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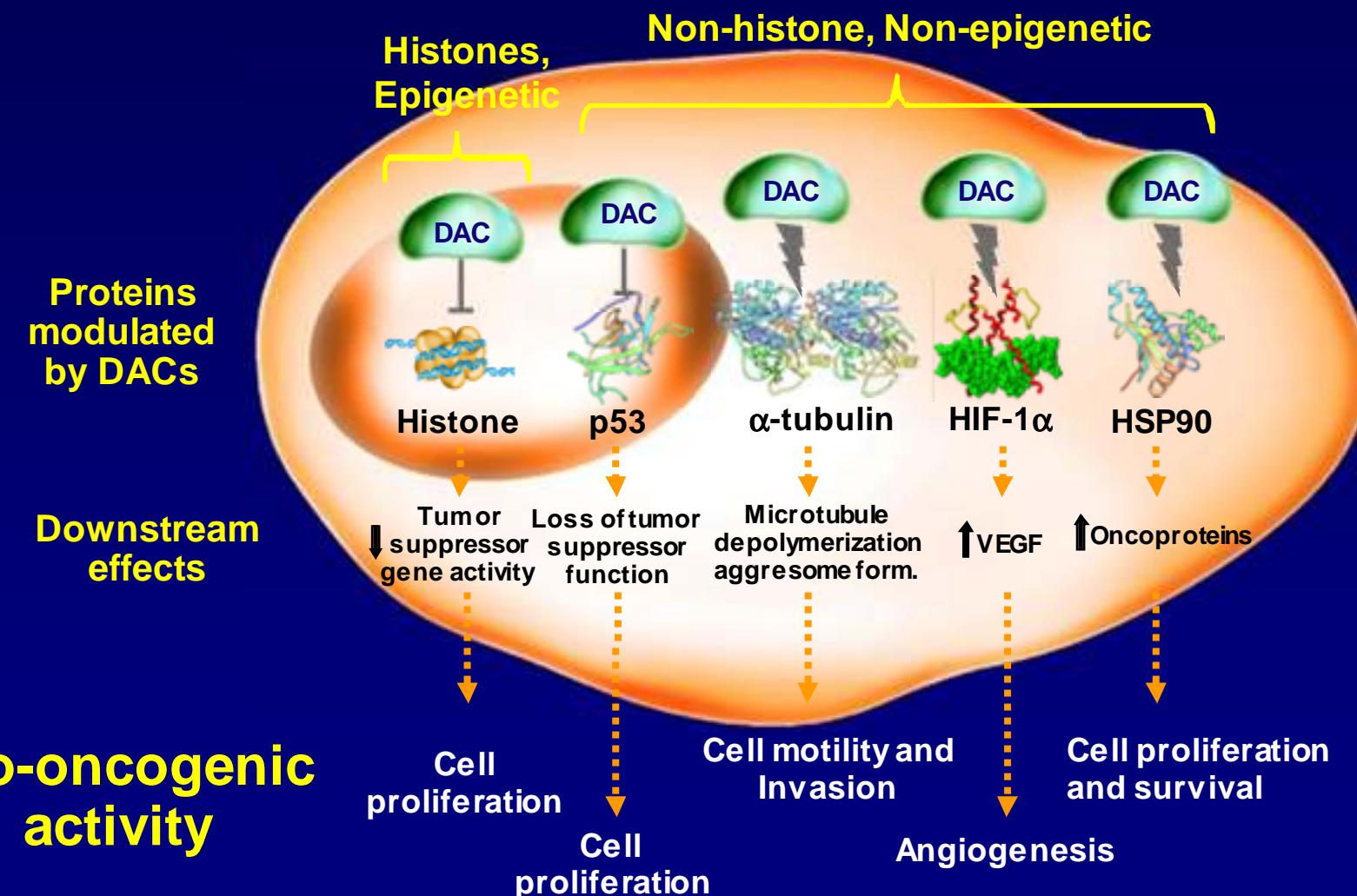
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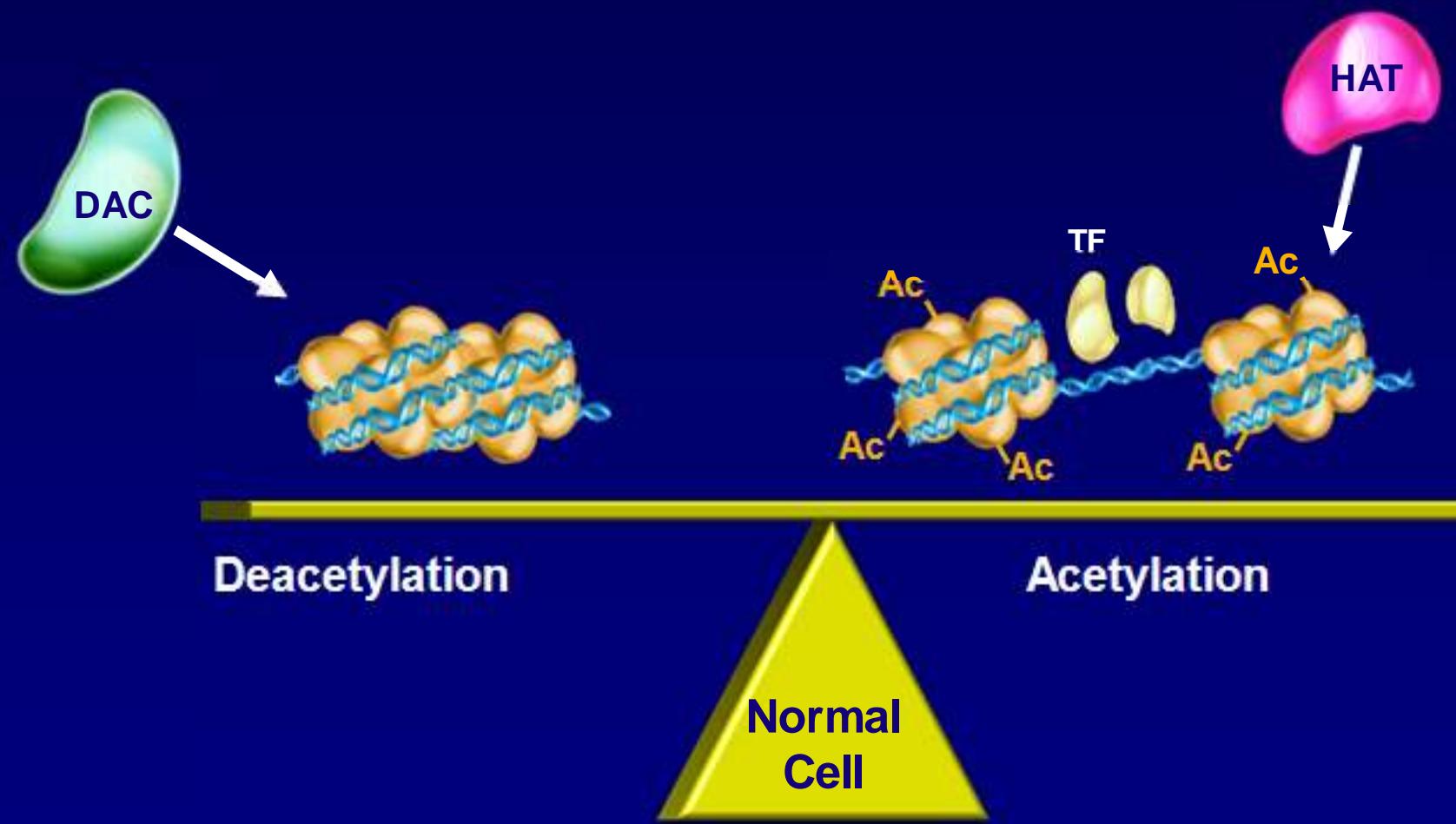
What are Deacetylases?

DACs are enzymes that **remove acetyl** groups from their client proteins and modulate their activity



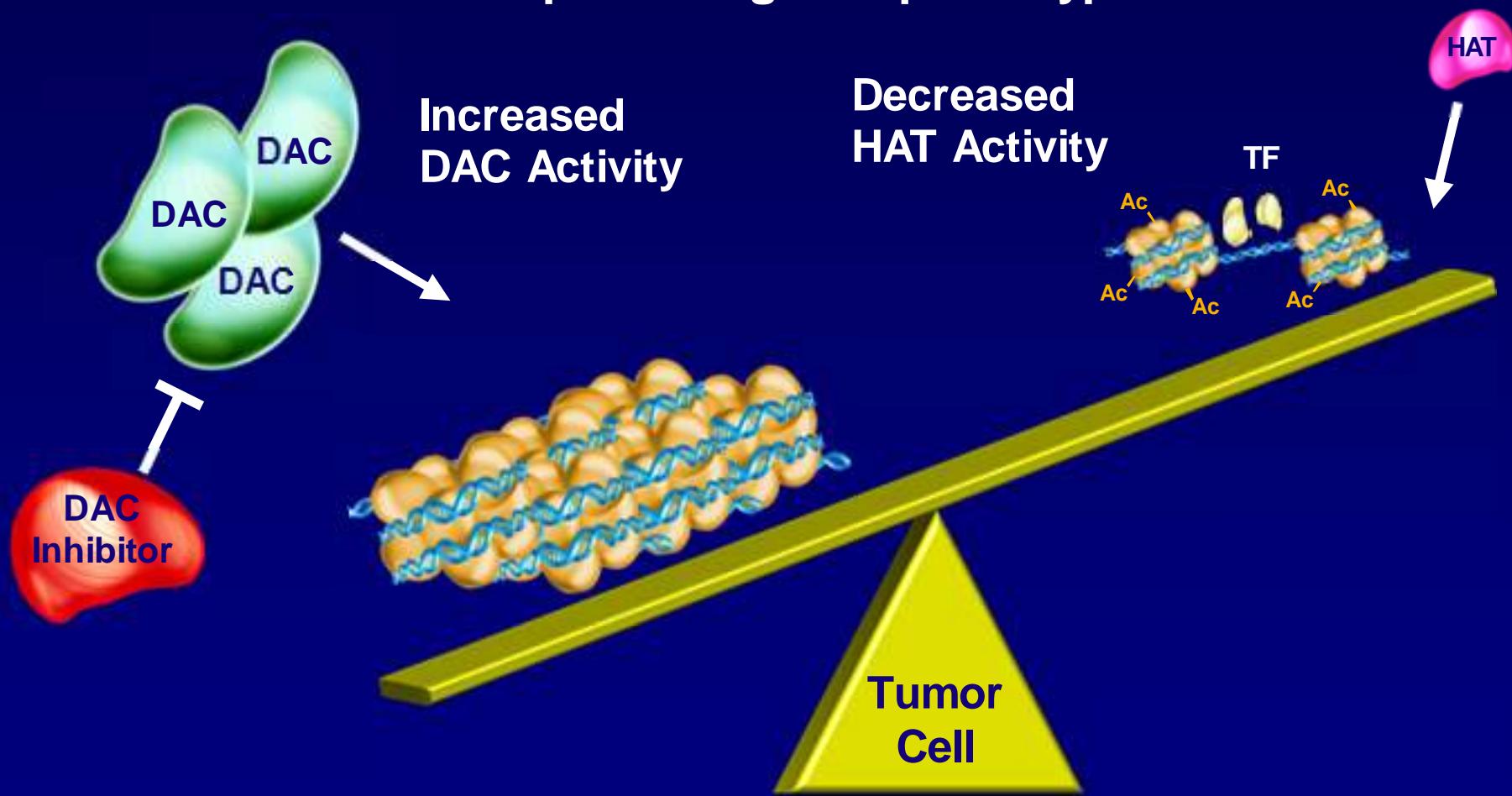
Increased DAC activity in tumor cells

There is a balance between acetyl transferase and deacetylase activity in normal cells



Increased DAC activity in tumor cells

In tumor cells there is an **increase in deacetylase** activity that results in a pro-oncogenic phenotype

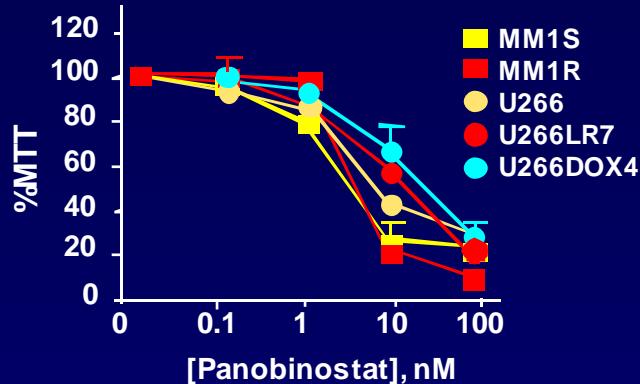


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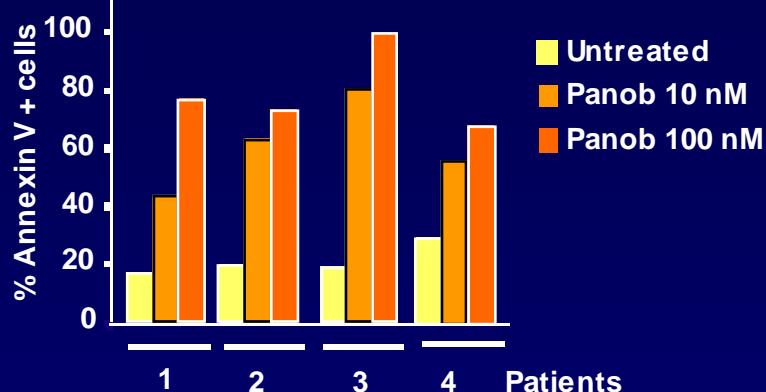
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Preclinical anti-MM activity of Panobinostat

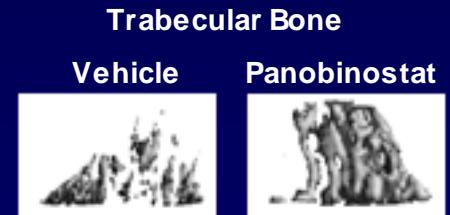
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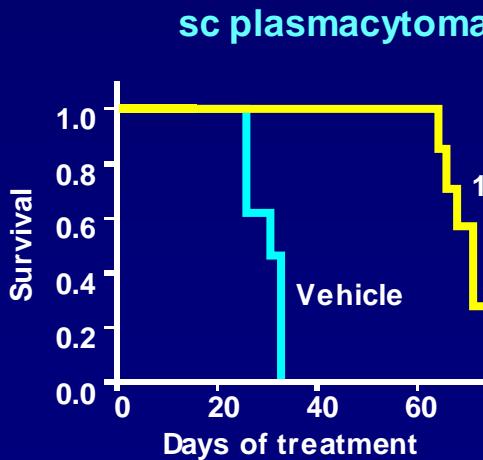
Patients' cells



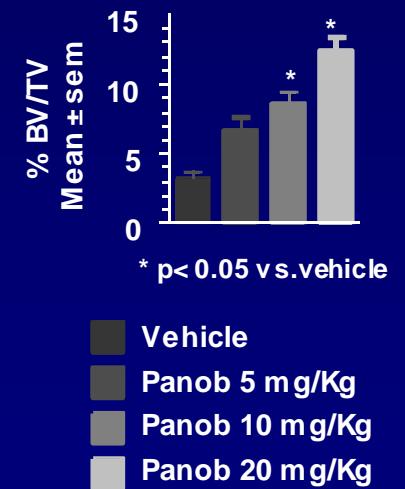
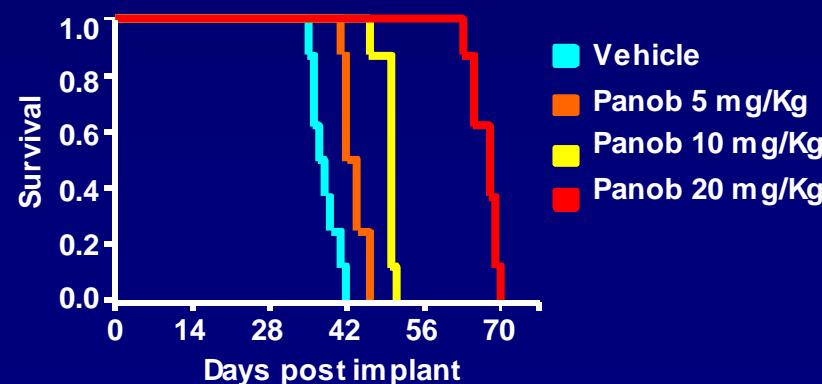
Bone Density



Survival *in vivo*



Disseminated MM



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Activity of HDACi in monotherapy in MM

	n	ORR	Responses
Vorinostat ¹ (SAHA)	10	0%	1 MR, 9 SD
Panobinostat ² (LBH589)	38	3%	1PR, 1 MR, 1 SD
Givinostat ³ (ITF2357)	19	0%	5 SD
Romidepsin ⁴ (FK228)	12	0%	4 SD

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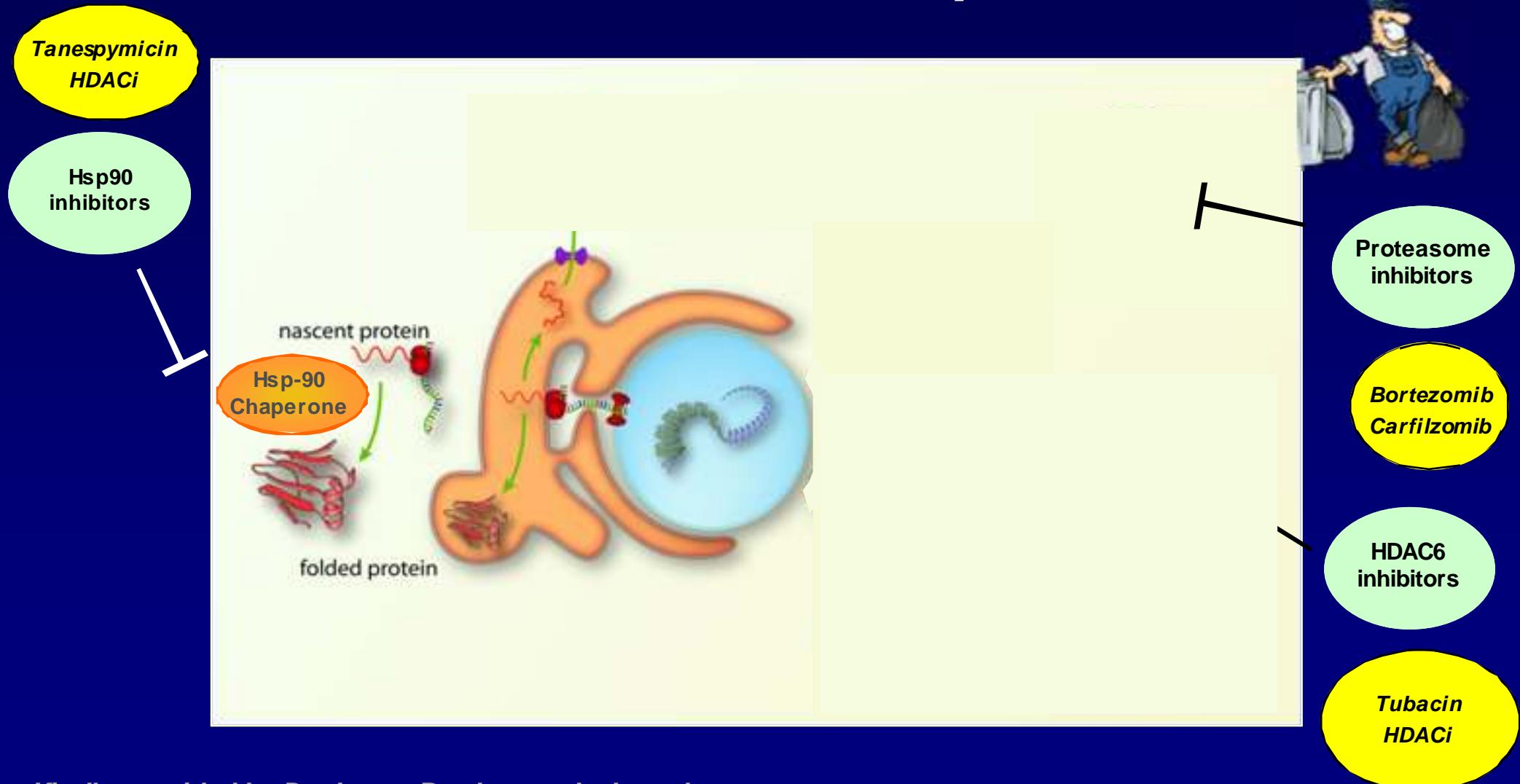
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Rationale for combining DACi + Bortezomib

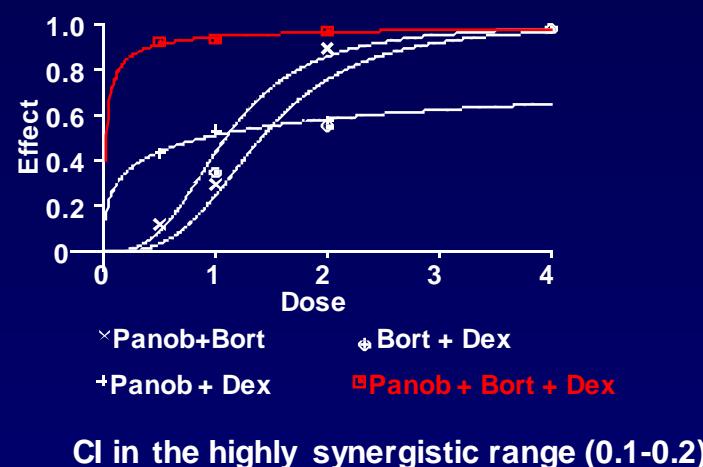
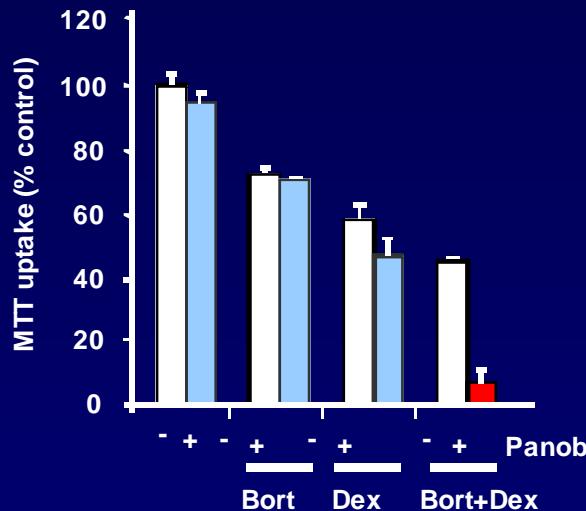
Unfolded Protein Response



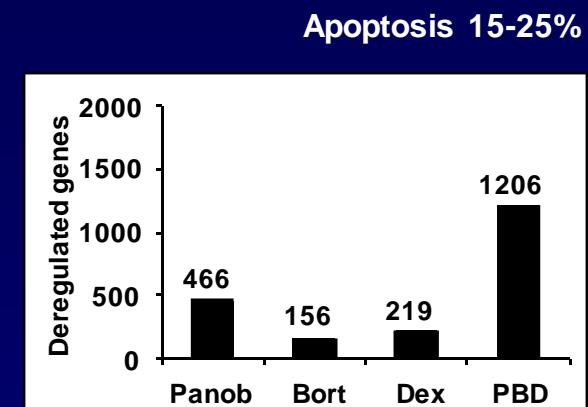
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Preclinical activity of HDACi + Bort + Dex in MM

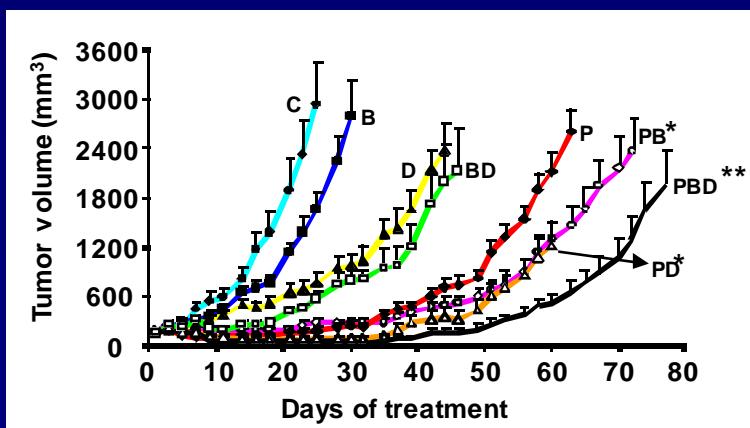
Activity in vitro



Changes in GEP

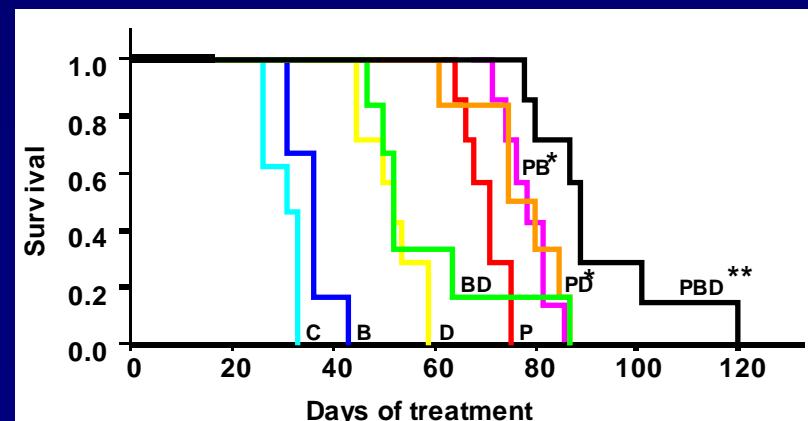


Activity in vivo



* p<0.05 related to singles

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Efficacy of HDACi + Bortezomib +/- Dex

	Vorinostat ¹	Vorinostat ²	Panobinostat ³	Romidepsin ⁴
Dose	Vor 400 mg po 4-11 Bort 1.3 mg/m ² 1,4,8,11 Dex* 20 mg po 4-8	Vor 400 mg po 1-14 Bort 0.7-1.3 mg/m ² 1,4,8,11 Dex* 20 mg po 1-4, 9-12	Pan 20 mg po L,X,V x 2w/3w Bort 1.3 mg/m ² 1,4,8,11 Dex* 20 mg 1-2, 4-5, 8-9, 11-12	Rom 10 mg/m ² iv 1, 8, 15 Bort 1.3 mg/m ² 1,4,8,11 Dex 20 mg 1-2, 4-5, 8-9, 11-12
n	23	34	62	25
≥PR	43%	47%	55%	60%
≥MR	NR	NR	65%	72%
% prior Btz	83%	38%	63%	24%
% Btz Refr.	39%	NR	31%	NR

* Dex added in cycle 2 if suboptimal response

** 100% prior Thal & 74% prior Len

Bortezomib (APEX)⁵ ≥ PR 43% Bortezomib + Dex^{6,7} ≥ PR 51%*-59%

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Efficacy of HDACi + Bortezomib +/- Dex in Bortezomib-refractory pts

- Vorinostat^{1,2}
 - n=8 → 37% PR, 50% SD
 - n=7 → 29% PR, 29% MR
- Panobinostat³
 - n=19 → 37% PR, 26% MR
 - 14 patients previously progressing under Btz → 57% ≥MR

Efficacy of HDACi + Bortezomib +/- Dex

Two ongoing **randomized** trials will answer this question



A Phase 3, International, Multicenter, Randomized, Double-Blind Study of the HDAC Inhibitor **Vorinostat** or Placebo in Combination With **Bortezomib** in Patients With MM

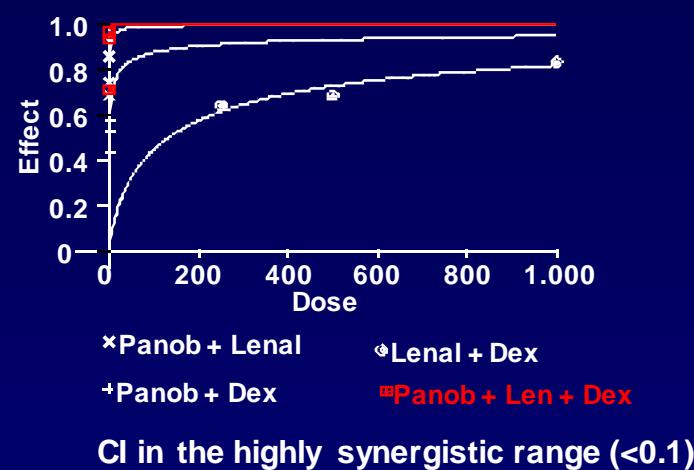
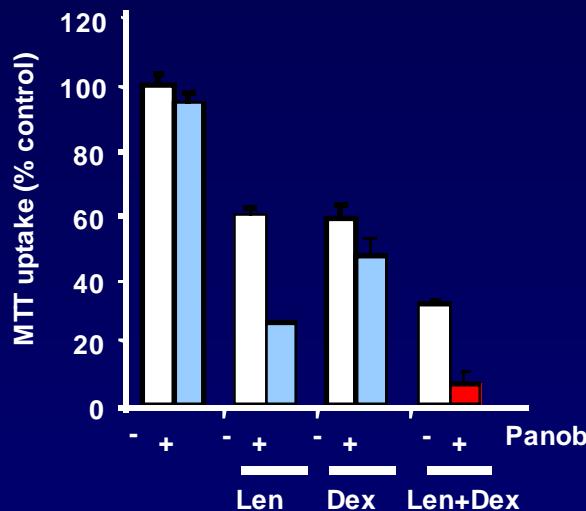
Global randomized Phase III trial evaluating oral **Panobinostat** in combination with **Bortezomib** and **Dexamethasone** in relapsed or refractory MM

Safety of HDACi + Bortezomib +/- Dex

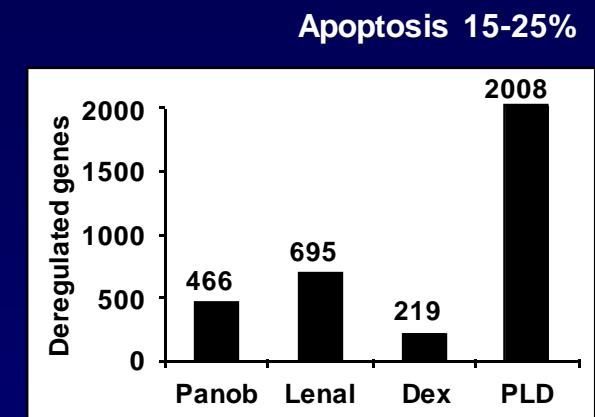
	Vorinostat ¹		Panobinostat ²		Romidepsin ³	
	All (%)	G3/4 (%)	All (%)	G3/4 (%)	All (%)	G3/4 (%)
Haematological						
Thrombocytopenia	74	57	87	79	-	64
Neutropenia	30	13	71	55	-	36
Anemia	70	22	52	18	-	36
Non Haematological						
Diarrhea	48	9	73	14	-	4
Nausea	52	0	61	3	-	-
Fatigue	48	22	52	10	-	20
Pyrexia	17	0	47	6	-	-
Asthenia	-	-	44	26	-	-
Anorexia	-	-	42	2	-	-
P. Neuropathy	61	4	37	3	-	8

Preclinical activity of HDACi + Len + Dex in MM

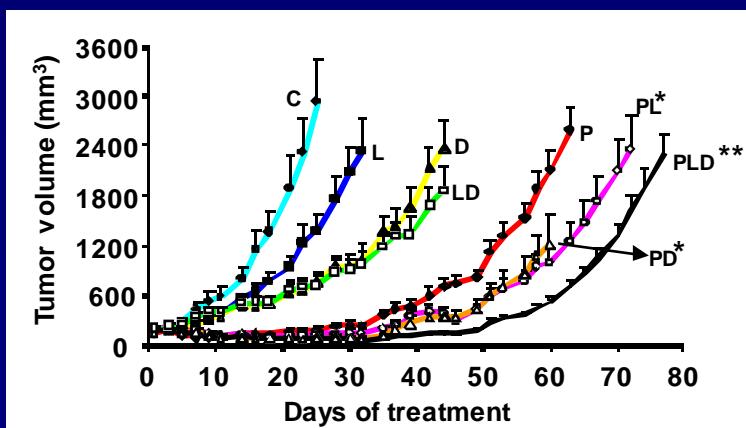
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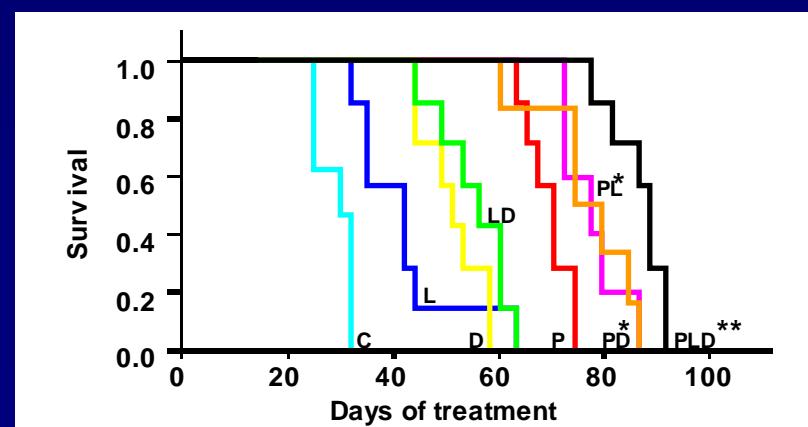


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Efficacy of HDACi + Lenalidomide + Dex

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Dose	Vor 400 mg po 1-7, 15-21 Lenalidomide 25 mg po 1-21 Dex 40 mg po 1, 8, 15, 22	Panob 20 mg L, X, V Lenalidomide 25 mg po 1-21 Dex 40 mg po 1-4, 9-12, 17-20*	Vor 300-400 mg po 1-7, 15-21 Lenalidomide 10-25 mg po 1-21 Dex 20-40 mg po 1, 8, 15, 22
n	31	46	25
≥PR	53%	59%	28%
≥MR	70%	65%	48%
Thal	68%	63%	-
% Prior	Len	45%	17%
Bort	68%	61%	-

* 1-4 after cycle 5

** all of them previously refractory to Len-Dex

Lenalidomide + Dex⁴ ≥ PR: 60% (15% CR)

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Safety of HDACi + Lenalidomide + Dex

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	All	G 3/4	All	G 3/4
Haematological				
Thrombocytopenia	48	16	54	50
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Anemia	32	10	46	26
Non Haematological				
Diarrhea	48	13	48	6
Nausea	26	3	48	2
Fatigue	52	10	37	13
Pyrexia	-	-	43	4
Asthenia	13	0	37	9
Anorexia	23	0	28	9

*In the Panobinostat study a high incidence of DLTs and SAEs were observed (mostly infectious), probably related to the high doses of Dexamethasone and the continuous treatment with Panobinostat.

Other combinations with DACi in MM

- Panobinostat + Melphalan¹ → ≥PR 16% 64% previous Melph. Haem toxicity
- Panobinostat + MPT² → ≥PR 50% Haem tox (70% neutropenia G ¾)
- Vorinostat + PLD + Bort³ → ≥PR 72% In Bz refr → ≥PR 44%. General & GI AEs
- Vor + Len + Bort + Dex
 - Refr. to RVD⁴ → ≥PR 44% General & Haem tox (89% Thromb G3/4)
 - Newly diagnosed⁵ → 41% nCR/CR, 24% VGPR, 29% PR 47% PN (6% G3)

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Summary

- There is a clear preclinical rationale for the use of HDACi in MM based on epigenetic and non-epigenetic mechanisms
- The clinical activity of HDACi in monotherapy in MM has been quite modest, nevertheless,...
- , ... several combinations such as those with Bortezomib or Lenalidomide and Dex have demonstrated activity even in previously refractory patients.
- The most significant AEs associated with these drugs are Haematological side effects, constitutional symptoms and GI symptoms



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