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*From the perspective of the researcher, the role of  $\alpha 3\beta 1$  in cancer depends on "time" and "place"; the stage and the type of cancer investigated. Thus, conducting such research sometimes feels like being dropped in the middle of a maze - depending on the first turn you take, you might end up following different paths. Adding a few dead ends, it is also a somewhat appropriate metaphor for the progression of my PhD. At least sometimes.*

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