

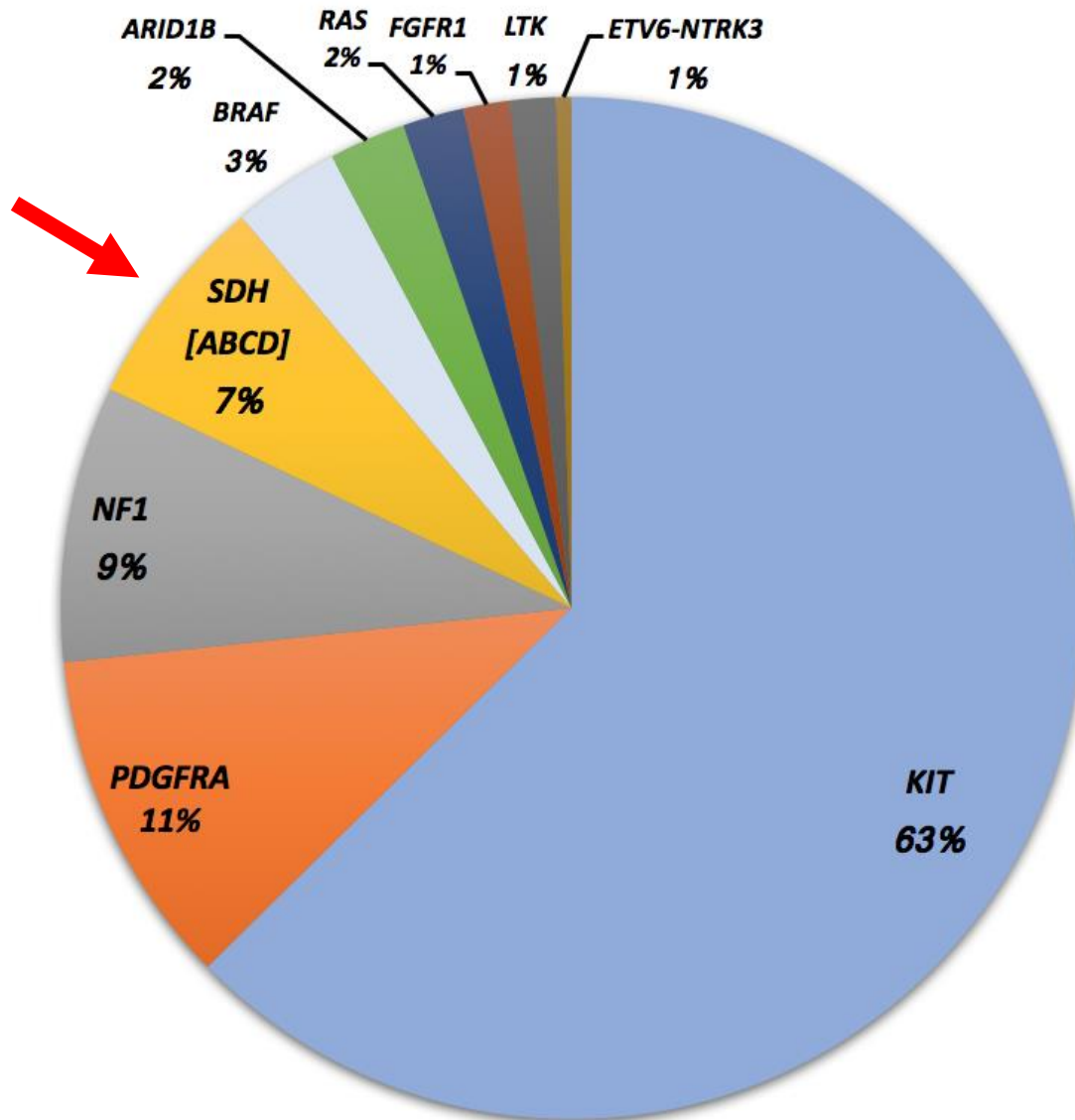


Modeling Human SDH-Deficient GIST

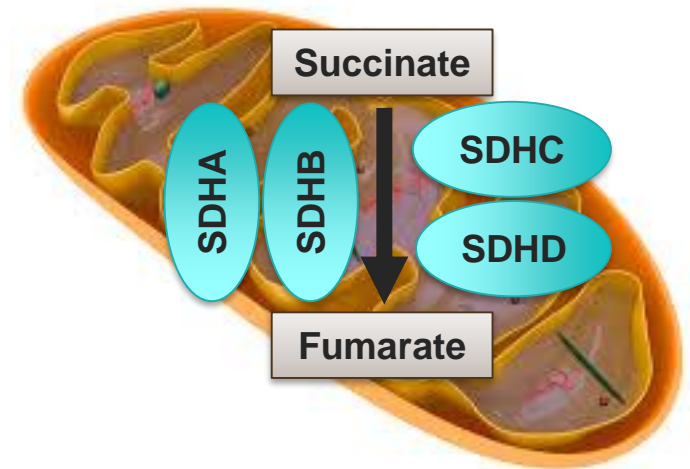
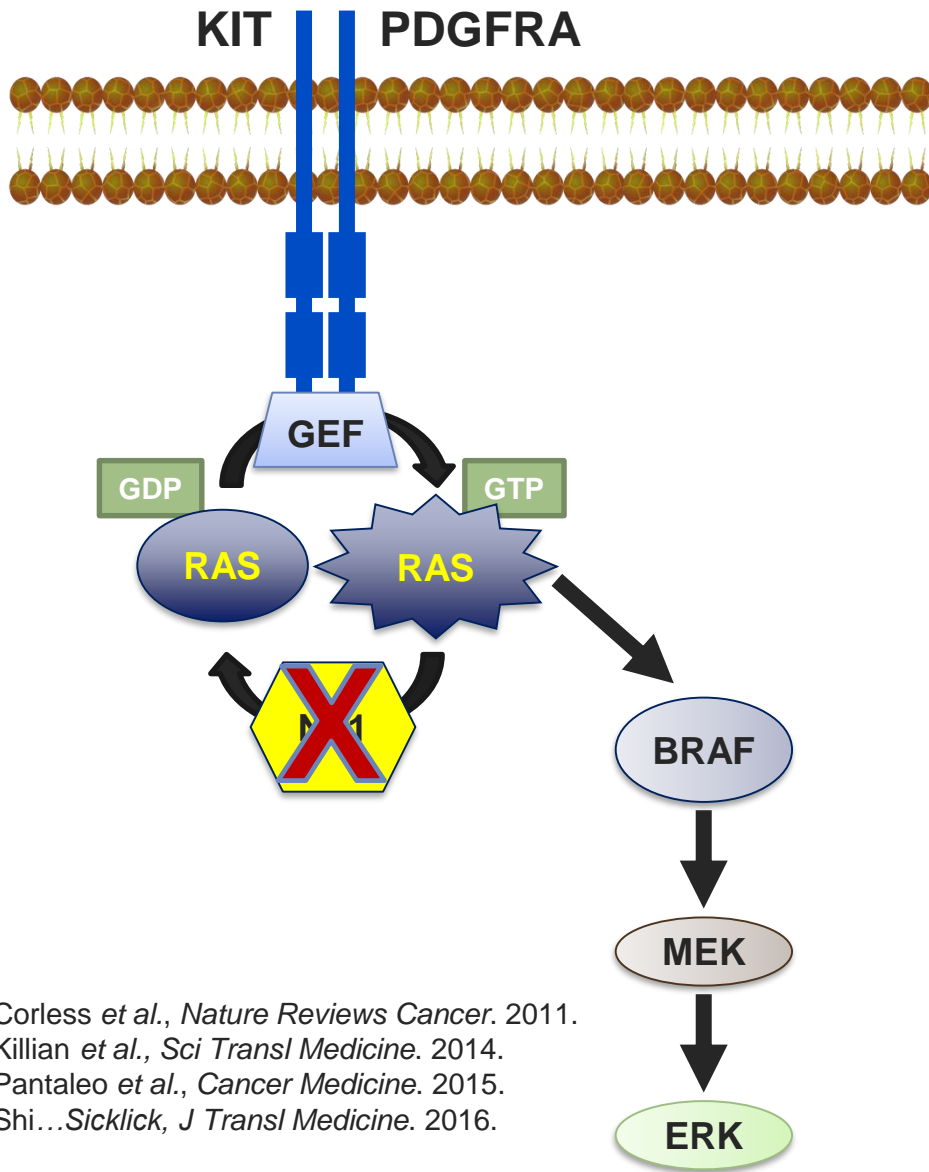
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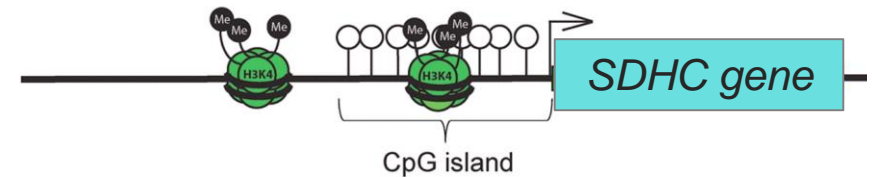
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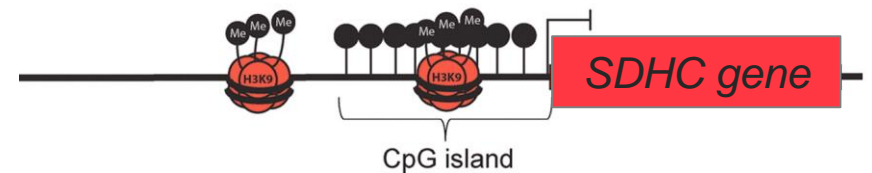
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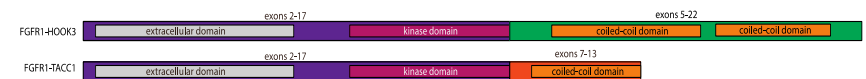
Unmethylated normal cell promoter



Methylated cancer cell promoter



FGFR1-HOOK3 or -TACC1 fusions



ETV6-NTRK3 fusion

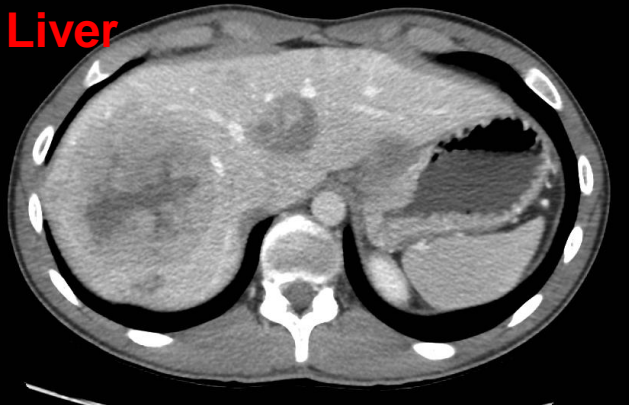


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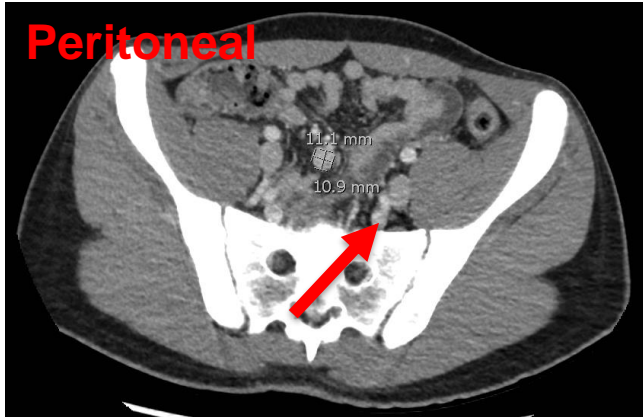
The Problem

1. SDH-deficient GIST and PGL often occur in adolescents and young adults
2. Since these *SDH* mutations are germline, multiple generations of family members are affected
3. Metastasis via blood, peritoneal spread, and lymphatics

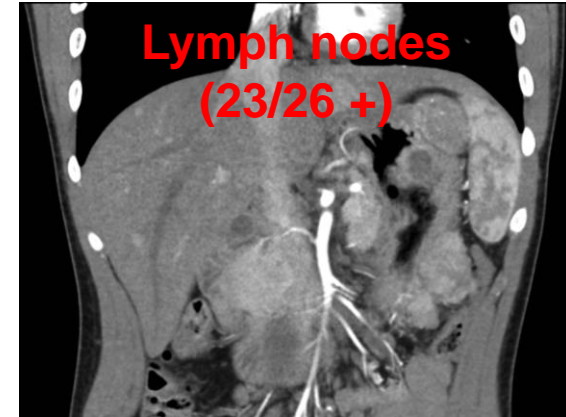
Liver



Peritoneal



Lymph nodes
(23/26 +)



4. Lack of TKI Clinical Efficacy

Author	Journal	Year	Study	Imatinib	Sunitinib	Regorafenib	Nilotinib	Sorafenib
Boikos	<i>JAMA Oncology</i>	2016	Retrospective cohort study	1/49 (2.0%)	4/38 (10.5%)			
Ben Ami	<i>Annals of Oncology</i>	2016	GRID Study			2/6 (33.3%)		
Janeway	<i>Pediatric Blood Cancer</i>	2009	Treatment use protocol		1/7 (14.3%)			
Heinrich	<i>JAMA Oncology</i>	2017	SWOG Intergroup Trial S0033	1/12 (8.3%)				
Call	<i>CTOS 2018</i>	2017	Retrospective patient reported cohort study	6/41 (14.6%)	10/28 (35.7%)	1/9 (11.1%)	1/7 (14.3%)	2/5 (40%)
Janeway	<i>Life Fest Talk</i>	2018	NIH	7/38 (18.4%)				

Completed Clinical Trials

- **Phase II Trial of Vandetanib in Children and Adults With Wild-Type Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumors**

Targets: VEGFR/EGFR/RET

- Vandetanib was not tolerated by adults at the 300 mg daily dose
- 2 of 9 (22.2%) patients had prolonged SD
- No PR or CR were observed (Glod, ASCO 2016)

- **SARC 022, a phase II multicenter study of linsitinib in pediatric and adult wild-type gastrointestinal stromal tumors**

Target: IGF-1R

- Linsitinib was well tolerated in patients with WT GIST
- Clinical benefit rate was 45%
- No PR or CR were observed (von Mehren, ASCO 2014)

Currently Enrolling Clinical Trials

- **Study of the Glutaminase Inhibitor CB-839 in Solid Tumors**

Target: Glutamine Addiction

- Efficacy to be determined

- **Phase II Trial of the DNA Methyl Transferase Inhibitor, Guadecitabine (SGI-110), in Children and Adults With Wild Type GIST, Pheochromocytoma and Paraganglioma Associated With Succinate Dehydrogenase Deficiency and HLRCC-associated Kidney Cancer**

Target: Promoter Hypermethylation

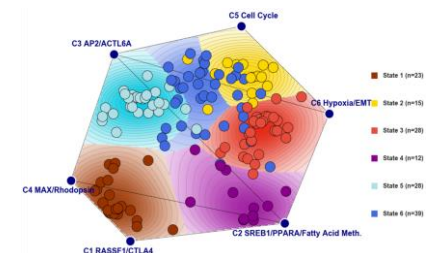
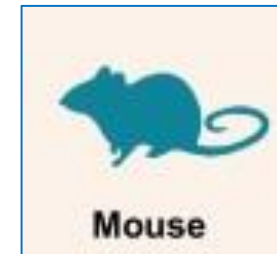
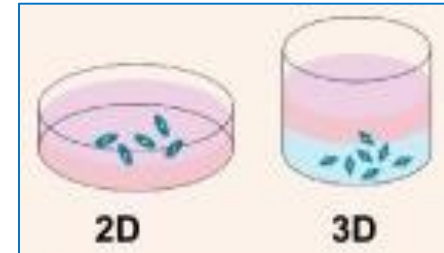
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Central Question

**Can we better predict drug efficacy
in the preclinical setting?**

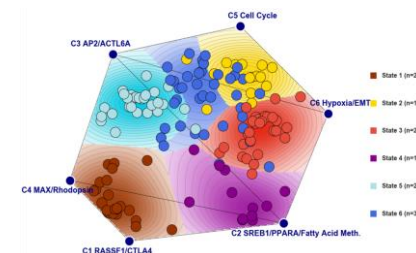
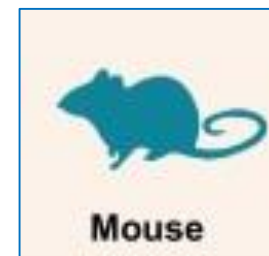
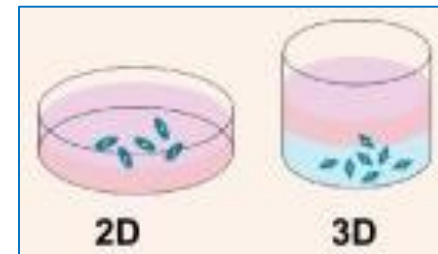
Typical Preclinical Models

- Cell lines
 - Murine
 - Hamster
 - Human
- Animal models
 - Murine
- Human tumor tissue
 - Fresh
 - FFPE
 - Viably frozen
 - Patient-Derived Xenografts (PDX)
- *In Silico* Bioinformatics



What Exists for SDH-deficient Tumors?

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In Vitro Model

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Pyruvate carboxylation enables growth of SDH-deficient cells by supporting aspartate biosynthesis

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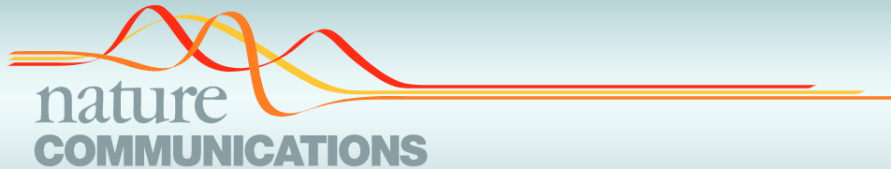
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Abstract

Succinate dehydrogenase (SDH) is a hetero-tetrameric nuclear-encoded complex responsible for the oxidation of succinate to fumarate in the tricarboxylic acid (TCA) cycle. Loss-of-function mutations in any of the SDH genes are associated with cancer formation. However, the impact of SDH loss on cell metabolism and the mechanisms enabling growth of SDH-defective cells are largely unknown. Here, we ***Sdhb-ablated kidney mouse cells*** active

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Loss of succinate dehydrogenase activity results in dependency on pyruvate carboxylation for cellular anabolism

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immortalized Sdhb^{-/-} mouse chromaffin cell (imCC) line

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Mammalian cells with defective mitochondrial functions: a Chinese hamster mutant cell line lacking succinate dehydrogenase activity

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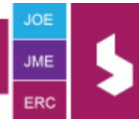
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A mutant ***SDH-deficient Chinese hamster fibroblasts*** energy metabolism. Glucose is continuously required in the medium. As a result of a block in the Krebs cycle, these cells are auxotrophs for carbon dioxide and asparagine. Several experiments support our conclusion that the mutant cells lack appreciable levels of succinate dehydrogenase activity. Other components of the electron transport chain appear to be fully functional, although there is the possibility that electron transport and oxidative phosphorylation are uncoupled.

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RESEARCH

A unique model for SDH-deficient GIST: an endocrine-related cancer

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Abstract

We describe a unique patient derived xenograft (PDX) and cell culture model of Succinate dehydrogenase-deficient gastrointestinal stromal tumor (SDH-deficient GIST), a rare mesenchymal tumor that can occur in association with paragangliomas in hereditary and non-hereditary syndromes This model is potentially important for what it

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**SDHB-mutant, KRAS G12D human GIST line
(For Ian Project)**

In Vivo Models

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Carney Triad, SDH-deficient tumors, and *Sdhb*^{+/-} mice share abnormal mitochondria

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***Sdhb*^{+/-} mice**

Summary of Current Models

Limited *in vitro* & *in vivo* models of SDH-deficient GIST

mouse

chromaffin

human

hamster

kidney

GIST

SDHB+

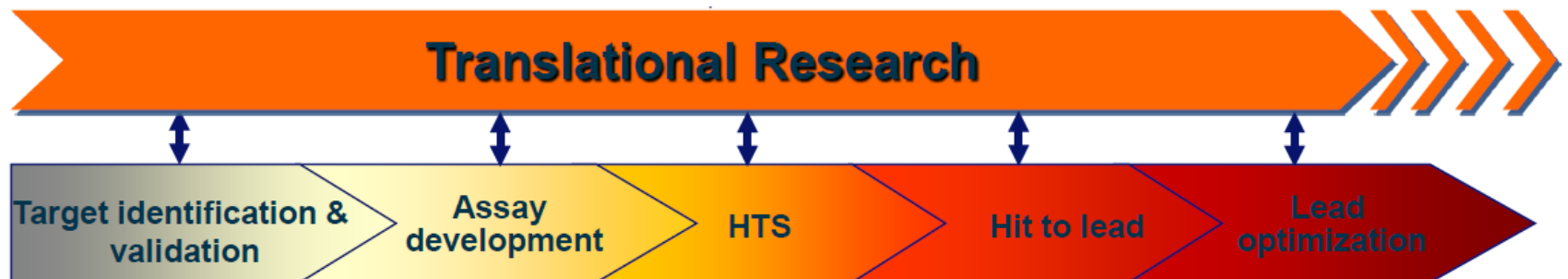
SDHB

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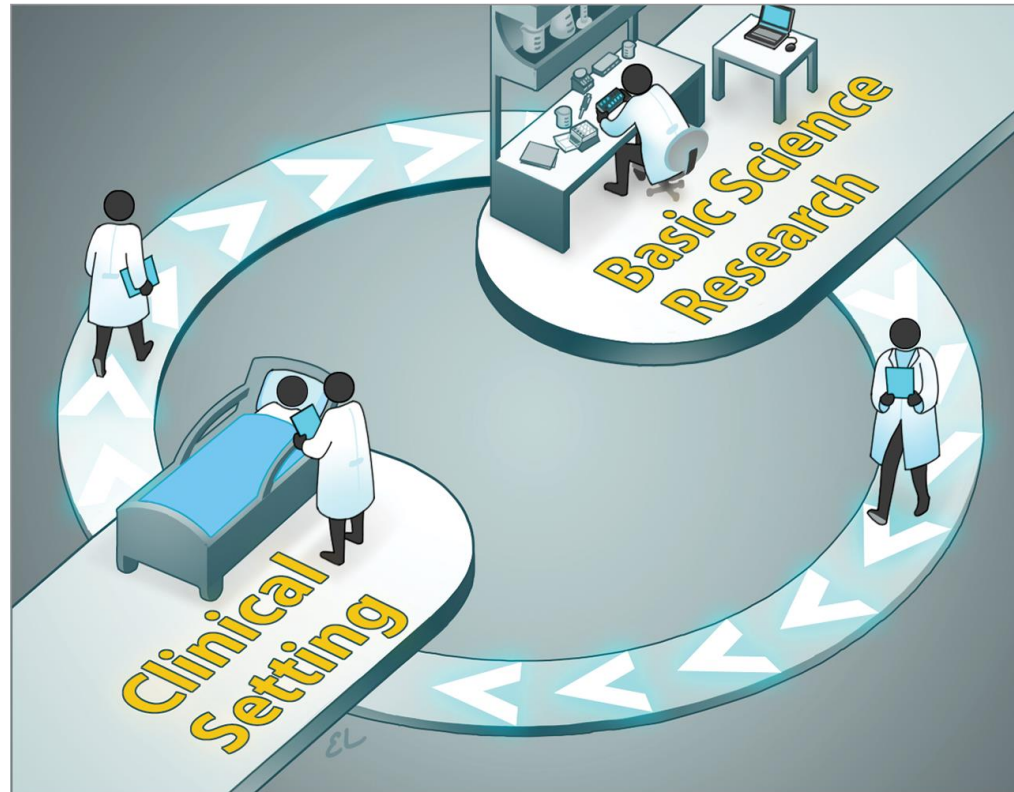
fibroblast

Central Question

Can we develop better SDH-deficient models to predict drug efficacy in the preclinical setting?



Full Circle



Clinical Trial

Phase II Study of Temozolomide (TMZ) In Advanced Succinate Dehydrogenase (SDH)-Mutant/Deficient Gastrointestinal Stromal Tumor

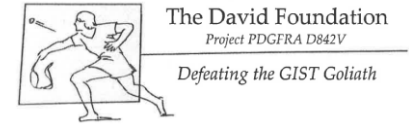
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- Open to accrual - August 2018
- Enrolled 1st patient - September 2018
- FDA/NIH R01 funding is pending

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