

# Urology Review : Dine and Learn

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# Objectives

- Bladder Cancer – What to know for a GP
  - Importance of timing
  - Dealing with BCG pt.'s
  - A quick look at diversions
- Prostate Cancer
  - Screening
  - Androgen Deprivation Therapy & Bone Health

# Bladder Cancer

- 70 % Non-muscle invasive <T2.
  - Low risk 40% recurrence rate, 5 % progression,
  - High Risk 80% recurrence 20% progress.
  - Mainstay of treatments
    - Repeat cystoscopy and TURBTs
    - Mitomycin C in bladder
    - BCG therapy – q weekly x6 weeks, then q 3 weekly at 3,6, 12, 18, 24, 30 & 36 months.
- 30% Muscle invasive:
  - Treatment is Neoadjuvant Chemotherapy with Radical Cystectomy and Urinary Diversion
  - 50% 5 year survival rate.

# Timing – THE GPs role is critical!

- May 17 2017 - **Gross hematuria and seen at walk in clinic a referral was made saying 'Prostatis'**
- Jul 6 2017 - seen in clinic with ? 1 cm lesion in trigone of bladder
- Aug. 7 2017 - Cystoscopy 1 cm bladder lesion seen.
- Sept. 6 2017 - TURBT MIBC
- Sep 25 2017 – Path returns & BCCA referral for NAC –
- Oct. 16 2017 - NAC refused due to neuro concerns.
- Nov. 28 - next available OR date for Cystectomy
- Dec. 12 2017 – Lymph node positive disease and re-referral for Adjuvant Chemo
- A wait longer than 12 weeks is associated with increased MORTALITY
  
- MESSAGE - Call the Urologist, or MAKE SURE referral Gets through. We all have fast tracks for gross hematuria patients and they should be seen and have cystoscopy

# BCG Therapy

- Live attenuated TB.
- Risk of TB sepsis <0.5%, unless pt. has active hematuria, immunosuppressed, frail elderly.
- If febrile on BCG therapy > 38.5, not responsive to tylenol:
  - 1) evaluate for UTI
  - 2) Consider systemic TB as possibility.
- Main side effect is urinary urgency, frequency.

# Radical Cystectomy

- 64% complication rate, 20% grade 3 complication, 2% mortality.
- 3 types of urinary Diversion:
  - Ileal Conduit
  - Ileal Neobladder
  - Indiana Pouch

- All 3 types –
  - the bowel functions as bowels and resorbs urine causing an acidosis, hypernatremia.
  - Methotrexate and Dilantin are renaly excreted and absorbed in small bowel (Need to consider dosage)
  - Persistent Bacteriuria – don't treat all positive cultures
  - Blockage / infection can present as nausea

# Prostate Cancer

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- Prostate cancer is the most common cancer in American men
- In 2015:
  - 220,800 new cases
  - Over 27,000 deaths (2<sup>nd</sup> leading cause of death)
  - Metastatic Prostate Cancer is associated with pain, urinary symptoms and poor Quality of Life
- Lifetime risk of diagnosis
  - 14% or 1 in 7 men
- Risk Factors:
  - Age (median age at diagnosis 67)
  - Race
    - African Americans: 1.6x more likely diagnosed, 2.4x increased death
  - Family History
    - One first-degree relative: 2x increased lifetime risk
    - Two or more: 4x increased lifetime risk
  - Diet, Obesity, Smoking, Genetics, Agent Orange exposure



# Screening: To Assessing Risk of Diagnosis Prostate Cancer

**Enter Your Information**

Race

Age

PSA Level  ng/ml

Family History of Prostate Cancer

Digital Rectal Examination

Prior Prostate Biopsy

**PCPTRC 2.0 and Adjusted Risk Calculators**

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[Prostate Volume and Number of Biopsy Cores](#)

[AUA Symptom Score](#)

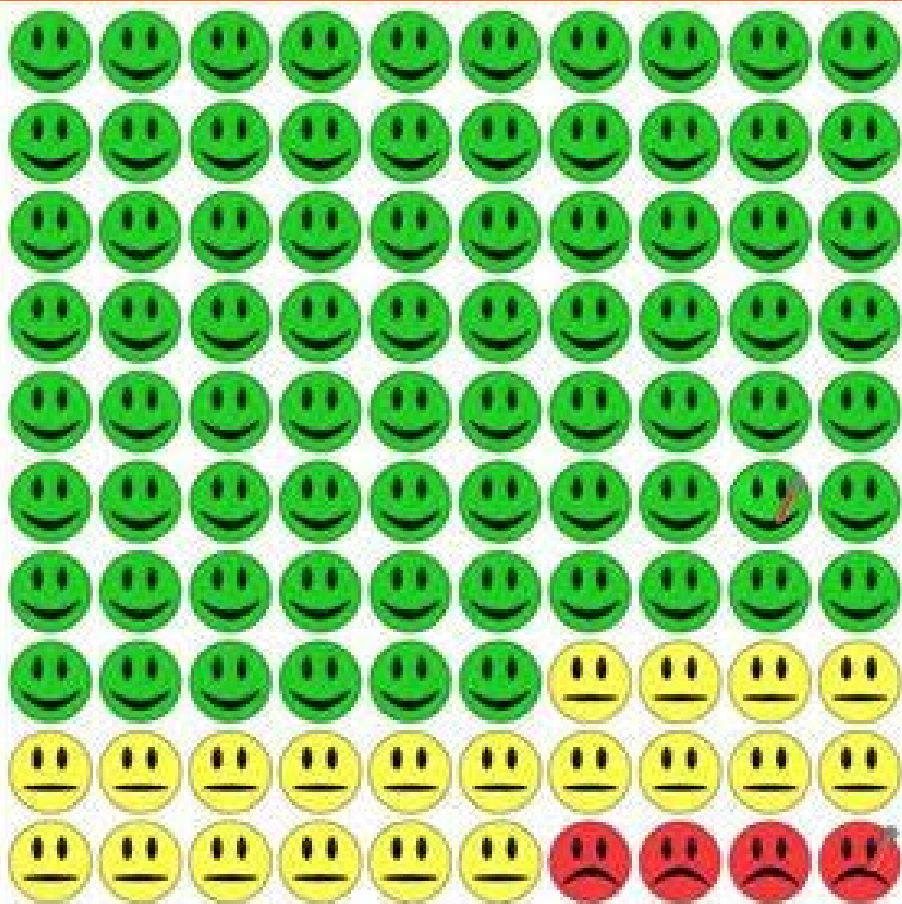
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Google for prostate cancer risk calculator

Results



Based on the provided risk factors a prostate biopsy performed would have a:



4% chance of high-grade prostate cancer,



20% chance of low-grade cancer,



76% chance that the biopsy is negative for cancer.



About 2 to 4% of men undergoing biopsy will have an infection that may require hospitalization.

# Why all the controversy?

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- PSA is not a perfect test
- Confounders
  - BPH
  - Infections (UTI, prostatitis)
  - Ejaculation
  - Catheterization
  - Medication
  - Urinary Retention
  - Trauma

# No safe PSA threshold...

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- PSA <4 ng/mL

PSA level	Prevalence of Prostate Cancer	High-Grade Disease
3.1 - 4.0	26.9%	25.0%
2.1 - 3.0	23.9%	19.1%
1.1 - 2.0	17.0%	11.8%
0.6 - 1.0	10.1%	10.0%
<0.5	6.6%	12.5%

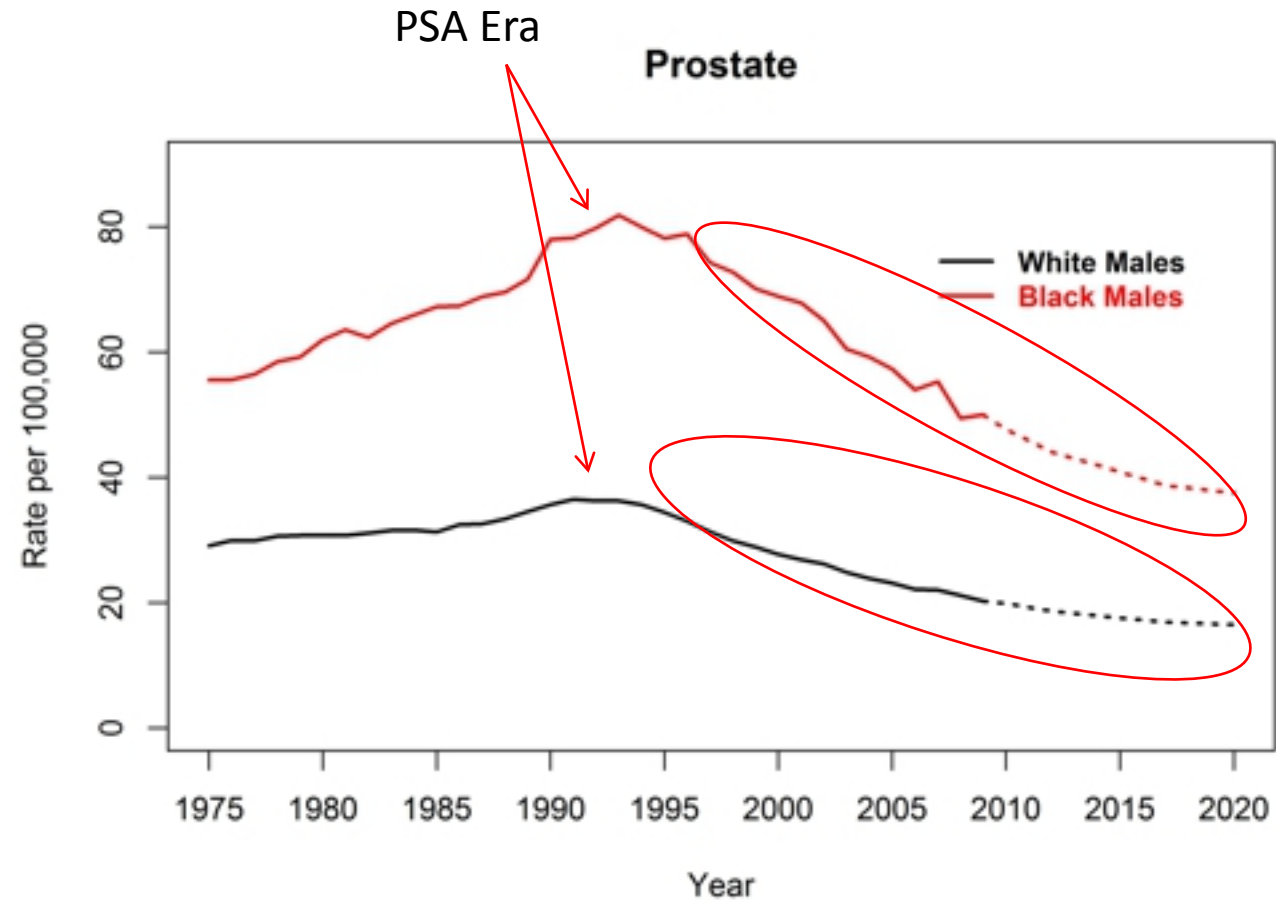
# Prostate Cancer Dilemma

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- Goal of treatment: Prevent death & morbidity
- Not all men diagnosed with prostate cancer need treatment
- We cannot predict with certainty who will die
- Potential for over-treatment
- All treatments have side effects

# PSA and Prostate Cancer Mortality

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# Prostate Cancer Intervention Side Effects

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- Biopsy side effects
  - Sepsis, Bleeding, Discomfort
- Treatment side effects
  - Transient incontinence, ED, stricture, long-term bowel or bladder irritation
- Overtreatment of clinically insignificant cancer
  - Very Low Risk Prostate Cancer doesn't need treatment due to benign course, or can be treated at a later date.
  - Intermediate and High risk cancer treatment recommended
  - Advanced Prostate Cancer will progress despite certain therapies.

# Why recommend against screening for prostate cancer?

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Screening and consequent treatment, as currently practiced, are often harmful:

- Too much screening of elderly men with a short life expectancy
- Too liberal criteria for biopsy
- Too aggressive treatment of low risk cancers
- Inadequate treatment of high risk cancers
- Treatment largely administered by low volume providers (higher risks of side effects and lower risks of cure)



# What were these recommendations based on?

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- PLCO Study
  - Prostate, Lung, Colorectal, Ovarian Screening
  - US based study, concluded in 2009
  - Men 55-74, 10 study centers across US, 1993-2001
- ERSPC Study
  - European Randomized study for Screening of Prostate Cancer
  - Originally published in 2009
  - Men 55-69, 7 European centers, 1991-2003

# PLCO Limitations

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- **Selection Bias:**
  - 44% of those enrolled underwent PSA testing before study
- **Cross-over Contamination:**
  - 52%-79% controls had PSA testing
- **Low Adherence:**
  - Only 41% of the patients in the screening arm with positive PSA values underwent prompt biopsy within 1 year
  - Only 40% had biopsy when PSA went up
- *Is this a true randomized trial comparing PSA screened to unscreened population?*
- *Or just comparing “opportunistic” screening to annual screening?*

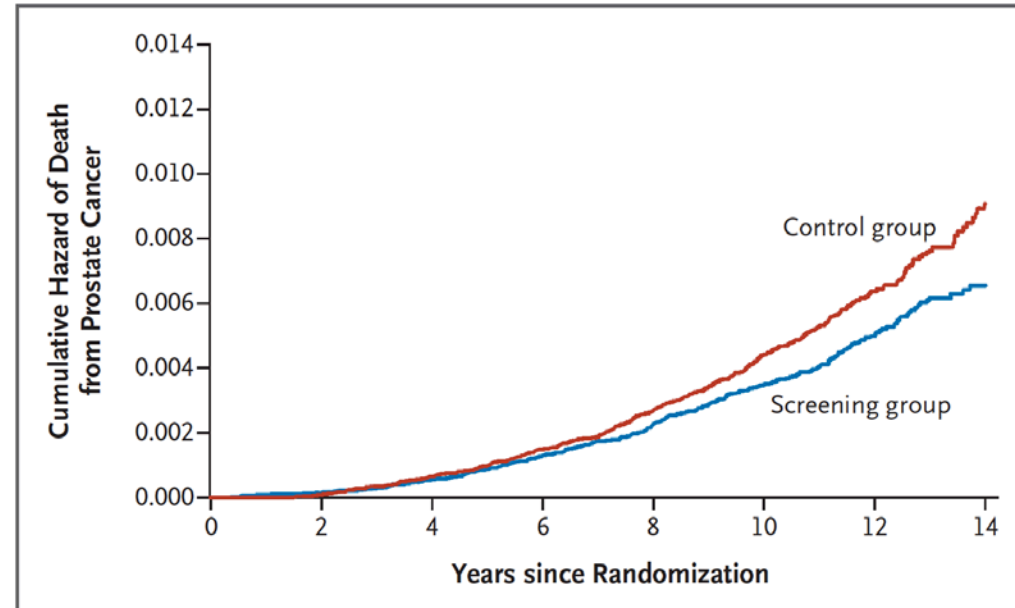
# Problems with recommendation against screening

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- European randomized trial has not reached its primary endpoint
- Inappropriate inclusion of very different trials in meta-analysis
- Lack of appreciation for the strong relationship between PSA and prostate cancer mortality
- Inadequate consideration of time-to-event (long delay between elevated PSA and death from prostate cancer)
- Overall mortality is not an appropriate endpoint
- Mortality risk of surgery exaggerated (0.5%)

# ERSPC

- Correcting for selection bias and noncompliance, RR reduction of 29%.
- To prevent 1 death at 13 years follow-up, need to screen 781 and number needed to treat 27
- Impact of screening on PCa mortality improved with additional follow-up

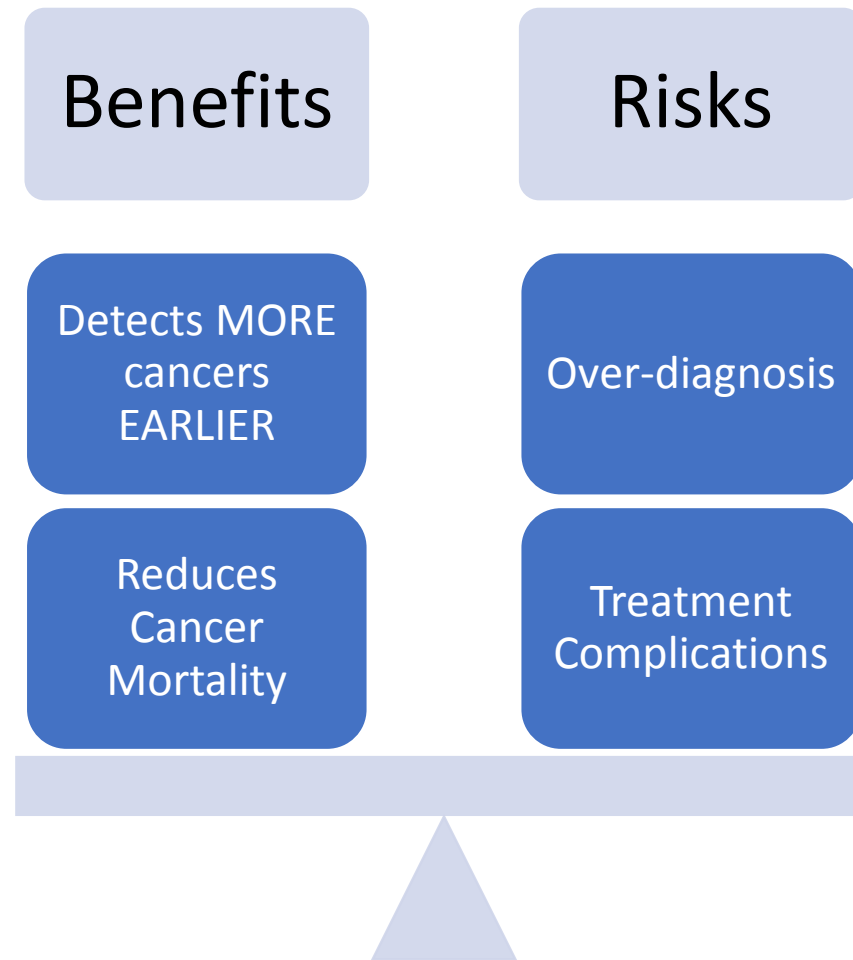


**Figure 2.** Cumulative Hazard of Death from Prostate Cancer among Men 55 to 69 Years of Age.

Values are not included for centers in France because of the short follow-up period (median, 4.6 years). The Nelson–Aalen method was used to calculate the cumulative hazard of death from prostate cancer.

# Balancing Act of Prostate Cancer Screening

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# Recommendations from Professional Organizations

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## Screening Recommended

- AUA
- NCCN
- ACS
- ASCO
- EAU
- ACP
- CUA

## Screening NOT Recommended

- ~~USPTF~~
- ~~AAFP~~
- CPSTF (last update 2014)

“Screening should be individualized”





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# Guidelines - 2015

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- **START**

- Baseline testing at age 45
- Risk-adapted screening based on baseline PSA

- **HOW OFTEN**

- If baseline PSA < 1 ng/mL → every 2-4 years
- If baseline PSA ≥ 1 ng/mL → every 1-2 years

- **STOP**

- ≥75 years old OR <10 year life expectancy

- **Special Considerations**

- High Risk Patients (AA, +FHx): no consensus, same schedule
- Genetic syndromes (*BRCA1/2*, Lynch syndrome): start screening at 40

# How to Increase the Benefits and Reduce the Risks of Screening for Prostate Cancer

- Screen, But Screen Less:
  - Risk adjust screening by age and PSA (**reduce frequency of screening**)
- Improve Screening:
  - Reduce false positive PSA results by adding additional markers (4 kallikrein panel or -2(pro)PSA, PSMA, MRI), (**Limit Unnecessary Biopsies**)
- Don't Treat all patients:
  - Active surveillance for low risk cancers (**reduce harms of unnecessary therapy**)
- When you treat patients, treat them well:
  - Refer patients who need treatment to high volume physicians or centers (**reduce harm of necessary therapy**)



# Bone Health in Prostate Cancer

# Androgen Deprivation Therapy

- Prostate cancer has a predisposition for bone met's
- Androgen Deprivation results in Osteoporosis.
- Fracture Risk for patients on continuous ADT is extremely high (>15 % /year)
- All men on ADT should:
  - Be on Ca<sup>2+</sup> and Vitamin D
  - Should get DEXA Bone Scans
  - Should get bisphosphonates or Denosumab (RANK-Ligand mAb) if osteoporotic, prior fracture, or if have bone metastasis.

What is your risk?

See [mskcc.org](http://mskcc.org)

→ search prediction tools

→ Click ' prostate cancer'

→ calculate:

- risk of having prostate cancer given PSA

- risk of male death with vs. from prostate cancer

- risk of outcome following prostatectomy

- risk of recurrence after prostatectomy

- risk of cure with salvage treatment....