

Exploring the Guanine Nucleotide Binding Protein α -sununit(GNAS) mutation in pancreatic cancer

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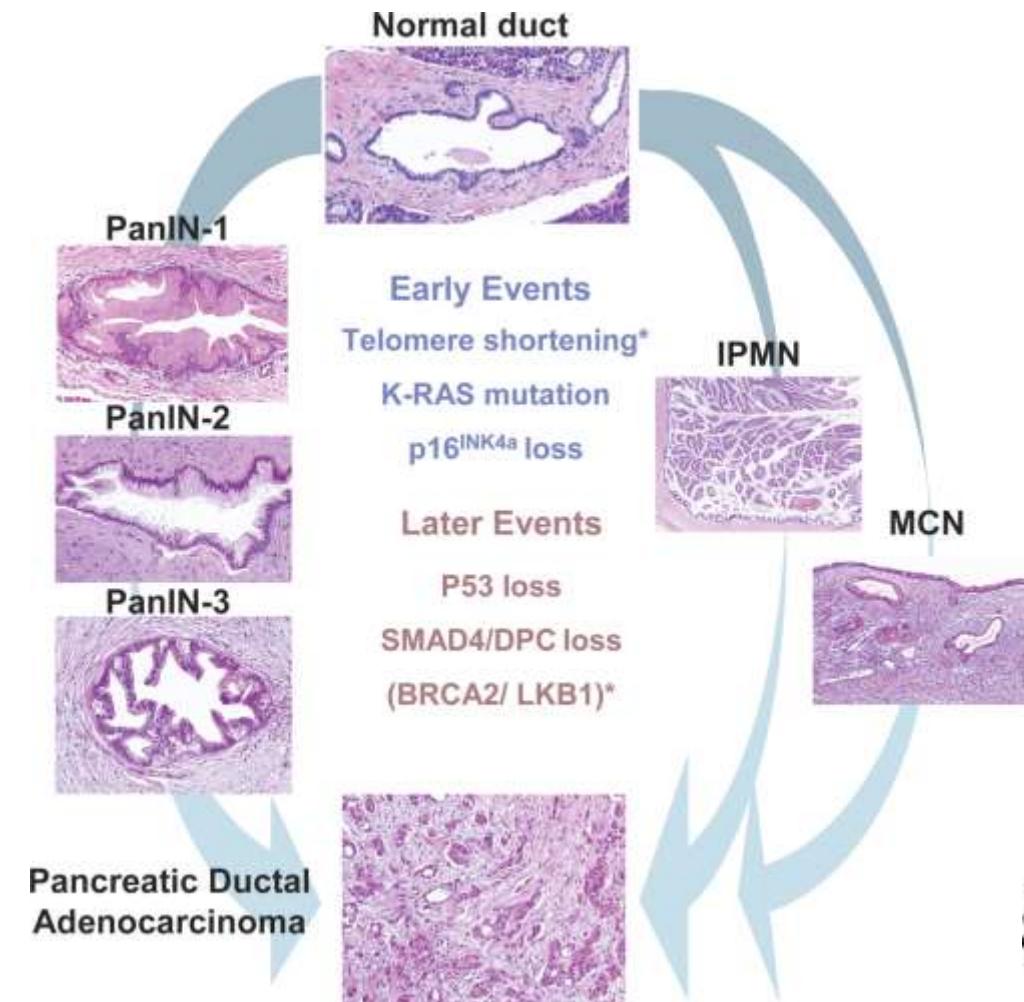
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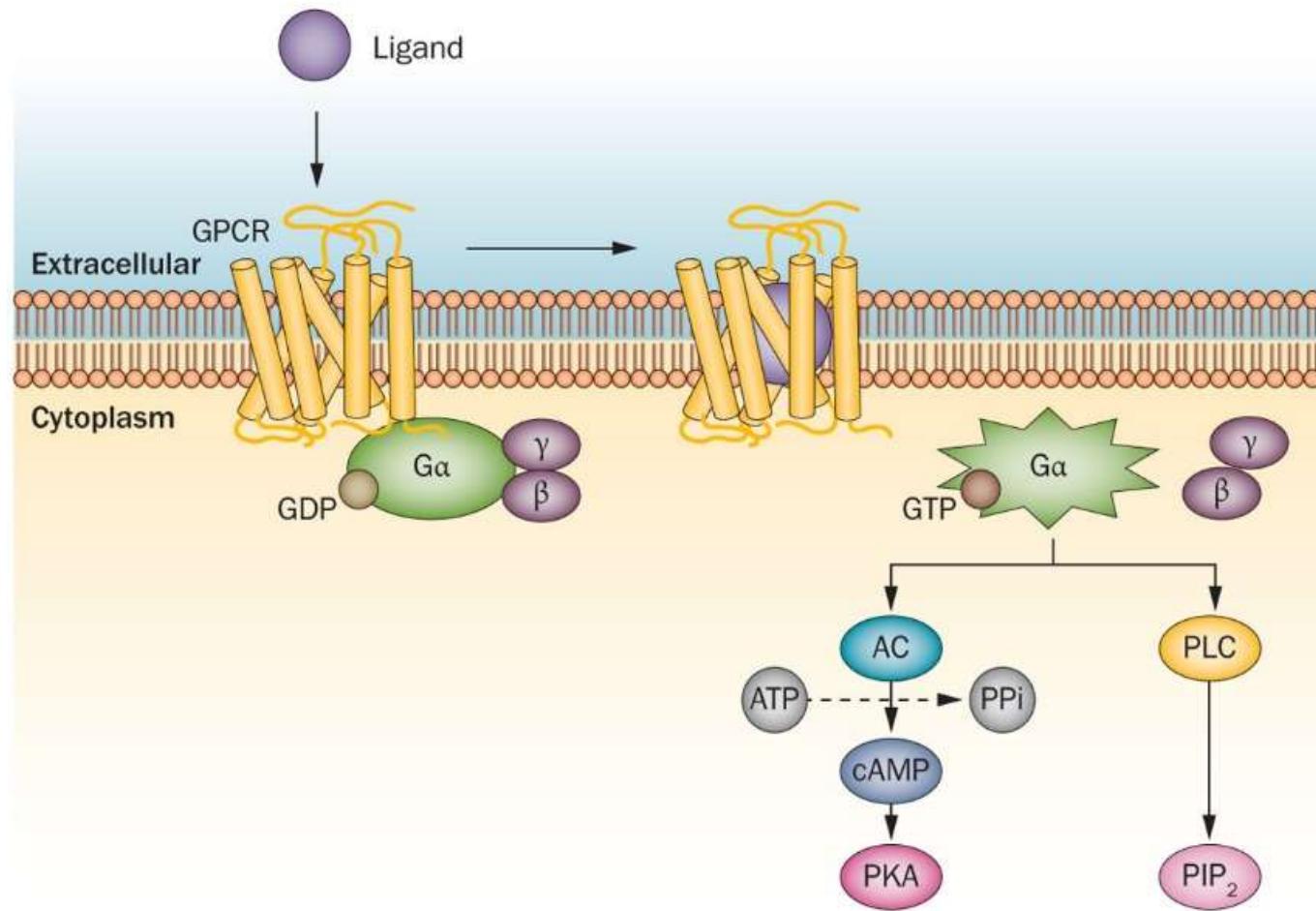
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- Is the 5th leading cause of death in Europe (IARC)
- In less than 1% the overall survival rate will exceed 5 years
- Age at diagnose between 65-74 year old

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Guanine Nucleotide Binding Protein α -subunit(GNAS) is a critical component of the GPCR signaling



Normal functions:

- Gluconeogenesis in liver
- Mitochondrial receptor

Guanine Nucleotide Binding Protein α -sununit(GNAS) and Cancer

$\text{G}\alpha\text{s}$ is a tumor suppressor in Sonic hedgehog-driven medulloblastoma. **Nat Med.** 2014 Sep;20(9):1035-42.

Inactivation of $\text{G}\alpha\text{s}$ in skin stem cells initiates basal-cell carcinogenesis. **Nat Cell Biol.** 2015 Jun;17(6):793-803

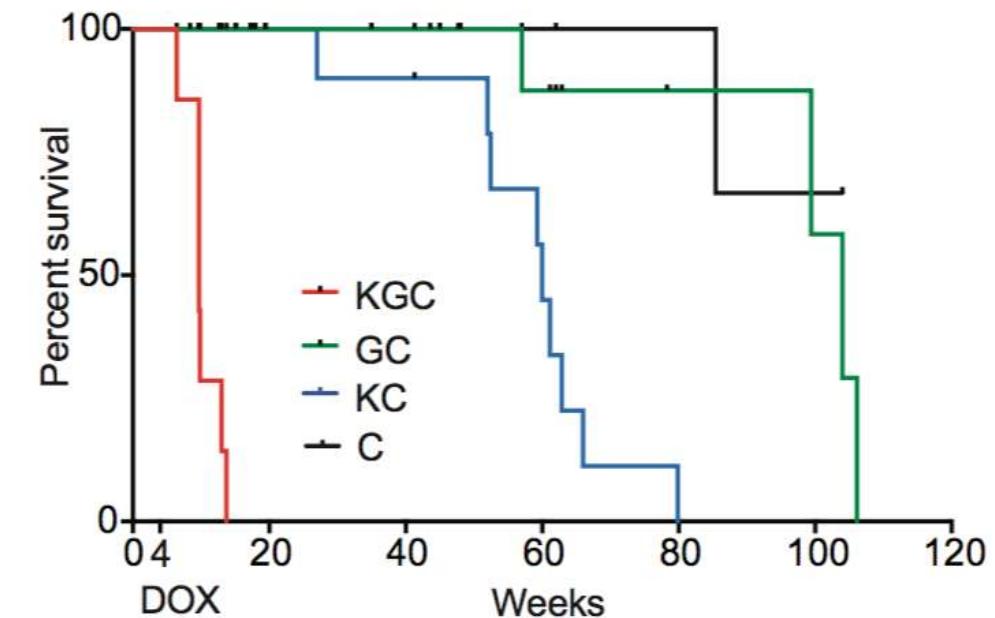
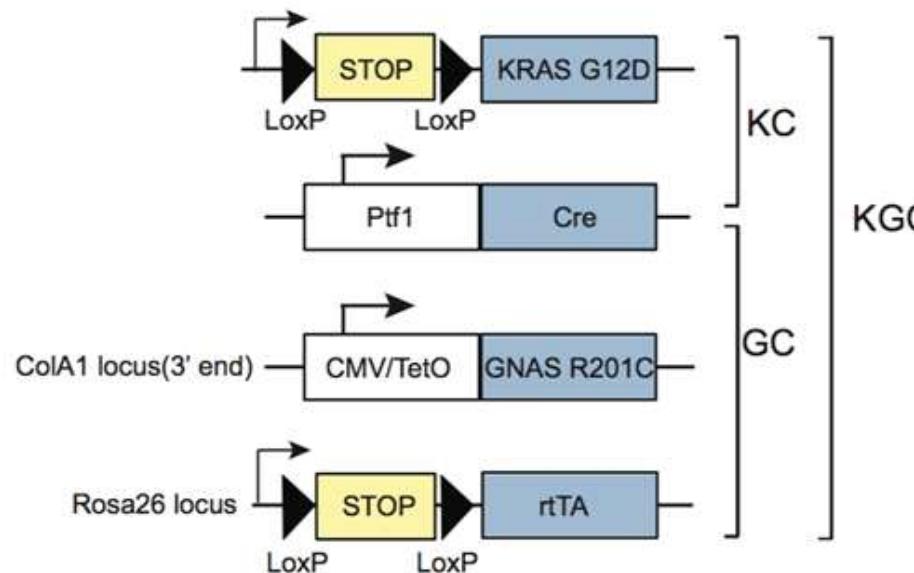
“GNASR201H and KrasG12D cooperate to promote murine pancreatic tumorigenesis recapitulating human intraductal papillary mucinous neoplasm” **K Taki & al. Oncogene 2015**

Aims of project

- GNAS mutation influence the Intraductal Papillary Mucinous Neoplasm tumorigenicity?
- Characterize the GNAS downstream effectors, what is their role ?

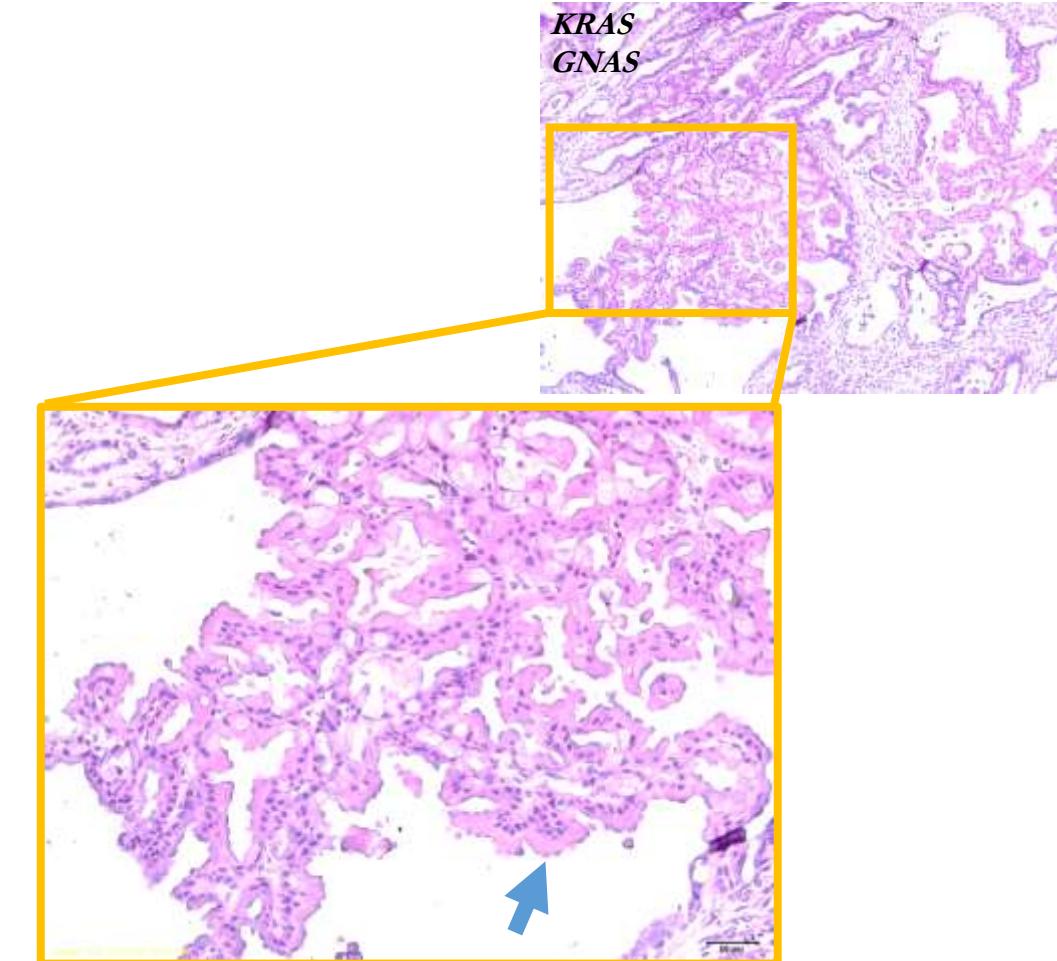
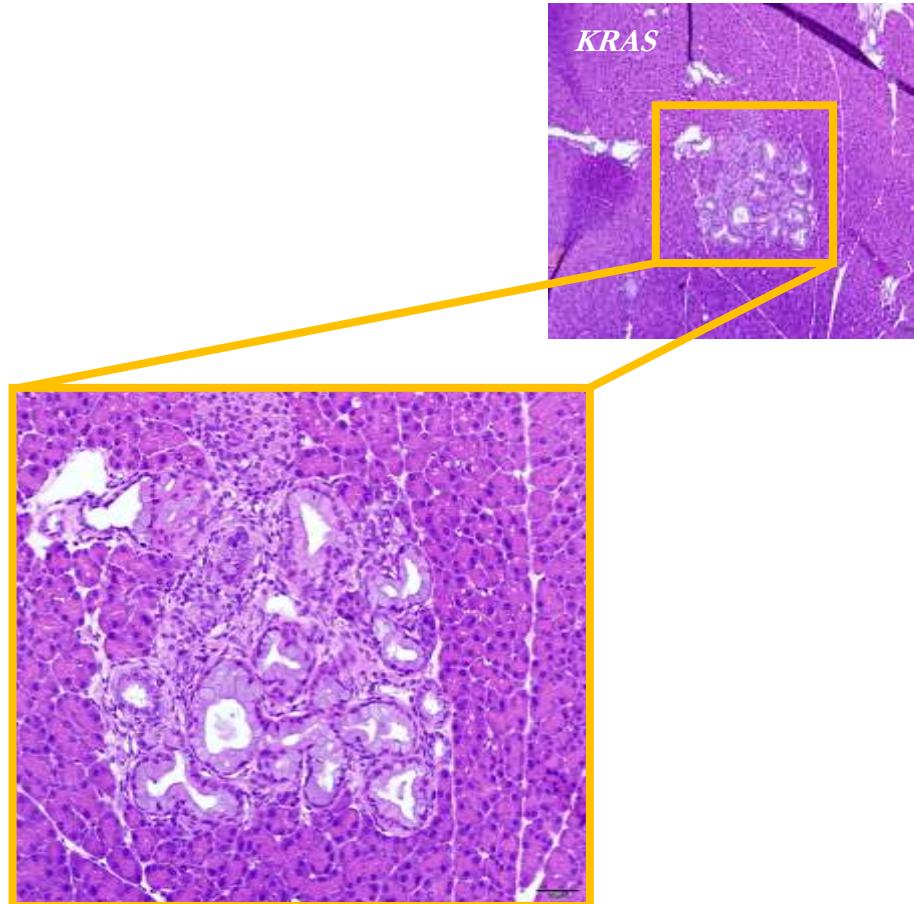
Pancreatic cancer mouse model

Intraductal Papillary Mucinous Neoplasm mouse model

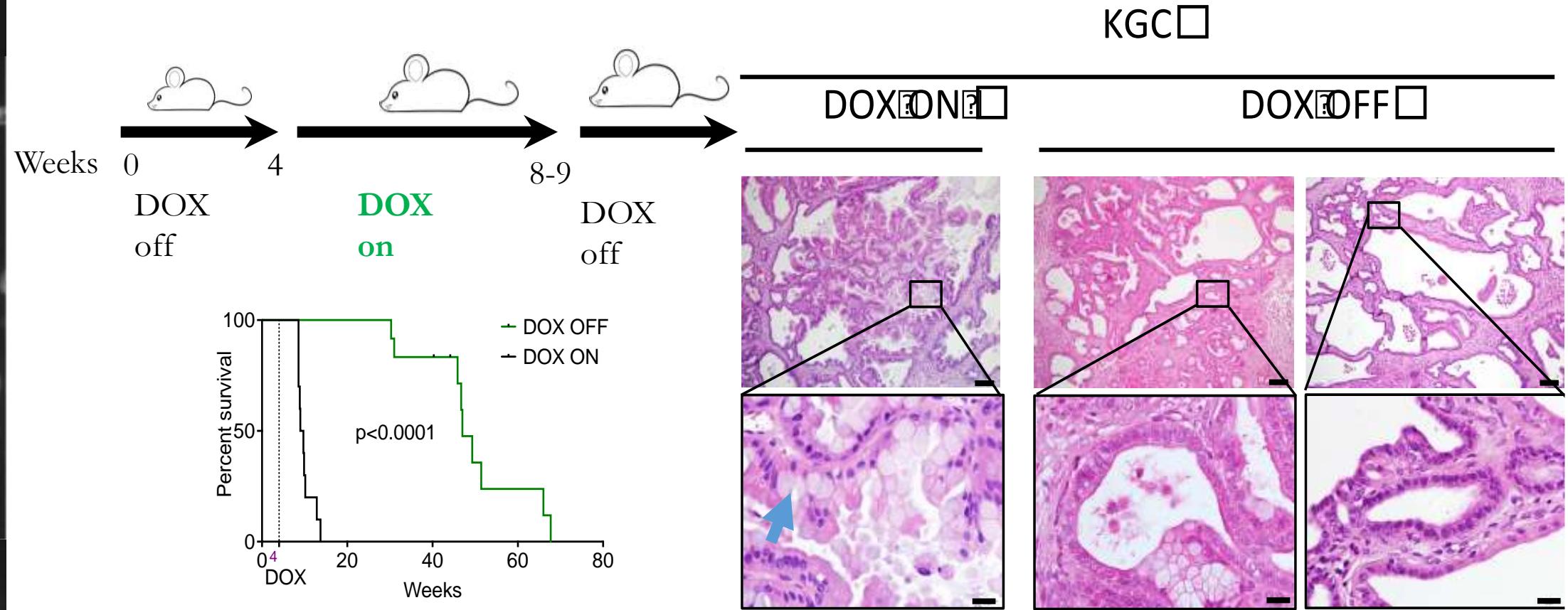


Oncogenic cooperation between mutant KRAS and mutant GNAS

Intraductal Papillary Mucinous Neoplasm mouse model

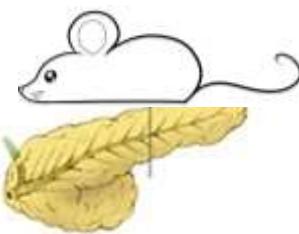


Deactivation of mutant GNAS expression inhibits the proliferation and progression of tumors



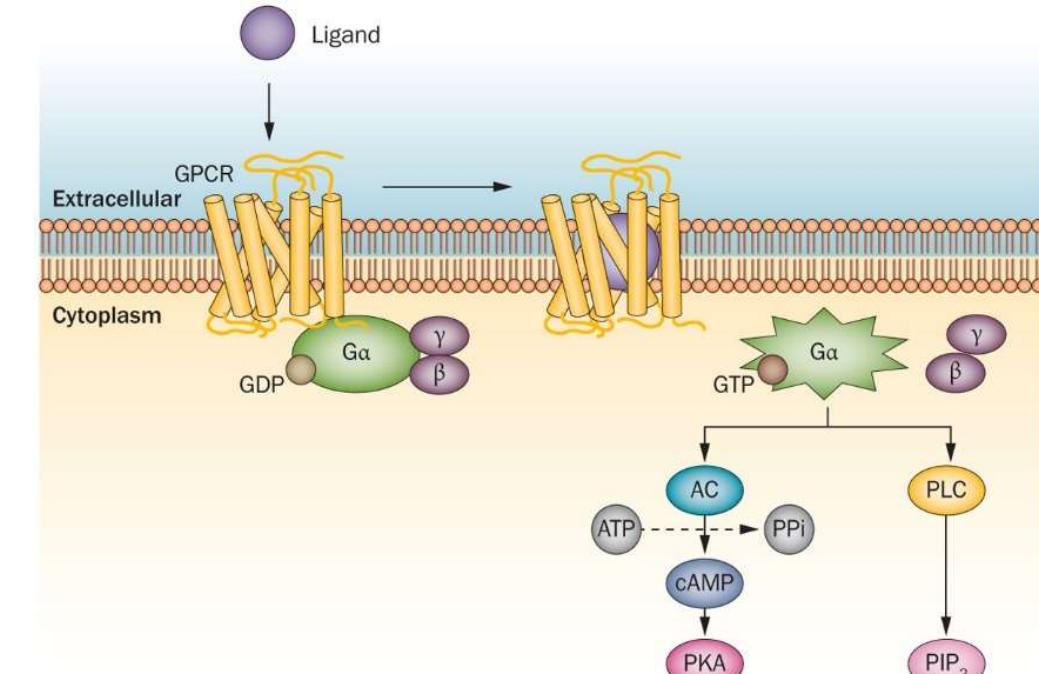
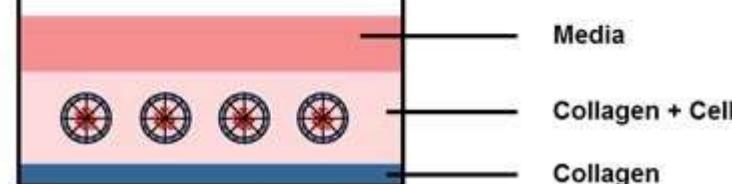
3D *In vitro* model to decipher the molecular pathway GNAS

KGC model



Collagenase P

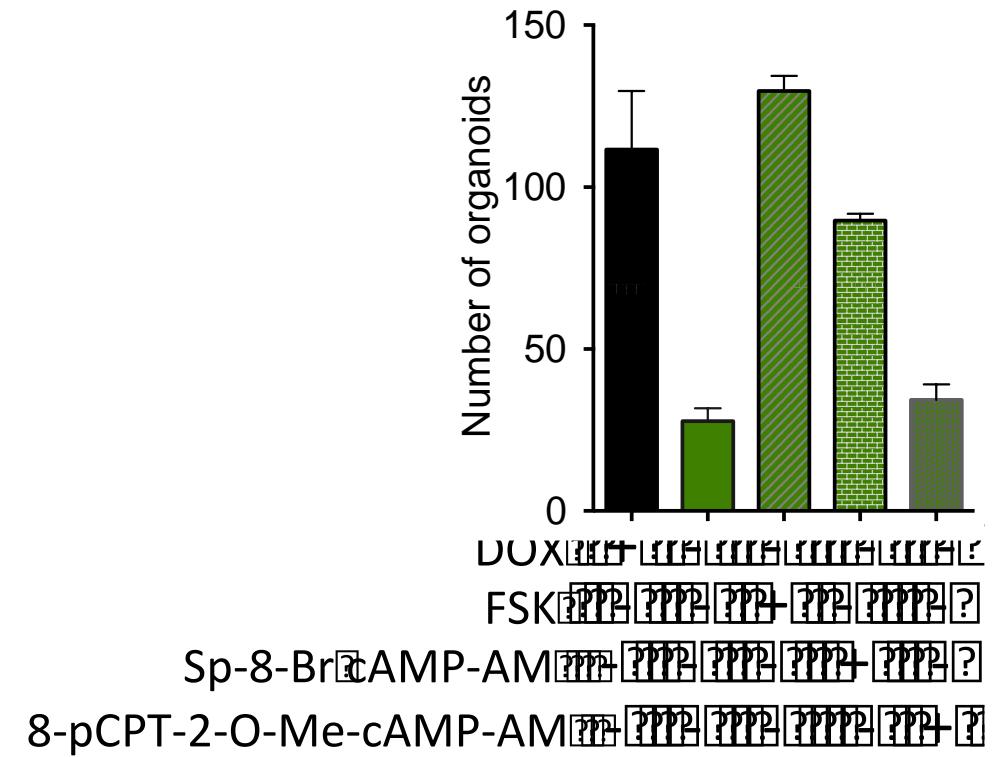
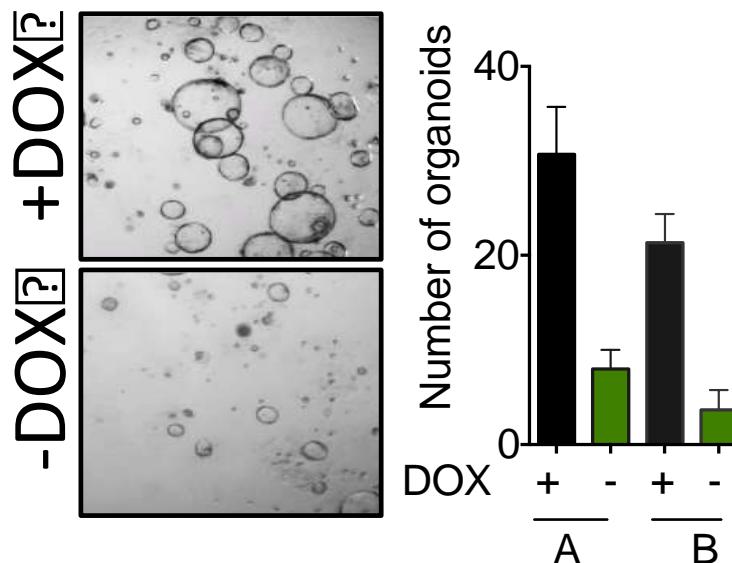
Isolated IPMN cells



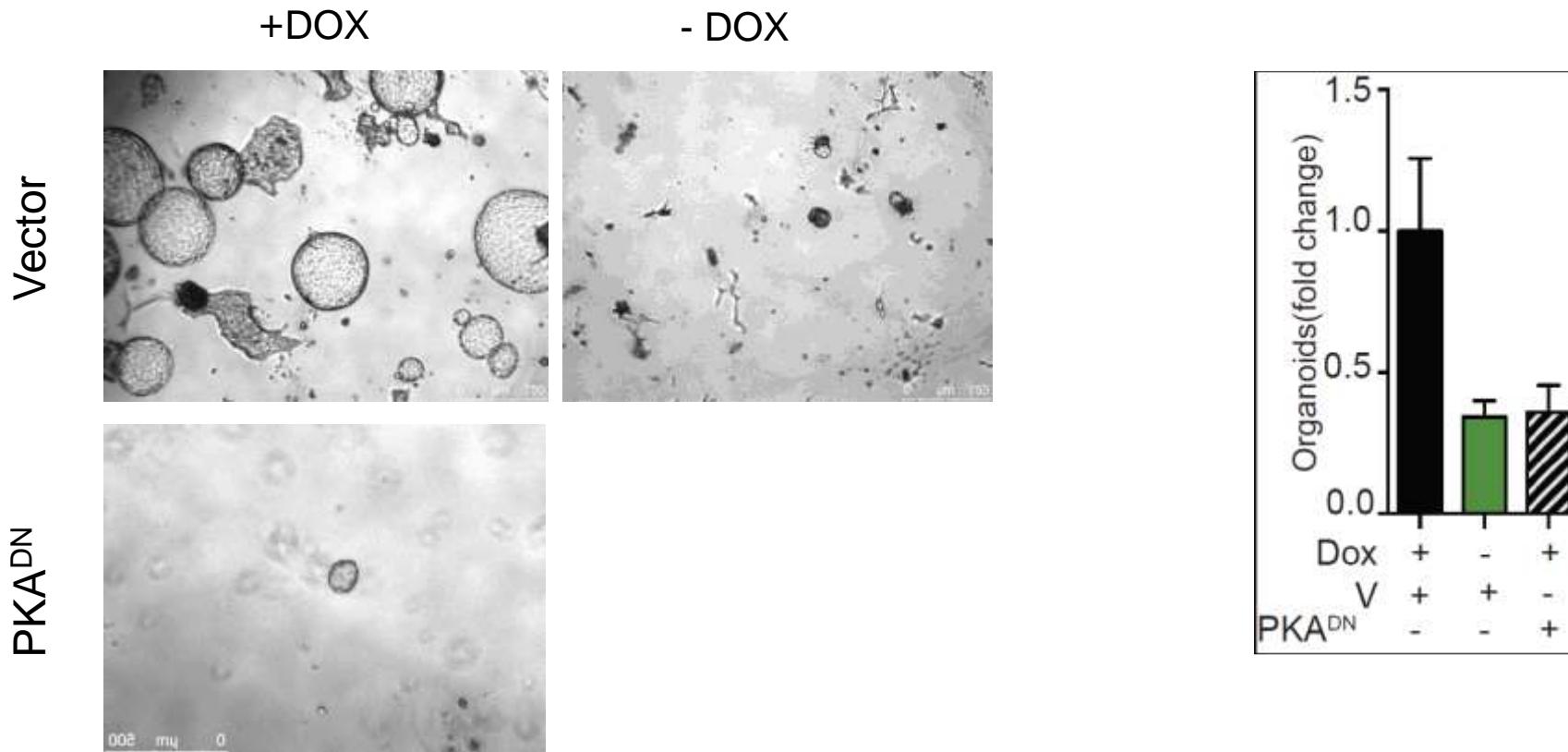
Nat. Rev. Rheumatol. doi:10.1038/nrrheum.2014.62

cAMP/PKA signaling is involved in mutant GNAS driven organoid formation

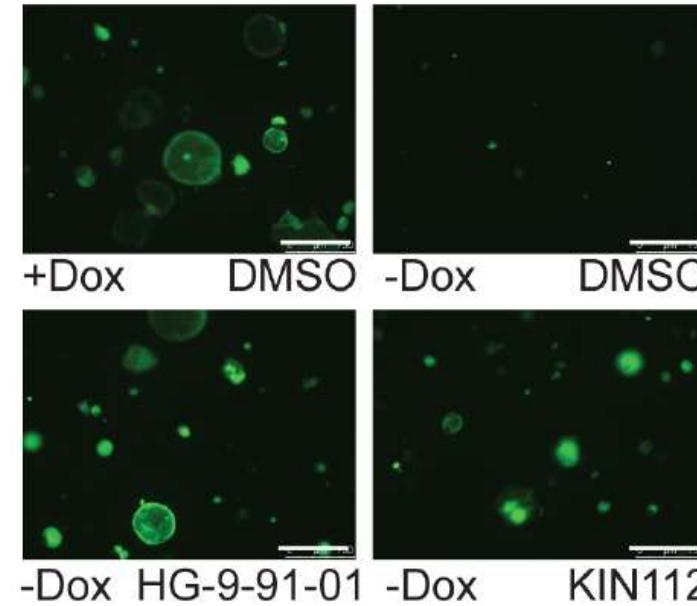
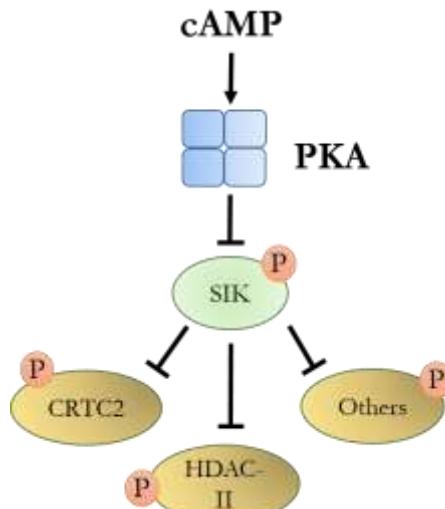
- Forskolin – Adenylate Cyclase Agonist
- Sp 8 Br – cAMP analogue
- 8pCPT – EPAC specific agonist



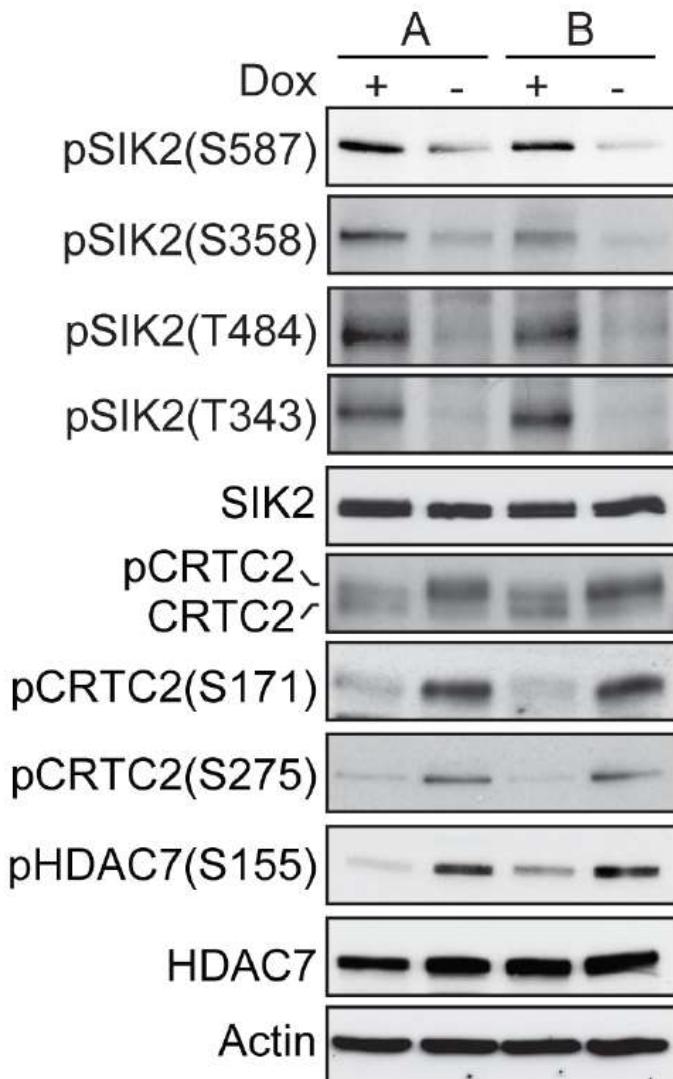
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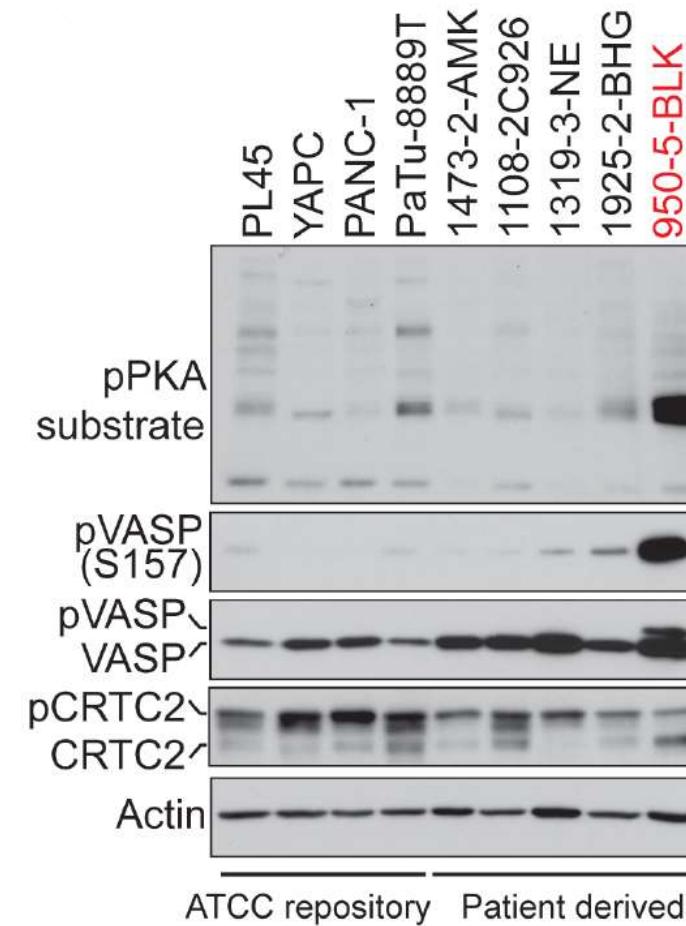
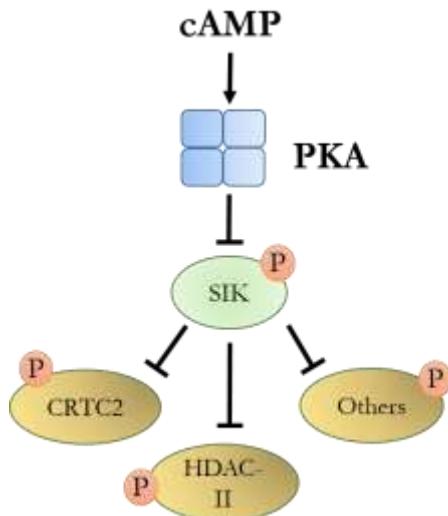
cAMP/PKA axis regulates organoid growth via Salt Induced Kinase (SIK) in IPMN



HG-9-91-01 & KIN112 = pan-SIK inhibitors



cAMP/PKA axis regulates tumorigenic activity via Salt Induced Kinase (SIK) in IPMN



Conclusion

- Mutant GNAS induces IPMN progression and maintenance
- PKA plays an important role in the mutant GNAS driven tumor developement
- This pathway introduces consequent metabolic shift

Thank you!

