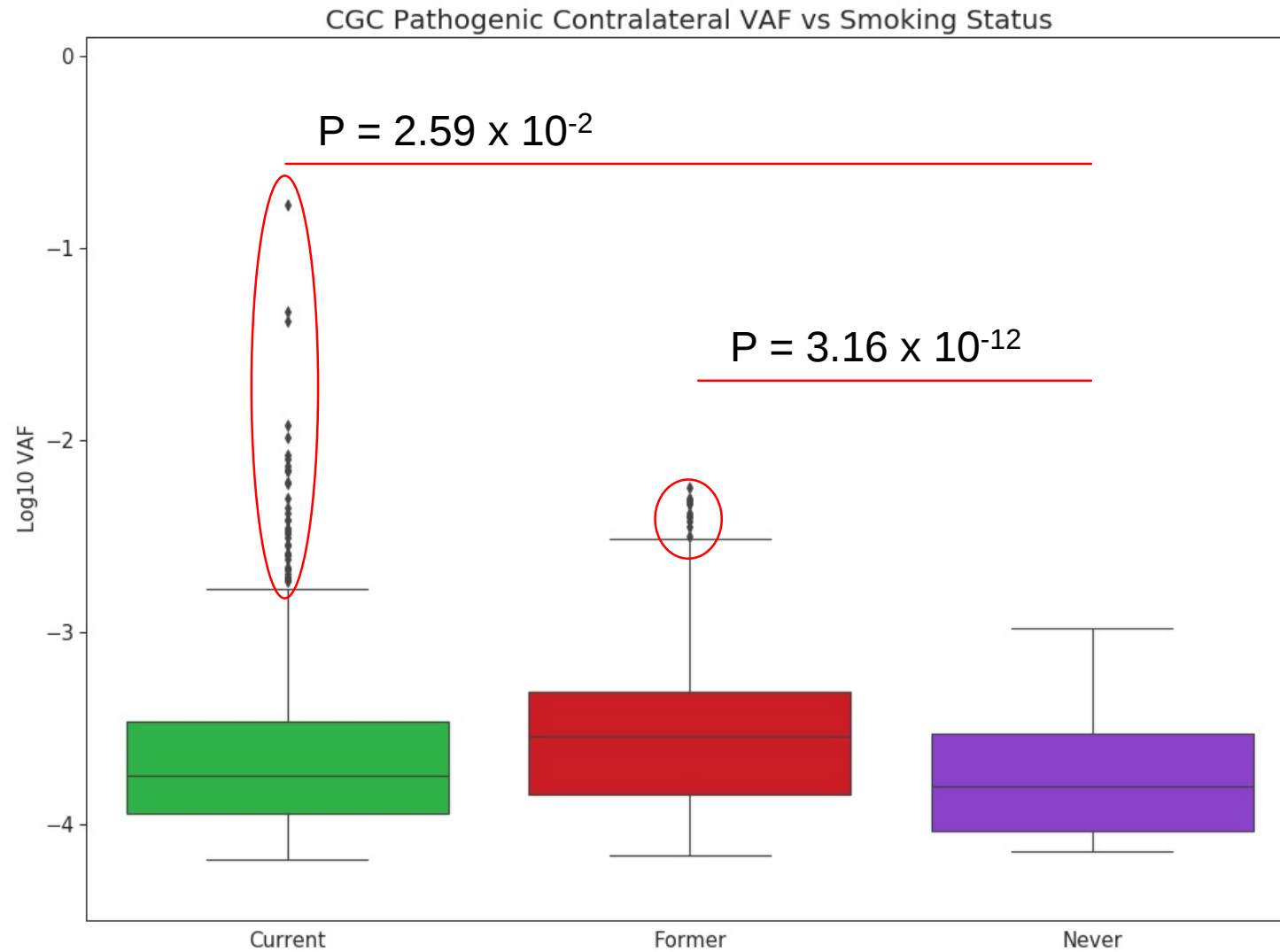
Mutational Load - SNVs (Contralateral)



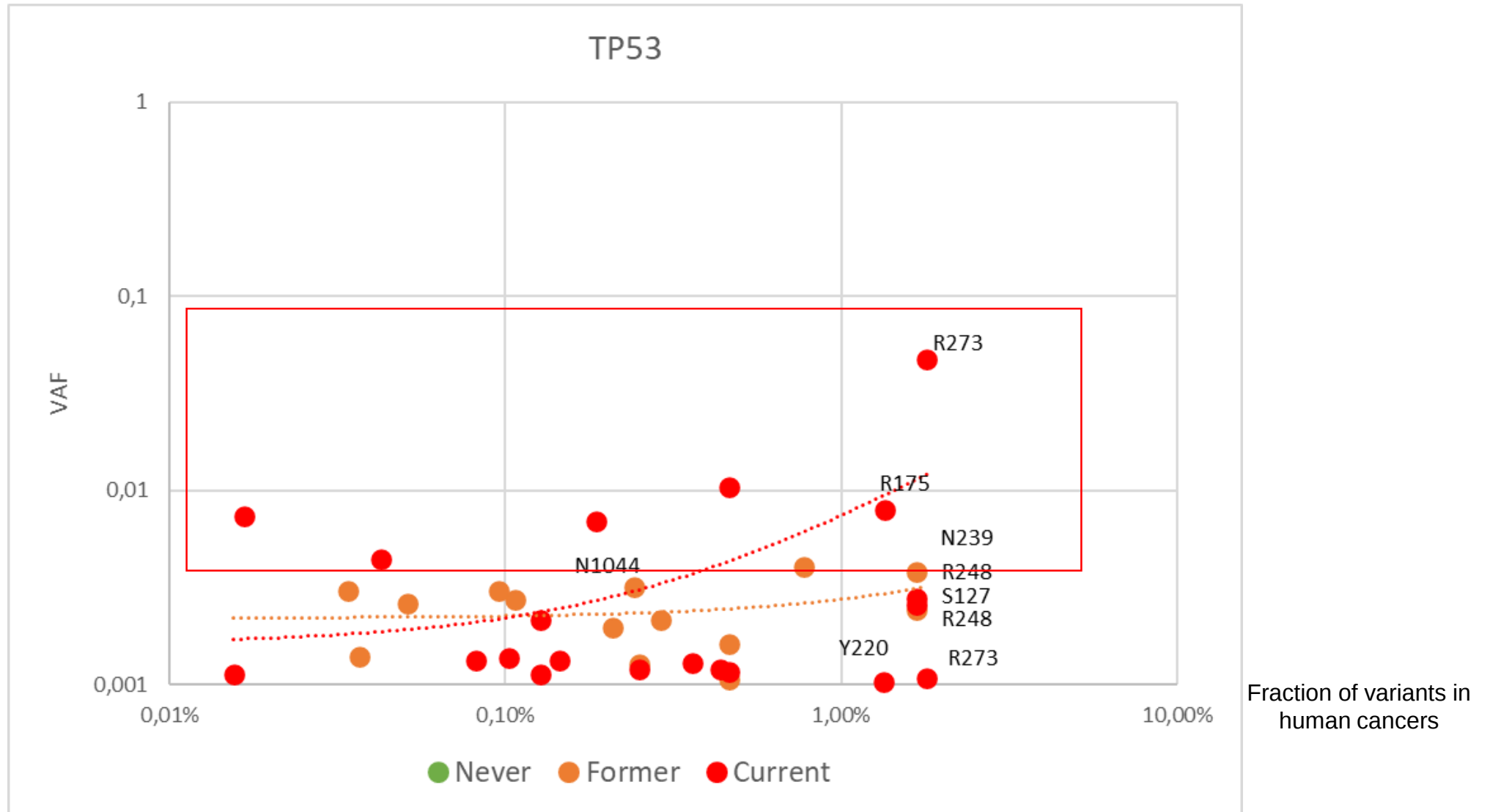
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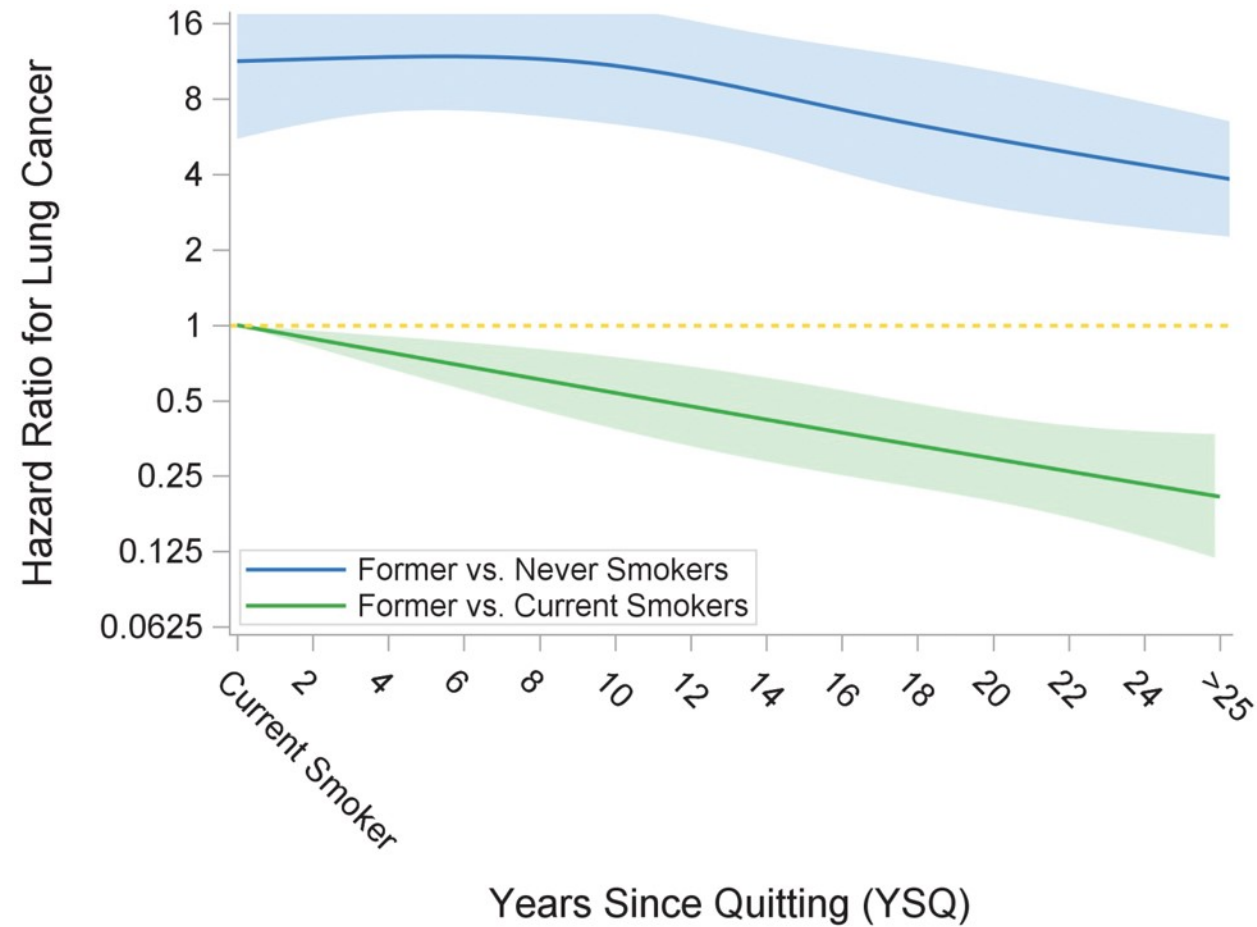
Does quitting smoking reduce selection for the most common mutations in TP53?



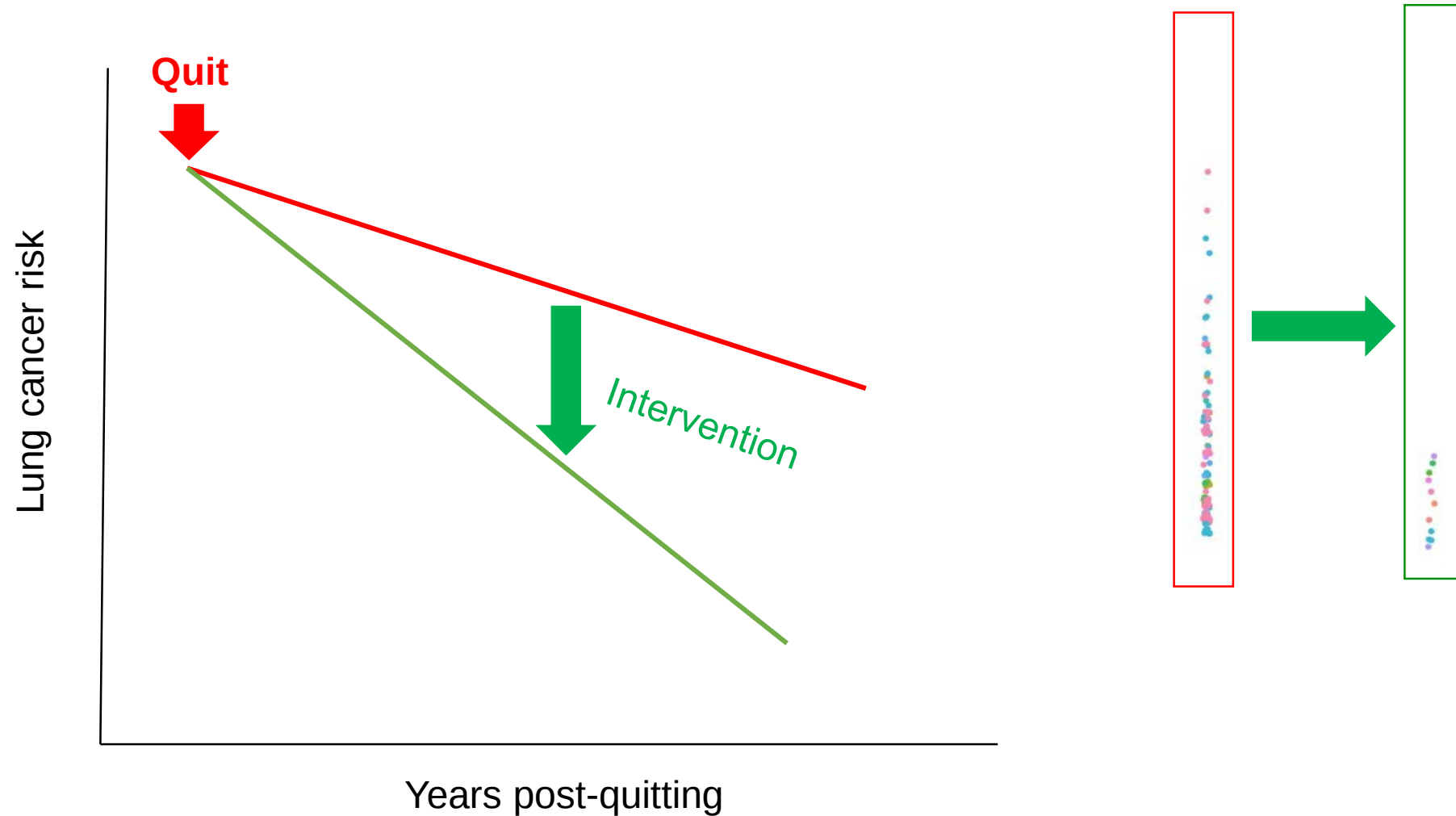
- Smoking promotes selection for oncogenic variants
- Quitting smoking may *reverse* selection for oncogenic variants
- Can we develop interventions that accelerate the restoration of more normal lung landscapes after quitting?



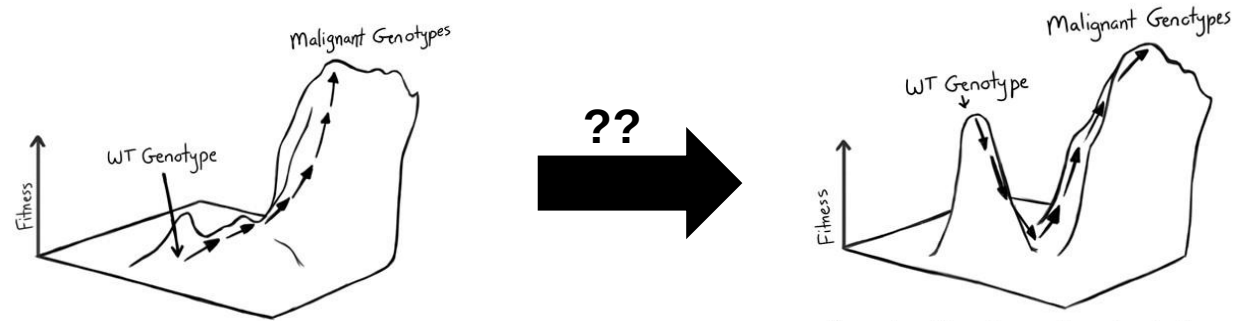
The risk of lung cancer declines with time after quitting



Goal: develop interventions to accelerate lung cancer risk post-quitting, and surrogate measures of improvement



How about methods to restore more youthful landscapes?



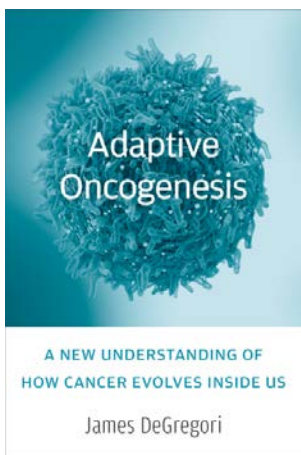
- Interventions that disfavor malignant evolution?
- Will these also improve tissue function and mitigate other diseases?
- How can we track this restoration? Methods to assess adaptive landscapes?

Efforts to prevent and treat cancer should converge with similar efforts to prevent other aging-associated diseases



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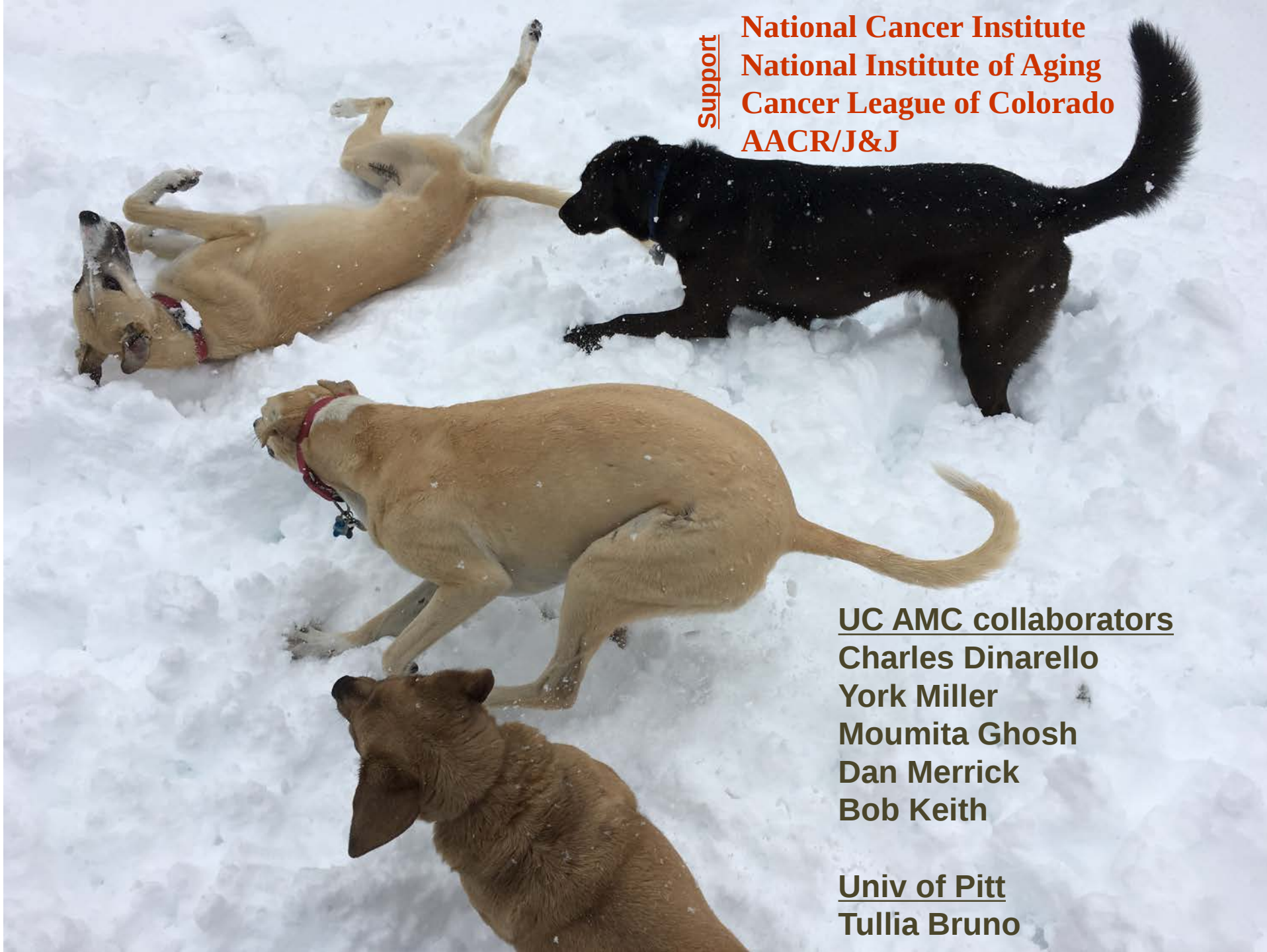


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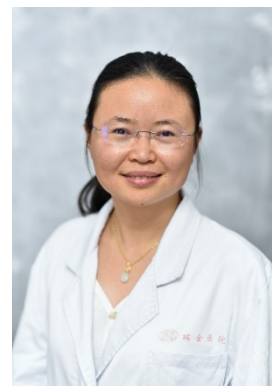


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