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**Précis:** A central pathway of tumor angiogenesis also has a pivotal role in driving immune escape, illustrating a tight integration of pathways driving malignant progression.

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Ziqiang Zhu, Vinod Singh, Stephanie K. Watkins, Vincenzo Bronte, Jennifer L. Shoe, Lionel Feigenbaum, and Arthur A. Hurwitz

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**Précis:** This study shows how integrins that regulate the strength of the interaction between tumor cells and tumor-reactive T cells can alter their killing efficiency.

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**Précis:** Release of the tissue damage-associated molecule HMGB1 by budding prostate tumors exerts an early impact on immune escape and malignant progression.

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Carmen Doñate, Christiane Ody, Thomas McKee, Sylvie Ruault-Jungblut, Nicolas Fischer, Patricia Ropraz, Beat A. Imhof, and Thomas Matthes

**Précis:** Findings suggest an important new therapeutic target that may have general applications in the treatment of a variety of types of human lymphoma.

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Weng Tong Ho, Wan Lu Pang, Siew Meng Chong, Antonio Castella, Suhail Al-Salam, Teng Ee Tan, Mei Chung Moh, Liang Kai Koh, Shu Uin Gan, Cheong Kin Cheng, and Herbert Schwarz

**Précis:** Findings show how Hodgkin lymphomas escape immune control, with implications for leveraging more effective immunotherapy to treat this disease.

## Twist1 Induces CCL2 and Recruits Macrophages to Promote Angiogenesis

Janine M. Low-Marchelli, Veronica C. Ardi, Edward A. Vizcarra, Nico van Rooijen, James P. Quigley, and Jing Yang

**Précis:** Findings show how a gene implicated in EMT and metastasis also promotes angiogenesis by recruiting macrophages into the tumor microenvironment.

## Myeloid-Derived Suppressor Cells Function as Novel Osteoclast Progenitors Enhancing Bone Loss in Breast Cancer

Anandi Sawant, Jessy Deshane, Joel Jules, Carnella M. Lee, Brittney A. Harris, Xu Feng, and Selvarangan Ponnazhagan

**Précis:** Seminal findings define a novel crucial role for myeloid-derived suppressor cells in driving bone metastasis, with implications for how to block this deadly aspect of many cancers including breast cancer.

## RANKL Expression, Function, and Therapeutic Targeting in Multiple Myeloma and Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia

Benjamin Joachim Schmiedel, Carolin Andrea Scheible, Tina Nuebling, Hans-Georg Kopp, Stefan Wirths, Miyuki Azuma, Pascal Schneider, Gundram Jung, Ludger Grosse-Hovest, and Helmut Rainer Salih

**Précis:** Findings establish an immunotherapeutic means to neutralize the detrimental function of RANKL while potently stimulating the antitumor properties of NK cells against malignant hematopoietic cells.

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## MYC Acts via the PTEN Tumor Suppressor to Elicit Autoregulation and Genome-Wide Gene Repression by Activation of the Ezh2 Methyltransferase

Mandeep Kaur and Michael D. Cole

**Précis:** Results reveal a new model for MYC-mediated gene repression, which is linked to the PTEN tumor suppressor, possibly explaining the long-standing question of why MYC autoregulation is lost in cancers.

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## Nitric Oxide-Dependent Downregulation of *BRCA1* Expression Promotes Genetic Instability

Vasily A. Yakovlev

**Précis:** This study offers an incisive new perspective on the complex role of reactive nitrogen species in cancer, revealing that they promote genetic instability not directly but indirectly by shifting DNA repair from high-fidelity to errorprone mechanisms.

### 716 Identification of an Aurora Kinase Inhibitor Specific for the Aurora B Isoform

Hua Xie, Mee-Hyun Lee, Feng Zhu, Kanamata Reddy, Cong Peng, Yan Li, Do Young Lim, Dong Joon Kim, Xiang Li, Soouk Kang, Haitao Li, Weiya Ma, Ronald A. Lubet, Jian Ding, Ann M. Bode, and Zigang Dong

**Précis:** Although a variety of Aurora kinase inhibitors have been described, with some now in clinical trials, this is the first study to identify an inhibitor specific for the Aurora B isoform that appears to exert special features in cancer.

## 725 SMAD2, SMAD3 and SMAD4 Mutations in Colorectal Cancer

Nicholas I. Fleming, Robert N. Jorissen,
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Lara Lipton, Jayesh Desai, Ian T. Jones,
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James Moore, Hong-Jian Zhu,
John M. Mariadason, Antony W. Burgess,
Dana Busam, Qi Zhao, Robert L. Strausberg,
Peter Gibbs, and Oliver M. Sieber

**Précis:** Through a combined analysis of SMAD gene mutations in colorectal cancer, this article shows a common pathogenic mechanism and a new way to understand how SMAD mutations compromise the TGF-β pathway.

# 736 Epigenetic Regulation by Z-DNA Silencer Function Controls CancerAssociated ADAM-12 Expression in Breast Cancer: Cross-talk between MeCP2 and NF1 Transcription Factor Family

Bimal K. Ray, Srijita Dhar, Carolyn Henry, Alexander Rich, and Alpana Ray

**Précis:** Findings highlight a novel epigenetic regulatory process involving Z-DNA and several epigenetic factors that contribute to overexpression of breast cancer–associated genes.

## 745 Bcl3 Selectively Promotes Metastasis of ERBB2-Driven Mammary Tumors

Alison Wakefield, Jitka Soukupova, Amelie Montagne, Jill Ranger, Rhiannon French, William J. Muller, and Richard W. E. Clarkson

**Précis:** The study reveals that the oncogene Bcl3 is critical for breast cancer metastasis by controlling tumor cell motility.

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## miR-186 Downregulation Correlates with Poor Survival in Lung Adenocarcinoma Where It Interferes with Cell-Cycle Regulation

Junchao Cai, Jueheng Wu, Huizhong Zhang, Lishan Fang, Yongbo Huang, Yi Yang, Xun Zhu, Rong Li, and Mengfeng Li

**Précis:** Results define a tumor suppressor function for a microRNA that blocks cell-cycle progression by directly targeting the pivotal cell-cycle regulators cyclin D1, CDK2, and CDK6.

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# Common Single-Nucleotide Polymorphisms in the Estrogen Receptor $\beta$ Promoter Are Associated with Colorectal Cancer Survival in Postmenopausal Women

Michael N. Passarelli, Amanda I. Phipps, John D. Potter, Karen W. Makar, Anna E. Coghill, Karen J. Wernli, Emily White, Andrew T. Chan, Carolyn M. Hutter, Ulrike Peters, and Polly A. Newcomb

**Précis:** Estrogen receptor  $\beta$  is suspected to play a role in colorectal cancer progression by modifying pathways that influence malignant invasion and metastasis.

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## Combination Therapy Targeting the Chk1 and Wee1 Kinases Shows Therapeutic Efficacy in Neuroblastoma

Mike R. Russell, Kirill Levin, JulieAnn Rader, Lili Belcastro, Yimei Li, Daniel Martinez, Bruce Pawel, Stuart D. Shumway, John M. Maris, and Kristina A. Cole

**Précis:** Findings offer preclinical proof of concept that inhibitors of a key mitotic regulator can be highly efficacious for treating neuroblastoma, one of the most aggressive pediatric tumors.

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## DNA Damage-Specific Control of Cell Death by Cryptochrome in p53-Mutant Ras-Transformed Cells

Jin Hyup Lee, Shobhan Gaddameedhi, Nuri Ozturk, Rui Ye, and Aziz Sancar

**Précis:** Findings show how different regulators of the circadian clock affect distinct pathways of intrinsic apoptosis in malignant cells.

# 792 Histone Deacetylase Inhibitor AR-42 Differentially Affects Cell-cycle Transit in Meningeal and Meningioma Cells, Potently Inhibiting NF2-Deficient Meningioma Growth

Sarah S. Burns, Elena M. Akhmametyeva, Janet L. Oblinger, Matthew L. Bush, Jie Huang, Volker Senner, Ching-Shih Chen, Abraham Jacob, D. Bradley Welling, and Long-Sheng Chang

**Précis:** Preclinical investigations establish the potential utility of a pan-HDAC inhibitor in treatment of meningioma, a type of brain tumor.

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Luca Alberici, Lise Roth, Kazuki N. Sugahara, Lilach Agemy, Venkata R. Kotamraju, Tambet Teesalu, Claudio Bordignon, Catia Traversari, Gian-Paolo Rizzardi, and Erkki Ruoslahti

**Précis:** Nanotherapies incorporating effective tumor-penetrating peptides may improve drug delivery to tumor vessels and into the extravascular tumor tissue.

## Polo-like Kinase 1: A Potential Therapeutic Option in Combination with Conventional Chemotherapy for the Management of Patients with Triple-Negative Breast Cancer

Virginie Maire, Fariba Némati,
Marion Richardson, Anne Vincent-Salomon,
Bruno Tesson, Guillem Rigaill, Eléonore Gravier,
Bérengère Marty-Prouvost, Leanne De Koning,
Guillaume Lang, David Gentien,
Aurélie Dumont, Emmanuel Barillot,
Elisabetta Marangoni, Didier Decaudin,
Sergio Roman-Roman, Alain Pierré,
Francisco Cruzalegui, Stéphane Depil,
Gordon C. Tucker, and Thierry Dubois

**Précis:** This study suggests a promising therapeutic target for chemotherapy combination treatment of patients with triple-negative breast cancers, which tend to be more aggressive and less treatable than other types of breast cancer.

### Dual Targeting of EGFR and HER3 with MEHD7945A Overcomes Acquired Resistance to EGFR Inhibitors and Radiation

Shyhmin Huang, Chunrong Li, Eric A. Armstrong, Chimera R. Peet, Jarob Saker, Lukas C. Amler, Mark X. Sliwkowski, and Paul M. Harari

**Précis:** By anticipating a common resistance mechanism to EGFR inhibitors, a new agent that can overcome HER3 signaling as well as target the EGFR has great potential to address a current therapeutic barrier in the field.

## Resistance to Irreversible EGF Receptor Tyrosine Kinase Inhibitors through a Multistep Mechanism Involving the IGF1R Pathway

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Alexis B. Cortot, Claire E. Repellin, Takeshi Shimamura, Marzia Capelletti, Kreshnik Zejnullahu, Dalia Ercan, James G. Christensen, Kwok-Kin Wong, Nathanael S. Gray, and Pasi A. Jänne

**Précis:** Prophylactic blockade of known mechanisms of drug resistance before they can emerge will be critical for generating more effective strategies of targeted combination therapy.

### MDA-9/Syntenin and IGFBP-2 Promote Angiogenesis in Human Melanoma

Swadesh K. Das, Sujit K. Bhutia, Belal Azab, Timothy P. Kegelman, Leyla Peachy, Prasanna K. Santhekadur, Santanu Dasgupta, Rupesh Dash, Paul Dent, Steven Grant, Luni Emdad, Maurizio Pellecchia, Devanand Sarkar, and Paul B. Fisher

**Précis:** This work highlights novel targets to reverse the production of new blood vessels by tumors.

## Real-time *In Vivo* Molecular Detection of Primary Tumors and Metastases with Ratiometric Activatable Cell-Penetrating Peptides

Elamprakash N. Savariar, Csilla N. Felsen, Nadia Nashi, Tao Jiang, Lesley G. Ellies, Paul Steinbach, Roger Y. Tsien, and Quyen T. Nguyen

**Précis:** Improved methods to detect tumors and metastases in preclinical models are needed for longitudinal animal studies and are vital to move the field beyond increasingly irrelevant cell culture models of cancer.

## Specific Elimination of CD133<sup>+</sup> Tumor Cells with Targeted Oncolytic Measles Virus

Patricia Bach, Tobias Abel, Christopher Hoffmann, Zoltan Gal, Gundula Braun, Iris Voelker, Claudia R. Ball, Ian C.D. Johnston, Ulrich M. Lauer, Christel Herold-Mende, Michael D. Mühlebach, Hanno Glimm, and Christian J. Buchholz

**Précis:** Preclinical studies show how to improve the efficacy of oncolytic viruses by targeting them to CD133+ stem cells in multiple orthotopic and xenograft mouse models of cancer.

## 875 Targeting Folate Receptors to Treat Invasive Urinary Bladder Cancer

Deepika Dhawan, José A. Ramos-Vara, James F. Naughton, Liang Cheng, Philip S. Low, Ryan Rothenbuhler, Christopher P. Leamon, Nikki Parker, Patrick J. Klein, Iontcho R. Vlahov, Joseph A. Reddy, Michael Koch, Linda Murphy, Lindsey M. Fourez, Jane C. Stewart, and Deborah W. Knapp

**Précis:** This preclinical phamacologic study shows how folate receptors on bladder cancer cells can be exploited to specifically target therapies and elicit regressions in a highly relevant canine model of invasive disease.

## 885 Hypomethylating Therapy in an Aggressive Stroma-Rich Model of Pancreatic Carcinoma

Reena Shakya, Tamas Gonda, Michael Quante, Martha Salas, Samuel Kim, Jenna Brooks, Steffen Hirsch, Justine Davies, Angelica Cullo, Kenneth Olive, Timothy C. Wang, Matthias Szabolcs, Benjamin Tycko, and Thomas Ludwig

**Précis:** The prototypical demethylating drug 5-aza-dC exhibits strong single-agent activity in an aggressive mouse model of pancreatic cancer characterized by an abundant stroma that resembles human tumors, with the drug efficacy reflecting effects on both the stromal and the malignant epithelial compartments of the tumor.

## 897 Therapeutic Effects of Deleting Cancer-Associated Fibroblasts in Cholangiocarcinoma

Joachim C. Mertens, Christian D. Fingas, John D. Christensen, Rory L. Smoot, Steven F. Bronk, Nathan W. Werneburg, Michael P. Gustafson, Allan B. Dietz, Lewis R. Roberts, Alphonse E. Sirica, and Gregory J. Gores

**Précis:** Preclinical observations suggest that the Bax mimetic drug navitoclax may be useful for triggering apoptosis of cancer-associated fibroblasts in the tumor microenvironment as a generalized strategy to attack solid tumors that rely on these cells.

## **TUMOR AND STEM CELL BIOLOGY**

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## Glutathione-Deficient Mice have Increased Sensitivity to Transplacental Benzo[a]pyrene-Induced Premature Ovarian Failure and Ovarian Tumorigenesis

Jinhwan Lim, Gregory W. Lawson, Brooke N. Nakamura, Laura Ortiz, Jin A. Hur, Terrance J. Kavanagh, and Ulrike Luderer

**Précis:** Provocative findings suggest insights into the etiology of ovarian cancers initiated in pregnant women by polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons found in tobacco smoke, air pollution, and grilled foods.

### 918 RNA Trafficking by Acute Myelogenous Leukemia Exosomes

Jianya Huan, Noah I. Hornick, Matthew J. Shurtleff, Amy M. Skinner, Natalya A. Goloviznina, Charles T. Roberts Jr, and Peter Kurre

**Précis:** Cancer cells appear to subvert their microenvironment in part by secreting exosomes that transfer cancer-promoting proteins and RNAs into stromal cells.

## 930 Convergence of the ZMIZ1 and NOTCH1 Pathways at C-MYC in Acute T Lymphoblastic Leukemias

Lesley A. Rakowski, Derek D. Garagiola, Choi M. Li, Margaret Decker, Sarah Caruso, Morgan Jones, Rork Kuick, Tomasz Cierpicki, Ivan Maillard, and Mark Y. Chiang

**Précis:** A novel oncogene that cooperates with NOTCH1 to drive C-MYC expression is critical to license the emergence of diverse solid and liquid tumors by NOTCH1.

## 942 Definition of Molecular Determinants of Prostate Cancer Cell Bone Extravasation

Steven R. Barthel, Danielle L. Hays, Erika M. Yazawa, Matthew Opperman, Kempland C. Walley, Leonardo Nimrichter, Monica M. Burdick, Bryan M. Gillard, Michael T. Moser, Klaus Pantel, Barbara A. Foster, Kenneth J. Pienta, and Charles J. Dimitroff

**Précis:** This study offers the first comprehensive mechanism of how metastatic cancer cells traverse the vascular endothelium.

## Chromosome Instability Modulated by BMI1-AURKA Signaling Drives Progression in Head and Neck Cancer

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Chun-Hung Chou, Neng-Kai Yang, Ting-Yun Liu, Shyh-Kuan Tai, Dennis Shin-Shian Hsu, Ya-Wei Chen, Yann-Jang Chen, Cheng-Chi Chang, Cheng-Hwai Tzeng, and Muh-Hwa Yang

**Précis:** This important study reveals a mechanistic link between cancer progression and chromosomal instability, and it provides a rationale for clinical evaluation of Aurora kinase inhibitors to treat a type of cancer with a rapidly rising incidence.

## DKK2 Mediates Osteolysis, Invasiveness, and Metastatic Spread in Ewing Sarcoma

Kristina Hauer, Julia Calzada-Wack, Katja Steiger, Thomas G.P. Grunewald, Daniel Baumhoer, Stephanie Plehm, Thorsten Buch, Olivia Prazeres da Costa, Irene Esposito, Stefan Burdach, and Günther H.S. Richter

**Précis:** A family of antagonists of the Wnt pathway drives bone invasion and osteolysis in Ewing sarcoma, an aggressive pediatric malignancy, with implications for understanding bone invasion more generally.

## 978 Novel Oncogene-Induced Metastatic Prostate Cancer Cell Lines Define Human Prostate Cancer Progression Signatures

Xiaoming Ju, Adam Ertel, Mathew C. Casimiro, Zuoren Yu, Hui Meng, Peter A. McCue, Rhonda Walters, Paolo Fortina, Michael P. Lisanti, and Richard G. Pestell

**Précis:** Murine prostate cancer cell lines that can metastasize in immunocompetent hosts accurately reflect the genomic and transcriptomic changes that occur in human prostate cancer and provide an improved set of tools for the field to test new therapies.

## Loss of miR-204 Expression Enhances Glioma Migration and Stem Cell-like Phenotype

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Zhe Ying, Yun Li, Jueheng Wu, Xun Zhu, Yi Yang, Han Tian, Wei Li, Bo Hu, Shi-Yuan Cheng, and Mengfeng Li

**Précis:** Findings define a microRNA that controls the development of stem cell-like phenotypes and cell motility in malignant brain cancer cells, with possible implications in cancer stem cell-like functions generally.

## Dual Functions of the Homeoprotein DLX4 in Modulating Responsiveness of Tumor Cells to Topoisomerase II-Targeting Drugs

Bon Q. Trinh, Song Yi Ko, Nicolas Barengo, Shiaw-Yih Lin, and Honami Naora

**Précis:** This provocative study may explain why some tumors respond poorly to drugs that target topoisomerase II despite expressing high levels of this chromatin maintenance factor.

## Novel Mechanism of Apoptosis Resistance in Cancer Mediated by Extracellular PAR-4

Ravshan Burikhanov, Tripti Shrestha-Bhattarai, Shirley Qiu, Nidhi Shukla, Nikhil Hebbar, Subodh M. Lele, Craig Horbinski, and Vivek M. Rangnekar

**Précis:** Provocative findings offer new insights into how NF- $\kappa$ B regulates ER stress and extrinsic apoptosis signaling in cancer cells, with implications for cross-talk with pro-inflammatory signaling in cancer cells.

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## ΔNp63α-Mediated Activation of Bone Morphogenetic Protein Signaling Governs Stem Cell Activity and Plasticity in Normal and Malignant Mammary Epithelial Cells

Amanda L. Balboni, Justine A. Hutchinson, Andrew J. DeCastro, Pratima Cherukuri, Karen Liby, Michael B. Sporn, Gary N. Schwartz, Wendy A. Wells, Lorenzo F. Sempere, Paul B. Yu, and James DiRenzo

**Précis:** Disrupting BMP signaling selectively inhibits a subset of tumor cells possessing stem-like capacity, with implications for general strategies to prevent cancer recurrence.

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Fibroblast-Derived CCL2 Induces Cancer Stem Cells—Letter Gurcan Gunaydin, Yusuf Dolen, and

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Fibroblast-Derived CCL2 Induces Cancer Stem Cells—Response Akihiro Tsuyada and Shizhen Emily Wang

## **RETRACTION**

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Retraction: Initial Analyses of Colon Cancer–Specific Antigen (CCSA)-3 and CCSA-4 as Colorectal Cancer– Associated Serum Markers

## **ABOUT THE COVER**

Twist1 is a key inducer of epithelial-mesenchymal transition during tumor metastasis and is upregulated in aggressive human cancers. A new role for Twist1 in tumor progression was uncovered, showing that Twist1 is capable of stimulating angiogenesis via CCL2 production and subsequent recruitment of macrophages from the tumor stroma. Using a Matrigel plug assay, the images show that mouse mammary tumor cells endogenously expressing high levels of Twist1 stimulated a strong angiogenic response, seen as red blood vessels in the isolated plugs. When Twist1 expression was suppressed in these cells, the angiogenic response was diminished. For details, see the article by Low-Marchelli and colleagues on page 662.

