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Software and code

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Data collection

Burrows-Wheeler Aligner v0.7.12, Picard (v1.134), Genome Analysis Toolkit v3.6, MuTect (v1.1.7), Strelka (v2.9.2), GATK (v4.0.7.0) FACETS (v0.5.6)

Data analysis

OncoKB (downloaded on 28th June, 2018), PureCN, SOCRATES, PINDEL, deconstructSigs (v1.8.0), PyClone (v0.13.1), GraphPad Prism 6, R v3.4.2, strata 13.1
custom scripts (reported in methods): Shannon Index (ref 30), Position Specific Error Model (PSEM) (ref 48), Large-scale transitions (LST) (ref 25), identification of bilallelic loss of function mutations was done as in ref 26, identification of neoantigens was performed as reported in ref 54, 55. All codes and scripts are available on https://github.com/gustaveroussy/mBC_WES_Fabrice_Andre_2019

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raw data are available at EGAS00001003290, the data and scripts used to generate the figures are accessible at https://github.com/gustaveroussy/mBC_WES_Fabrice_Andre_2019

Tumor biopsies and blood for constitutional DNA were collected and were labeled with an anonymous study ID. A second step of anonymisation was done by assigning a new number in the shared databases.

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Life sciences study design

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Sample size	617 metastatic breast cancer samples from 6 precision medicine trials. With alpha=5% (2-sided) and 1537 patients (617 mBC and 920 eBC), it's possible to detect a difference between groups of 3.7% supposing an incidence in the eBC group of 5% (i.e 5% vs 8.7%) with a power of 80%. This shows that the study has the statistical power to detect new drivers or drivers enriched in mBC. 26 samples of circulating DNA from MONALEESA trials: this represents all patients presenting a RB1 mutation in the MONALEESA program. It was not planned to run statistical tests on these patients, but only describe their PFS. 4 metastatic breast cancer samples from RUBY trial: this represents all responders from RUBY trial available at the time of 1st revision (October 2018) for which no germline mutation was observed. No statistical analyses were planned to be done on these four samples, only the description of the genomic landscape of outlier responders
Data exclusions	no data were excluded from the analysis
Replication	we did not run in vivo or in vitro experiments, only analyses of human genomic data. The present study does not include a validation or a replication set. In order to avoid false positive results by statistical hazard, we have adjusted for multiple hypothesis testings.
Randomization	In the RUBY trial, all patients were allocated to experimental group (Fig 3e). In MONALEESA trial, patients were randomized between endocrine therapy and endocrine therapy + CDK4 inhibitor (Fig 2G). In SAFIR01, SAFIR02, MOSCATO, MATCH-R, PERMED, SHIVA trials; all trials and the experimental and control arms (when it exists) were merged in a single cohort of 617 patients. Outcome of this cohort was not analysed according to arm of treatment, but according to mutational profile. For this latter analysis, comparison was also done with an early breast cancer cohort (TCGA).
Blinding	MONALEESA was double blinded for patients and investigators.

Reporting for specific materials, systems and methods

Materials & experimental systems

n/a	Involved in the study
☐	☒ Unique biological materials
☒	☐ Antibodies
☒	☐ Eukaryotic cell lines
☒	☐ Palaeontology
☒	☐ Animals and other organisms
☐	☒ Human research participants

Methods

n/a	Involved in the study
☒	☐ ChIP-seq
☒	☐ Flow cytometry
☒	☐ MRI-based neuroimaging

Unique biological materials

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Human research participants

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Population characteristics	Patients were selected for the current analyses if they fulfilled the following criteria: a. presenting a mBC, b. biopsy prospectively done in the metastatic setting, c. >30% tumor cells in the tumor biopsy, d. good genomic DNA quality (Genomic Quality Number > 7 using Fragment Analyzer from AATI), e. blood sample available for the sequencing of normal DNA. Supplementary Table describes the population and co-variables In addition, we included 26 patients from MONALEESA 2,3,7 trials that present an RB1 mutation detected by ctDNA. These patients were all presenting a metastatic breast cancer with expression of estrogen receptor and lack of Her2. They received maximum of one line of therapy for the metastatic breast cancer. 4 patients from RUBY trial. All these patients present with metastatic breast cancer, without germline mutation for BRCA1/2, at least one line of chemotherapy, no Her2 overexpression and with a genomic instability identified on SNP6 arrays.
Recruitment	In all trials, patients were recruited by investigators from local centers. There is no bias of recruitment in these centers since patients are not prescreened for molecular analyses before entering in the study, except for the 4 patients analyzed from RUBY trial. Patients presenting a mBC were selected from six prospective precision medicine trials. SAFIR-01, MOSCATO, SHIVA have already been reported. SAFIR-02 (NCT: 02299999), PERMED-01 (NCT: 02342158), MATCH-R (NCT: 02517892) are ongoing trials. In each of these trials, a biopsy was obtained prospectively and frozen sample was stored. In addition, we analysed plasma samples from three randomized trials (monaleesa 2, 3, 7) and one phase II trial (RUBY).