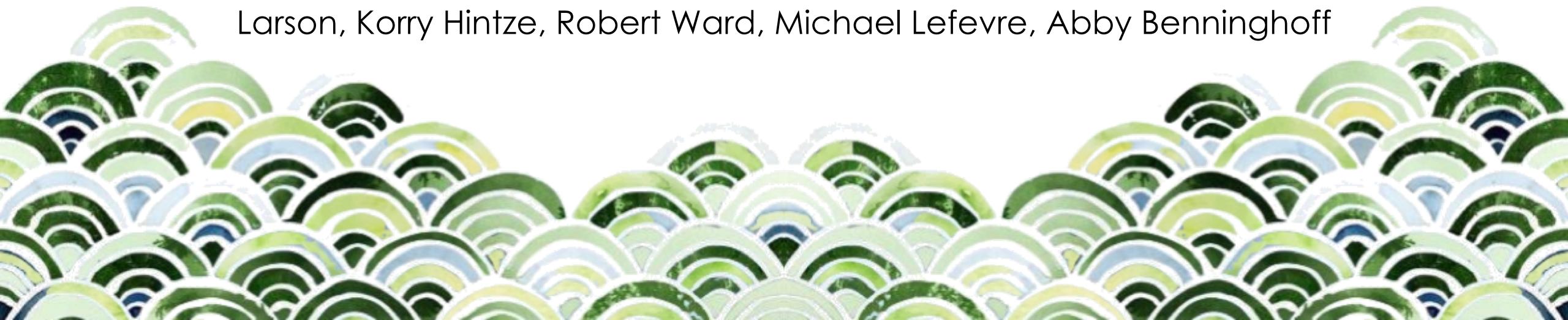
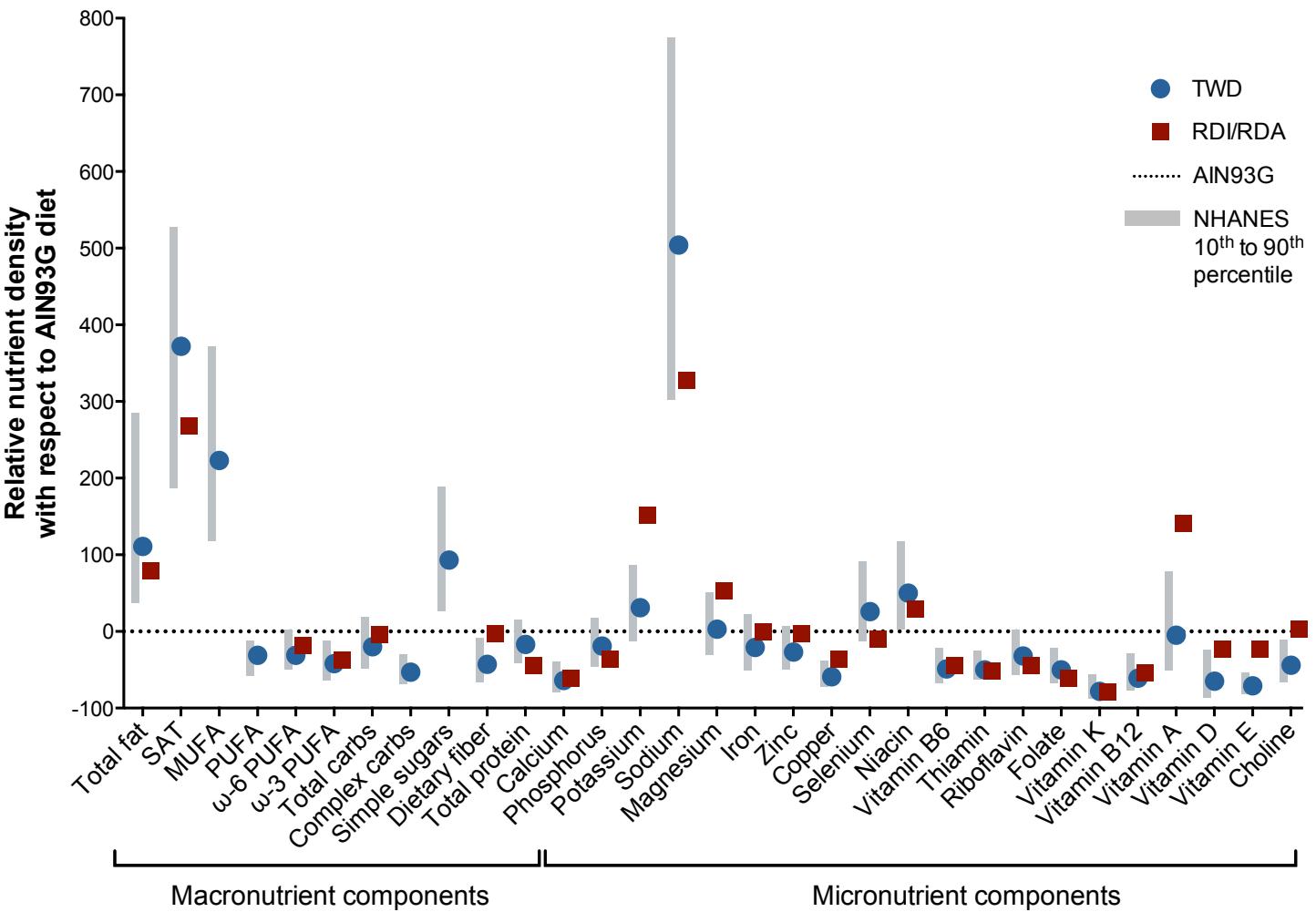


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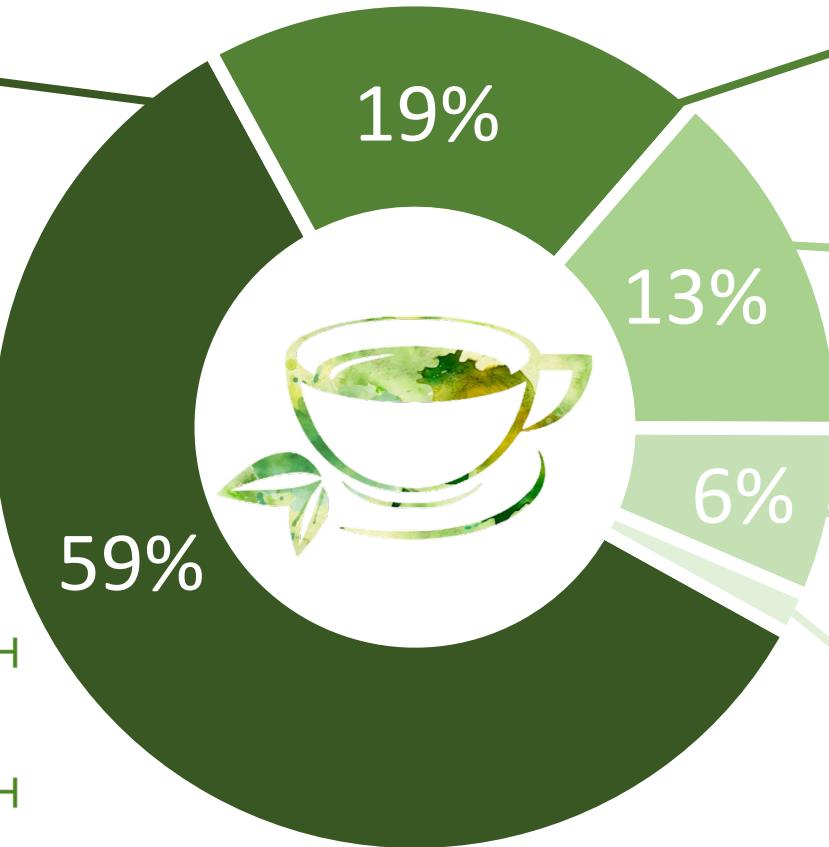
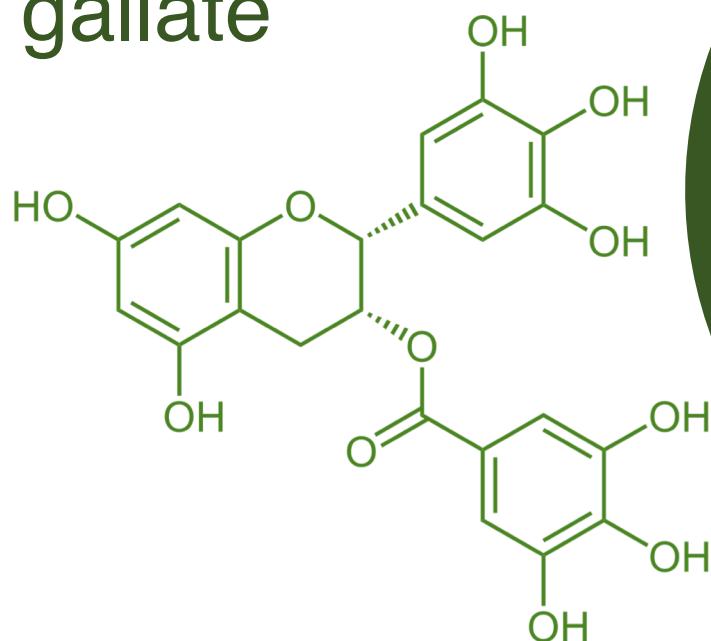


# Western dietary pattern



# Green tea polyphenols

**EGCG** ←  
epigallocatechin  
gallate OH



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graph TD; EGC[EGC] --> ECG[ECG]; EGC --> EC[EC]; EGC --> GC[GC];
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The diagram illustrates the synthesis of various catechins from epigallocatechin (EGC). An arrow points from EGC to ECG (epicatechin gallate). Another arrow points from EGC to EC (epicatechin). A third arrow points from EGC to GC (gallated catechin).

# Hallmarks of cancer

self sufficiency

insensitivity

resist PCD

replication

angiogenesis



evasion of immune system

genome instability

inflammation

metabolism

invasion/metastasis

# Catechin bioactive properties

JAK/STAT  
MAPK/ERK  
PI3K/AKT  
Wnt & Notch

↑ caspase  
↓ telomerase  
↑ FOXO



# Knowledge gap

## Objectives

Determine if GTE improves CRC outcome after multi-generational exposure to the Western dietary pattern.

## Hypotheses

I hypothesized that GTE would reduce CRC outcome after TWD consumption.

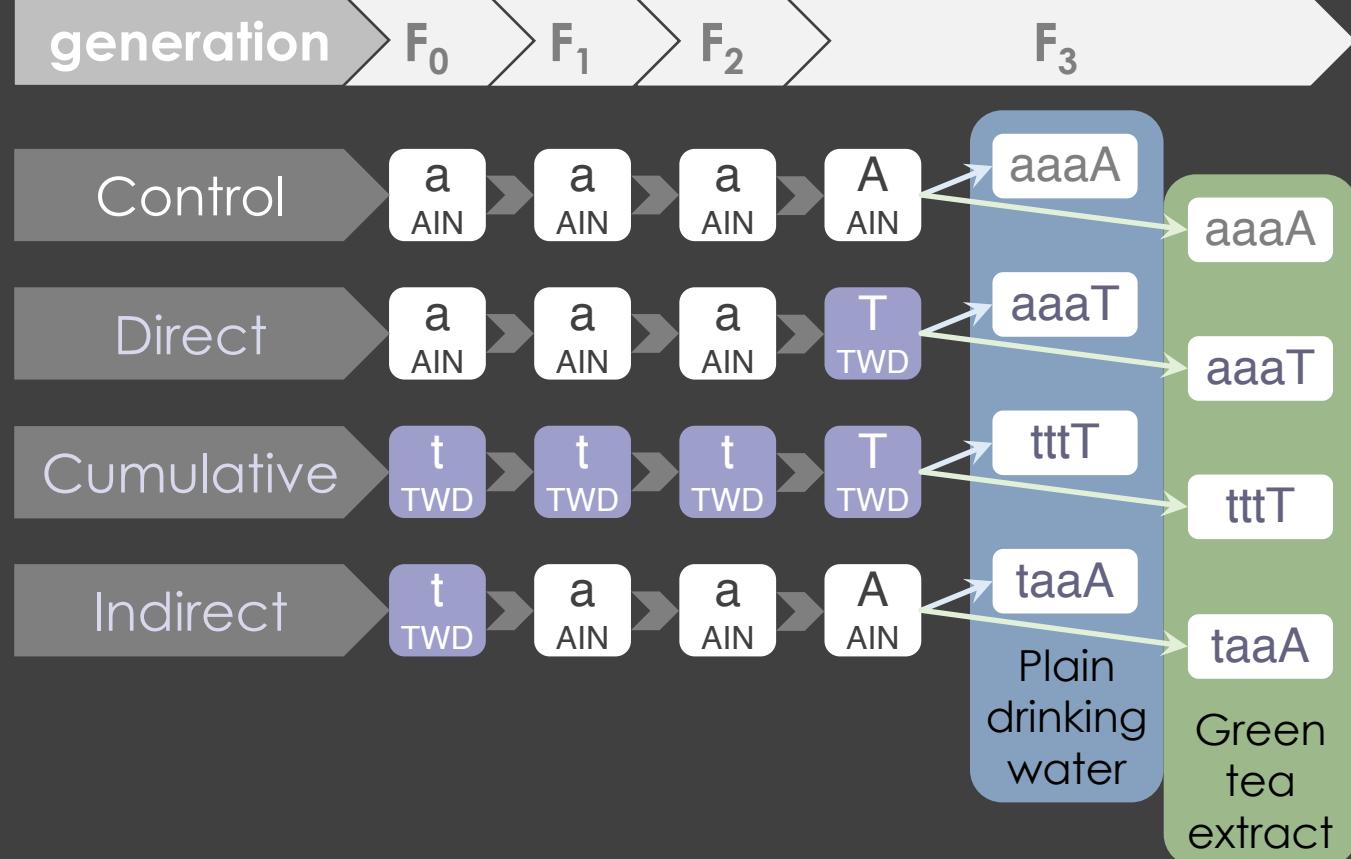
# Study design

## All generations:

- Food and water intake
- Weekly body weight
- Breeding success, cannibalism rate, litter size and birth weight
- Body composition

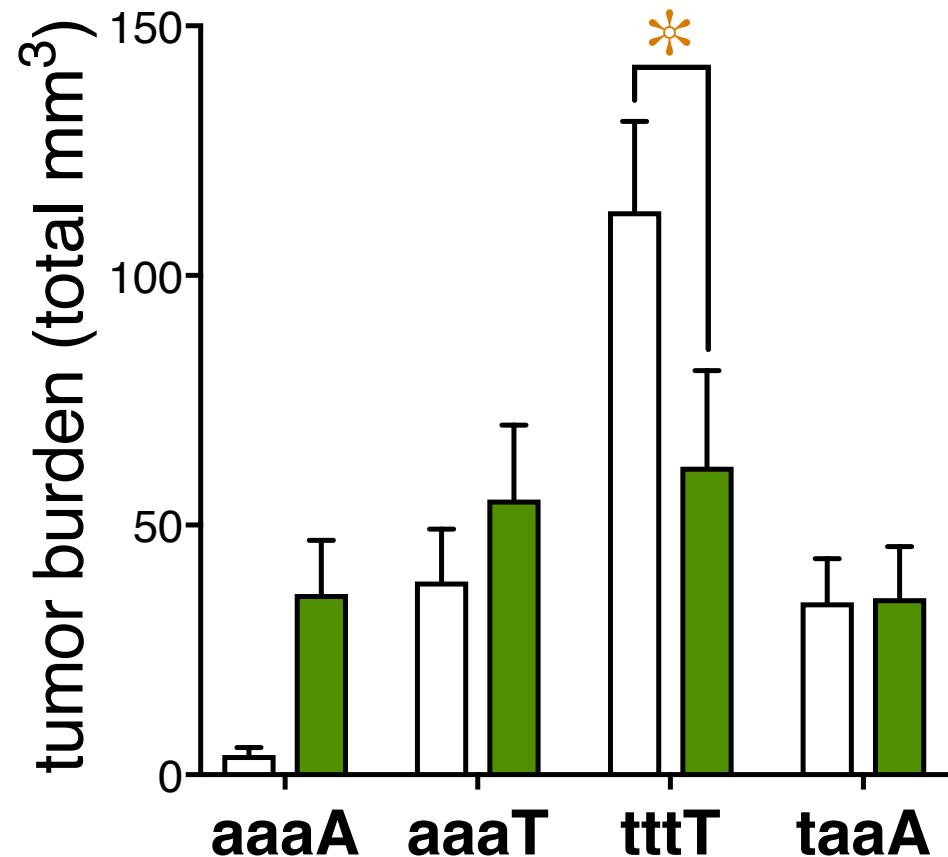
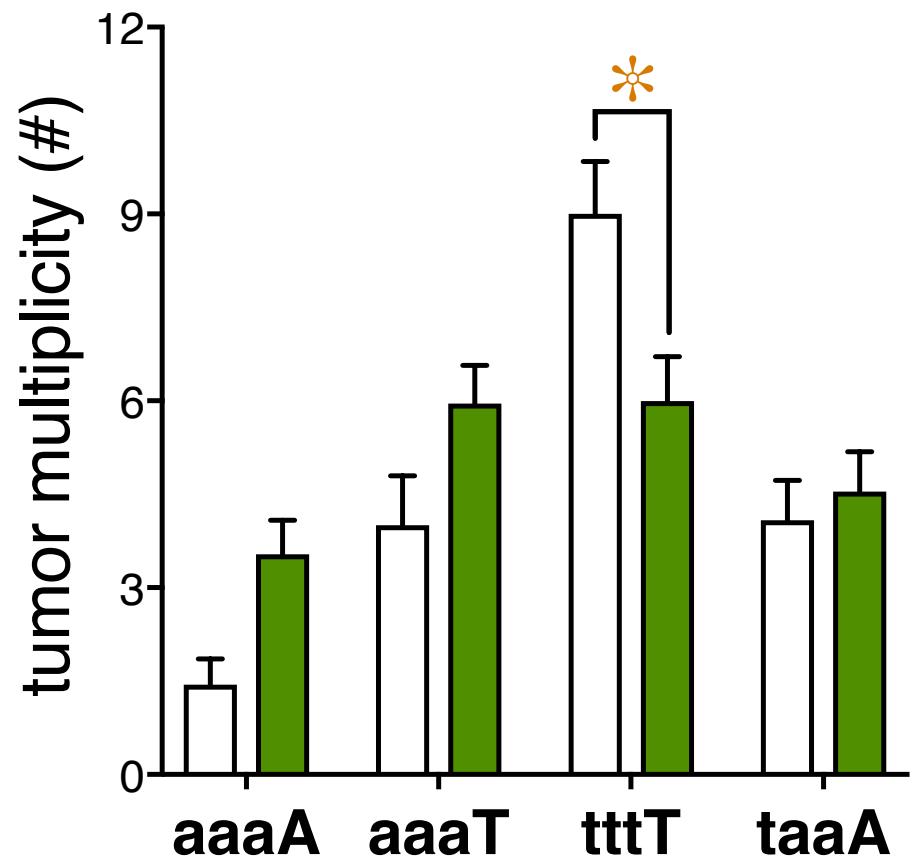
## F<sub>3</sub> generation only:

- Colon tumorigenesis
- Oral glucose tolerance test
- Estrus cycling in adult females
- Biomarkers of gut inflammation
- Gene expression & DNA methylation of colon mucosa

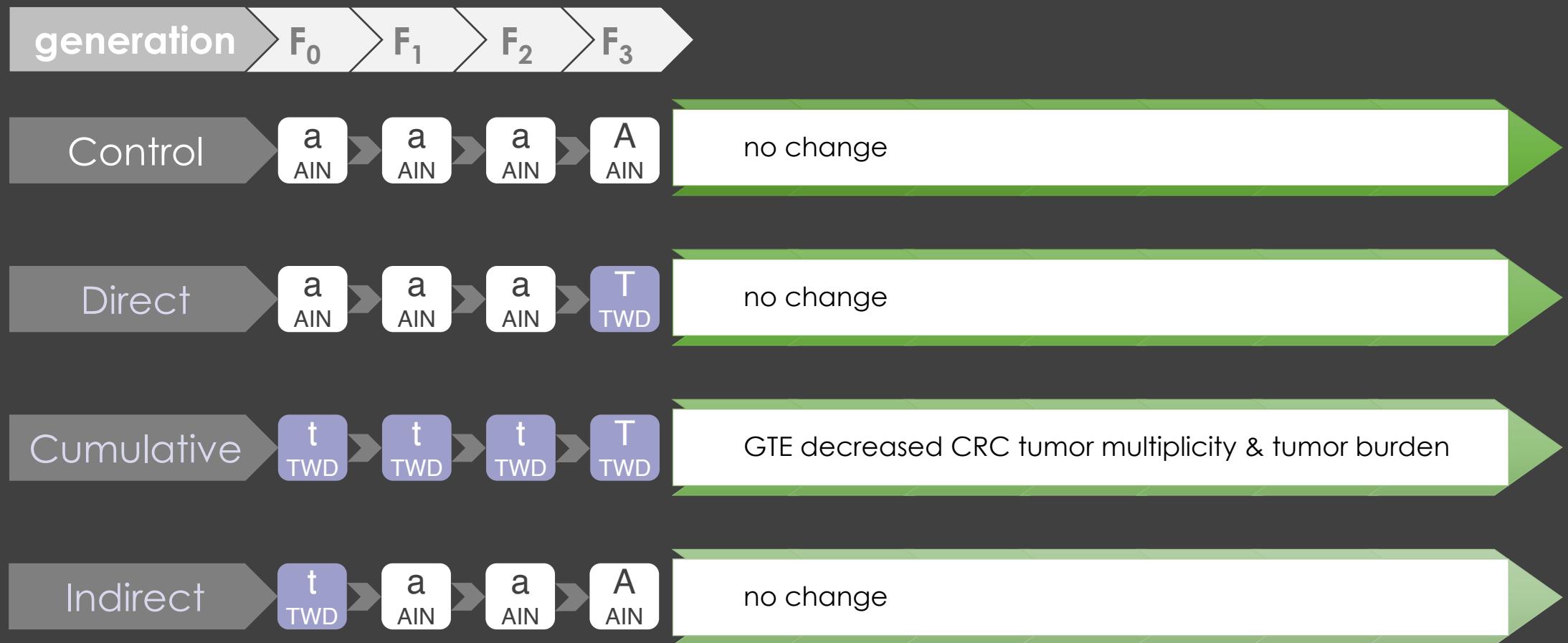


# Results: CRC outcome

$\square$  H<sub>2</sub>O     $\blacksquare$  GTE



# Preliminary observations



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