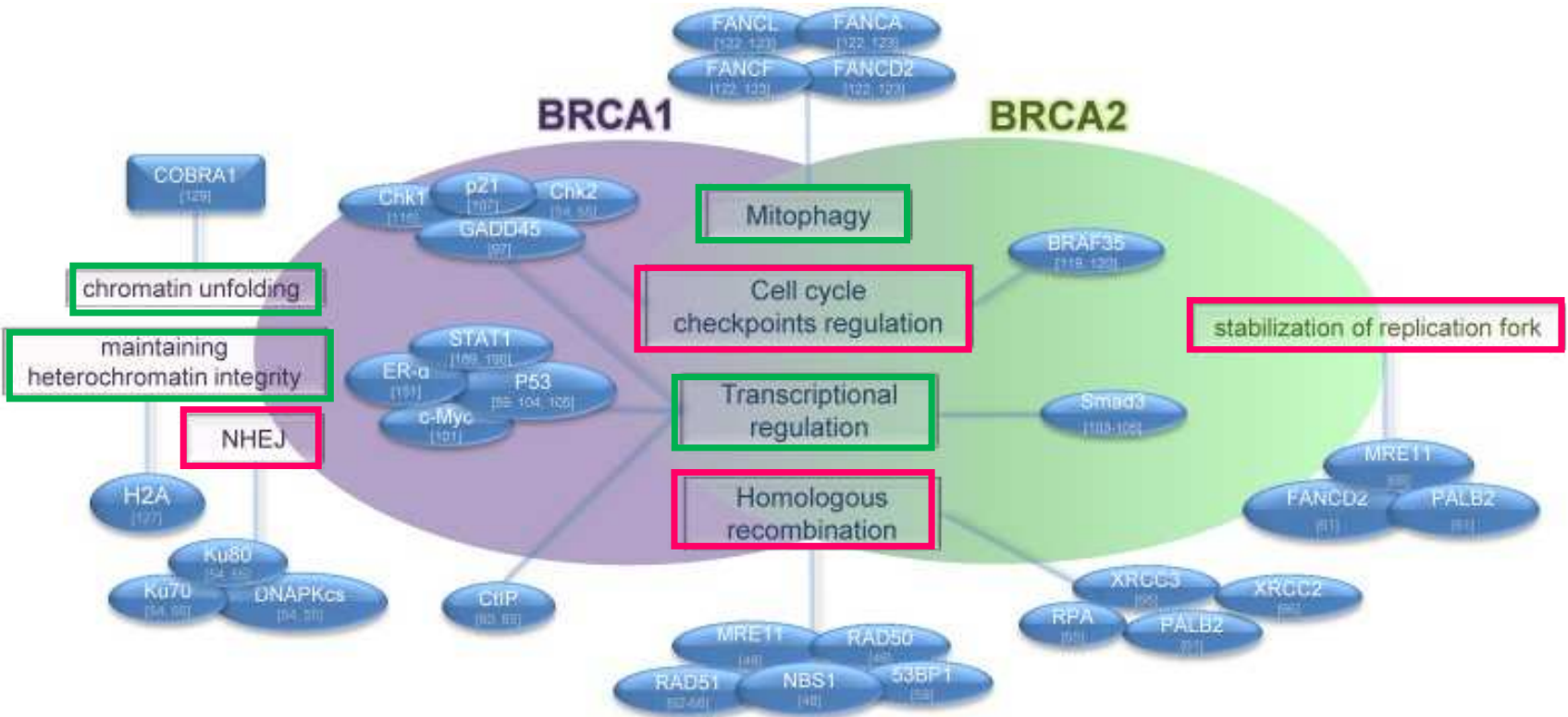
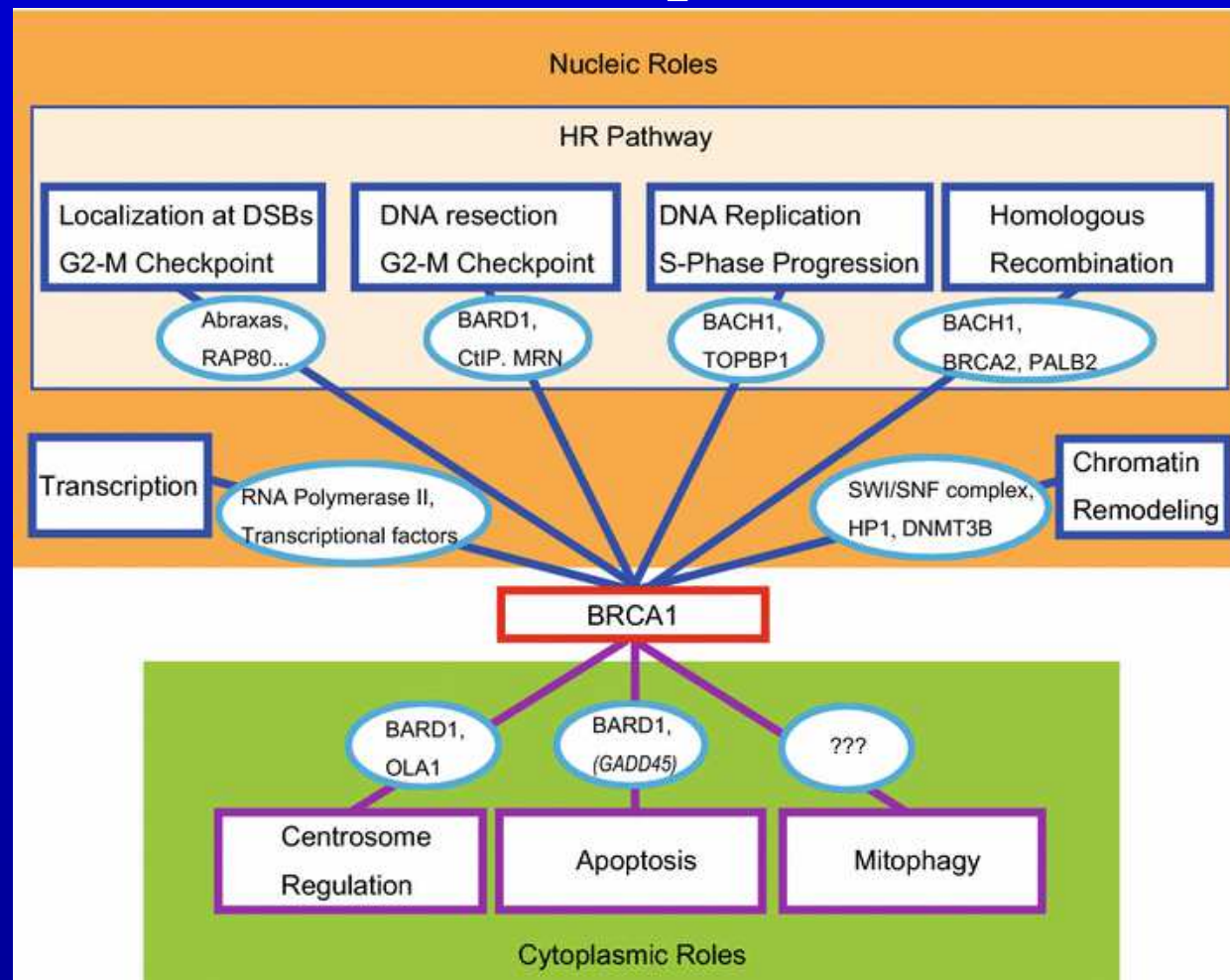


Functional features of BRCA proteins



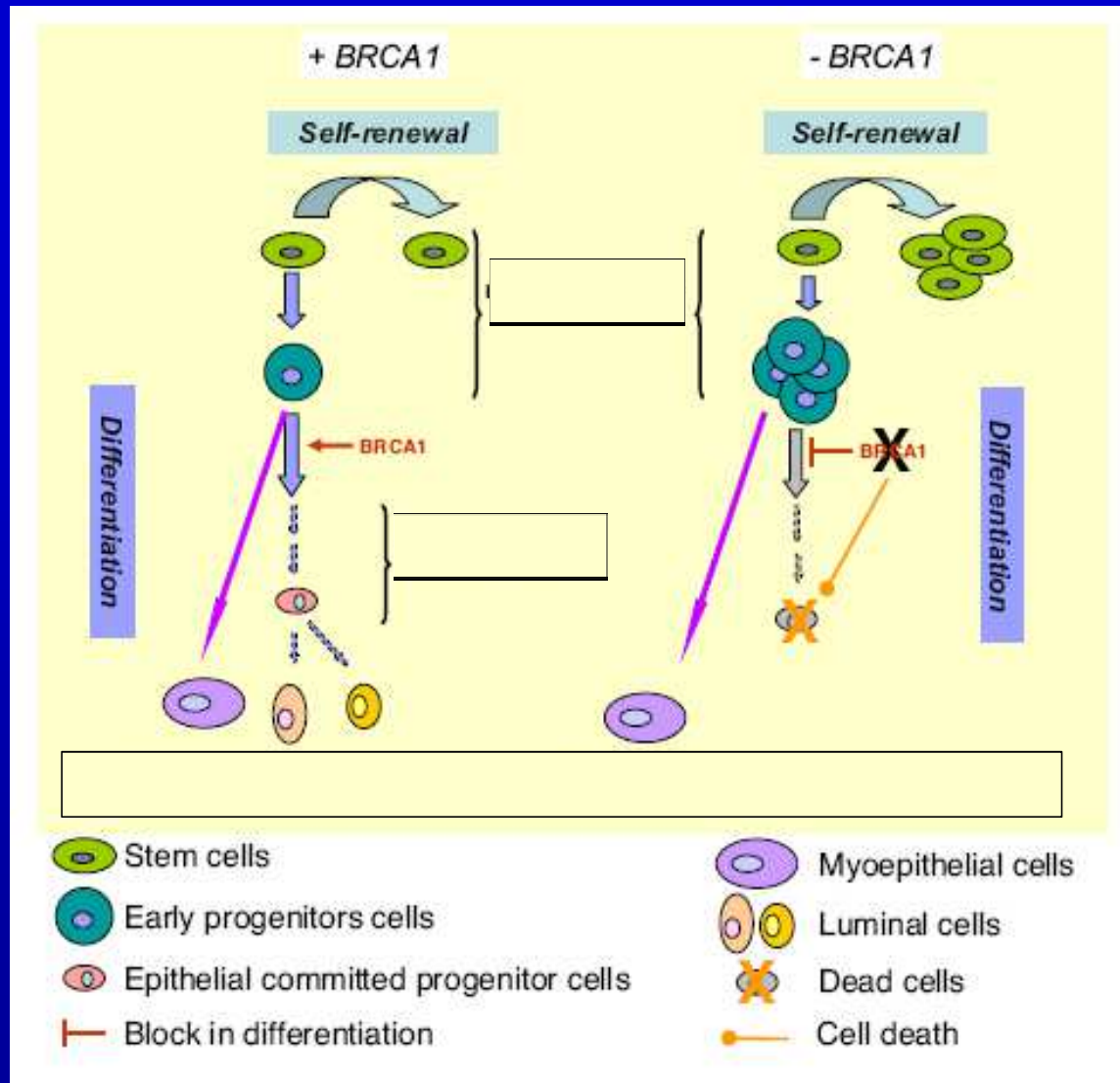
Multifunctional protein BRCA1



BRCA1

Differenziamento cellulare

BRCA1 regulates human mammary stem/progenitor cell fate



PNAS
February 5, 2008

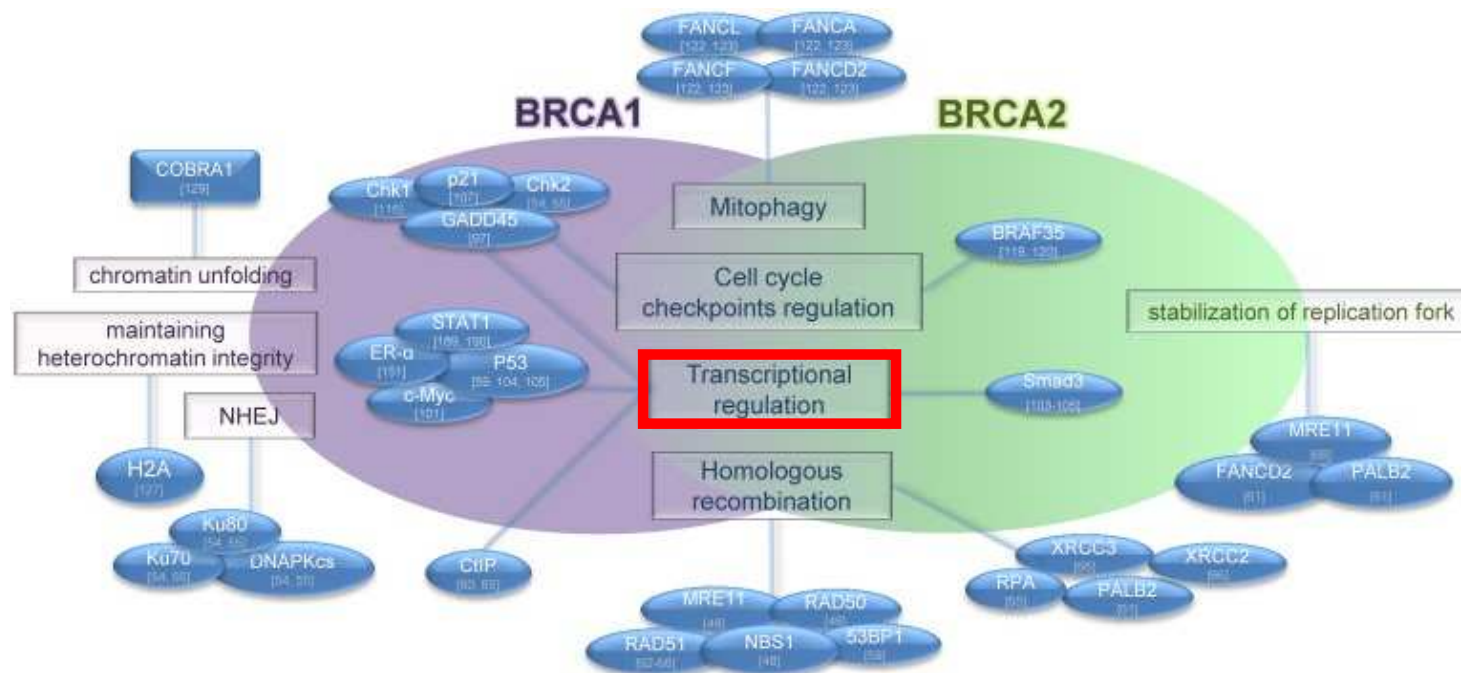
BRCA1 is necessary for the maintenance of mammary epithelial cell differentiation

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Interstrand crosslink repair stabilizes mammary epithelial cell differentiation

Depleting BRCA1 caused aberrant differentiation

Functional features of BRCA proteins



myoepithelial cell differentiation in
BRCA mutation carriers

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BRCA in cellular differentiation

- Transcription Factors play key roles in cellular differentiation.
- Transcription Factors are differentially expressed in WT and BRCA mutated cells

Among these Transcription Factors

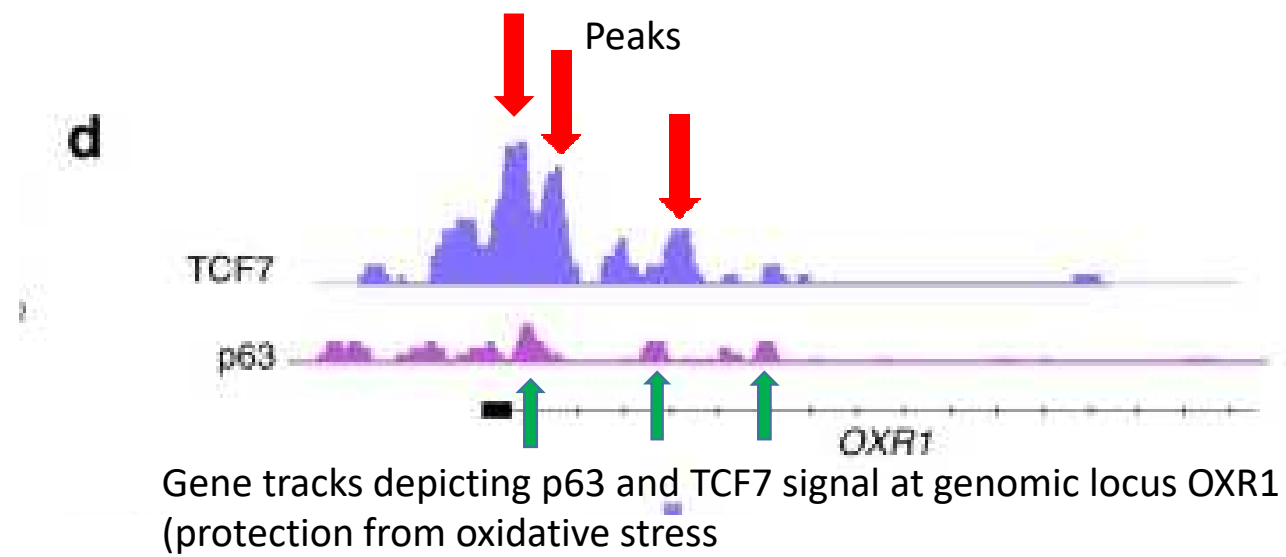
p63 plays key roles in epithelial progenitors

TCF7 deletion in mice leads to mammary gland adenomas

In BRCA1 mutation carriers the expression of **p63 and TCF7 decreased**

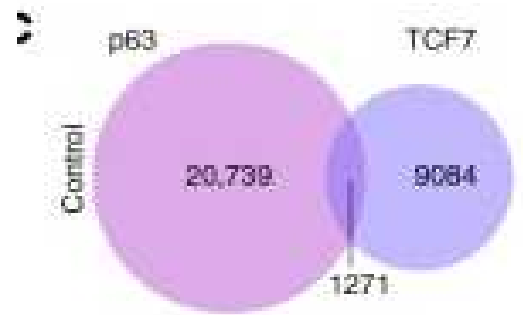
Chromatin Immuno Precipitation-seq (Method)

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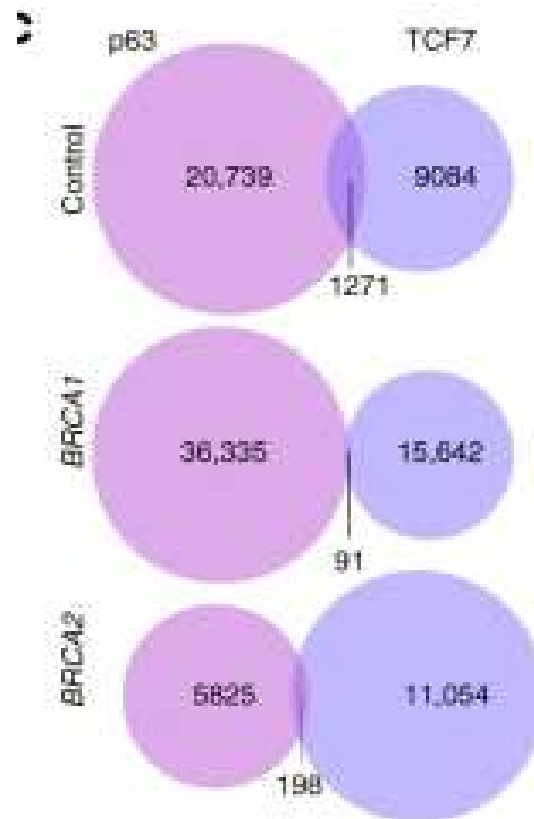


differences due to BRCA mutation in normal myoepithelial cells

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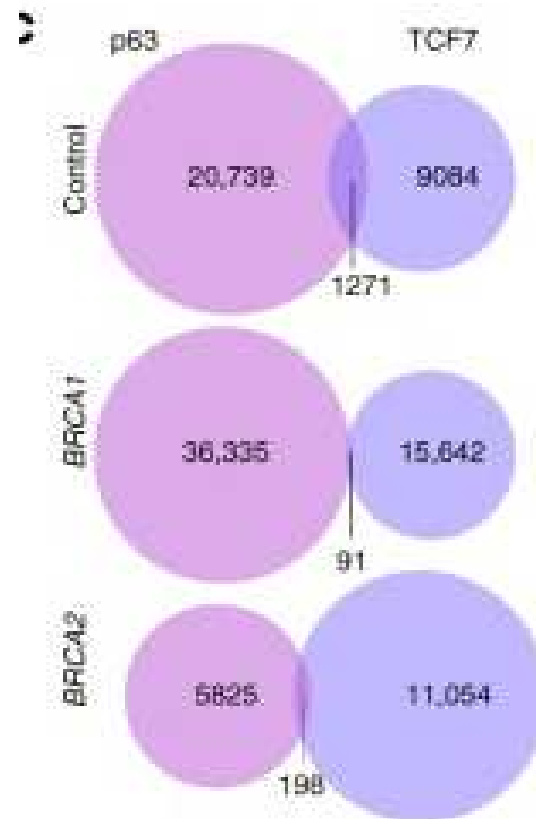


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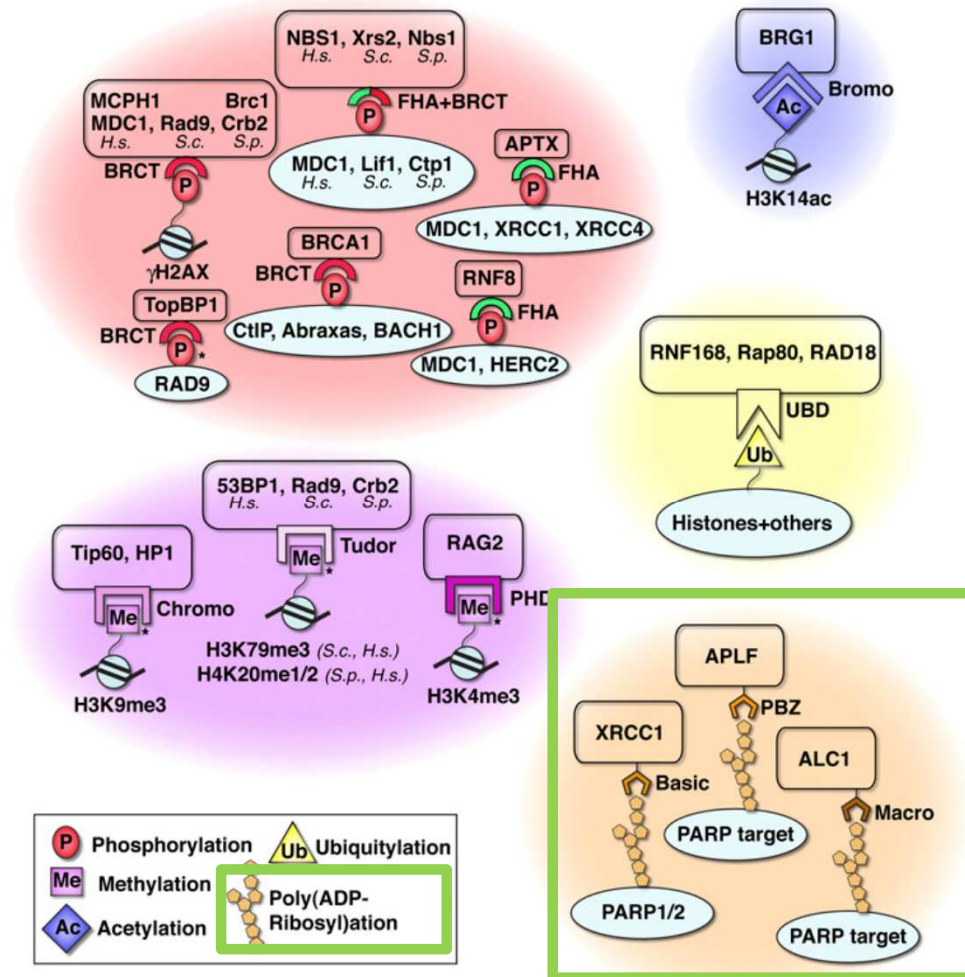
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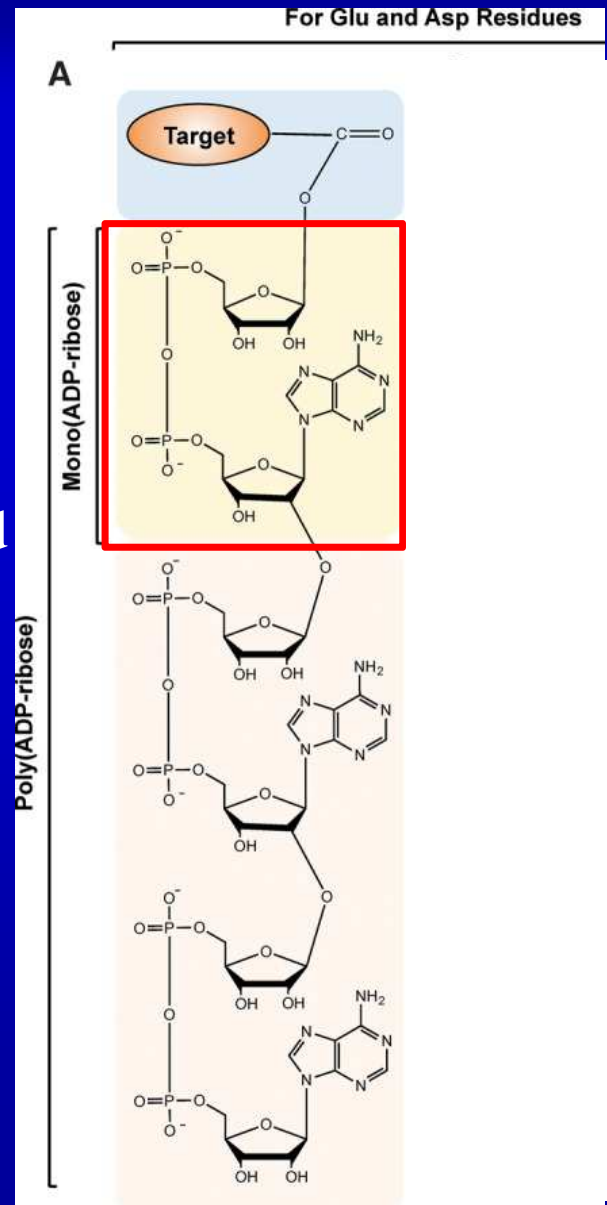
- These myoepithelial perturbations in normal breast tissues of BRCA1 germline mutation carriers may play a role in their higher risk of breast cancer
- The fraction of p63+TCF7+ myoepithelial cells is also significantly decreased in **ductal carcinoma** in situ , which may be associated with invasive progression

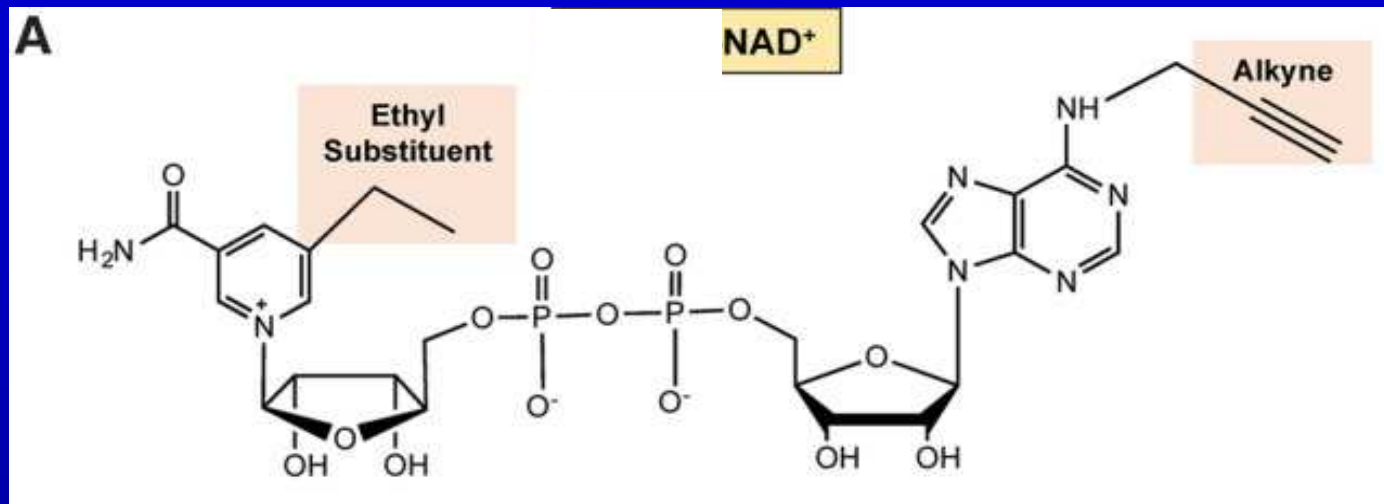
Post-translational modifications (PTMs) at DNA breaks:

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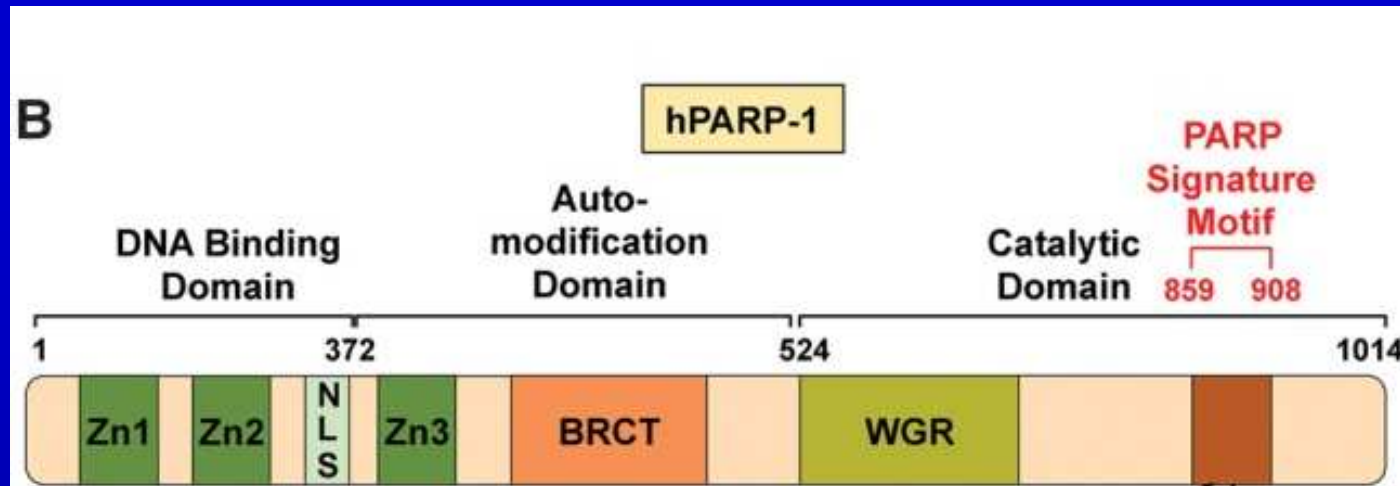


PARPs use NAD⁺ as substrate to form the negatively charged polymer of poly(ADP-ribose) (PAR)

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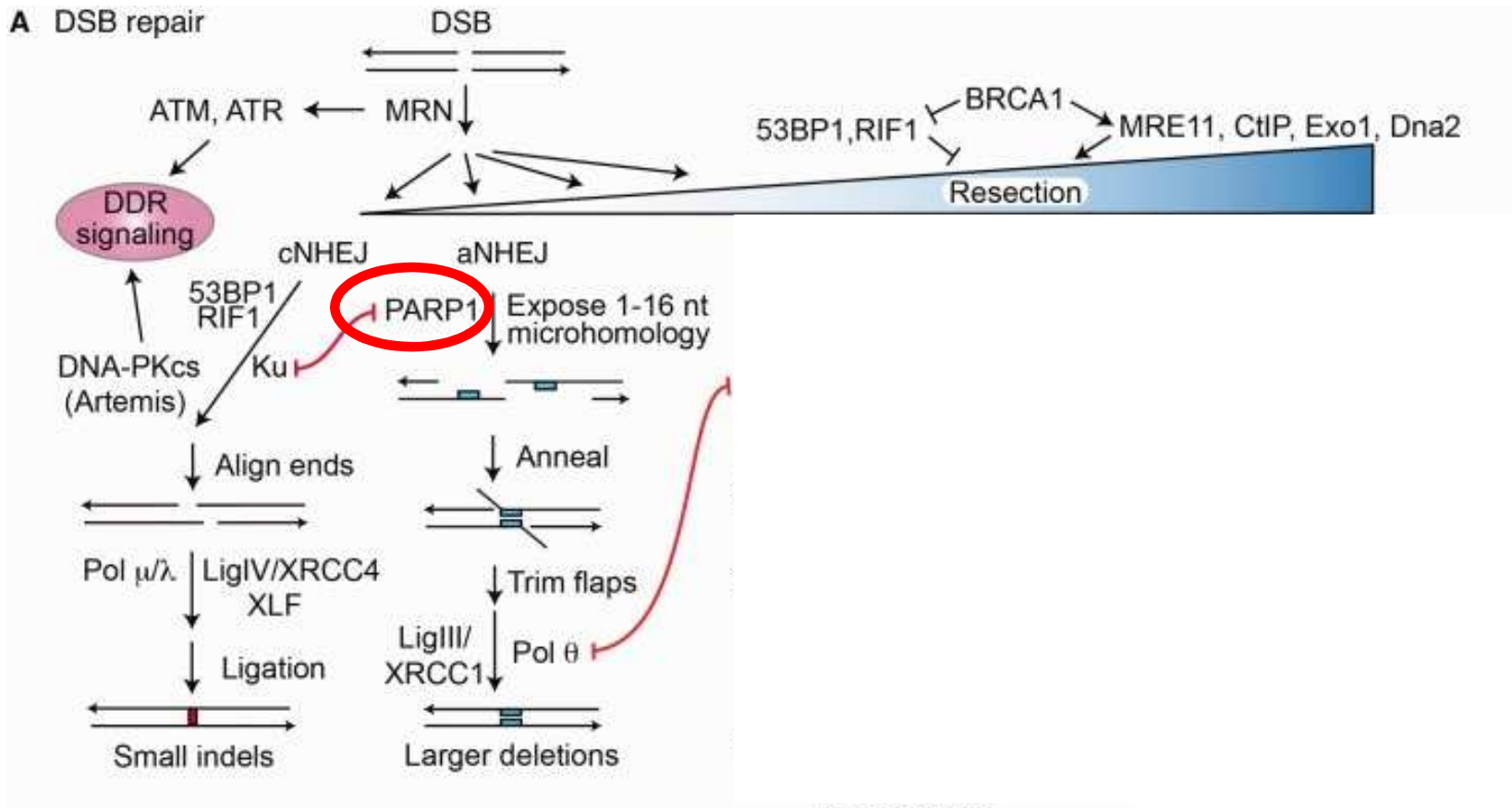
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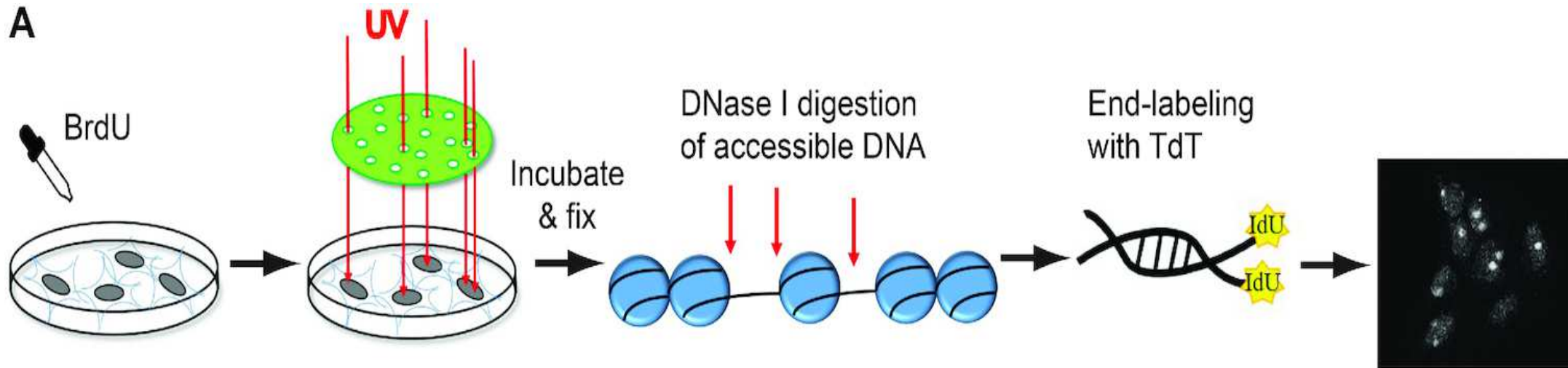
The addition of poly(ADP-ribose) (PAR) chains along the chromatin fiber due to PARP1 activity regulates the recruitment of multiple factors to sites of DNA damage

DNA repair pathways in mammalian cells



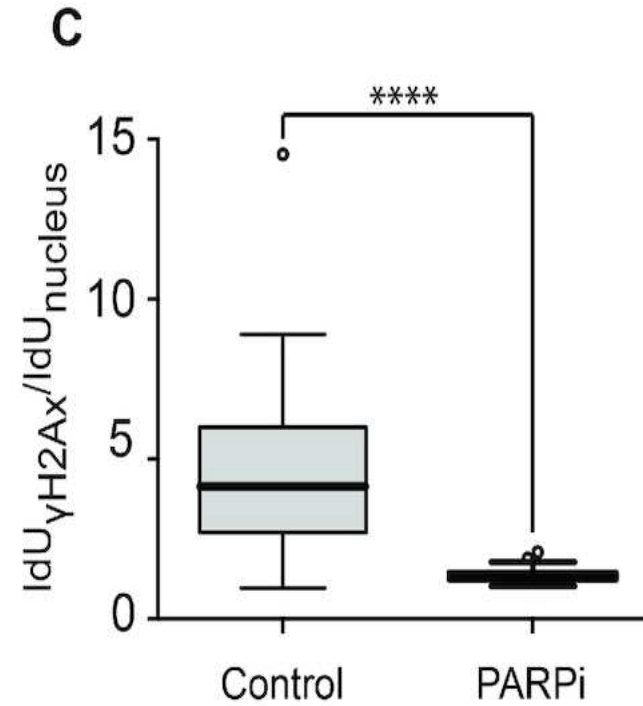
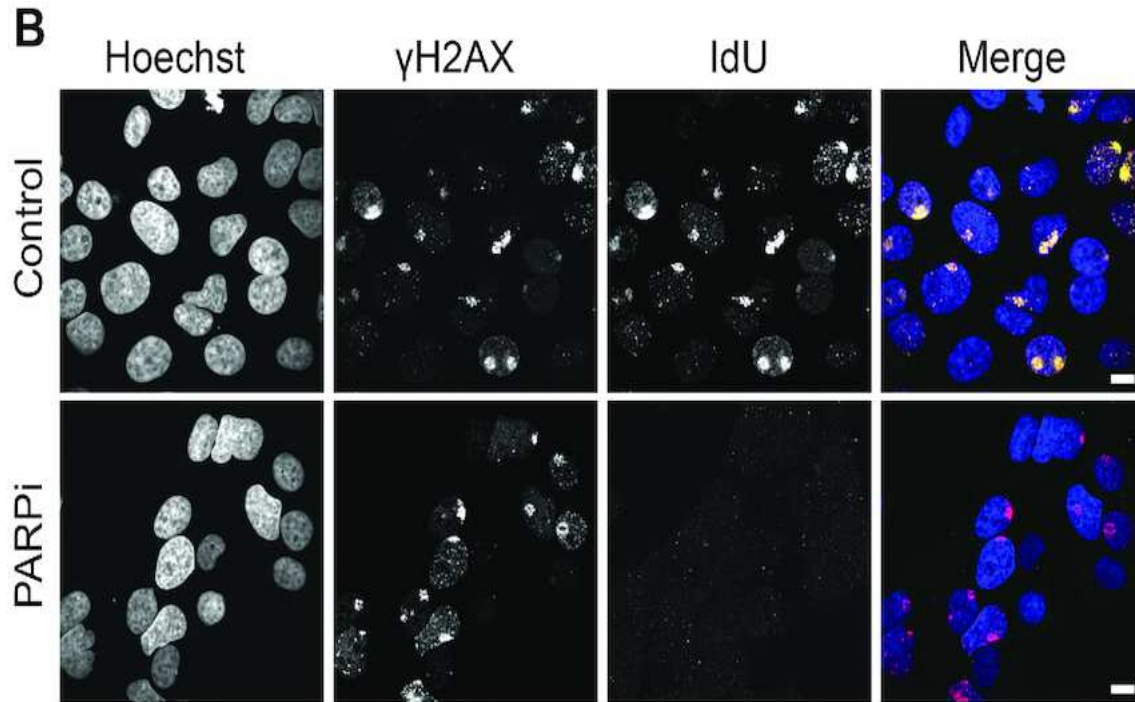
PARP1 competes with Ku
promotes limited end resection for **alternative** nonhomologous end joining (aNHEJ).

The accessibility of DNase I at sites of irradiation is regulated by PAR-signaling



- 1) Cells are labeled with BrdU to photosensitize the DNA
- 2) After irradiation (UVC light) and fixation, chromatin is digested by DNase I.
- 3) Free DNA-ends are labeled with 5-iodo-2'-deoxyuridine (IdU) by Terminal Deoxynucleotidyl Transferase (TdT)
- 4) Visualized by immunofluorescence with anti-IdU antibodies

The accessibility of DNase I at sites of micropore irradiation is regulated by PAR-signaling (2)



PARPi= 10 μ M Olaparib

Olaparib for Metastatic Breast Cancer in Patients with a Germline BRCA Mutation

N Engl J Med. 2017

- Olaparib is an oral poly(adenosine diphosphate-ribose) polymerase inhibitor that has antitumor activity in patients **with metastatic breast cancer and a germline BRCA mutation.**

- **CONCLUSIONS**

Among patients with metastatic breast cancer and a germline BRCA mutation, olaparib monotherapy provided a significant benefit over standard therapy; median progression-free survival was **2.8 months longer** and the risk of disease progression or death was 42% lower with olaparib monotherapy than with standard therapy (Funded by AstraZeneca)