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# L'ACQUISIZIONE DELL'INDIPENDENZA DAI SEGNALI PROLIFERATIVI: IL CICLO CELLULARE

# L'ACQUISIZIONE DELLA CAPACITA' REPLICATIVA ILLIMITATA

#### Eventi che promuovono la proliferazione cellulare nei tumori



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## c-Myc induce la trascrizione di CycD2, CDK4 e dei TFs E2F



# Iper-espressione di c-Myc nel linfoma di Burkitt





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#### La tirosina chinasi Bcr-Abl e la leucemia mieloide cronica



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#### Bcr-Abl: una chinasi chimerica con attività citoplasmatica



#### L'IMATINIB è un inibitore della chinasi Abl



Binds ATP binding pocket and stabilizes a catalytically inactive form of the kinase



Per il trattamento della resistenza all'Imatinib viene impiegato il Dasatinib, Inibitore di Abl e Src

# Altre tirosina chinasi non recettoriali sono oncogeni



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# La regolazione della stabilità di Ciclina D1 è alterata nei tumori



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#### La progressione del ciclo cellulare è controllata da complessi Cyc/CDK



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# l complessi Cyc/CDK

#### controllano la fosforilazione di Rb durante il ciclo cellulare



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#### Fosforilazione di Rb durante il ciclo cellulare



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## L'iperfosforilazione di Rb rimuove il blocco della transizione G1/S



Le pocket proteins inibiscono la trascrizione mediata da E2Fs = inibizione della transizione G1/S



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# La rimozione di Rb causa l'attivazione trascrizionale dei geni bersaglio di E2Fs



# **TRANSCRIPTION IS ACTIVATED**

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# L'aumento dei livelli delle cicline promuove la transizione G1/S



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## **Mutazioni di Rb promuovono la transizione G1/S**



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Table 8.3 Molecular changes in human cancers leading to deregulation of the cell cycle clock

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Alterations of pRb	
Inactivation of the <i>Rb</i> gene by mutation	retinoblastoma, osteosarcoma, small-cell lung carcinoma
Methylation of <i>Rb</i> gene promoter	brain tumors, diverse others
Sequestration of pRb by Id1, Id2	diverse carcinomas, neuroblastoma, melanoma
Sequestration of pRb by the HPV E7 viral oncoprotein	cervical carcinoma
Alteration of cyclins	
Cyclin D1 overexpression through amplification of cyclin D1 gene	breast carcinoma, leukemias
Cyclin D1 overexpression caused by hyperactivity of <i>cyclin D1</i> gene promoter driven by upstream mitogenic pathways	diverse tumors
Cyclin D1 overexpression due to reduced degradation of cyclin D1 because of depressed activity of GSK-3 $\beta$	diverse tumors
Cyclin D3 overexpression caused by hyperactivity of cyclin D3 gene	hematopoietic malignancies
Cyclin E overexpression	breast carcinoma
Defective degradation of cyclin E protein due to loss of hCDC4	endometrial, breast, and ovarian carcinomas
Alteration of cyclin-dependent kinases	
CDK4 structural mutation	melanoma
Alteration of CDK inhibitors	
Deletion of 15 <sup>INK4B</sup> gene	diverse tumors
Deletion of 16 <sup>INK4A</sup> gene	diverse tumors
Methylation of <i>p16<sup>INK4A</sup></i> gene promoter	melanoma, diverse tumors
Decreased transcription of <i>p27<sup>Kip1</sup></i> gene because of action of Akt/PKB on Forkhead transcription factor	diverse tumors
Increased degradation of p27 <sup>Kip1</sup> protein due to Skp2 overexpression	breast, colorectal, and lung carcinomas, and lymphomas
Cytoplasmic localization of p27 <sup>Kip1</sup> protein due to Akt/PKB action	breast, esophagus, colon, thyroid carcinomas
Cytoplasmic localization of p21 <sup>Cip1</sup> protein due to Akt/PKB action	diverse tumors
Multiple concomitant alterations by Myc, N-myc or L-myc	
Increased expression of Id1, Id2 leading to pRb sequestration	diverse tumors
Increased expression of cyclin D2 leading to pRb phosphorylation	diverse tumors
Increased expression of E2F1, E2F2 E2F3 leading to expression of cyclin E	diverse tumor
Increased expression of CDK4 leading to pRb phosphorylation	diverse tumors
Increased expression of Cul1 leading to p27 <sup>Kip1</sup> degradation	diverse tumors
Repression of p15 <sup>INK4B</sup> and p21 <sup>Cip1</sup> expression allowing pRb phosphorylation	diverse tumors

## Mutazioni di Rb sono frequenti in retinoblastoma e osteosarcoma



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# Mutazioni di Rb causano il retinoblastoma familiare e sporadico



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# Meccanismo di perdita di eterozigosi di Rb: ricombinazione mitotica



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## Il controllo del ciclo cellulare



#### Integrazione di

- segnali estrinseci (fattori di crescitacitostatici/adesione cellcell e cell-matrice) con
- stimoli intrinseci (stato metabolico, integrità del genoma)

## Blocco della progressione del ciclo cellulare



• segnali estrinseci citostatici (es. TGFb, inibizione da contatto)

stimoli intrinseci (danni al DNA, erosione dei telomeri)

inducono produzione di CDKi

## CDKi sono indotti da stimoli intrinseci ed estrinseci



# Gli inibitori stechiometrici delle CDK Inibiscono la transizione G1/S



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# Alterazioni degli inibitori stechiometrici delle CDK promuovono la transizione G1/S



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# Il locus Ink4a/Arf codifica per gli oncosoppressori p16 e ARF



Figure 1 | **The** *Ink4a/Arf* locus. **a** | The two products of the mouse *Ink4a/Arf* locus, p16<sup>Ink4a</sup> and p19<sup>Arf</sup> (p14<sup>ARF</sup> in human) indirectly regulate the retinoblastoma protein (Rb) and p53, respectively. **b** | Alternative first exons (1 $\alpha$  and 1 $\beta$ ) that are transcribed from different promoters (arrows) specify the 5' ends of the *Ink4a* and *Arf* transcripts, respectively. These are spliced to the same acceptor site in exon 2, which is translated in alternative frames. *Ink4a* coding sequences in exons 1 $\alpha$ , 2 and 3 are denoted by light shading, and *Arf* coding sequences in exons 1 $\beta$  and 2 are indicated by dark blue shading. The regions that are disrupted in the different knockout (KO) mouse strains are indicated below the figure. The schematic is not drawn to scale, and in both the human and mouse genomes, exons 1 $\alpha$  and 1 $\beta$  are separated by >15 kb. (**b** is adapted from REF. 14.)

Scherr C., Nat. Rev. Mol. Cell. Biol., 2001

## Acquisizione dell'immortalità replicativa



## Le cellule di un tumore effettuano un elevato numero di divisioni



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Cellule somatiche normali subiscono il progressivo accorciamento dei telomeri ad ogni divisione cellulare

> End-replication problem: cells lose 50-200 bp of telomeric DNA during each S phase



# L'accorciamento dei telomeri può causare alterazioni strutturali e induce l'arresto permanente della proliferazione



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#### La struttura dei telomeri protegge le estremità dei cromosomi



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## L'allungamento dei telomeri è effettuato dall'enzima telomerasi



TERT: protein component	core
TERC: non-coding RNA component	components
Dyskerin, NOP10, NHP2, GAR1	improve activity



Elisabeth Blackburn Carol Greider Jack Szostak Nobel Price 2009



#### **Telomerase activity (TRAP) assay**



#### La sovraespressione della telomerasi immortalizza cellule normali



# La riattivazione della telomerasi nei tumori è associata a prognosi negativa



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Re-activation of telomerase is a hallmark of human cancer (90%)		
Tissue	Incidence	
Head/neck and lung	78-100%	
GI and pancreas	85-100%	
Hepatic tissue	86%	
Breast	75-88%	
Cervical/endometrial/vaginal/ovarian	91-100%	
Prostate	90%	
Kidney/urinary	83-100%	
Neural*	50-100%	
Skin	83-95%	
Hematological tissue	73-100%	

Or: Alternative lengthening of telomeres (ALT) via recombination (10% of cancers)

\*retinoblastoma, meningloma, neuroblastoma,

Shay 1997

