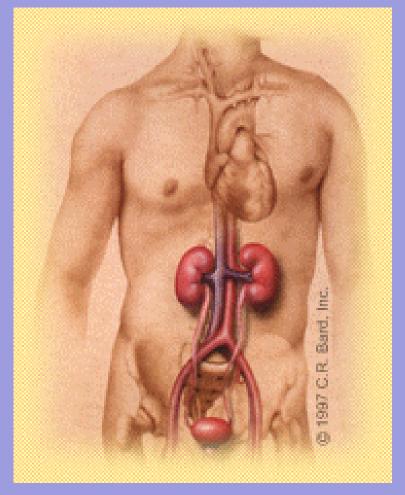
# **Urological Oncology**



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#### Plan

- Renal Cell Carcinoma
- Bladder Carcinoma
- Testicular Carcinoma
- Prostate Carcinoma
- Miscellaneous

## Renal Cell Carcinoma

- 95% of Renal carcinomas
- AKA Clear Cell carcinoma
- Arising from proximal tubular epithelium
- Twice as common in *men* as in women
- Occurs most commonly in the fourth to sixth decades of life
- 2% assoc with inherited conditions (VHL)



Cohen, Herbert T., McGovern, Francis J. Renal-Cell Carcinoma
N Engl J Med 2005 353: 2477-2490

#### Presentation

- Classic Triad Haematuria, Flank Pain, Abdominal Mass (10%)
- Most common presentations
  - Haematuria (40%)
  - Flank pain (40%)
  - Palpable mass in the flank or abdomen (25%)
- Other signs and symptoms
  - Weight loss (33%)
  - Fever (20%)
  - Hypertension (20%)
  - Hypercalcaemia (5%)
  - Night sweats
  - Malaise
  - Varicocoele usually left sided
- ~ ½ cases now detected incidentally on radiographic examination



#### Risk Factors

- Cigarette smoking doubles the risk and contributes to as many as 1/3 of all cases dose-dependent fashion.
- Obesity
- Additional factors
  - Hypertension
  - Occupational exposure to petroleum products, heavy metals, solvents, or asbestos
  - Analgesic abuse
  - Acquired cystic kidney disease associated with chronic renal insufficiency
  - Renal dialysis
  - Tuberous sclerosis
  - Renal transplantation: With its associated immunosuppression, renal transplantation confers an 80-fold increase in the risk of renal cell cancer.

## Surgical Treatment

- Surgical excision is the primary treatment for organ confined RCC
- Radical Nephrectomy, includes removal of the kidney en bloc with Gerota's fascia, the ipsilateral adrenal gland,+/- regional lymph nodes is the standard therapy
- Staging and evaluation for the presence of metastases, including a careful history-taking and physical examination, should be completed before surgery
- Nephron-sparing Partial Nephrectomy has gained acceptance for treating tumors less than 4 cm in diameter
- Renal Carcinoma Embolization
- Robotic Nephrectomy/ Partial nephrectomy
- Laparoscopic Nephrectomy

#### **Medical Treatment**

Generally offered for locally advanced or metastatic renal-cell carcinoma

#### Immunomodulatory therapies

- Interferon Alfa
- Interleukin-2
- Interferon alfa and nephrectomy is superior to interferon alfa alone in metastatic disease

#### Chemotherapy

Rates of response to chemotherapy alone are low (roughly 4 to 6 percent)

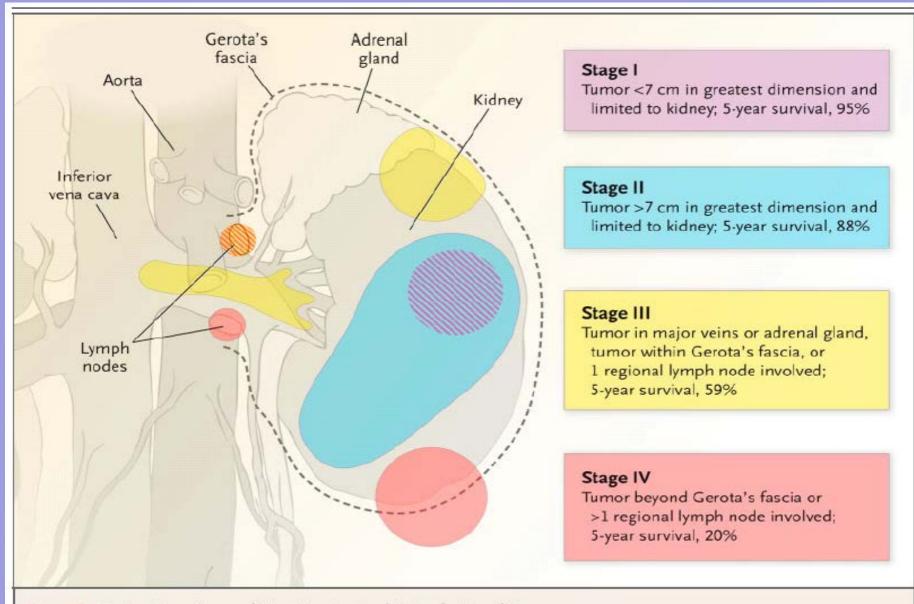
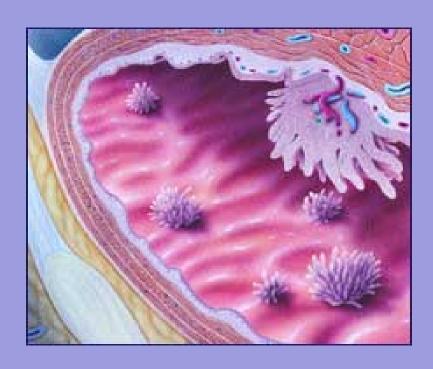


Figure 1. Staging Overview and Five-Year Survival Rates for Renal Cancer.

Survival data<sup>3</sup> are based on the 1997 tumor-node-metastasis (TNM) staging guidelines.<sup>4</sup> More recent renal-cancer staging is described elsewhere.<sup>5</sup>

#### Bladder Cancer

- Median age at diagnosis is 68 years, and the incidence increases with age
- Male-to-female ratio is 3:1
- 4<sup>th</sup> most common cancer in men, 10<sup>th</sup> most common in women
- Almost all bladder cancers are Urothelial in origin
- The urothelium consists of a 3- to 7-cell mucosal layer within the muscular bladder
- Of bladder tumors, more than 90% are Transitional Cell Carcinomas *TCC* (Developed Countries)
- ~5% are squamous cell in origin ~ 2% adenocarcinomas



#### Presentation

- 80-90% of patients with bladder cancer present with *painless gross haematuria*, which is the classic presentation.
- Consider all patients with painless gross haematuria to have bladder cancer until proven otherwise
- Suspect bladder cancer if any patient presents with unexplained microscopic haematuria
- 20-30% of patients with bladder cancer experience irritative bladder symptoms such as
  - Dysuria
  - Urgency
  - Frequency of urination (more advanced muscle-invasive disease or CIS)
- Patients with advanced disease can present with
  - pelvic or bony pain,
  - lower-extremity oedema from iliac vessel compression
  - flank pain from ureteral obstruction.

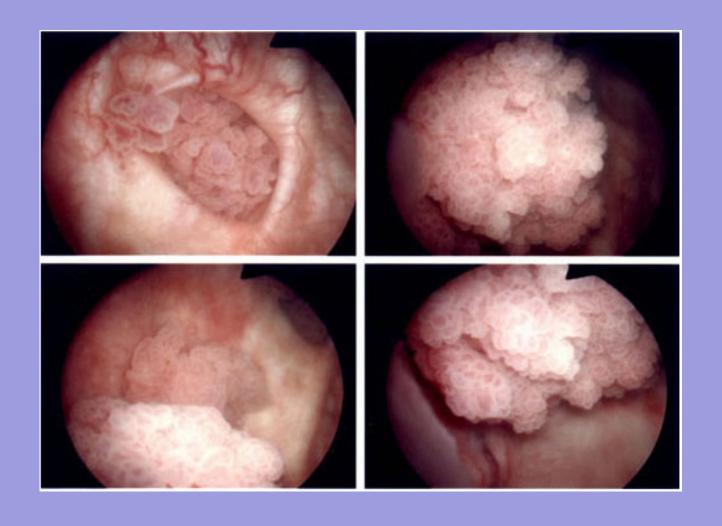
#### Risk Factors

- Smoking accounts for ~ 50% of all bladder cancers.
  - •Nitrosamine, 2-naphthylamine, and 4-aminobiphenyl are possible carcinogenic agents
- Associated with industrial exposure to aromatic amines
  - dyes, paints, solvents, leather dust, inks, combustion products, rubber, and textiles
- Higher-risk occupations include
  - painting, driving trucks, and working with metal
- Several medical risk factors
  - Patients with prior exposure to radiation treatment of the pelvis
  - Chemotherapy with cyclophosphamide(via acrolein)
- Patients with spinal cord injuries who have *long-term indwelling catheters* have a 16- to 20-fold increased risk of developing SCC of the bladder
- •?Weak connection between artificial sweeteners (eg, saccharin, cyclamate) and bladder cancer

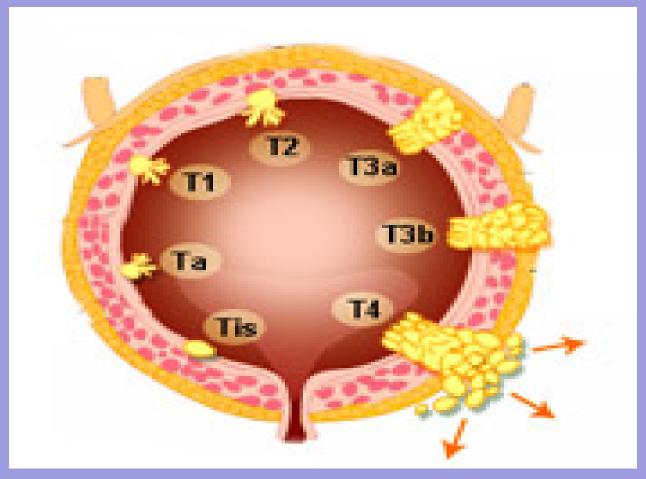
## Specific Work Up

- Urinalysis
- Urine Cytology
- CT Abdo Pelvis
- Upper Tract Imaging (IVP/Renal US)
- Cystoscopy (Flexible/Rigid)

# Papillary TCC on Cystoscopy

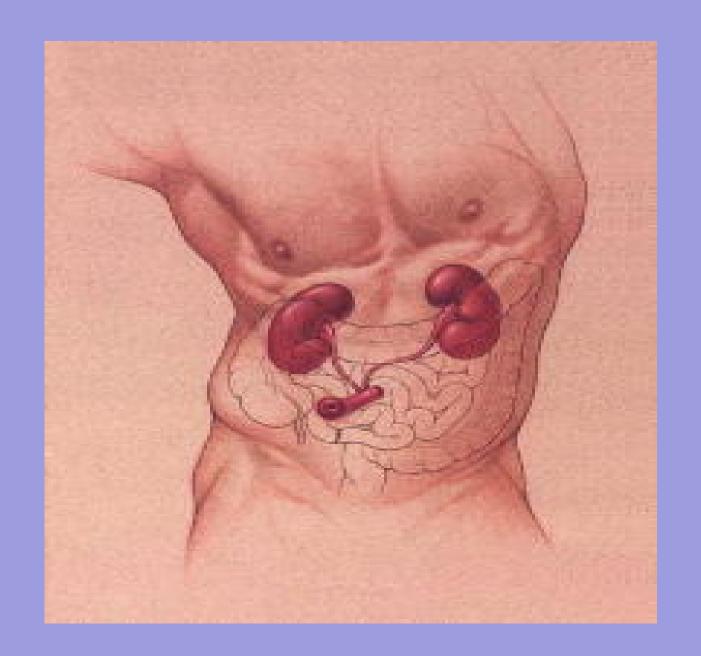


# **T**NM Staging



#### **Treatment**

- Superficial Bladder Carcinoma
  - T.U.R.B.T ( + deep muscle biopsy) surveillance
  - Intravesical immunotherapy (Bacillus Calmette-Guérin [BCG] (Ta, T1, CIS)
    - Induces nonspecific, cytokine-mediated immune response to foreign protein
  - Intravesical Chemotherapy
  - Epirubicin/Mitomycin C
- Muscle-invasive disease (T2 and greater)
  - Radical Cystectomy/Cystoprostatectomy
  - Radiotherapy



## Prognosis

- Superficial bladder cancer
  - The risk of progression, defined as an increased tumor grade or stage, depends primarily on the tumor grade
  - The risk of progression increases with tumor grade, as follows:
    - Grade I 10-15%
    - Grade II 14-37%
    - Grade III 33-64%
  - CIS carries a poorer prognosis and a recurrence rate of 63-92%
  - Diffuse CIS = ominous finding, with >70% progressing to muscle-invasive disease

## Prognosis

- The 5-year survival rate decreases with increasing stage, as follows:
  - Ta, T1, CIS 82-100%
  - T2 63-83%
  - T3a 67-71%
  - T3b 17-57%
  - T4 0-22%
- Prognosis for metastatic transitional cell cancer is dismal only 5% of patients living 2 years after diagnosis
- Early diagnosis and improvements in treatment of bladder cancer may be responsible for the improved survival rate of patients with TCC

## **Testicular Cancer**

- Overall testicular cancer is not very common (2000 new cases UK/year – 1% all cancers)
- Primarily affects young men 20 to 44 where it is the most common cancer
- Testicular cancer is curable in the majority (over 90%) of cases



#### Presentation

- Painless unilateral swelling
- Scrotal swelling after minor trauma
- Scrotal / Lower abdo pain
- Hydrocoele
- Endocrinological Effects
  - Gynaecomastia / Breast tenderness
  - Decreased libido
- In 10% presenting symptoms due to metastatic disease
  - Neck mass
  - Cough/Dyspnoea
  - GI / back / bone pain

#### Classification

- Germ Cell Tumours (95% of all)
  - Seminomas (40% of germ cell tumours)
  - Non Seminomatous (60% of germ cell tumours)
    - Most nonseminomas contain cells from at least two subtypes, including the following:
      - Choriocarcinoma (rare; aggressive; likely to metastasize)
      - Embryonal carcinoma (accounts for 20% of cases; likely to metastasize)
      - Teratoma (usually benign in children; rarely metastasize)
      - Yolk sac carcinoma (most common in young boys; rare in men)
- Non Germ Cell Tumours (5% of all)
  - Leydig Cell Tumours
  - Sertoli Cell Tumours
- Others

### Risk Factors

- Age
- Cryptorchidism
  - 3-5% chance of cryptorchid testis developing cancer
- Family History
- Race
- ? Trauma
- ? Orchitis

## Work Up

#### Serum tumor markers

- At the initial presentation of a patient with a testis tumor
- Serum human chorionic gonadotrophin (βHCG), alphafetoprotein (AFP), and lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) are the most important tumor markers.
- Following markers to assess success of treatment
- AFP has a half-life of 5-7 days, and HCG has a half-life of 36 hours

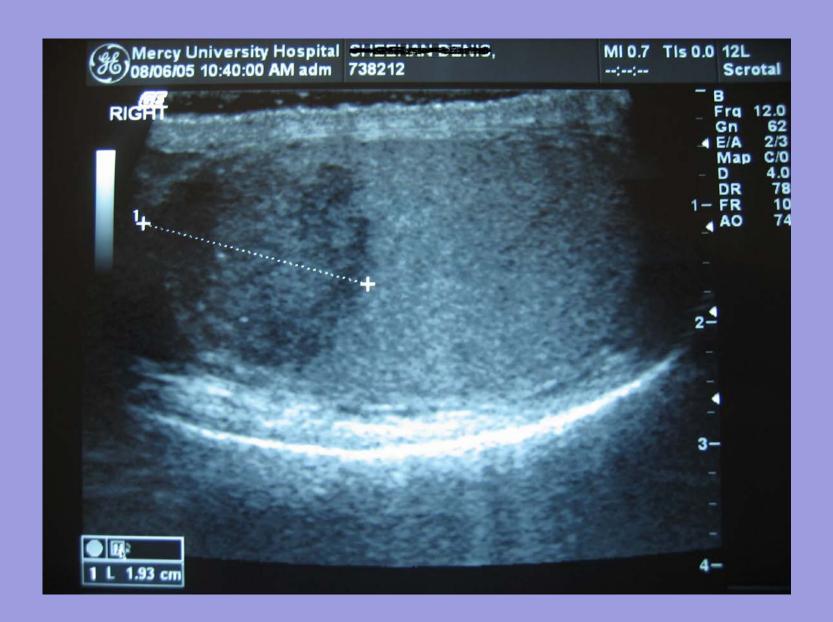
#### Ultrasound

- Most tumors are diagnosed based on physical examination finding
- Performed to ensure the correct diagnosis or to establish a diagnosis in a patient in whom the testicular examination cannot differentiate the scrotal structures
- In the setting of teratoma elements, ultrasound images may demonstrate well-defined structures of ectodermal derivation

## Work Up

#### CT scan

- CT scan of the abdomen and pelvis is integral to the staging of a testis tumor
- Left-sided NSGCTs typically spread first to the left para-aortic and then preaortic lymph nodes inferior to the renal vessels
- Right-sided tumors spread to the paracaval and interaortocaval nodes inferior to the renal vessels.
- A chest radiograph or CT Thorax is usually obtained to help identify any possible pulmonary metastases
- Each patient should be offered the opportunity to obtain a semen analysis and to bank his sperm for future fertility concerns
  - This can be performed either before or after the orchiectomy
  - The treatment options can significantly impact future fertility





# Staging TNM classification

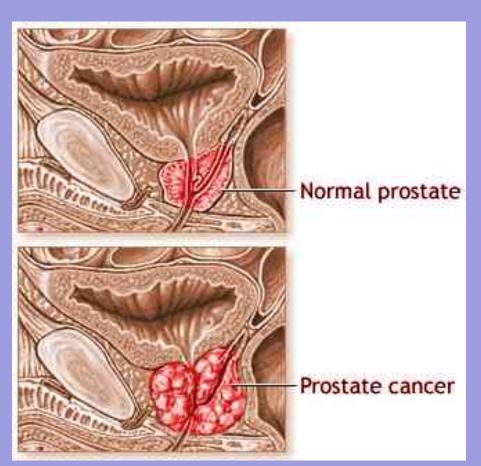
- pT0 no evidence of primary tumour, e.g. histological scar in testis
- pT is carcinoma in situ (CIS, TIN)
- pT1 tumour limited to the testis and epididymis without vascular/lymphatic invasion; tumour may invade into the tunica albuginea but not the tunica vaginalis
- pT2 tumour limited to the testis and epididymis with vascular/lymphatic invasion or tumour extending through the tunica albuginea with involvement of the tunica vaginalis
- pT3 tumour invades the spermatic cord with or without vascular/lymphatic invasion
- pT4 tumour invades the scrotum with or without vascular/lymphatic invasion.

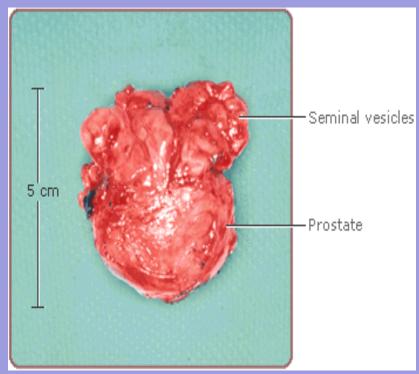
#### **Treatment**

- Complicated.....
- Depends on TNM
- In general –
- Localized Seminoma
  - Inguinal Orchiectomy +/- Radiotherapy to Nodes
- Seminoma with nodes
  - Inguinal Orchidectomy + Platinum based chemotx
- Nonseminomatous tumour
  - Inguinal Orchidectomy +/- RPLND +/- Chemotx



## **Prostate Cancer**





#### Introduction

1400 cases of adenocarcinoma of prostate in Ireland per year –
 (Most commen solid tumour in men)

A large proportion die from it – 580 deaths per year in Ireland

Also has a significant morbidity rate

 Palliation only treatment available for advanced disease –(2/3 men metastatic at presentation)

 Detection and treatment of organ-confined disease remains the only hope for cure

#### However

- Limited sensitivity to current screening tools
- Influence of screening on survival subject to bias
- Scarcity of reliable markers for predicting progression
- Considerable morbidity associated with curative treatments

#### Incidence of Prostate Cancer

- Histological 30% of men age 50
- Spread
  - Direct Bladder / Seminal Vesicles
  - Lymph nodes Pelvic and Paraaortic
  - Blood Prostatic venous plexus to vertebral venous plexus
- Clinical Lifetime risk 16.7%
- Death from prostate cancer Lifetime risk 2.5%

# Signs & Symptoms

- Often asymptomatic
- Symptoms of lower urinary tract obstruction may not be present
  - Hesitancy, poor stream, nocturia.
  - Post renal failure, uraemia & confusion
- Bony pain
- Anaemia
- Haematuria (Due to BPH in 90% cases)
- DRE May have firm, nodular prostate

#### Risk Factors

- Age
- Family History
- Race
- Diet high saturated fat
- ? Vitamin Deficiencies (D,E)

## Initial tests

- FBC ?anaemia
- U&E check renal function
- LFT Alk phos
- MSU ?haematuria / concurrent UTI

• PSA...

## **PSA**

- Cheap
- Widely available
- Acceptable to most men
- Easy to interpret

#### However

- Not prostate cancer specific
- Normal value does not rule out cancer
- Many patients fall into 'grey area'

### **PSA**

- Before taking test, ensure...
  - 1 No urological instrumentation x 1/52, including catheters, but not DRE.
  - 2 No ejaculation x 48 hrs
  - 3 No Bicycle riding x 1/52
  - 4 No current UTI

## **PSA**

- Many attempts to increase PSA sensivity
  - Age adjusted PSA
  - PSA density
  - PSA velocity / PSA doubling time

## Abnormal PSA

### Standard PSA

> 4.0 ng/ml

### Age adjusted PSA

40 - 49 > 2.5 ng/ml

50 - 59 > 3.5 ng/ml

60 - 69 > 4.5 ng/ml

70 - 79 > 6.5 ng/ml

### **PSA Velocity**

Change > 0.75 ng/ml/year

#### Free/Total PSA

< 0.15

May better distinguish BPH from cancer

### Complexed PSA

> 3.75 ng/ml

### Recommendations

#### **American Cancer Society**

Do not recommend mass screening, but men should be given the opportunity for shared decision making about testing Annual PSA & DRE from 50 years (45 in higher risk groups)

#### **American Medical Association**

Mass screening premature Annual PSA & DRE from 50 years (40 in higher risk)

#### **United States Preventive Services Task Force**

Insufficient evidence to recommend for or against screening

#### **National Health Service**

Screening will not be offered until there is clear evidence that screening will bring about more benefit than harm

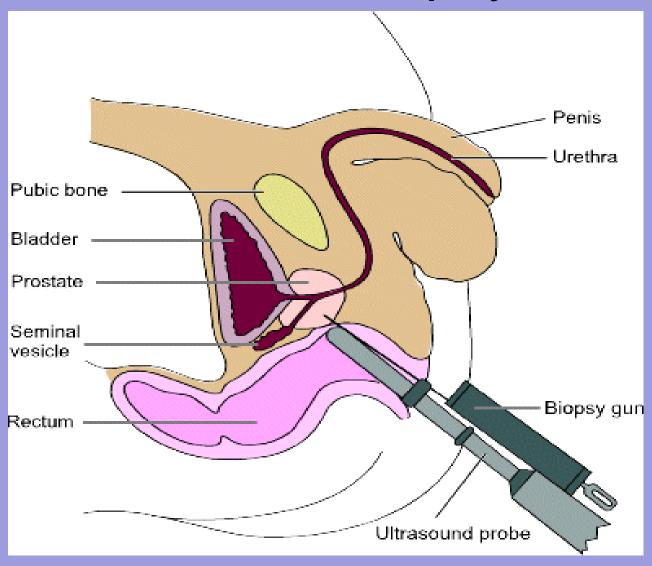
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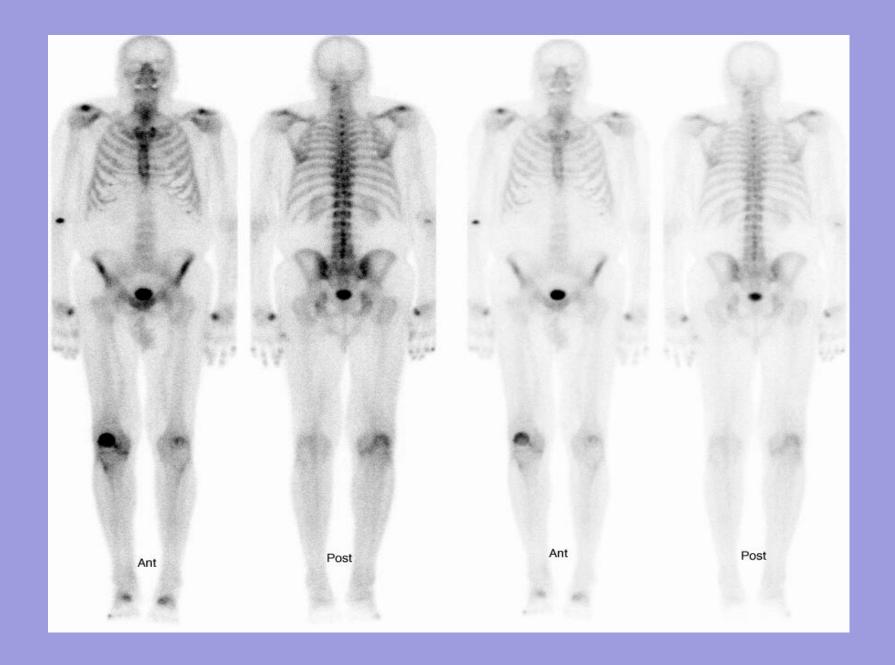
Screening recommended (RCSI guidelines)

# Radiological Investigations

- Pelvic / Lumbar spine xray
  - ?osteosclerotic lesions
- Renal USS (if raised renal profile)
- TRUS biopsy
  - Invasive
  - Not definitive, may need to be repeated
  - Debate over number of core biopsies
- Bone scan
  - In presence of PSA>20 / bony pain
- MRI prostate poor specificity without endorectal coil

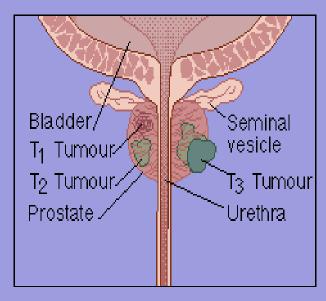
# TRUS Biopsy

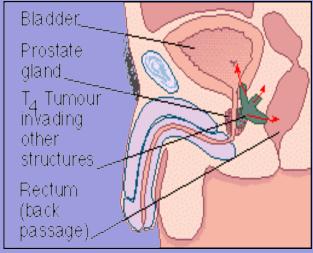




# Staging

- pT1 asymptomatic, no clinical signs
  - pT1a <5% TURP chippings</p>
  - pT1b >5% TURP chippings
  - pT1c raised PSA indicating TRUS biopsy
- pT2 Palpable, confined to prostate
  - pT2a <2cm, one lobe</p>
  - pT2b >2cm, one lobe
  - pT2c Any size, both lobes
- pT3 Locally Invasive
- pT4 Distant metastasis





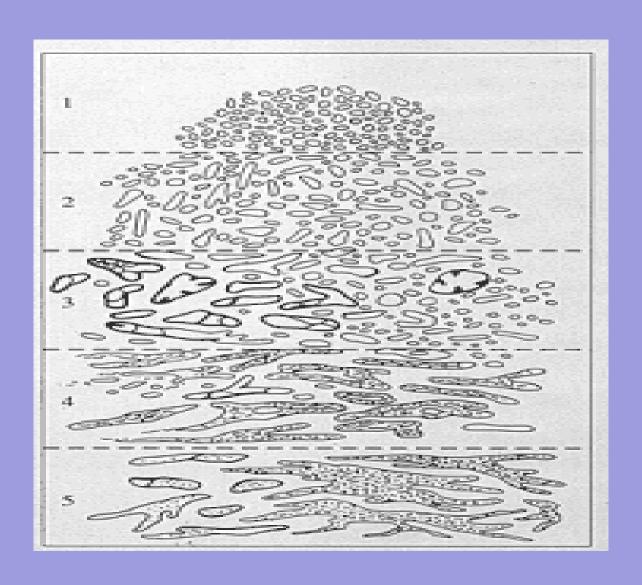
### Gleason Grade

Histological grading of prostate cancer 1-5

#### However

- Prostate cancer not uniform
- To aid calculations of prognosis, the sum of the 2 most prevalent islands of prostate cancer are used
- Therfore, gleason grade ranges 2-10

# Gleason Grading



## Treatment Options

- Stage 1 or 2 disease
  - Radical Prostatectomy
  - Radiotherapy

- Stage 3 or 4 disease
  - Hormonal Therapy
  - Watchful Waiting

## Radical Retropubic Prostatectomy

- Prerequisites
  - Confirmed histological diagnosis
  - At least 10yrs life expectancy post procedure
  - PSA < 20ng/ml
  - Gleason grade <8</li>
  - Negative bone scan +/- negative MRI
  - Patient fully counselled and aware of possible complications and alternative treatment options

# Robotic Radical prostatectomy

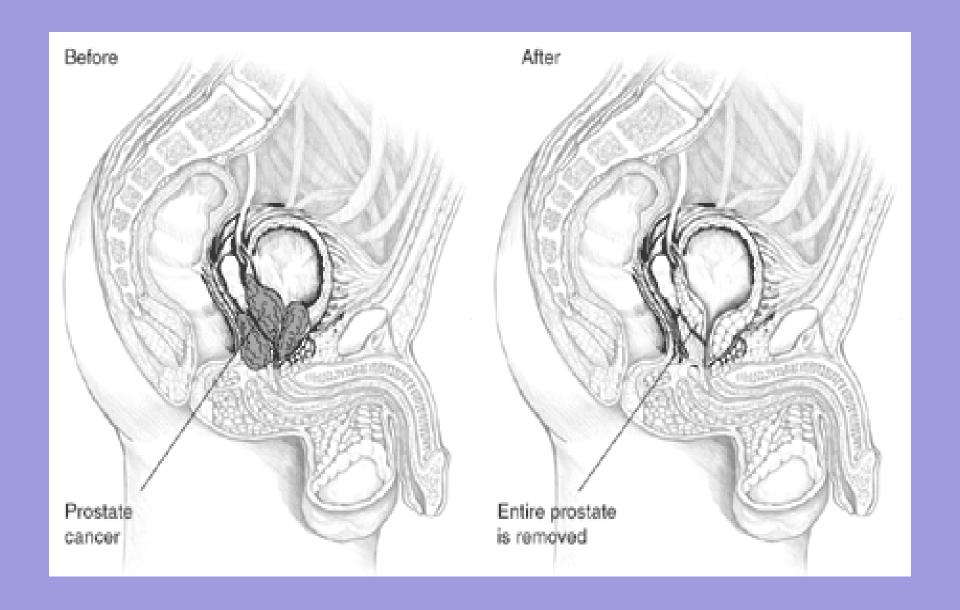




# RRP Complications

- Early
  - Blood loss / need for transfusion
  - Sepsis

- Late
  - Impotence
  - Incontinence
  - Disease recurrence (PSA used to follow up)



## Radical Radiotherapy

- Radiation to prostate and pelvic lymph nodes
- 30% patients have residual disease

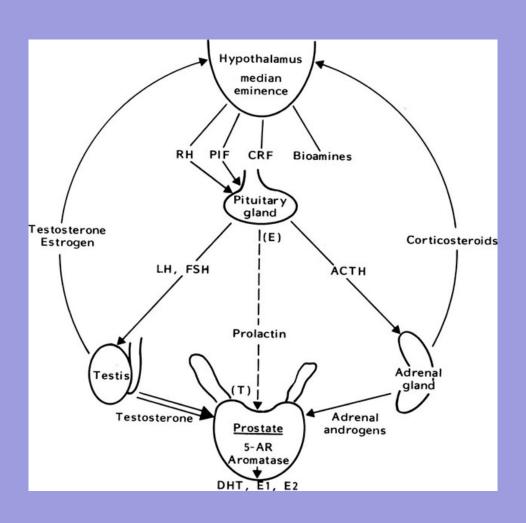
#### However

 No statistically significant long term survival disadvantage when compared to RRP!

## Hormonal Therapy Options

- Anti-androgens
- LHRH analogues
- LHRH agonists
- Oestrogens
- Surgical Castration

# Hypothalamus Pituitary Axis



### Hormonal treatment considerations

#### • For:

- Hormonal treatments palliate cancer-related symptoms
- prolong time to clinical progression
- ?influence survival

#### · Against:

- Side effects acute and chronic, cumulative
- Expense
- Prolonged treatment often required
- Influence on tumour biology?

## Questions?

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