



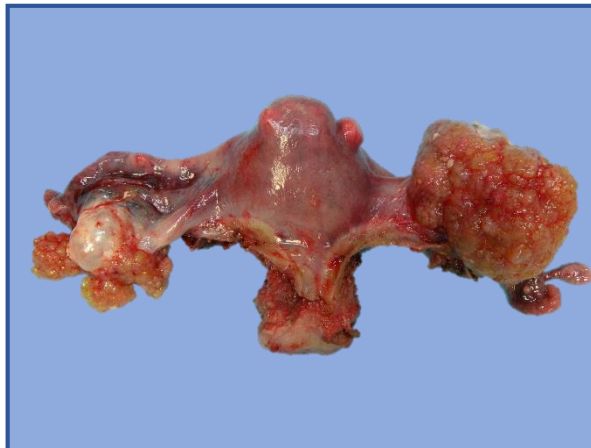
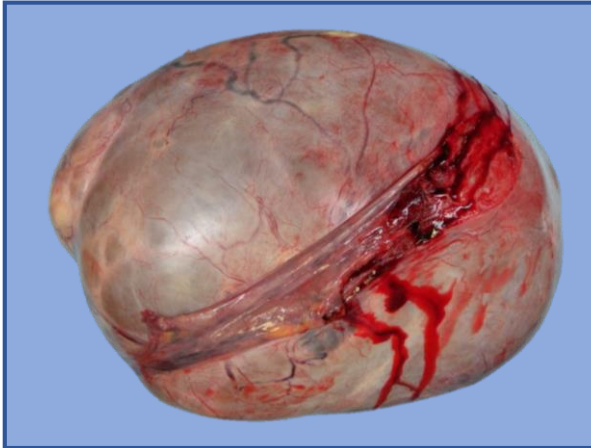
**Il carcinoma ovarico: approccio  
multidisciplinare e prospettive terapeutiche**

***Dall' istologia alla  
caratterizzazione  
biomolecolare***

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**Ovarian cancer is a general term for a series of distinct diseases  
that simply share an anatomical location**



# The dualistic model clusters ovarian carcinoma into two groups



## Type I

**Low grade**  
**Low stage at presentation**  
**Favorable outcome**

Endometrioid Carcinoma EOC  
Clear Cell Carcinoma CC  
Low grade serous carcinoma LGSC  
Mucinous Carcinoma MC  
Brenner tumor

**Genetic stability**

## Type II

**High grade**  
**High stage at presentation**  
**Dismal prognosis**

High Grade Serous Carcinoma HGSC  
Carcinosarcoma  
Undifferentiated Carcinoma

**Genetic chaos (p53 mutation)**

# **REVIEW**

## **The Dualistic Model of Ovarian Carcinogenesis *Revisited, Revised, and Expanded***

Robert J. Kurman and Ie-Ming Shih

The American Journal of Pathology, Vol. 186, No. 4, April 2016

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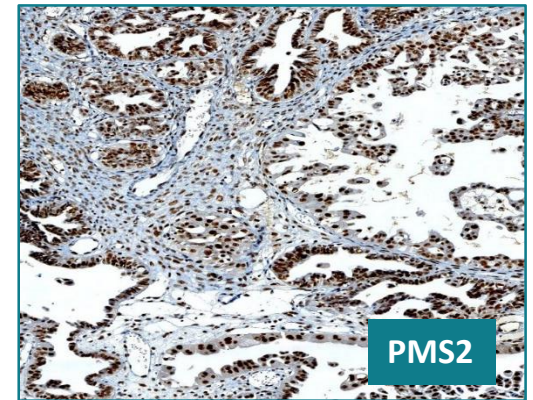
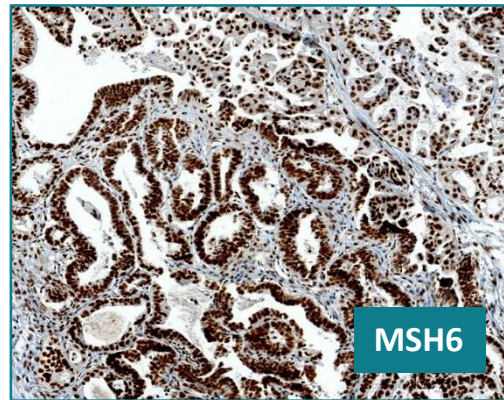
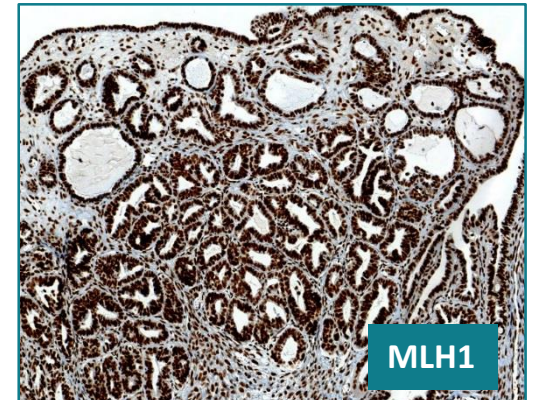
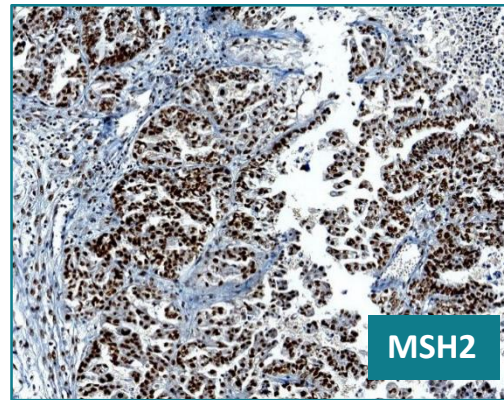
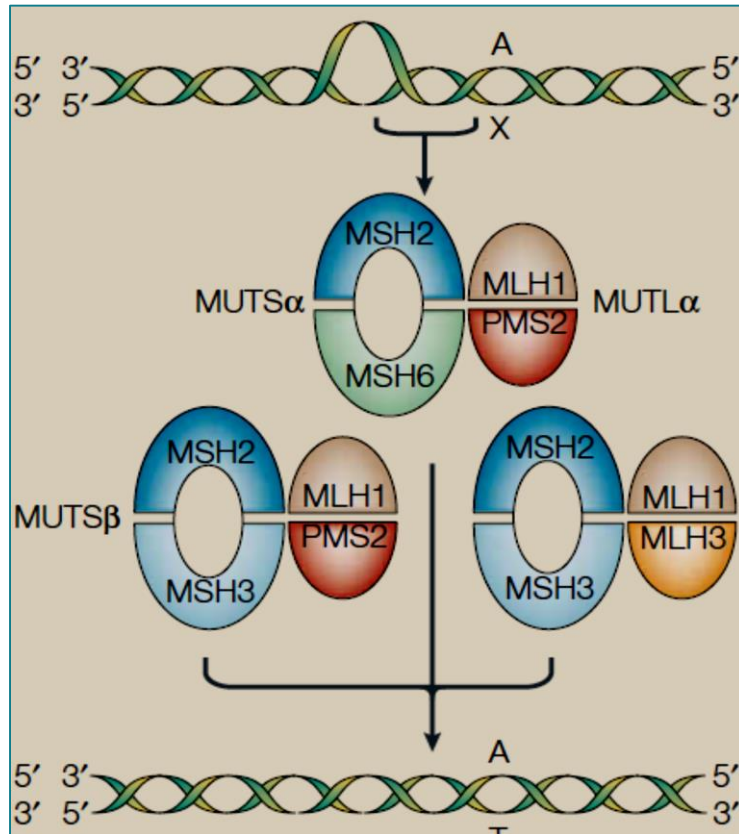
# **Lynch Syndrome (LS)/Hereditary Nonpolyposis Colorectal Carcinoma (HNPCC)**

**Autosomal dominant cancer syndrome caused by  
inactivating germline mutation in the DNA mismatch  
repair (MMR) genes**



# MISMATCH REPAIR

Biochemical process dedicated primarily to the excision of nucleotides that are incorrectly paired during DNA replication



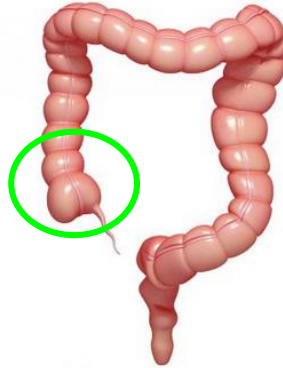


# **Lynch Syndrome (LS)/Hereditary Nonpolyposis Colorectal Carcinoma (HNPCC)**

- 1. LS has traditionally been approached as a colorectal carcinoma-dominant syndrome**
- 2. Women with LS are at equal/higher risk for development of gynecologic cancer when compared with their risk of colon cancer**
- 3. 10% to 15% of hereditary ovarian cancers are part of LS**

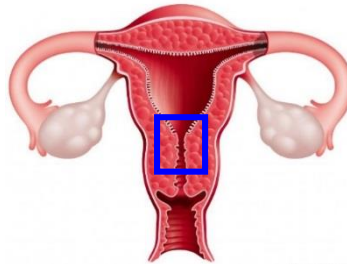
# Is there any morphological aspect related to MISMATCH REPAIR deficiency?

## *Colorectal adenocarcinoma*



Right colon  
High grade histology (colloid carcinoma)  
Intratumoral and peritumoral (Crohn-like) inflammatory infiltration

## *Endometrial adenocarcinoma*



Isthmus  
High grade histology  
Synchronous CCC  
Intratumoral and peritumoral (Crohn-like) inflammatory infiltration

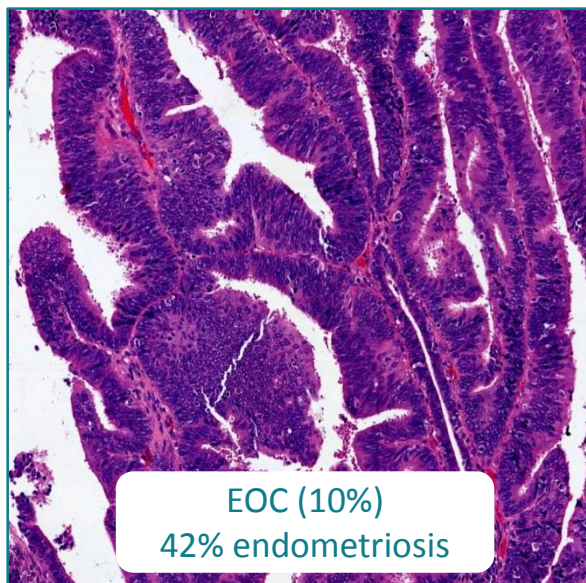
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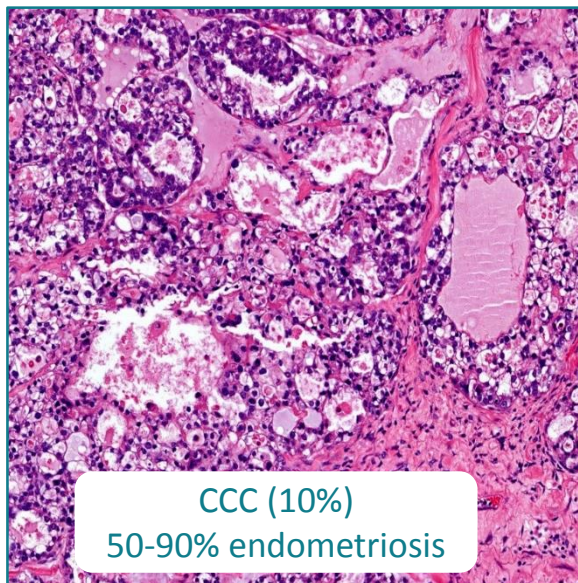
Endometrioid and clear cells histology  
No intratumoral and peritumoral (Crohn-like) inflammatory infiltration

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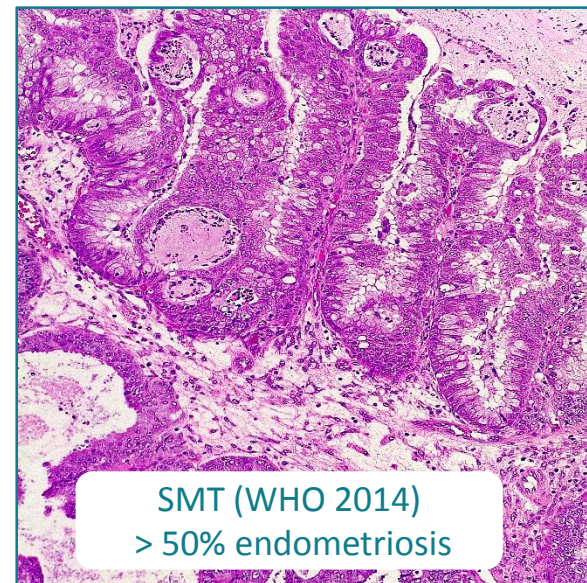
## Lynch syndrome OC tumour subtypes commonly associated with endometriosis



10% MMR defects, pts < 50 yrs



14-17% MMR defects, pts < 50 yrs

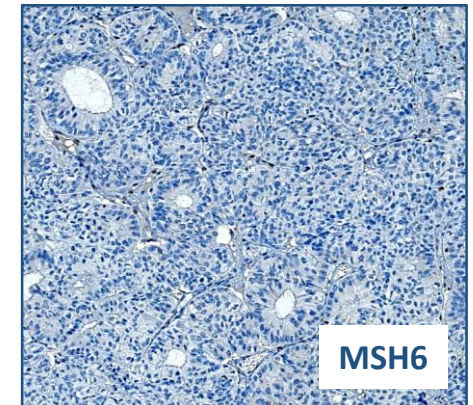
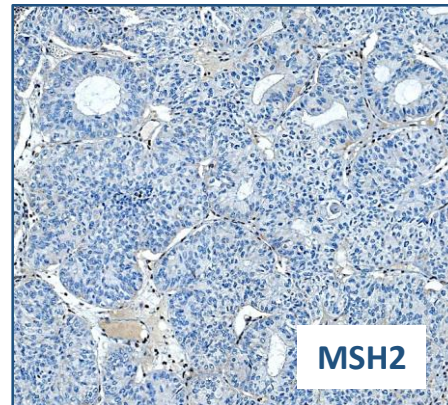
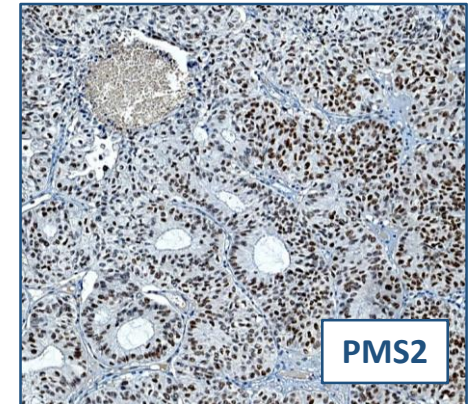
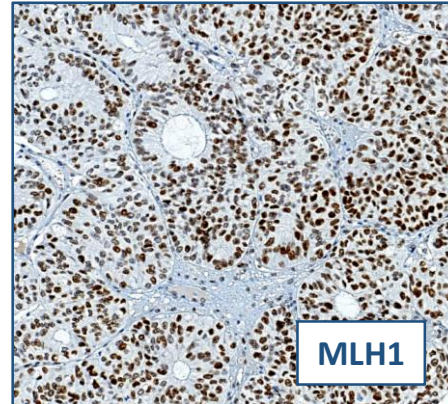
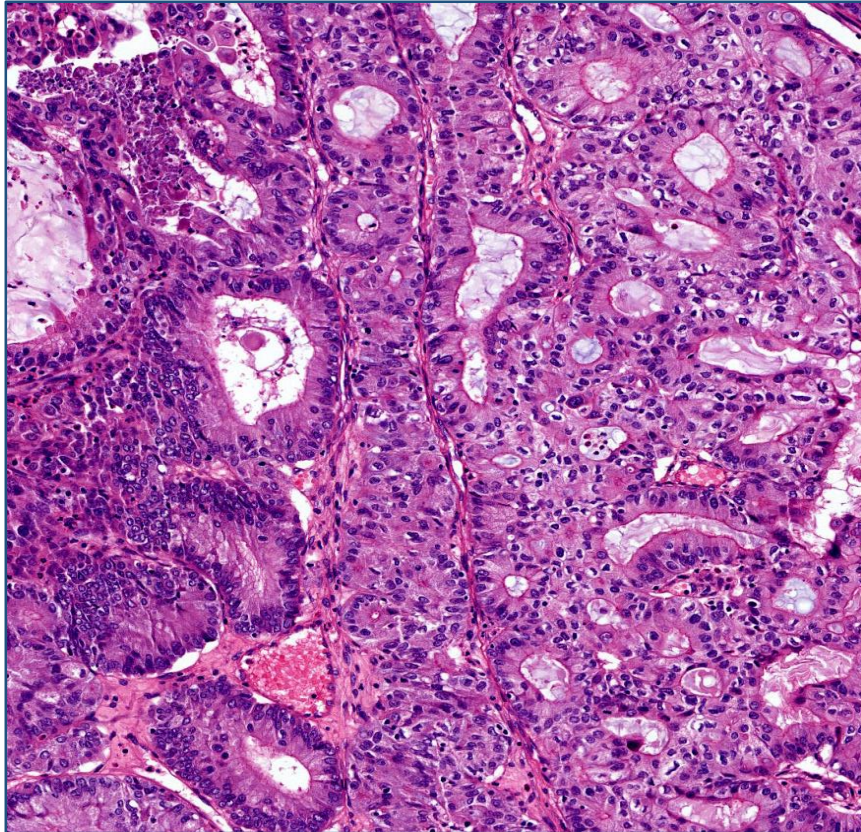


MMR defects ?

**MMR-ICH testing recommended for EOC and CCC**

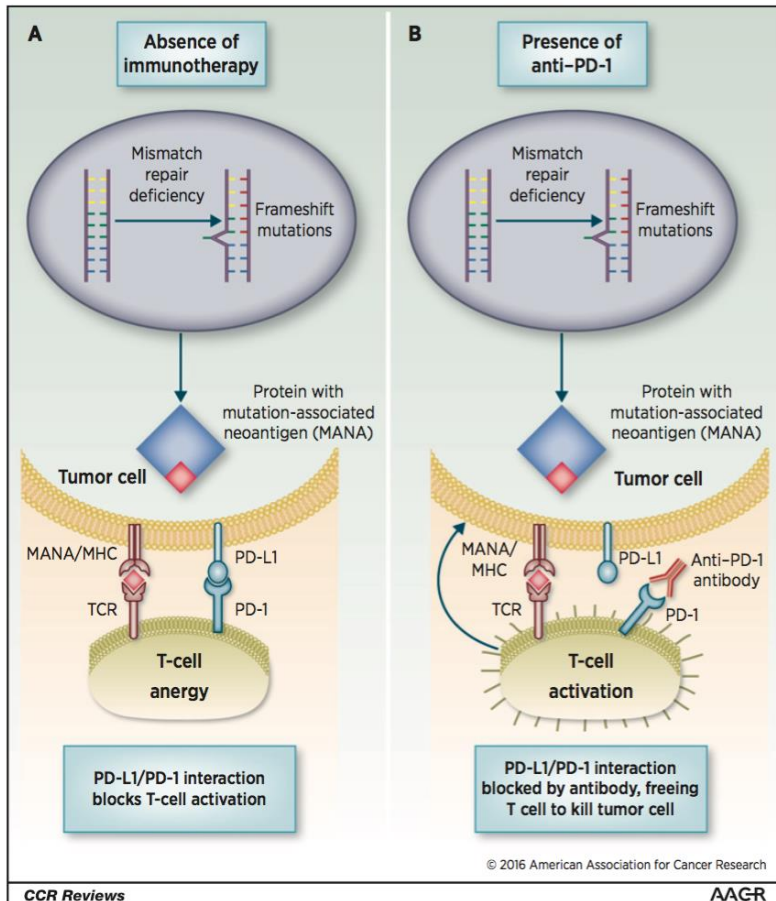


# Endometrioid Ovarian Cancer with MMR defects





# Ovarian Cancer with MMR defects and Checkpoint blockade Immunotherapy



## PD-1 Blockade in Tumors with Mismatch-Repair Deficiency

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### Review

Clinical  
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Research

## Microsatellite Instability as a Biomarker for PD-1 Blockade

Jonathan C. Dudley<sup>1</sup>, Ming-Tseh Lin<sup>2</sup>, Dung T. Le<sup>3</sup>, and James R. Eshleman<sup>2,3</sup>

**MSI tumors expressing neopeptides constitute good targets for immunotherapy**

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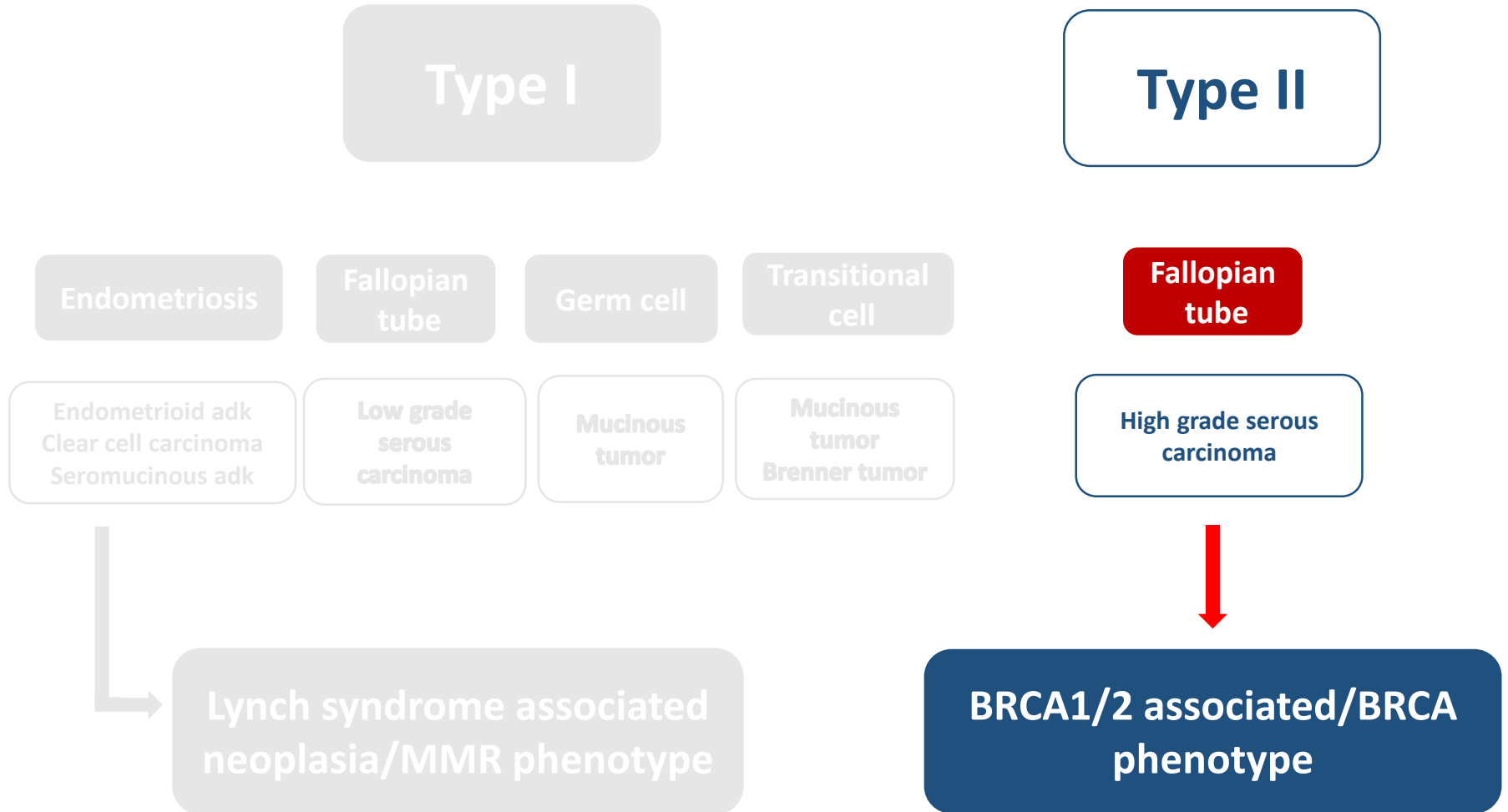
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## BRCAness revisited

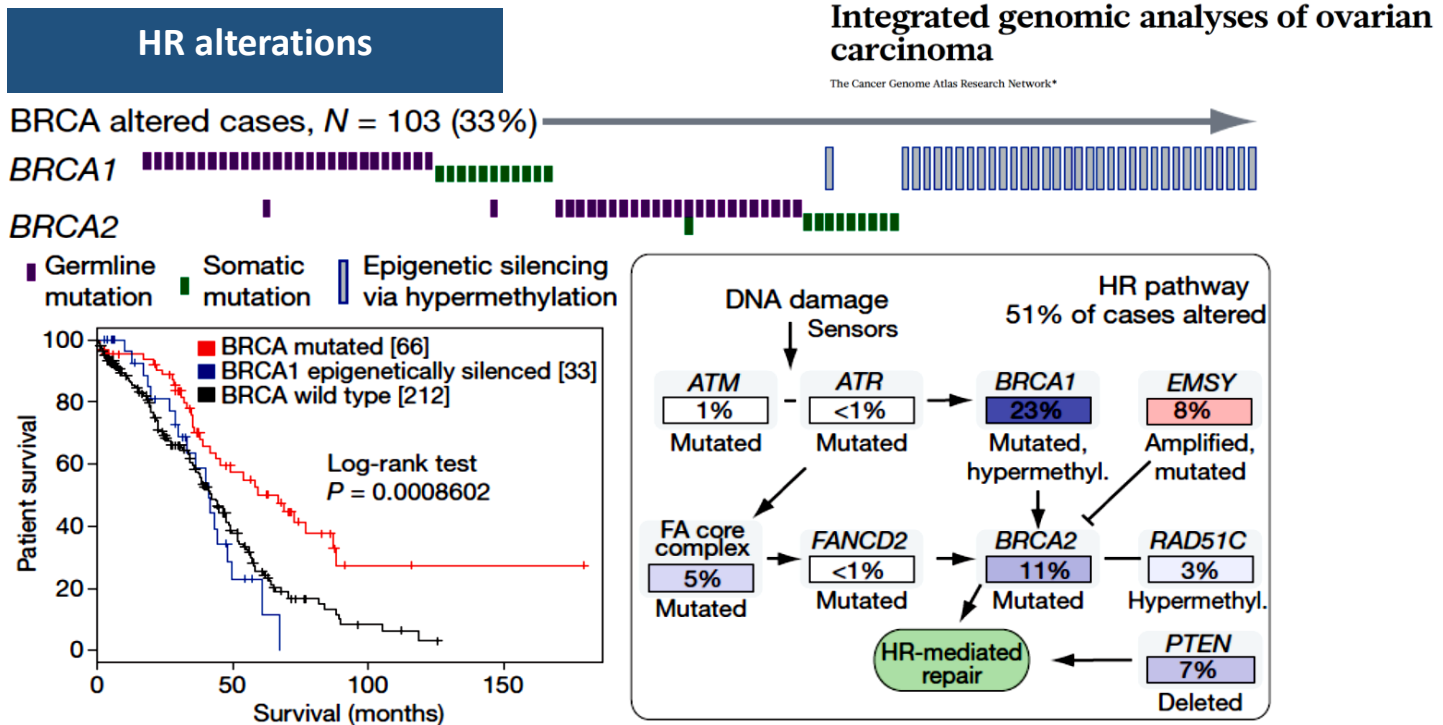
*Christopher J. Lord and Alan Ashworth*

**The phenotype that some sporadic tumours share with familiar-BRCA cancers related to response to platinum and PARP-inhibitor therapy**

***BRCAness is a phenocopy of BRCA1 or BRCA2 mutation; it describes a situation in which an HHR defect exists in a tumour in the absence of a germline BRCA1 or BRCA2 mutation.***



# BRCA1/2 associated/BRCA phenotype



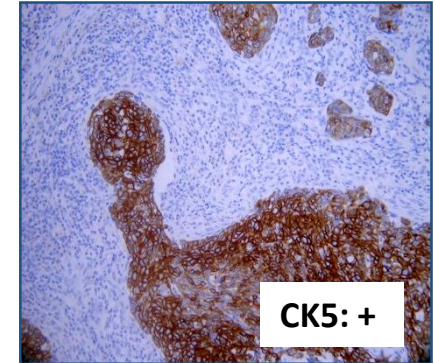
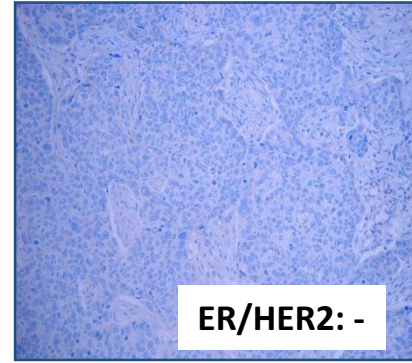
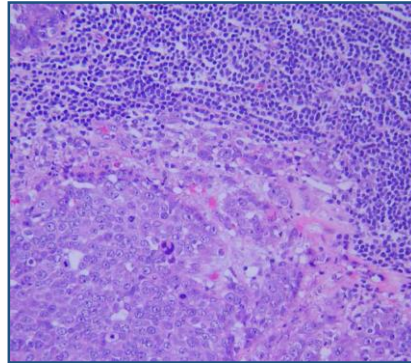
Genes in the homologous recombination (HR) pathway are altered in up to 51% of cases

- 20% BRCA1/2 germline or somatic mutation
- 11% BRCA1 promoter methylation
- 20% EMSY, PTEN or mutation in the Fanconi Anaemia genes

# Is there any morphological aspect related to BRCAness phenotype?

## *Breast carcinoma*

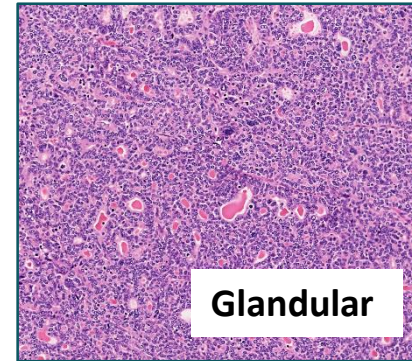
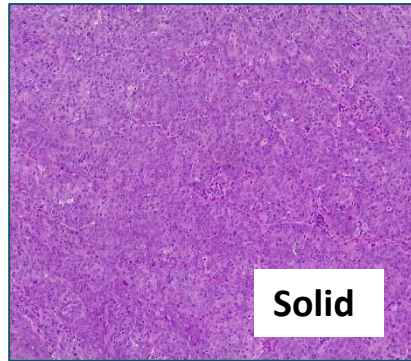
Triple negative/basal-like  
High grade carcinoma  
Inflammation  
Pushing margins



Courtesy of G.Bogina

## *Ovarian carcinoma*

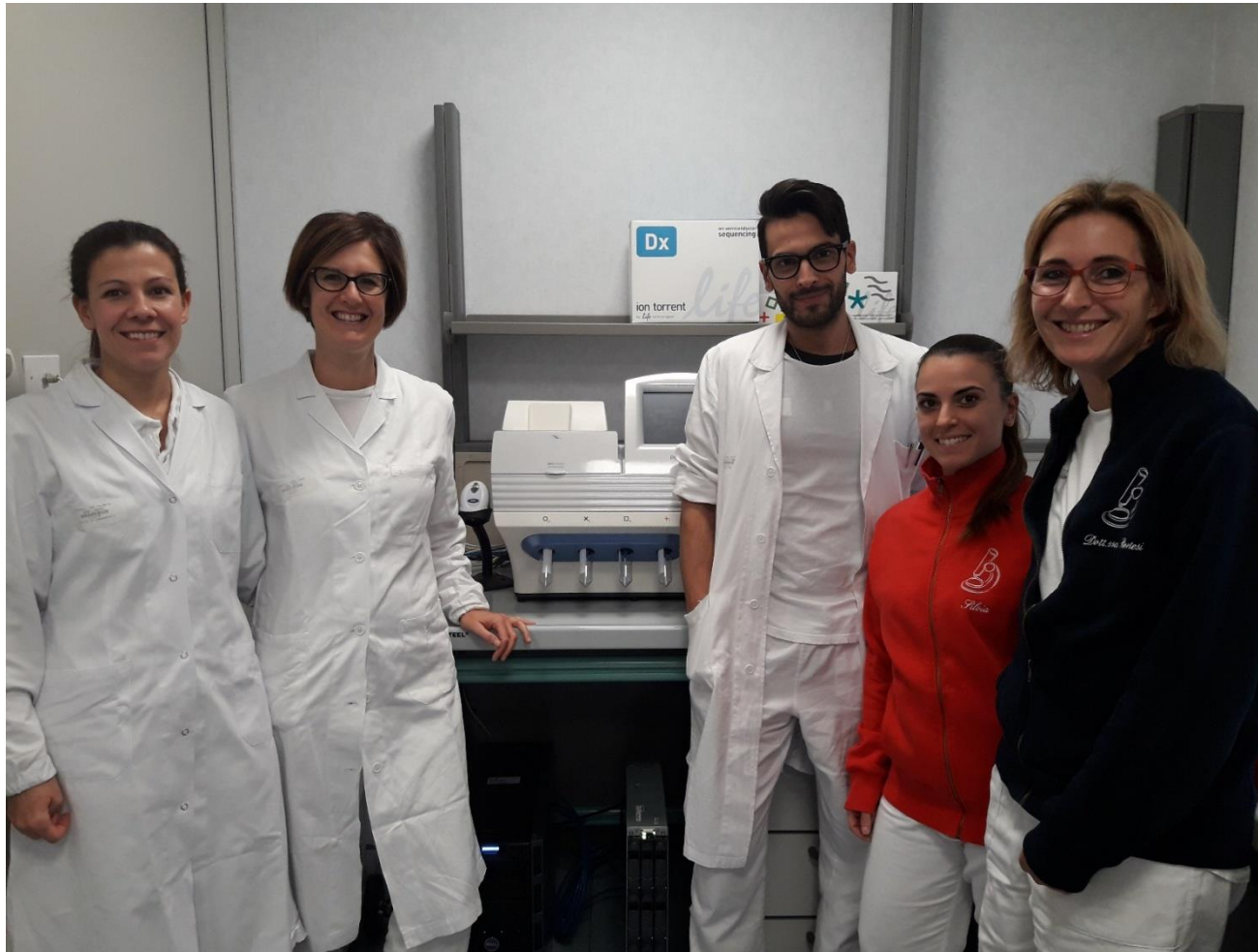
HG Serous Carcinoma with  
Solid-pseudoEndometrioid-  
Transitional morphology (SET)



# SUMMARY

- Ovarian carcinomas are heterogeneous
- The study of rare Syndromes (LS/BRCA1-2) highlighted some morphological clues to drive the molecular characterization in sporadic carcinoma
- Type 1-MMR defects and Type 2-BRCAness subtypes constitute good targets for immunotherapy and platinum/PARP-inhibitor therapy

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