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... ever the bridesmaid, never the bride

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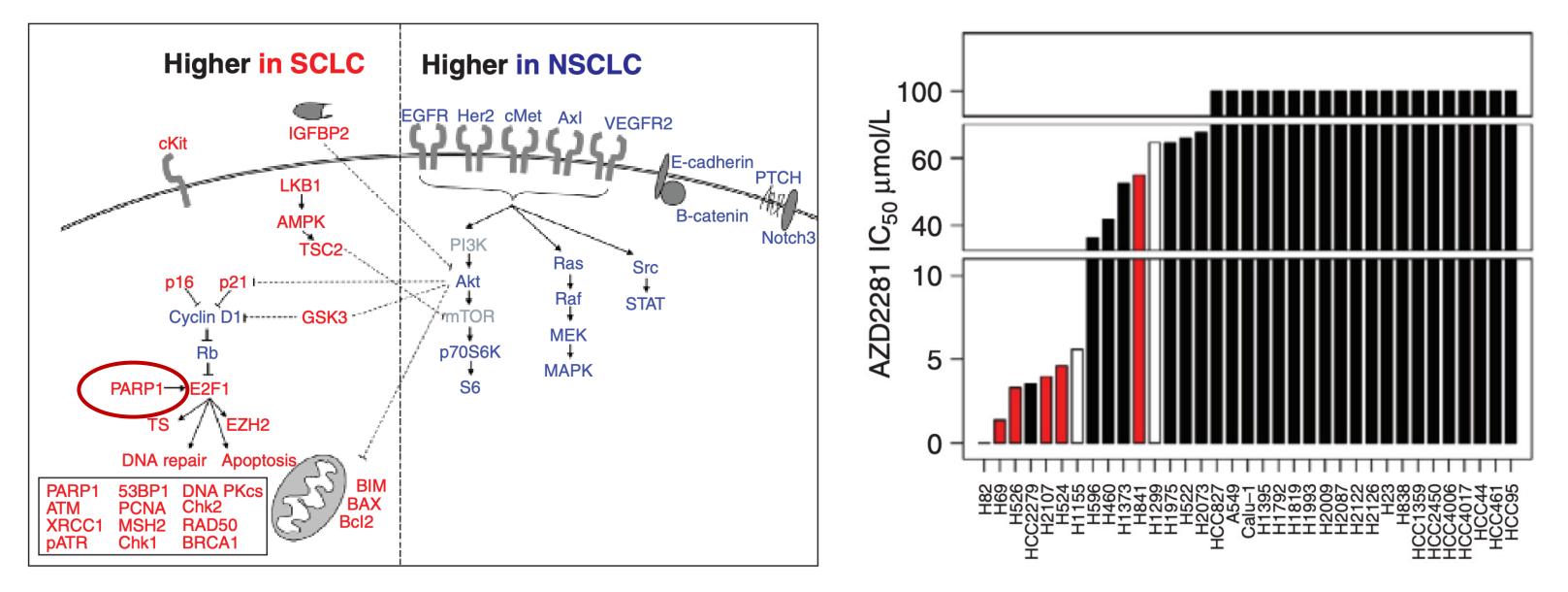
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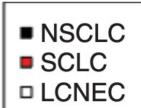


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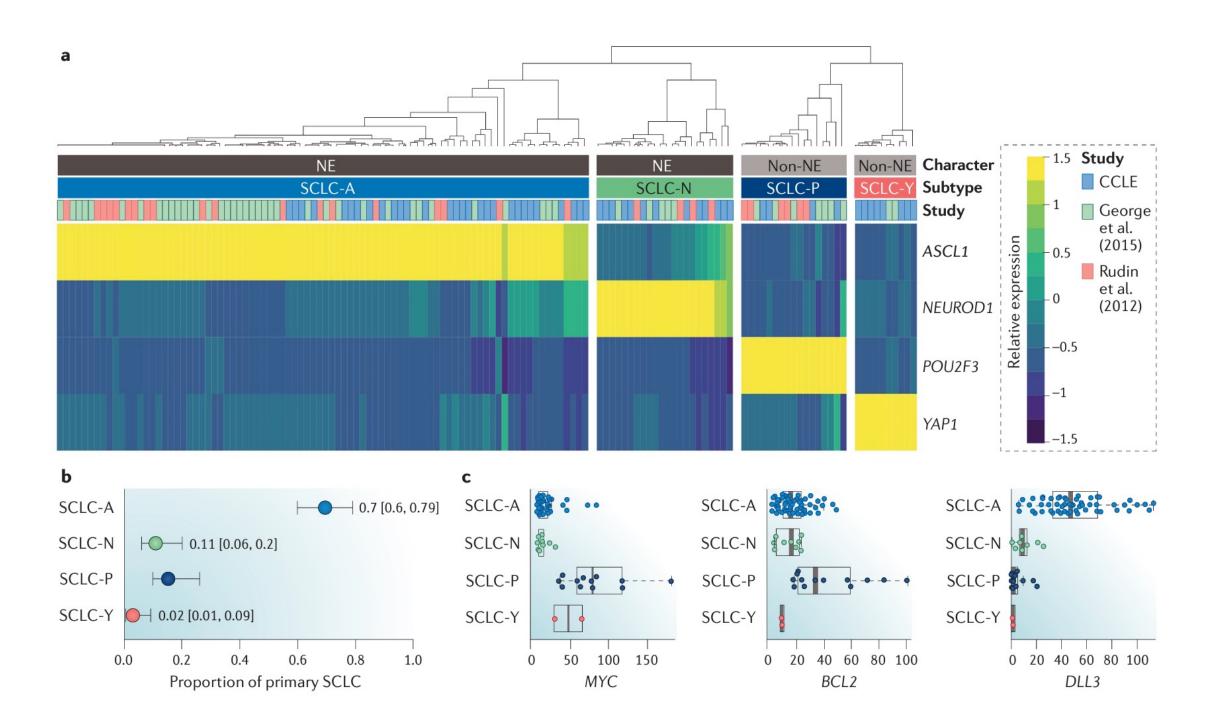
How did we get here?



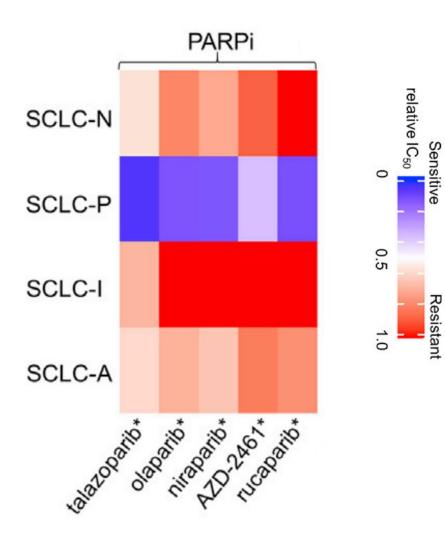


Byers et al., Cancer Discov 2012

Subtyping SCLC to search for biomarkers

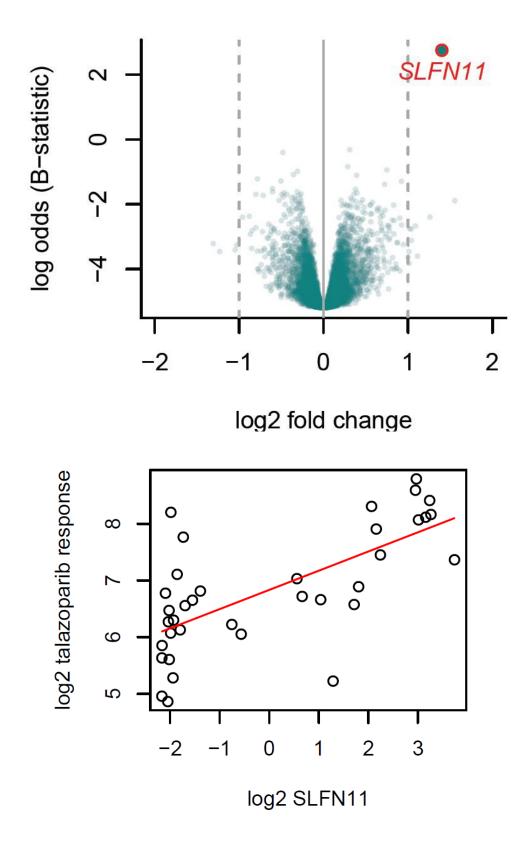


Rudin et al. Nat Rev Cancer 2019



Gay et al. Cancer Cell 2021

SLFN11 expression predicts PARPi sensitivity in SCLC



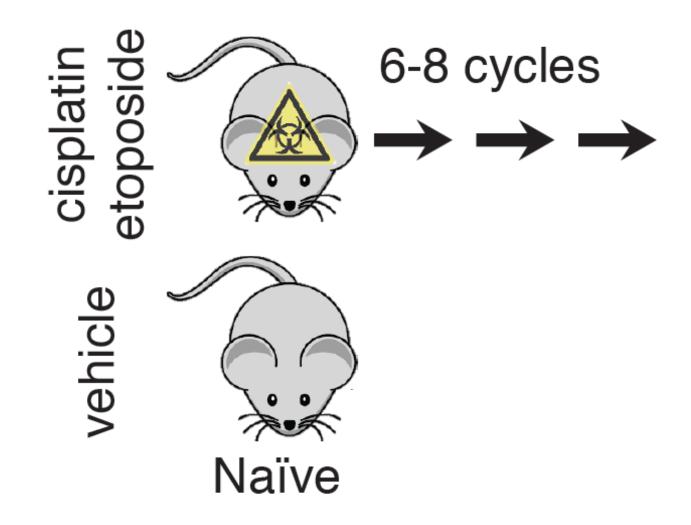


Ben Lok

FDR p < 0.008

Lok et. al, *Clin Cancer Res*, 2017

How did we get to SLFN11?



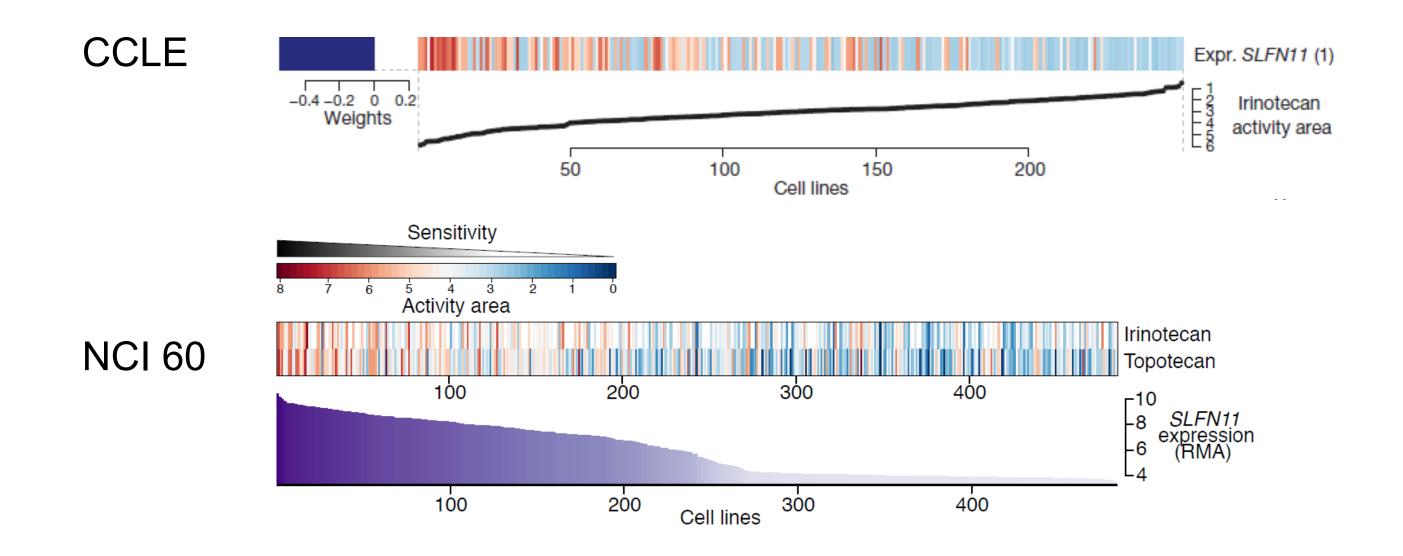
In 4 of 10 models, silencing of SLFN11 expression occurred with acquired chemoresistance



Eric Gardner

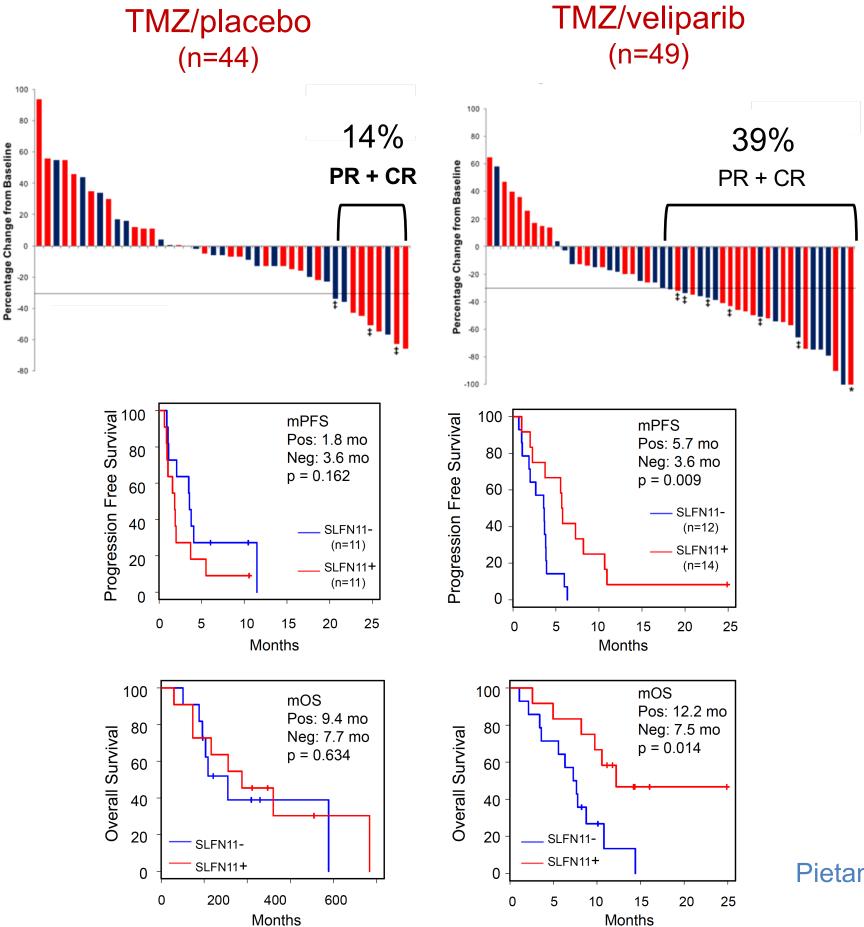
Gardner et al., Cancer Cell 2017

SLFN11 is also the strongest single gene correlate of TOP1 inhibitor sensitivity across cancer cell lines



Barretina et al., *Nature* 2012

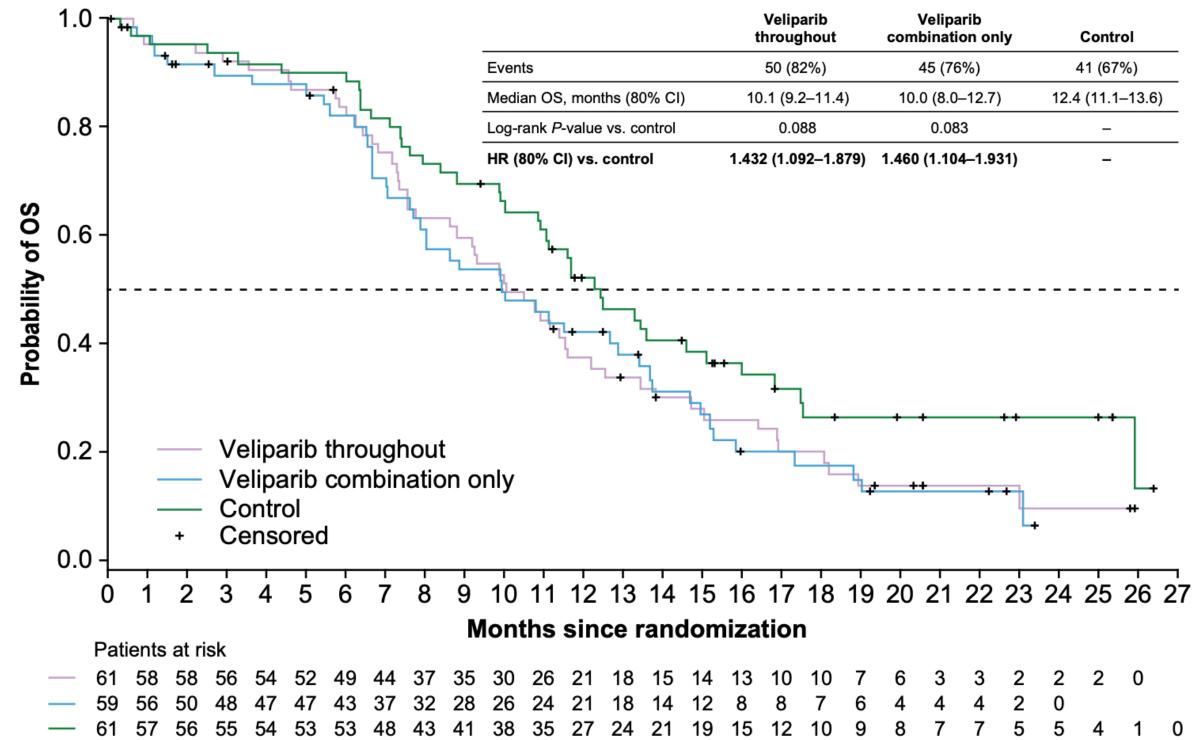
Clinical validation – phase 2 temozolomide +/- veliparib TMZ/placebo TMZ/veliparib



(p = 0.016)

Pietanza et al., J Clin Oncol 2018

Veliparib added to first line chemotherapy +/- maintenance... harm??

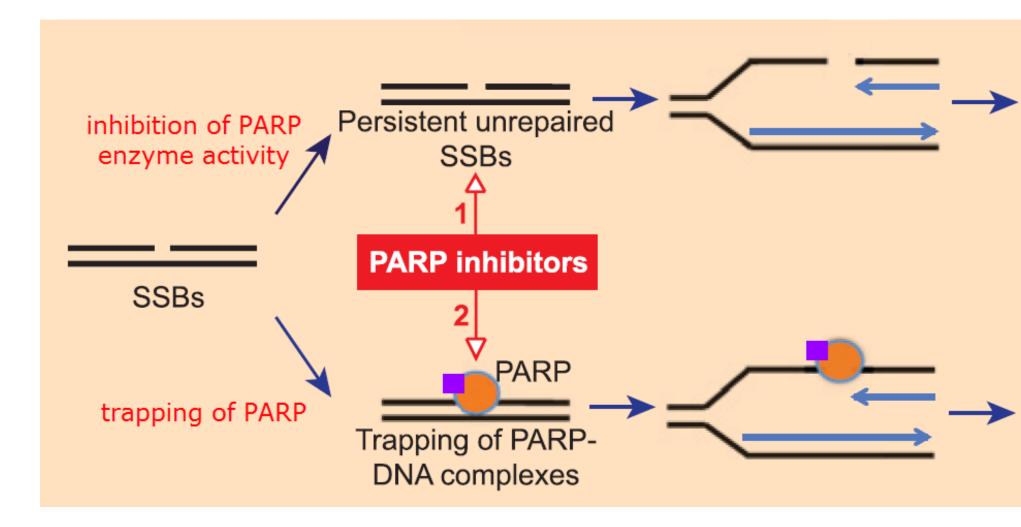


Veliparib combination only	Control			
45 (76%)	41 (67%)			
10.0 (8.0–12.7)	12.4 (11.1–13.6)			
0.083	_			

7	6	3	3	2	2	2	0	
6	4	4	4	2	0			
9	8	7	7	5	5	4	1	(

Byers et al. Clin Cancer Res 2021

PARP inhibitors work through (at least) 2 mechanisms



Trapping potency Talazoparib > Neraparib > Olaparib = Rucaparib > Veliparib

Cell death in HR deficient cells



Enhanced cell death in any tumor cell with single strand DNA damage

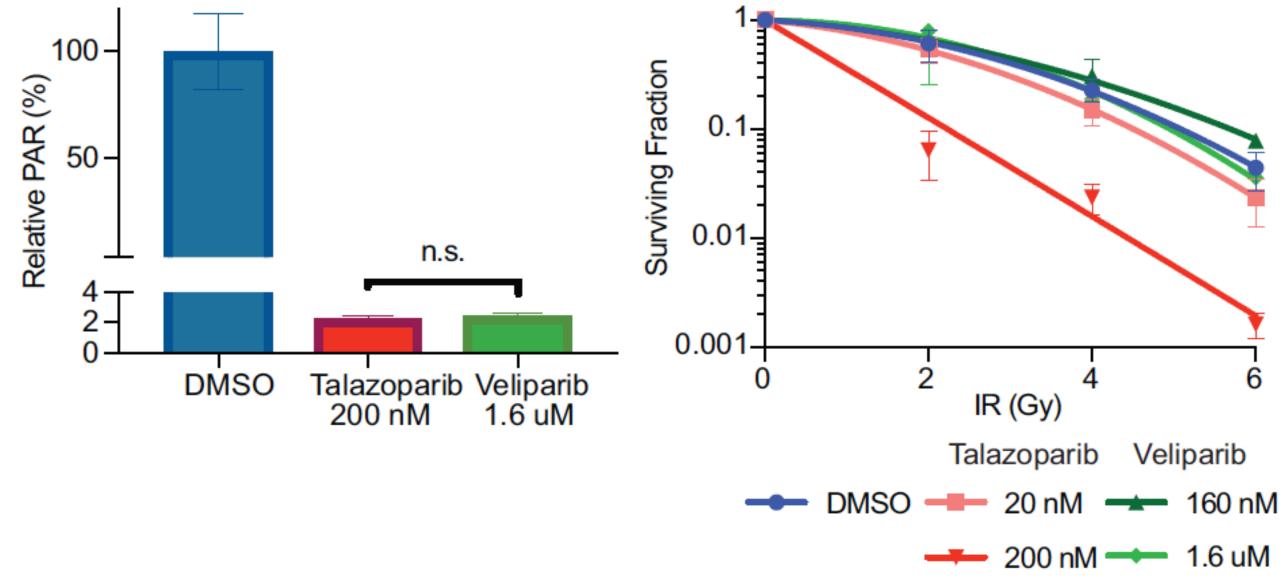


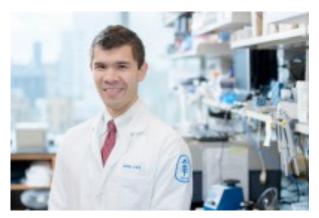
Murai et al., *Cancer Res* 2012

PARP inhibitors and radiosensitization in SCLC

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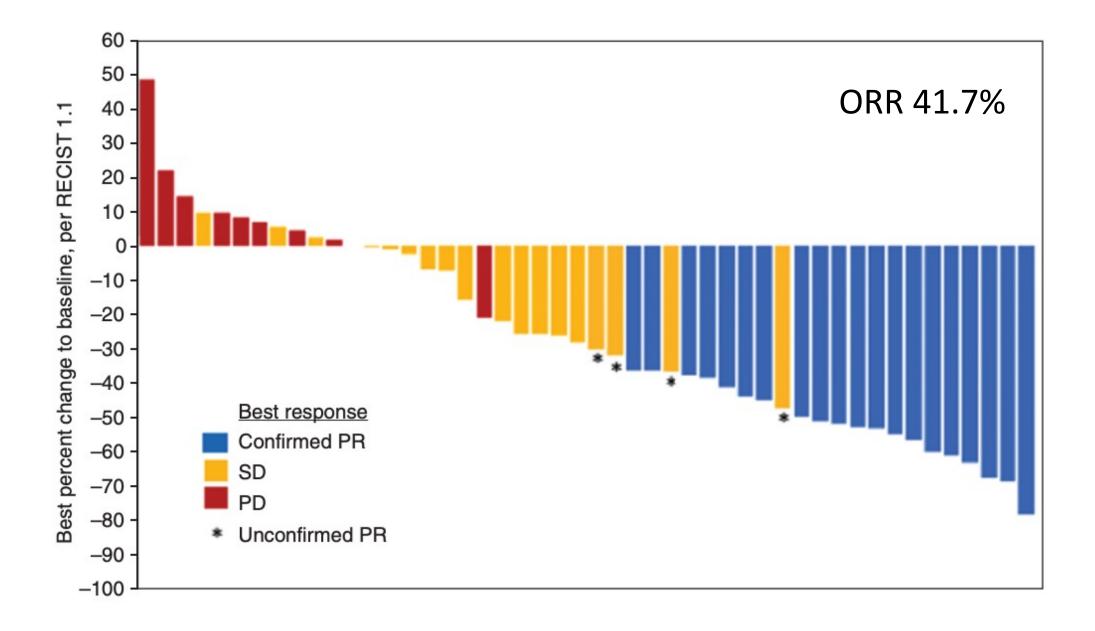


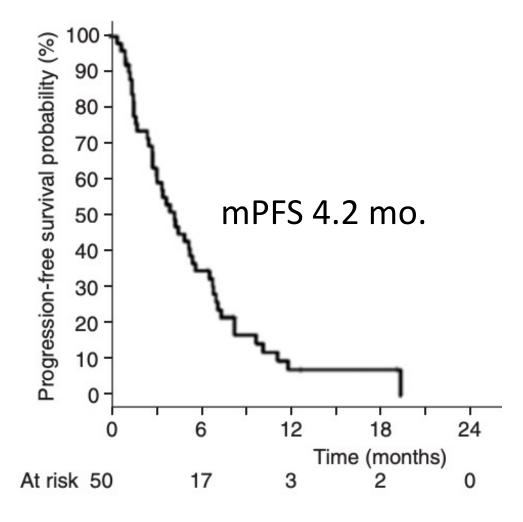


James Laird

Laird et al. Clin Cancer Res 2018

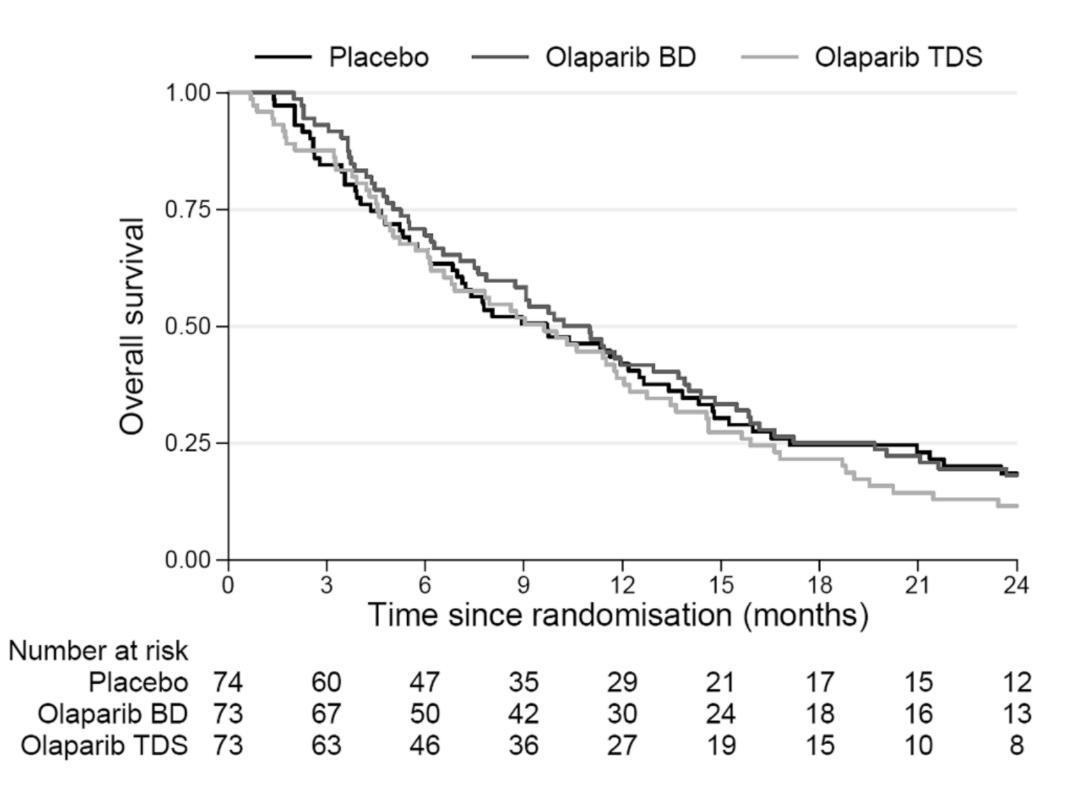
Olaparib and temozolomide in patients with SCLC Perhaps the most promising data to date – but durability is modest





Farago et al., Cancer Discov 2019

Olaparib maintenance? No.

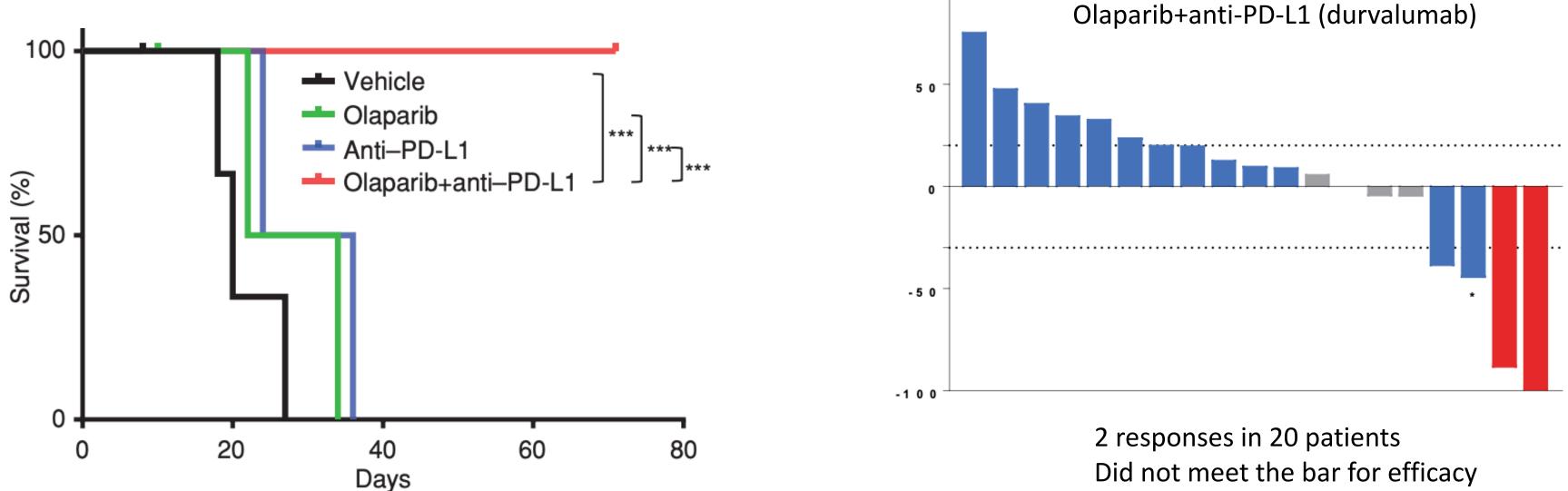


Woll et al. *Lung Cancer* 2022

Could PARP inhibitors inflame SCLC and lead to IO response?

Looked great in mice!

... but disappointing in patients...

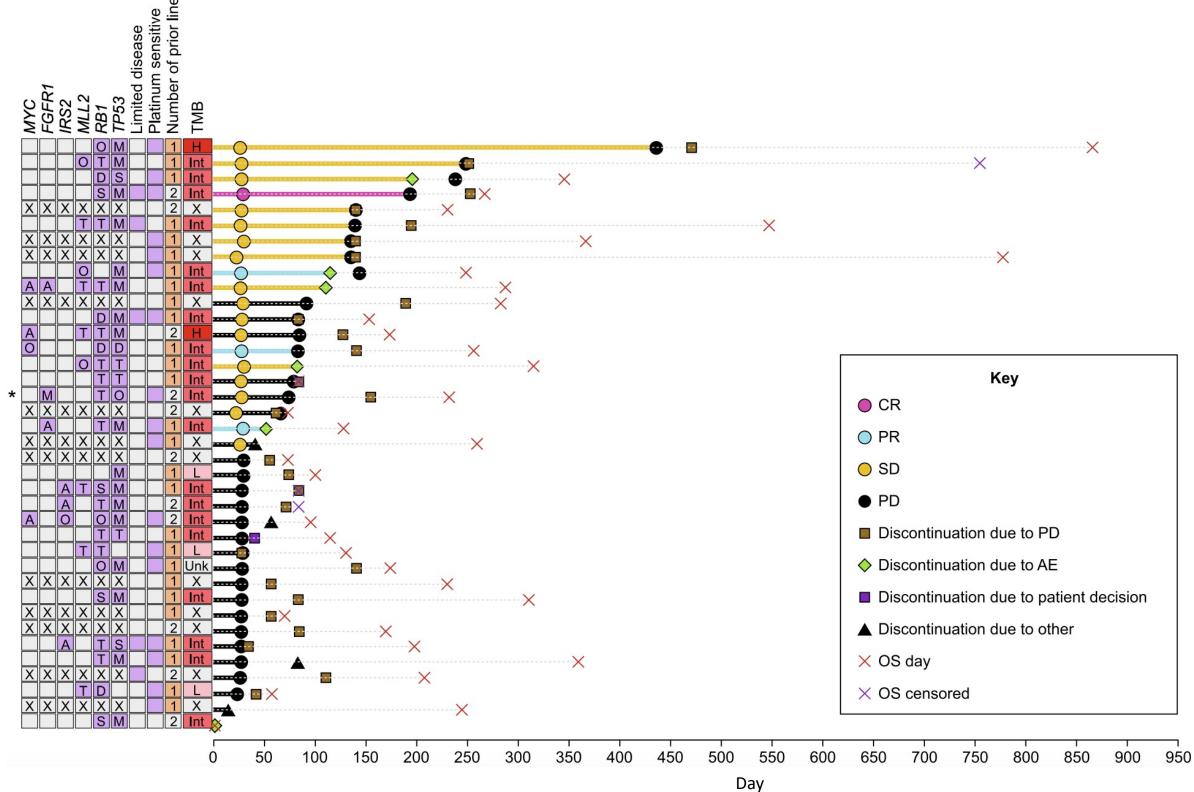


Sen et al. Cancer Discov 2019

Thomas et al. J Thor Oncol 2019

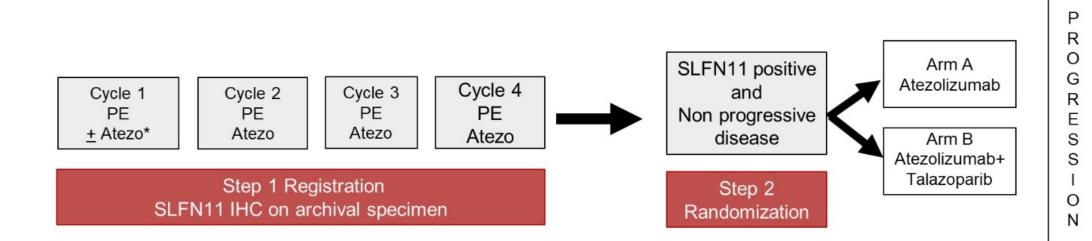
This combo did not look any better in phase II

MEDIOLA phase II study of olaparib + durvalumab



Krebs et al. Lung Cancer 2023

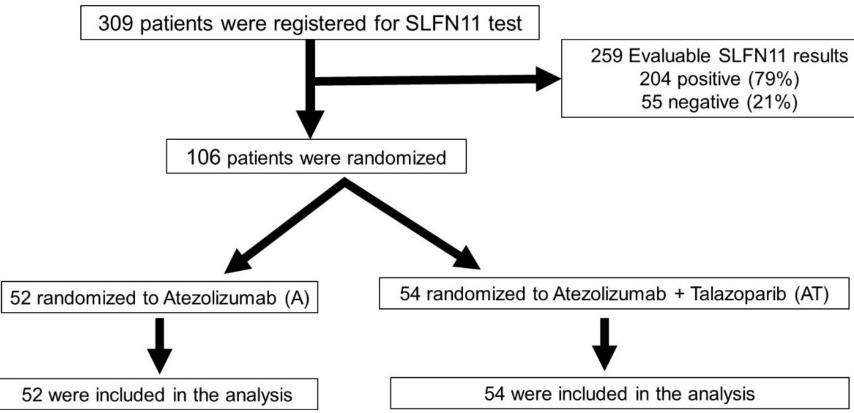
Maintenance atezo vs. atezo + talazoparib in SLFN11+ ES-SCLC



Hypothesis: The addition of talazoparib to maintenance atezolizumab will improve PFS in SLFN11+ SCLC.

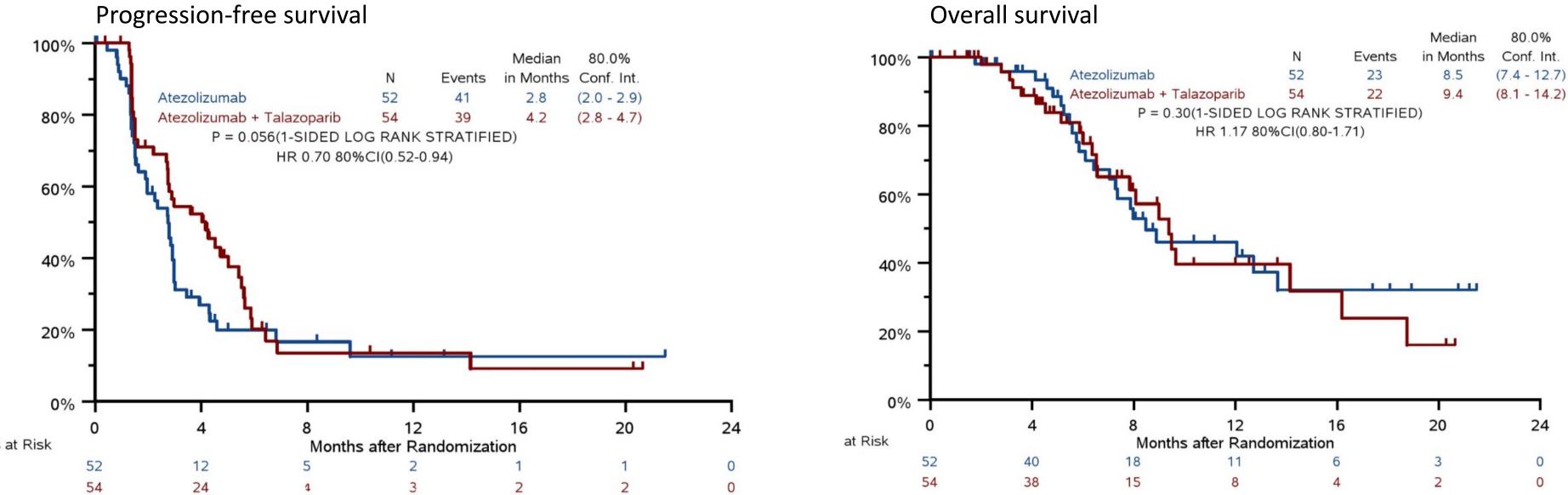
Primary Endpoint: PFS

Secondary endpoints: OS, ORR, AE. TM Objective: To bank specimens for future correlative studies.



Karim et al. ASCO Annual Meeting 2023

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Even biomarker-selected, with a potent PARP trapper: *Not good enough*.

Karim et al. ASCO Annual Meeting 2023

Some conclusions

- Lots of preclinical data suggest PARP inhibitor potential in SCLC
 - With cytotoxics
 - With immunotherapies
- We think we know which *classes* of PARP inhibitors should work best in SCLC
- We have defined *biomarkers* for PARPi application in SCLC
- Convincing clinical evidence of utility is lacking



Thanks!

