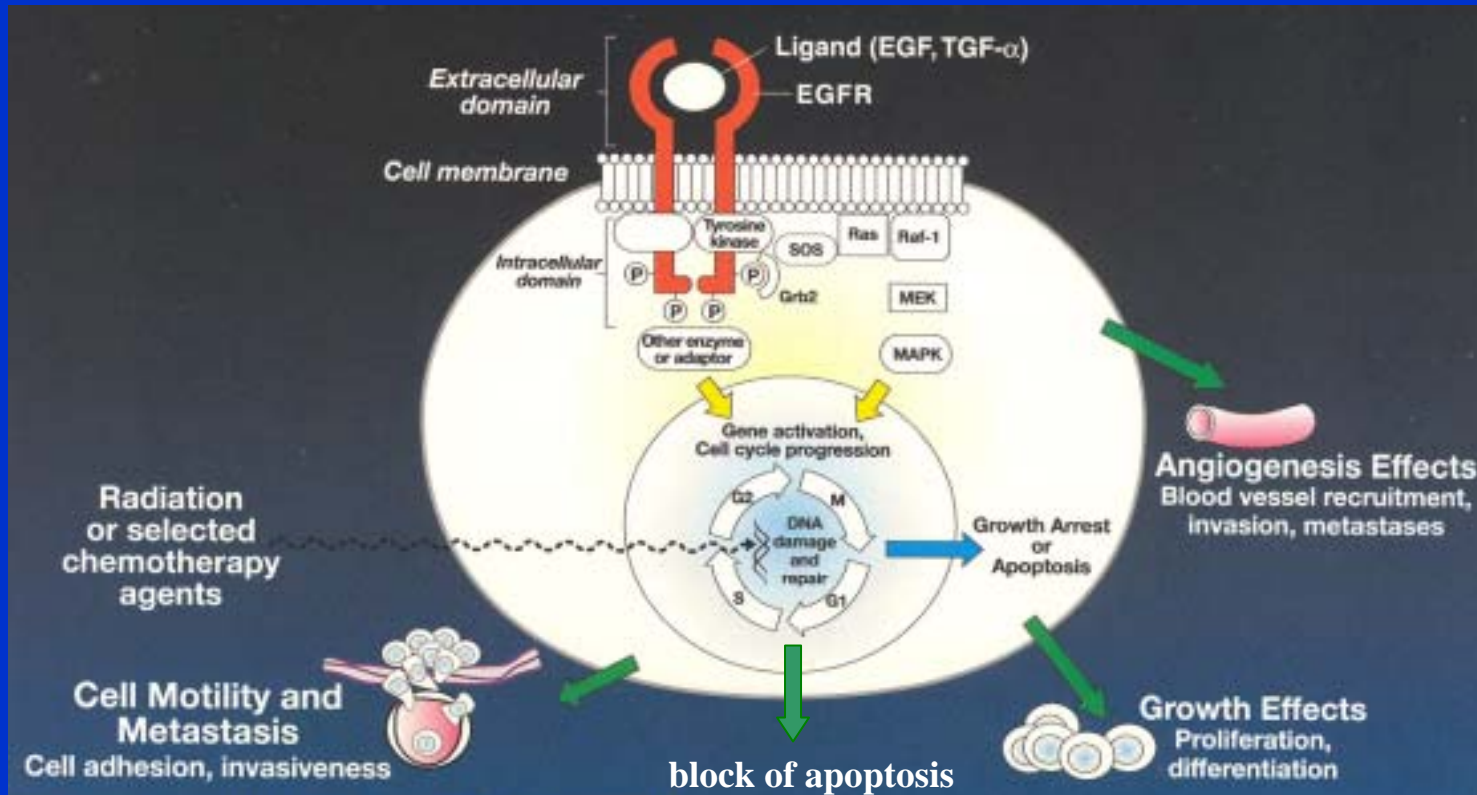


# **Activating mutations in Receptors tyrosine kinase (RTK)**

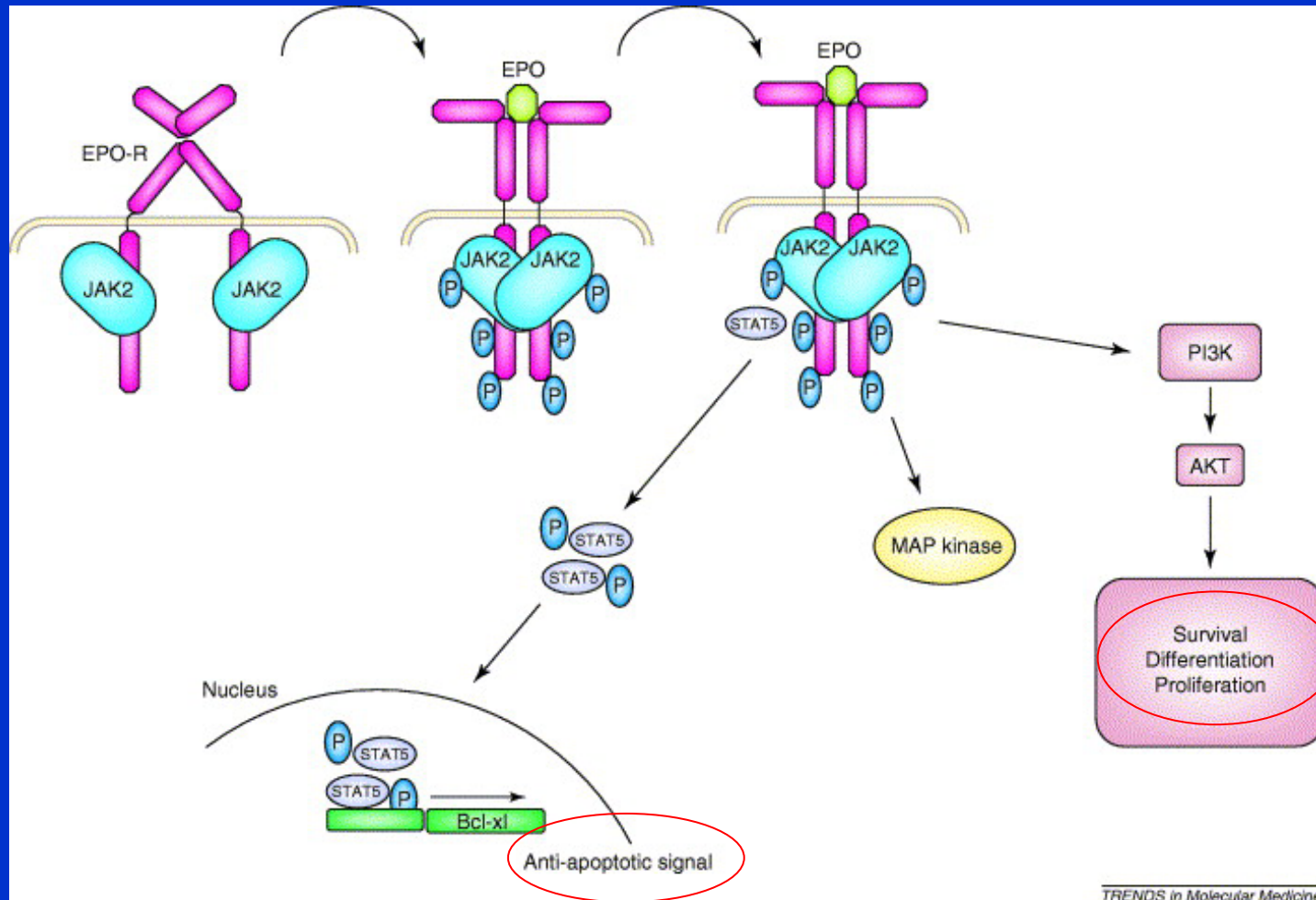
**examples of JAK2 in MPD and EGFR in Lung  
Cancers**

# Receptors tyrosine kinases how does it work?



RTK serve as mediators of cell signalling by extra-cellular growth factors

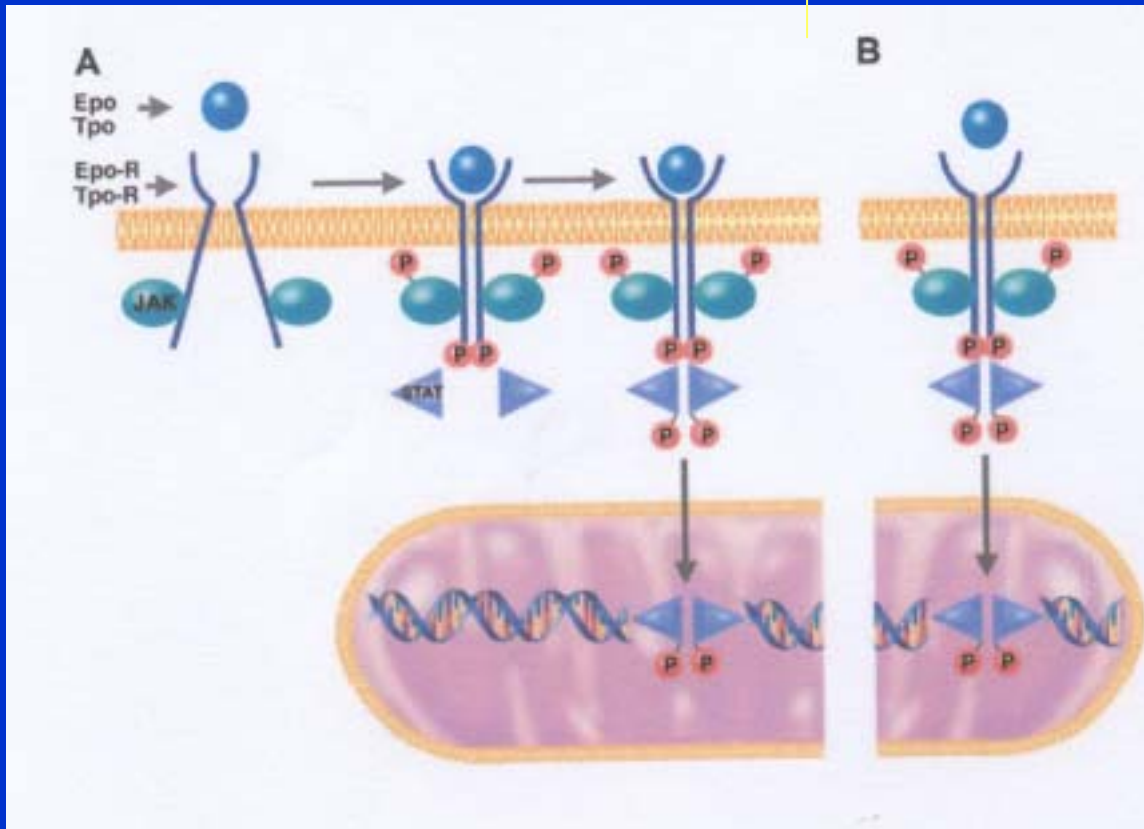
# signalling pathway activation in normal cell: example of JAK2



# Signalling pathway

A. normal condition

B. tumoral condition



***JAK2V617F* mutation as a diagnostic tool in MPD**

**primary disease *vs* secondary lineage hyperplasia**

***EGFR* mutation as molecular target for rationale  
and specific treatments**

**high sensitivity to EGFR TKIs treatment  
(Gefitinib ou Erlotinib)**



# Myeloproliferative disorders

## molecular signatures

CML

*BCR/ABL*

PV, ET, Myelofibrosis

*JAK2V617F*

Syst mastocytosis

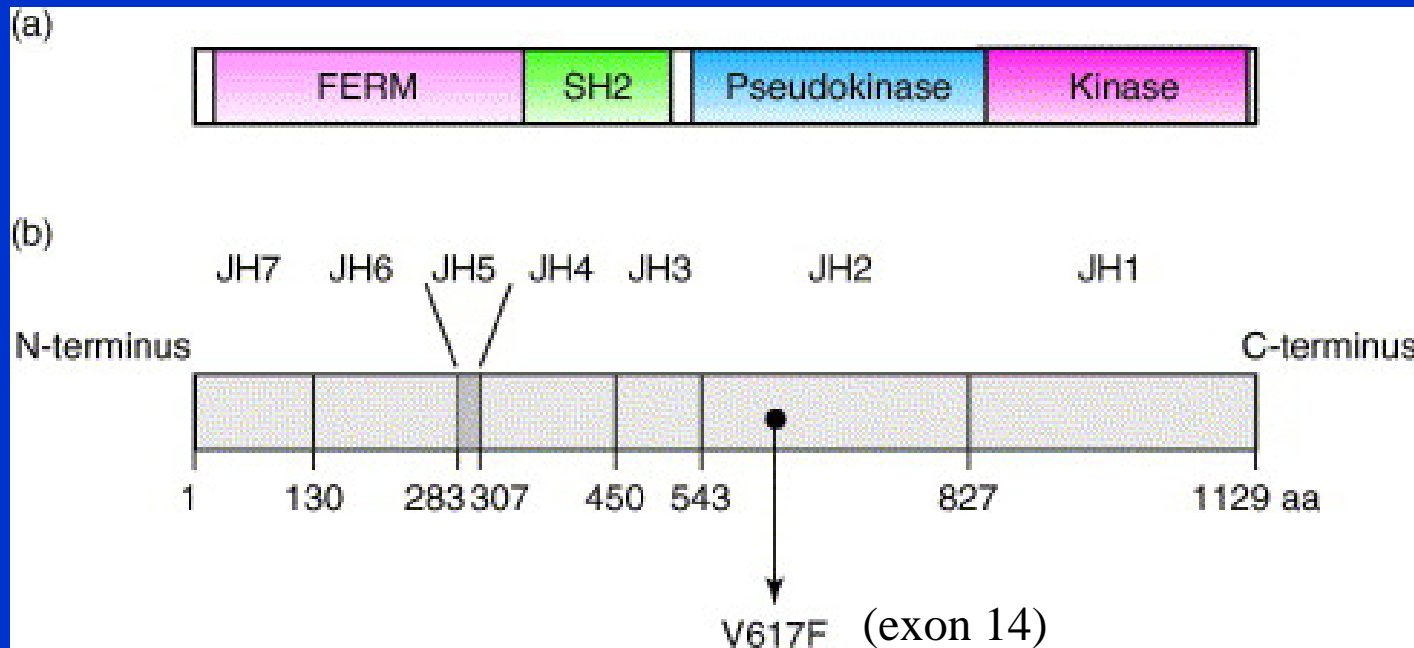
*c-kit*

CEL

*FIP1L1-PDGFR*

# Jak2 gene « Just another kinase » ou « Janus kinase » !

- JAK2 tyrosine kinase receptor: key role in the signalling pathway leading to cell growth. Activity mediated by growth factors (ligands) such as TPO or EPO
- **point mutation** in the auto-regulatory (pseudo-kinase) domain  $\Rightarrow$  **constitutive activation of JAK2 receptor**





Disease	Frequency	%	Refs
Polycythemia vera	71/73	97	[11]
	40/45	89	[8]
	25/29	86	[60]
	58/72	81	[59]
	83/128	65	[9]
	121/164	74	[10]
	20/24	83	[12]
Essential thrombocythemia	29/51	23	[11]
	9/21	43	[8]
	3/10	30	[60]
	24/59	41	[59]
	21/93	23	[9]
	37/115	32	[10]
Idiopathic myelofibrosis	8/16	50	[11]
	3/7	50	[8]
	18/19	95	[60]
	15/35	43	[59]
	13/23	57	[9]
	16/46	35	[10]
Unclassified chronic myeloproliferative disorders	3/16	19	[60]
	30/152	20	[59]
Chronic myelomonocytic leukemia	7/52	13	[60]
	3/119	2	[58]
Myelodysplastic syndromes	1/68	1	[60]
	2/48	4	[56]
	5/101	5	[58]
Systemic mastocytosis	0/28	0	[59]
	2/8	20	[58]
Chronic neutrophilic leukemia	1/6	17	[58]
Hypereosinophilic syndromes	2/134	1	[59]
Chronic myeloid leukemia	0/99	0	[60]
	0/18	0	[59]
Acute myeloid leukemia (except megakaryocytic leukemia)	0/28	0	[60]
	0/17	0	[59]
Megakaryocytic leukemia (acute myeloid leukemia M7)	2/11	18	[60]
Acute myeloid leukemia and a history of chronic myeloproliferative disorders	12/22	55	[60]
B-lineage acute lymphoblastic leukemia	0/83	0	[56]
T-cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia	0/93	0	[56]
Chronic lymphocytic leukemia	0/45	0	[56]

## **JAK2V617F mutation in MPD**

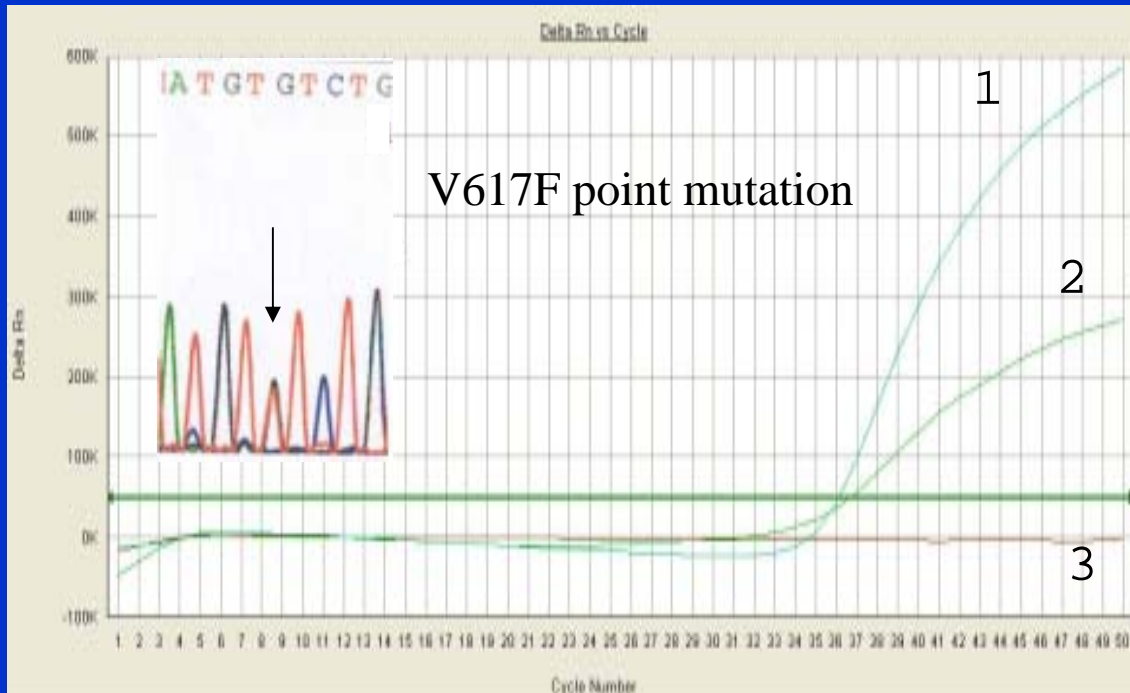
**97% of PV**  
(I<sup>ary</sup> vs II<sup>ary</sup> polyglobuly)

**± 40% of ET**  
(I<sup>ary</sup> vs II<sup>ary</sup> thrombocytosis)

**± 50% IM**

**NB: positive in some MDS  
always negative in CML**

# *JAK2*V617F Mutation Illustration



# *JAK2V617F* mutation and prognosis

- **PV**

no difference in terms of prognosis between *JAK2V617F* mutation negative and positive cases

- **ET**

higher risk of thrombosis in *JAK2V617F* mutation positive cases (Cheung et al, BJH,2006)

less good responders to anagrelid among *JAK2V617F* mutation positive cases (Campbell et al,The Lancet, 2005)

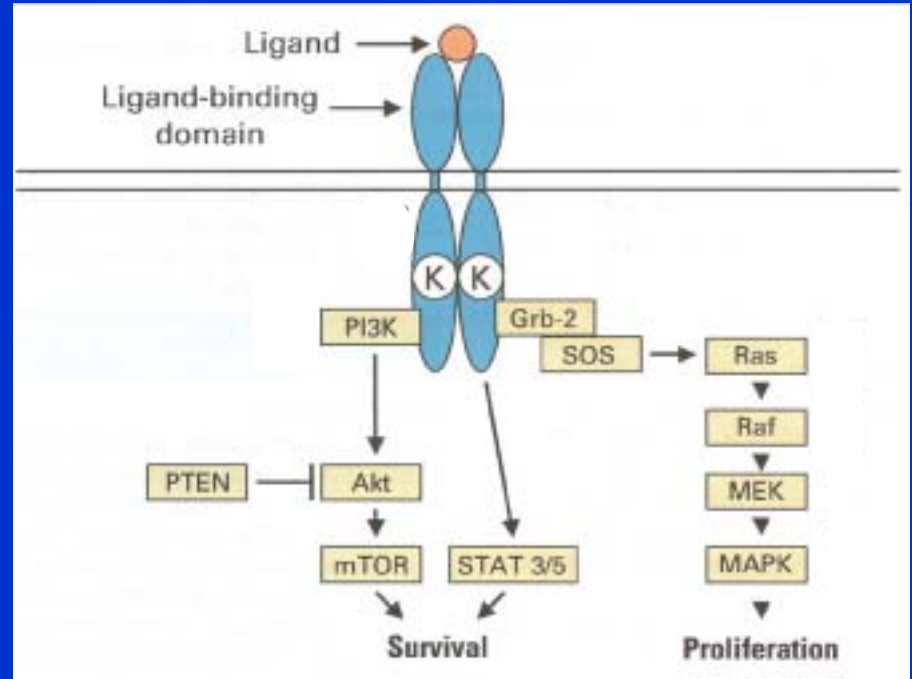
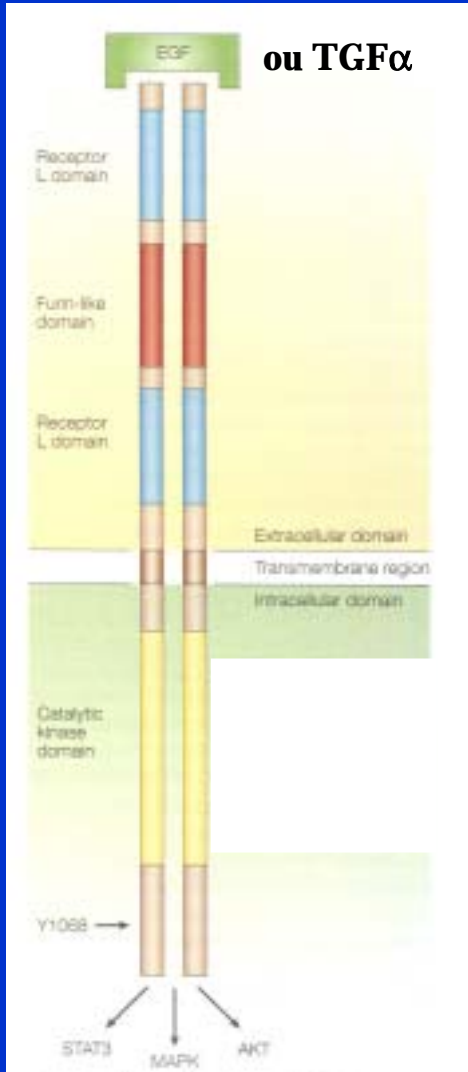
- **IM**

lower overall survival among *JAK2V617F* mutation positive cases (Campbell et al,Blood, 2005)

# EGFR mutation in NSCLC

NSCLC = « non small cell lung carcinoma »

# EGFR



# NSCLC

- **USA: 170.000 new cases/year**
- **often advanced disease – short median survival**
- **high mortality**
- **treatment: conventional chemotherapy**

# EGFR

**Involved in great number of epithelial cancers  
overexpressed in about 50 % of « NSCLC » cases  
correlated with poor prognosis**



**EGFR: prime candidate for targeted therapeutics**



**EGFR TKIs treatment (Gefinitib ou Erlonitib)**

**Clinical trials with EGFR TKIs treatment  
(Gefinitib ou Erlonitib)**

**Advanced NSCLC and refractory to conventional  
chemotherapy**

**+**

**EGFR TKIs**



**tumoral regression in 10 % of patients**



# Good responders to EGFR TKIs

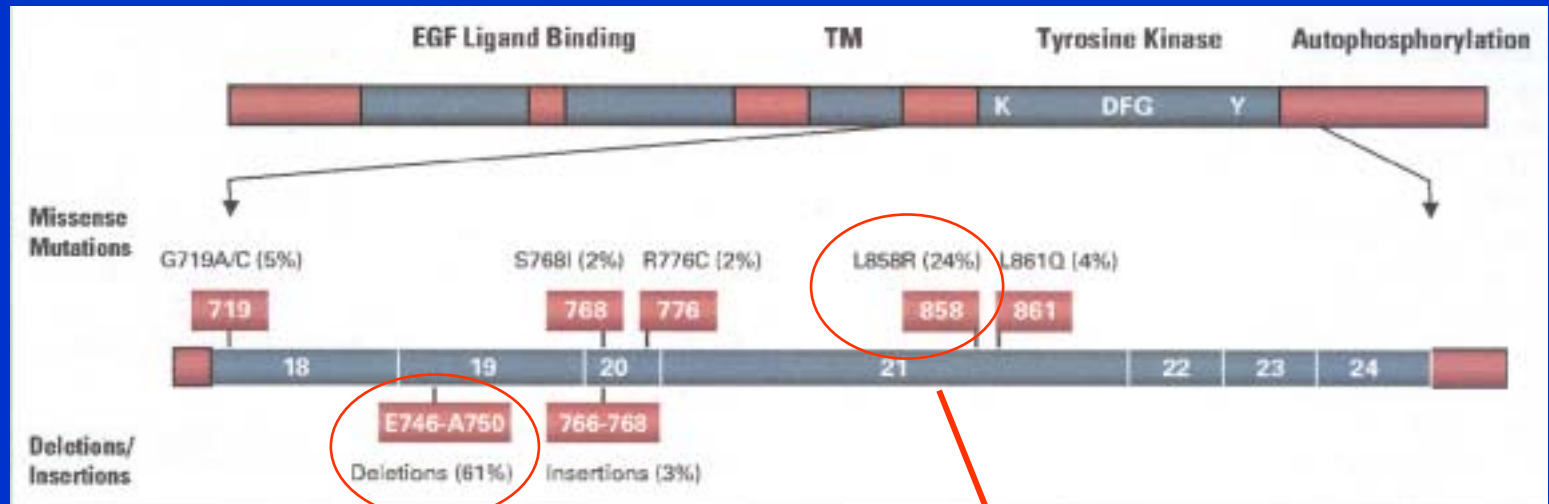
## Specific subset of patients

- **women**
- **non-smokers**
- **adénocarcinoma (mainly with BAC)**
- **East Asians**

# Good responders to EGFR TKIs subjacent molecular events?

mutations within the EGFR TK domain in **82%** of good responders and **0%** of non-responders

exons 18 to 21



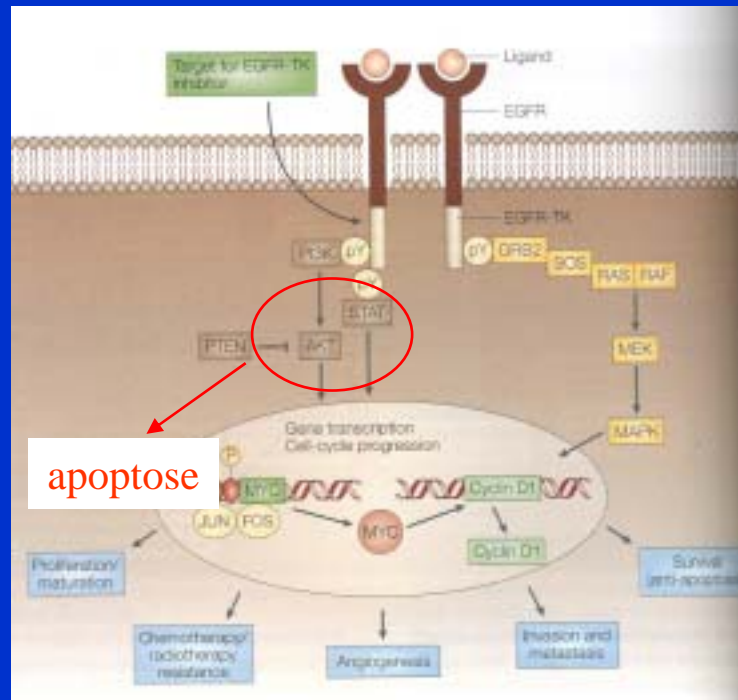
90 % of patients

# Why such a sensitivity to EGFR TKIs?

« oncogene addiction »

- wild type cell lines  $\xrightarrow{\text{Gefinitib}}$  cell cycle arrest (G1/S)
- EGFR+ cell lines  $\xrightarrow{\text{Gefinitib}}$  apoptosis

« oncogenic shock »

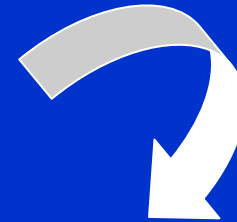
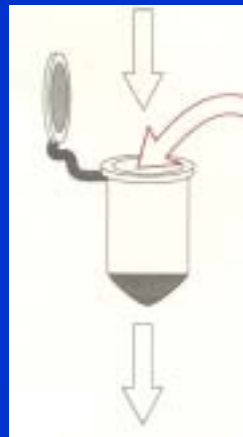
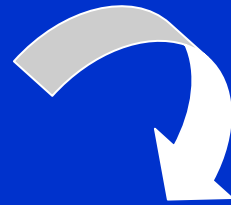


# 18% of good responders harbour no mutation??

- false negative cases ?
- other molecular determinants ?  
**HER2/neu ?**
- other mechanisms of responses?

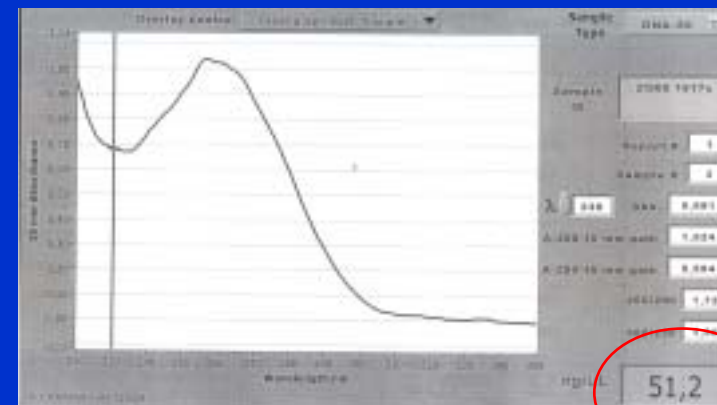
« macrodissection »

# Methodology



DNA extraction

[ADN]  
very low amount



# Methodology

## 1. PCR amplification (4 exons)

Exons 19 and 21

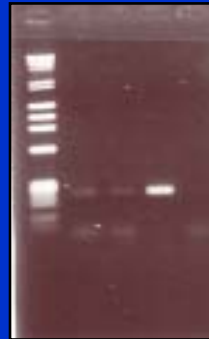
Exons 18 and 20



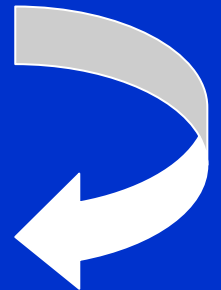
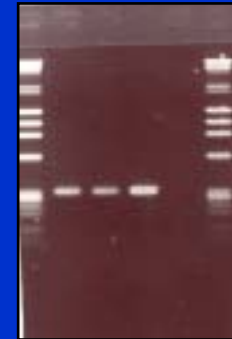
## 2. agarose gel:

### PCR products

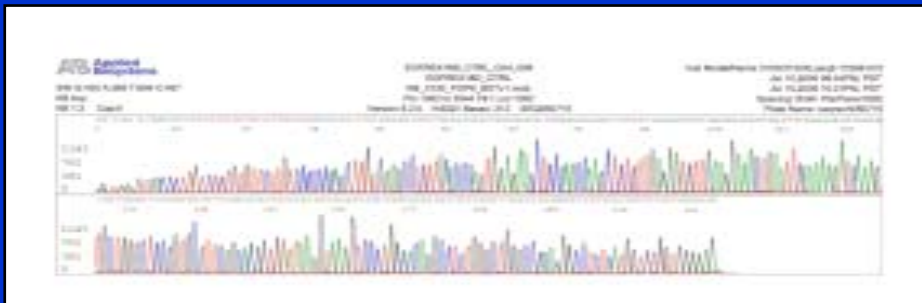
Bad sample



good sample



## 3. sequencing

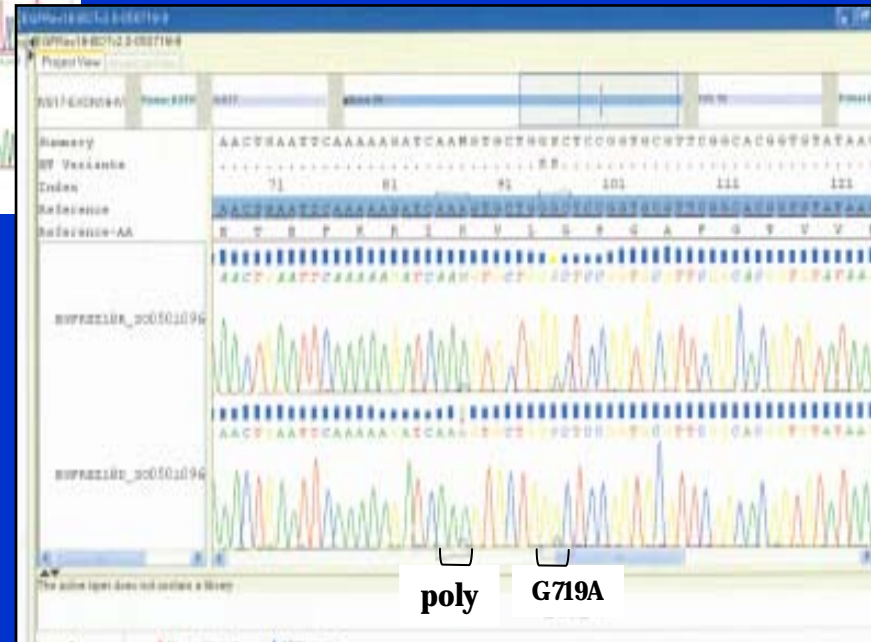


# Exon 18 sequence

# Patient J. D.



alignment program

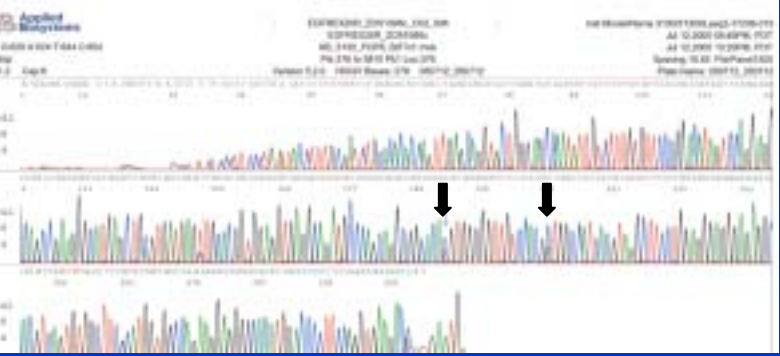


mutation **G719A**  
in exon 18

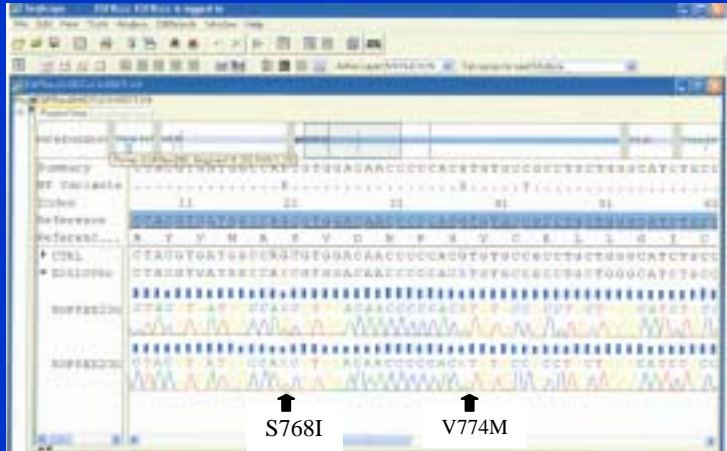


exon 20 sequence

Patient L. R.

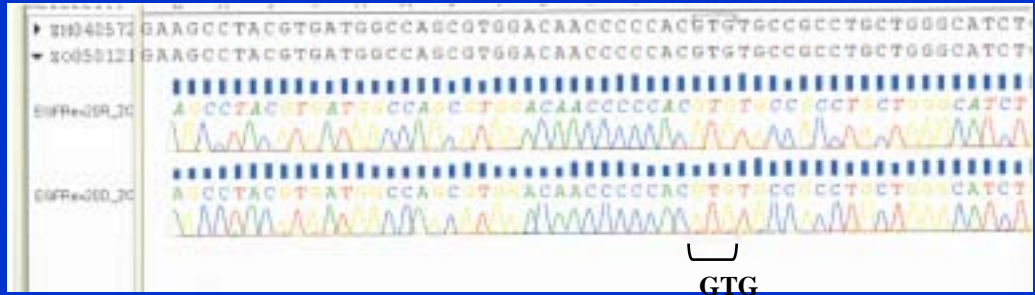


alignement program



two mutations S768I et V774M in exon 20?

mutation S768I + mutation? Polymorphism? V774M







## **Acquired resistance in initially good responders**

- mutation **T790M** in the catalytic domain of the kinase  
*cf mutation Bcr-Abl,c-kit...*

- weakens the interaction of the inhibitor with its target

but ... resistance can be now overcome *in vitro*

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