

REVEALING VULNERABILITIES IN KRAS-DEPENDENT CANCERS BY GENOMIC PROFILING OF MOLECULAR SUBTYPES

GUEST LECTURE by



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Analysis of kinases from a "KRAS dependency signature" in colon cancer cell lines Singh et al. (2012) Cell 148:639-650





KRAS DEPENDENT CELL

Validation of *MAP3K7/TAK1* as a prosurvival mediator in KRAS-dependent colon cancers Singh et al. (2012) Cell 148:639-650





A model for context-specific KRAS

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dependency in colon cancers

E-cadherin H-catenin Merge KRAS and TAK1 regulate canonical Wnt signaling in KRASdependent cancer cells Singh et al. (2012) Cell 148:639-650

Heat-map showing hierarchical clustering of K-Ras dependency signature gene expression in a cross-tissue panel of *K-ras* mutant cell lines Singh et al. (2009) Cancer Cell 15:489-500

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