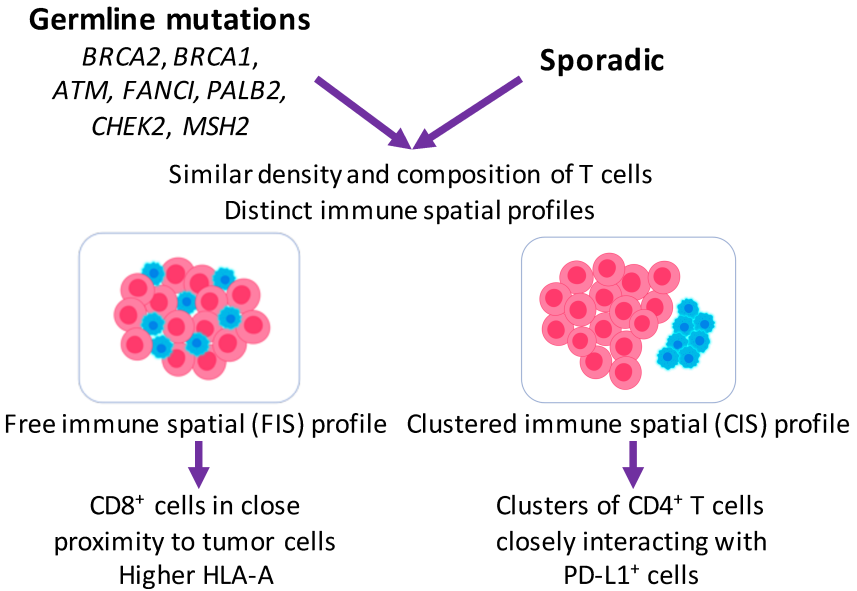
The tumor immune microenvironment of primary prostate cancer with and without germline mutations in homologous recombination repair genes



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In Brief

The T cell immune microenvironment of primary prostate cancer tumors can show enrichment of $CD8^+$ T cells closely interacting with tumour cells, which we define as a Free Immune Spatial (FIS) profile, or clustering of $CD4^+$ T cells, which we define as a Clustered Immune Spatial (CIS) profile. The former was mainly found in tumours from patients with germline mutations in homologous recombination repair genes. A FIS profile is linked to longer time to biochemical recurrence, metastasis, smaller tumor size and lower Gleason scores.