



# Allegheny Health Network

## Hereditary Pancreatic Cancer

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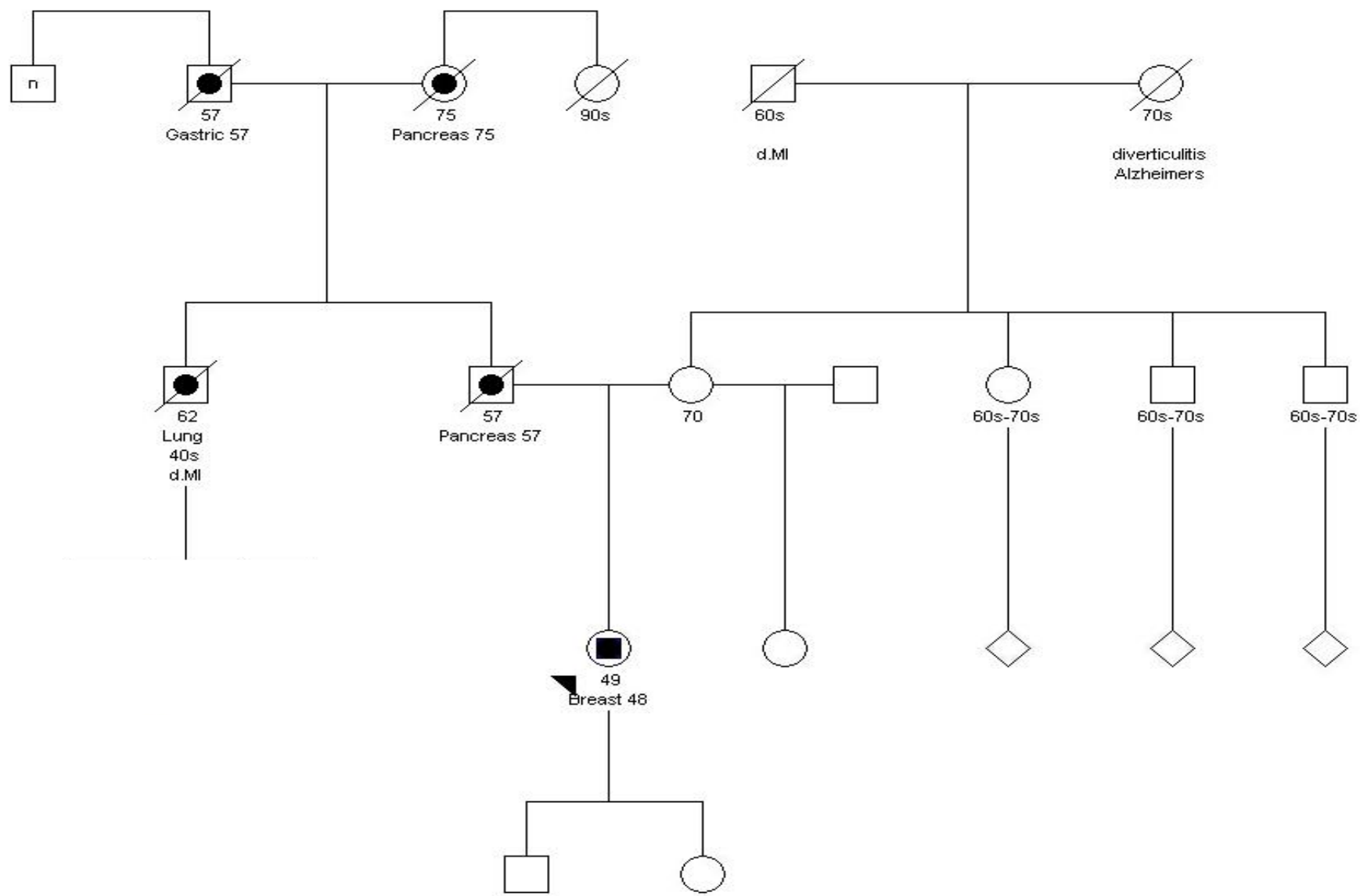
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# Objectives/Agenda

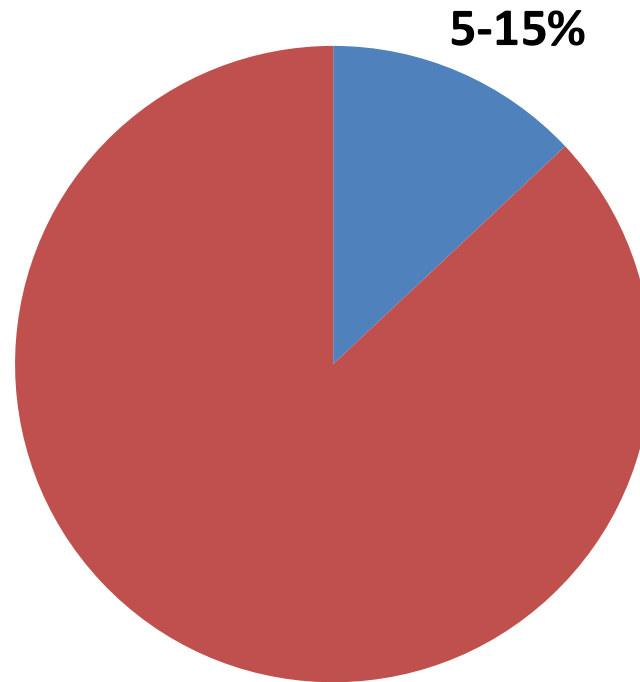
- Identify patients who may benefit from genetic testing
- Identify hereditary cancer syndromes associated with an increased risk to develop pancreatic cancer
- Discuss considerations for pancreatic cancer screening based on hereditary risk factors

# Background

- Historically, genetic etiologies of pancreatic cancer were poorly understood, despite familial patterns
- Guidelines for germline genetic testing with respect to pancreatic cancer have evolved → more testing is being performed → increased understanding of hereditary contributions
- Germline genetic testing results may impact treatment for patient and provide important information for the family



# Hereditary Pancreatic Cancer



- Several familial cancer syndromes are associated with an increased risk for pancreatic cancer
- Several single genes have been associated with increased risk for pancreatic cancer

# Known Hereditary Cancer Syndromes Linked with Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma Risk

Syndrome	Lifetime Risk for Pancreatic Cancer	Other Cancers/Symptoms	Gene
Hereditary Pancreatitis	40%	Pancreatitis (inflammation/scarring of pancreas)	PRSS1, SPINK1, CFTR
Peutz-Jeghers	~36%	Small bowel cancer, gastric cancer, ovarian cancer, skin freckling	STK11
Familial Atypical Multiple-Mole Melanoma	17%	Melanoma, multiple atypical moles	P16/CDKN2A
Hereditary Breast-Ovarian Cancer	~4 % (BRCA1) ~5-9% (BRCA2)	Breast cancer, ovarian cancer, male breast cancer	BRCA1, BRCA2
Li-Fraumeni Syndrome	~11%	Breast cancer, sarcomas, adrenal cortical carcinoma	TP53
Lynch	Up to 6%	Colon, endometrial, ovarian, stomach cancers	MLH1, MSH2, MSH6, PMS2, EPCAM
Familial Adenomatous Polyposis	2%	Colon cancer, multiple colon polyps, small bowel cancer, skin tumors	APC

# Known Hereditary Cancer Syndromes Linked with Pancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumors

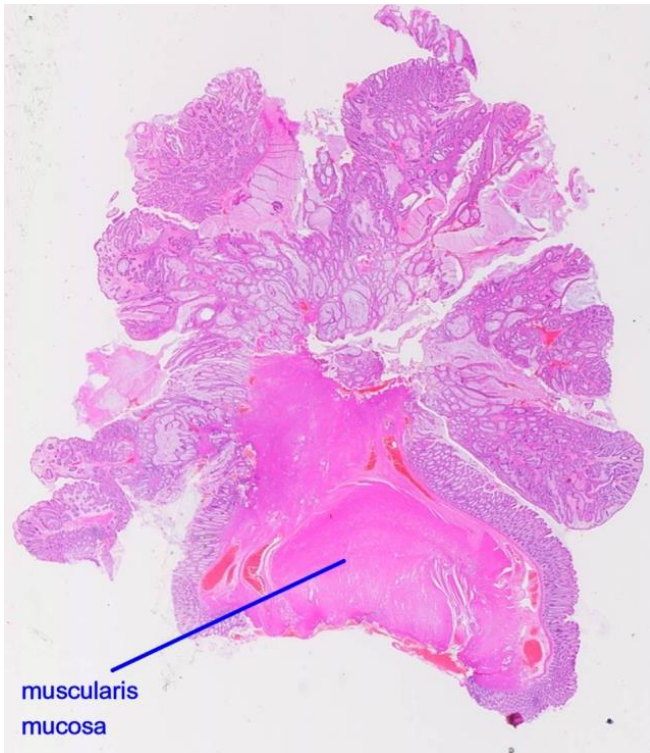
Syndrome	Lifetime Risk for Pancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumors	Other Cancers/Symptoms	Gene
Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia, Type 1	40-70%	Pituitary adenoma, parathyroid hyperplasia, skin findings	MEN1
Von Hippel Lindau	5-17%	paranglioma, pheomycytomas, hemangioblastomas, cystadenoma,	VHL
Neurofibromatosis Type 1	Rare	Neurofibromas, skin lesions (CAL and freckling), Lisch nodules, Glioma, GIST	NF1
Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia, Type 4	?	Parathyroid adenoma/hyperplasia, Pituitary adenomas, duodenal NETs, Papillary thyroid carcinoma	CDKN1B
Tuberous Sclerosis Complex	Rare	Skin lesions, renal angiolioma, CNS tumors/cancer, clear cell renal carcinoma, Cardiac rhabdomyoma	TSC1/TSC2
Hereditary Paranglioma-Pheochromocytoma Syndrome	Case reports	paranglioma , pheochromocytoma, GIST, renal cell cancer	MAX, SDHA, SDHAF2, SDHB, SDHC, SDHD, TMEM127



Genes	Syndrome	Cancer Risks
<b>ATM</b>		Breast, Pancreas, Prostate
APC	FAP	Colon
BRCA1/BRCA2	HBOC	Breast, Ovary
<b>CHEK2</b>		Breast, Prostate
CDNK2A	FAMMM	Melanoma, Pancreas
MLH1/MSH2/ PMS2/MSH6/ EPCAM	Lynch	Colon, Uterine, Ovarian
<b>PALB2</b>		Breast, Pancreas, Ovarian
TP53	Li-Fraumeni	Breast, Sarcoma, Brain
STK11	Peutz-Jeghers	Breast, Colon, Pancreatic, Gastric, Lung

# Peutz-Jeghers Syndrome

- Hamartomatous polyps of the GI tract
- Mucocutaneous hyperpigmentation



# FAMMM (Familial Atypical Mole and Multiple Melanoma)

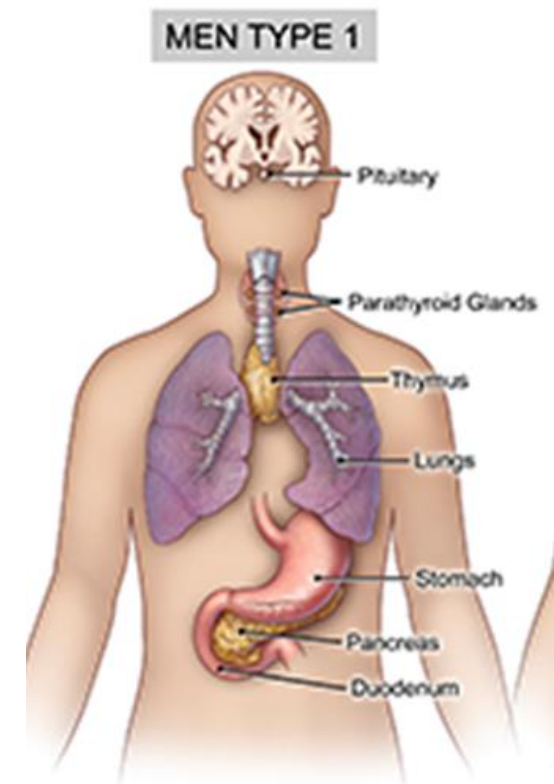
	p16-Leiden positive
Number of atypical nevi	Any number
Risk of melanoma	80-100%
Risk of pancreatic cancer	17%

- 16% of p16-Leiden mutation carriers with pancreatic cancer were diagnosed < age 45
- In familial PC family with one or more cases of melanoma – 40% p16 mutation
- Sporadic PC - ~2% p16 mutations

# Multiple endocrine neoplasia type 1 (MEN1)

Clinical Diagnosis - two or more of following three tumors:

- Parathyroid tumors (90-100%)
  - Typically first feature
- Pituitary tumors (10-60%)
  - Prolactinoma= most common
- Pancreatic endocrine tumors (30-75%)
  - Gastrinoma= most common
- Most tumors of the glands are benign
- 50% pts with MEN1 show symptoms by age 20
- ~100% by age 60
- DeNovo rate = 10%



# Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer Syndrome

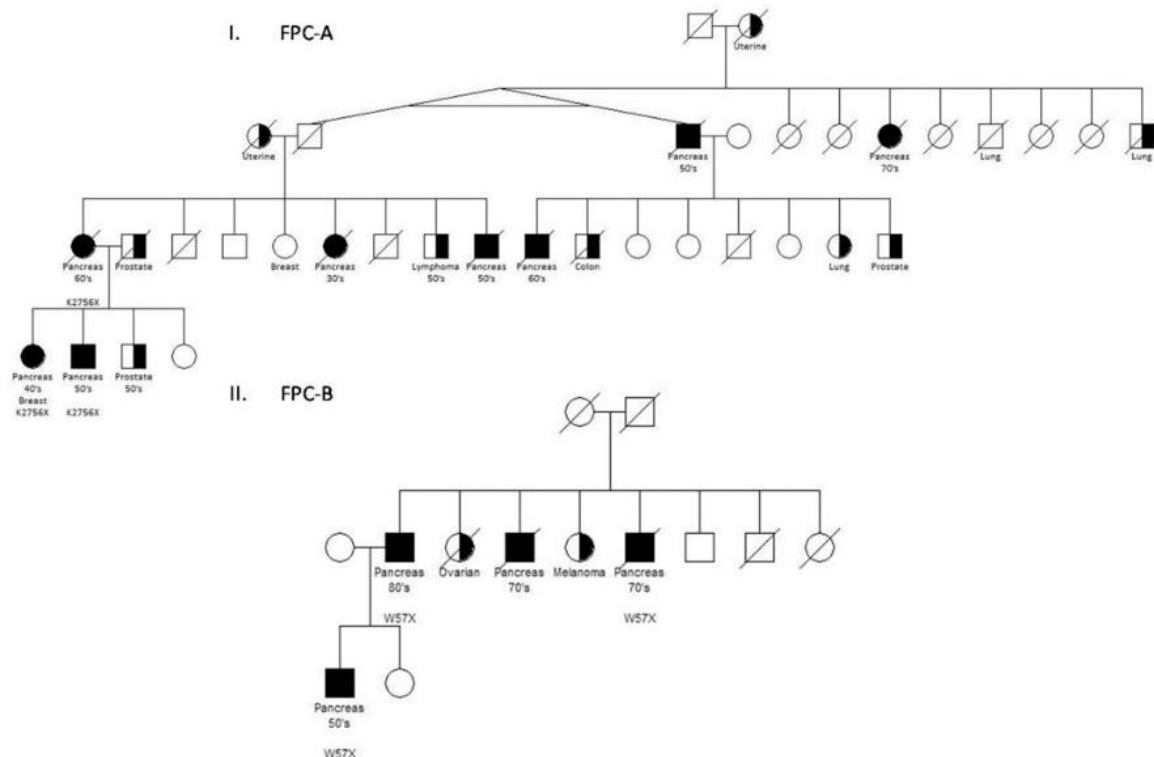
- BRCA2 mutations identified in 17% of families with 3 or > relatives with pancreatic cancer (National Familial Pancreatic Tumor Registry)
- BRCA2 mutations were found in 19% of European families with 2 or > first-degree relatives with pancreatic cancer
- Family history of breast/ovarian cancer may be absent in families with pancreatic cancer and a germline BRCA2 mutations

# BRCA1/2 and Pancreatic Cancer

- BCLC demonstrate a 2-fold increase in risk for pancreatic cancer in BRCA1 mutation carriers
- BRCA2 mutations carriers have a 3-9 fold increased risk for pancreatic cancer

# ATM and Pancreatic Cancer

166 unrelated familial pancreatic cancer patients, 2.4% (4/166) were found to have one ATM mutation and in families with 3 or more cases, 4.6% (4/87) carried a mutation (Roberts 2012)



# Pancreatic cancer in ATM carriers

## Pancreatic cancer

RR of 2.41 (Thompson et al. J Natl Cancer Inst. 2005;97:813–822)

RR of 3.92 (Geoffroy-Perez et al. Int J Cancer.. 2001 Jul 15;93(2):288-93)

## Other cancers

Breast

Prostate



# **PALB2 (Partner And Localizer of BRCA2) and Pancreatic Cancer**

- PALB2 mutations have been identified in a relatively small number (0.6%) of familial pancreatic cancer kindred
- Hofstatter et al. reported 2.1% of breast cancer patients with a family history of pancreatic cancer had a PALB2 mutation
- PALB2 mutations have not been identified in sporadic PC

# Pancreatic cancer in PALB2 carriers

## Pancreatic cancer

RR of 2.37 (Yang et al. J Clin Oncol, 2020 Mar 1;38(7):674-685.)

## Other cancers

Breast

Possible ovarian cancer

# Referral to Genetics

- NCCN Genetic/Familial High-Risk Assessment: Breast, Ovarian, Pancreatic, and Prostate - Version 3.2025
  - All individuals diagnosed with exocrine pancreatic cancer
  - First degree relatives of individuals diagnosed with an exocrine pancreatic cancer
  - Second degree relatives of individuals diagnosed with pancreatic cancer may meet criteria if there is additional family history of cancer (i.e. breast, ovarian, prostate)




# Referral to Genetics

- NCCN Neuroendocrine and Adrenal Tumors - Version 1.2025
  - **Recommend** genetic evaluation for individuals with:
    - Clinical suspicion for *MEN1* due to
      - $\geq 2$  of the following or 1 AND a family history of  $\geq 1$  of the following:
        - » Primary hyperparathyroidism
        - » Duodenal NET/PanNET
        - » Pituitary adenoma
        - » Foregut carcinoid (lung, thymic, or gastric)
    - Clinical suspicion for *MEN2* due to the presence of medullary thyroid carcinoma or other combination of MEN2-related features
  - **Consider** genetic evaluation for all individuals with pancreatic neuroendocrine tumors

# Genetic Testing for Pancreatic Cancer

Original Article

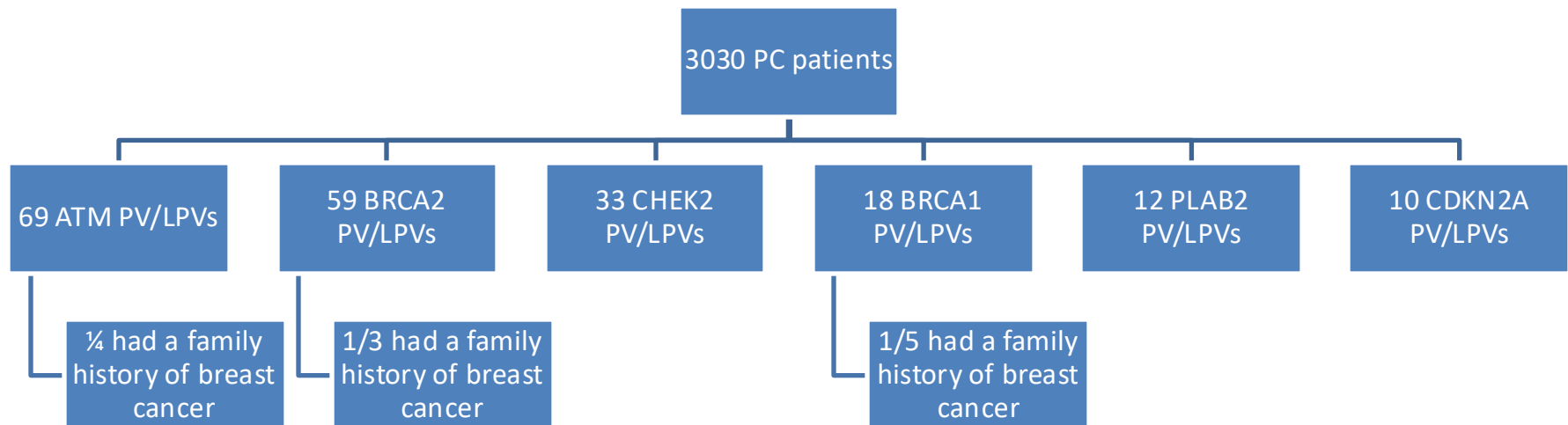
## Prospective Study of Germline Genetic Testing in Incident Cases of Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma

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- The frequency of clinically actionable variant was 9.7%
- 80% were identified in PDAC-associated genes
- ATM was the most frequently mutated gene with a prevalence of 3.3%, and it was followed by BRCA1 and BRCA2 mutations combined, which were identified in 2.7% of the cohort

# Association Between Inherited Germline Mutations in Cancer Predisposition Genes and Risk of Pancreatic Cancer

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*Genes Analyzed: ATM, BRCA1, BRCA2, BRIP1, CDKN2A, CHEK2, FANCC, MLH1, MRE11A, MSH2, NBN, NF1, PALB2, RAD51C, RAD51D, TP53*

## PREVALENCE OF GERMLINE MUTATIONS IN CANCER GENES AMONG PANCREATIC CANCER PATIENTS WITH POSITIVE FAMILY HISTORY

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- Myriad myRisk 25 gene panel completed on 302 patients with pancreatic adenocarcinoma
- 11.9% of patients carried a PV (ATM, BARD1, BRCA1, BRCA2, CDKN2A, CHEK2, MSH2, MUTYH, NBN, PALB2, PMS2)
- Overall prevalence of PVs among FPC (13.5%) patients versus non-FPC patients (9.4%)
  - \* Kindreds with at least one pair of first degree relatives who were affected with PDAC were considered FPC and kindreds with at least two affected blood relatives that did not meet the FPC definition were considered “familial non-FPC”.

# Genetic Testing for PNET

## Real-Time Genomic Characterization of Metastatic Pancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumors Has Prognostic Implications and Identifies Potential Germline Actionability

**Table 2.** Pathogenic or Likely Pathogenic Germline Alterations in 76 Cancer Predisposition–Associated Genes in Well-Differentiated Pancreatic Neuroendocrine Tumors

Gene	Mutation	HGVSp_Short	No. Patients (n = 17)	Penetrance and Significance
<i>MEN1</i>	c.773C>T	p.S258L	1	High penetrance
<i>VHL</i>	c.257C>T	p.P86L	1	High penetrance
<i>TSC2</i>	c.3598C>T	p.R1200W	1	High penetrance
<i>CHEK2</i>	c.1283C>T	p.S428F	1	Moderate penetrance
<i>CHEK2</i>	c.1337delA	p.N446Tfs*23	1	Moderate penetrance
<i>CHEK2</i>	c.470T>C	p.I157T	2	Moderate penetrance
Monoallelic <i>MUTYH</i>	c.494A>G	p.Y165C	2	Low penetrance
Monoallelic <i>MUTYH</i>	c.1419delC	p.T474Pfs*3	2	Low penetrance
<i>APC</i>	c.3920T>A	p.I1307K	3	Low penetrance
<i>FANCC</i>	c.996+1G>A	p.X332_splice	1	Recessive allele
<i>RECQL4</i>	c.2464+1G>C	p.X822_splice	1	Recessive allele
<i>RAD50</i>	c.3277C>T	p.R1093*	1	Uncertain clinical actionability

- Germline analysis included 76 genes known to be associated with hereditary cancer predisposition
- Germline genetic analysis identified clinically actionable pathogenic or likely pathogenic variants in 14 of 88 patients (16%), including mutations in high-penetrance cancer susceptibility genes (*MEN1*, *TSC2*, and *VHL*).

**Raj N, et al. JCO Precision Oncology 2018 :2, 1-18**



# Genetic Testing for Pancreatic Cancer

- Based on previous studies, family history may be contributory
- Given the high frequency of predisposing mutations and the absence of effective predictors of mutations, genetic testing of all patients with pancreatic is likely warranted
- MGT typically performed → other cancer risks, information for family members

# Consideration for Screening - 2019

## International Cancer of the Pancreas Screening (CAPS) Consortium

- Individuals with a CDKN2A or STK11 mutation regardless of family history, initiate at age 40
- Individuals with a BRCA2 mutation with  $\geq 1$  FDR or  $\geq 2$  relatives with PC, initiate by age 45-50
- Individuals with ATM, PALB2, BRCA1, Lynch mutation and  $\geq 1$  FDR with PC, initiate by age 45-50
- Individuals with PRSS1 or other hereditary pancreatitis mutation with a clinical history of pancreatitis, initiate 20 years after onset of symptoms or age 40
- Individuals who have at least one first-degree relative with pancreatic cancer who in turn also has a first-degree relative with pancreatic cancer (familial pancreatic cancer kindred), initiate by age 50-55

# Screening for Pancreatic Cancer - CAPS

- Annual Endoscopic ultrasound
- Annual MRI/MRCP

# Consideration for Screening – NCCN High-Risk Assessment: Breast, Ovarian and Pancreatic Cancer Guidelines Version 3.2025

- Individuals with a CDKN2A mutation regardless of family history, initiate at age 40
- Individuals with a STK11 mutation regardless of family history, initiate at age 30-35
- *Individuals with an ATM or BRCA2 mutation regardless of family history, initiate at age 50*
- Individuals with BRCA1, MLH1, MSH2, MSH2, EPCAM, PALB2 or TP53 mutation and  $\geq 1$  FDR or SDR with PC, initiate at age 50
- Individuals with PRSS1 or other hereditary pancreatitis mutation with a clinical history of pancreatitis , initiate 20 years after onset of symptoms of age 40
- A family history of pancreatic cancer in  $\geq 1$  first-degree and  $\geq 1$  second-degree relatives from the same side of the family

# Screening for Pancreatic Cancer - NCCN

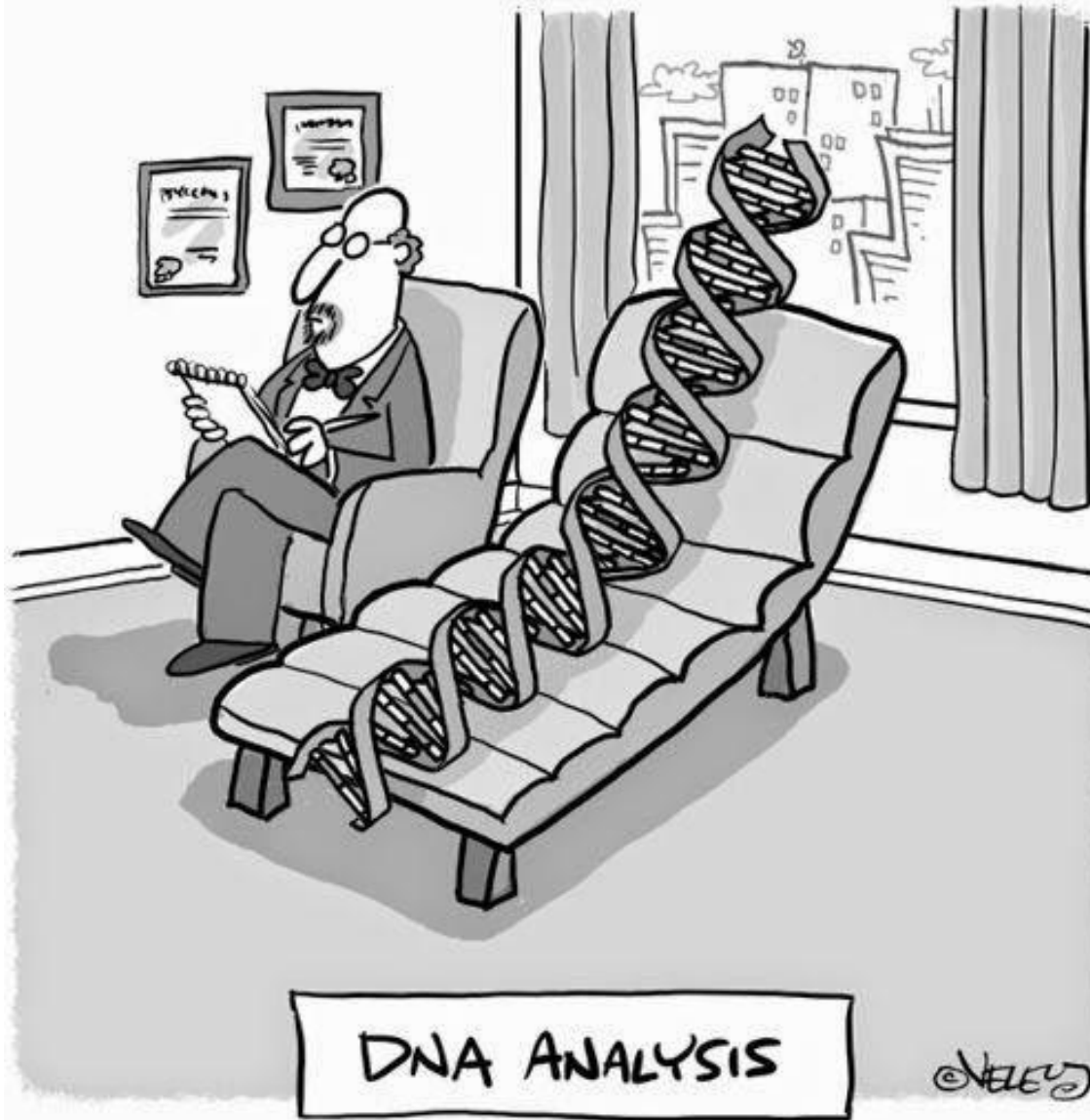
- Annual contrast-enhanced MRI/magnetic resonance cholangiopancreatography (MRCP) and/or endoscopic ultrasound (EUS)
  - Shorter screening intervals, based on clinical judgment

# Germline Mutations and Treatment for Pancreatic Cancer

- Increased survival for PDAC patients with germline mutations in BRCA1/2 or PALB2 who received platinum chemotherapy.
- Evaluating PARP inhibitors in PDAC patients with germline mutations in BRCA1/2
- Immune checkpoint inhibitors to treat tumors with microsatellite instability or mismatch repair deficiency

# Key points

- All patients with pancreatic adenocarcinoma meet NCCN guidelines for consideration of genetic testing
- Germline genetic testing may aid in treatment decision making for the patients and determine future cancer surveillance
- Testing may provide additional information to family members with respect to cancer risk and screening





# Questions ?