



UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI  
DI MILANO



# Sperimentazioni di Fase I: L'esperienza dell'Istituto Europeo di Oncologia di Milano

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# Disclosures

Board Member : Ellipses

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Speakers bureau: Pfizer, Lilly, Novartis, Roche-Genentech, Samsung, Celltrion, Daichii Sankyo

Stock ownership: None

# Organizzazione della struttura

Locali dedicati, spazi arredati ad hoc, pompe ad infusione dedicate, clinical pathway per pazienti in fase I.

Collaborazione con i servizi per avere slot dedicati di

- . Radiologia
- . ECG ed ecocardiogrammi
- . Medicina Nucleare
- . Radiologia interventistica

# Organizzazione della struttura

Locali farmacia con frigoriferi a timer remotizzati

Locali dedicati alla conservazione della documentazione clinica relativa agli studi clinici di fase I

Telemetria

Disporre di accesso al pronto soccorso: IRCCS senza PS (reperibilità 24 ore)

Pathway differenziata per campioni biologici di fase I

# Qualità

## QUALITY ASSURANCE

SOP: Le procedure devono descrivere in modo dettagliato tutte attività svolte ed i singoli processi.

Le procedure devono essere comprensive di istruzioni operative di moduli/modelli finalizzati alla dimostrazione della avvenuta attività.

# Personale

Staff dedicato alle fasi I: medici (7), infermieri di ricerca (3), data manager (3), study coordinator (2), farmacista (1), bioinformatico (1), biologa (1)

Quality Assurance esterno

# Formazione

Il personale medico indicato in organigramma come in servizio presso l'Unità di Fase I deve ricevere formazione sul supporto immediato delle funzioni vitali (Immediate Life Support – ILS) come richiesto dalla Determina AIFA.

Il personale medico deve ricevere formazione sugli standard del supporto avanzato delle funzioni vitali (ALS) per effettuare sperimentazioni con farmaci ad alto rischio che possono richiedere interventi di emergenza avanzati.

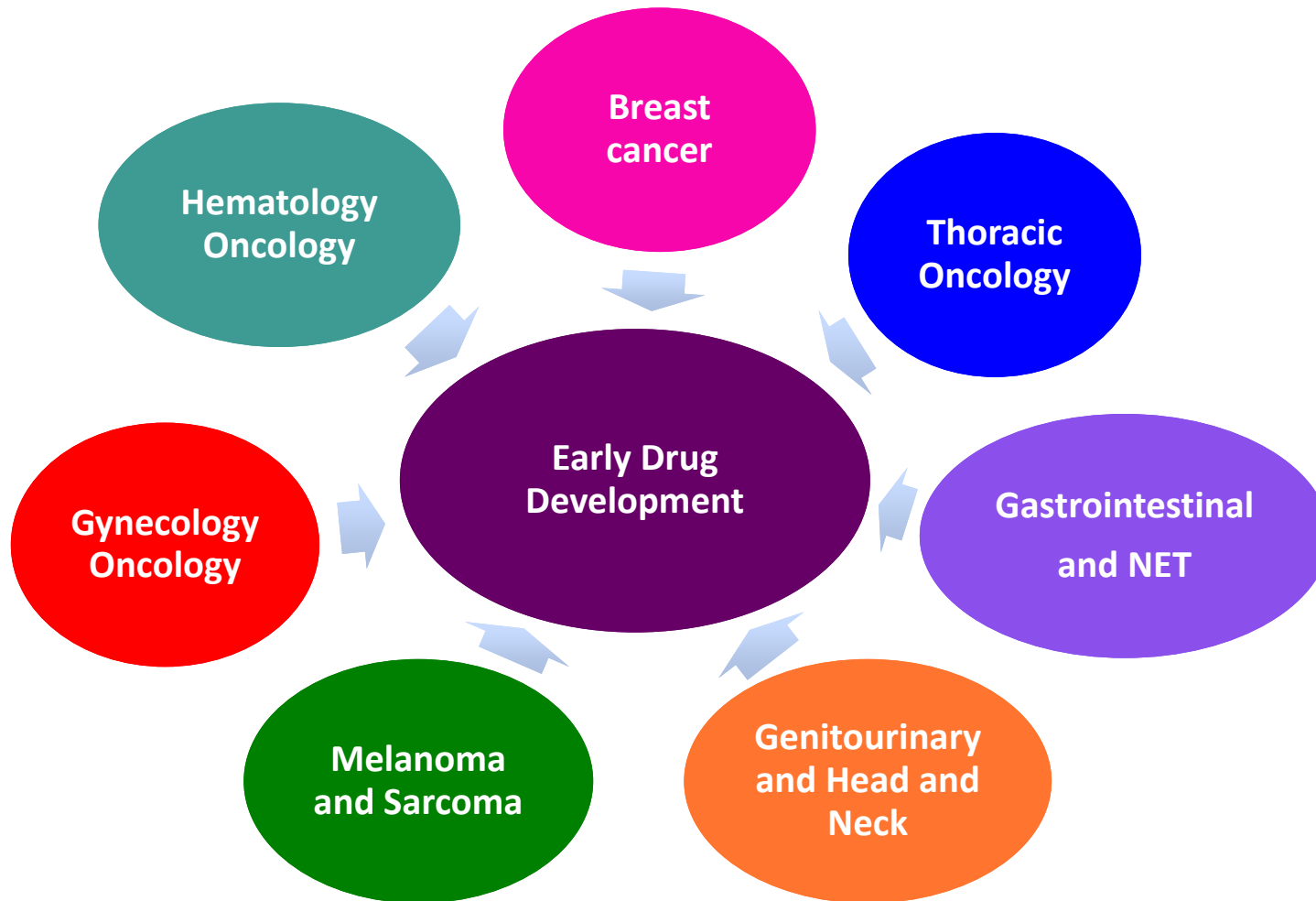
# Formazione

documentare la formazione, soprattutto quella sulle Norme di Buona Pratica Clinica (GCP), e documentare di volta in volta ulteriori corsi del personale

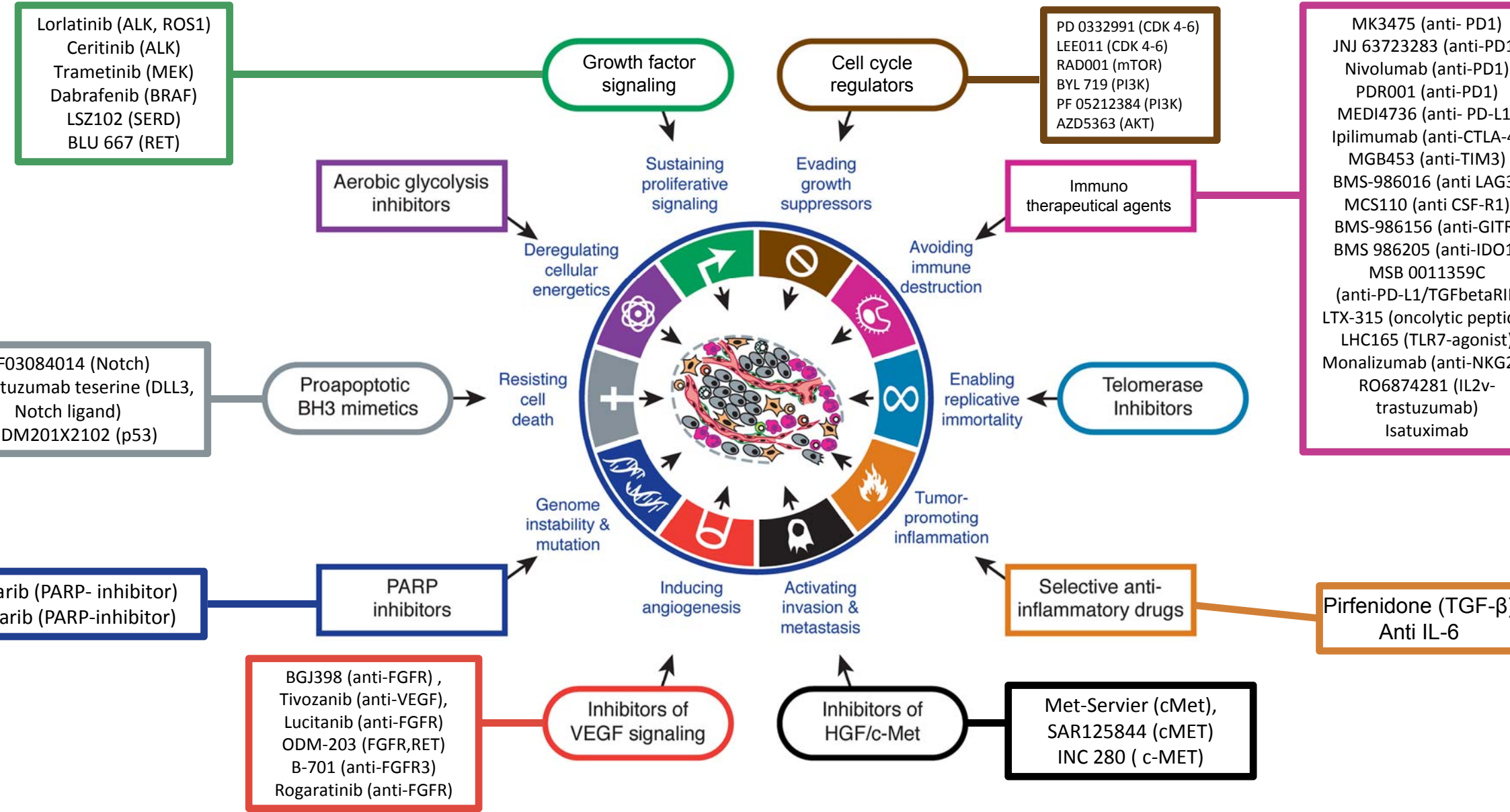
identificare la formazione e documentare periodicamente tutte le attività formative svolte



# Piattaforma trasversale di Fase I

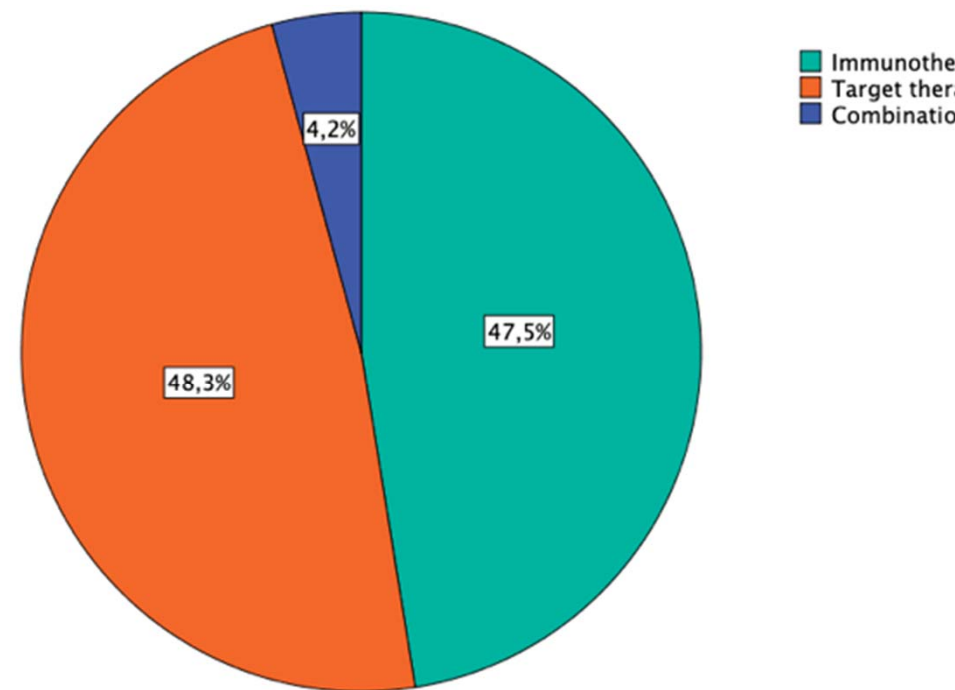
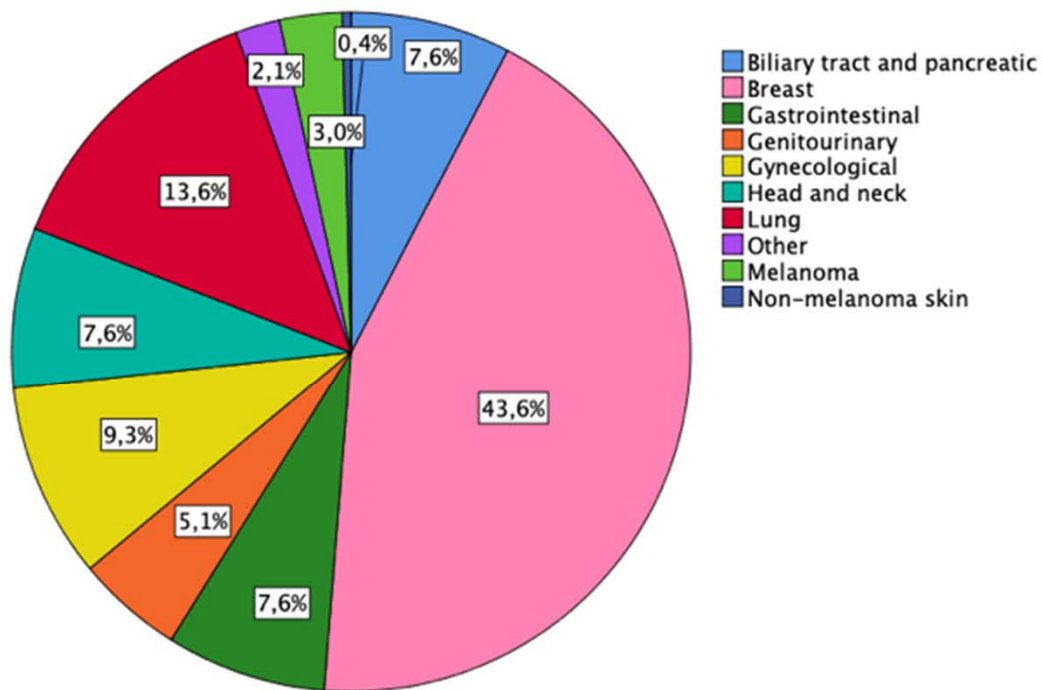


# Drug Scouting



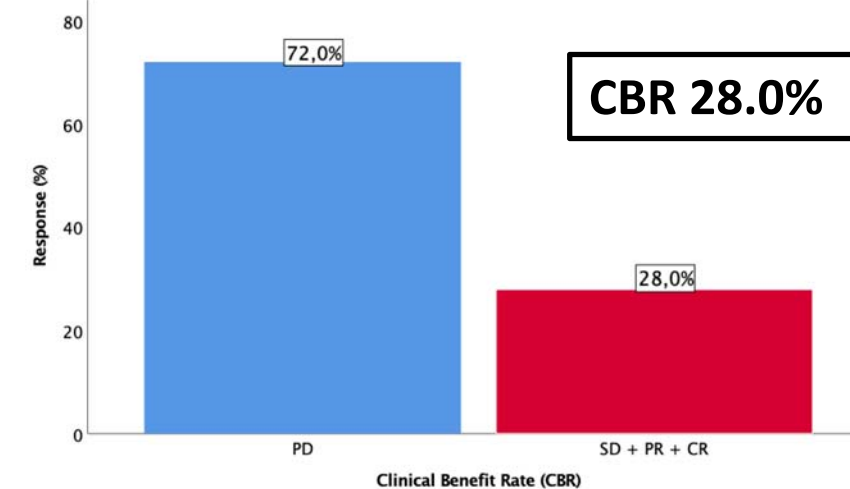
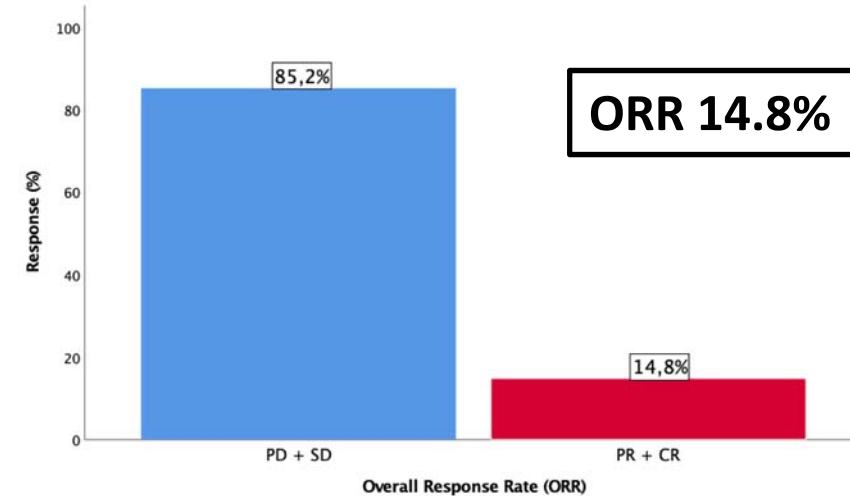
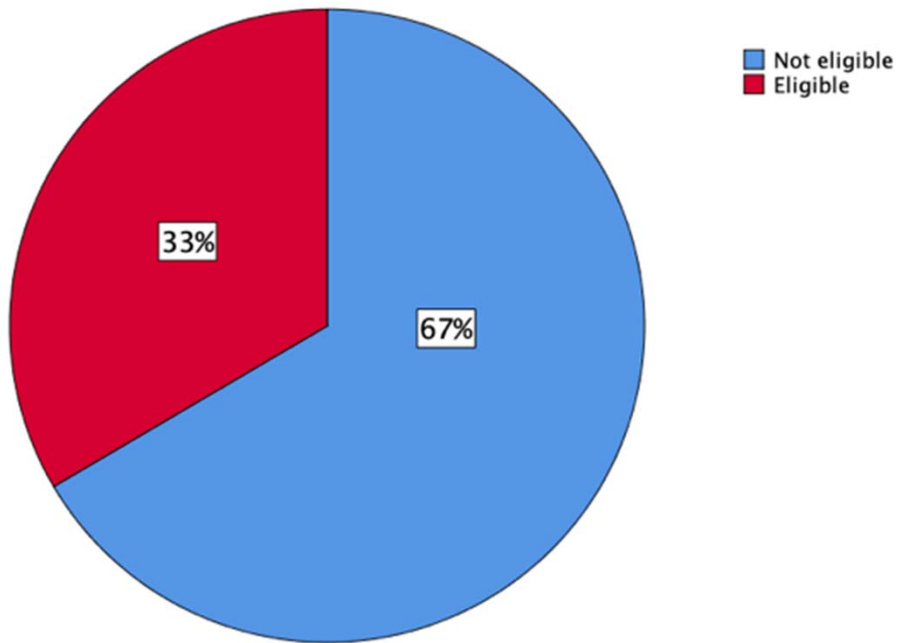
# Our experience 2014-2018

66 patients screened for enrollment in Phase I trials



# Our experience 2014-2018

1366 patients screened



Reason for ineligibility	%
Absence of target alteration(s)	56.1
Abnormal lab results	12.7
Poor performance status	11.4
Other	19.8

# Our experience 2014-2018

January 2014 → Phase I unit accredited July 2016

September 2019



**135 papers published** (31 in the best 10% journals in the field).



**17.56**

**IMPACT FACTOR**



**3.5 million euros** awarded to division members, including **grants** from the European Commission, National Institutes of Health, AIRC. **Almost 1.500.00 million euros** per year from pharmaceutical investigations fees



The division has been productive in terms of technology transfer, with **2 inventions** evaluated for patentability and market opportunity, and **2 patent filings**.

-40 trials open to accrual. More than 100 patients included in phase I studies in 2019

# National and International Network



Network of 25 top Italian Research Centers, coordinated by the Italian Ministry of Health: Member of the Clinical Trials Steering Group: implementation of a national program on Personalized Oncology

TAT 2020

An ESMO Meeting

International congress on targeted anticancer therapies



Member of the Steering Committee of TAT and of ESMO Precision Medicine Committee: A network of 17 Global Phase I unit to promote excellence in phase I research by: i) sharing of institutional practice & expertise; ii) accessing to multi-institutional teams; iii) contributing to global phase I trial design.



An alliance of 27 members across the country (12 cancer centres and 17 universities/hospitals) that pool their expertise in oncology and the development of cancer medicines. Centers are selected according to quality of care, data and number of trials ongoing

# AACR 2019 Plenary Session



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## Phase I/II study of MBG453 ± spartalizumab (PDR001) in patients with advanced malignancies

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# National and International Network

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the AACR website. The browser's address bar shows the URL: <https://www.aacr.org/Meetings/Pages/MeetingDetail.aspx?>. The browser tabs include "TAT 2020 - Cerca con G...", "AACR NCI EORTC - Cerc...", and "AACR-NCI-EORTC Int...".

The website header features the slogan "FINDING CURES TOGETHER" and a "DONATE TODAY" button. The AACR logo is prominently displayed, along with the text "American Association for Cancer Research". A search bar is located to the right of the logo.

The navigation menu includes the following items: ABOUT US, MEMBERSHIP, PUBLICATIONS, MEETINGS, EDUCATION & TRAINING, RESEARCH, FUNDING, ADVOCACY & POLICY, and NEWSROOM.

The main content area features a large banner for the "AACR-NCI-EORTC International Conference on Molecular Targets and Cancer Therapeutics". The banner includes the following details:

- October 26 - 30, 2019
- Hynes Convention Center
- Boston, Massachusetts
- Abstract submission deadline: Thursday, September 12
- Advance registration deadline: Friday, September 13

Below the banner, the breadcrumb trail reads: Home > Meetings > Meeting Detail.

The page layout includes a sidebar on the left with the following links:

- Meetings and Workshops Calendar
- AACR Annual Meeting
- Meetings, Conferences, and Workshops Under Development

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**AACR-NCI-EORTC International Conference on Molecular Targets and Cancer Therapeutics**

*The premier international meeting featuring novel cancer therapeutics*

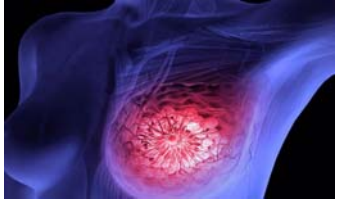
On the right side of the page, there are links for:

- Meeting Overview
- Abstracts
- Accommodations and Travel

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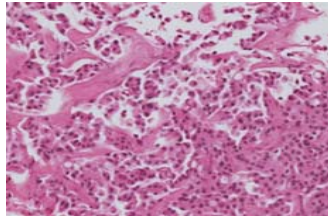


# Beyond Phase I



## Screening

- Tumor Biopsy



## Central Lab evaluation

- Cellularity
- Histopathology

### Detected gene deletions (copy-number ≤ 1)

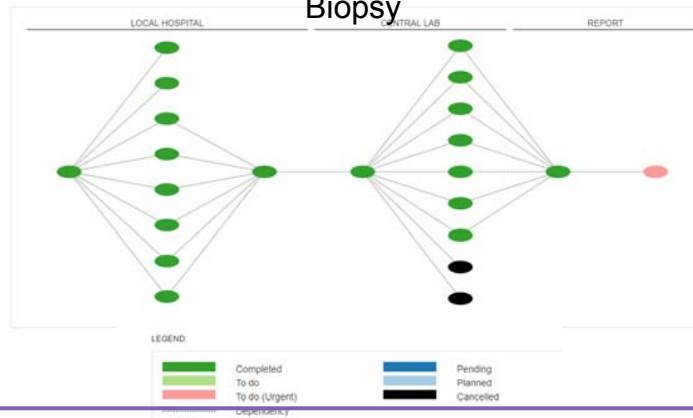
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## Molecular Tumor Board annotation of patient reports

MTB Output:  
Patient reports  
Variants to be annotated  
Outcome

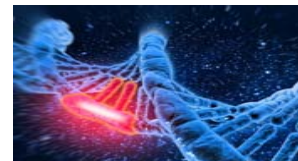
## Informed consent, Registration and Samples collection

### Biopsy



## Molecular analysis

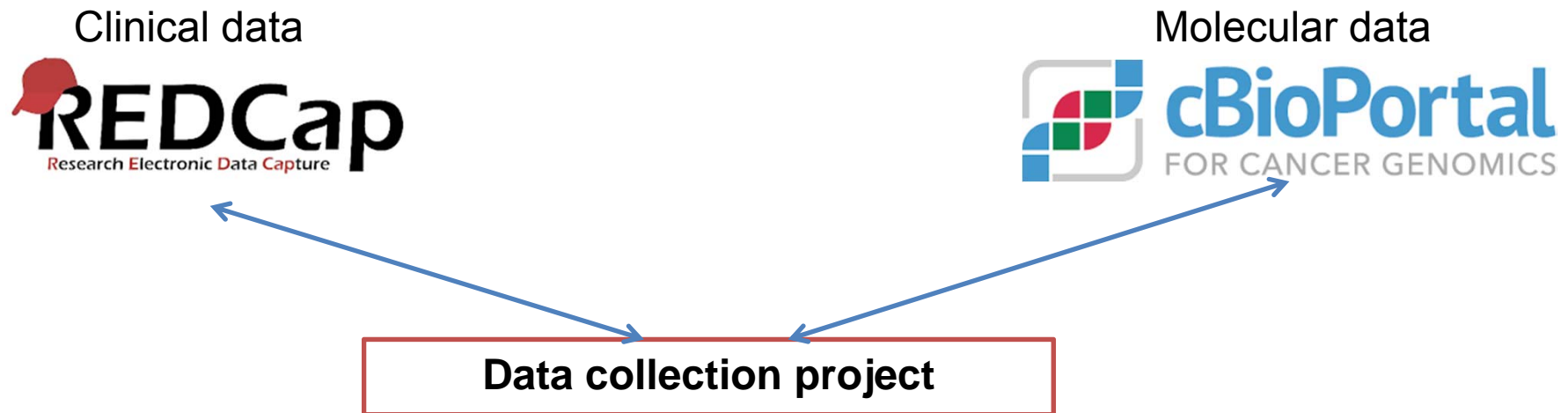
- Ion Torrent TGS (411 genes for tissue)
- Ion Torrent TGS (27 genes for ctDNA)
- Illumina, TrueSeq RNA seq
- OncoScan, FFPE, SNP/CNV



## Feedback to clinician

- Consolidated MTB report
- « Advice » to clinicians

# Molecular Tumor Board

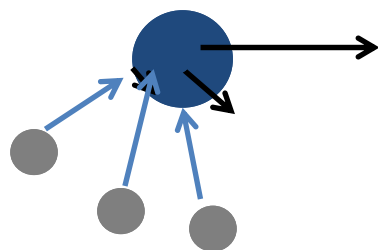


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Public, Small

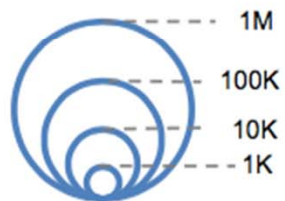
Public, Big



Private, Small

Private, Big

Data Held Privately or  
Among Partners Only



Large, Integrated data assets are starting to emerge and advance real world data research – but platform trials and registries continue to have highly tuned data for particular diseases.

X-Axis: Dataset Quality refers to the integration of (a) molecular, (b) disease-specific, structured clinical, (C) longitudinal data  
Y-Axis: Higher up organizations are sharing openly and for free. Mid-axis organizations have commercial offerings and closed, private data are inaccessible to anyone

Genomic Data Commons contains data from FoundationCORE, Broad's CCLE program, NCI's CCGI, TARGET and TCGA programs.

- No Support of Linkage
- - - Willing to Consider Linkage
- No border Does or Will Link Data

# Criticità culturale

Generare una cultura delle fasi I in Italia

Creare staff altamente professionali sulla gestione della sperimentazione clinica precoce.

La fase I è una opportunità, non “ruba” studi ai referenti di patologia

Completare il sistema regolatorio, accelerare i tempi di approvazione, ridurre i costi

## Criticità culturale

generare una partnership tra mondo delle pharma e sperimentatori (CRO leadership nella selezione dei centri)

generare una cultura dell'innovazione come opportunità per il paese

concentrare gli studi in centri di volume per generare poli di eccellenza distribuiti sul territorio nazionale

creare un network nazionale dei centri di studi di fase precoce

# Criticità

- L'unica fase di trial in aumento è quella tradizionalmente ricondotta sotto la definizione di fase I, che però è rappresentata prevalentemente da trial complessi di fase I-II o I-III piuttosto che da trial tradizionali di fase I

# Challenges

- Tempistiche autorizzative poco competitive o scelte strategiche della pharma
- Conseguente difficoltà allocazione slots in escalation phase
- Costo poco competitivo (incentivi fiscali per l'innovazione in ricerca biomedica)
- Mancanza network nazionale pre-screening mutazionale

# Thank You



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