

Linking the NAD⁺/SIRT1 signaling to DNA repair

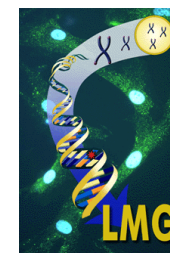
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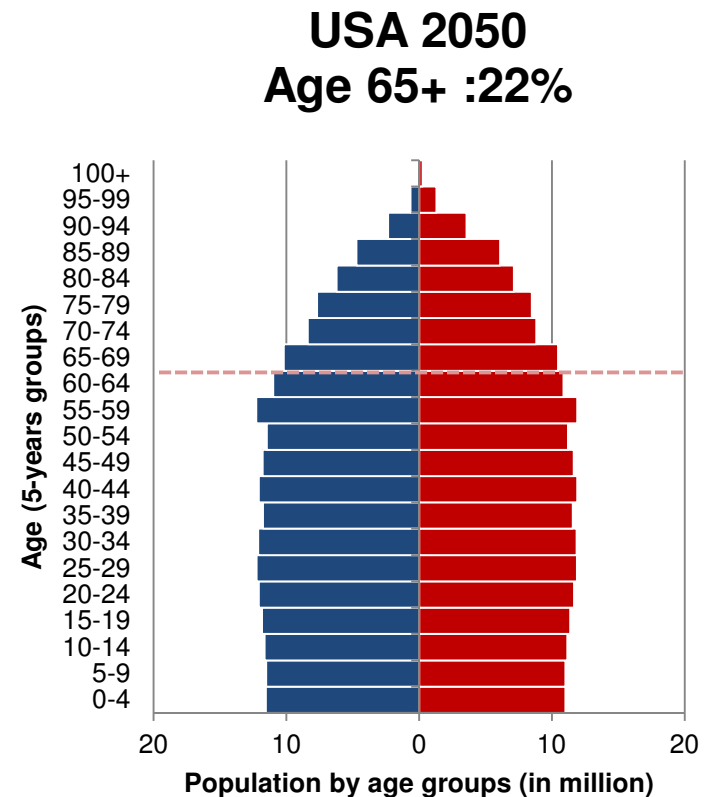
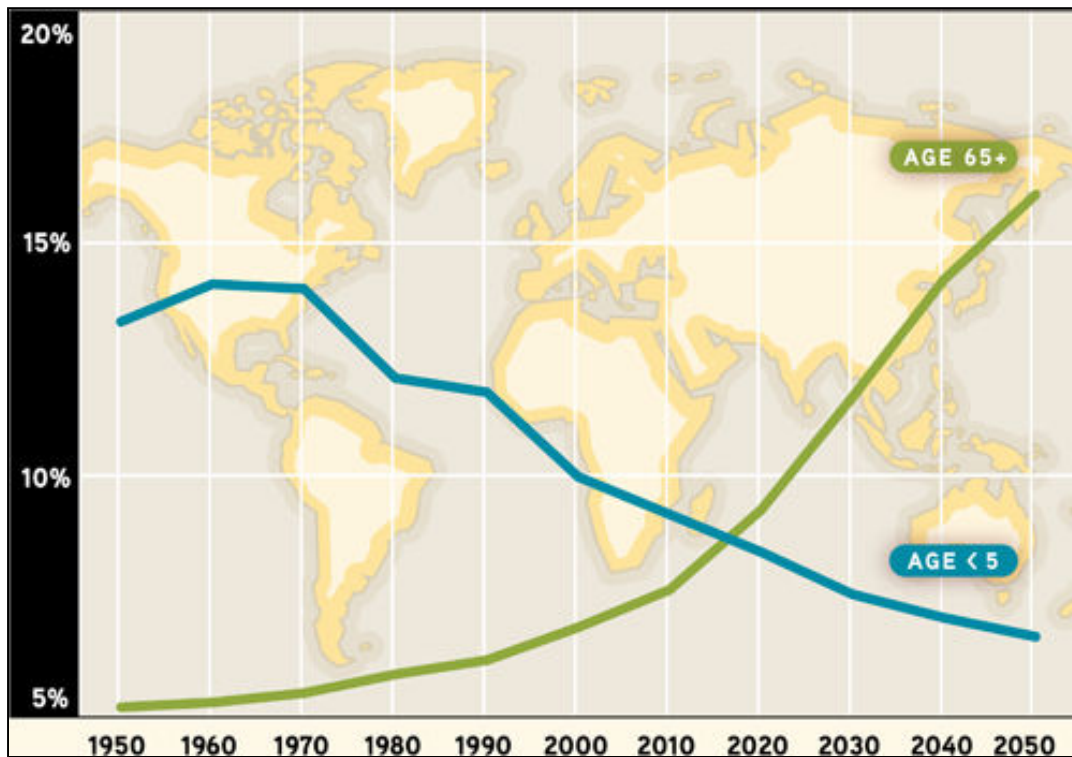
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Aging: a universal grand challenge



The hallmarks of aging

- Genomic instability
- Mitochondrial dysfunction
- Telomere attrition
- Epigenetic alternation
- Loss of proteostasis
- Deregulated nutrient sensing
- Cellular senescence
- Stem cell exhaustion
- Altered intercellular communication



Elite aging and premature aging



14 Years



48 Years



The oldest person

Jeanne Calment
122.5 Yrs

Premium model systems for the study of aging

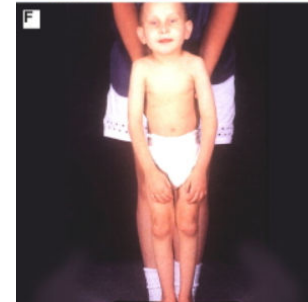
Accelerated aging with DNA damage, neurodegeneration, and mitochondrial dysfunction



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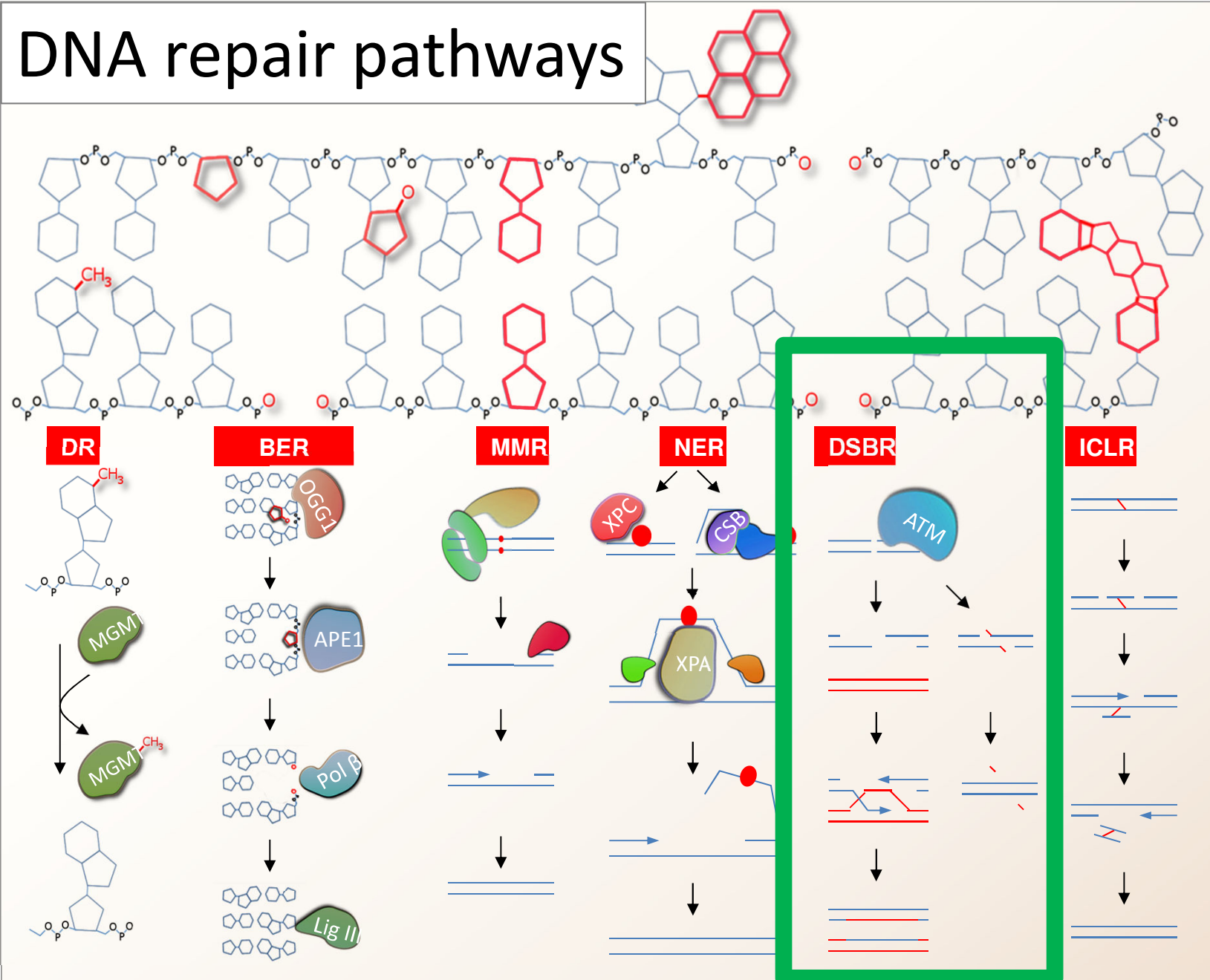


COCKAYNE SYNDROME (C-S)



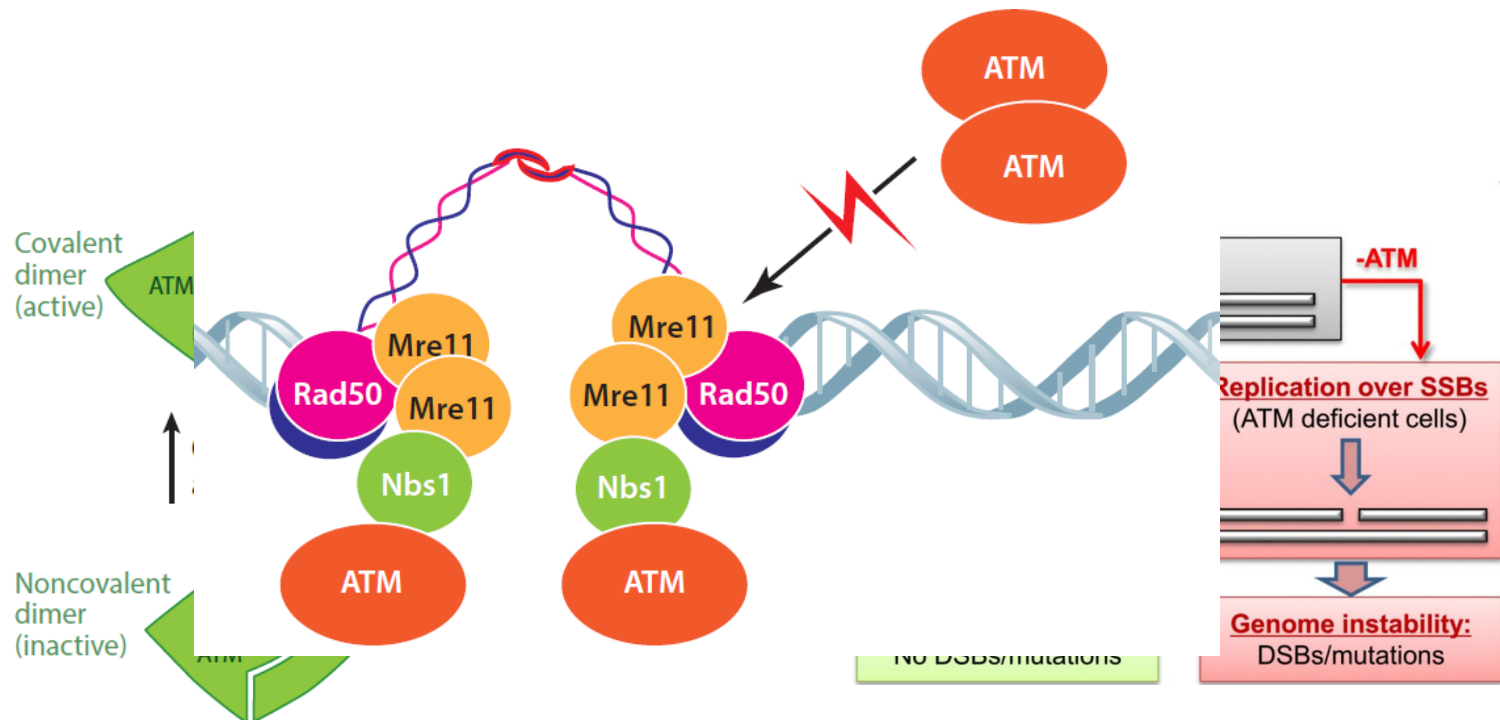
ATAXIA-TELANGIECTASIA (A-T)

DNA repair pathways



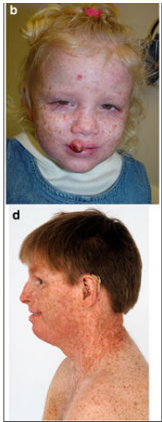
ATM is a master regulator of DNA repair

- DNA double strand repair
- Possibly BER and SSB



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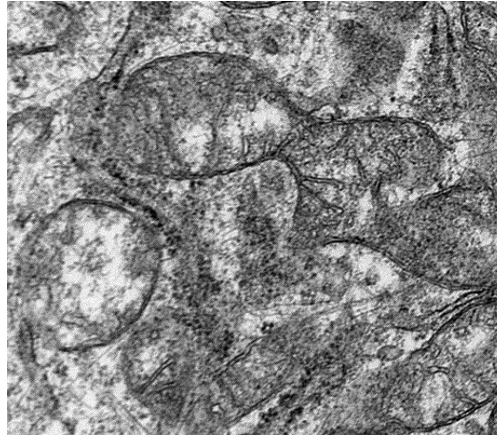
Mitochondrial dysfunction in DNA repair-deficient premature aging disorders



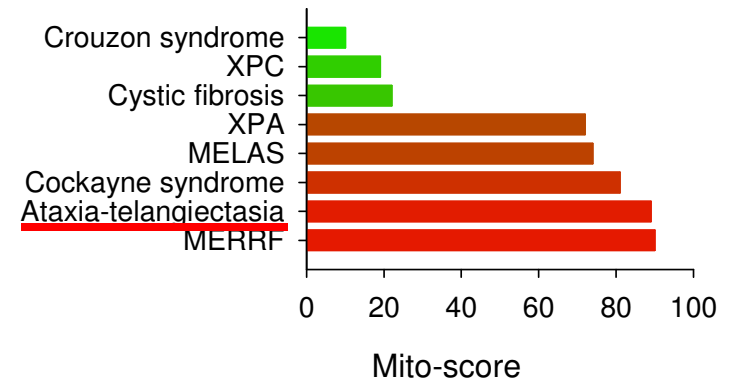
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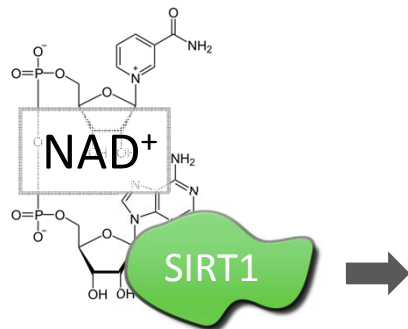
XPA- cells



- Mitochondrial dysfunction
- Defective mitophagy
- Depleted NAD⁺ due to hyperPARylation
- Reduction of NAD⁺/SIRT1

Fang, Scheibye-Knudsen et al, Bohr, *Cell* 2014
Scheibye-Knudsen et al., Bohr, *Cell Metabolism* 2014
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SIRT1 in Aging and DNA repair



Longevity in yeast, *C. elegans*, and mice

Mitochondrial health: Mito. Biogenesis and mitophagy

Neuroprotection: CREB

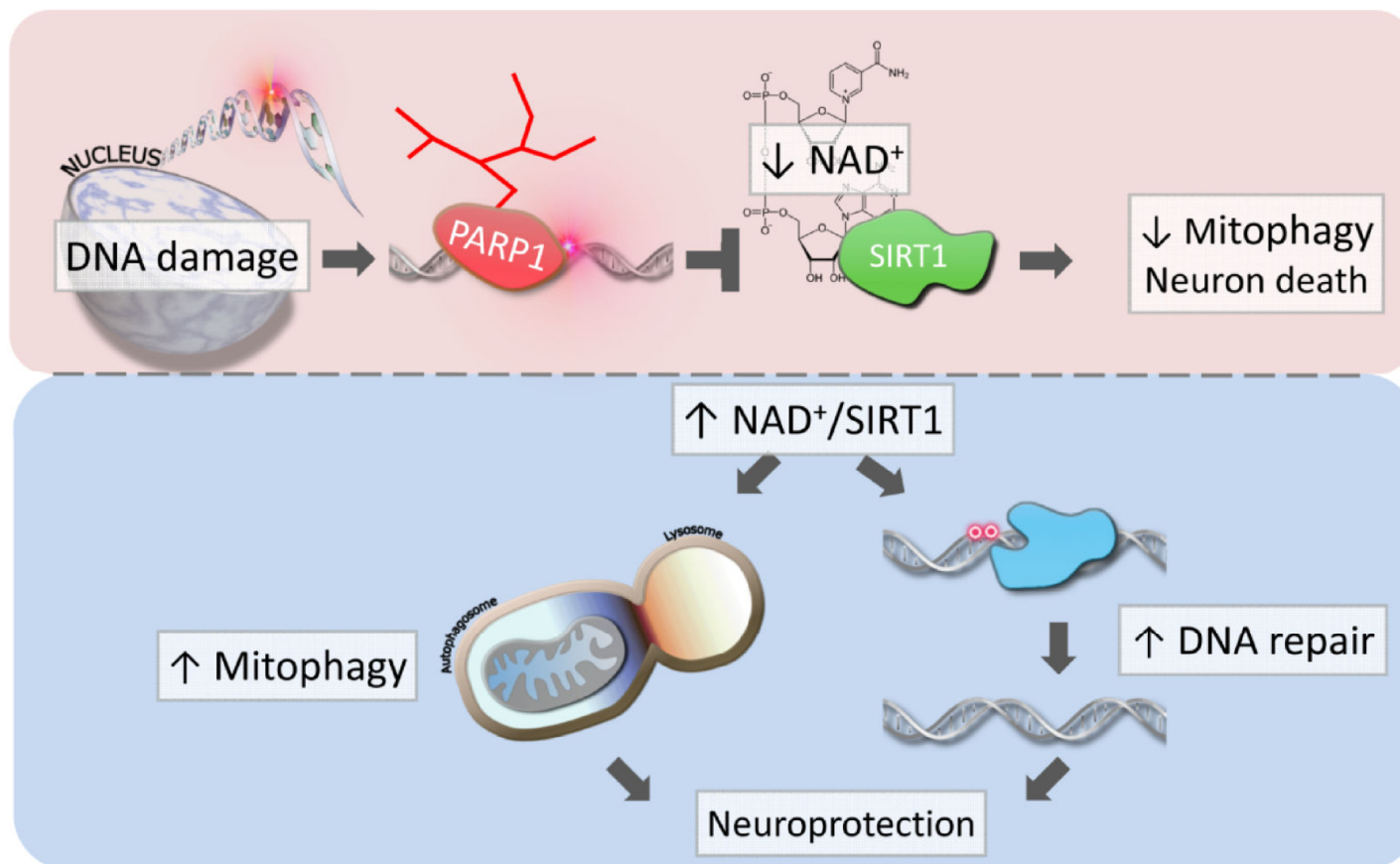
DNA repair:

BER (APE1, thymine DNA glycosylase)

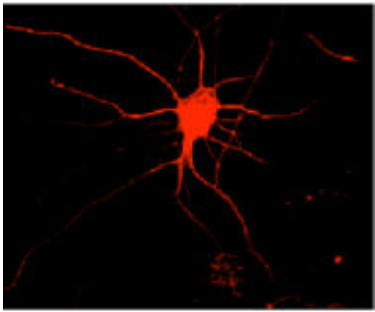
DSBR (HDAC1, ATM, WRN, MRN, Ku70)

NER (XPA)

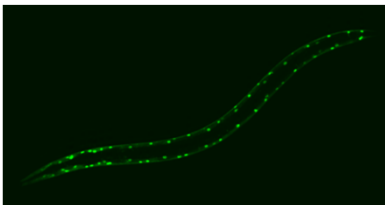
Our question: Mechanisms of neurodegeneration in AT?



Experimental design



Primary neurons



C. elegans

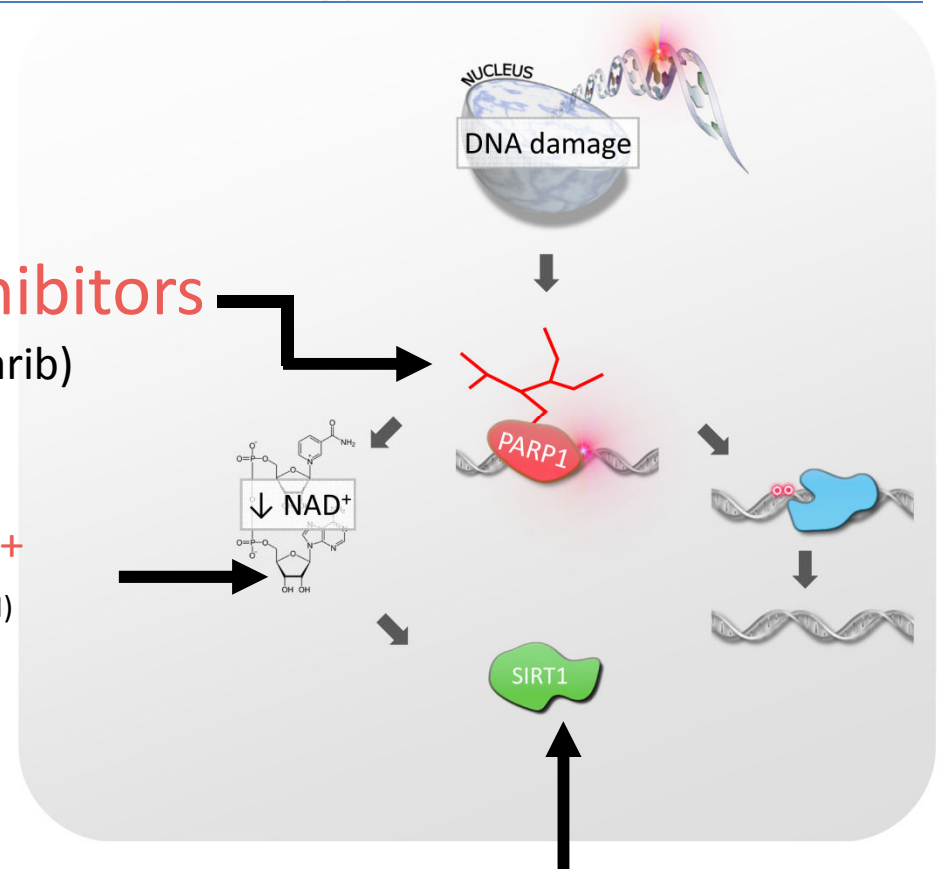


Atm^{-/-} mice



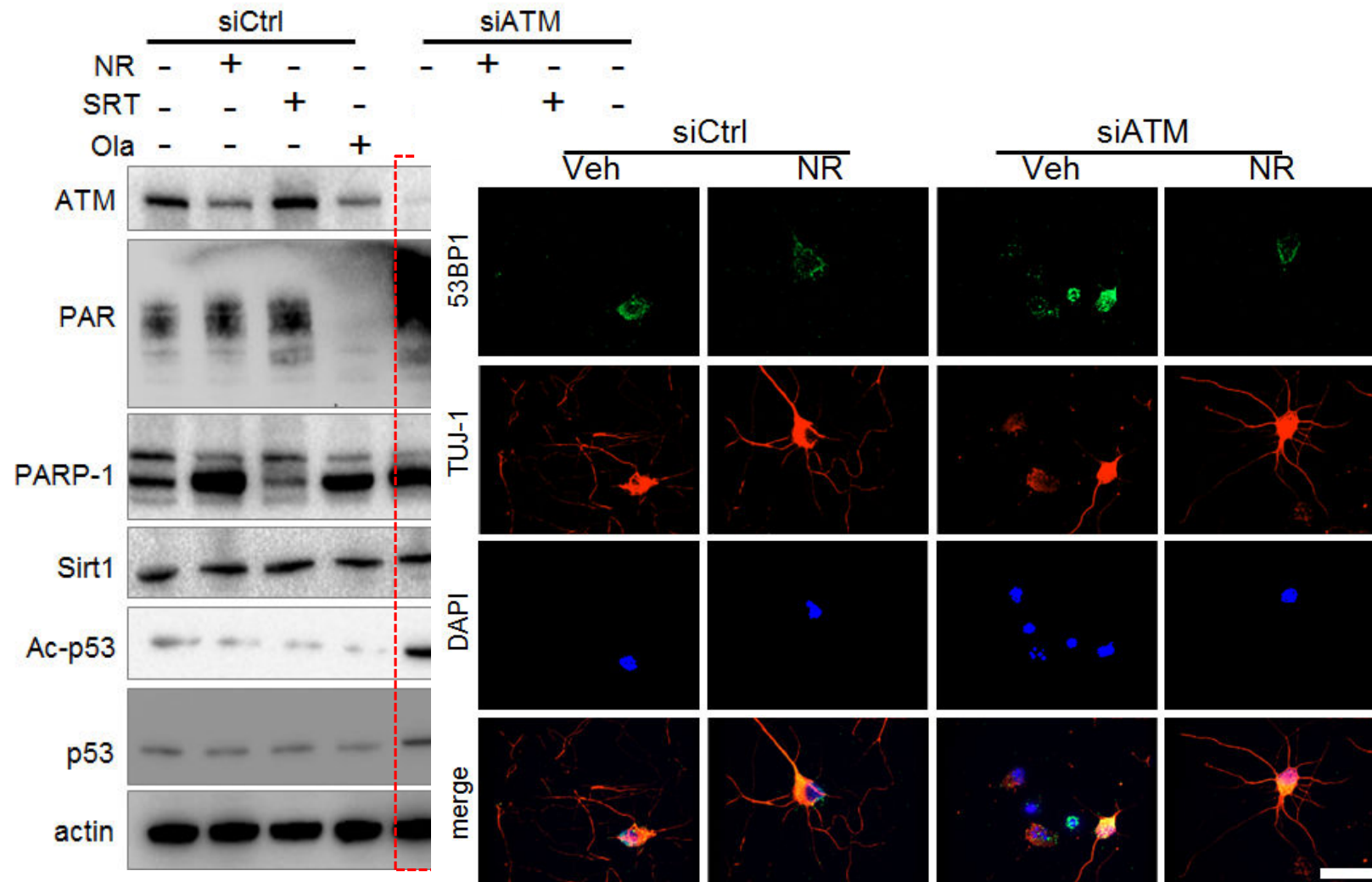
PARP inhibitors
(Olaparib)

NAD⁺
(NR/NMN)

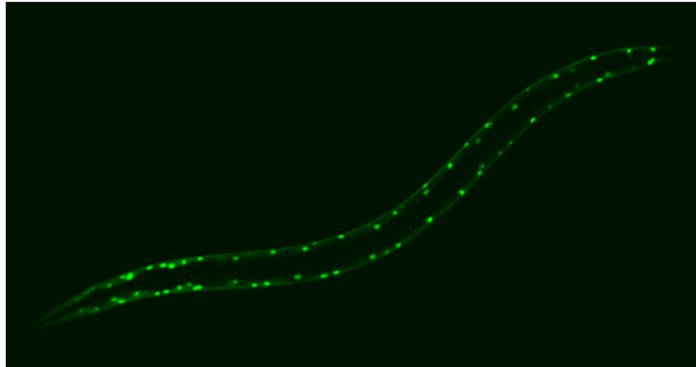


SIRT1 activators
(SRT1720)

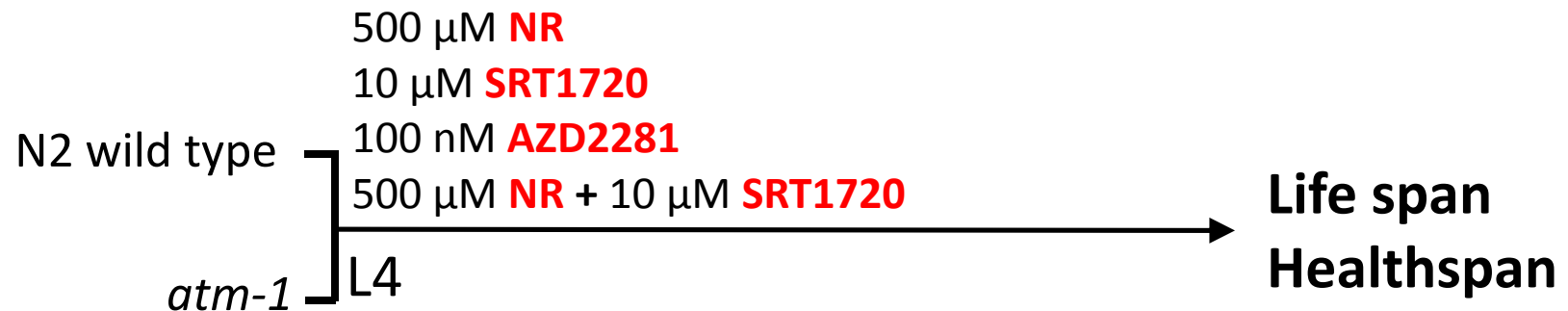
Mitochondrial dysfunction in ATM⁻ neurons via NAD⁺/SIRT1 reduction



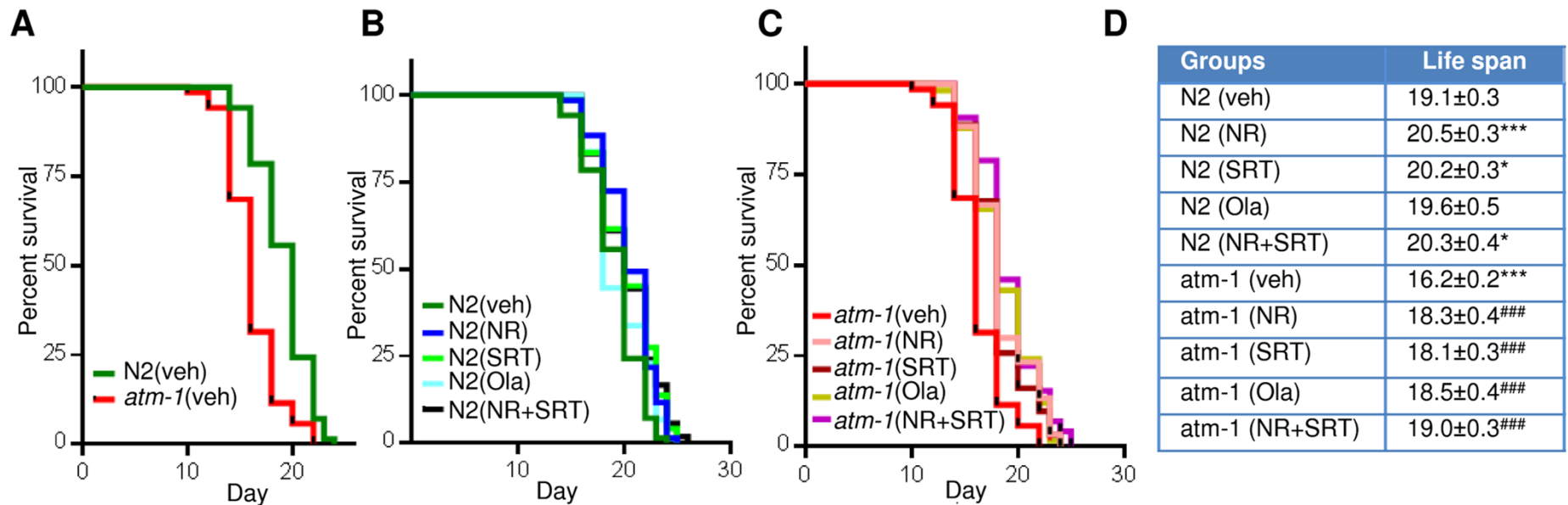
Effects of the NAD⁺/Sir2.1 signaling in the *atm-1* *C. elegans*



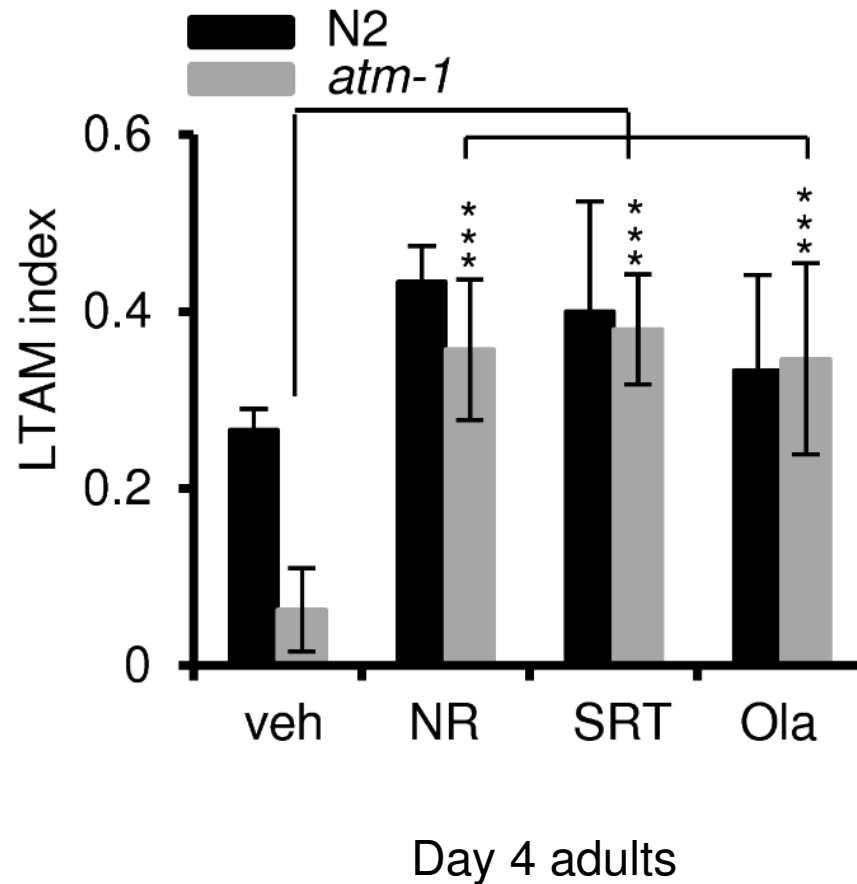
1. Short lifespan
2. IR sensitivity
3. Infertility
4. **Genomic instability** (small brood size, high male frequency)



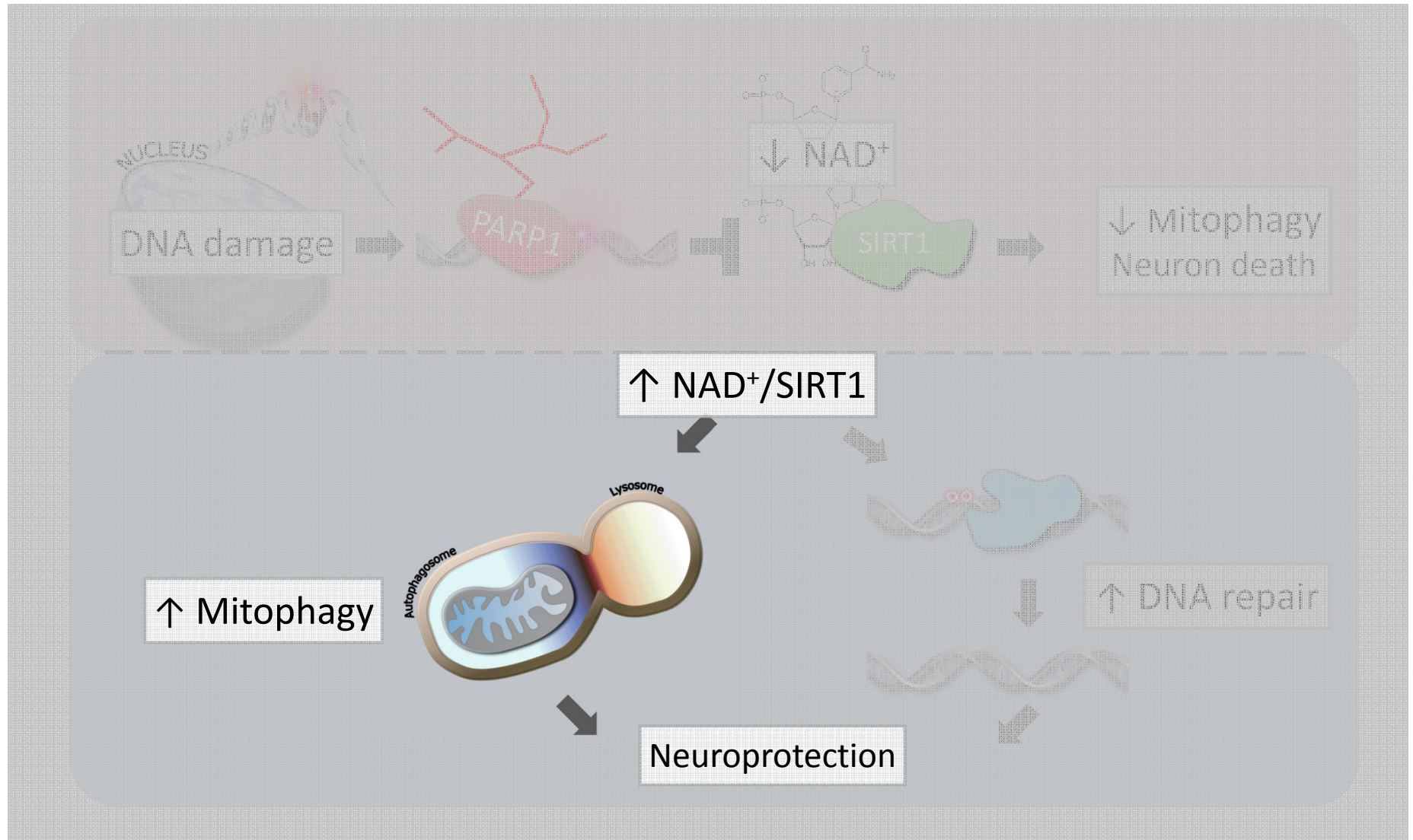
The NAD⁺/Sir-2.1 signaling increases lifespan in *atm-1* worms



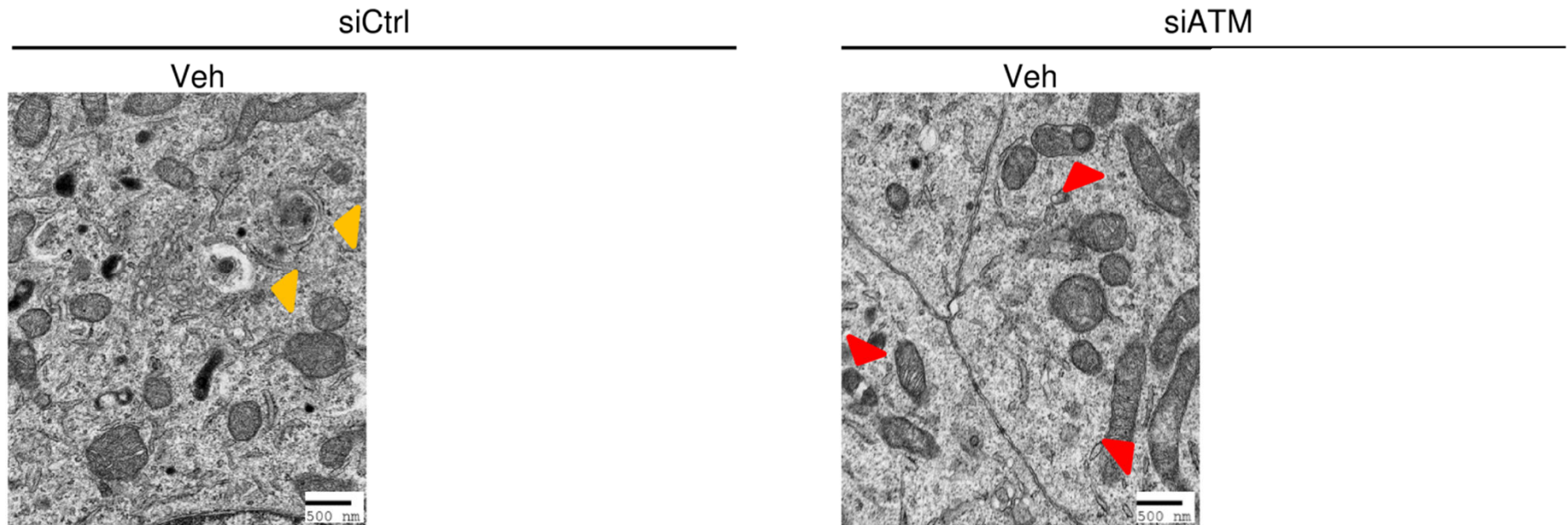
The NAD⁺/Sir-2.1 signaling increases long term-associated memory in *atm-1* worms

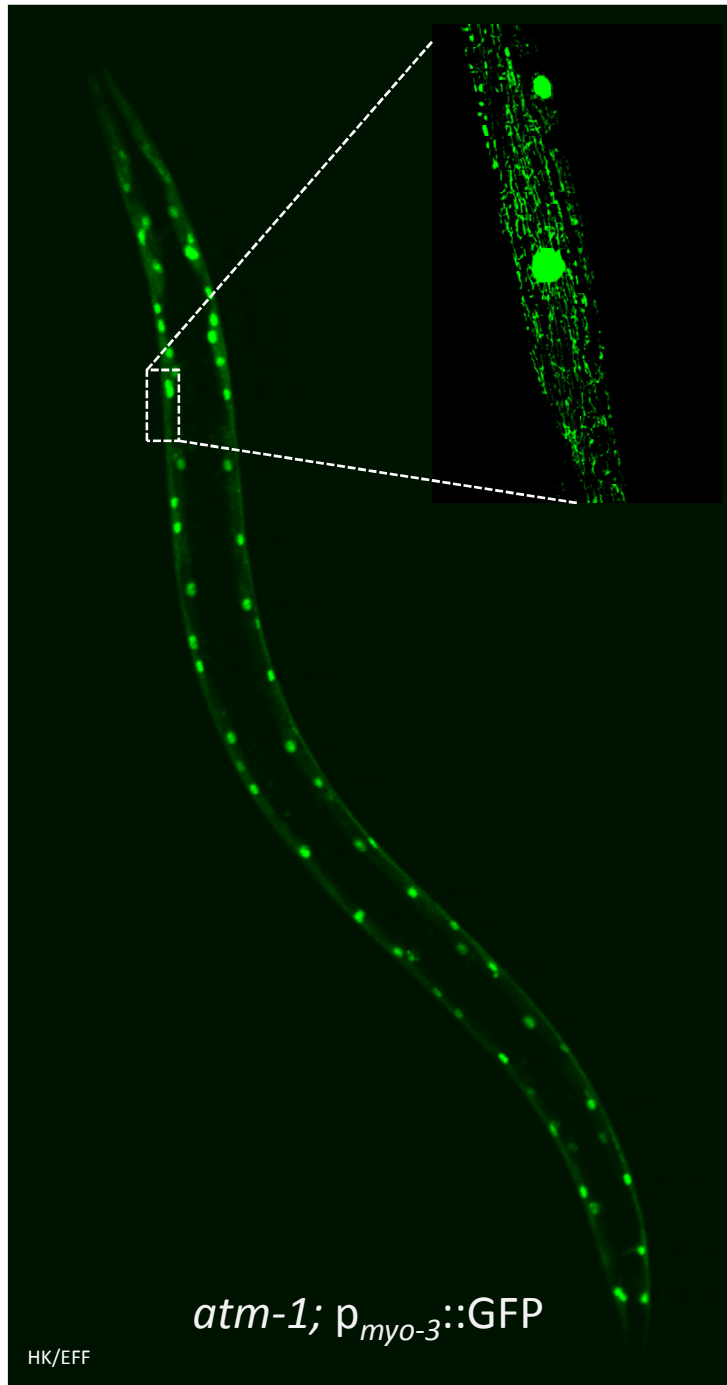


What's the role of mitophagy?



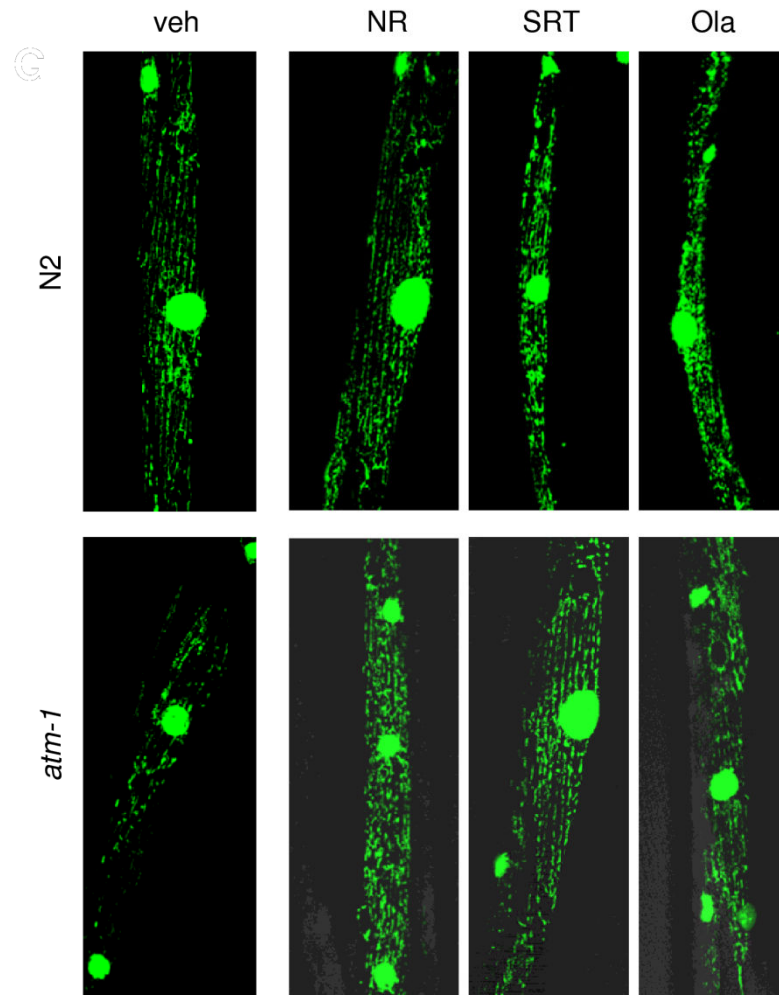
The NAD^+ /SIRT1 pathway maintains mitochondrial homeostasis in ATM neurons through mitophagy



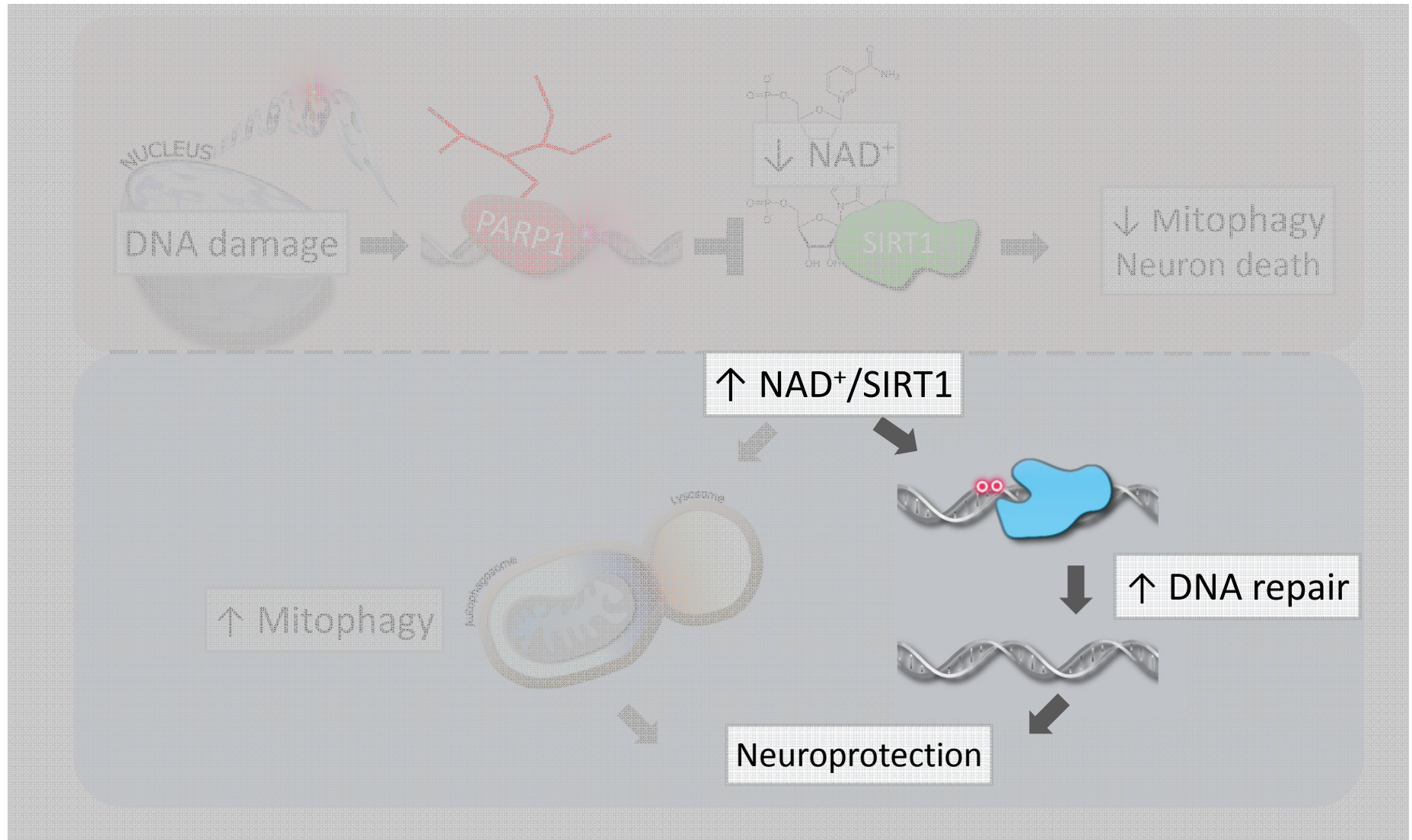


Myo-3 encodes the minor isoform of myosin heavy chain which is muscle-specific

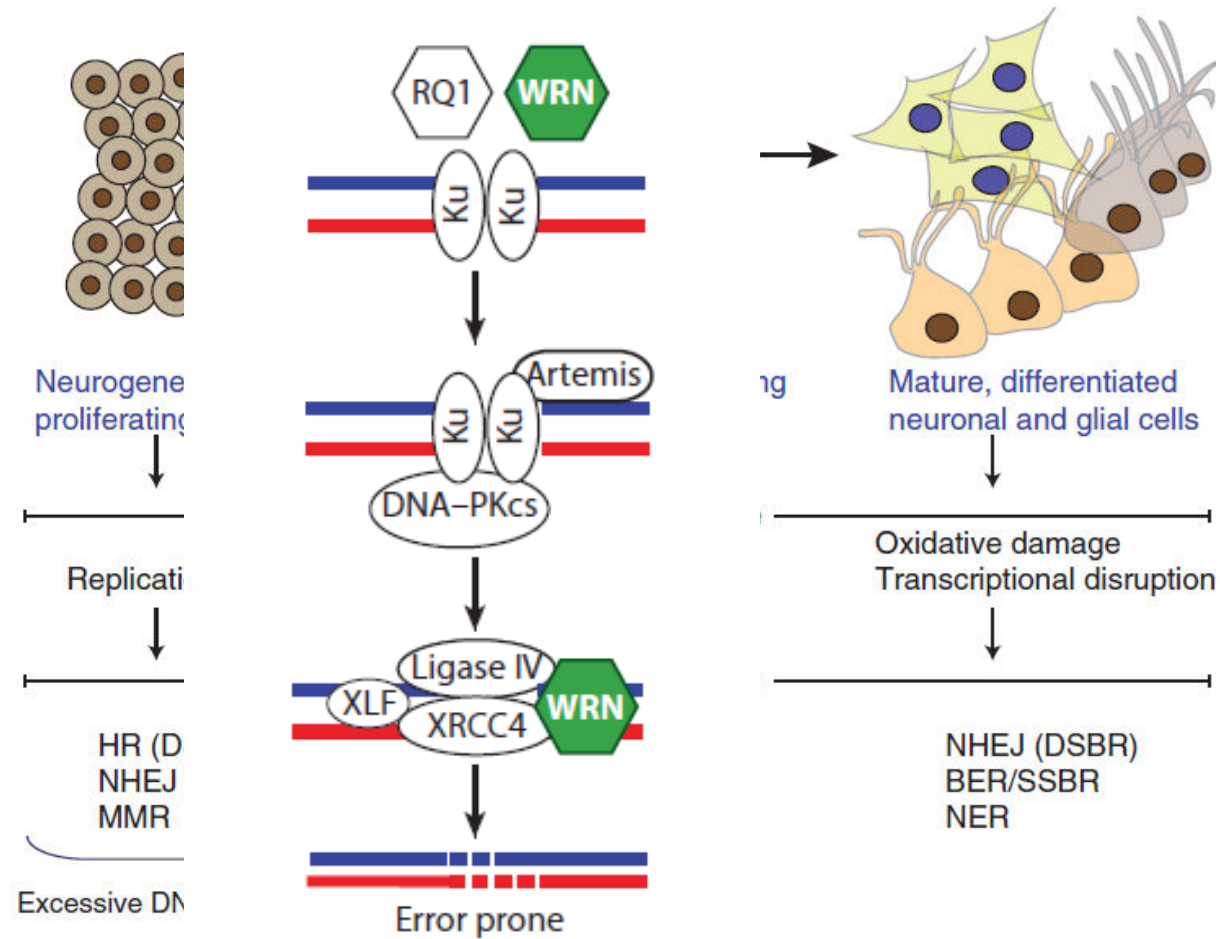
The NAD⁺/Sir-2.1 signaling reverts impaired mitochondrial networking in *atm-1* muscle cells



Can SIRT1 signaling restore NHEJ in ATM?

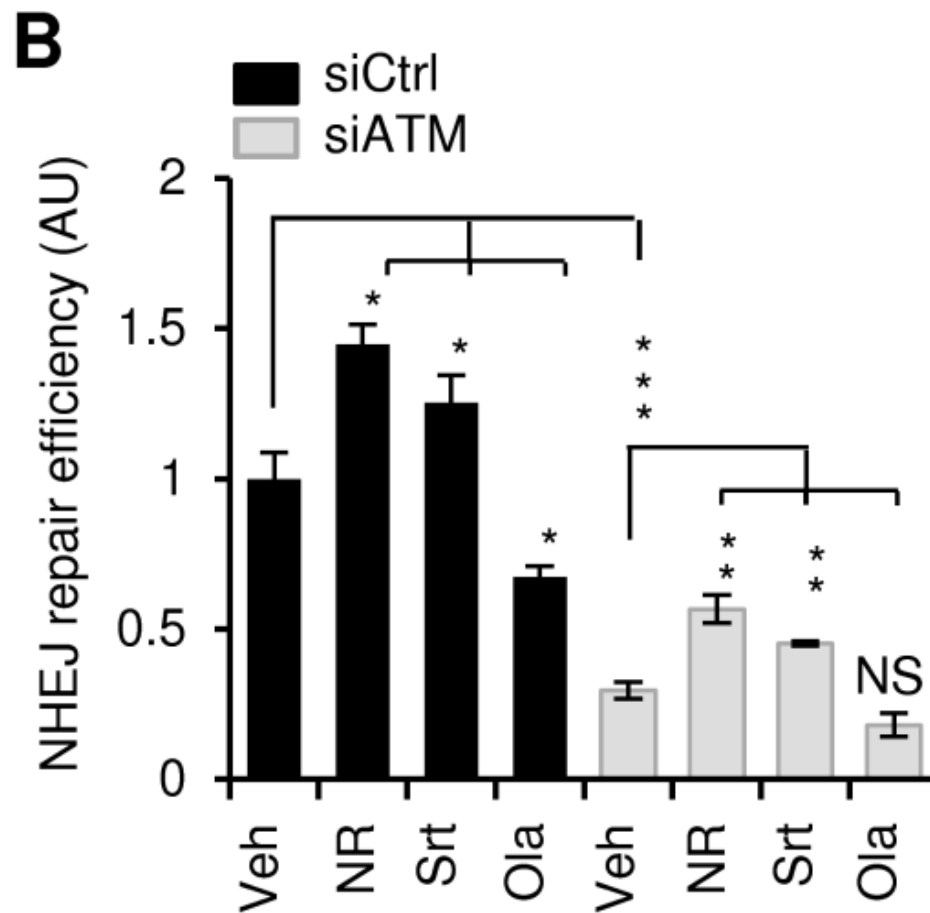


NHEJ is the only DSBR in neurons

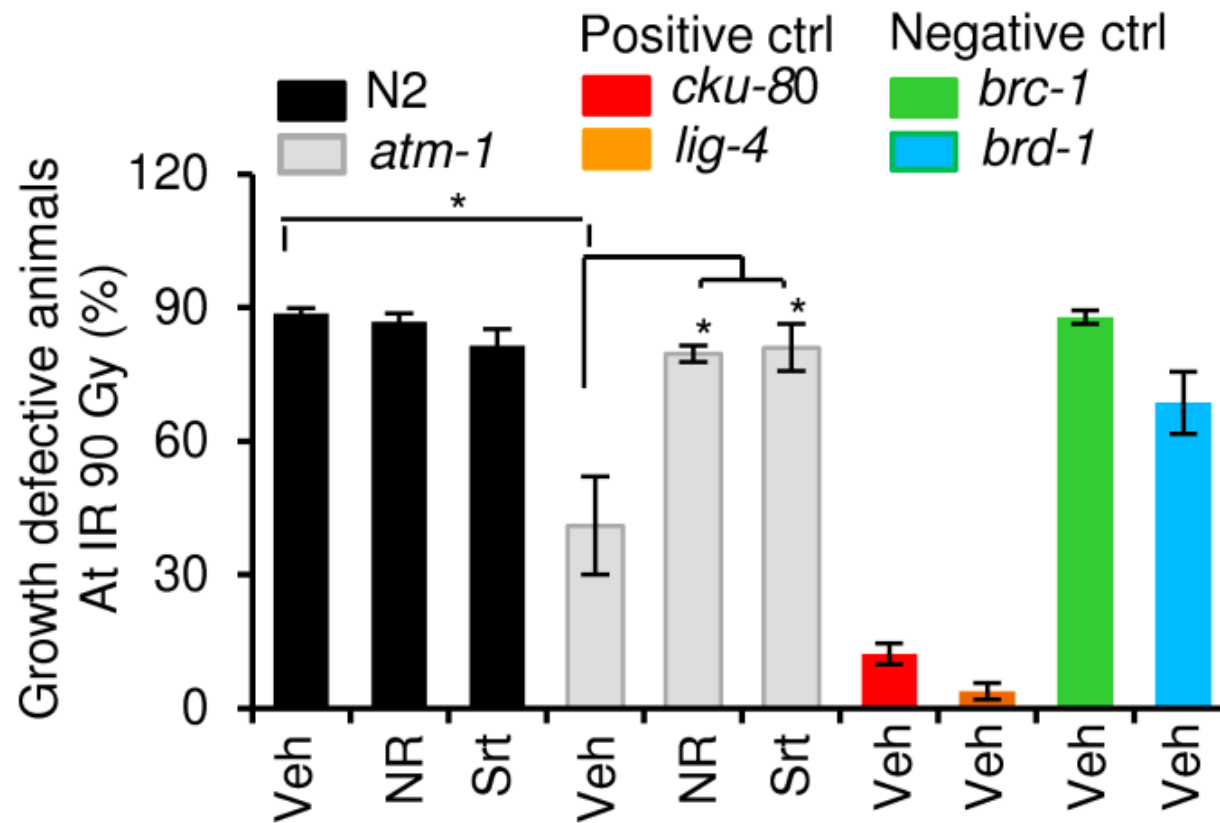


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The NAD⁺/SIRT1 pathway reverts NHEJ



The NAD⁺/SIRT1 pathway reverts NHEJ in *atm-1* worms



The NAD⁺ precursors ameliorates pathological features in *Atm*^{-/-} mice



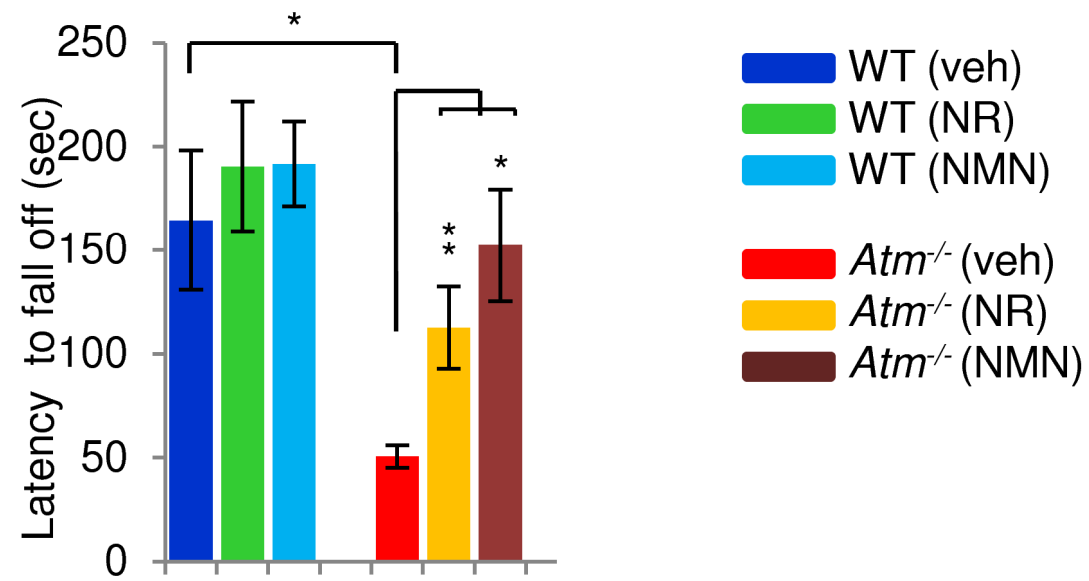
B6;129S4-*Atm*^{tm1Bal/J}

4- 6 males/group, 1 month old

NR: 3.5 mg/ml (12 mM)

NMN: 4.02 mg/ml (12 mM)

14-day with NR/NMN in drinking water (570-590 mg/kg/day)



Summary



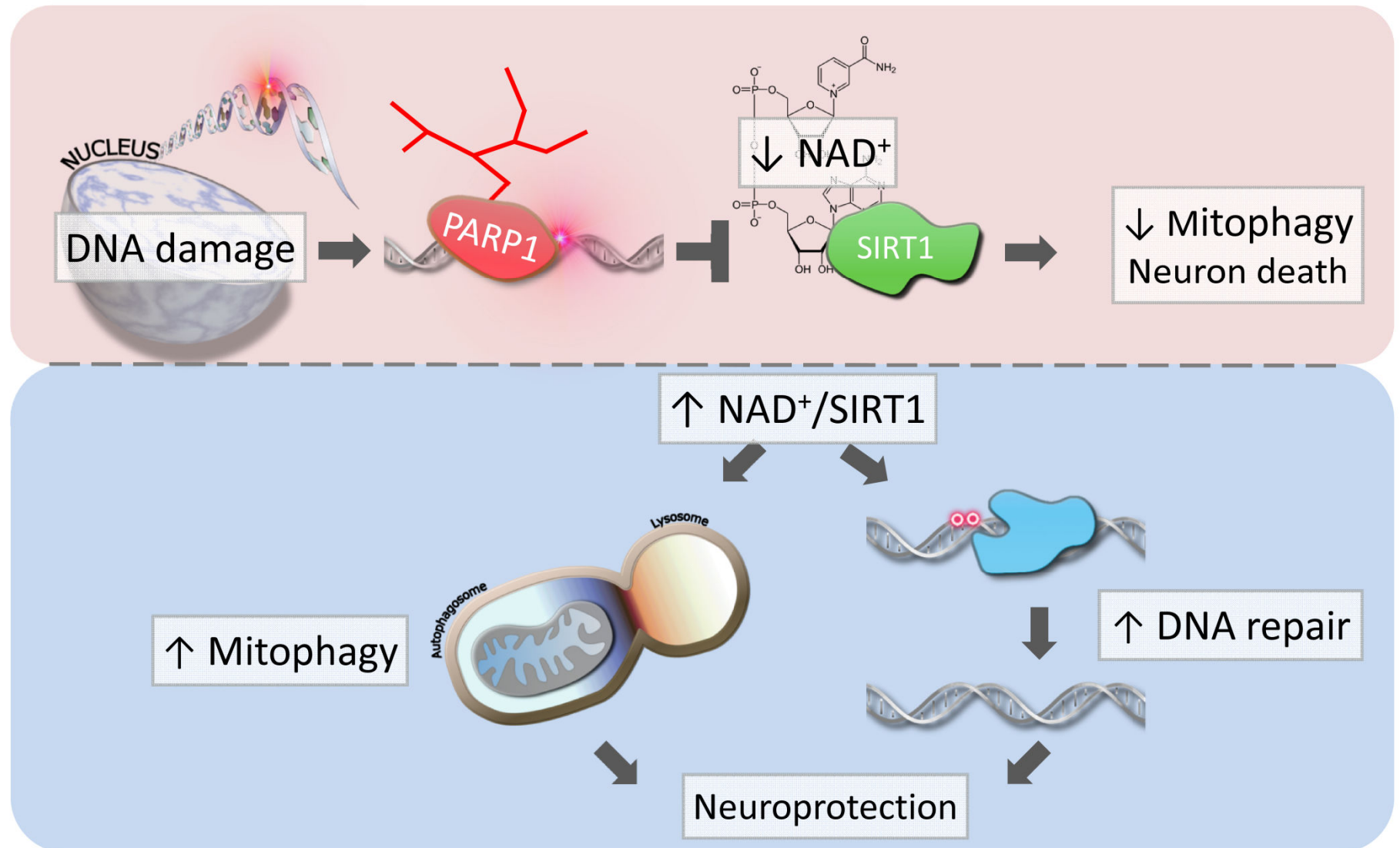
Conclusions

1. Mitochondrial dysfunction in ATM neurons due to NAD^+ /SIRT1 reduction
2. Restoration of the SIRT1 pathway ameliorates neuronal pathology of A-T across species
3. Neuroprotection of the SIRT1 pathway may operate via mitophagy and DNA repair

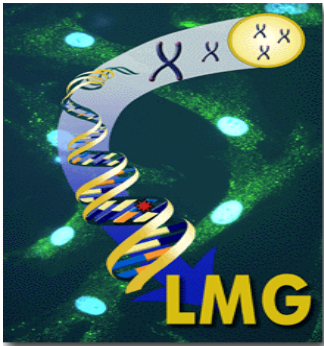
Future Perspectives

1. Molecular mechanisms of sirtuins (1, 3, 6, 7) in DNA repair
2. Exploring the mechanism of nuclear DNA damage to mitochondria signaling
3. Pharmacological intervention in premature aging disorders

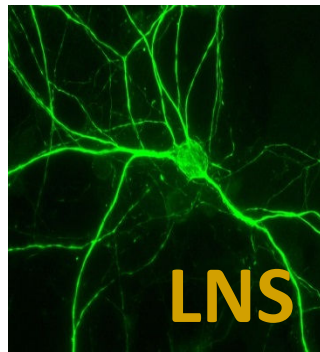
Graphical Abstract



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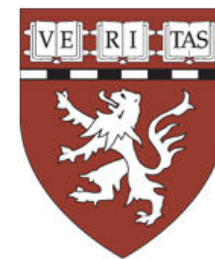
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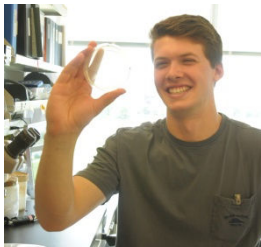
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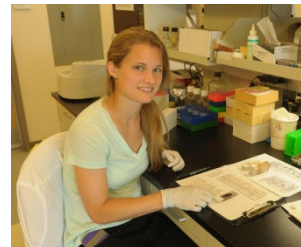
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