# New Treatment Strategies in Osteosarcoma



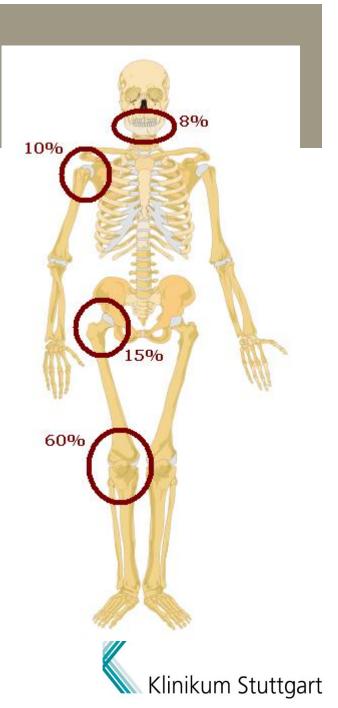


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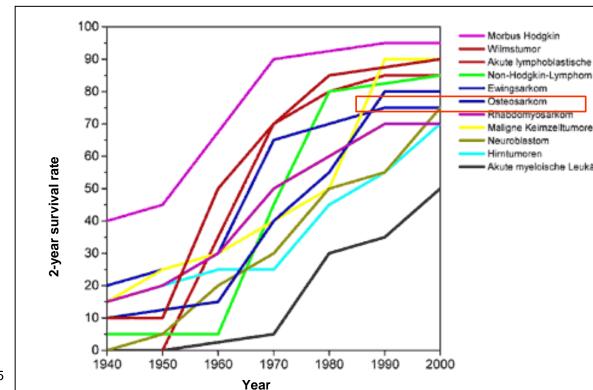
#### Introduction

- Most common bone tumor in children, adolescents and young adults
- Clinical manifestation: distal femur (42%), prox.
   Tibia (23%), humerus (10%
- 15-20% clinically detectable metastases (> 80% lung; bone)



#### Prognostic factors

- Incomplete surgery
- Poor response to pre-operative chemotherapy
- Primary metastases
- Axial location
- Tumour size

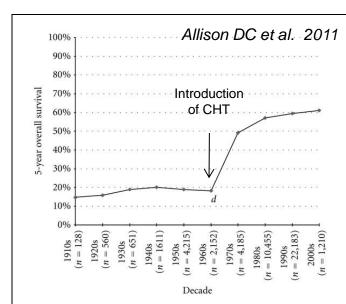


### Treatment strategies in the past

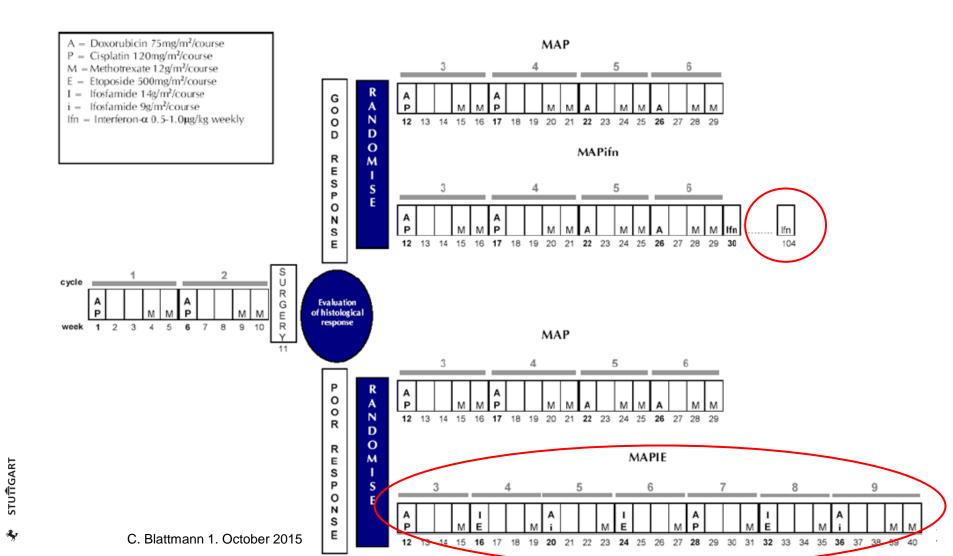
- Until the 1970s: surgery (5 year overall survival 20%)
- After: introduction of multiagent chemotherapy (pre and postoperatively) + surgery → 5 year overall survival 60-70%
- The most active chemotherapeutic agents for osteosarcoma are doxorubicin, cisplatin, methotrexate, ifosfamide, etoposide
- Surgery is still the gold standard of local treatment

Radiotherapy is applied in case of non-resectable tumors or refusal of

surgery



#### EURAMOS1 (European And American Osteosarcoma Studies)



#### **EURAMOS1**

Results Poor Responder

- Poor response was reported in 1,059 patients, 618 consented to randomization (310 MAP, 308 MAPIE)
- Intensified chemotherapy (MAPIE) was associated with greater toxicity and more secondary malignancies
- There was no advantage in EFS and overall survival.

Bielack et al., manuscript in preparation



Recommendation: postoperativ MAP for good and poor responders



#### EURAMOS1

Results Good Responders



Methotrexate, Doxorubicin, and Cisplatin (MAP) Plus Maintenance Pegylated Interferon Alfa-2b Versus MAP Alone in Patients With Resectable High-Grade Osteosarcoma and Good Histologic Response to Preoperative MAP: First Results of the EURAMOS-1 Good Response Randomized Controlled Trial

- Good response in 1,041 of 2,260 registered patients.
- 271 of 357 (76%) patients started IFN-α-2b, 105 (39%) stopped earlier
- 132/271 (49%) patients required dose reduction or delays
- Median duration of therapy was 67 weeks (intended: 104 weeks!)
- Main reasons were toxicity (45%), progression (24%), refusial or patients choice (17%), clinician decisian (7%)
- Toxicity reported in 268/271 patients: hematologic, flu-like symptoms, pain, left ventricular systolic dysfunction (no fatal, grade 4: 12%, grade 3: 38%, grade 1-2: 39%)
- 3-year EFS for MAP and MAP plus IFN: 74% vs 77% (not statistically significant)



#### **EURAMOS1**

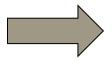
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#### Interpretation of the data is limited!

- ¼ of patients allocated to IFN-α-2b never started it
- Only 1/3 of patients completed planned protocol treatment
- → Why was the compliance so low?
- Long previous exposure to 29 weeks of chemotherapy?
- Awareness of a favorable prognosis for good responders?



This data does not support the routine use of IFN- $\alpha$ -2b as maintenance treatment

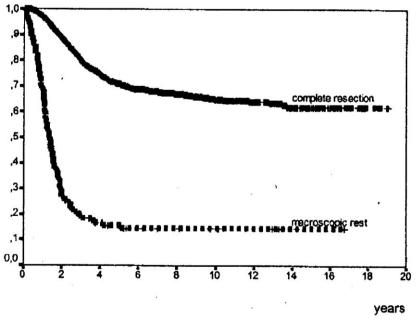


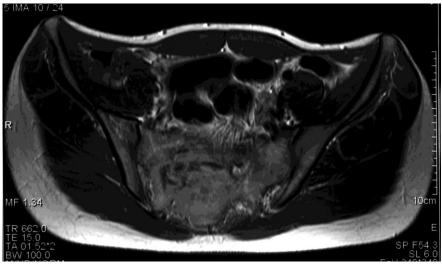
# What are the perspectives of treatment in osteosarcoma?





### New local treatment approaches



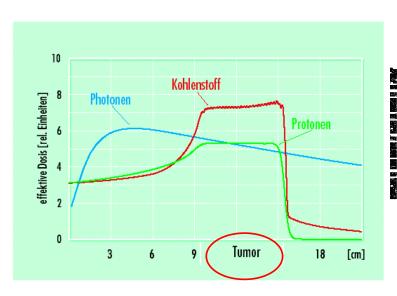


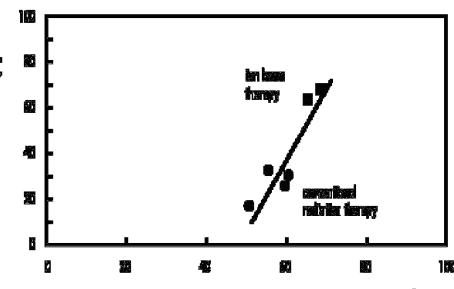


#### New local treatment approaches

Heavy Ion Radiotherapy (HIT)







#### **Advantages**

- Higher targeted precision
- Higher biological effectiveness
- Increase in the dosage compared to XRT (15-35%)

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#### **Disadvantages**

- Only a few centers worldwide (e.g. Heidelberg, Berkley, Chiba)
- Higher costs

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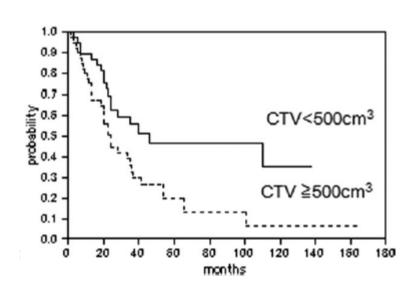
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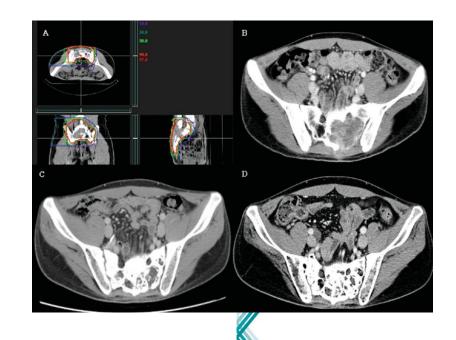
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#### Impact of Carbon Ion Radiotherapy for Unresectable Osteosarcoma of the Trunk

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- 78 patients with non resectable osteosarcoma
- Heavy ion radiotherapy with 70,4 GyE
- 5J.-survival rate 33% (in case of tumorvol. < 500 cm<sup>3</sup> up to 46 %)
- Low toxicity: mainly skin, Grad IV only in 3 / 78 patients





### New local treatment approaches

Heavy Ion Radiotherapy (HIT)



# Non-randomized therapy trial to determine the safety and efficacy of heavy ion radiotherapy in patients with non-resectable osteosarcoma

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Neoadjuvante Standard
Chemotherapy (e.g. EURAMOS1)

Heavy Ion
Radiotherapy (HIT)

(60-66 GyE= 20-22d),

Postoperatively Standard Chemotherapy (e.g. *EURAMOS1*)

**Week 1 to 10** 

Week 11 to 14

Week 15 to 32





# New treatment strategies (selection) ClinicalTrials.gov

| Agent (trade name)                             | Mode of action / Target                 |
|--|---|
| Mifamurtide (Mepact®)                          | Activation of macrophages and monocytes |
| Ipilimumab (Yervoy®), Nivolumab (Opdivo®)      | Checkpoint blockade                     |
| Denosumab (Prolia®, XGEVA®)                    | Antibody (RANKL)                        |
| Trastuzumab (Herceptin®)                       | Antibody (HER2/neu)                     |
| Bevacizumab (Avastin®)                         | Antibody (VEGF)                         |
| Sorafenib (Nexavar®)                           | Tyrosinakinase-Inhibitor (Raf, VEGF,)   |
| Temsirolimus / Everolimus (Torisel®/Certican®) | mTOR inhibitor                          |
| Inhaled lipid cisplatin                        | Chemotherapy                            |
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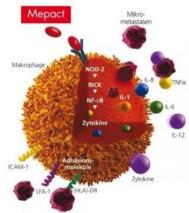
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### Immunotherapies





Mifamurtide (liposomal muramyl tripeptide phosphatidyl ethanolamine, L-MTP-PE, Mepact®)



- Synthetic analogue of a component of the mycobacterial cell wal
- Stimulates immune system (activation of macrophages and monocytes)
- Investigation in a large randomized phase III trial of primary osteosarcoma (CCG/POG-INT033), 662 patients
- 4 treatment arms: 1) MAP, 2) MAP + L-MTP-PE 3) MAP + Ifo 4) MAP + Ifo + L-MTP-PE
- MTP-PE 2mg/m2 2x/week i.v., 12 weeks

#### Results are published in 2005 and 2008

- → Meyers PA et al., JCO 2005: "No significant impact of L-MTP-PE on EFS" Reanalysis with the endpoints EFS and OS, longer follow-up
- → Meyers PA et al., JCO 2008: "Significant improvement of L-MTP-PE on overall survival (70 vs 78%, p 0.03)"



Mifamurtide (liposomal muramyl tripeptide phosphatidyl ethanolamine, L-MTP-PE, Mepact®)

- Statistical and interaction concerns were risen after publication in 2008
- → Result: No practice-changing conclusions!

#### But

MTP-PE received marketing authorization for the treatment of non-metastatic, resectable osteosarcoma in the EU in 2009

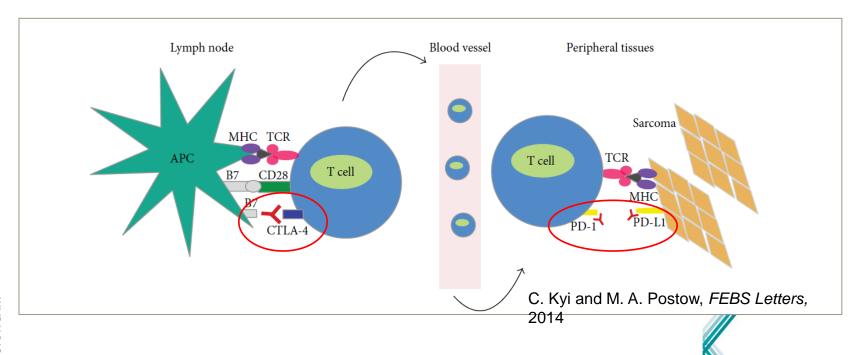


The agent warrants additional clinical data, actually lacking because there is no industry support



**Checkpoint blockade (Ipilimumab, Nivolumab)** 

- Monoclonal AB targeting CTLA-4 (cytotoxic T-lymphocyte associated protein-4) and PD-1 (programmed cell death protein 1) which are negative immune regulators of immune response in the tumor environment
- → Promoting of T cell activation against tumors



**Checkpoint blockade (Ipilimumab; Nivolumab)** 

- Ipilimumab: binding to CTL4, approved by the FDA for the treatment of metastatic melanoma; studies in synovial sarcoma
- Nivolumab: binding to PD-1-Receptor, treatment of nonsmall cell lung cancer
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Phase I Study of Ipilimumab (Anti-CTLA-4) in Children and Adolescents With Treatment-Resistant Cancer

This study has been completed.

Sponsor:

National Cancer Institute (NCI)

Information provided by:

National Institutes of Health Clinical Center (CC)

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier:

NCT01445379

First received: September 30, 2011

Last updated: December 11, 2014 Last verified: November 2014

History of Changes

Nivolumab With or Without Ipilimumab in Treating Patients With Metastatic or Unresectable Sarcoma

This study is currently recruiting participants. (see Contacts and Locations)

Verified August 2015 by National Cancer Institute (NCI)

Sponsor:

National Cancer Institute (NCI)

Information provided by (Responsible Party):

National Cancer Institute (NCI)

ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier:

NCT02500797

First received: July 15, 2015

Last updated: September 18, 2015

Last verified: August 2015

History of Changes

# New treatment strategies Trastuzumab (HER2-Ab)



J Clin Oncol, 2012 Jul 10:30(20):2545-51, doi: 10.1200/JCO.2011.37.4546, Epub 2012 Jun 4.

Phase II trial of trastuzumab in combination with cytotoxic chemotherapy for treatment of metastatic osteosarcoma with human epidermal growth factor receptor 2 overexpression: a report from the children's oncology group.

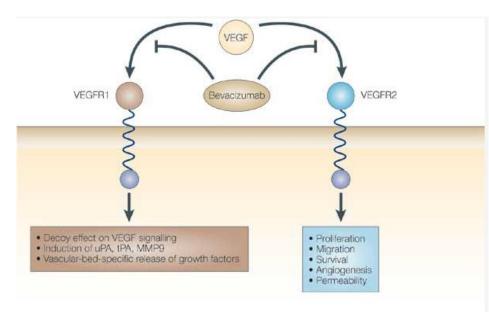
Ebb D1, Meyers P, Grier H, Bernstein M, Gorlick R, Lipshultz SE, Krailo M, Devidas M, Barkauskas DA, Siegal GP, Ferguson WS, Letson GD, Marcus K, Goorin A, Beardsley P, Marina N.

- 96 patient with newly diagnosed metastatic osteosarcoma, 41 HER2 positive (IHC)
- Intensive chemotherapy plus trastuzumab (34 weeks) for patients with HER2positive disease
- OS 59% (HER2-) vs 50% (HER2+), no significant difference between the HER2+ and HER2- group, therapeutic benefit remains uncertain in osteosarcoma.



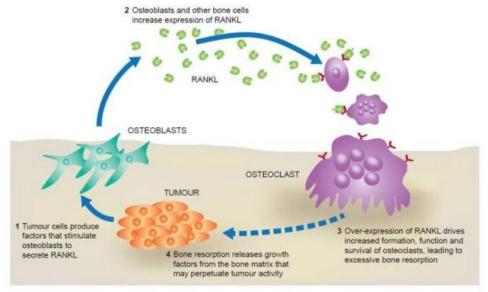
# New treatment strategies Bevacizumab (VEGF Ab)

- Encouraging in vitro data
- Phase I studies in relapsed pediatric solid tumors (Wagner L, Ped Blood Cancer 2013, Venkatramani R et al., PLoS One 2013)
- → Objective responses were noted in Wilms tumor, medulloblastoma and hepatocellular carcinoma but not in osteosarcoma



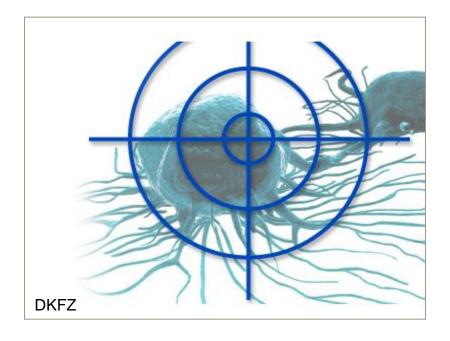
# New treatment strategies Denusomab (RANKL AB)

- Receptor activator of nuclear factor kB lig (RANKL) is expressed in metastatic bone cancer cells and has been suggested to play a key role in cell migration and metastatic behavior.
- Encouraging preclinial data and case reports.
- A phase II clinical trail is expected to open in 2015 to assess the efficacy in patienst with refractory or relapsed osteosarcoma





### Targeted therapies

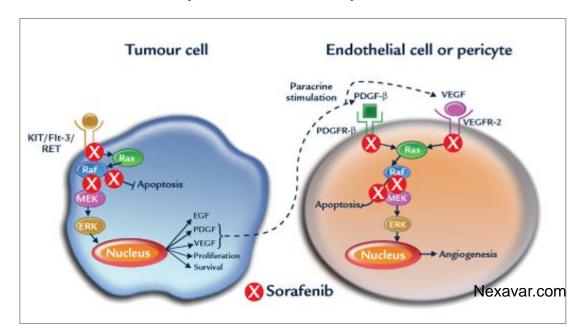




Multikinase inhibitors (Sorafenib, Nexavar®)



- Oral multikinase inhibitor of vascular endothelial growth factor receptor, platelet-derived growth factor receptor, and Raf.
- FDA approved for liver, thyroid and kidney cancer.





Multikinase inhinitors (Sorafenib)

Lancet Oncol. 2015 Jan;16(1):98-107. doi: 10.1016/S1470-2045(14)71136-2. Epub 2014 Dec 11.

Sorafenib and everolimus for patients with unresectable high-grade osteosarcoma progressing after standard treatment: a non-randomised phase 2 clinical trial.

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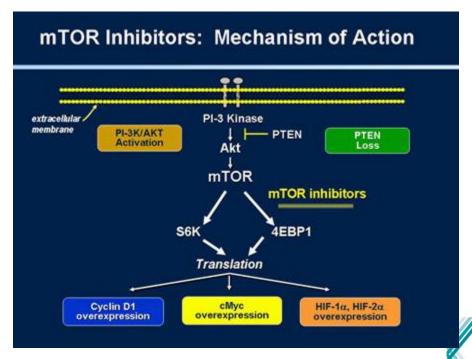
- 38 patients with relapsed or unresectable osteosarcoma progressing after standard treatment (methotrexate, cisplatin, and doxorubicin, with or without ifosfamide)
- Patients received 800 mg sorafenib plus 5 mg everolimus once a day until disease progression or unacceptable toxic effects.
- The primary endpoint was 6 month progression-free survival (PFS).

The study did not attain the prespecified target of 6 month PFS of 50% or greater.



mTOR inhibitors (Everolimus, Sirolimus, Temsirolimus)

- Promising preclinical data
- ClinicalTrials.gov2015: 16 trials investigating mTOR inhibitors +/- targeted therapy (e.g. sorafenib), chemotherapy (e.g. gemcitabine) or immunotherapy (e.g. IGF1-R antibody (cixutumumab))



# New treatment strategies mTOR inhibitors (Temsirolimus + Cixutumumab)

Pediatr Blood Cancer 2015;62:440-444

Phase II Study of Cixutumumab in Combination With Temsirolimus in Pediatric Patients and Young Adults With Recurrent or Refractory Sarcoma: A Report From the Children's Oncology Group

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- 43 patients with recurrent or refractory sarcoma
- Cixutumumab (IGF-1R Ab) 6 mg/kg and temsirolimus 8 mg/m d1, every
- 4 weeks, 1-7 cycles (median 2 cycles)

No objective responses were observed, 16% of patients were progression-free at 12 weeks.



## New treatment strategies mTOR inhibitors (Ridaforolimus)



- 702 patients received blinded study drug.
- Ridaforolimus induced a mean 1.3% decrease in target lesion size versus a
   10.3%

increase with placebo (P .001).

- Median OS with ridaforolimus 90 weeks versus 85 weeks with placebo.
- AEs more common with ridaforolimus (stomatitis, infections, fatigue,

thrombocytonenia (64.1% vs. 25.6% in the placebo group))

#### **Conclusion:**

Ridaforolimus treatment led to a modest, but significant effect on sarcomas.

### Chemotherapy





# New treatment strategies Inhaled cisplatin

Pediatr Blood Cancer 2013;60:580-586

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### Inhaled Lipid Cisplatin (ILC) in the Treatment of Patients With Relapsed/Progressive Osteosarcoma Metastatic to the Lung

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- 19 patients, ILC via nebulizer every 2 weeks, metastasectomy in patients after 2 cycles if possible.
- No hematologic toxicity, nephrotoxicity or ototoxicity. Nausea/vomiting
  (≥grade 3) in n=1. Respiratory symptoms in 13/19 patients. Minimal systemic
  cisplatin exposure.
- 11 patients had bulky disease, and all progressed prior to cycle 7.
- N=1 PR, N=6 had SD after 2 cycles, underwent metastasectomy, and n=2 remained free from pulmonary recurrence 1 year after initiation of therapy.

Conclusion: Further studies of ILC are warranted.

# How can we improve treatment / understanding of osteosarcoma?

#### Problems

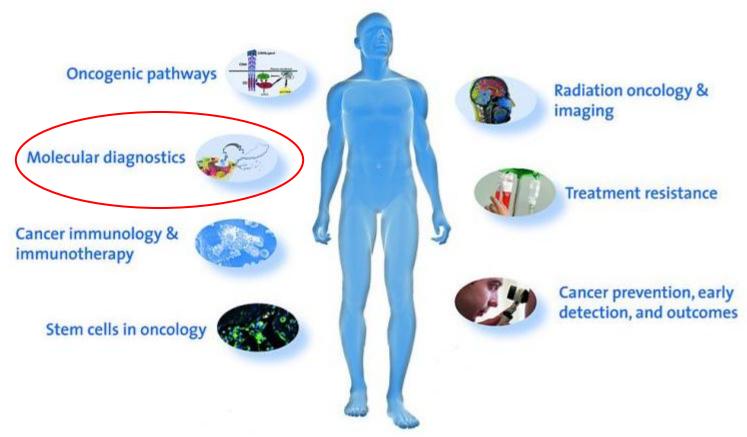
Tumors with high genome complexicity and low incidence

#### Aims

- Collaborative programs are needed!
- Application of new technical methods (multiple compound testing), whole genome sequencing (WGS)) to perform genomic tumor analysis in large sample sets
- → National Cancer Institute's Therapeutically Applicable Research to Generate Effective Treatments program (TARGET)
- → German Consortium of Translational Cancer Reasearch (DKTK)



# German Consortium of Translational Cancer Reasearch DKTK (2012)





## Thank you for your attention



