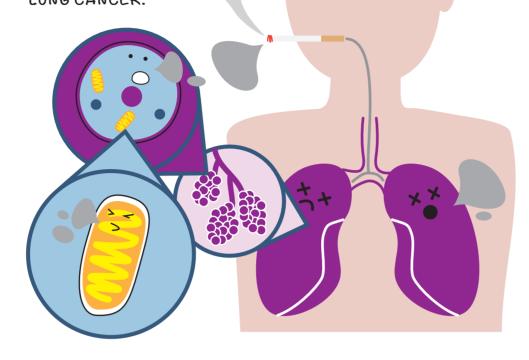
MITOS, CIGARETTE SMOKE AND LUNG CANCER

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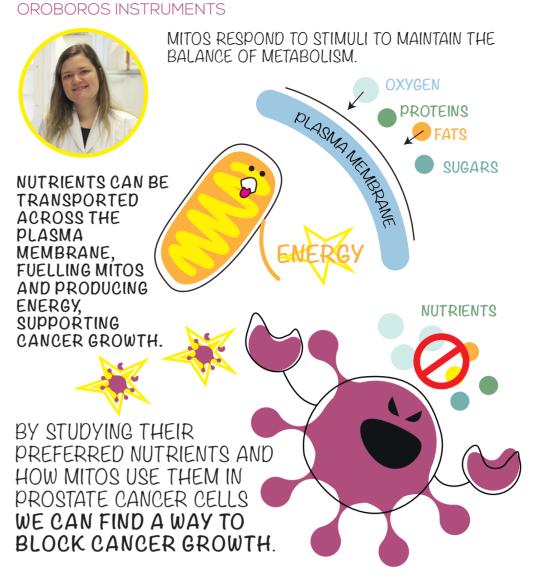
COUCOU! I'M SAHARNAZ! I AM A RESEARCHER. DO YOU KNOW WHAT I'M DOING? I AM TRYING TO UNDERSTAND HOW CIGARETTE SMOKE CAN AFFECT MITO'S HEALTH.

I EXAMINE THE LUNG CELLS WITH AND WITHOUT EXPOSURE TO CIGARETTE COMPONENTS AND THEN I OBSERVE HOW MITOS ARE AFFECTED IN THIS PROCEDURE AND CAUSE LUNG CANCER.



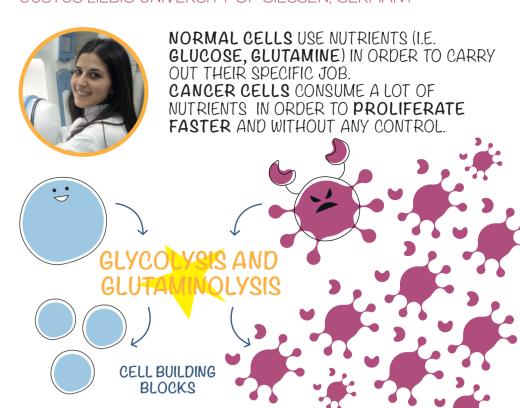
MITOS FUNCTION IN PROSTATE CANCER MEDIATED BY NUTRIENT UTILIZATION

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HOW CANCER CELLS PRODUCE **ENERGY?**

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THE METABOLISM OF CANCER CELLS (I.E. GLYCOLYSIS AND GLUTAMINOLYSIS) IS ALTERED AND, UNLIKE NORMAL CELLS, THEY MOSTLY CONVERT THE NUTRIENTS INTO CELL BUILDING BLOCKS. UNDERSTANDING THE CAUSES OF THEIR METABOLIC DYSFUNCTIONS WILL ALLOW US TO FIGHT CANCER.

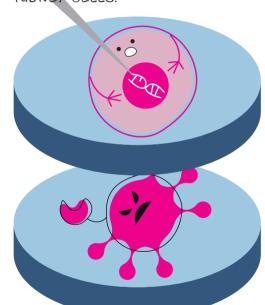
UNDERSTANDING HOW THE LOSS OF FUMARATE HYDRATASE CAUSES CANCER

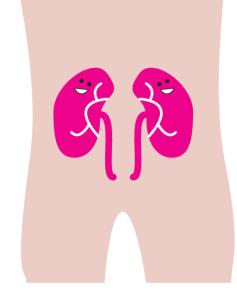
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THE FUMARATE HYDRATASE IS A METABOLIC ENZYME IN THE MITOCHONDRIA, AND WHEN IT IS NO LONGER FUNCTIONING, THIS CAN LEAD TO A SPECIFIC TYPE OF KIDNEY CANCER.

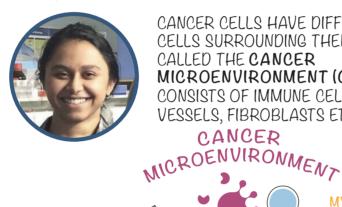
MIMIC THIS DISEASE IN THE LABORATORY, WE INTRODUCED A DAMAGE IN THE FUMARATE HYDRATASE GENE OF HEALTHY KIDNEY CELLS.



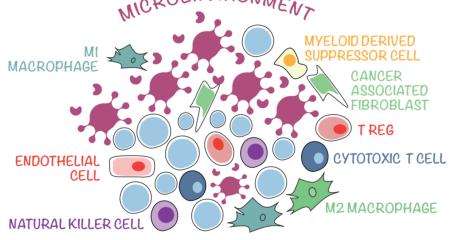


HOW DOES MITO DAMAGE AFFECT THE CELLS SURROUNDING THE CANCER?

NIKKITHA UMESH GANESH DIMEC, BOLOGNA



CANCER CELLS HAVE DIFFERENT TYPES OF CELLS SURROUNDING THEM: THEY ARE CALLED THE CANCER MICROENVIRONMENT (CME). IT CONSISTS OF IMMUNE CELLS, BLOOD VESSELS, FIBROBLASTS ETC.. CANCER



WHEN THE MITOS ARE NOT FUNCTIONAL/DAMAGED IN A CANCER CELL IT MAY TAKE THE HELP OF ITS CME TO SURVIVE.

UNDERSTANDING HOW THE CME HELPS CANCER CELLS TO GROW WILL AID US TO FIGHT CANCER.

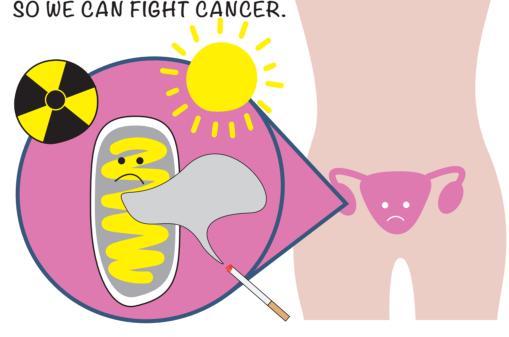
THE ROLE OF MITOS IN OVARIAN CANCER

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EXPOSURE TO CERTAIN THINGS LIKE TOO MUCH SUN, CIGARETTE SMOKE AND RADIATION CAN CAUSE HEALTHY CELLS TO BECOME CANCER CELLS: THEY HAVE ABNORMAL MITOS THAT MAKE LESS ENERGY AND BUILDING BLOCKS THAT SUPPORT THE

WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE ABNORMAL MITOS IN CANCER CELLS IN THE OVARIES, SO WE CAN FIGHT CANCER.



MEASURING THE AMOUNT OF COENZYMES IN CANCER CELLS

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ENZYMES ARE BIOLOGICAL MOLECULES THAT CARRY OUT BIOCHEMICAL REACTIONS AND ARE HIGHLY REGULATED BY SUPPORTING MOLECULES, CALLED COFACTORS. A COENZYME, AN ORGANIC COFACTOR, BINDS TO AN ENZYME AND HELPS TO CARRY OUT CHEMICAL REACTIONS.

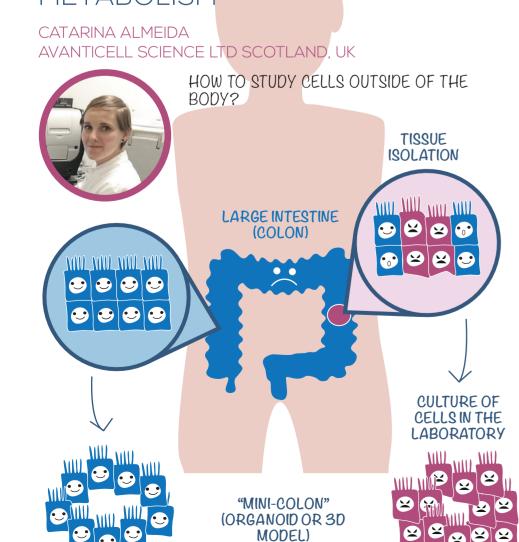


WITHOUT A COENZYME, AN ENZYME CANNOT FUNCTION PROPERLY AND CANNOT CATALYZE REACTIONS EFFECTIVELY. IF REACTIONS CANNOT OCCUR AT A NORMAL RATE, THEN AN ORGANISM WILL HAVE DIFFICULTY IN SUSTAINING LIFE. ENZYMATIC ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN CHANGED IN CANCER.



MEASURING THE AMOUNT OF COENZYMES IN CANCER CELLS HELP TO UNDERSTAND HOW THE ENZYMES HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY COENZYMES.

CANCER CELL MODELS TO TEST MEDICINES THAT AFFECT METABOLISM



STUDY MITOCHONDRIA IN THE LABORATORY!

MITO-MEDICINE TO REVERSE NINJA MODE OF CANCER CELLS

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CANCER CELLS ARE ABLE TO LIVE IN APNEA AS THEY MODIFY THEIR METABOLISM (NINJA MODE). THIS ALLOWS THEM TO MIGRATE DEEP IN THE OCEAN OF HUMAN BODIES. THEY GATHER IN DIFFERENT SITES AND MULTIPLY TO FORM GR<mark>OUPS.</mark>



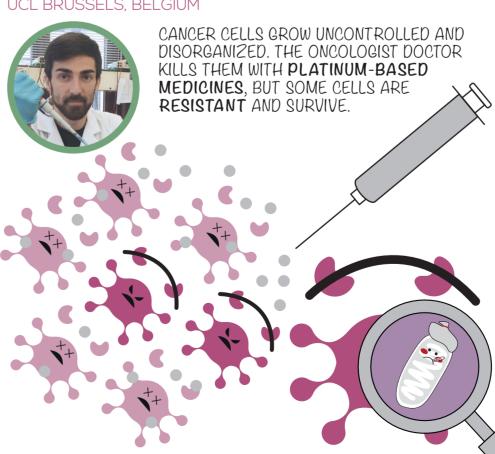
MITO-MEDICINE, THE MEDICATION THAT TARGETS MITOCHONDRIA AND METABOLISM CAN FIX THIS SITUATION ...



WE WANT TO FOOL CANCER CELLS AND BLOCK THEM FROM GOING IN APNEA WHICH WILL ALLOW A BETTER CONTROL OVER THEIR GROWTH. THIS CAN CONSTITUTE A PRECIOUS TOOL TO CURE PEOPLE SUFFERING FROM THE DISEASE.

ALTERED MITOS MAY MAKE CANCER CELLS RESISTANT TO **MEDICINES**

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BY STUDYING THE METABOLIC DIFFERENCES OF RESISTANT CELLS, FOCUSING ON MITO ALTERATIONS. WE TRY TO MAKE THEM SENSITIVE TO PLATINUM-BASED MEDICINES.

IMPACT OF DIET ON CANCER GROWTH

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HEALTHY CELLS MAKE THEIR ENERGY FROM CARBOHYDRATES, FAT AND PROTEINS -COMPONENTS OF OUR DAILY DIET. CANCER CELLS, HOWEVER, PRODUCE MOST OF THEIR ENERGY FROM ONE SOURCE THAT IS SUGAR.

WE THINK THAT A DIET RICH IN FAT BUT LOW IN SUGAR, NAMELY KETOGENIC DIET, COULD HELP TO REDUCÉ CANCER BECAUSE HIGH SUGAR LEVELS INDUCE SIGNALS IN THE BODY TRIGGERING CANCER GROWTH AND SURVIVAL.



