

Detection and characterization of DDR reversion alterations in baseline tissue and plasma samples from patients enrolled in the TRESR and ATTACC Phase I clinical trials

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Background

- Reversions, secondary mutations reverting the gene back into frame and restoring gene function, in DNA damage repair (DDR) and homologous recombination (HR) genes are an established mechanism of acquired resistance in patients treated with poly(ADP-ribose) polymerase inhibitors (PARPi) and platinum-based therapies
- Camomertib is a highly selective ataxia telangiectasia and Rad3-related inhibitor (ATR) that is synthetic lethal (SL) with genomic alterations affecting DNA damage response.^{1,2}
- Despite increasing clinical development of novel SL agents in this population, baseline detection and characterization of reversions is not widely reported; thus, interpreting the efficacy data of these agents may be confounded by reversion mutations
- Here we report the baseline DDR reversions in the Phase I trials TRESR (NCT04497116) and ATTACC (NCT04972110), which evaluated safety and efficacy of the ATR camomertib as monotherapy or in combination with a PARPi or gemcitabine

Key Translational Questions

- Patients treated with 2nd generation SL agents in phase I clinical trials have likely been treated with prior PARPi and/or platinum therapies and thus may have pre-existing resistance
- What type and frequency of reversion alterations exist in this population?
 - Which biospecimen (tissue vs. plasma) identifies the most reversions?
 - Can reversions be comprehensively identified by pre-existing local genomic test results or is contemporaneous central sequencing required?
 - Will SL agents in clinical development be as effective in tumors with pre-existing reversions?

Camomertib trial clinical cohorts and key learnings

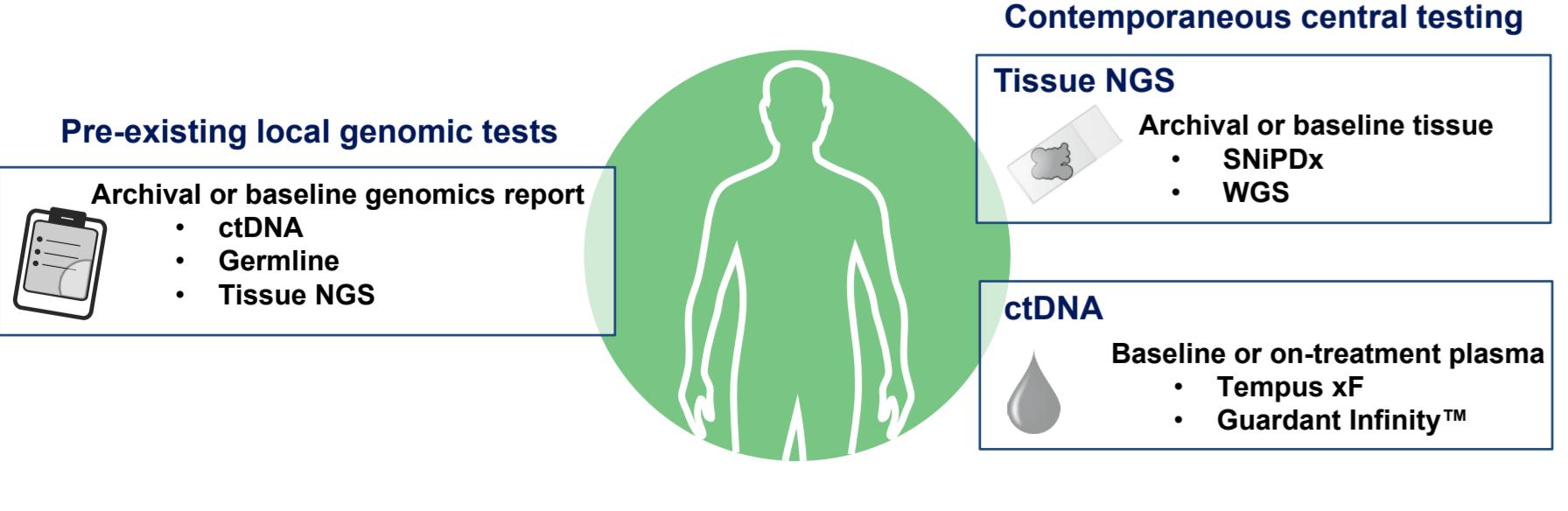
- Phase 1/2a TRESR (NCT04497116)²:**
Module 1 - camomertib monotherapy
- Phase 1/2a TRESR (NCT04497116)²:**
Module 3 - camomertib + talazoparib^a
- Phase 1b/2 ATTACC (NCT04972110)³:**
camomertib + niraparib or olaparib
- Phase 1/2a TRESR (NCT04497116)⁴:**
Module 4 - camomertib + gemcitabine

^aTalazoparib was provided by Pfizer Inc. ^bCentrally reviewed by the Precision Oncology Decision Support group (MD Anderson Cancer Center). ^cSubset of TRESR genes used for ATTACC enrollment.

- Camomertib monotherapy is well-tolerated and mechanism-based anemia is well controlled.¹
- Durable clinical benefit in several tumor types and genomic alterations, including the high-unmet-need group of PARPi-exposed recurrent ovarian cancer.²
- Low-dose regimens of camomertib and different PARPi combinations were safe with transient hematological events; no prophylactic growth factors required.³
- Anticancer activity observed in patients with platinum- and PARPi-resistant tumors.^{2,3}
- Camomertib and gemcitabine combination recommended phase 2 dose identified, with antitumor activity observed primarily in patients with gynecological cancers.⁴

Methods

Figure 1. Genomic data collection methods for identifying reversions



Results

Figure 2. One hundred thirty-two patients met the criteria for reversion evaluation

- Criteria for reversion evaluation**
- HRD-associated tumor type (breast, ovarian, pancreatic, prostate)
 - Pathogenic alteration in a gene known to revert (BRCA1, BRCA2, PALB2, RAD51C, RAD51D)
 - Revertible alteration (excluding deletions and rearrangements)
 - Prior treatment with platinum and/or PARPi

Flow chart of patients used in this analysis

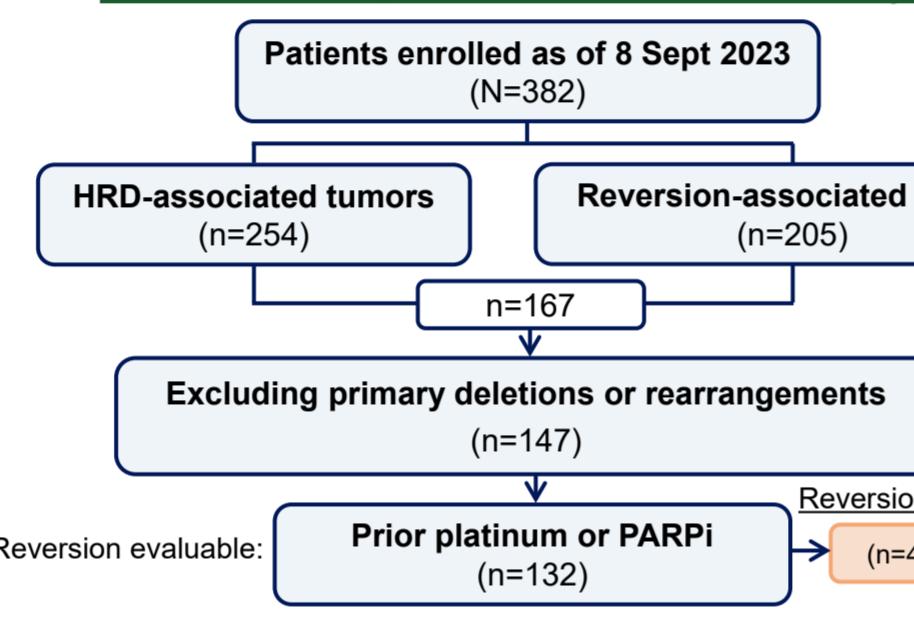


Table 1. Descriptive characteristics of the patient population used in the analysis*

Parameter	TRESR (N=82)	ATTACC (N=50)	Total (N=132)
Monotherapy	Camomertib	35	-
	Gemcitabine	31	-
Combination therapy (camomertib +)	Talazoparib	16	-
	Olaparib	-	27
	Niraparib	-	23
Tumor type	Ovarian	45	19
	Breast	17	14
	Pancreatic	14	6
	Prostate	6	11
Genotype	BRCA1	46	16
	BRCA2	28	26
	PALB2	4	7
	RAD51C	4	0
	RAD51D	0	1

* Includes patients from both studies with HRD-associated tumor types, pathogenic alterations known to revert, and prior platinum and/or PARPi.

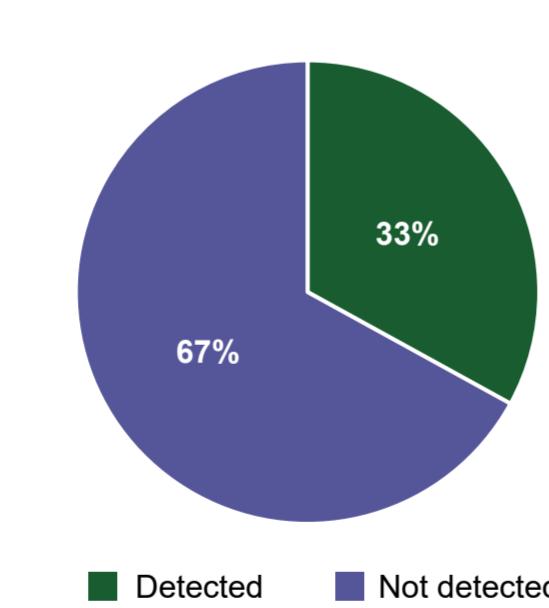
Table 2. Enrollment genotypes by tumor type*, n

Gene	Breast	Ovarian	Pancreatic	Prostate
BRCA1	12	46	3	1
BRCA2	12	13	14	15
PALB2	7	0	3	1
RAD51C	0	4	0	0
RAD51D	0	1	0	0

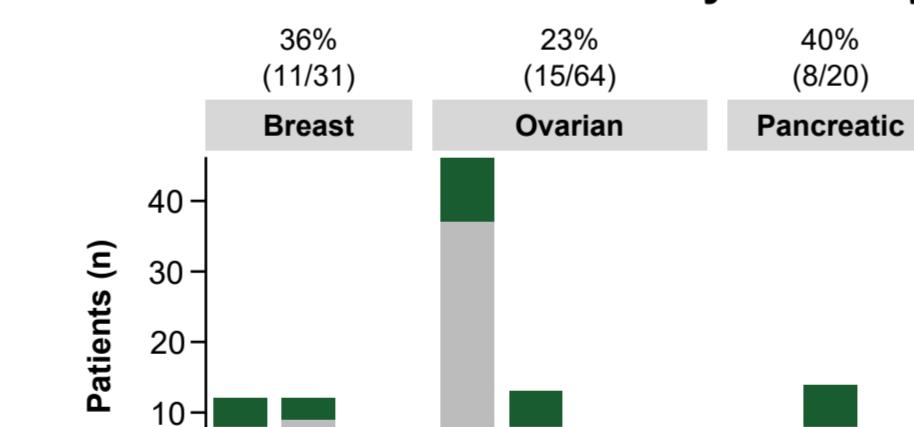
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Figure 3. Ninety-one unique reversions detected in 33% (43/132) cases

A. Reversions detected

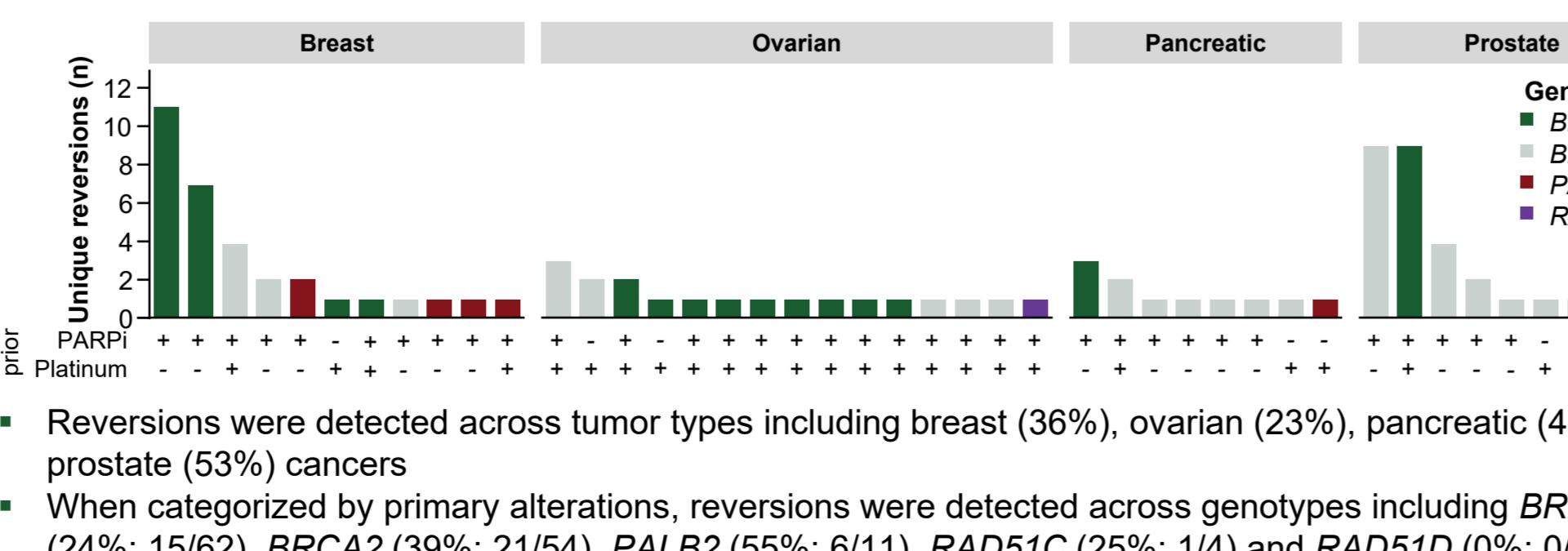


B. Reversions detected by tumor type



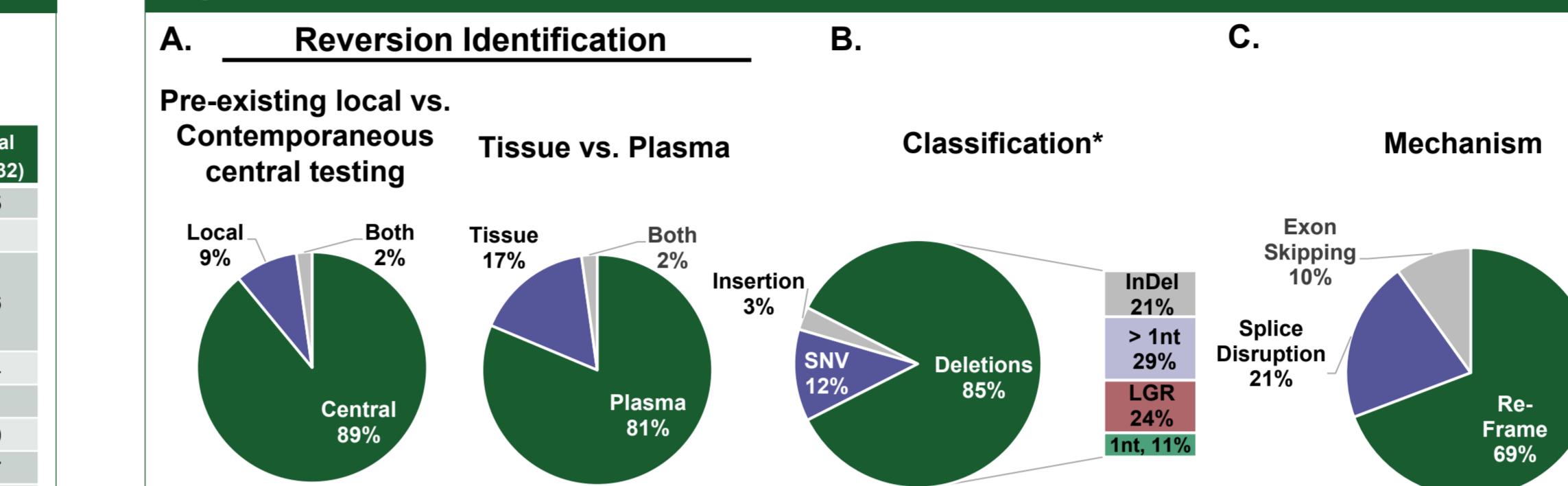
Variable
■ Detected
■ Not detected

C. Unique reversions by tumor type and primary alteration



Results

Figure 4. Classification of reversion alterations



Of the 91 unique reversions detected the majority were:

- identified by contemporaneous central testing alone (89%; n=81) with 81% detected using plasma samples (n=74)
- classified as deletions (85%), with short insertions (3%; n=3) and SNVs (12%; n=11) also detected
- mechanistically near-complete restoration of the coding sequence (69%; n=63) with other larger-scale reversions affecting whole exons by deletion (10%; n=9) or splice-site disruption (21%; n=19)

*Reversions were classified into three categories: 1) insertion, 2) SNV, and 3) deletions (= 1 nt, > 1 nt to < 50 nt, InDel, and LGR [≥ 50 nt]).

Figure 5. Unexpected reversions identified in patients with BRCA1/2 deletions and ATM/NBN mutations

Two patients enrolled based on pathogenic mutations that were later determined to be reversions of unreported primary alterations

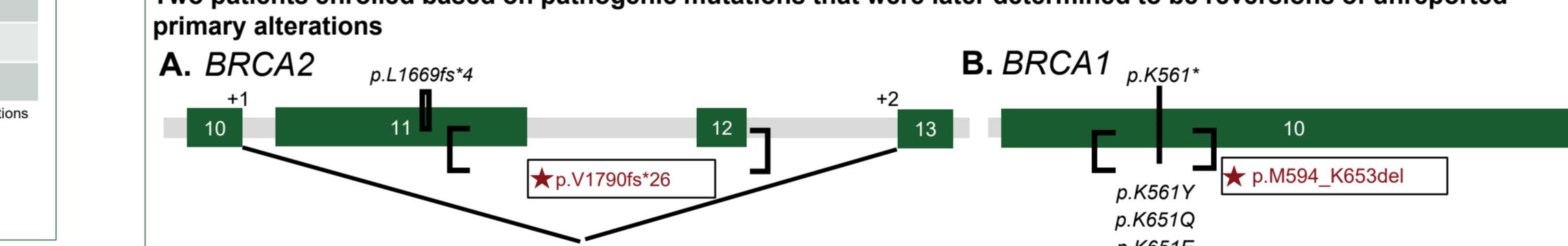


Table 3. Descriptive characteristics of patients with reversions of unreported primary alterations

Tumor type	Gene	Prior platinum/ PARPi	Enrollment test	Primary (Not reported in enrollment test)	Secondary cDNA	Reversions	Mechanism
Ovarian	BRCA2	Y/Y	Oncopenel (Tissue)	c.5007_5053del (enrollment alteration)	p.L1669fs*4 (enrollment alteration)	★ p.V1790fs*26 (enrollment alteration)	Splice Disruption
Ovarian	BRCA1	Y/Y	Tempus xT (Tissue)	c.1951A>T	p.K651*	★ p.M94_K653del (enrollment alteration)	Re-Frame

Identification of three patients with novel reversions detected in ATM and NBN genes

C. ATM reversions detected in breast and colorectal cancers D. nibrin (NBN) reversion detected in pancreatic acinar cell carcinoma (PACC)

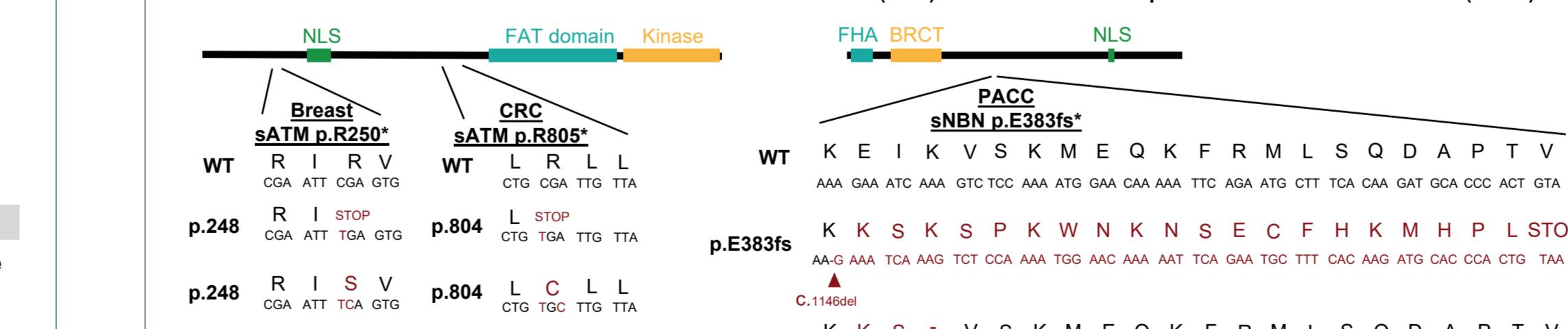
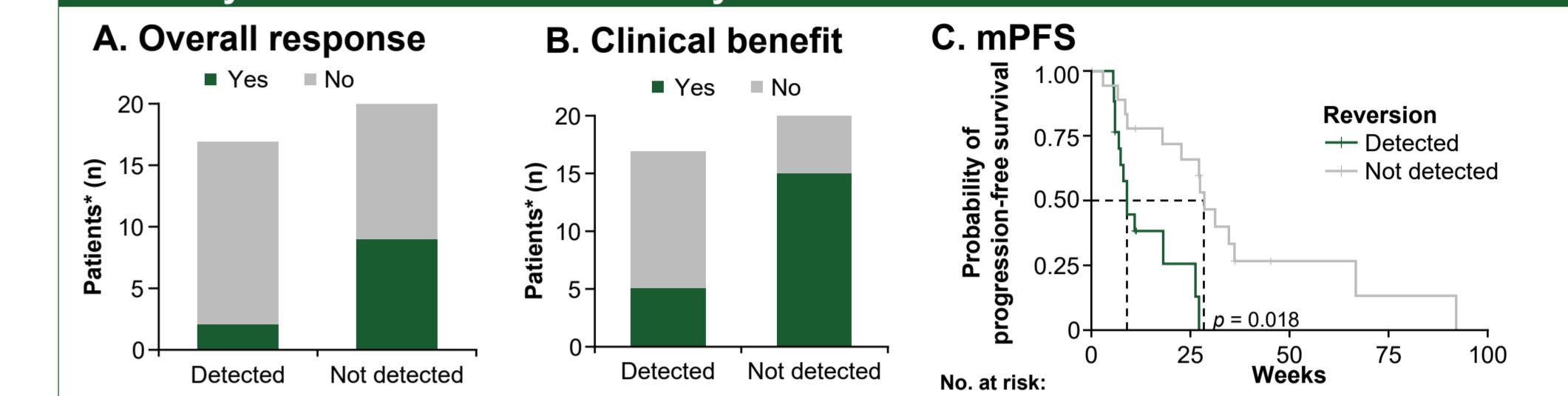


Table 4. Descriptive characteristics of the novel reversions detected in ATM and NBN genes

Tumor type	Gene	Prior platinum/ PARPi	Primary	Reversion
Breast	ATM	8	Carboplatin	c.748C>T
CRC	ATM	4	2 lines of FOLFOX	c.748_749delCGinsGT
PACC	NBN	2	Oxaliplatin	c.1146del

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Figure 6. Clinical outcomes in patients treated with camomertib/PARPi combination and uniformly tested with Guardant Infinity



- The overall response seen in patients without reversions (45%; 9/20) was significantly higher compared to those with reversions (12%; 2/17; p = 0.037, fisher's exact test)
- Significantly higher clinical benefit rate seen in patients without reversions (75%; 15/20) vs. those with reversion (29%; 5/17; p = 0.009, fisher's exact test)
- Patients without reversions showed a significantly longer median progression-free survival (mPFS; 28 weeks) vs. those with reversions (9 weeks; p = 0.018, log-rank test)

^aIn patients profiled by Guardant Infinity (n=61) and restricted to efficacy evaluable patients treated with camomertib + PARPi (n=37). Guardant Infinity is a genomic and epigenetic liquid biopsy NGS platform. Overall response rate was defined as the proportion of patients with best response or complete response according to RECIST 1.1 or confirmed CA-125 response based on CGIC criteria or PSA response based on PCWG3. Clinical benefit response was defined as the proportion of patients with a response by RECIST 1.1 or confirmed CA-125 by CGIC criteria or PSA response based on PCWG3 or a treatment duration of at least 16 weeks without prior evidence of progression.

Conclusions

- These data highlight the genomic complexity and current diagnostic challenges to detect and characterize baseline reversion alterations in heavily pre-treated, DDR-selected patients
- Patients whose tumors harbor DDR/HR alterations and enrolled in early phase clinical studies often have pre-existing resistance to PARPi or platinum and may not respond as well to next-generation DDR agents
- Reversions may occur in genes outside of the canonical HR genes or be misdiagnosed as pathogenic alterations
- Contemporaneous central ctDNA analysis with a panel that includes intron coverage and can call large genomic events is critical for more sensitive reversion detection
- Interrogation of ctDNA or tumor biopsies with better diagnostic tools that include broad intron coverage and enhanced reversion calling will aid in interpretation of efficacy data for next-generation DDR agents and guide more targeted patient selection

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Abbreviations

- AN, absolute neutroph