

RAS FAMILY: KRAS (KIRSTEN RAT SARCOMA)

The RAS gene family, which has been the subject of almost four decades of research, is the most frequently mutated oncogenic family in human cancers, which includes HRAS. NRAS and KRAS.^{1,2}

Globally, it is estimated that some 19% of all tumors in patients with cancer harbor a RAS mutation. There are roughly 3.4 million new cases of cancer with a RAS mutation diagnosed worldwide each year.³

KRAS PREVALENCE IN SOLID TUMORS

- Approximately 86% of the RAS mutations in CRC are KRAS.¹
- ~90% of all pancreatic cancers has a KRAS mutation.¹
- KRAS accounts for virtually all RAS mutations in lung adenocarcinoma.1

When the KRAS gene functions correctly it contributes to normal cell development. However, this gene can mutate and lead to uncontrolled growth of cells and to cancer.1

KRAS G12C: One of the Broadest Subgroups of Patients with KRAS-mutated Solid Tumors¹

KRAS G12C can be found in some of the most common cancers, including lung, colorectal and pancreatic cancers.4

- Further investigations may provide insights into a potential narrow pocket on KRAS^{G12C} that may be susceptible to targeting.6,7
- Amgen is investigating one of cancer research's toughest challenges of the past 40 years.¹

One of the most prominent mutated forms of the KRAS gene is called KRAS G12C, and is a major driver of tumor growth, occurring broadly across solid tumor indications.⁵ Normally KRAS





FAST FACTS

- KRAS is a protein involved in cell signaling pathways that control cell growth, cell maturation and cell death.4
- One of the most prominent mutated forms of the KRAS gene is called KRAS G12C.⁵

alternates between an active state and an inactive state, however, the KRAS G12C mutation favors the active state, leading to uncontrolled multiplication of cells and ultimately to the development of cancer.¹



KRAS G12C Mutation Prevalence in the U.S.

In the U.S., about 13% of patients with non-squamous non-small cell lung cancer harbor the KRAS G12C mutation.⁸ It is also found in approximately 3-5% of colorectal cancers and 1-2% of numerous other solid tumors. making this among the most broadly represented mutations across cancer patient subgroups.6,9-12

The high prevalence of KRAS G12C highlights the importance of finding options for patients who harbor this mutation.²

Scientific Advancements



Novel covalent inhibitors are under investigation with the intent to specifically and irreversibly bind to cysteine-12 in a small pocket of the KRAS^{G12C} protein.^{6,7}

Investigating a unique surface groove in the KRAS^{G12C} protein, Amgen is exploring the potential in KRAS^{G12C} inhibition across multiple tumor types for patients. Advances in understanding the structure of KRAS has prompted further investigations.¹

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