

Ovarian Cancer:

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Molecular Targets and the Immune System

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Overview and Objectives

The purpose of this international symposium is to bring together experts in ovarian cancer research, clinicians, public health policy, and consumer advocates to discuss the scientific and health implications of prevention, screening, early detection and treatment modalities for ovarian cancer as well as detection, prevention and treatment modalities for disease recurrence. Topics will be covered in general, although special emphasis will be given in each session to molecular targets and the immune system. In addition to the scientific presentations, there will be a special breakout session for and by consumer advocates.

At the conclusion of the symposium, participants should:

1. Have a greater understanding of the underlying molecular, biologic and genetic mechanisms involved in ovarian cancer development and how these mechanisms can be targets for prevention and detection of the disease and its recurrence
2. Be familiar with emerging chemo-prevention and recurrence prevention agents and approaches aimed at specific molecular and biologic targets
3. Be informed about new high-throughput technologies and their application to ovarian cancer research
4. Understand the impact of the disease on the well-being of women and their families
5. Identify new areas of research based on the molecular mechanisms of the disease

Who Should Attend

Participation by all individuals is encouraged, especially ovarian cancer researchers, clinicians, policy makers, and consumer advocates, including ovarian cancer survivors and their families.

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Program: Monday, October 24, 2005

7:30 AM Opening Key Note
Jeff Boyd, PhD

Epidemiology of Ovarian Cancer

8:00 AM Molecular Studies of Ovarian Cancer in a Multiethnic Population
Marc T Goodman, PhD, MPH

8:25 AM Screening for Ovarian Cancer in High Risk Women
Patricia Hartge, ScD

8:50 AM New Directions in Ovarian Cancer Epidemiology and Prevention
Joellen Schildkraut, PhD

9:15 AM Panel Discussion
Roberta B Ness, MD, MPH

9:30 AM Break

From Epidemiology to Ovarian Cancer Biology

10:00 AM Overview
Emanuela Taioli, MD, PhD

10:05 AM Pregnancy and Ovarian Cancer: Role of Endogenous Hormones
Paolo Toniolo, MD, MSPH

10:30 AM Modeling Epithelial Ovarian Cancer in the Mouse
Denise Connolly, PhD

10:55 AM Mechanism of Ovarian Cancer Predisposition in BRCA1 Mutation Carriers - Implications for Ovarian Cancer Screening and Prevention
Louis Dubeau, MD, PhD

11:20 AM Discussion
Emanuela Taioli, MD, PhD

11:35 AM Lunch

Screening and Early Detection - Emerging Technologies

12:45 PM Overview
Joel Weissfeld, MD, MPH

12:50 PM A Proteomics Approach to the Detection of Ovarian Cancer
Eric Fung, MD, PhD

1:15 PM Application of Proteomics Technologies to Advance our Understanding of Ovarian Cancer
Elise Kohn, MD

1:40 PM The Detection of Early Stage Ovarian Cancer - Is this a Clinical Reality?
David Fishman, MD

2:05 PM Antigen-based Technology for Screening and Detecting Ovarian Cancer and its Recurrence
Anna Lokshin, PhD

2:30 PM Panel Discussion
Joel Weissfeld, MD, MPH

2:45 PM Break

Genetics and Epigenetics

3:15 PM Overview
Francesmary Modugno, PhD, MPH

3:20 PM An Update on the HapMap
Wendy Wang, PhD

3:45 PM Prevention and Early Detection in Women at Increased Genetic Risk
Mark H Greene, MD

4:10 PM Variable Expression and Activity of Pharmacokinetic Variables in Ovarian Tumors
Julie A DeLoia, PhD

4:35 PM Panel Discussion
Francesmary Modugno, PhD, MPH

Reception and Poster Session

5:00 to 7:30 PM: Reception and Poster Session (Herberman Conf Ctr Room 201AB)

6:00 to 7:00 PM: Mini-Symposium Presentations (Herberman Conf Ctr Auditorium)
Chair: Julie A DeLoia, PhD

Program: Tuesday, October 25, 2005

8:00 AM Opening Plenary
Karen Johnson, MD, PhD, MPH

Beyond Treating the Patient - Survivorship Issues

8:30 AM Advocacy, Patient Care, and the Research Community
Julene Fabrizio & Patricia Goldman

9:00 AM Ovarian Cancer: Insider Perspectives
Barbara Smith & Cynthia DePastino

9:05 AM Psycho-social Issues in Diagnosis and Recurrence: Effects on Patients and Their Families
Heidi Donovan, PhD

9:30 AM Integrating Complementary Medicine with Conventional Treatment
Maria B Yaramus, PharmD

9:55 AM Panel Discussion
Francesmary Modugno, PhD, MPH

10:10 AM Break

New Directions in Therapeutics and Prevention I

10:30 AM Overview
Kristen Zorn, MD

10:35 AM Peritoneal Immunotherapy
Ralph S Freedman, MD, PhD

11:00 AM Vaccines Targeting Ovarian Cancer
Mary (Nora) Disis, MD

11:25 AM Immunobiology of MUC1 Tumor Antigen: Lessons Learned and Future Implications in Ovarian Cancer
Anda Vlad, MD, PhD

11:50 AM Evolution of NY-ESO-1 Vaccine Therapy for Ovarian Cancer
Kunle Odunsi, MD, PhD

12:15 PM Panel Discussion
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12:30 PM Lunch

New Directions in Therapeutics and Prevention II

1:30 PM Overview
Thomas Krivak, MD

1:35 PM Inflammatory Modulation of Cancer
Thomas Rutherford, MD, PhD

2:00 PM Oregovomab: Challenges, Lessons, & Opportunities
Christopher Nicodemus, MD

2:25 PM Novel Approaches for Platinum Refractive Cancer
Robert P Edwards, MD

2:50 PM Individualizing Cancer Therapy: Current Status, Future Directions
Holly Gallion, MD

3:15 PM Panel Discussion
Thomas Krivak, MD

3:30 PM Concluding Remarks
Francesmary Modugno, PhD, MPH

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Scientific Sessions

Genetic Analysis of Ovarian Cancer Histogenesis

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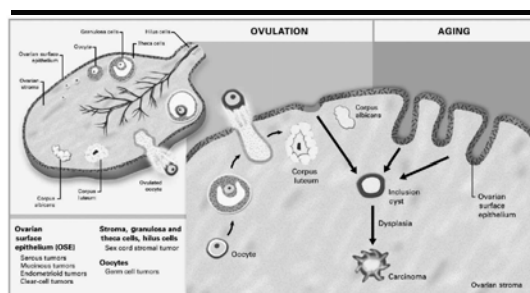
Study Objectives

- What is the histologic origin of ovarian carcinoma?
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Where does ovarian cancer arise?

- Surface epithelium
- Morphologic alterations of surface epithelium
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- Secondary Müllerian system

Hypothetical Model of Ovarian Tumorigenesis



Drapkin and Hecht, *Women's Oncol Rev* 2002

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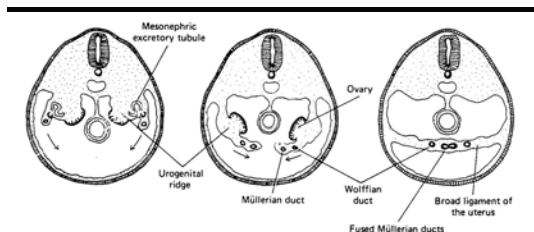
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Components of Secondary Müllerian System

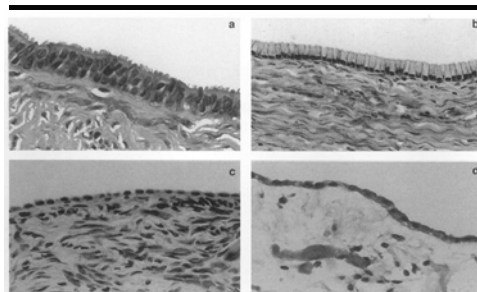
- Paraovarian/paratubal cysts
- Rete ovarii
- Endosalpingiosis
- Endometriosis
- Endomucinosi

Dubeau, *Gynecol Oncol* 1999

Urogenital Ridge (7 weeks)



Epithelial Ovarian Tumors vs. Ovarian and Peritoneal Mesothelium



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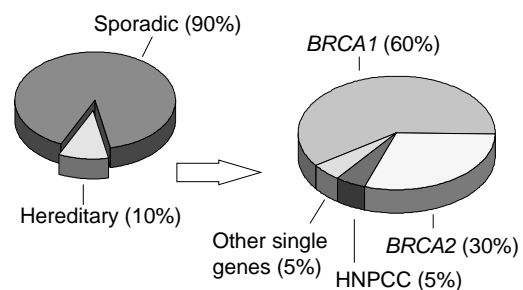
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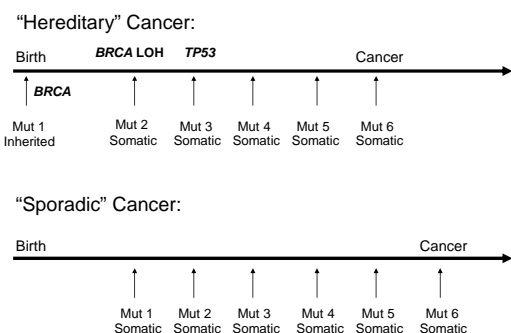
- Benign tumors (cystic adenomas)
- Borderline (low malignant potential) tumors
- Dysplasia
- Carcinoma in situ
- Hyperplasia
- “De novo”

Can genetic analysis be combined with morphologic analysis to gain insight into the early natural history of ovarian carcinoma?

Genetic Causes of Hereditary Susceptibility to Ovarian Cancer



All Cancers are Genetic



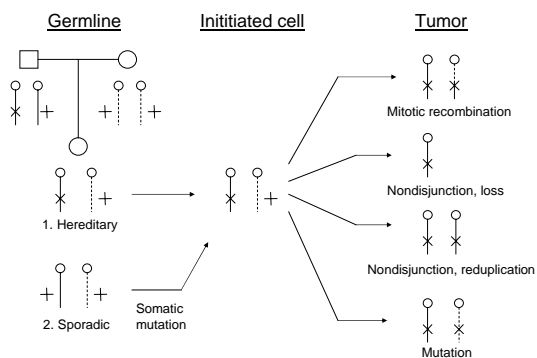
Minimal Molecular Genetic Requirements for BRCA-Linked Ovarian Tumorigenesis

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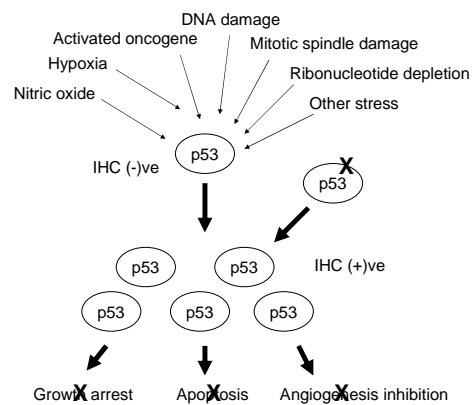
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Chromosomal Mechanisms for TSG Recessivity



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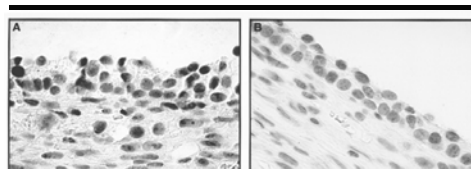
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Immunohistochemical Analysis of p53 Expression in Ovarian Tissues from *BRCA* Heterozygotes

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p53 Immunoreactivity in Ovarian Cystic Epithelium



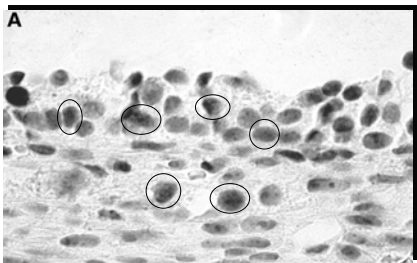
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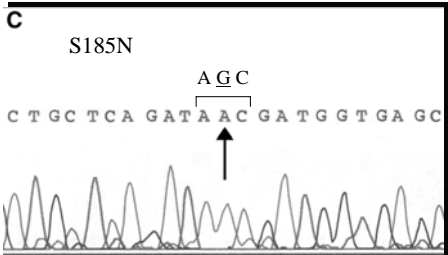
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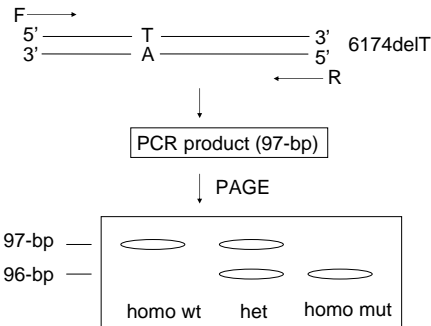
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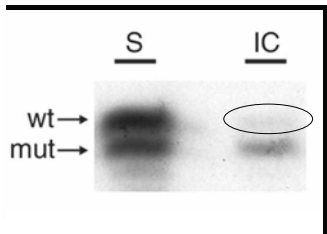
Automated Sequence Analysis of TP53 Mutation in DNA from Microdissected Ovarian Epithelium



Detection of Mutant and Wild-type BRCA Alleles



Loss of Wild-type BRCA Allele in DNA from Microdissected Ovarian Epithelium

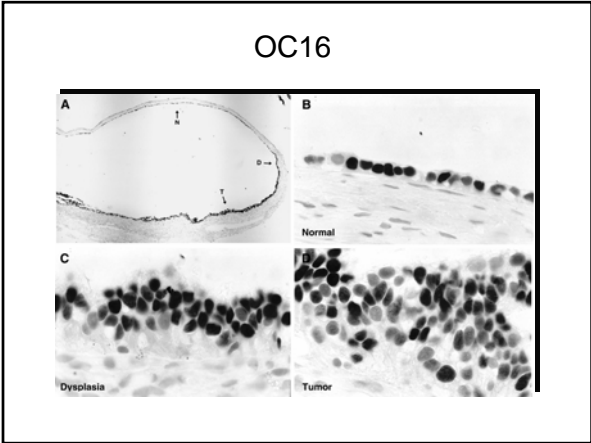


**Genetic Evidence of Tumorigenic Progression
in Ovarian Epithelium from *BRCA*
Heterozygotes**

Specimen #	<i>BRCA</i> Mutation	<i>BRCA</i> LOH	<i>TP53</i> Mutation
PO3	<i>BRCA1</i> 4050del4	Yes	H193R (C <u>A</u> T→C <u>G</u> T)
PO49	<i>BRCA1</i> 5382insC	No	H179R (C <u>A</u> T→C <u>G</u> T)
PO67	<i>BRCA2</i> 6174delT	Yes	S185N (A <u>G</u> C→A <u>A</u> C)

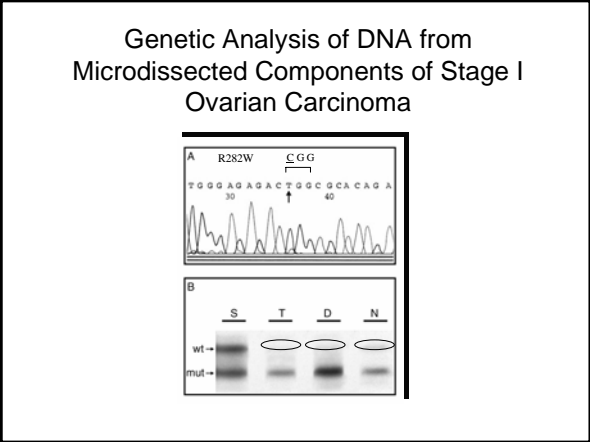
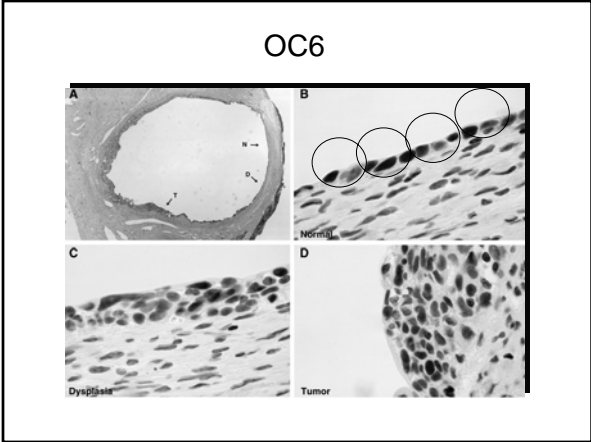
**Stage I Ovarian Carcinomas from *BRCA*
Heterozygotes**

Case	Stage	Histology	Grade	<i>BRCA</i>	<i>TP53</i>
OC3	IA	Em	3	5382insC	IVS8+1
OC6	IB	PS	2	185delAG	H179R
OC7	IC	PS	2	5382insC	C275Y
OC15	IC	CC	3	185delAG	N239insT
OC16	IC	Em	2	185delAG	R282W



Dysplasia

- Cellular pleomorphism
- Nuclear atypia
- Loss of cellular architectural organization
- No evidence of stromal invasion



Stage I Ovarian Carcinomas from *BRCA* Heterozygotes

Case	Tumor		Dysplasia		Normal	
	<i>BRCA</i>	<i>TP53</i>	<i>BRCA</i>	<i>TP53</i>	<i>BRCA</i>	<i>TP53</i>
OC3	+	+	ND	ND	-	-
OC6	+	+	+	+	+	-
OC7	+	+	-	+	-	+
OC15	+	+	+	-	-	-
OC16	+	+	+	+	+	+

Relevance to sporadic ovarian carcinoma?

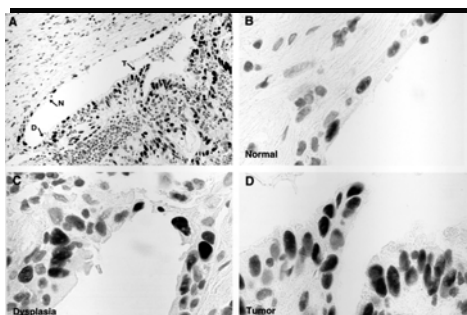
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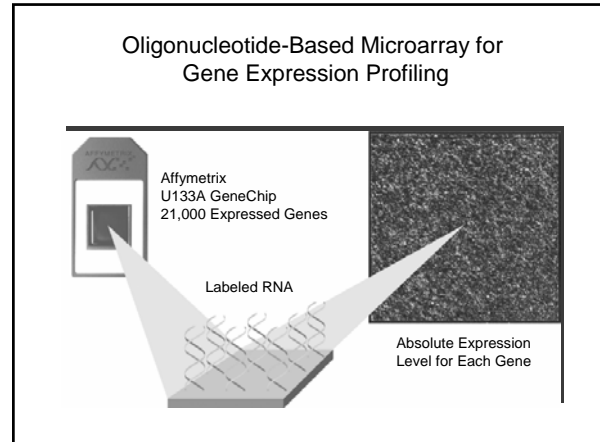
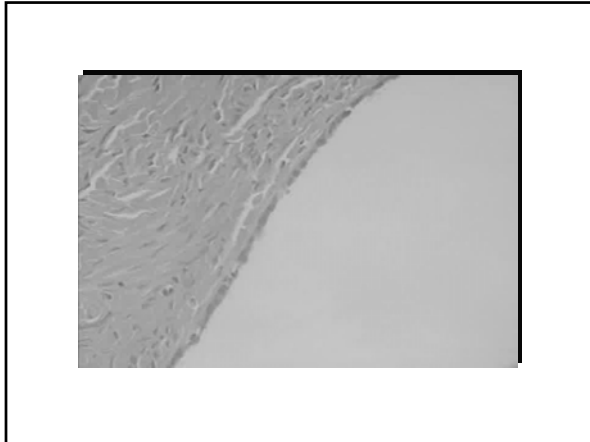
Stage I/II Sporadic Ovarian Carcinomas

- 145 stage I/II ovarian cancers from 20-yr period
- 23 cases with epithelial transition identified
 - 21 (91%) cases: inclusion cyst
 - 1 (4%) case: surface invagination
 - 1 (4%) case: surface epithelium
- In all 23 cases, noninvasive epithelial component consisted of normal epithelium and dysplasia adjacent to carcinoma
- *TP53*/p53 analysis
 - Normal and dysplastic cells p53 immunopositive in 23 (100%) cases
 - *TP53* mutation evident in 11/23 (48%) invasive cancers
 - 2 cases with same mutation present in normal and dysplastic epithelium

OC-7



What is the molecular phenotype of ovarian cyst vs. surface epithelium?



Expression Profiling of Cyst vs. Surface Epithelium in Clinically and Pathologically Normal Ovaries vs. Tumor

- LCM of cyst and surface epithelial cells from 18 normal ovaries; equal number of invasive, high grade, serous ovarian cancers
- Approximately 10,000 cells in each group, divided into three independent samples
- RNA subjected to three rounds of linear amplification
- Gene expression profiling using Affymetrix U133A oligonucleotide microarray (22,000 genes)

Expression Profiling of Cyst and Tumor vs. Surface Epithelium

- >1,000 genes differentially expressed between surface and cyst
- 657 genes differentially expressed in cyst and tumor compared to surface (418 up, 239 down)
 - Many oncogenic factors up
 - Many tumor suppressive factors down
- 276 genes differentially expressed in surface and tumor compared to cyst (88 up, 188 down)
 - Very few noteworthy genes with respect to plausible connection to neoplasia

Validation?

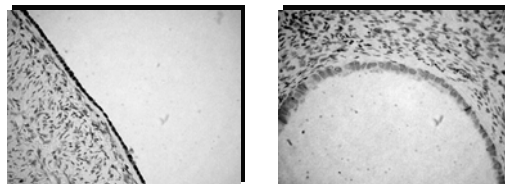
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Validation of Genes Differentially Expressed in Cyst and Tumor Vs. Surface Epithelium

- Of 292 most significant known genes differentially expressed, 71 (24%) previously found differentially expressed in tumor vs. normal control in at least one of 10 published studies (using multiple platforms/approaches)
 - 37/186 (20%) up-regulated
 - 34/106 (32%) down-regulated
- 15 of 292 (5%) genes previously identified in at least two previous studies
 - *TACSTD1*: Tumor-associated calcium signal transducer 1 (five previous studies)
 - *WFDC2*: Whey-acidic protein type, four-disulfide core domain 2, putative ovarian cancer marker, HE4 (six previous studies)

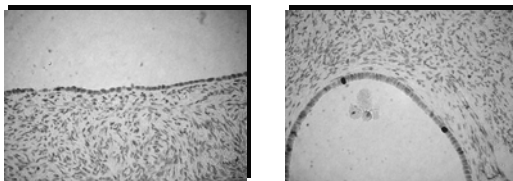
FOS expression in ovarian surface and cystic epithelium



IHC	Surface Epithelium	Cyst Epithelium
Negative or Weak	12 (26%)	52 (93%)
Strong	35 (74%)	4 (7%)
Total	47 (100%)	56 (100%)

$P = 0.001$

TOP2A expression in ovarian surface and cystic epithelium



IHC	Surface Epithelium	Cyst Epithelium
Negative	43 (91%)	35 (65%)
Positive	4 (9%)	19 (35%)
Total	47 (100%)	54 (100%)

$P = 0.002$

How to get from gene list(s) to biological insights?

Expression Analysis Systematic Explorer (EASE)

- <http://david.niaid.nih.gov/david/ease.htm>
- Theme discovery: identification of Gene Ontology (GO) terms that describe a statistically significant number of genes in the list compared to the population of genes from which the list was derived
- Employs a variation of the one-tailed Fisher exact probability for over-representation ("EASE score")
- To address multiple comparison problem (significant probabilities arising simply due to chance when calculating statistics on thousands of genes), EASE employs several probability corrections, including Bonferroni, false discovery rate, and bootstrap methods

Functional Categories Over-Represented in Cyst and Tumor vs. Surface Epithelium

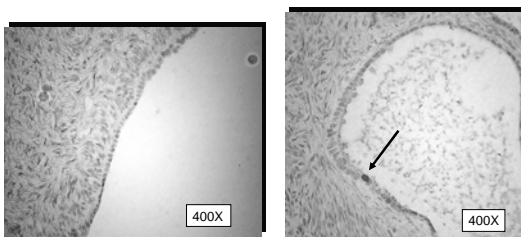
- Down-regulated: signal transduction activity ($n = 31$); $P = 0.004$
- Up-regulated: mitotic cell cycle ($n = 12$); $P = 0.03$
- Up-regulated: microtubule organization and biogenesis ($n = 6$); $P = 0.007$

Hypothesis

- Attenuated transduction of extracellular (or intracellular) signals leads to inappropriate cell cycle progression that when coupled with defective mitotic spindle assembly, promotes the development of aneuploidy
- p53 overexpression in normal (and dysplastic) cystic epithelium reflects oncogenic stress in the form of activated oncogenes, DNA damage resulting from inappropriate cell cycle progression, and defective mitotic spindle assembly

Increased mitotic activity in cystic epithelium compared to surface epithelium?

Assessment of Cell Proliferation by Ki-67 IHC



Surface epithelium

Cystic inclusion

Cell Proliferation

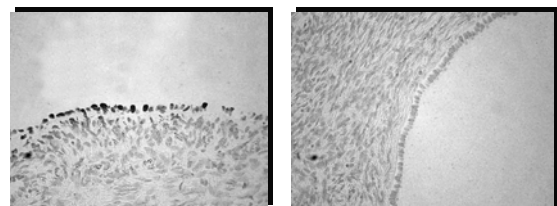
Cell type	# samples	# nuclei	# positive nuclei
Ovaries	36	39,832	220 (0.55%)
Surface	28	19,216	64 (0.33%)
Cystic	32*	20,616	156 (0.76%)

*159 inclusion cysts *P* = 0.0001

Rate of apoptosis in cyst vs. surface?

(TUNEL assay)

Assessment of Apoptosis by TUNEL



Surface epithelium

Cystic inclusion

Apoptosis

Cell type	# samples	# nuclei	# positive nuclei
Ovaries	12	10,270	398 (3.9%)
Surface	9	2,197	274 (12%)
Cystic	10*	8,073	124 (1.5%)

*89 inclusion cysts $P = 0.0001$

"Cell Proliferation Index"

Cell type	Ki-67	Apoptosis	Ratio*
Surface	0.33%	12%	0.028
Cystic	0.76%	1.5%	0.51
Cyst to surface			18

Aneuploidy in pathologically normal ovarian cystic inclusions?

DNA Content in Archival Ovarian Tissues

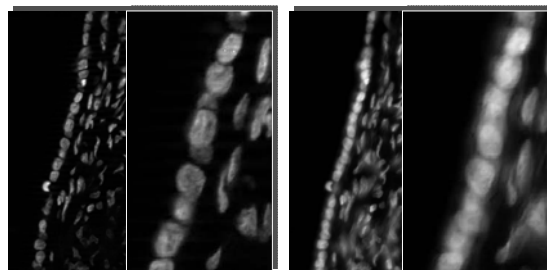
- FFPE normal ovaries cut into 10 μM sections (to avoid sectioning through nuclei)
- Aneuploid MCF7 and SKBR3 breast cancer cell lines used as positive controls
- Slides deparaffinized and stained with propidium iodide
- Slides imaged using Zeiss Axioplan 2 microscope

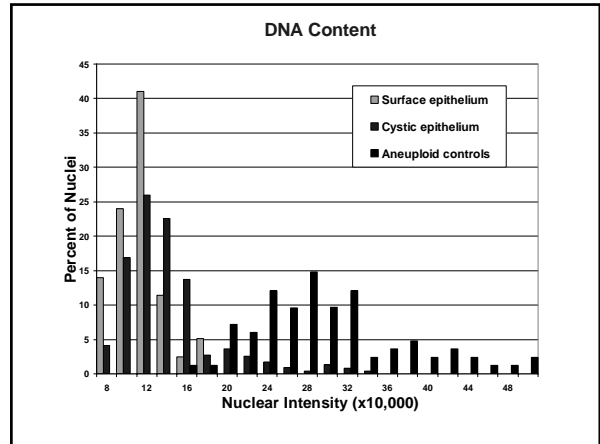
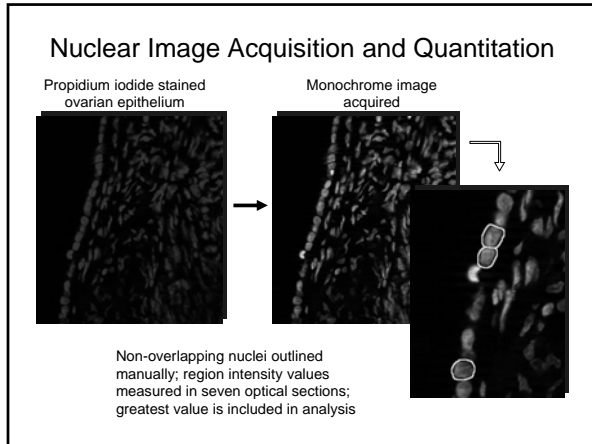
DNA Content in Archival Ovarian Tissues

- Images captured at 400X with AxioCam MR monochrome digital camera providing a resolution of 1300 x 1030 pixels using the ApoTome (enhanced) confocal imaging system
- Using AxioVision image acquisition software, 7 optical sections are captured per high-power field at 0.85 μM intervals
- Monochrome images analyzed using the MetaMorph® Imaging System
- Nuclei outlined manually with region tracing tools
 - Integrated intensity over the total area of the identified nucleus is calculated
 - Each pixel is given an intensity value from 0 (pure black) to 255 (pure white)
 - Overlapping nuclei are excluded from the analysis

ApoTome

- ApoTome image (left) compared to conventional wide-field confocal image (right). ApoTome image is sharper and better focused.





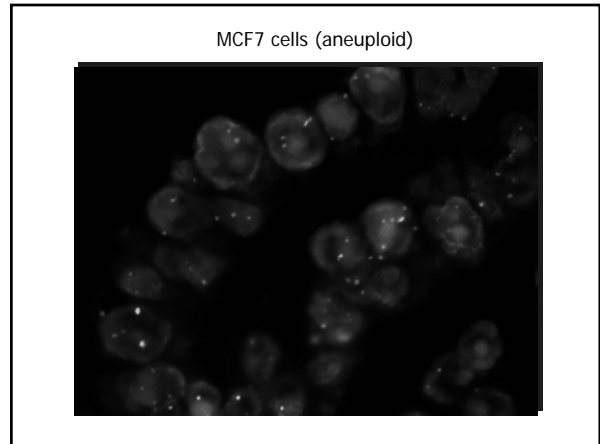
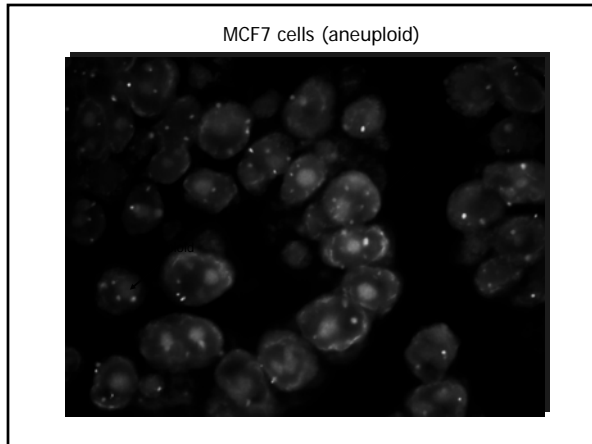
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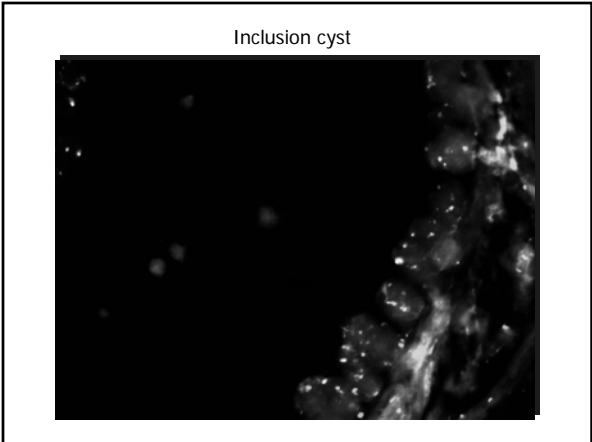
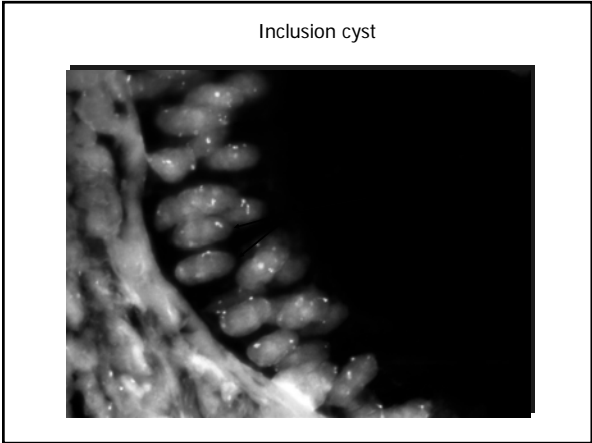
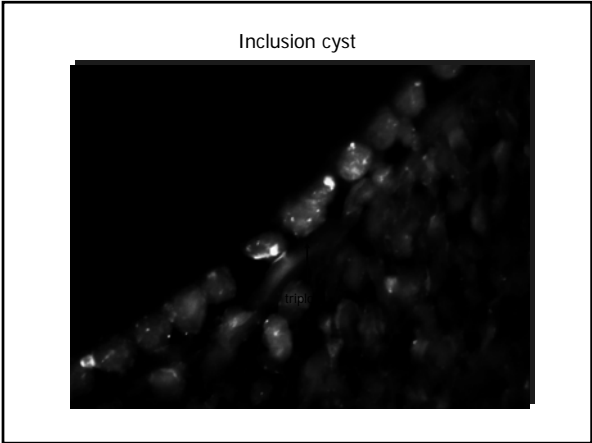
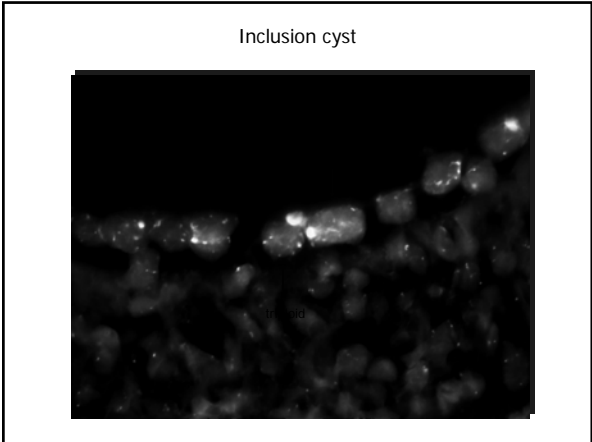
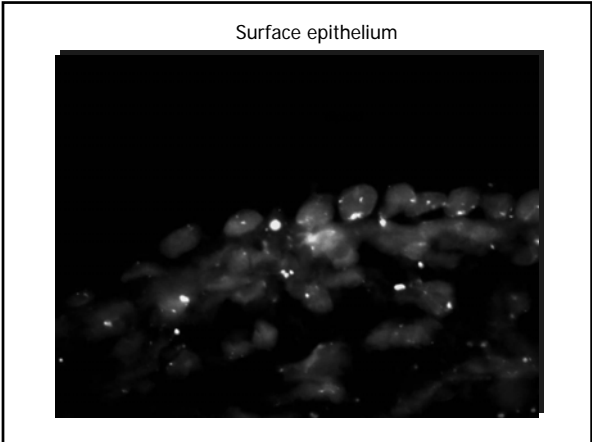
Cell type	# nuclei	Mean intensity/nucleus
Surface	78	127,215
Cystic	217	151,831
Aneuploid control	82	309,877
Total	377	181,114

P = 0.001

Karyotypic aneuploidy?

(FISH using centromeric probes for chromosomes 1,3,6,7,8,11)





Aneuploidy

Ploidy	Surface	Cystic
(Total cells)	410	880
Diploid	408 (99.5%)	799 (90.8%)
Aneuploid	2 (0.5%)	81 (9.2%)

$P = 0.001$

Conclusions

- A substantial proportion of ovarian carcinomas arise in cystic inclusions of the surface epithelium
- A limited field of dysplasia arises from normal-appearing cyst epithelium, which gives rise to invasive carcinoma
- The molecular phenotype of pathologically normal cystic epithelium is quasi-neoplastic
 - Molecular profile suggests oncogenic stress, altered signal transduction, increased mitosis, defective mitotic spindle assembly
 - Experimental evidence indicates increased mitotic index and aneuploidy in pathologically normal ovarian epithelial cystic inclusions
 - Aneuploidy is a very early, possibly critical event in ovarian tumorigenesis

Implications

- Elucidation of the very early molecular alterations relevant to ovarian tumorigenesis could be accomplished through the analysis of normal epithelium and dysplastic lesions within epithelial inclusion cysts
- Novel strategies for the early diagnosis of ovarian carcinoma may reasonably be directed toward the detection of this histopathologic phenomenon (e.g., through molecular imaging)

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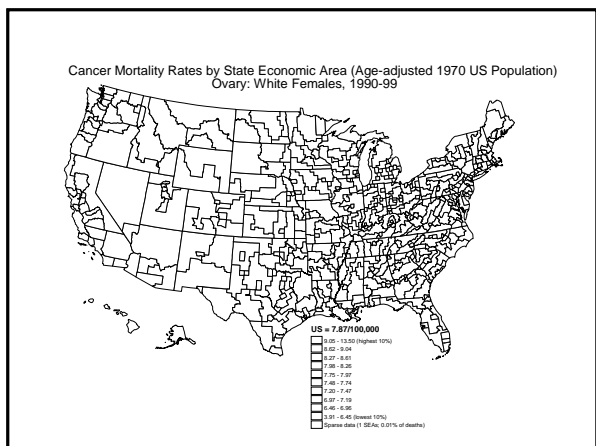
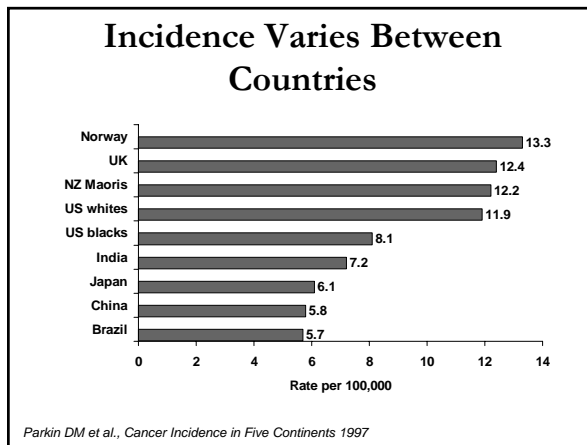
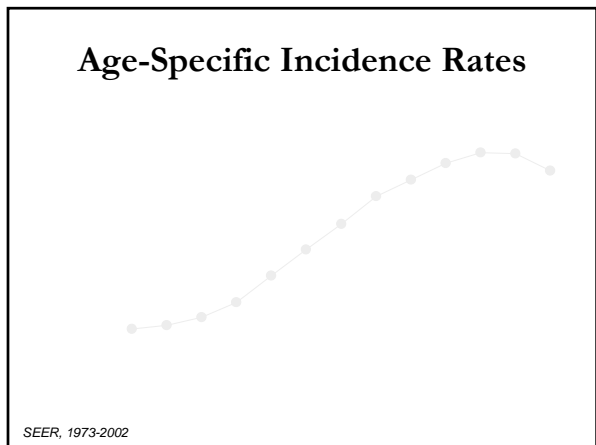
Screening for Ovarian Cancer in High Risk Women

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Overview of Ovarian Cancer Risk

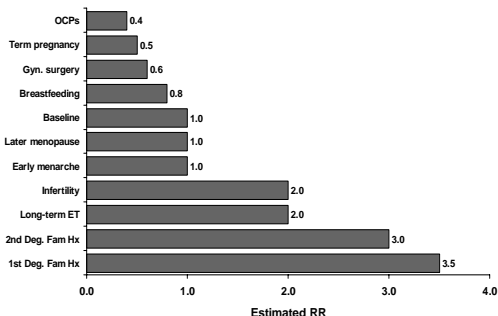
- Age-specific incidence
- International variation
- US geographic pattern
- Lifetime risks of developing
- Risk factors and protective factors



Summary Lifetime Risks SEER, 1999-2001

	US White	US Black
Probability of developing	1.4 %	0.8 %
Birth to 39	0.07 %	0.06 %
40-59	0.4 %	0.2 %
60-84	1.1 %	0.7 %
Probability of dying from	1.0 %	0.6 %

Risk and Protective Factors



Screening for Familial Ovarian Cancer: Failure of Current Protocols to Detect Ovarian Cancer at an Early Stage According to the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics

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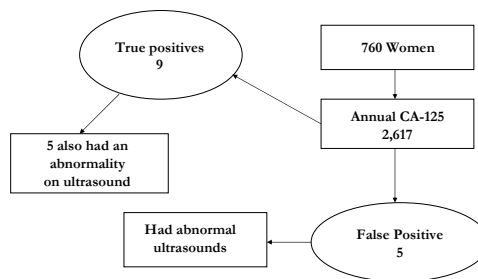
Performance of TVU and CA-125

Parameter	Sensitivity		PPV	
	%	95% CI	%	95% CI
TVU	46.2	19.1 – 73.3	17.1	4.7 – 29.6
Serum CA-125	81.8	59.0 - 100	63.4	39.2 – 89.4

Abbreviations: TVU, transvaginal ultrasound; PPV, positive predictive value

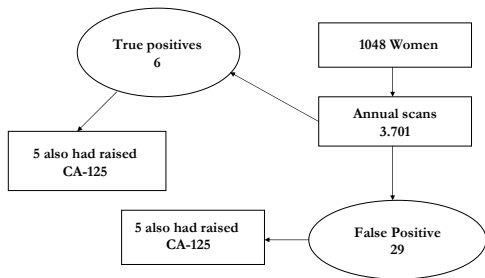
Sterling et al. 2005

CA-125 Outcome Measurements



Sterling et al. 2005

Ultrasound Outcome Measures



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Screening for Familial Ovarian Cancer: The Need for Well-Designed Prospective Studies

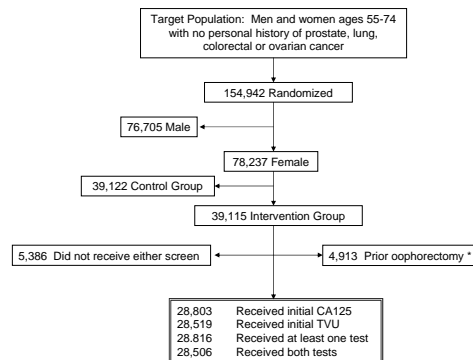
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Ovarian Cancer Screening in the Prostate, Lung, Colorectal and Ovarian (PLCO) Cancer Screening Trial:

Findings from the Initial Screen of a Randomized Trial

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Flow of participants into the PLCO Trial



* Ineligible for screening

Characteristics of participants in the intervention arm

	Number	%
AGE GROUP		
55 - 59	13459	34.4
60 - 64	11774	30.1
65 - 69	8588	22.0
70 - 74	5294	13.5
RACE		
White	33828	86.5
Black	2170	5.5
Hispanic	605	1.5
Asian	1259	3.2
Other	283	0.7
Missing Response	970	2.5

Characteristics of participants in the intervention arm (continued)

	Number	%
EDUCATION LEVEL		
< High school	2520	6.4
12yrs/Completed High School	15299	39.1
Some College	8911	22.8
College Graduate	5828	14.9
Postgraduate	5537	14.2
Missing Response	1020	2.6
HAD PRIOR PELVIC SURGERY		
Bilateral Oophorectomy	64	0.2
Hysterectomy	9065	23.2
Bilateral Oophorectomy & Hysterectomy	4789	12.2
Neither	24114	61.6
Missing Response	1083	2.8
EVER TAKEN ORAL CONTRACEPTIVES		
No	17622	45.1
Yes	20465	52.3
Missing Response	1028	2.6

Follow-up of positive screens

Follow-up of positive screens (con't)

Preliminary Data – PLCO Positive Screens Separated by Familial Risk

Breast cancer rates and relative risks according to recognized breast cancer risk factors in the Prostate, Lung, Colorectal, and Ovarian (PLCO) Cancer Screening Trial Cohort

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PLCO Breast Cancer Risk

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Ongoing Research

- Completion of the trial
 - Only accurate assessment of efficacy
- Preliminary findings on high risk women
- Examination of additional markers

New Directions in Ovarian Cancer Epidemiology

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Occurrence of Ovarian Cancer

- 25,200 new cases / yr in the U.S.
- Often asymptomatic until it reaches an advanced stage.
- Survival is poor with 14,500 deaths / yr.
- Practical screening approaches are not available at this time.

Histologic Features

Epidemiology: Risk Factors

Genetic Susceptibility

- BRCA1 and BRCA2 mutations carriers have high lifetime risk for developing ovarian cancer:

BRCA1 ~ 40%
BRCA2 ~ 25%

- Risk may be reduced by*:
OC use: OR = 0.44 (BRCA1)
OR = 0.35 (BRCA2)

* Narod et al. Lancet 2001

Genetic Susceptibility

- BRCA1 and BRCA2 mutations account for ~ 10% of ovarian cancers

- Mismatch repair genes (*hMSH2*, *hMLH1*, *hPMS1*, and *hPMS2*) observed in nonpolyposis colorectal syndrome (HNPCC) account for ~1-2% of ovarian cancer

- Lifetime risk for ovarian cancer by age 50 in HNPCC families with mutation in MSH2 is ~ 20%.

Pathogenic Models for Ovarian Cancer

The Incessant Ovulation Hypothesis:

- Proliferation induced mutations
- Increased gonadotropins
- Increased inclusion cyst formation

Factors that decrease lifetime ovulatory cycles decrease risk of ovarian cancer:

- OC use
- Pregnancy
- Breastfeeding

Pathogenic Models (continued)

Progestin-Apoptosis Theory: Progestin induced apoptosis may protect against the development of ovarian cancer

- Pregnancy and OC use are associated with increased exposure to progestin.
- Ovarian epithelium contains receptors for estrogen, progesterone, and androgen.
- Reproductive factors may affect ovarian cancer via biologic interaction between sex steroids and the ovarian epithelium.

Pathogenic Models (continued)

Inflammation Theory:

Inflammatory reaction induced by ovulation, asbestos and talc exposure, endometriosis, and pelvic inflammatory disease leads to DNA damage in the inflammation-induced inclusion cysts.

North Carolina Ovarian Cancer Study



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PURPOSE

- **To understand the mechanism(s) of ovarian cancer development**
- **To define disease subsets on the basis of molecular signatures and other patient and tumor characteristics**
- **To be able to target high risk population for prevention and screening strategies**

Hypothesis

Since a greater number of ovulatory cycles increases the risk of ovarian cancer by inducing proliferation-associated DNA damage we hypothesized that ovulation is associated with p53-positive ovarian cancer but not p53-negative tumors.

Methods

Study Subjects: 197 women with ovarian cancer and 3363 control subjects who participated in the Cancer and Steroid Hormone (CASH) study, aged 20-54.

Case-control comparison of the number of lifetime ovulatory cycles by p53 status: p53-positive vs. control subjects

No. of ovulatory cycles	No. of p53-positive cases	No. of control subjects	OR*	95% CI
≤ 234	4	840	1.0	Referent
235-375	29	1222	4.3	1.4-13.0
376-533	67	1159	9.1	2.7-30.9

*Adjusted by age, age², menopausal status, and nulliparity.

Case-control comparison of lifetime ovulatory cycles: p53-negative vs. control subjects

No. of ovulatory cycles	No. of p53-negative cases	No. of control subjects	OR*	95% CI
≤ 234	23	840	1.0	Referent
235-375	19	1222	0.6	0.3-1.4.8
376-533	45	1159	1.3	0.5-3.2

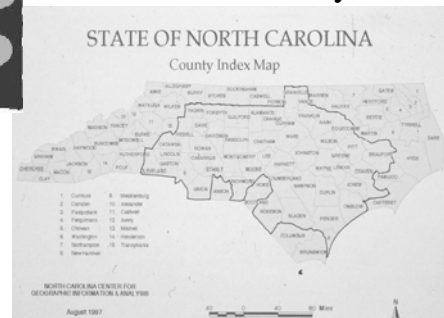
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STUDY DESIGN

- Population-Based, Case-Control Study
- Newly Diagnosed/Incident Epithelial Ovarian Cancer (borderline & invasive)
- RDD identification of Controls
- 48-County Region in North Carolina


North Carolina Ovarian Cancer Study





DATA COLLECTION

- 9-year Period (starting 1/1/99)
- Rapid-case ascertainment
- Physician Approval
- Invitation Letter (toll free number)
- Financial Incentive
- Written Informed Consent
- In-person Interview (nurse interviewer)
- Blood sample & tumor tissue



ENROLLMENT (as of 8/2005)

SUBJECT TYPE	ENROLLED
Epithelial Ovarian Cancer Patients	786
Peritoneal Cancer Patients	62
Control Subjects	831
Total	1679

Objective

To examine the relationship between overexpression of the cyclin E oncogene and ovarian cancer risk. Cyclin appears to be involved in cell proliferation and may play a role in aneuploidy.

Case-control comparison of lifetime ovulatory cycles: Cyclin E-positive vs. control subjects

No. of ovulatory cycles	No. of Cyclin E positive cases	No. of control subject	OR*	95% CI
< 265	20	188	1.0	Referent
265-390	50	185	2.3	1.2-4.2
> 390	80	175	3.8	2.0-7.3

*Adjusted by age, age², race, menopausal status

Case-control comparison of lifetime ovulatory cycles: Cyclin E-negative vs. control subjects

No. of ovulatory cycles	No. of Cyclin E negative cases	No. of control subject	OR*	95% CI
≤ 264	35	188	1.0	Referent
265-390	52	185	1.5	0.9-2.5
> 390	37	175	1.3	0.7-2.4

*Adjusted by age, age², race, menopausal status

Case-control comparison of Oral Contraceptive Use (OC): Cyclin E-positive vs. control subjects

Years of OC Use	No. of Cyclin E Positive cases	No. of control subject	OR*	95% CI
0	91	219	1.0	Referent
≤ 5	75	283	0.6	0.4-1.0
> 5	32	215	0.4	0.2-0.6

*Adjusted by age, age², race, menopausal status

Case-control comparison of Oral Contraceptive Use (OC): Cyclin E-negative vs. control subjects

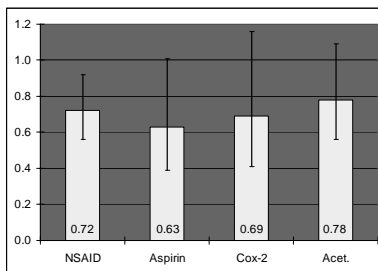
Years of OC Use	No. of Cyclin E negative cases	No. of control subject	OR*	95% CI
0	55	219	1.0	Referent
≤ 5	65	283	0.9	0.6-1.3
> 5	52	215	0.9	0.6-1.5

*Adjusted by age, age², race, menopausal status

Objective

To examine the relationship between analgesic use and the risk of epithelial ovarian cancer using case-control data from the North Carolina Ovarian Cancer Study (NCOCS).

Odds Ratios and 95% CIs for association between types of analgesics and ovarian cancer



Conclusions

- These data support an inverse relationship between the use of both NSAIDs and acetaminophen and the risk of ovarian cancer.
- The high prevalence of analgesic use has implications for a significant reduction in the number of ovarian cancer cases diagnosed each year.

New Directions

Objective

To determine whether the progesterone receptor promoter +331A polymorphism affects the risk of ovarian cancer.

Odds ratios and 95% CIs for association between the PR Promoter +331A and epithelial ovarian tumors by histologic subtype

	GG	AG	AA	AG/AA (%)	OR*	(95% CI)
Controls	445	58	1	59 (11.7)	1.00	Reference
Serous	244	26	0	26 (9.6)	0.81	(0.50 - 1.32)
Mucinous	44	5	0	5 (10.2)	0.80	(0.30 - 2.14)
Endometrioid	53	3	0	3 (5.4)	0.43	(0.13 - 1.40)
Clear cell	23	0	0	0 (0.0)	-	-
Endometrioid/clear cell	76	3	0	3 (3.8)	0.30	(0.09 - 0.97)
Mixed	1	0	0	0 (0.0)	-	-
Other	35	3	1	4 (10.3)	0.86	(0.29 - 2.51)

*ORs are for genotype (AG/AA) compared to reference genotype GG and are adjusted for age

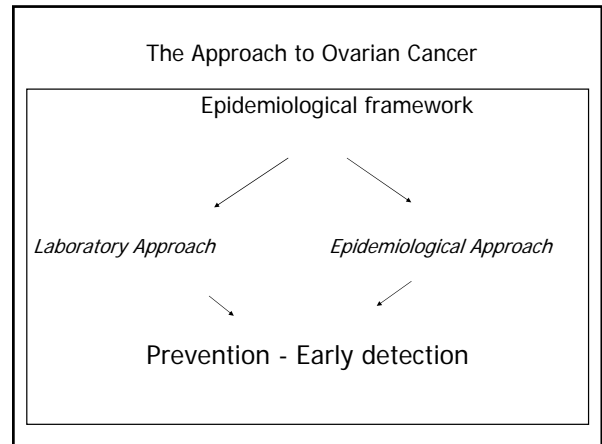
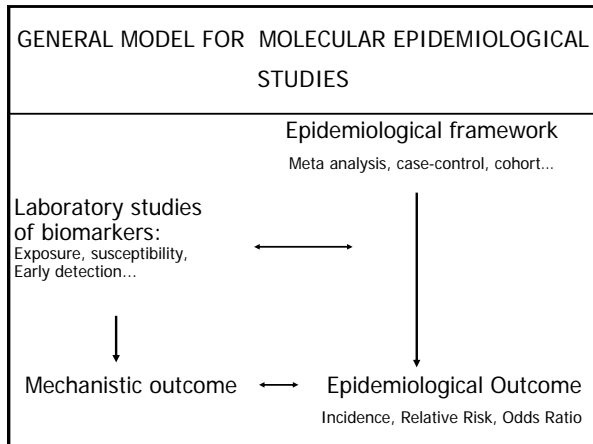
Conclusion

■ The +331G/A progesterone receptor polymorphism may modify the molecular epidemiology pathway that encompasses the development of endometrioid/clear cell ovarian cancer possibly via subsequent transformation from endometriosis.

New Directions

SUMMARY

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FINAL PURPOSE

To integrate mechanistic and epidemiological outcomes to understand disease etiology and develop public health interventions

Why add biomarkers?

ASSOCIATIONS THAT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT MORE COMPLEX BIOCHEMICAL AND MOLECULAR MECHANISMS SHOULD BE STRONGER

REQUIREMENTS

NEW CONCEPTUAL AND METHODOLOGICAL APPROACHES ARE NEEDED FOR SUCH STUDIES

Pregnancy, Hormones & Ovarian Cancer

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Pregnancy and Ovarian Cancer

- parity: consistent protection across studies
- ↓risk: 30-70%
10-15% per birth

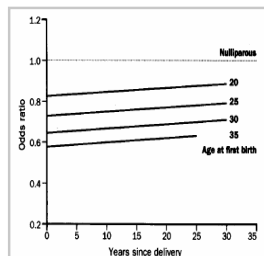
Ovulation cessation of pregnancy

greater protection than:

- 12- months OC use
- delayed menarche
- early menopause

Protection from Pregnancy

- 1st FTP
- twin pregnancies
- late age at 1st FTP
- late age at last FTP



Adami HO et al, Lancet 1994; 344: 1250-4

Why Pregnancy Protects?

Traditional hypotheses

- Incessant ovulation
- Excess gonadotropin

More recent thinking

- Washout effect

Washout Effect Hypothesis

(Adami et al, 1994)

- Epithelial layers cleared of transformed cells
- Likelihood that transformed cells are present increases with age
- Benefit from the elimination of initiated cells diminishes with time since pregnancy

Washout Effect

- Pregnancy hormones
- Progesterone
 - Pro-apoptotic & growth inhibition of OSE and ovarian cancer cells
 - Expression of PR associated with favorable prognosis

Progesterone in Pregnancy and Risk of Maternal Ovarian Cancer

A prospective epidemiological study in Nordic countries

Two Large Cohorts

➤ North Sweden Maternity Cohort

- Established 1985
- > 110,000 1st trimester samples (85,000 women) stored at -20C



Two Large Cohorts

➤ Finnish Maternity Cohort

- Established 1993, nationwide
- > 1.3 million 1st trimester samples (850,000 women), stored at -25C

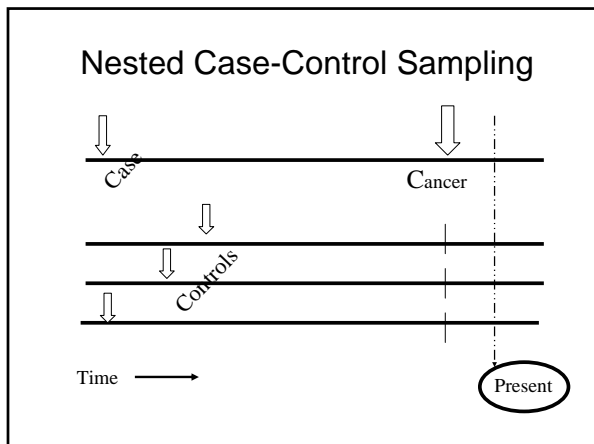


Study Aims

- Maternal risk of epithelial ovarian cancer associated with circulating
 - Progesterone (P)
 - 17 α -OH progesterone (OHP)
 during the 1st trimester of a last FTP
- Effect modification of age at last FTP
- Effect modification of histological subtypes

Study Design

- Case-control study nested within the two cohorts
- Cases: All new epithelial cases, 1983-2008
 - Invasive + borderline
- Controls: Cohort members (2:1), matched on
 - Cohort
 - Age
 - Date at blood draw
 - Parity at blood draw



Study Design

- Eligibility:
 - Last pregnancy of one infant at term (37+ weeks)
 - Blood sampling between 7th and 14th week
- Case identification: nationwide tumor registries
- Data: linkages, Population & Birth Registries
 - Pregnancy order, twin pregnancies, induced pregnancies, hormonal treatments, non-term

Expected Number of Cases

Site	Borderline	Invasive	Total
Finland	687	957	1644
Sweden	56	127	183
Total	743	1084	1827

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Modeling Epithelial Ovarian Cancer in the Mouse



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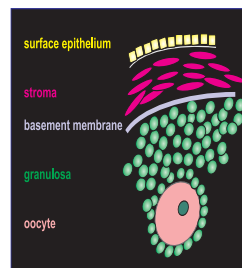
Ovarian cancer

- Fifth most common cancer among women in the United States
- ~24,000 new cases diagnosed annually
- ~15,000 deaths annually
- Survival rate ~ 90% (early diagnosis)
- Majority diagnosed at late stage
 - 5 year survival rate is 30-40%

Ovarian cancer risk

- Nulliparity ↑
- Fertility drug use ?
- Multiparity ↓
- Oral contraceptive use ↓
- Family history – accounts for 5-10% of cases

Histogenesis of ovarian neoplasms



- Epithelium – (85-90%)
 - ovarian carcinomas: serous, endometrioid, mucinous, clear cell
- Follicles, cortical stroma, hilum
 - Sex cord stromal tumors: granulosa, Sertoli, Leydig, theca
- Oocytes
 - Germ cell tumors: dysgerminoma, teratoma, embryonal CA

Genetic changes in ovarian cancer

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oncogenes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <i>Myc</i> – <i>K-Ras</i> – <i>ErbB2</i> – <i>EGF-R</i> – <i>PI3K</i> – <i>Akt</i> – <i>STAT3</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tumor Suppressors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <i>p53</i> – <i>BRCA1 and BRCA2</i> – <i>PTEN</i> • Genomic instability • DNA modification (promoter methylation) |
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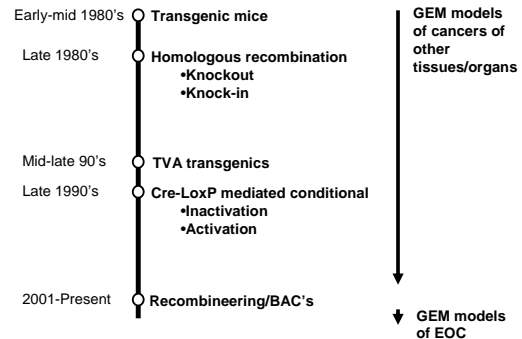
Animal models of epithelial ovarian cancer (EOC)

- Spontaneous- aging hens
- Chemical carcinogen induced- DMBA rodent models
- Xenograft models- transplanted human tumor cell lines
- Syngeneic models of *in vitro* transformed rodent ovarian surface epithelium (OSE)
- Genetically engineered mouse (GEM) models

Why model cancer in mice?

- Establish causal events
 - Gene mutations, cellular alterations
- Identify early lesions and events occurring at each stage
 - Order events, compare relative importance
- Flexibility in interbreeding
 - Test cooperative effects of genetic alterations
- Identify other genes that impact tumorigenesis
 - Genetic modifiers that affect disease penetrance
- Evaluate therapeutic, detection and prevention strategies

Timeline of GEM model technology



Why the delay?

- Lack of understanding of epithelial precursor
- 75% of patients diagnosed at an advanced stage when tumors contain numerous genetic alterations that are too complex for biochemical characterization
- Incomplete understanding of tumor initiating pathways
- Difficult to identify pathways that are necessary for tumor maintenance

Transgenic mice

- Introduction of genes into the germline of fertilized eggs
- First examples described mid 1980's
- Requires a tissue specific or restricted gene promoter to target transgene expression to the organ/tissue of interest

Promoter identification strategies

- Theoretical: (e.g., FSHR and MISIR)
- Literature review: (e.g., Mesothelin)
- Experimental: (e.g., CK19)

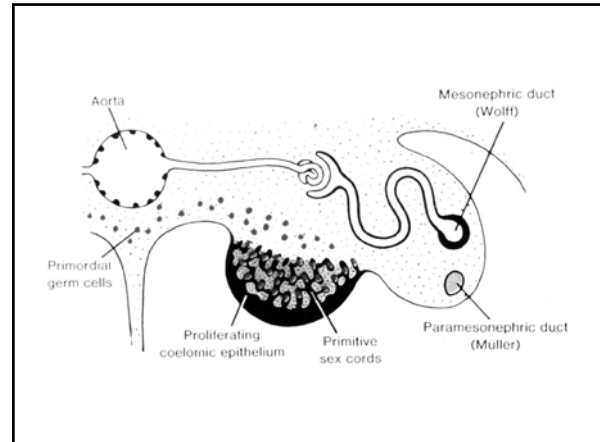
Candidate validation

- 1) RT-PCR
 - normal mouse organs, primary cultures of MOSE cells, enriched (uncultured) populations of MOSE cells and transformed MOSE cells
- 2) Obtain promoter and confirm transcriptional activation in cell culture
 - Reporter gene assays
- 3) Transgenic mice
 - SV40 TAg – Functional inactivation of p53 and RB

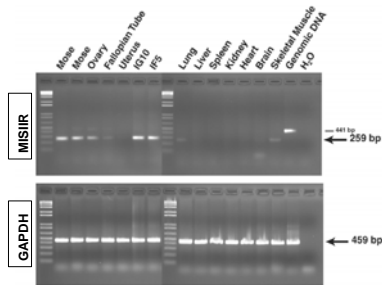
Müllerian inhibitory substance (MIS) signaling

Males – MIS is secreted by the Sertoli cells in developing testes. This hormone sequentially binds to the MIS type II and type I receptors, and signals regression of the Müllerian duct.

Females – In the absence of MIS and its subsequent signaling via the type II and type I receptors, the Müllerian duct persists to give rise to the epithelia of the uterus, Fallopian tube and cervix.



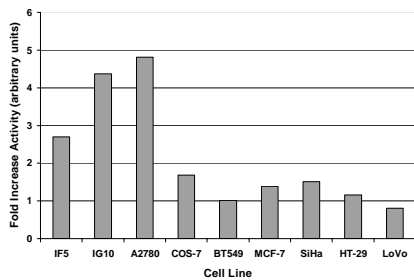
RT-PCR analysis of MISIIR expression in mouse tissues



Mouse MISIIR promoter

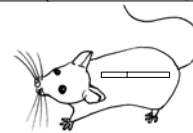
- PCR cloned based on homology to published rat MISIIR promoter sequence and mouse genomic DNA sequences
- 1204 bp fragment that shares >95% sequence homology to rat promoter

In Vitro transcriptional activity of the mouse MISIIR promoter

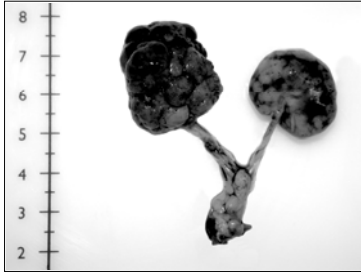


MISIIR-TAg construct

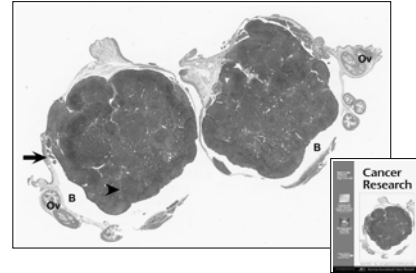
- Murine 5' upstream regulatory region of the Mullerian inhibiting substance type II receptor (MISIIR) gene PCR fused to the early region of SV40 including the large and small T antigen genes (provided by D. Hanahan)



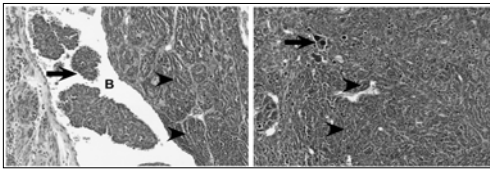
Bilateral ovarian tumors in a MISIR-TAg transgenic mouse



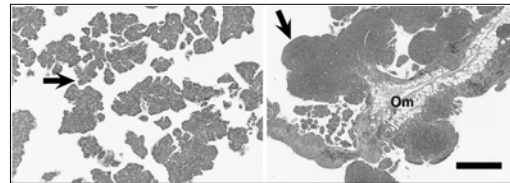
ScanScope view of ovaries substituted by tumor cells



Tubular and papillary structures and floating buds in intrabursal space



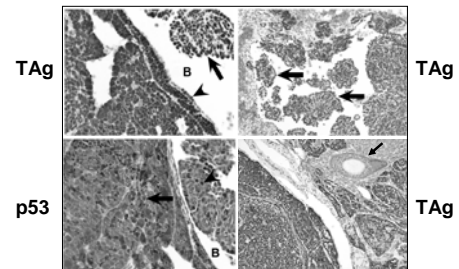
Papillary structures apparent in ascites and invasion of omentum



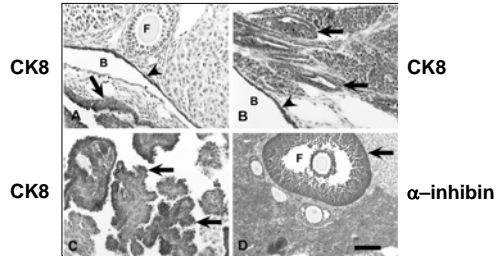
Histological Features

- Poorly differentiated carcinomas with cysts and papillary structures present at the surface of the ovary
- Intraperitoneal dissemination with invasion of omentum, implants in peritoneal organs and formation of ascites

Tumors express TAg and p53



Tumors express markers of epithelial cell differentiation



Immunohistochemical Features

- Majority of tumor cells contained nuclear TAg both in ovarian tumors and intraperitoneal masses
- Elevated p53 protein in tumor cells
- Cytokeratins 8 and 19 are uniformly expressed in the majority of tumor cells
- α -Inhibin is expressed in granulosa cells of remaining normal follicles, but not in tumor cells

Mouse Ovarian Carcinoma (MOVCAR) cell lines

- Derived from the ascites of mice with tumors
- Exhibit anchorage independent growth in soft agar
- Tumorigenic in immunocompromised mice (SCID)
 - Tumors exhibit similar histological features, expression of epithelial cell markers, absence of α -inhibin
 - organotropic implantation

Stable transgenic lines?

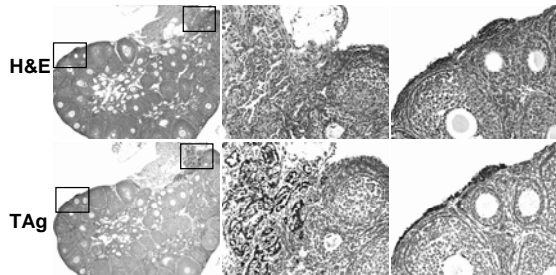
- Most female mice develop ovarian tumors prior to breeding
- ~28% of males develop Sertoli cell tumors
- Some female offspring of affected males develop ovarian tumors
- Targeting reproductive organs for tumorigenesis = poor breeding

DR26 transgenic mice

- Status:
 - Backcrossed to C57Bl/6
 - Males fertile
 - Females tested infertile
 - Female mice develop bilateral ovarian tumors
 - Average lifespan = 130 days
 - Most develop ascites

Early Lesions?

Four week-old mice:



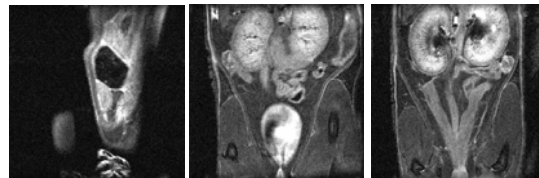
Therapeutics

- TgMISIIR-TAg mice have variable disease latency
- How to design therapeutic experiments?
 - Experimental endpoint with age matched controls?
 - Survival as endpoint?
 - Can each animal serve as its own control?
- *In vivo* imaging

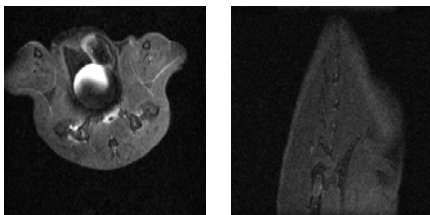
Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) of mice

- Images acquired with a 2-D spin-echo pulse sequence, $T_R=1200$ msec, $T_E=13$ msec
- Dedicated 7 Tesla animal scanner
- 4 averages, total imaging time 19 min.
- Contrast – i.m. injection Gd-DTPA
- Tumor volumes calculated using MRicro http://www.psychology.nottingham.ac.uk/staff/cr1/mri_cro.html

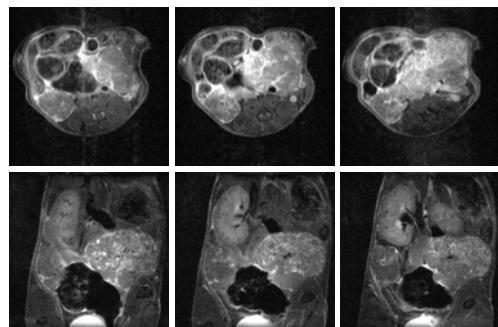
Normal mouse



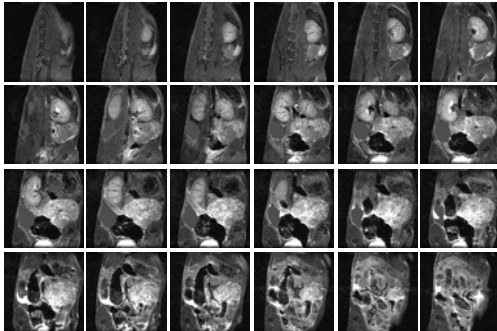
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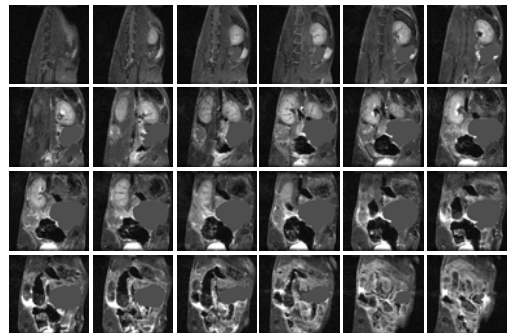
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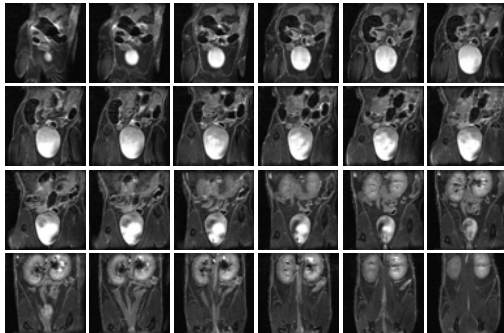
Right Ovarian Tumor



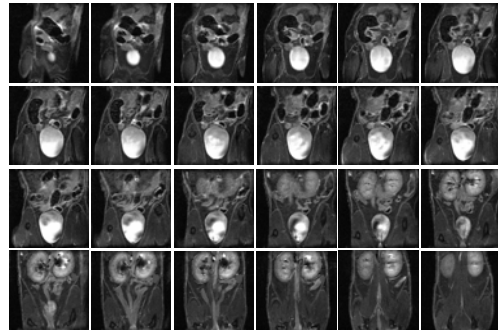
Left Ovarian Tumor



Normal Right Ovary



Normal Left Ovary

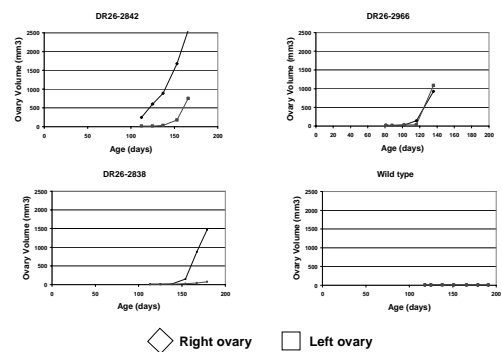


Volume Measurement

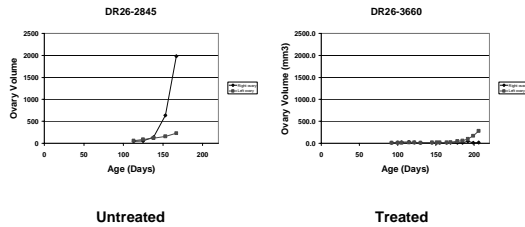
	Dimension	Size (mm)
X	256 pixels	0.1
Y	256 pixels	0.1
Z	32 slices	0.5

Formula: $(0.1 \text{ mm})(0.1 \text{ mm})(0.5 \text{ mm})(nROI)$

Tumor volumes



Cisplatin/Taxol treatment



Similarities between TgMISIIR-TAg mouse and human EOC

- Disease presentation:
 - Asymptomatic
 - Advanced stage
 - Peritoneal spread, ascites
- Histology:
 - Serous carcinoma
- Markers:
 - Cytokeratin 8 and 19 expression
 - Muc16 (murine CA125) – J. Boyd
 - P-AKT2 expression – J. Testa
 - Common genes/pathways altered in mouse and human ovarian cancers (identified by cDNA arrays)

Future Goals

- Test efficacy of therapeutic agents in TgMISIIR-TAg mice using MRI to measure tumor burden
- Study the impact of fertility and reproduction on the development of EOC
- Develop genetically relevant mouse models of human EOC
 - MISIIR promoter to express oncogenes in transgenic mice
 - Conditional Cre-LoxP mediated inactivation of tumor suppressor genes

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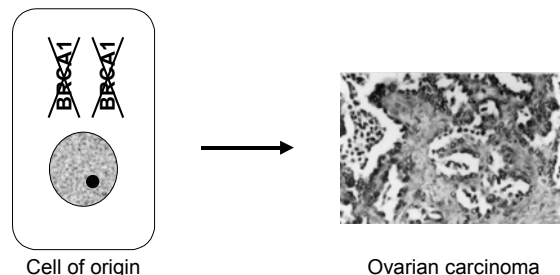
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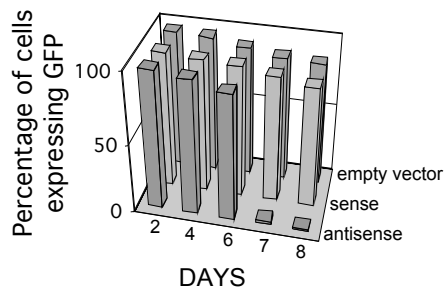
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MECHANISM OF OVARIAN CANCER PREDISPOSITION IN *BRCA1* MUTATION CARRIERS

Tumor suppressor hypothesis:

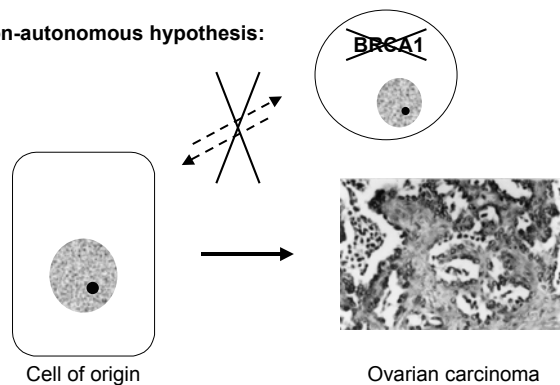


SELECTIVE DISADVANTAGE OF REDUCED *BRCA1* EXPRESSION



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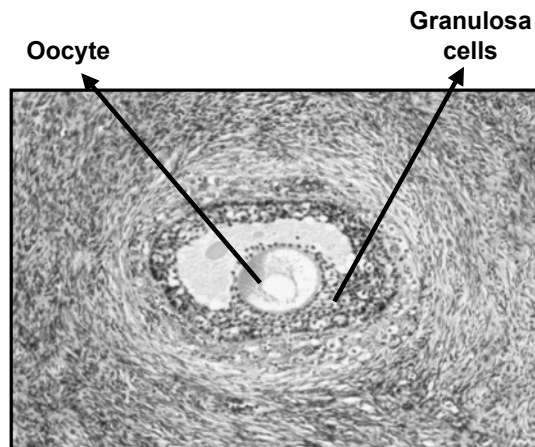
Cell non-autonomous hypothesis:



INFLUENCE OF PARITY AND ORAL CONTRACEPTIVE USE ON OVARIAN CANCER RISK

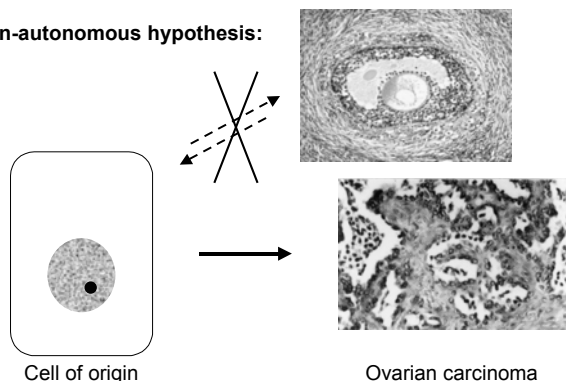
Risk Factors		Relative Risk
Parity	0	1.00
	1	0.61
	2	0.43
	3	0.40
	4+	0.31
Total Oral Contraceptive Use (yr)	0	1.0
	<1	0.9
	1-3	0.8
	3-5	0.5
	5+	0.4

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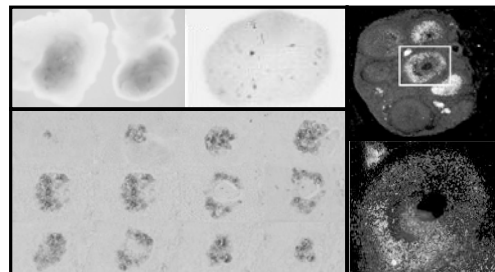


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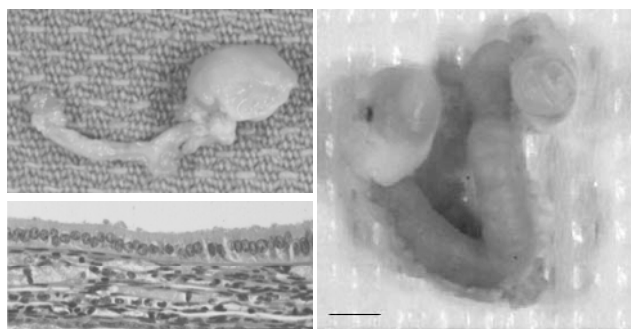
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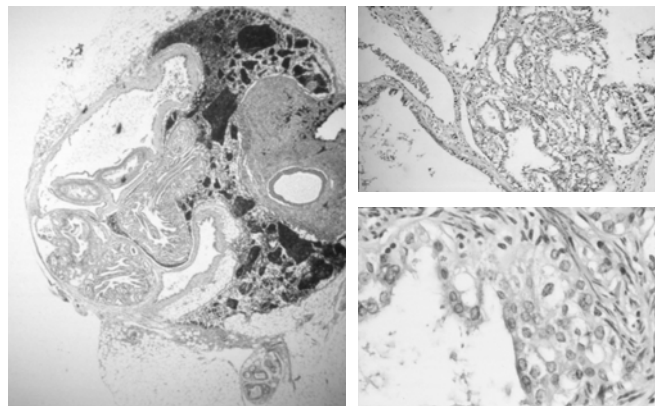
DISTRIBUTION OF PROMOTER ACTIVITY IN R26R MICE



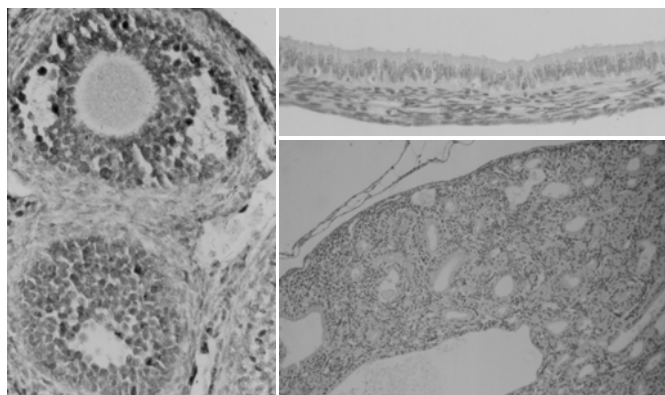
MUTANT MICE DEVELOP OVARIAN CYSTADENOMAS



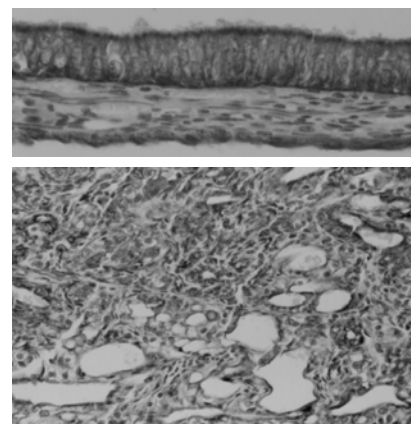
INVASIVE CARCINOMA IN A P53/BRCA1 DOUBLE MUTANT



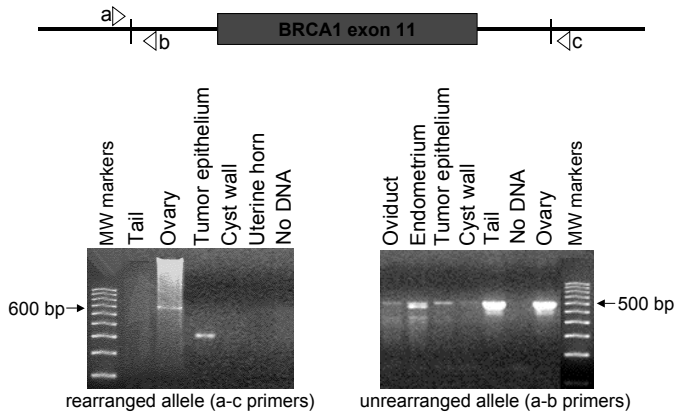
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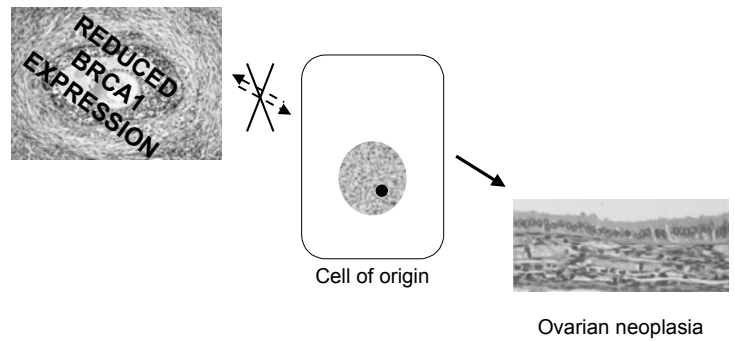
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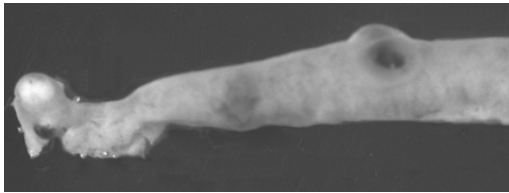
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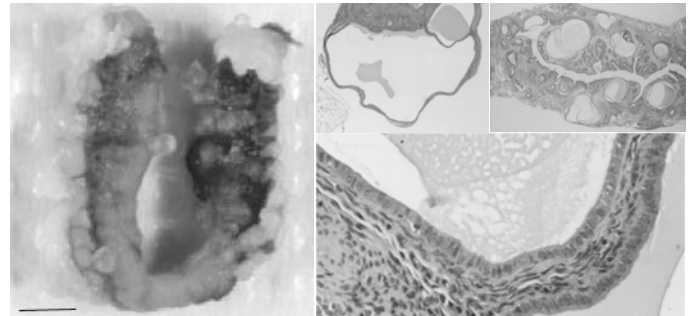
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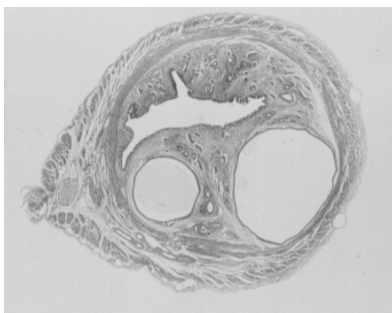
PERI-TUBAL CYST IN BRCA1 KNOCK-OUT MICE



MUTANT MICE DEVELOP EPITHELIAL CYSTS ALONG THE ENTIRE MULLERIAN TRACT



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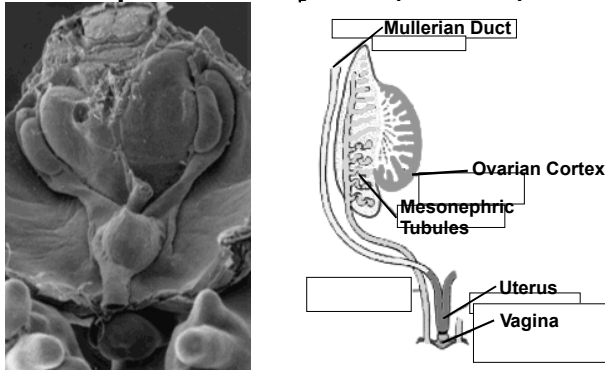
COMMENTARY

The Cell of Origin of Ovarian Epithelial Tumors and the Ovarian Surface Epithelium Dogma: Does the Emperor Have No Clothes?

Louis Dubeau

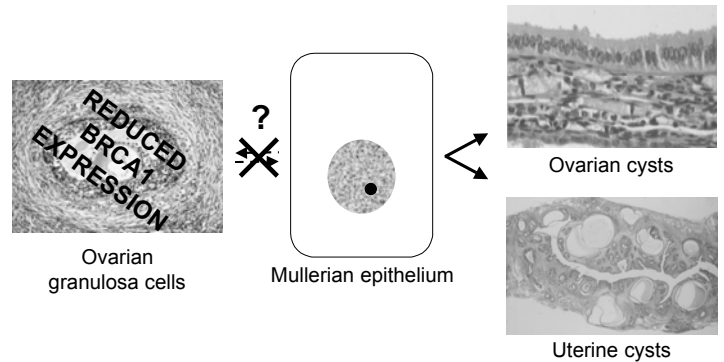
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Embryological Development of the Female Reproductive System (9 weeks)



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CELL NON-AUTONOMOUS MECHANISM OF PREDISPOSITION TO CANCERS OF THE REPRODUCTIVE TRACT IN BRCA1 MUTATION CARRIERS

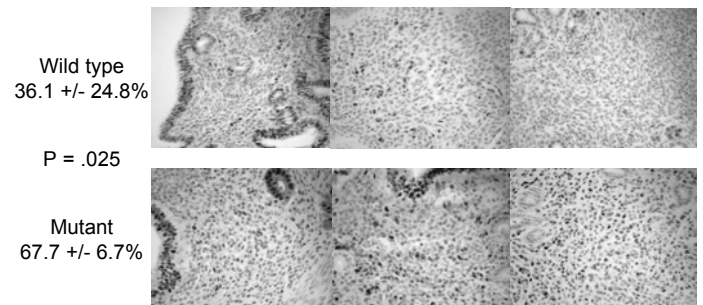


POSSIBLE MECHANISMS FOR OVARIAN TUMOR PREDISPOSITION BASED ON A CELL NON-AUTONOMOUS SCENARIO

- Direct mechanism
 - An effector secreted by granulosa cells is regulated by Brca1
- Indirect mechanism
 - Brca1 inactivation results in alterations in the ovulatory cycle, which in turn influences ovarian epithelial tumor development

DIFFERENCES IN PCNA EXPRESSION IN ENDOMETRIAL STROMA OF WILD TYPE VERSUS MUTANT MICE

Age: 3-4 months
Estrus cycle stage: early diestrus



Modulation of Aromatase Expression by BRCA1: a Possible Link to Tissue-Specific Tumor Suppression

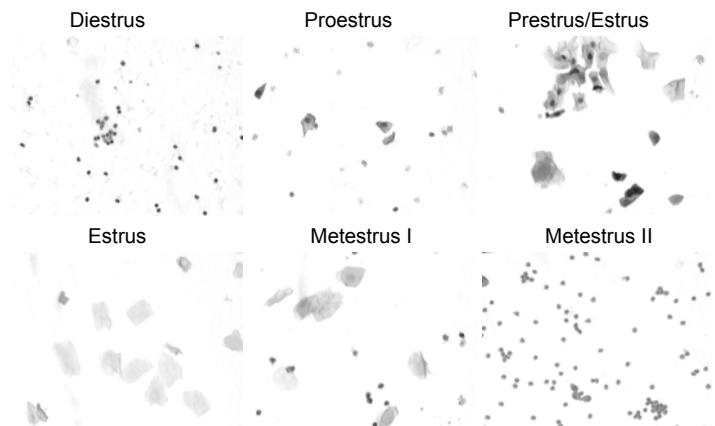
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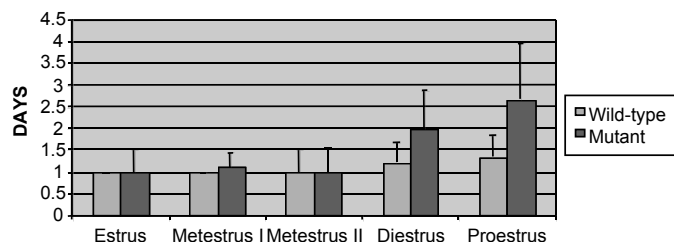
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Classification of estrus cycle stages in vaginal smears using the Papanicolaou stain



COMPARISON OF LENGTH OF ESTRUS CYCLE STAGES IN MUTANT VERSUS WILD-TYPE LITTERMATE MICE



SIGNIFICANCE

- A better understanding of the normal interactions between ovarian granulosa cells and the cell of origin of ovarian epithelial tumors may lead to novel strategies for the identification of individuals at risk and for ovarian cancer prevention.
- The results support the hypothesis that ovarian epithelial tumors are of mullerian origin, which is important for the understanding of their precursor lesions and for the development of effective screening strategies for their early detection.

SUMMARY

- The embryonic lethality of BRCA1 general knock out was avoided by knocking out this gene in granulosa cells specifically
- Mouse carrying mutant alleles of BRCA1 in their granulosa cells had morphologically normal ovarian follicles and were fertile, but developed benign and malignant epithelial ovarian tumors as well as extra-ovarian cysts in their mullerian tract
- Alterations in interactions between granulosa cells and the cell of origin of ovarian epithelial tumors may be the key to familial ovarian cancer predisposition in individuals carrying germline BRCA1 mutations.

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Proteomic discovery of biomarkers for prognosis in ovarian cancer

Eric T Fung

Proteomics, defined

- **The study of the expression, structure and function of proteins, and the interactions between proteins.**
 - Where and when are proteins expressed? Abundance?
 - Protein modifications and activities
 - Interactions: Protein-protein, protein-DNA, protein-small molecule, etc
 - Protein structure
- **It represents the protein counterpart to the analysis of gene function.**
- **Initial goal was to rapidly identify all the proteins expressed by a cell or tissue – a goal that has yet to be achieved for any species**

Proteomics vs Genomics

- **Proteins actually do the work of the cell**
 - DNA/RNA analysis cannot predict the amount of a gene product made (if and when)
 - RNA quantitation does not always reflect corresponding protein levels
- **Genomics cannot predict post-translational modifications and the effects thereof**
 - Post-translational modification is extensive: so far more than 200 different types of modifications have been reported! How does modification alter protein function?
 - ~30,000 human genes yields 1,200,000+ protein variants?!
- **Multiple proteins can be obtained from each gene (alternative splicing, RNA editing)**

Protein biomarkers

- **Differentially expressed proteins may serve as indicators or markers of a phenotypically altered state.**
- **Protein marker assays are employed to:**
 - Detect a variety of disease states
 - Track severity of disease
 - Monitor response to drug treatments
- **The utility of protein biomarkers benefits**
 - Pharmaceutical discovery research
 - Preclinical toxicology
 - Basic and clinical research
 - Clinical development
 - Diagnostics

Translational proteomics process

Expression Difference Mapping	Discovery	□□□	⌈
BioSeptra sorbents PCI-1000	Protein identification	□□□	⌈
Interaction Difference Mapping	Interacting proteins Modified proteins Modifying proteins	⊠□□	⌈
Clinical development Assay development	Diagnostic assay	⊠□□	⌈

Increasing medical value ↓

Pattern Track™ workflow

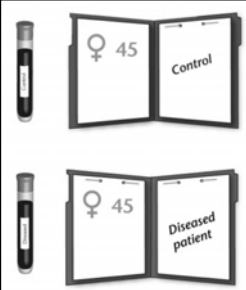
The workflow consists of the following steps:

- Study design:** Define clinical question.
- Discovery:** Multiple structure selection.
- Selection:** For low abundance and protein value.
- Identification:** Identify biomarkers.
- Assay development:** Multiple marker assay.

Additional elements shown include a microarray, a protein structure diagram, and a sequence: -LCEKSNVGGGCKKLS and TCAGTKPQSHNGDFEEL.

study design

Study design



- Flexibility in the study design
- Clinical question not limited by the technology

Designing the biomarker discovery project

- Define the clinical question
- Establish success criteria or statistical measurements of assay success
- Determine sample size for pilot and validation studies
- Carefully select control samples
- Establish standard sample collection and storage procedures

Three basic rules

- **Rule #1: Know what you're looking for.**
 - Broad questions require more samples to have clinical utility
 - Minimize sample variability
 - Control for all relevant conditions
- **Rule #2: Avoid systematic biases.**
 - Pre-analytical biases
 - Analytical biases
- **Rule #3: Don't misuse statistics.**
 - Feature selection
 - Independent validation

The two languages of clinical proteomics

- **Clinical**
 - Clinical question
 - Clinical trial design
 - Clinical specificity, sensitivity
 - Positive/negative predictive value
- **Analytical**
 - Precision
 - Accuracy
 - Dynamic range
 - Analytical specificity, sensitivity

The clinical question

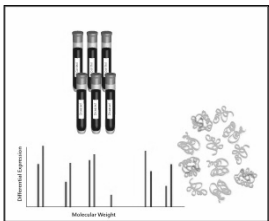
- **Clear-cut clinical question**
 - Unmet clinical need
 - The marker will affect patient management and patient outcome
- **Know the desired results**
- **Controls just as important as disease samples**

Acquire the samples

- **Minimize pre-analytical biases**
- **Multi-institutional roster of collaborators**
- **Associate with clinical trials**
- **Retrospective first, prospective when possible**
- **Controls just as important as disease samples**
- **Get enough samples to have a statistically meaningful result**

discovery

Discovery phase



Pilot study to discover multiple biomarker candidates requires:

- High sensitivity
- Increased resolving power
- Broad dynamic range

Dynamic range of the plasma proteome

Albumin	Apolipo-A1
	Apolipo-B
	AGP
	Lipoprotein A
	Factor H
	Ceruloplasmin
	C4-Comp factor
	Comp factor B
	Pre-albumin
	C9-Comp factor
	C1q-Comp factor
	C8-Comp factor
	1%

IgG

Transferrin

Fibrinogen

IgA

$\alpha 2$ macroglobulin

IgM

$\alpha 1$ -AT

C3 Comp factor

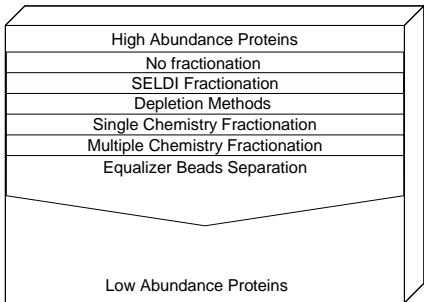
Haptoglobin

10%

Deep Proteome™
Large number of Low abundance proteins

H.J. Issaq, 2003
M.F. Lopez, 2000

Use pre-fractionation methods to access the Deep Proteome™



High Abundance Proteins

No fractionation

SELDI Fractionation

Depletion Methods

Single Chemistry Fractionation

Multiple Chemistry Fractionation

Equalizer Beads Separation

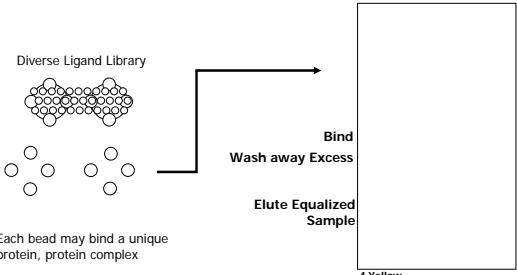
Low Abundance Proteins

Equalizer Beads: Dynamic Range Compression An Addition to the Proteomic Toolbox

Decrease the dynamic range - dilute abundant and concentrate trace proteins

- Based on a combinatorial ligand library synthesized on beads
 - Millions of copies of one unique ligand per bead
 - 10^8 to $>10^{12}$ unique beads
- Highly specific affinity interactions between proteins and ligands ensure binding the greatest number and variety of proteins
- Controlled bead capacity allows maximum concentration of trace proteins with dilution of high abundance proteins

Principle of Protein Equalizer Beads



Diverse Ligand Library

Bind

Wash away Excess

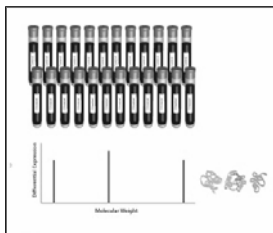
Elute Equalized Sample

- Each bead may bind a unique protein, protein complex
- With sufficient diversity, there will be a ligand to most, if not all, proteins in the mixture

4 Yellow
4 Blue
3 Green
1 Red
1 Pink

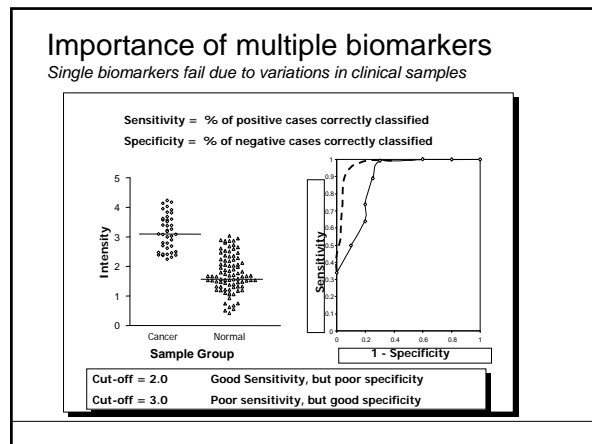
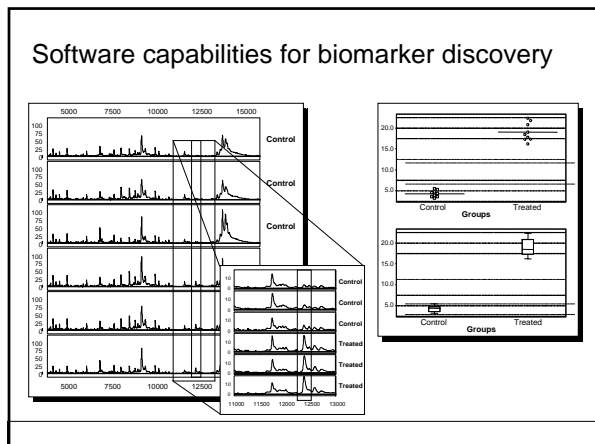
validation

Validation phase



Selection of 'best few' biomarker candidates

- Advanced software tools
- High-throughput capabilities
- Reproducible validation tools



- ### Types of multivariate analysis
- **Unsupervised learning**
 - No a priori "knowledge" of groups
 - Can discover new groups/subgroups
 - Generally not useful as diagnostic algorithm
 - Examples: PCA, heirarchal clustering, k-means clustering
 - **Supervised learning**
 - Class assignments required for input
 - Output is a classification (diagnostic) algorithm
 - Examples: classification trees (BPS), support vector machines, neural networks

- ### Biostatistical framework for data modeling
- Divide discovery data into training and testing sets
 - Feature selection: reduce from 1000s to <10 important variables
 - Different methods of feature selection can lead to slightly different ranks of features but most important features will be common
 - Further reduce number of features by calculating correlation, keeping non-correlated features
 - Use selected features to create classification algorithms
 - Bootstrapping/cross-validation help describe robustness of algorithms
 - Choose the best algorithm and apply to validation data set

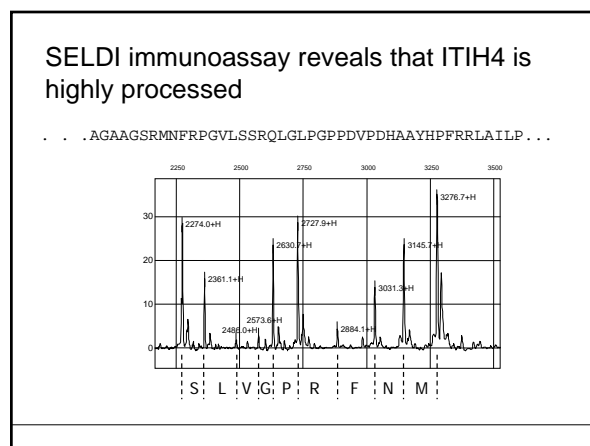
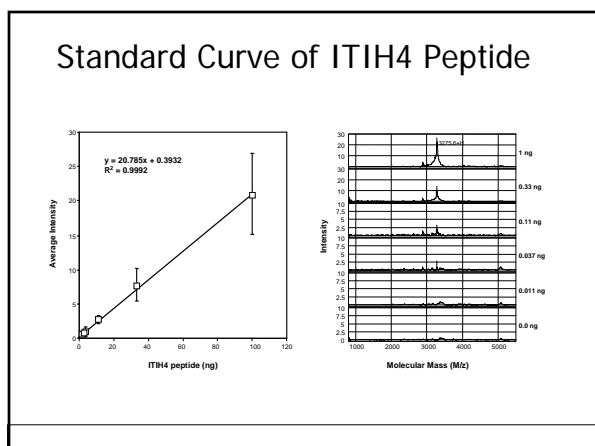
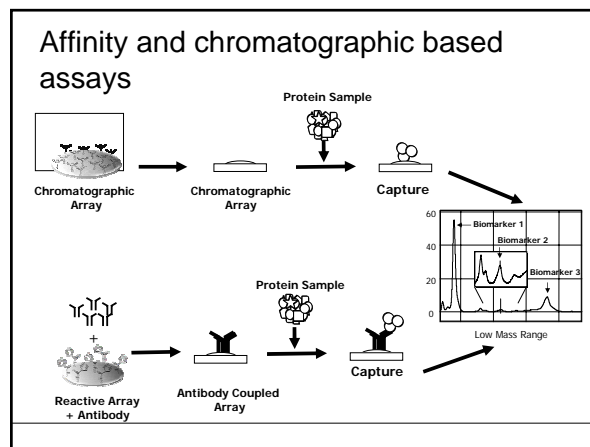
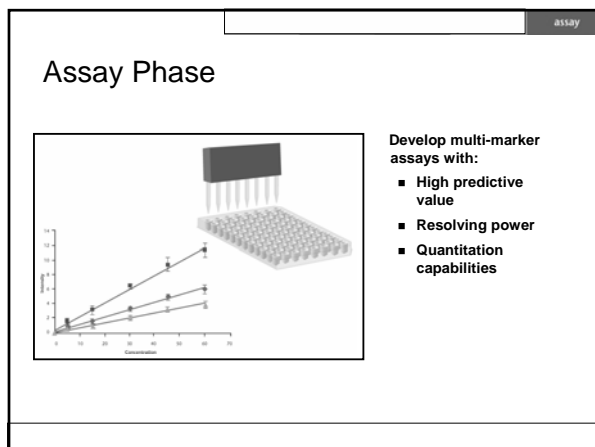
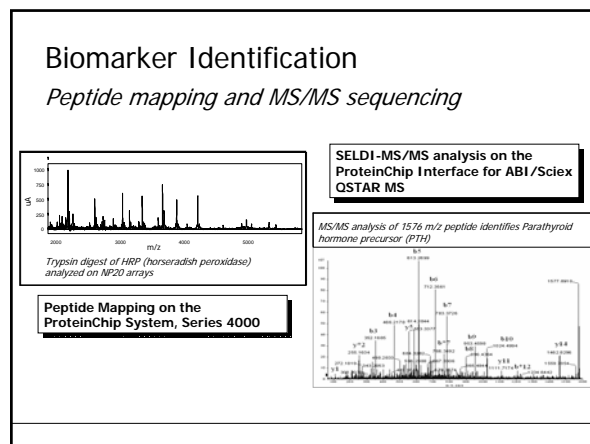
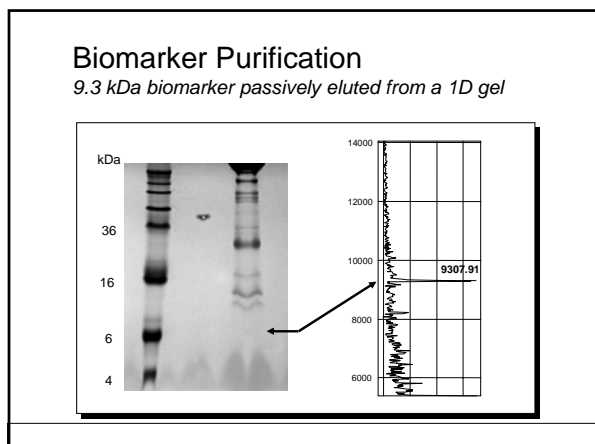
Purification and identification phase

Identification

- Purify selected biomarkers
- Use matching chromatographic resins.
- Peptide mapping and MS/MS sequencing for identification.

SELDI-Assisted Purification and ID

ProteinChip	Matching Sorbent
CM10	CM Ceramic HyperD F
Q10	Q Ceramic HyperD F
IMAC30	IMAC HyperCel



Total Precision Studies (NCCLS Protocol)
Top 20 peaks

Total assay: Normal pool = 6.77%
Cancer pool = 7.14%

Intra assay: Normal pool = 12.2%
Cancer pool = 10.9%

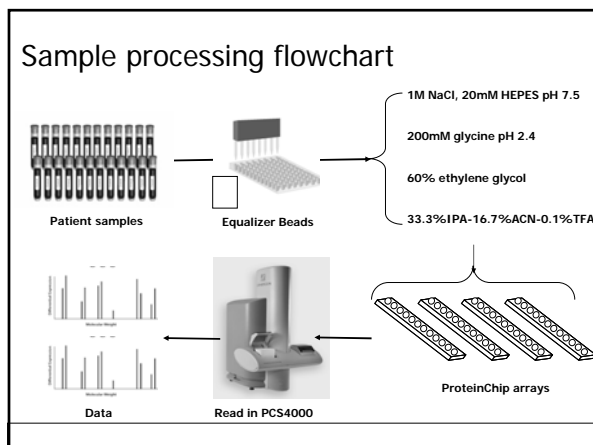
Inter assay: Normal pool = 11.2%
Cancer pool = 10.6%

Precision of transthyretin peaks: 7-10%

Courtesy of Gordon Whiteley, SAIC

Prognosis study: Patient characteristics

- 40 patients with stage III-IV EOC ovarian cancer patients from two hospitals (Leuven and Groningen)
- Patients divided into rapid progressors (short-term) vs long-term disease free survivors based on relapse within first year
 - Short term
 - N=20
 - Median age = 65.5
 - Long term
 - N=20
 - Median age = 66
- CA125 not significantly different between groups
- Pre-op, post-op, and serial samples analyzed (171 samples total)



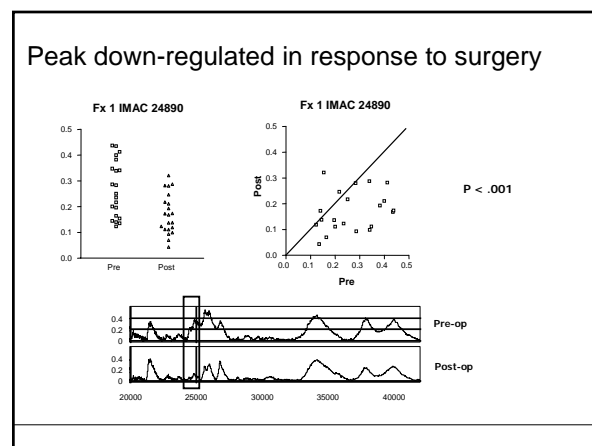
Data analysis

- Spectra were calibrated and normalized to total ion current
- 884 unique peaks across 16 conditions (4 fractions * 4 chip types)
- Peaks assessed for significance for
 - Change in levels after surgery (using paired t-test comparing pre- and post-operative samples)
 - Predicting outcome (short- or long-term disease free survival)

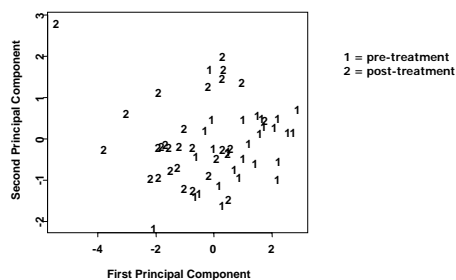
Peaks with greatest difference in pre- and post-operative levels

m/z	Fraction	Chip	Paired p value	AUC*
8350.95	2	IMAC30	0.0005	0.71358
24890.99	1	IMAC30	0.0006	0.72381
15900.05	1	IMAC30	0.0006	0.67619
6841.48	2	H50	0.0014	0.303704
19986.58	1	H50	0.0016	0.290123
8152.45	2	CM10	0.0019	0.736905
8144.70	2	IMAC30	0.0019	0.72716
15514.24	1	IMAC30	0.0019	0.667857
13567.82	1	Q10	0.0020	0.678322
165485.60	1	IMAC30	0.0029	0.319048

*AUC > 0.5 indicates higher in pre-operative group i.e. levels decrease with treatment



Separation of pre- and post-treatment samples using PCA



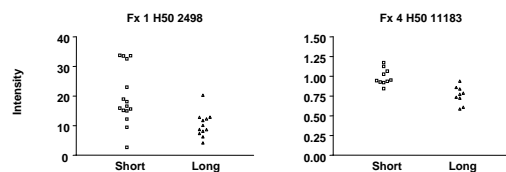
Peaks most strongly associated with outcome (pre-treatment samples)

m/z	Fraction	Chip	p value	AUC
11183.28	4	H50	0.0011	0.066667
2498.41	1	H50	0.0029	0.155556
23068.54	2	IMAC30	0.0034	0.155556
66956.90	2	IMAC30	0.0040	0.175
76483.84	4	CM10	0.0043	0.1
43124.27	2	CM10	0.0046	0.194872

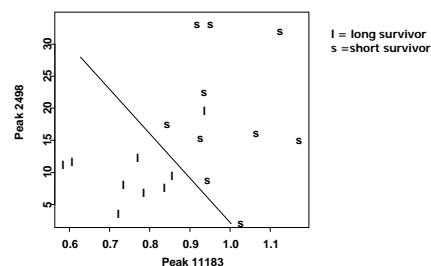
CA125 p value is not significant.

All peaks are higher in the short time to relapse group.

Scatter plots of two peaks



Separation of long and short survivors with pre-treatment samples



Conclusions

- Novel Equalizer Bead technology may be useful in discovering and identifying novel biomarkers
- Several candidate biomarkers that correlate with surgery
- Several candidate biomarkers that correlate with outcome
- Next steps
 - Validation in larger cohort
 - Additional data analysis to determine applicability to specific clinical subgroups
 - Identification of biomarkers

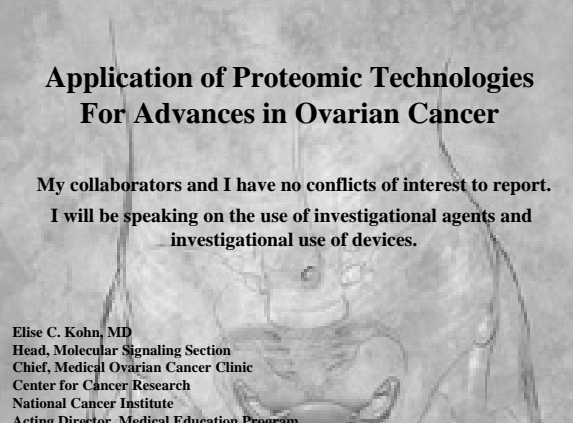
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Application of Proteomic Technologies For Advances in Ovarian Cancer

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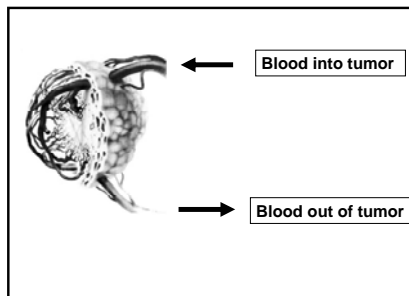


An Ideal Screening Test

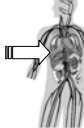




- Sufficiently sensitive to detect early stage disease
- Specific enough to identify those without disease
- Easy to administer
- Effective intervention available

Is serum a logical pool from which to seek and analyze biomarkers?



MOLECULAR HUNTING GROUNDS: Where are and what are the molecular diagnostics for ovarian cancer?



<p>DNA</p> <p>↓</p> <p>RNA</p> <p>↓</p> <p>PROTEIN</p>	 	<p>40,000 genes</p> <p>150,000 splicing events</p> <p>1.5 million post-translational processing events</p>	<p>Comparative Genomic Hybridization (CGH) or SNP arrays</p> <p>cDNA Microarrays</p> <p>Proteomics</p>
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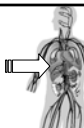
What Is Proteomics?

Proteomics: The study of proteins, protein pathways and networks, and protein applications

Application:
Dissection of phenotype, genotype, activation status
Description of phenotype, genotype, activation status

Clinical Implications:
Biomarker and surrogate marker development
Clinical monitoring
Identification and characterization of therapeutic targets
Assessment and validation of molecular targeted therapeutics

Challenges of Early Stage Diagnosis



Specificity--

- Heterogeneity of cancer
- Individuality of cancer
- Uniqueness of cancer from common processes

Sensitivity--

- Small volume of premalignant or early stage lesions
- Clearance/breakdown of cancer-specific markers
- Level of host response to early stage, preinvasive disease

NCI Proteomics Ovarian Cancer Recurrence Monitoring Prospective Trial

Objective: Prospective generation of serum proteomics pattern to detect recurrence with comparison against CA125

Eligibility:

1. First clinical remission from platin/paclitaxel therapy for EOC, fallopian tube and primary peritoneal cancers
2. Must enter within 9 weeks of completion of therapy and designation of clinical complete remission (nl exam/CA125/CT)

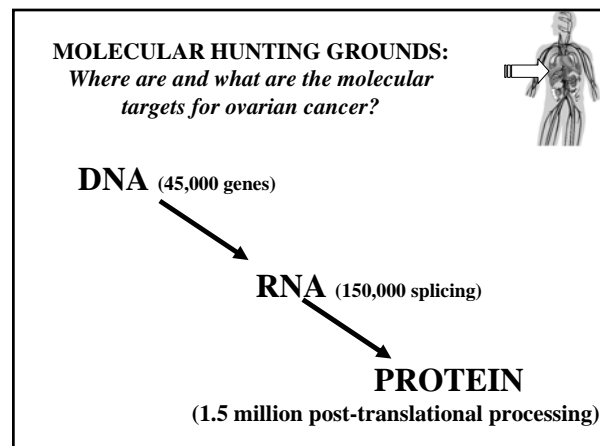
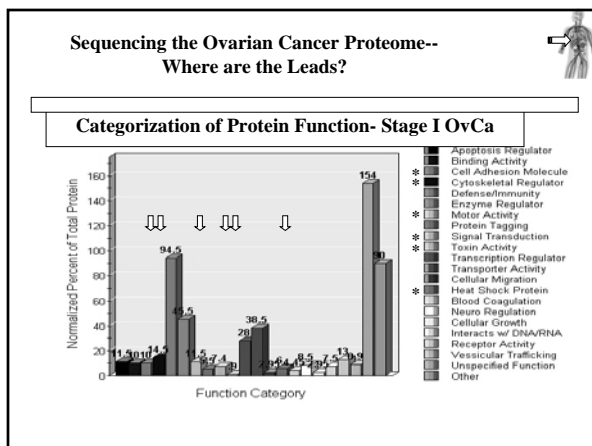
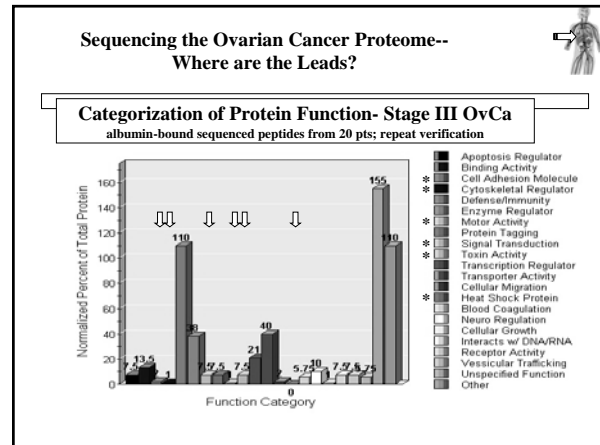
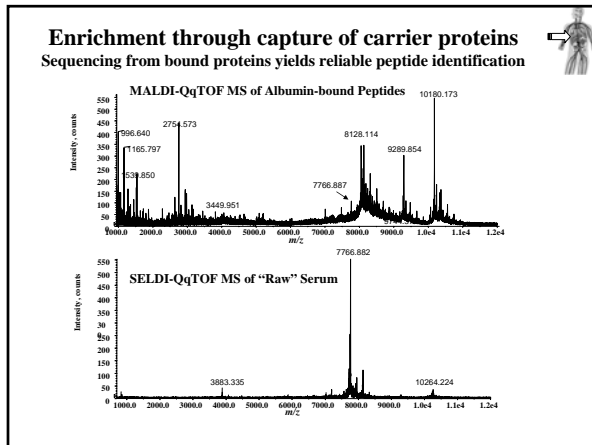
Study Plan: q 3mo assessment, CA-125, and research bloods, q 6mo CT
To build a repository of serial samples for proteomic and other biomarker validation

Sites: NCI, FoxChase, MSKCC, NYU, MGH, U-AB, Duke, MDA, U-Wash, Cedars Sinai, Evanston and Northwestern Univ Hosp.


Referrals: NCI Clinical Studies Support Center 1-888-624-1837

Patterns v. Biomarkers

- Patterns can be used if algorithm robust
- Identification yields insight into process of malignancy
- Process may be strong with either patterns and/or biomarkers
- Concept validated by numerous investigators with multiple cancers and other diseases



Imatinib Therapy with Proteomic Profiling in Relapsed Ovarian Cancer: Stromal Therapy



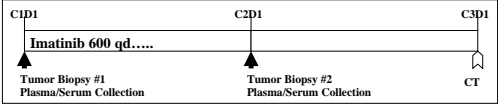
Clinical Objective: To determine clinical activity and toxicity profile of imatinib.

Translational Objectives:

- To describe tumor cell signaling pathways and their modification by imatinib
- To correlate signaling events with clinical outcome
- To investigate anti-angiogenic activity of imatinib

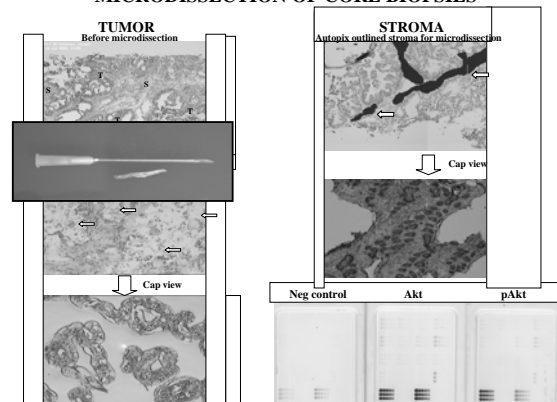
Eligibility Criteria:

- Biopsiable recurrent epithelial ovarian cancer (biopsies required)
- No more than 4 prior treatment regimens
- Good end organ function



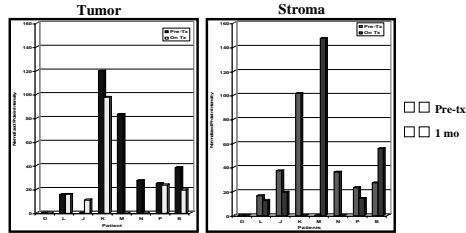
The timeline diagram shows a study starting at CID1 with Imatinib 600 qd. Tumor Biopsy #1 (Plasma/Serum Collection) is performed at CID1. Tumor Biopsy #2 (Plasma/Serum Collection) is performed at C2D1. The study ends at C3D1 with a Clinical Trial (CT) completion.

MICRODISSECTION OF CORE BIOPSIES



The diagram illustrates the process of microdissection. On the left, a 'TUMOR' core biopsy is shown 'Before microdissection'. On the right, the 'STROMA' is 'Autofluorescenced and outlined for microdissection'. Below the tumor and stroma images are 'Cap view' images. At the bottom, there are images for 'Neg control', 'Akt', and 'pAkt'.

c-Kit Tyr 721 Phosphorylation is Reduced in Tumor and Stroma By Imatinib Therapy: Proof of Target



Two bar charts show 'Normalized Phosphorylation' for 'Tumor' and 'Stroma'. The x-axis lists proteins: AKT, pAKT, ERK, pERK, EGFR, pEGFR. The y-axis ranges from 0 to 1.0. For each protein, there are two bars: Pre-tx (white) and 1 mo (black). In the tumor chart, phosphorylation levels are generally higher than in the stroma chart. For pAKT and pERK, there is a noticeable decrease in phosphorylation at 1 month compared to pre-treatment.

SCF stimulates p85 PI3K binding to Tyr-721 c-kit; PI3K → AKT and JNK to activate survival signals. pAKT may be a useful measure of imatinib activity.

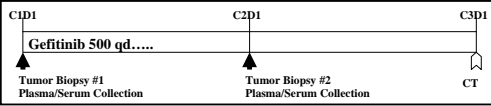
Lysate microarrays is a method for studying a large range of signals across many patients.

Phase II Trial with Proteomic Profiling of Gefitinib in Patients with Relapsed Ovarian or Cervical Cancer

Primary Objective: To demonstrate biochemical modulation of EGFR, Akt, and ERK, in microdissected tumor, stroma, and skin molecular surrogates.

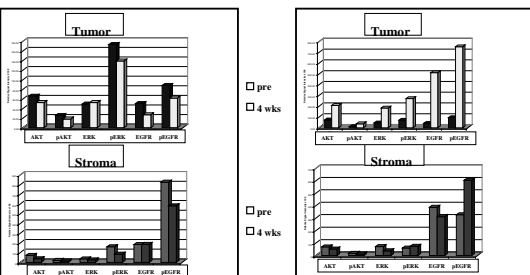
Secondary Objectives: To assess clinical activity and toxicity; To correlate biochemical effects with outcome and toxicity; To evaluate skin as a surrogate for tumor signal and clinical activity.

Eligibility Criteria: Relapsed epithelial ovarian cancer or cervix cancer; Biopsiable disease, Good end organ function; No limitation for prior number of therapies



The timeline diagram shows a study starting at CID1 with Gefitinib 500 qd. Tumor Biopsy #1 (Plasma/Serum Collection) is performed at CID1. Tumor Biopsy #2 (Plasma/Serum Collection) is performed at C2D1. The study ends at C3D1 with a Clinical Trial (CT) completion. A note indicates '* Iodium for diarrheal complications'.

Two example patients treated with gefitinib: Proteomic results



Two bar charts show 'Normalized Phosphorylation' for 'Tumor' and 'Stroma' for two patients. The x-axis lists proteins: AKT, pAKT, ERK, pERK, EGFR, pEGFR. The y-axis ranges from 0 to 1.0. For each protein, there are two bars: pre (white) and 4 wks (black). In the tumor charts, there is a decrease in phosphorylation for pAKT and pERK at 4 weeks compared to pre-treatment. The stroma charts show lower overall phosphorylation levels.

Patient 1: 50 yo with Stage IV/gr 3 papillary serous ovarian carcinoma; 7 prior chemo regimens. Gefitinib 500 mg/d x 6 wks. Discontinued for gr 4 hemorrhage and splenic rupture. Patient anti-coagulated for aortic graft.

Patient 2: 48 yo Stage IIC/gr 3 papillary serous ovarian carcinoma; 10 prior regimens. Gefitinib 500 mg/d x 8 wks. Disease progression at 8 wks. Adverse reactions- gr 2 fatigue.

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Sorafenib (BAY 43-9006) + bevacizumab

- Primary Objective**
 - Safety and toxicity.
 - Assess biochemical changes in the Ras-Raf-MAPK and VEGF pathways.
- Secondary Objectives**
 - DCE-MRI and PET to measure tumor vascular flow; CD31 IHC
 - Characterize pharmacokinetics.
 - Pharmacogenomics of CYP3A4/5 on sorafenib.
 - Genotype Ras and Raf mutations; correlate with clinical events.
 - Measure changes in circulating VEGF and other angiogenic cytokine concentrations and correlate with clinical outcome.
- Eligibility Criteria**
 - All solid tumors (focused accrual in renal cell, melanoma, ovary)
 - Biopsiable disease (required for cohort 2)
 - Good end organ function
 - No limitation for prior number of therapies

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**Future Directions in the Development
of Proteomic Advances**

- **Define molecular predictor(s) of presence or progression of disease**
- **Develop relevant diagnostic test(s)**
- **Apply tests for proof of principle**
 - Blinded validation tests of adequate size followed by movement to randomized controlled trials
 - in vivo inhibition of the target followed by validation of target to outcome link
- **Target identification of Optimal (or Effective) Biological Dose (OBD)**

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The Detection of Early Stage Epithelial Ovarian Cancer



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The problem: Epithelial Ovarian Carcinoma

- **70-75% women are diagnosed with advanced disease (as in 1960)**
- **Poor 5-year survival (12-15%) for advanced stage EOC**
- **90% 5-year survival for stage I disease- yet often detected serendipitously**
- **Therefore intentional detection of early stage disease is critical**

How to Detect Early Stage EOC???

- Annual CA125 and US do not achieve detection of early stage disease
- Both can provide false security or inappropriate anxiety
- Accuracy approximates 50% for early stage disease

Who is at Risk?

- **Increased risk based on: personal history, family cancer pedigree, known mutation carrier, prolonged use of infertility Rx**

NOCEDP Clinical Experience

- **Formal Genetic evaluation and Testing**
- **3D US and Microvascular Index (MVI)**
- **Physical examination q 6m**
- **Health Services, QOL, Education**
- **Ovarian Pap Test- outpatient 0.9 mm miniscope**
- **Biomarkers unique to ovarian carcinogenesis, invasion, metastasis**

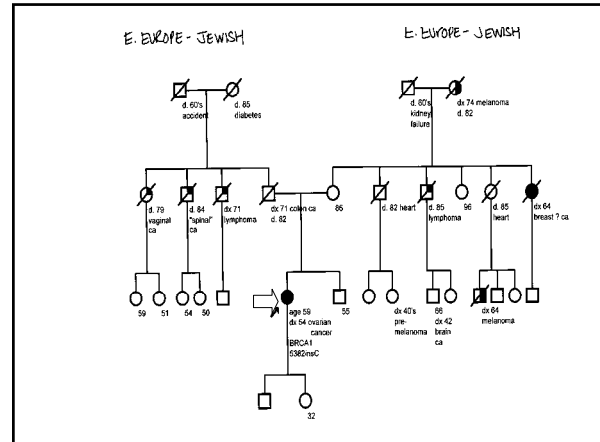
Clinical Risk Assessment

- Nulliparity???? (92% parous > 1 child)
- Personal and Family History- critical
- Ashkenazi descent ? (why me?)
- 38% Jewish women with ovarian carcinoma- + BRCA 1 or 2
- 20% Jewish women with premenopausal Breast carcinoma- + BRCA 1 or 2
- **All affected Jewish women should be offered genetic testing**

[Am. J. Human Genetics-2001, 2003, Lancet-2001]

Ovarian Cancer Syndromes

- Site-specific ovarian
- Breast-Ovarian
- Lynch type II - hereditary nonpolyposis colorectal cancer (HNPCC) – 9- 12%
- Mutations of unknown significance



Risk Assessment

- Formal pedigree analysis and genetic testing and counseling by a team including board certified geneticists and gynecologic oncologists identified 581 women
- 549 BRCA1/2 +, 32 + pedigree assessment
- Prophylactic surgery consisted of a laparoscopic BSO, peritoneal washings, and comprehensive evaluation of pelvis and abdomen

Demographics

- 581 High Risk women
- 337 BRCA 1 + (58%)
- 212 BRCA 2+ (36%)
- 32 BRCA- (5.5%) yet pedigree c/w Inherited Cancer Syndrome
- Evaluation from 1990-2005
- Average Clinical follow-up 5 years

BRCA 1

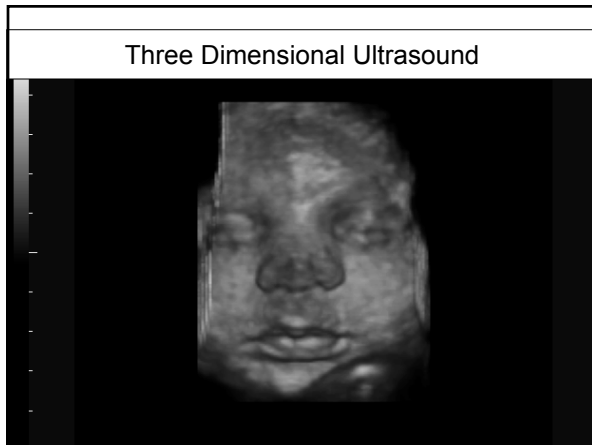
- 337 women
- 7 Gynecologic malignancies
 - PPC- 2- Stage IIIC and IIIB
 - FT- 2- Stage IIB and IIIB
 - OVCA- 3- 1-Stage IA, 2-IIIA
- No PPC in all women s/p BSO

BRCA 2

- 212 women
- 3 Gynecologic Malignancies
 - PPC- 1 Stage IIIB
 - FT- 1 Stage IIIA
 - OVCA- 1 Stage IB
- No PPC in women s/p BSO

Cancer Detection

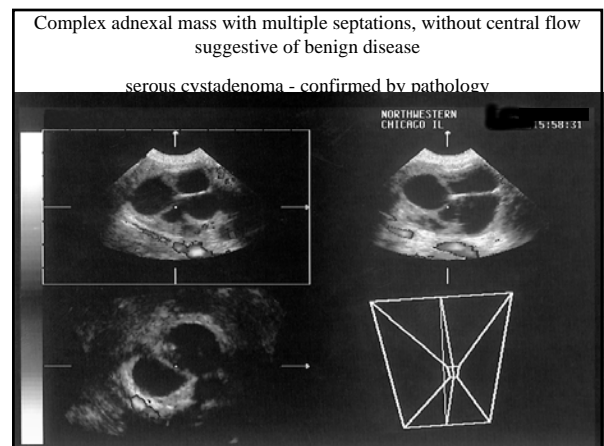
- 571 Benign
- 3 Primary Peritoneal Cancer- all Stage III
- 3 Fallopian Tube Cancer- Stage II/III(2)
- 4 Ovarian Cancer- 2- Stage I, 2- Stage III
- 10 Cancers –
 - 2- Stage I
 - 1- Stage II
 - 7- Stage III

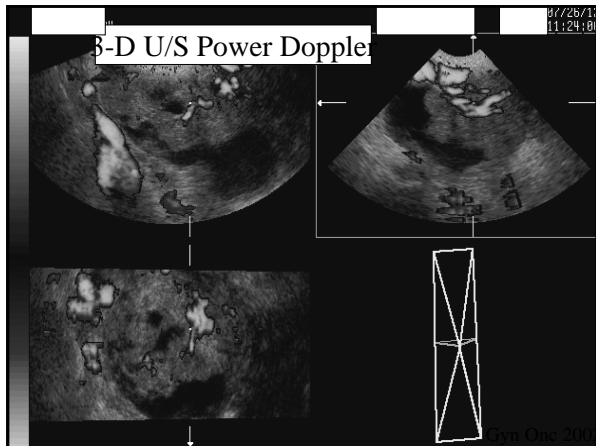


Recent Advances In Ultrasound

- Power Doppler Energy- improved specificity as secondary test (83-92%)
- 3-Dimensional volume acquisition and power Doppler- identifies architectural and vascular changes in observed mass, increases specificity from 54% to 75% as a secondary test
- Microvascular Imaging (MVI)- capillaries visualized with nanoparticles

Gyn Onc 2001, Gyn Onc 2002, Lancet 2003





NOCEDP

- 19,538 gynecologic U/S on 8,246 asymptomatic high-risk women (normal exam and U/S)
- 107 aberrant masses identified
- 57 surgical interventions
- 45 benign tumors, 12 cancers

AJOG 2005

NOCEDP

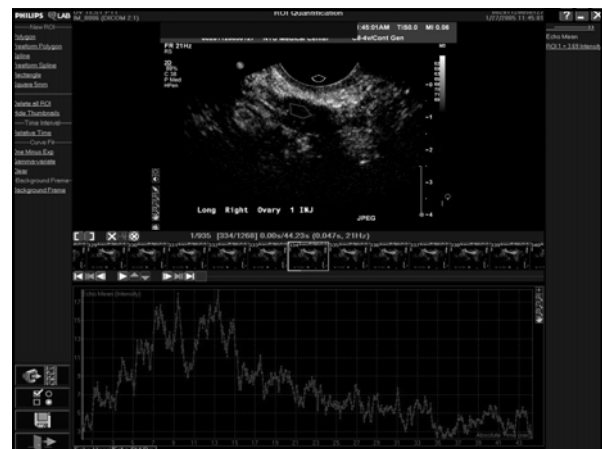
- 12 asymptomatic gynecologic cancers detected (4 fallopian tube, 4 primary peritoneal, 2 epithelial ovarian carcinoma, 2 uterine)
- all Stage III/IV (A, B, and C) except uterine (both stage 1A G1)
- all normal US and PE 12 and 6 months prior to abnormal scan
- FT/PPC - normal ovaries

Conclusion

- US was effective in detecting asymptomatic advanced stage adnexal disease
- US is ineffective as an independent modality in the detection of early stage EOC in the high-risk population

The Future: Microvascular Imaging

- Combination of high resolution ultrasound with vascular mapping and quantification of aberrant capillary influx from pre-existing host venules stimulated by tumor neovascularization
- IV contrast agents (micro- and nanoparticles) to illuminate the extravasation associated with the influx of new “leaky” vessels

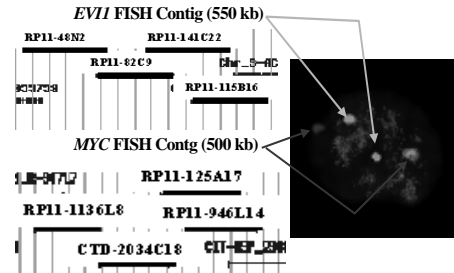


Ovarian Pap Test

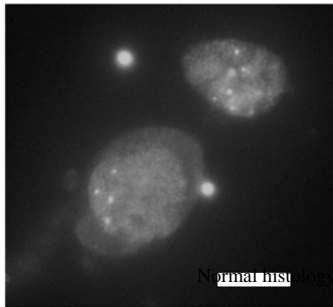
- Minimally invasive office laparoscopy- outpatient procedure
- Genomics and proteomics can detect precancer/cancer years before cytology- Prevention

Cont Ob/Gyn 2003, NEJM 2003

FISH assay: EVI1 and MYC for EOC detection



BRCA1+ Mutation with Normal Cytology



Prophylactic BSO

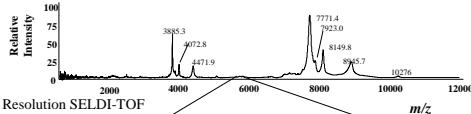
Abnormal Copy Number of EVI1 and MYC

Serum Proteomic Patterns-

Emanuel Petricoin, Lance Liotta, et al- Lancet 2002

- Identification of low molecular weight serum proteins
- MALDI-TOFO- matrix-assisted laser desorption and ionization time-of-flight
- SELDI-TOFO- surface-enhanced laser desorption and ionization time-of-flight
- Artificial Intelligence (AI) computation

The Rapid Evolution of MS Instrumentation

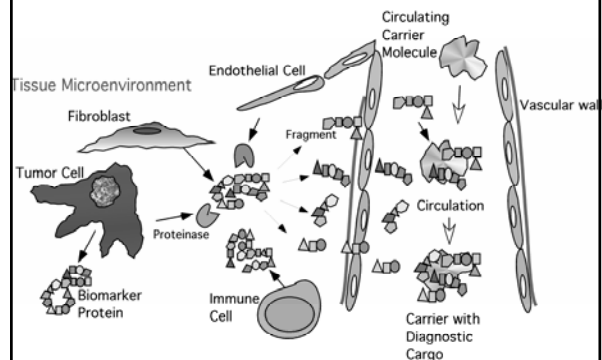


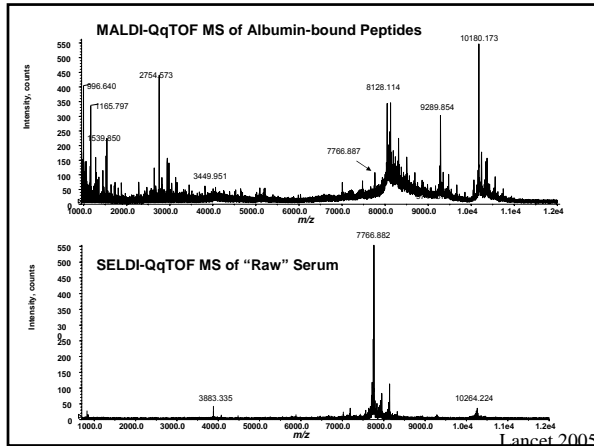
Year 2002= Low Resolution SELDI-TOF
Lancet 2002

Year 2004= High Resolution SELDI-TOF
ERC 2004

Year 2005= Ultra High Resolution
Orthogonal MALDI-TOF and FT-ICR
Direct Accurate Mass Tagging Based ID
INCL 2005

Biomarker Amplification and Harvesting by Carrier Molecules





Prominent SELDI-TOF ionic species (m/z 6631.7043) identified to correlate with the presence of ovarian cancer were amplified by albumin capture

456 Albumin Binding Fragments: Ovarian Cancer

- 3', 5'-cyclic-GMP phosphodiesterase
- A Chain A, Crystal Structure of Human Apolipoprotein
- A Chain A, Transferrin (Protein)
- AIAG Human Alpha 1 Acid Glycoprotein 1 Precursor (AGP 1)
- AIAT Human Alpha 1-Antitrypsin Precursor, Alpha-1 Protease Inhibitor, Alpha-1-Antiprotease
- AIBG Human Alpha 1B Glycoprotein
- ALMG Human Alpha 2-Macroglobulin Precursor
- ADP-Ribosylation Factor Binding Protein 3, golgi localized gamma ear containing, ARF binding protein 3, KIAA0154 gene product
- AJO7010 envelope glycoprotein (Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 1)
- AJO7721 Pol Protein (Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 1)
- AJO94250 envelope glycoprotein (Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 1)
- AJO99171 protease (Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 1)
- AJO10128 Rev (Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 1)
- AJ228172 gp120 (Human Immunodeficiency Virus Type 1)
- ALCT Human Ig Alpha-1 Chain C Region
- Alpha 1 & 2 Hemoglobin, HBA Human Hemoglobin Alpha Chain
- APA1 Human Apolipoprotein A-I Precursor, Apolipoprotein A-I
- APA2 Human Apolipoprotein A-II Precursor, Apolipoprotein A-II
- APC1 Human Apolipoprotein C-I Precursor, Apolipoprotein C-I
- APC3 Human Apolipoprotein C-III Precursor, Apolipoprotein C-III
- LPHU/B apolipoprotein B-100 precursor - human
- apolipoprotein D, apd (human, plasma)
- apolipoprotein E, (human, serum)
- ANSN Human Asparagine Synthetase (glutamine hydrolyzing), TS11 Cell Cycle Control Protein
- AT Human Alpha 1-Antitrypsin (Internal Fragment)
- B Chain B, Crystal Structure of A Human Fcγ
- B Chain B, Crystal Structure of S-Nitroso-Nit
- BBHU/CPAB Human Complement factor B Precursor, C3-C5 Convertase, Properdin Factor B, Glycine Rich Beta Glycoprotein GfG
- BR31 Human Bombesin Receptor Subtype 3, Uterine Bombesin Receptor
- C Chain C, Human Serum Transferrin, Recombinant
- C1R/C1B Complement Subcomponent C1q Chain B Precursor
- CHU complement precursor (validated)
- Ceruloplasmin, Ferroxidase Human
- CPA1 Human Complement Factor 1 Precursor, C3B
- Clusterin, Complement Cytolysis Inhibitor (CL), SP-40, Sulfated Glycoprotein 2, testosterone Repressed Protein Message 2

JNCI-2005, JBC-2005

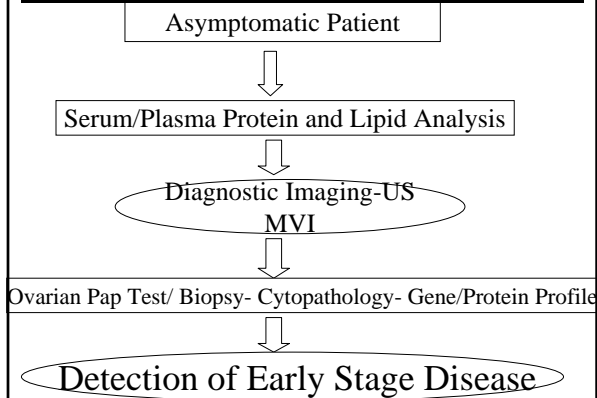
Clinically Relevant Biological Markers for Early Detection

- Lysophospholipids (LPA) -LC/MS/MS
- Growth factors (p110, p60)
- Proteases (MMPs, Kallikreins)
- Proteomics- SELDI/ MALDI-TOF, ABI QqTOF, ESI-MS

Female Patient 2002, Cancer Res 2002, Lancet 2002, Nature 2003, Can Res 2004, Nature Med 2004, Gyn Onc 2004

What is required for the clinician and patient to achieve optimal healthcare?

New Paradigm for Cancer Detection



Multiplexed serum assay for early detection of ovarian cancer

Anna Lokshin, PhD

OVARIAN CANCER: STATISTICS

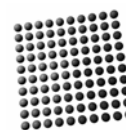
- Fifth most common cancer in the US
- Accounts of 4% of all cancers in women
- Causes more deaths than any other gynecological cancer
- About 23,000 new cases of ovarian cancer and 14,000 deaths each year in the US
- The 5-year survival for patients with clinically advanced ovarian cancer is 15 to 20%
- The cure rate for stage I disease is usually greater than 90%
- Only 25% of all OC are found at an early stage

OUR GOAL

Develop multimarker serological test for early detection of ovarian cancer that has:

- a. high specificity
- b. high sensitivity
- c. low cost

Luminex Assay



Comparison with ELISA

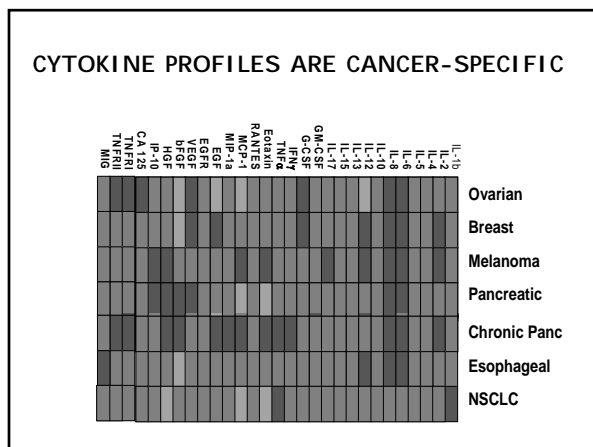
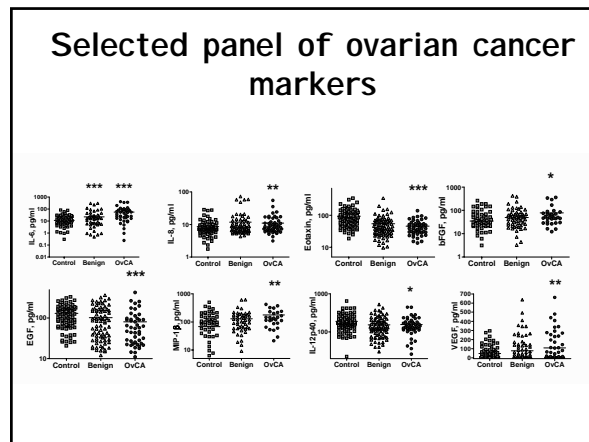
- ❖ Multiplexed quantitation of up to 100 analytes in a single sample
- ❖ Require smaller sample volume (< 50 µl)
- ❖ Are more rapid. Equilibrium is reached sooner in the near-liquid phase, so incubation times are reduced significantly, particularly if wash steps are eliminated.
- ❖ Are more sensitive. Can detect cytokines down to ~1 pg/ml.
- ❖ Cannot optimize reaction conditions for each analyte

PATIENTS

Patient Group	Age	Histologic Types
Control N=85	Range 33-76 Median 46	
Early Stage Ovarian Cancer N=61	Range 34-88 Median 46	Papillary serous carcinoma Carcinoma, endometrioid Carcinoma, mucinous Carcinoma, poorly differentiated Adenocarcinoma, serous Carcinoma, clear cell
Benign Tumors N=75	Range 35-87 Median 44	Adenofibroma, serous Brenner tumor Cystadenofibroma, serous Cyst, paratubal Cyst, serous Cyst, simple Cystadenofibroma, serous Cystadenoma, mucinous Cystadenoma, serous Endometriosis Fibrosis Ovary benign Mucinous benign

INITIAL SCREENING: LUMINEX ANALYTES

Panel I	<p>Cytokines: IL-1β, IL-2, IL-4, IL-5, IL-6, IL-8, IL-10, IL-12p40, IL-13, IL-15, IL-17, IL-18, TNFα, TNFR I, TNFR II, IFNγ, GM-CSF, G-CSF</p> <p>Chemokines: RANTES, MIP-1a, MIP-1b, MCP-1, Eotaxin, MIG</p> <p>Growth and angiogenic factors: EGF, EGFR, VEGF, bFGF, HGF, VEGF, NGF</p>
Panel II	<p>Cancer Antigens: CA 125, CA 15-3, CEA, AFP, CA 19-9</p> <p>Apoptotic proteins: sFas and sFasL</p> <p>Growth factors/Oncogenes: EGFR, Her2/neu, IL-2R, NGF, IGFs, IGF1BP3</p> <p>Proteases: PSA free, Kallikreins 5,6,8,11; MMP-2,3,7,9, TIMP-1,2</p> <p>Other markers: Cyfra 21-1, TPA, M-CSF, HMGB-1, S-100, LDH, CRP, osteopontin</p>
Panel III	<p>Circulating antibodies against:</p> <p>Cytokines: IL-6, IL-8</p> <p>Growth factors/receptors: EGF, EGFR, VEGF, Her2/neu, PDGF, PDGFR</p> <p>Cancer antigens: CA 125, 15-3, 19-9, 72-4, CEA, MUC-1, PSA</p> <p>Differentiation molecules: AFP, βhCG</p> <p>Apoptotic molecules: survivin, Fas, FasL; transglutaminase</p> <p>Oncogenes: c-myc, N-Ras, K-Ras, Akt1, p53</p> <p>Cell cycle molecules: cyclin B, cyclin D</p>

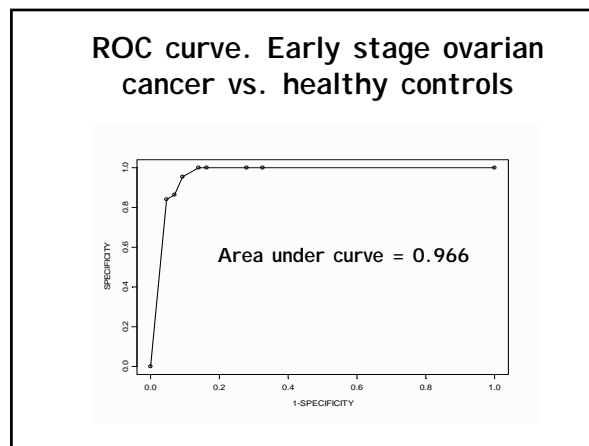


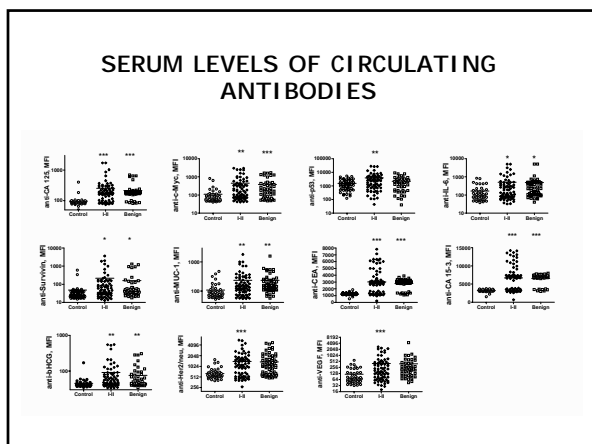
CLASSIFICATION RESULTS FOR INDIVIDUAL MARKERS (Controls vs. OC)

Cytokine	%Correctly Classified	%Sensitivity	%Specificity
EGF	80.5	84.1	76.7
VEGF	73.6	79.5	67.4
MCP	78.2	84.1	72.1
IL-6	85.1	84.1	86.0
IL-8	79.3	88.6	69.8
IL-12	73.6	72.7	74.4
G-CSF	58.6	40.9	76.7
CA125	85.1	95.5	74.4

Optimal model for cytokines/CA 125

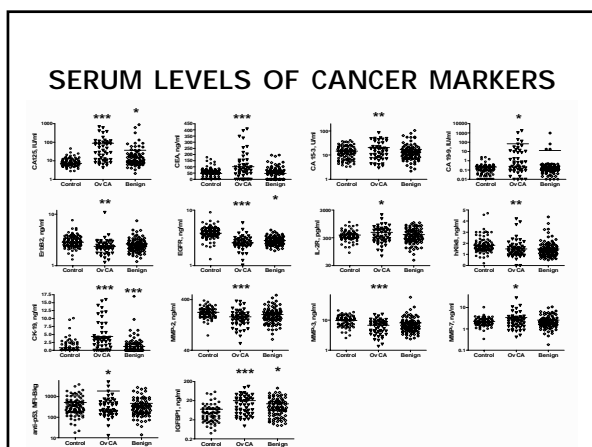
CLASSIFICATION RESULTS	OvCA vs. Control CA 125+IL-6+IL-8+EGF+VEGF	OvCA vs. Benign CA 125+G-CSF+IL-6+EGF+VEGF
%Correctly Classified	93.0	80.2
%Sensitivity	95.0	84.1
%Specificity	91.0	75.7





Optimal model for circulating antibodies

CLASSIFICATION RESULTS	OvCA vs. Control CA 15-3+IL-8+surv+p53+c-myc	OvCA vs. Benign CA 15-3+CES+p53+IL-6+c-myc+bHCG+EGF+IL-8
%Correctly Classified	97.5	88.0
%Sensitivity	94.3	94.3
%Specificity	100.0	79.0

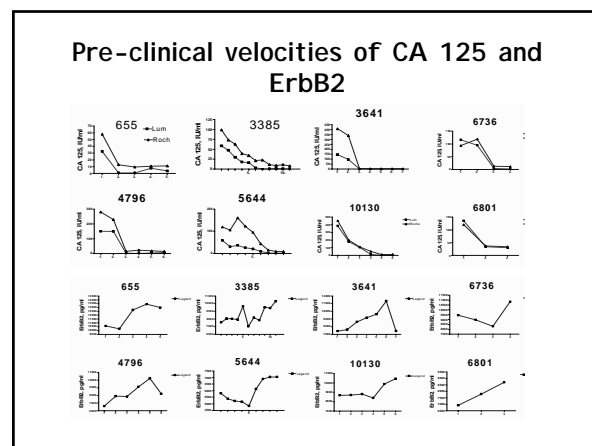


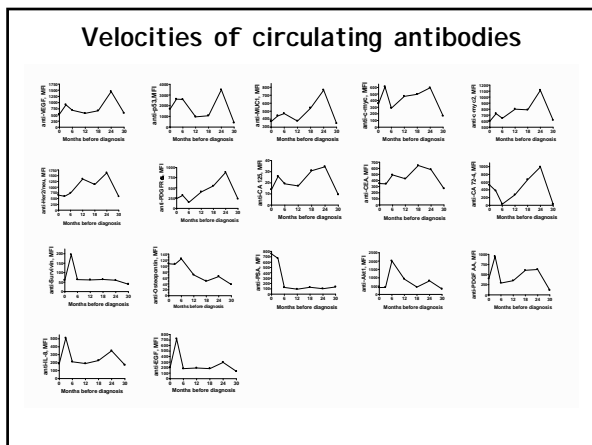
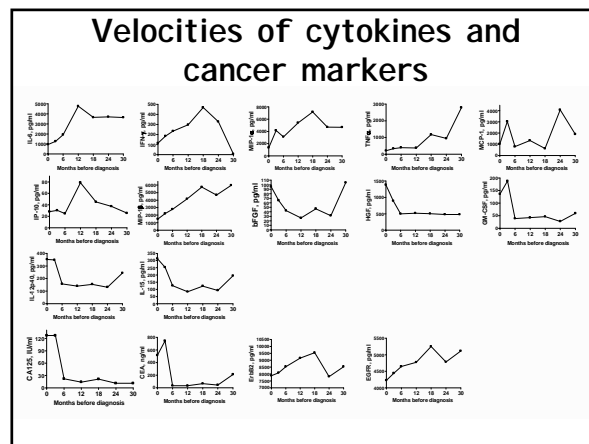
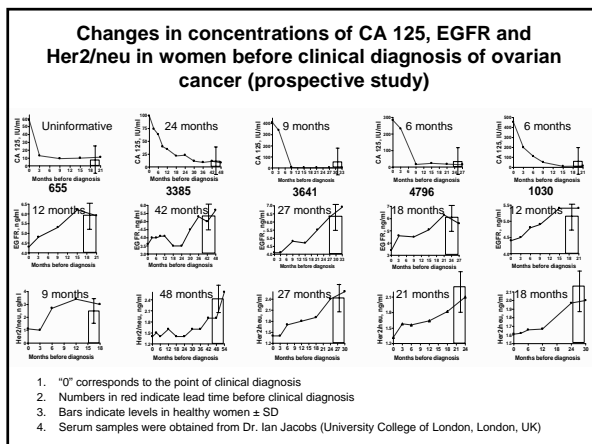
Optimal model for cancer antigens

CLASSIFICATION RESULTS	Cancer vs. Control (Panel of 17)	Cancer vs. Benign
%Correctly Classified	96.3	
%Sensitivity	90.0	
%Specificity	99.0	

CONCLUSIONS I

- ❖ LabMAP technique allows for high-throughput multimarker analysis of serum markers in ovarian cancer
- ❖ Combination of several markers allows for higher sensitivity and specificity than each single marker
- ❖ Discovery of new marker combinations may further improve the diagnostic power of multimarker assay





CONCLUSIONS II

- ❖ Decreasing longitudinal ErbB2/EGFR levels can be observed in ovarian cancer prior to clinical detection. Changes in ErbB2/EGFR levels are detectable earlier than changes in CA 125
- ❖ Velocities of "non-specific" markers, such as cytokines and autoantibodies might be indicative of early tumorigenesis

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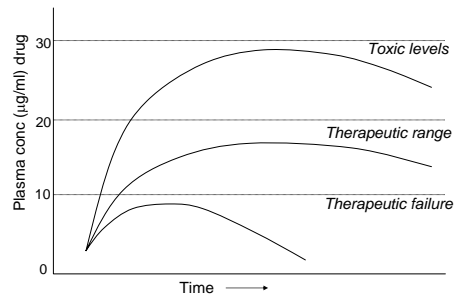
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The Problem with Current Therapy



Patient Response to Medicine Varies

One size does not fit all...at least **30%** of patients don't benefit from some medications.

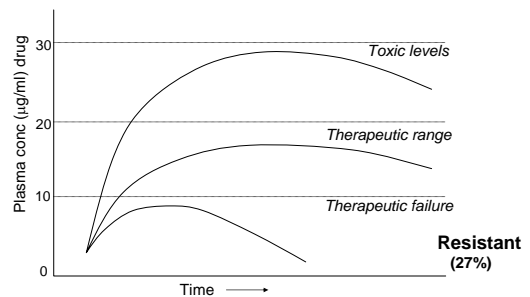
What determines drug disposition?

- Absorption - gut or blood stream → target
- Distribution - in body and in tissue
- Metabolism - liver or target tissue
- Excretion - kidneys
- Pharmacodynamics - mechanism of action

Standard of Care: Ovarian Cancer

All patients with advanced disease should receive a taxane (taxol or taxotere) and a platinum (carboplatin)

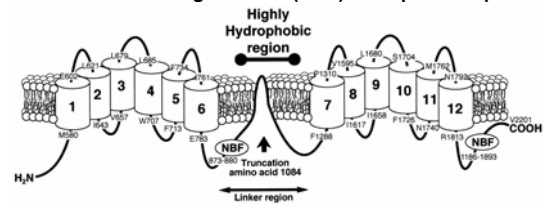
73% of patients respond
 27% of patients do NOT respond



What Determines Drug Disposition in Ovarian Cancer Patients?

Carboplatin	Renal Clearance DNA Repair Enzymes
Paclitaxel	MDR-1, CYP2C8
Docetaxel	MDR-1, CYP3A4 CYP3A5

The Human ATP-Binding Cassette (ABC) Transporter Superfamily



The typical ABC-transporter consists of 4 domains, 2 highly hydrophobic membrane-spanning domains, which form the translocation pathway, and 2 peripheral membrane domains, which couple ATP hydrolysis to the transport process.

The Human ATP-Binding Cassette (ABC) Transporter Superfamily

Largest family of TM proteins, 48 members
Genetic variation results in human disease (CF)

Overexpression can lead to drug resistance!
 ABCB1, MDR-1, Pgp-1
 ABCC1, MRP1
 ABCG2, BCRP, MXR, ABCP

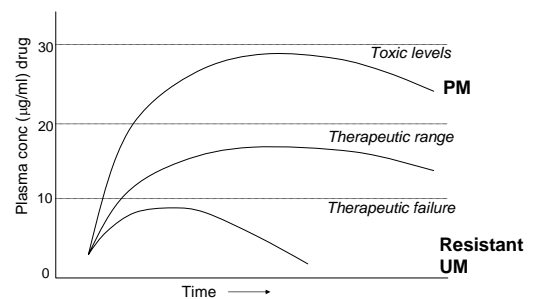
Cytochrome P450 Enzymes

- ✓ Superfamily of Phase I enzymes
- ✓ ≥ 55 genes in family
- ✓ Large inter-patient differences
- ✓ Genetic basis is not well understood
- ✓ Ethnic differences in expression
- ✓ Liver and kidney are major sites
- ✓ Many epithelial tumors also express

How much variation is there?

Gene	PM	IM	EM	UM
CYP2D6	10%	35%	48%	7%
CYP2C9	4%	38%	58%	N/A
CYP2C19	3-21%	N/A	79-97%	N/A

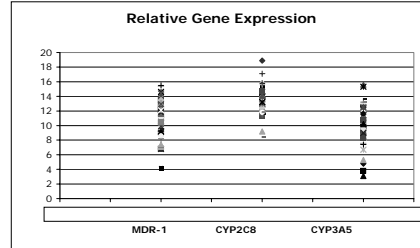
PM = poor metabolizer
 IM = intermediate metabolizers
 EM = extensive metabolizers
 UM = ultrametabolizers



Do Ovarian Cancers Express PK-related Genes?

Gene	Expression
MDR-1	47/48 (98%)
CYP2C8	33/48 (69%)
CYP3A4	4/48 (8.3%)
CYP3A5	42/47 (89%)

Expression Levels Vary Widely



Relationship between expression and grade

	MDR-1 ¹	CYP2C8	CYP3A5
Grade 1 (N=10)	221 +/- 436	13.8 +/- 15.3	108 +/- 97
Grade 2/3 (N=26)	634 +/- 2010	57 +/- 129	447 +/- 1159
p value	0.865	0.105	0.653
Grade 3 (N=16)	322 +/- 507	68 +/- 161	632 +/- 1456
Grade 1/2 (N=20)	173 +/- 325	27 +/- 38	201 +/- 343
p value	0.319	0.334	0.263

¹Gene expression values are an average +/- standard deviation of the calculated relative expression.

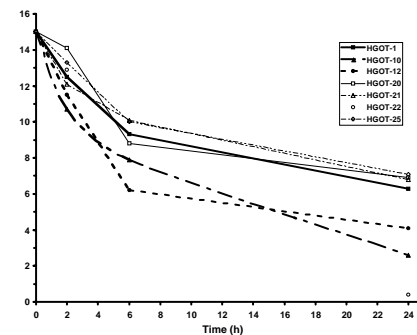
Relationship between expression and stage

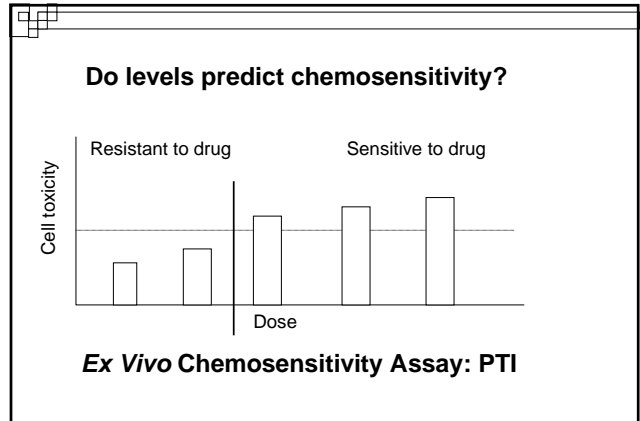
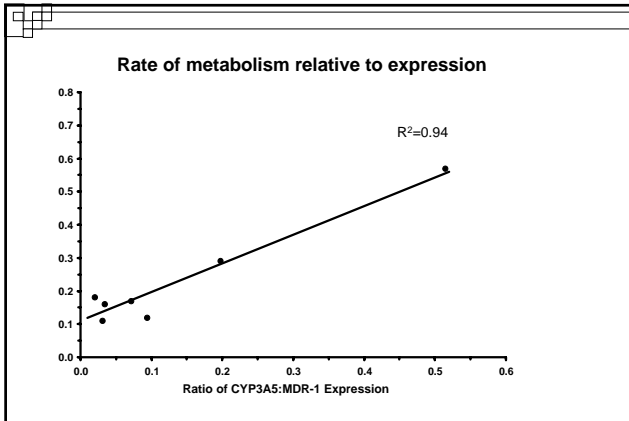
	MDR-1	CYP2C8	CYP3A5
Stage 1 (N=10)	119 +/- 138	14.5 +/- 15	291 +/- 484
Stage 2/3 (N=26)	290 +/- 481	56.6 +/- 129	435 +/- 1158
p value	0.120	0.0565	0.609
Stage 3 (N=20)	343 +/- 539	72.8 +/- 143	519 +/- 1312
Stage 1/2 (N= 16)	119 +/- 139	9.95 +/- 13.1	236 +/- 386
p value	0.096	0.066	0.369

Relationship between expression and histologic type

	MDR-1	CYP2C8	CYP3A5
Endometrioid (N=8)	177 +/- 175	19.5 +/- 24.5	711 +/- 1735
Others (N=28)	260 +/- 468	52 +/- 125	305 +/- 718
p value	0.453	0.202	0.536
Papillary serous (N=18)	269 +/- 454	74 +/- 152	317 +/- 832
Others (N=18)	214 +/- 393	16 +/- 19.9	484 +/- 1211
p value	0.706	0.128	0.641

Metabolism Does Occur in Tumor Cells



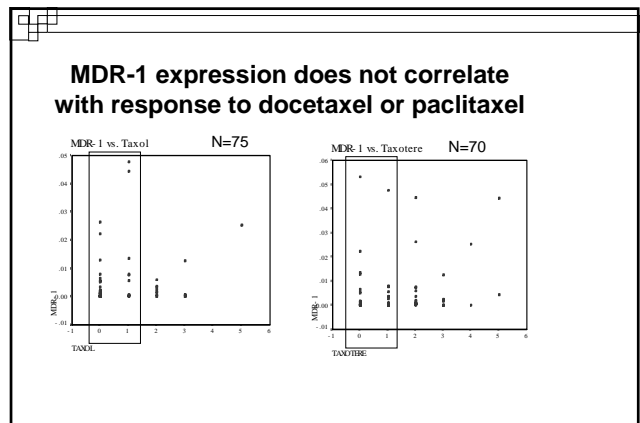
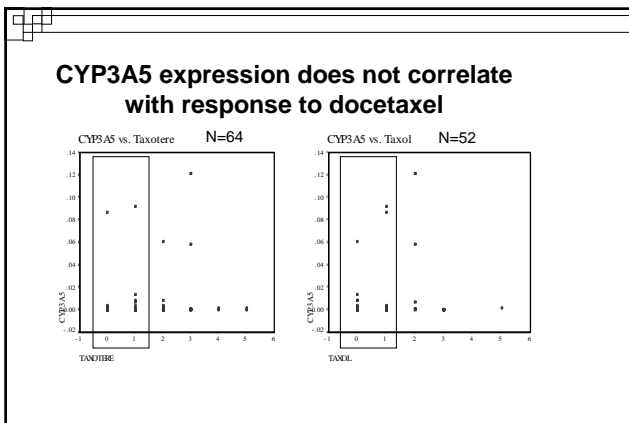
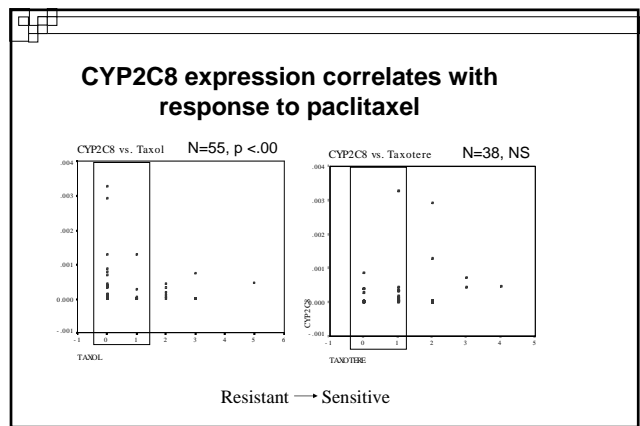


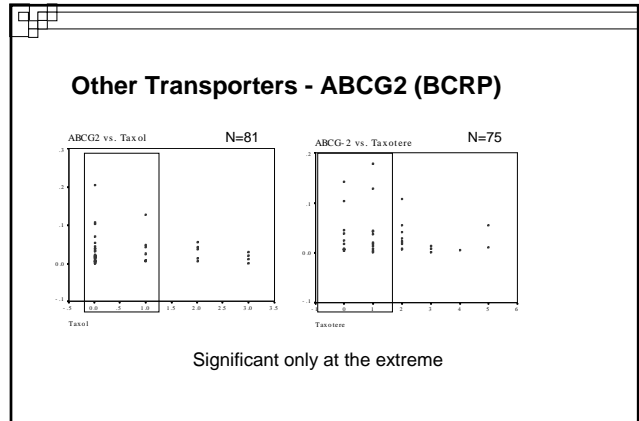
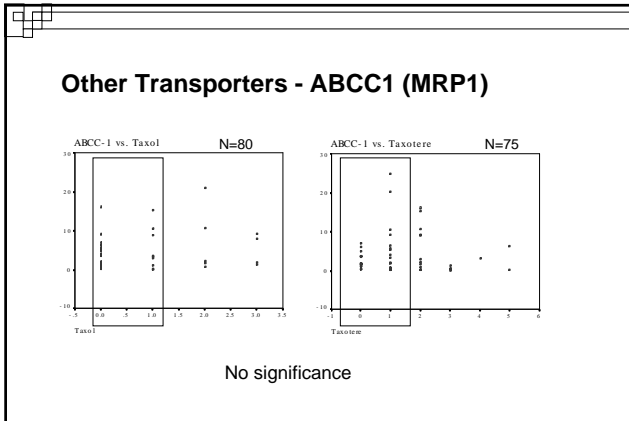
Do levels predict chemosensitivity?

Transporters: ABCC1
ABCB1 (MDR-1)
ABCG2

Cytochrome P450 CYP2C8
CYP3A4
CYP3A5

Drugs Taxol
Taxotere
Etoposide, Topotecan
Gemcitabine, 5-FU





Long Term Aims:

- Individualized Doses: genotype/phenotype
- drug selection
- Predict Adverse Events - before they happen
- Decrease Toxicity - therapeutic dose/patient

Decrease Morbidity, Mortality, Cost

Aventis Phase II Trial: carboplatin and DOC

1. Can we correlate genotype, phenotype, PK?
2. Can we alter drug dose based on #1?

Outcome variables: metabolites, ADR, tumor response, DFI

Retrospective Trial: Platinum resistance

ERCC1 common variant

Retrospective: GOG
Prospective: MWH

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Questions?

The Challenges of Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality

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Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality

DISCUSSION PLAN

- Dimensions of the challenge
- Pioneers
- Milestones
- Tools
- Questions
- Some personal observations

Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality DIMENSIONS: STAKEHOLDERS

- Survivors
- Women at risk
- Men who share the burden

Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality 2005 USA STATISTICS

- Incidence 22,220
- Mortality 16,210

Jemal et al., CA Cancer J Clin 2005

Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality PIONEERS: DR. ROBERT SCULLY

- Professor, Harvard Medical School
- 1958: "Endocrine Pathology of the Ovary"
- 1973: Architect of World Health Organization's classification of ovarian tumors
- An expert in ovarian cancer precursors
 - "...epithelial inclusion cysts have a greater propensity to undergo neoplasia than does the surface epithelium itself."
 - "...most epithelial ovarian tumors are intraparenchymal, rather than being located on the ovarian surface."

Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality PIONEERS: DR. NELLY AUERSPERG

- Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver
- 1954: AOA
- 1962: JNCI report of cell cultures from carcinomas
- First to isolate, characterize and develop culture methods for OSE
 - Growth, differentiation, and apoptosis in culture
 - Influence of growth factors and hormones
 - Transformation by sequential gene transfection

**Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality
PIONEERS: DR. ALICE WHITTEMORE**

- Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Stanford University
- Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences
- The Collaborative Ovarian Cancer Group
- Defining the impact of pregnancy and oral contraceptives on ovarian cancer rates
- "...despite the high risks of cancer of the breast and ovary among BRCA1 and BRCA2 mutation carriers, some 30% of these women are estimated to reach age 70 years without developing either cancer."
- Home page: <http://www.stanford.edu/~alicesw/>

**Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality
MILESTONES: DEBULKING**

- 1994: NIH Consensus Development Conference Statement
- 2002: Meta-analysis, effect of cytoreduction with universal primary platinum-based therapy
- 2005: As a consideration for intraperitoneal therapy

**Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality
MILESTONES: PLATINUM**

- 1978: Cisplatin approved by FDA
- 1989: Approval of carboplatin

**Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality
MILESTONES: TAXOL**

1998: Paclitaxel approved by FDA

**Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality
STRATEGIES: SINGLE AGENT**

- ICON3
- GOG 132
- Agents

**Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality
STRATEGIES: WEEKLY THERAPY**

- Agents
- Advantages

Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality STRATEGIES: MICROENVIRONMENT

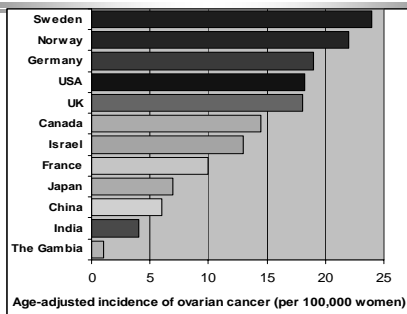
GOG 170D

- Reported at ASCO 2005, Abstract 5009
- Bevacizumab for persistent or recurrent epithelial ovarian cancer or primary peritoneal cancer
- 15 mg/kg IV q 3 weeks until progression or prohibitive toxicity
- 62 recipients: 3CR, 8PR, 34SD

Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality QUESTIONS

- How does the disease progress in spite of promising treatments?
- How do we get beyond the surface?
- How can we exploit the hormonal nature of this disease?

Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality GEOGRAPHIC VARIATION



Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality HORMONES: RISK MODIFICATION

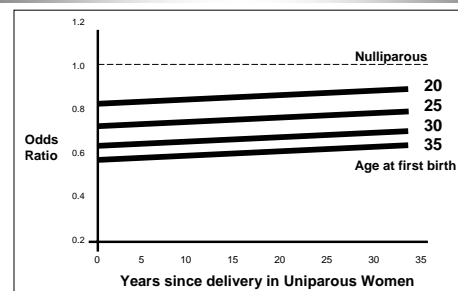
- Pregnancy
- Oral contraceptive exposure

Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality PARITY

- With first full term pregnancy, risk reduction on the order of 40%
- Modeled risk reduction of 14% for each succeeding pregnancy
- Can apparent protective effect be simulated?

Whittemore: Am J Epidemiol 136:1184

Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality INFLUENCE OF A SINGLE PREGNANCY



**Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality
ORAL CONTRACEPTIVES**

- Risk reduction around 30% for ever use, about 10% for 1 year or less vs. 60% for 6 or more years
- Consistency across studies
- Gradient in risk reduction related to duration of use and potency of progestin
- Biologic plausibility: macaque study

Whittemore: Am J Epidemiol 136:1184

**Reducing Ovarian Cancer Mortality
PARITY AND ORAL CONTRACEPTIVES**

Relative Risk of Ovarian Cancer

	<u>Years of OC Use</u>	
	0	≥4
<u>Parity</u>		
0	1.00	0.41
≥3	0.41	0.17

Hartge et al., Obstet Gynecol 1994; 84:760

Beyond Treating the Patient

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Ovarian Cancer National Alliance

Ovarian Cancer National Alliance

- Umbrella Organization
Thousands of Women
Our Voices united
Our Hope Alive
Advocacy
Education
Awareness

ADVOCACY

- Develop and implement strategies at Congressional and Federal Agency level
 - Department of Defense
 - National Cancer Institute
 - Food and Drug Agency
 - Centers for Disease Control
- Related issues – Reimbursement;medicare

ADVOCACY

- Train grassroots advocacy leaders
- Mobilize grassroots
- Work in Coalition
 - Society of Gynecologic Oncologists
 - WeCAN
 - Cancer Leadership Council
 - Partner Members
 - NOCC

EDUCATION

- Survivors Teaching Students
- TEAL Training
- Annual Conferences
- Outreach
- Fact Sheets
- Newsletters

AWARENESS

Turn Up the Volume Campaign
Address the “Worried Well”
Placement of stories in the media
Website: <http://www.ovariancancer.org>
Quilts

Partnerships

- Partnership with the research and patient care communities
- Publicize the importance of treatment by a gynecologic oncologist
- Make patient population aware of the value and availability of clinical trials
- Recommend qualified advocates for Institutional Review Boards
- Recommend qualified advocates for federal panels and other review committees

Alone

They wait with me as I wait for news.
I hear what is said, but think it can't be true.
Knowing alone I must go through.

They wait with me as treatments begin, never knowing when I may give in, give
up the battle I am in.

Alone I face the end results, alone to wonder with my thoughts.

Alone at the end we all must be, old friends and family to welcome me.
Guiding me to a brand new life.

~~ Cyndee DePastino ~~

Psycho-social Issues in Diagnosis and Recurrence: Effects on Patients and Their Families

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I. Overview

II. Why measure Psycho-social Issues?

- a. As an endpoint for evaluating treatment outcomes
- b. As a predictor of treatment response
- c. To identify rehabilitation/support needs
- d. To identify factors related to high quality of life so that we can design interventions and target them to those who need it most.

III. Evaluating response to treatment

- a. Women with progressive/recurrent disease
- b. After 2 cycles:
 - i. 7/27 (26%) “objective” responders
 - ii. QOL improvements (esp functional and emotional) in 41-48%
 - iii. 52% reported improvements in pain control
 - iv. Improvements lasting, on average 2-3 months.

IV. As a predictor of treatment response

- a. QOL scores when beginning treatment associated with survival.
- b. Cognitive, Emotional, Physical, and Role Function predicted 12 month survival in 81% - 85% of cases
- c. Group of predictors equal to stage, age at diagnosis, residual disease, and recurrent disease.

V. Which Psycho-social issues do we measure?

How do we measure them?

How do we improve them?

VI. PMBC Model

- a. Chronic/Stable Burdens & Resources
 - i. Demographics
 - ii. Personal Attributes
 - iii. Social/Environmental Attributes
- b. Psychological Pathways
- c. Behavioral Pathways
- d. Biological Pathways

VII. Evidence in Oncology

VIII. Evidence in Ovarian Cancer

IX. Specific Groups at Risk:

- a. Poor Performance Status
- b. Younger women
- c. Women with young children

X. Critical Times for Intervention:

- a. At diagnosis
- b. Treatment
- c. At the end of initial treatment
- d. Remission
 - i. Survival Guilt
- e. Recurrence
- f. Long-Term Survivors
 - i. Don't assume that long-term survivors have regained previous levels of well-being.
 - ii. NOCC Survey of Long-term survivors
 - 1. 20% still experience long-term treatment side effects
 - 2. 43% would still like to participate in a support program if one were available
 - 3. Spiritual well-being was associated with mental and physical health status.
 - 4. 6% met cutoff scores for depression

XI. Targets for intervention

- a. Depression
 - i. Screen for depression:
 - ii. Immediately after diagnosis and recurrence are very high risk times
 - iii. Treat with anti-depressants and counseling
 - iv. Most will make accommodations to their perceptions of QOL after the crisis period.
- b. Control symptoms!
 - i. Most significant symptoms reported by women at different phases of disease trajectory (n=713):
 - ii. New Projects: NINR funded "Internet-Based Cancer Symptom Management: WRITE symptoms"
 - 1. Timeframe 6-9 months:
 - 2. Private message boards linked to NOCC web site
 - 3. Facilitated by a nurse
 - 4. Focus on symptom management
 - 5. Coping with symptoms and side effects of disease and treatment
 - 6. Emotional expression and support and guidance

- XII. Emphases on broad definition of “Well-Being”
 - a. Autonomy
 - b. Environmental mastery
 - c. Personal Growth
 - d. Positive Relations with others
 - e. Purpose in life
 - f. Self-Acceptance

- XIII. Types of Support from HCP’s
 - a. Education/Informational Support!! What to expect... resources... side effect management... coping...
 - i. More emphases on timing of education
 - ii. What they can hear when they can hear it.
 - b. Support: support groups... counseling... caregiver support...spiritual support...
 - i. NOCC:
 - 1. On-line discussion boards
 - 2. PUP program
 - 3. Opportunity for advocacy, supporting others, future benefit

- XIV. Social support and Disclosure
 - a. Improve social support through enhancing EXISTING supports
 - b. Family training/support

- XV. Supporting the Family: Special Issues

- XVI. Future Directions in Research & Practice

Peritoneal Immunotherapy

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Background to IP Bioimmunotherapy

- ❑ Both bioimmunotherapy and chemotherapy agents delivered IP since the late 1960's
- ❑ R.B. Jones, S. Howell, V. DeVita, M. Markman, R. Dedrick & M. Flessner
Major contributors to IP delivery methodology and pharmacokinetics
- ❑ Sensitivity of ovarian cancer to systemic chemotherapy led to IP studies to achieve elevated intratumor drug concentrations — provided incentive for IP biotherapeutics


POSITIVE RANDOMIZED INTRAPERITONEAL CHEMOTHERAPY TRIALS

- Armstrong DK, Bundy BN, Baergen R, et al: Randomized phase III study of intravenous (IV) paclitaxel and cisplatin versus [IV paclitaxel, intraperitoneal (IP) cisplatin and IP paclitaxel] in optimal stage III epithelial ovarian cancer (OC). A GOG trial, Proc. ASCO, 21:201a, 2002
- Alberts DS, Liu PY, Hannigan EV, et al: Intraperitoneal cisplatin plus intravenous cyclophosphamide versus intravenous cisplatin plus intravenous cyclophosphamide for stage III ovarian cancer. New Engl J Med 335:1950-1955, 1996
- Markman M, Bundy BN, Alberts DS, et al: Phase III trial of standard-dose intravenous cisplatin plus paclitaxel versus moderately high-dose carboplatin followed by intravenous paclitaxel and intraperitoneal cisplatin in small-volume stage III ovarian carcinoma. An intergroup GOG study, J Clin Oncology 19:1001-1007, 2001

	IP Chemotherapy	IP Immunobiotherapy
Applications	Consolidation 1 st line combination	Consolidation Adjuvant to chemo
Target	Surface & floating tumors	Surface & floating tumors immune cells/?other
Target Dose	Sub MTD	Range below MTD
R_x objectives	Max. intratumoral levels	Optimum biologic effect
	↓ systemic toxicity	↓ systemic toxicity
Molecule size	Small (< 500 daltons)	Large: 15 to >50 kd.
Half life (bolus)	Short	Long: 20 + h
Penetration distance	1 mm = Maximum (platinum)	Paradoxical increase
Affected by diffusivity (D), rate of capillary removal (k) & other factors: non-tumor tissue uptake, convection, lymphatic flow, affinity (mABs)		

IP Bioimmunotherapy - Goal

■ **Inhibit tumor growth in the abdominal cavity**



By exposing tumor and/or immune cells to “biologically effective” concentrations of agents with selective targeting properties

Prior IP Bioimmunotherapy Studies

C. Parvum	Webb, Mantovani, Bast (1978-83)
rIFN α	Berek, Willems, Frasci (1985-90)
Viral oncolysate	Freedman (1984-89)
rIFN α +CDDP/Carbo	Nardi, Berek, Markman, Frasci (1990-94)
rIFN γ	D'Aquisto (1988)
rIL2	Chapman, Melioli, Edwards (1988-97)
rIL2 +LAK	Stewart, Steiss (1990)
Bifunctional a/b+rIL2+	Canevari (1995)
T-cells	
rIL2+TIL	Freedman (1994)
rIFN γ	Pujade-Lauraine (1996)
rIFN γ +rIL2	Freedman (1998)
rIL12	Lenzi (2002)
FLT3-L	Freedman (2002)

Response Profile of IP Bioimmunotherapy

Responses: Mostly in tumors < 1 cm
 - rIFN α \pm chemo in chemosensitive pts.
 - rIL2 \pm LAK or \pm α CD3-folate Rc not possible to separate IL2 effect
 - rIFN γ - 23% CPR (incl. tumors > 1cm)

Clinical Toxicity: Generally acceptable - dose/schedule dependent

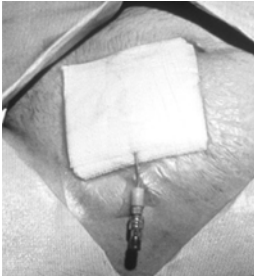
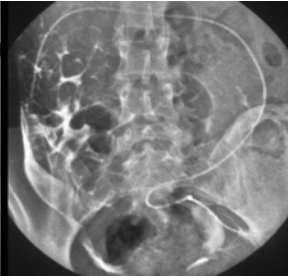
from P. Hwu & R. Freedman, *J Immunother*, 2002

Problem Areas for IP Therapy

➤ **IP catheter issues:**

- May require operative procedure - cost considerations
- Blockage - require replacement
- Trauma to bowel
- Infection - frequency varies (< 20%)
- Tumor implants at port or catheter site (< 2%)
- Adhesions - preclude optimum delivery

Percutaneous Angiocatheter

Catheter *in situ*
Fluoroscopic localization

Problem Areas for IP Therapy

➤ Non-invasive method to evaluate response
 Laparoscopy/laparotomy - current method for MRD - FDG-PET

➤ Limited and variable penetration of drugs
(Dedrick, Flessner, *JNCI*, 1997; *J of Controlled Release*, 1998)

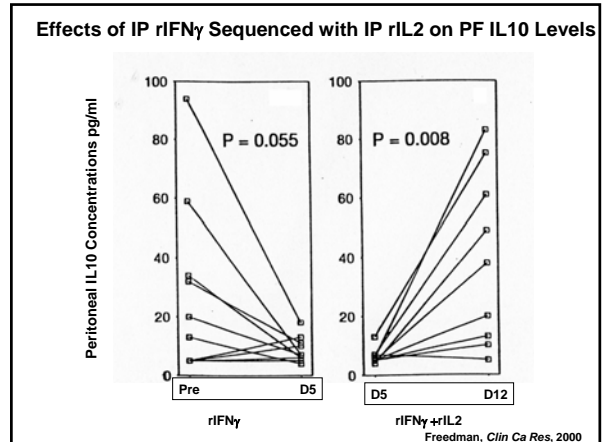
- ❑ Studies showing limited penetration of drugs by diffusion (e.g., small molecules m.w.< 1000) or by convection (large molecules, i.e. antibodies)
- ❑ Study by Flessner et al also demonstrated elevated intratumoral pressures greater than maximum feasible intraabdominal pressure
 - ❑ Tannock IF et al, *Clin Ca Res*, March 2002
 - ❑ Flessner M et al, *Clin Ca Res*, April 2005

Pharmacokinetics (PK) & Pharmacodynamics (PD) in IP Trials

- ❖ Include PK & PD in all phase I & II trials
- ❖ Cytokine levels (drug induced & endog.) in blood and peritoneal fluid can guide dose/schedule, and possibly predict ADRs
- ❖ Identify and monitor markers of activation (transcripts/cell surface proteins) or apoptosis
- ❖ Contribute to future treatment designs

Immunopharmacology and Cytokine Production of a Low-Dose Schedule of Intraperitoneally Administered Human Recombinant Interleukin-2 ... R. Freedman, et al, *J Immunotherapy*, 1997

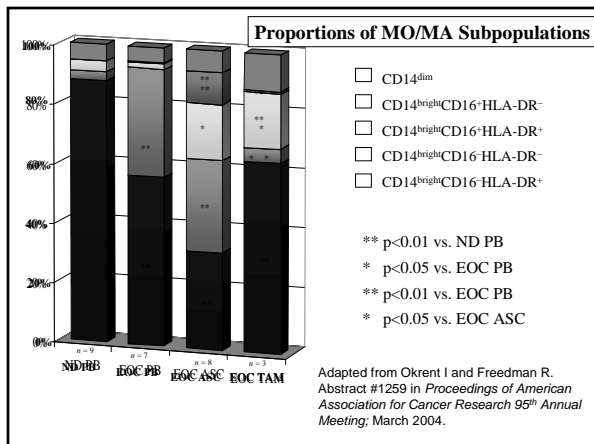
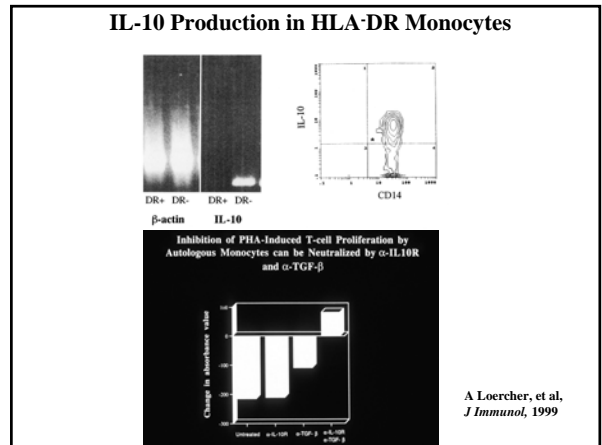
- IP rIL2 — 600,000 IU/m² Day 1-4 (bolus)
 - Day 1 → IL10 ↑ in 4/4 patients
IFN γ ↑ in 1/4 patients
 - Day 4 → IL10 ↑ in 4/4 patients
IFN γ ↑ in 4/4 patients
- Conclusions regarding IL10:
 - Enhanced by IP IL2
 - Does not prevent IFN γ production
 - May interfere with T cell activation *in vivo*



Cytokine /Chemokine Transcripts in a Responding EOC Patient

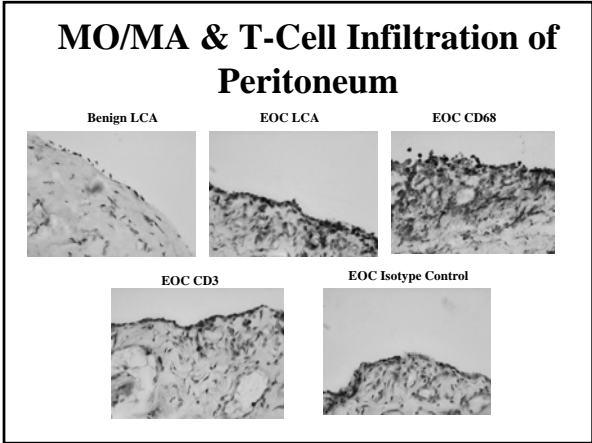
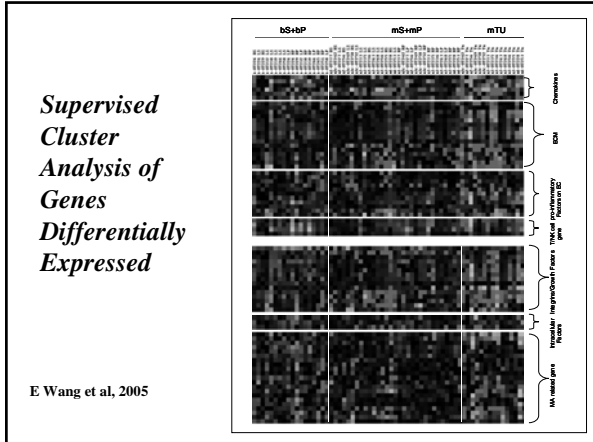
Quantitive measurement of cytokine/chemokine transcripts in RNA extracts of peritoneal exudate cells (PEC)

Cytokine/ Chemokine	Pretreatment (agm/l)	Posttreatment (agm/l)	
		Week 1	Week 3
IFN- γ	< 2,470	38,660	15,970
IL-2	0	0	0
IL-10	3,190	830	500
IP10	520	620	810



ADCC & Phagocytosis

Cytokine Production by MDM



Peritoneal Monocytes

Ascitic MO/MA

- PERITONEUM - NORMAL**
- Single mesothelial layer has stomata allowing transport of cells, proteins & drugs.
 - Basement membrane
 - Stroma-collagen based matrix/blood vessels, lymphatics, nerves, rare hematogenous cells.
 - Glycosaminoglycans
- Functions**
- Protect abdominal viscera.
 - Mobilize inflammatory cells to injury/infection.

**PERITONEUM-
EPITHELIAL OVARIAN CANCER**

**Clinical Observations Indicating
Inflammation**

- Hyperemia → florid appearance
- Thickening & tissue edema → ascites?
- Retroperitoneal fibrosis → mechanical obstruction, ureters, bowel, lymphatics → chylous ascites

PERITONEUM- EOC continued

Alterations That Might Precede Tumor Implants

- inflammatory cell infiltrates
- Cytokines, growth factors/ chemokines/leukotrienes produced by tumor or inflammatory cells
- Alteration adherence properties in ECs & transcapillary migration
- Reorganization of collagen matrix

Dual Immune/Inflammatory Cell Effects

Antitumor Immunity

- Evidence of Ag driven immune response (expansion of TIL derived T-cell lines, clones with CTL)
- Identification of Ag targets
- Clonally expanded sequenced T-cell transcripts (Pappas, *Cellular Immunol*, 2005)
- Correlate intratumoral TIL w/survival (Coukos, 2003)

Suppression of Immunity

- Absence of IFN γ transcript in solid EOC (Rabinowich 1996, Nash 1998)
- Reduced TCR ζ expression on TIL
- Low or absent level IFN γ or IL12 in ascites
- Regulatory T cells (June) & correlates w/survival (Curiel 2004)

Suppression of Immunity, p. 2

- DR- MO/MA inhibit T cell proliferation (Loercher)
- Regulatory T cells & MO/MA produce suppressor cytokines IL10, TGF β & IL6
- EOC tumor cells express FasL & TGF β isotypes
- IP IL2 + IFN γ or IL12 enhance IL10 levels
- IP IL12 induces IFN γ but not IL2 (transcript & protein)

Can Immune Suppression be Overcome?

- Surgical/chemotherapy tumor debulking
(P. Greenburg, *Adv. Immunol.* '91)
- Cytokines — IL2 reverses downregulated CD3 ζ chain (P)
IFN γ or IL12 suppress IL10 production
- Antibodies/antisense (gene silencing) —
anti-TGF neutr a/b
anti-IL10 Rc a/b
- CD4⁺ CD25⁺ depletion—anti-CD25 mAb

What constitutes MRD?

Potential Targets for Peritoneal & Ascitic MO/MA	
MO/MA	Trabectedin induces apoptosis in MDM & induced ↓MO & inhibits CCL2 & IL6 (Allavena et al Ca Res. 2005)
Surface Molecules	CD163-mediates: IL10 release (Demidora 2004) MA targeted photodynamic Rx
Secreted Products	CXCL8 – proangiogenic & increas. capillary permeability Humanized mAb (Huang S AM J. Path. 2002)
Intracellular	P38 MAPK – induces TNF α , IL1, IL6, IL8, COX2, Collagen I (Nobel, Science 2004)
Others	Vascular adhesion molecule Leukotrienes

- Intraperitoneal Immunotherapy
Future Challenges**
- Enhance tumor/microenvironment understanding
 - Overcome defective immune cell functions
 - Develop target specific agents (cells vs products)
 - Improved imaging for MRD
 - Improved delivery methods
 - Integration with chemotherapy

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Multi-antigen vaccines for prevention of ovarian cancer relapse. M.L. Disis, H. Gray, R.E. Swenson, A. Coveler, and L.G. Salazar, Center for Translational Medicine in Women's Health, University of Washington, Seattle, WA. ndisis@u.washington.edu
Ovarian cancer is an immunogenic tumor and recent data indicates that an immune response directed against immunogenic proteins expressed by ovarian cancers may impact overall prognosis. Multiple tumor antigens have been identified in ovarian cancer and patients with ovarian cancer can be immunized against these antigens. The clinical behavior of ovarian cancers makes the disease particularly amenable to immune based therapies. Ovarian cancer can often be treated to a complete response with standard therapies such as surgery, radiation, and chemotherapy. Relapse after optimal standard therapy is a major therapeutic dilemma in ovarian cancer. In the majority of patients, relapse can occur months to years after the successful completion of standard therapy. Immunoconsolidation approaches, such as active immunization, may impact the outcome of patients with ovarian cancer by potentially preventing disease relapse.

Multi-antigen vaccines targeting biologically relevant proteins for preventing relapse in ovarian cancer are possible. Vaccine strategies focusing on eliciting a T-helper (Th) response may result in a productive inflammatory environment at the site of disease. Stimulating antigen specific Th immunity can, in itself, initiate a CD8+ T cell response, provide help for the expansion and augmentation of low level pre-existent tumor antigen specific immunity, impart long lasting memory, and is associated with epitope spreading.

Increasing the tumor specific T cell response *in vivo* via active immunization may also serve as a platform for the development of additional immune based strategies for the treatment of ovarian cancer. Tumor competent T cells can be expanded *ex vivo* more readily from vaccinated as compared to vaccine naïve women with ovarian cancer. The ability to expand T cells *ex vivo* to large numbers allows the potential infusion of tumor specific T cells for therapeutic purpose. Adoptive T cell therapy can increase the numbers of tumor specific T cells *in vivo* to greater levels than can be achieved with vaccination alone. Such a robust response may be needed to eradicate minimal residual ovarian cancer remaining after standard therapy.

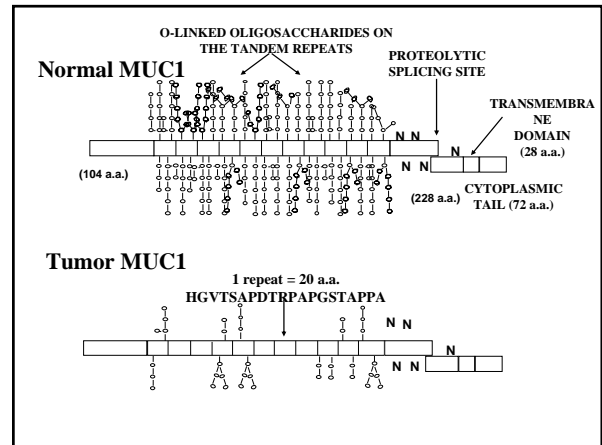
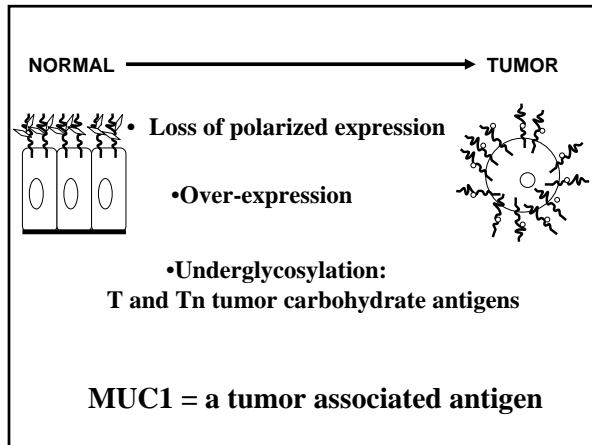
"Immunobiology of MUC1 tumor antigen: lessons learned and future implications in ovarian cancer"

Anda Vlad MD, PhD
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 School of Medicine

MUC 1 (1989-2005)

Overexpressed on all human adenocarcinomas: ovary, endometrium, breast, pancreas, colon, lung, prostate, head and neck, etc..., as well as on multiple myelomas and some B cell lymphomas

>83% of all human tumors



MUC1-Specific Immune Responses in Cancer Patients

Humoral Responses

- Mostly IgM (T-helper independent response)
- Better clinical outcome?

Cytotoxic T Lymphocyte (CTL) Responses

- MHC restricted and unrestricted CTL have been detected

Ioannides, Finn et al, J Immunol. 1993 Oct 1;151(7):3693-703

MUC1-specific helper T cells not detected in cancer patients

Conditions promoting MUC1 immunity

↑ Anti-MUC1 Antibodies

- Mastitis
- Bone Fracture
- IUD Use
- Current Smoking
- Pelvic Surgery

Cramer, Finn et al., Cancer Epi.Biom.Prev. 2005

Risk of Ovarian Cancer by Number of Conditions

	Case N (%)	Control N (%)	RR (95% CI)
0-1	218 (57.4)	162 (42.6)	1.00
2	220 (48.1)	237 (51.9)	0.70 (0.53, 0.93)
3	150 (45.9)	177 (54.1)	0.66 (0.49, 0.90)
4	67 (38.3)	108 (61.7)	0.51 (0.35, 0.75)
5 or more	13 (26.0)	37 (74.0)	0.30 (0.15, 0.60)

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Anti-MUC1 Antibodies by Number of Conditions

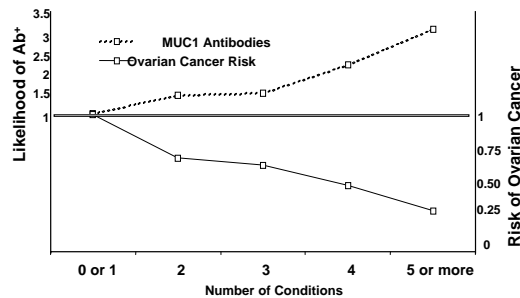
	Positive for Antibodies N (%)	Negative for Antibodies N (%)	RR (95% CI)
0-1	38 (24.2)	119 (75.8)	1.00
2	76 (32.9)	155 (67.1)	1.44 (0.91, 2.29)
3	59 (34.1)	114 (65.9)	1.51 (0.92, 2.46)
4	46 (43.0)	61 (57.0)	2.20 (1.28, 3.76)
5 or more	19 (51.4)	18 (48.6)	3.11 (1.47, 6.55)

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Anti-MUC1 antibodies by index of number of conditions and risk for ovarian cancer



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Using vaccination to boost anti-MUC1 immunity

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MUC1 peptide vaccine based on the tandem repeat is immunogenic and safe

- **In vitro:**
 - primes CD8 and CD4 T cell responses
- **In vivo animal models**
 - elicits cellular and humoral immunity and tumor rejection (protection) in wild-type mice and in MUC1Tg mice
 - elicits cellular and humoral immunity in chimpanzees
 - elicits no autoimmunity in MUC1Tg mice or chimpanzees

MUC1 cancer vaccine clinical trials at the University of Pittsburgh

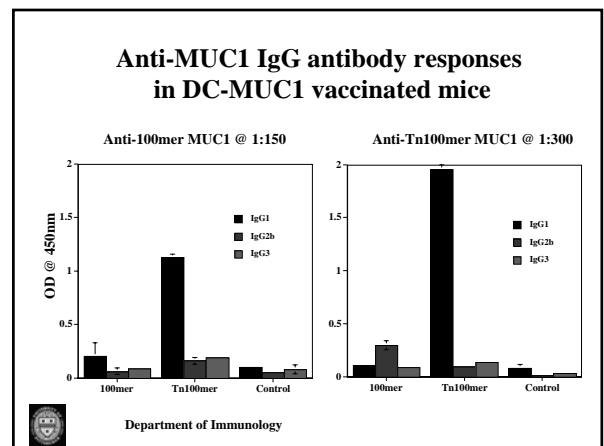
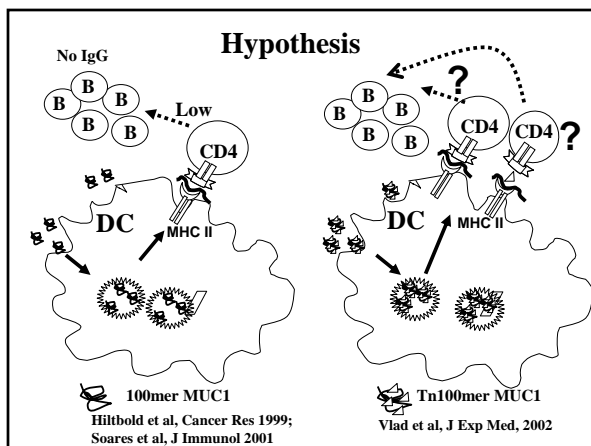
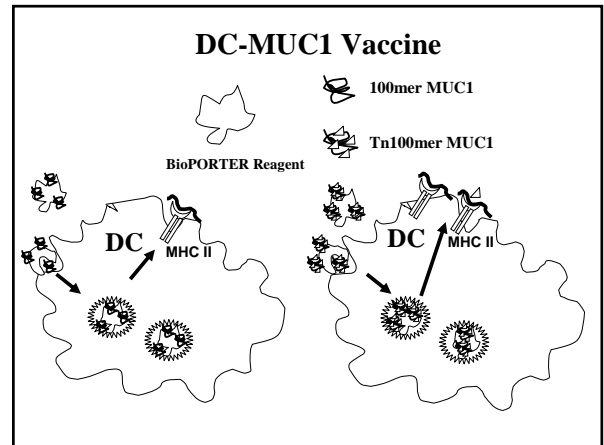
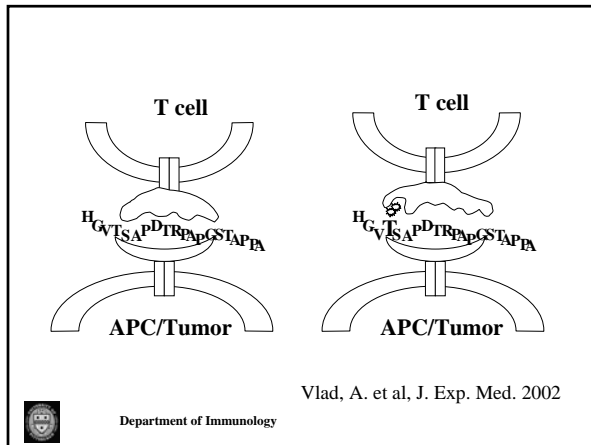
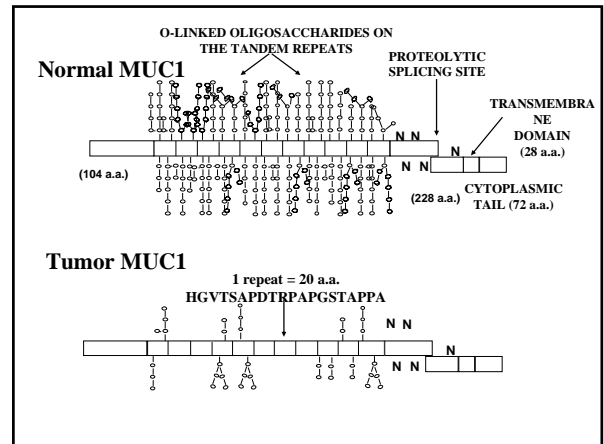
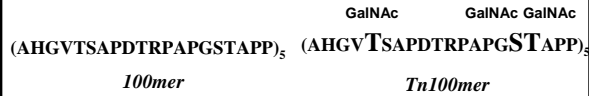
1. 1993-1996, Phase I in advanced pancreatic, breast and colon cancer patients who failed standard therapies (63 patients)
100mer MUC1 peptide plus BCG
2. 1998-2000, Phase I pilot study in breast cancer patients following autologous stem cell transplant (4 patients)
100mer MUC1 peptide plus GM-CSF
3. 2000-2002, Phase I/II in resected pancreatic cancer, prior to standard therapy (16 patients)
100mer MUC1 peptide plus SB-AS2 adjuvant
4. 2003, Phase I/II in resected pancreatic cancer prior to standard therapy (12 patients)
100mer MUC1 peptide loaded on DC
5. 2004, Phase I/II in resected pancreatic cancer prior to standard therapy (12 patients)
100mer MUC1 peptide on DC

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Is it possible to do better?

6. 2004, Phase I/II in resected pancreatic cancer prior to standard therapy (12 patients)
Tn100mer MUC1 peptide on PLGA or DC



**Anti-MUC1 IgG antibody responses
in DC-MUC1 vaccinated mice**

ELISA plates coated with:

	100mer	Tn100mer
DC-BP-100mer	-	-
DC-BP-Tn100mer	+	++

Sera from mice vaccinated with:

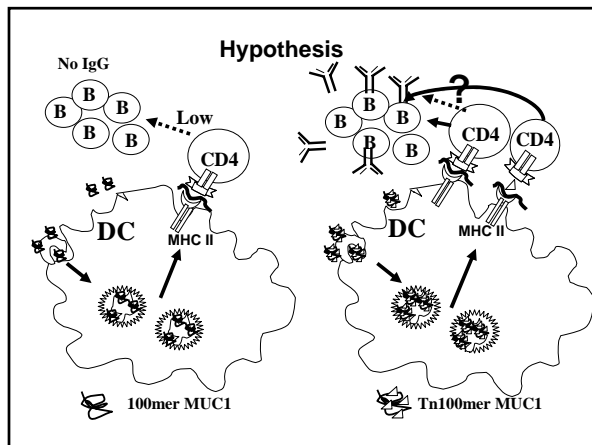
End-point titer 1:1,000

Summary of T cell results

T helper responses to:

	100mer	Tn100mer
DC-BP-100mer	+	-
DC-BP-Tn100mer	++	++

T cells from mice vaccinated with:



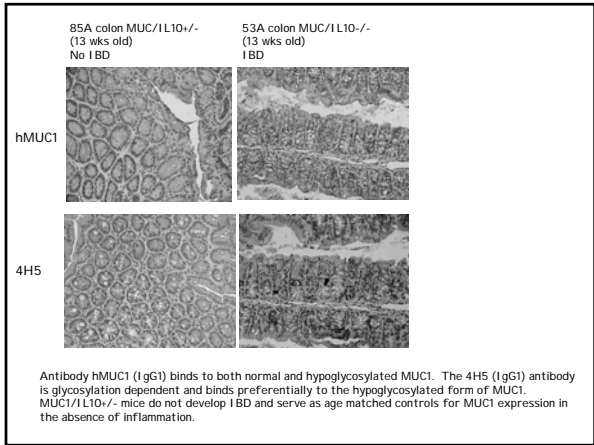
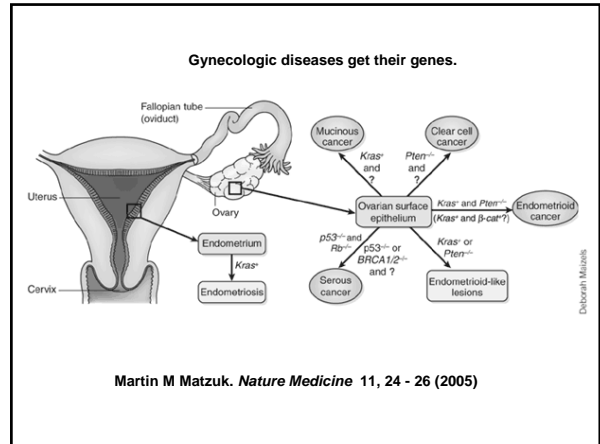
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- A relationship between inflammation and cancer**
- Hashimoto's thyroiditis and thyroid cancer
 - Chronic pancreatitis and pancreatic cancer
 - Chronic airway inflammation and lung cancer
 - Inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) and colon cancer
 - Endometriosis and endometrioid ovarian cancer

Exploring the relationship between MUC1, endometriosis and endometrioid ovarian cancer



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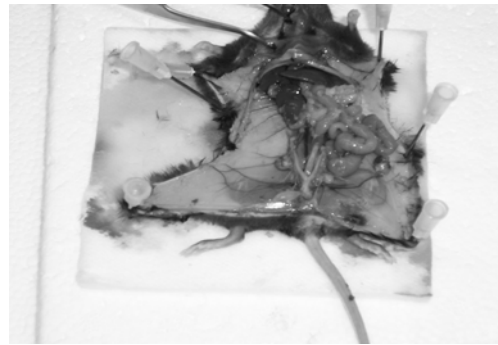
Goals

- Does the immune system have the capacity to recognize EOC?
- Preliminary results from a phase I trial.
- Describe the repertoire of CT antigens and define potential targets for vaccine therapy.

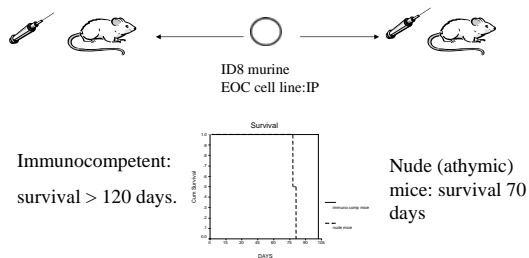
Does the immune system have the capacity to recognize EOC?

1. The role of T cells in a mouse model of EOC
2. TIL analysis in the context of *bona-fide* tumor antigens in human EOC.

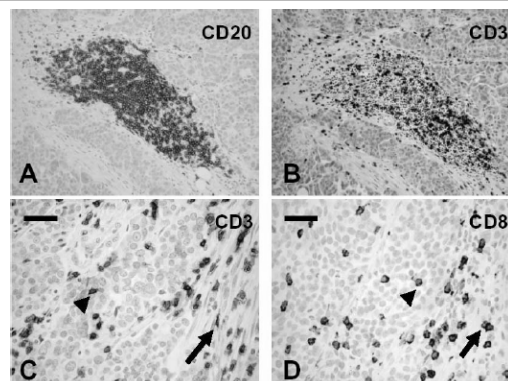
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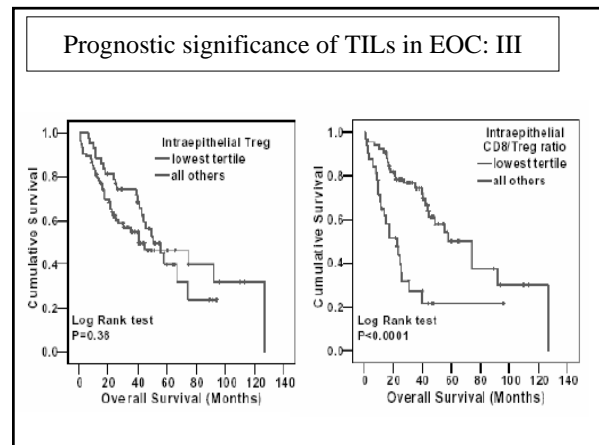
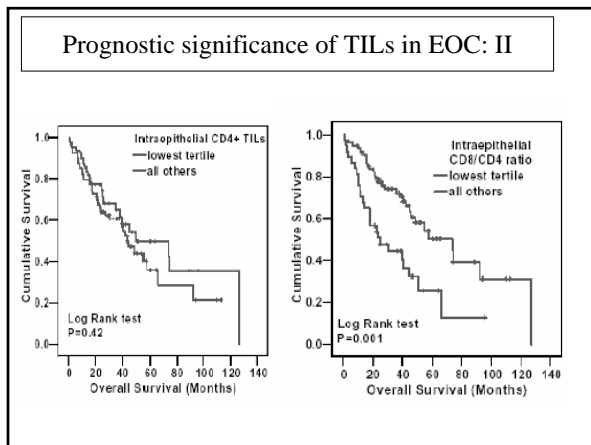
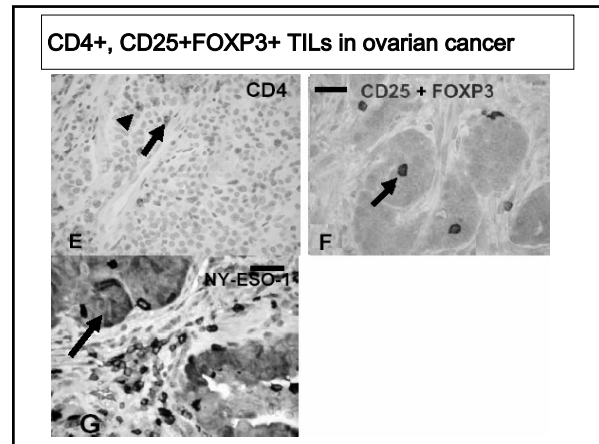
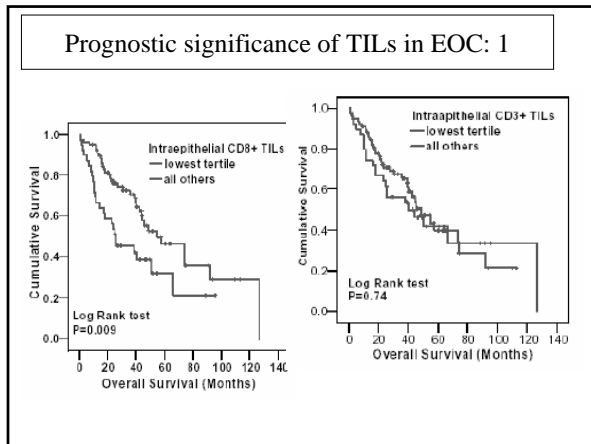


The critical role of T-cells in the control of EOC in a syngeneic murine model



CD20+, CD3+ and CD8+ TILs in ovarian cancer



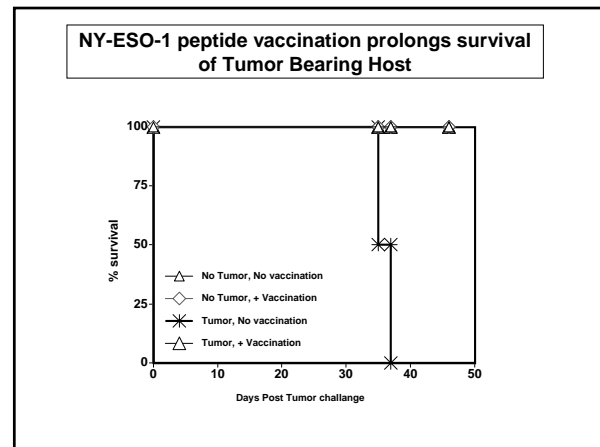
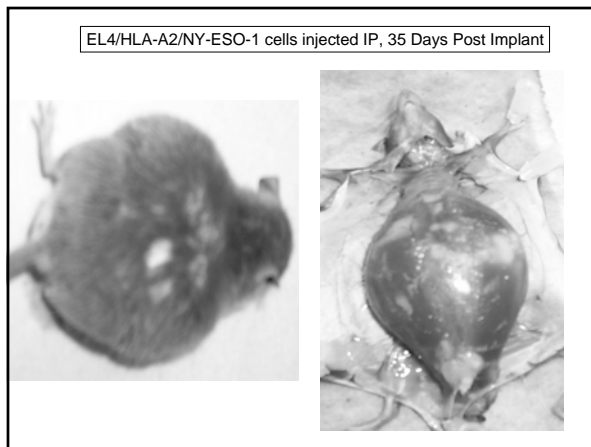
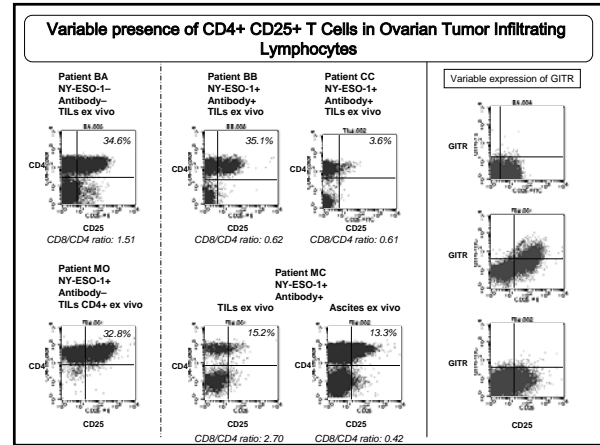
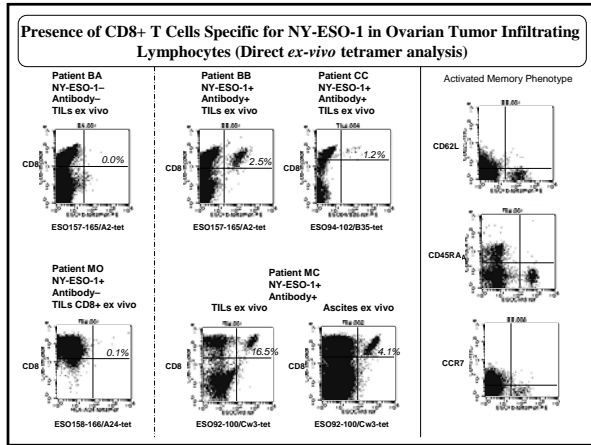
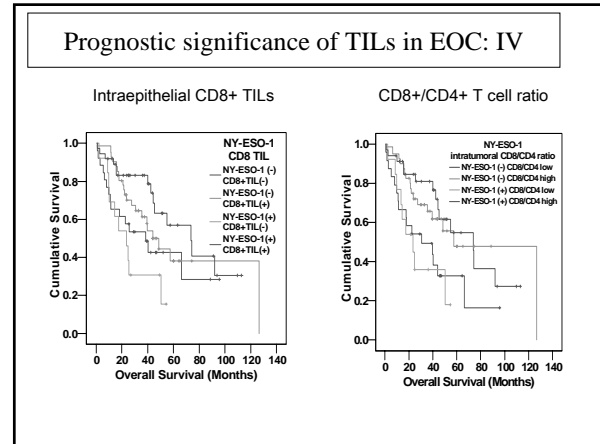
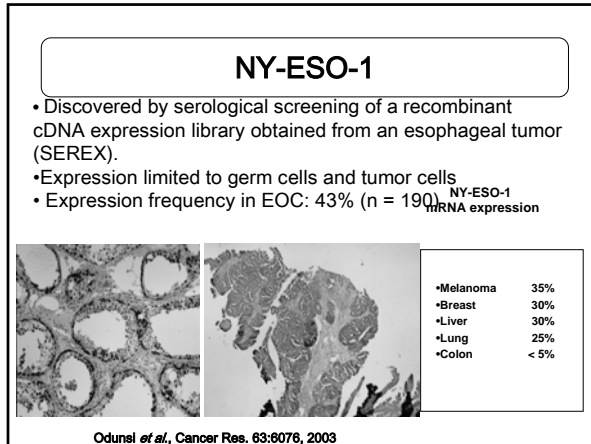


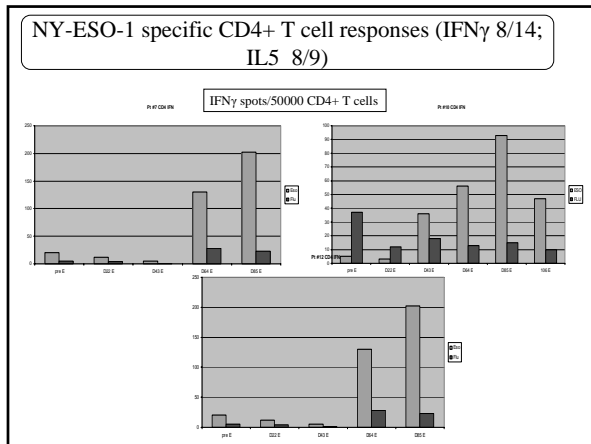
Conclusions: TILs in Epithelial Ovarian Cancer

- High Intraepithelial CD8+TILs is associated with improved survival: > 50% improvement in overall survival (55 versus 26 months; Hazard ratio = 0.33, P=0.0003).
- High intraepithelial CD8+/CD4+ T cell ratio (>3.1) is associated with improved survival: (74 months versus 25 months; Hazard ratio 0.30, p = 0.0001).
- The unfavorable effect of CD4+ TILs is due to CD25+FOXP3+ Tregs: High versus low CD8+/Treg ratios (median 58 months versus 23 months, HR 0.31, p=0.0002).

Which antigens for vaccine therapy in EOC ?

- What is the ideal cancer antigen?
 - High potential immunogenicity
 - Frequent expression in cancer & restricted expression in normal tissues
 - Essential for viability/behavior of cancer cells
- Cancer-testis (CT) antigens
 - Expression limited to germ cells of the testis.
 - Expression in malignancies in a lineage-non specific fashion.





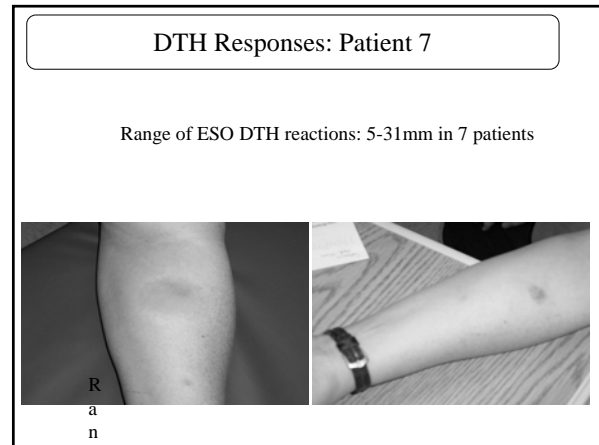
HLA Class I

- HLA-A2 5 (1)
- HLA-A24 5 (1)
- HLA-A2 and A-24 1 -
- HLA-A2 or A-24 9 (2/9 = 22%)

• *More time points remain to be tested

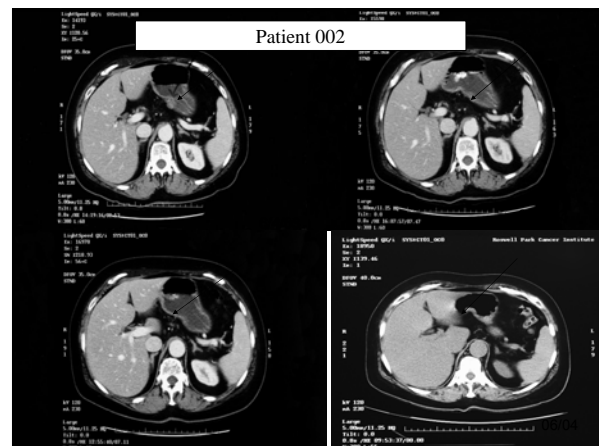
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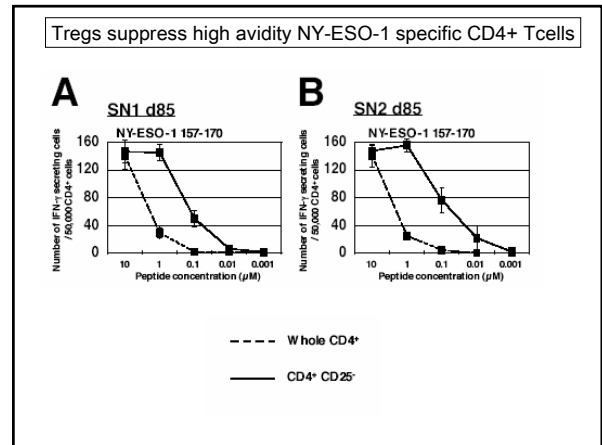
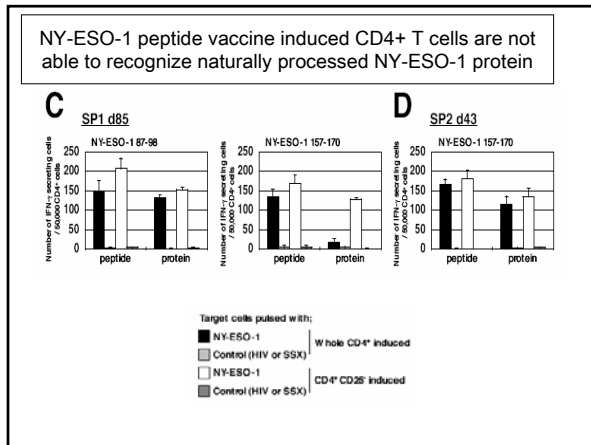
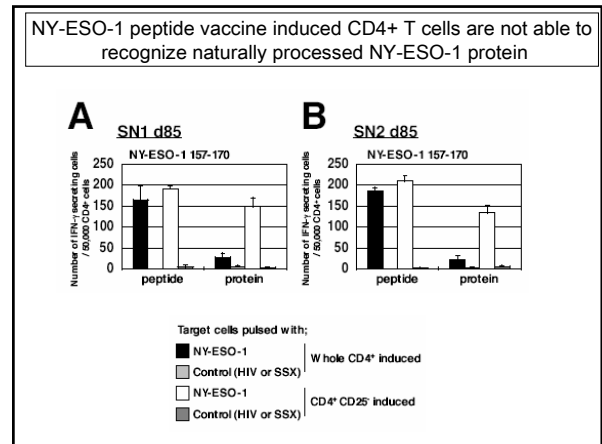
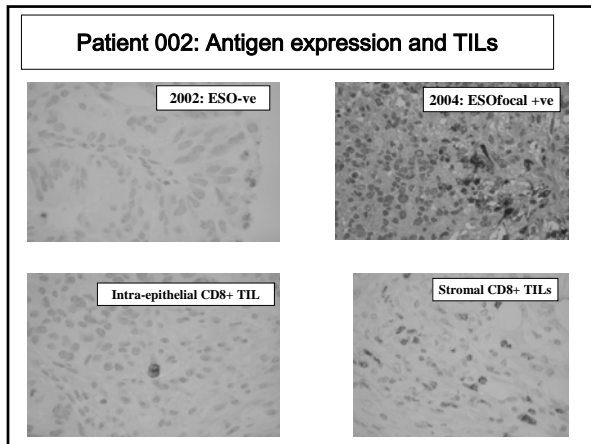
Age (median)	60 yrs
Performance status	>70%
Recurrences prior to vaccine therapy	
None	10 (55%)
Yes	8 (45%)
No of prior lines of chemotherapy	
1	10 (55%)
2-8	8 (45%)
Serous histology	17
Grade III	16
Stage of primary tumor	
Stage IIIC	16
Stage IIC	2



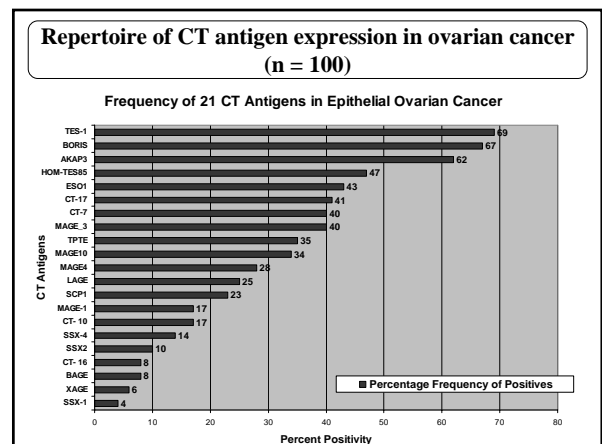
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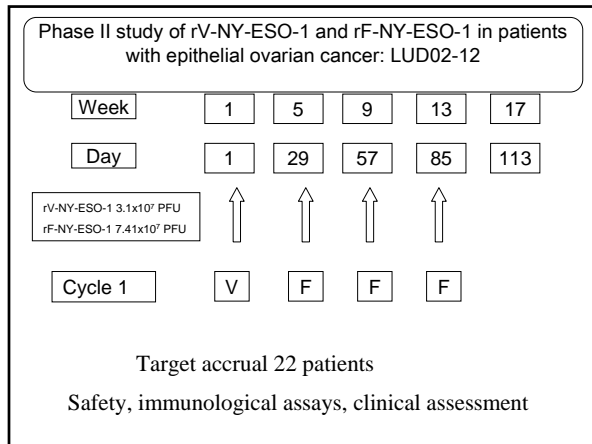
DTH to recall antigens at baseline	13 (72%)
Tetanus	7
Tetanus + Candida	5
Candida	1
Disease status at study entry	
NED	11 (61%)
Minimal residual disease	3
Non-target lesion	4
Current Status	
NED	9
Progression	3
Recurrence	4
DOD	2






- Challenges and Lessons**
- Increasing the overall level and diversity of the anti-tumor immune responses?
 - Multi-antigen vaccination: which antigens?
 - Protein Immunization, novel immunological adjuvants.
 - Role of CD4+CD25+ T cells
 - Role of IDO
 - Phase II/IIb clinical trials






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TLR-4 signaling promotes tumor growth and paclitaxel chemo-resistance in ovarian cancer

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Inflammation $\xrightarrow{?}$ Cancer

Chemo-resistance

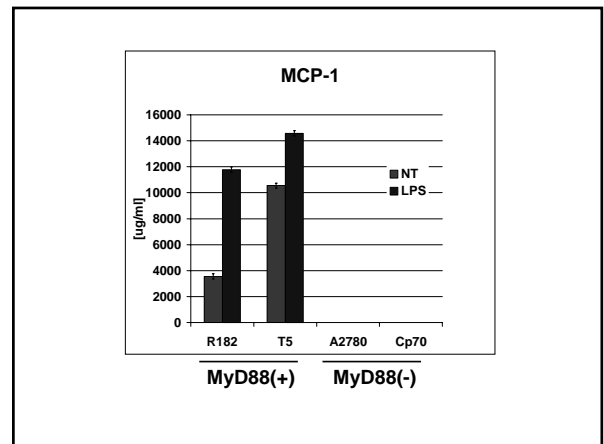
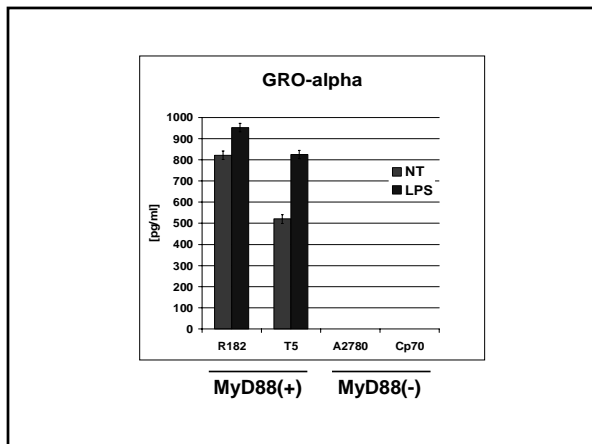
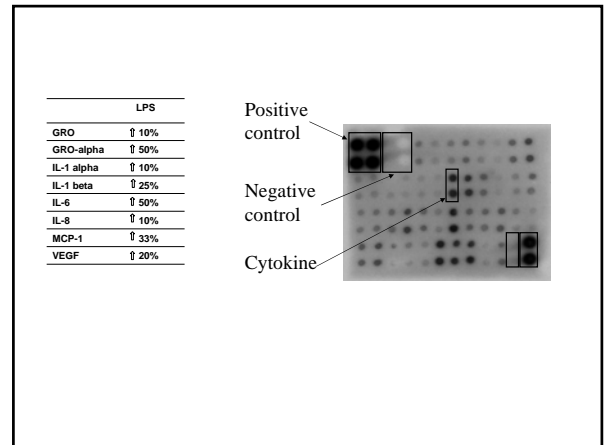
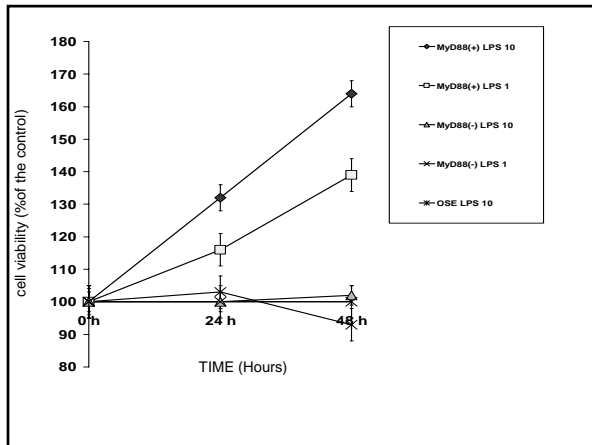
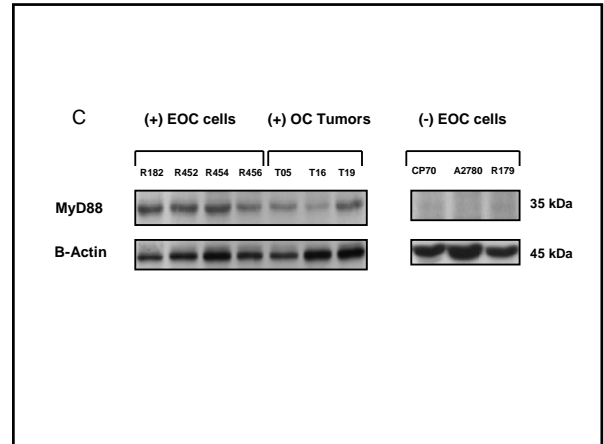
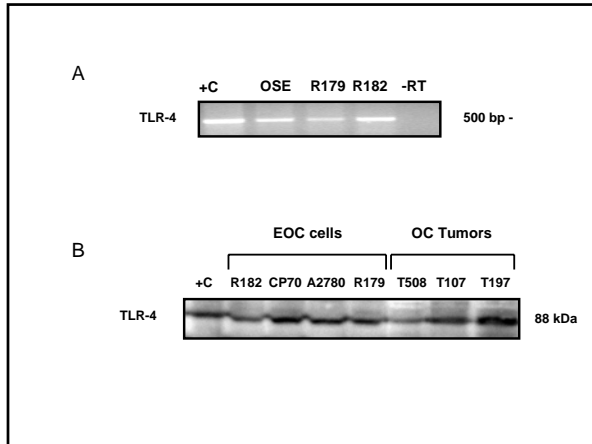
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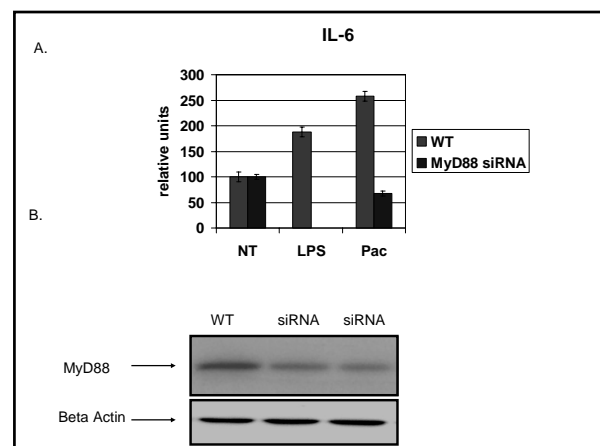
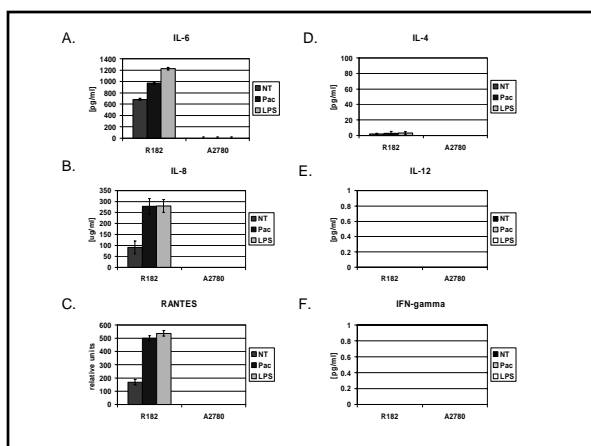
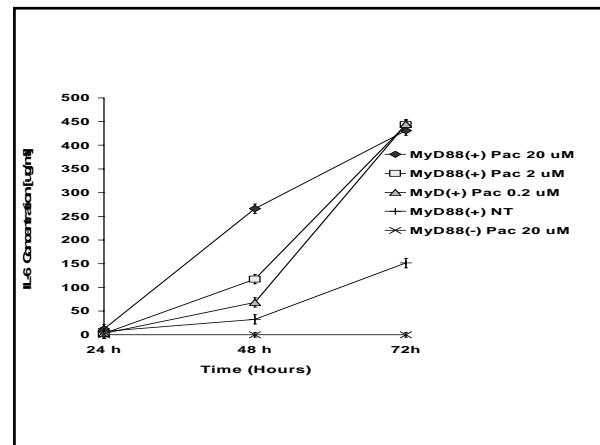
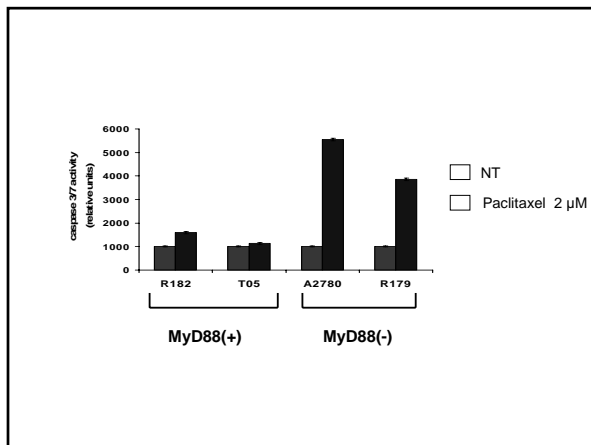
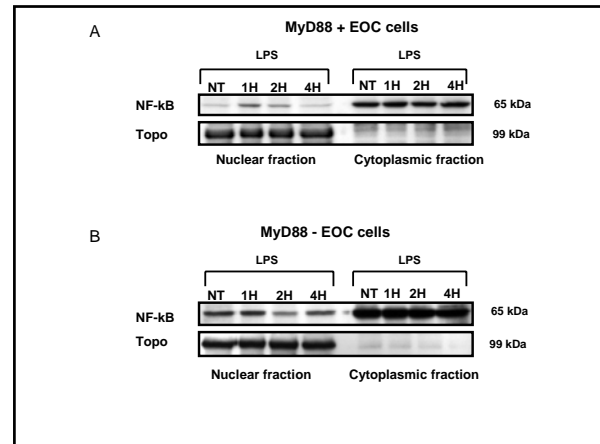
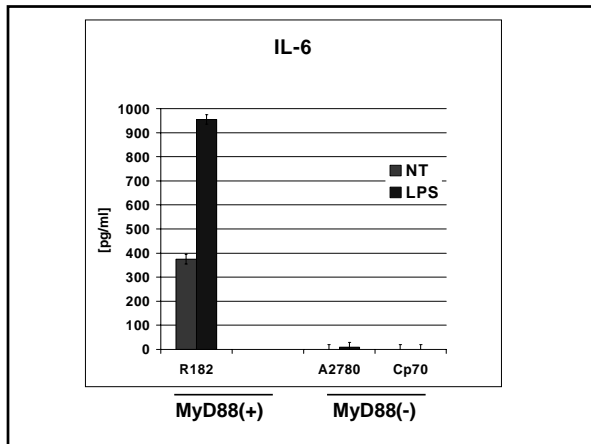
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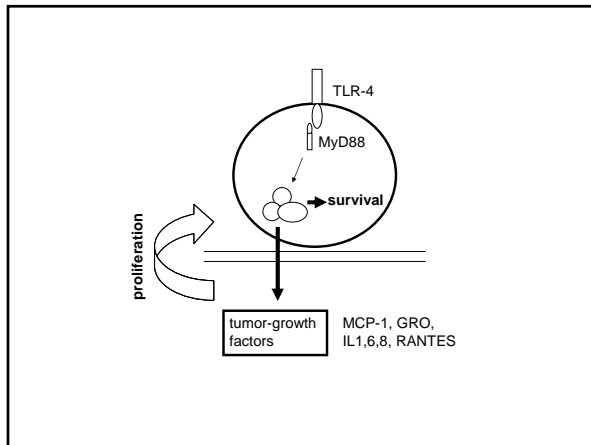
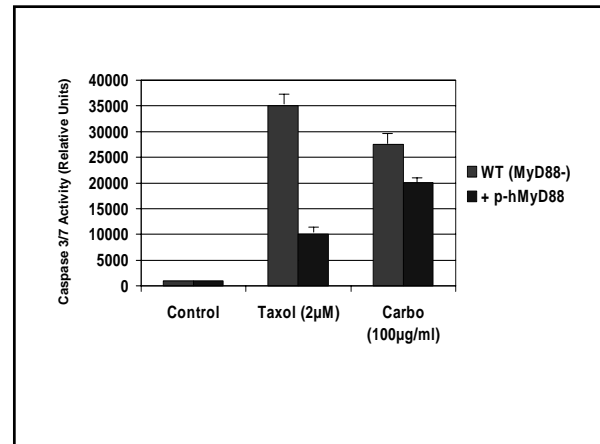
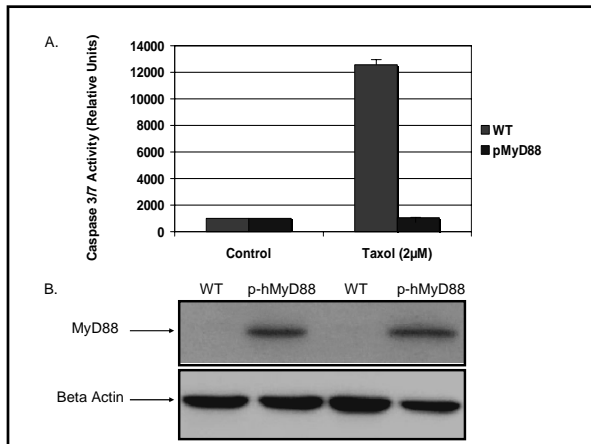
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Monoclonal antibodies specific for self antigens can trigger antigen-specific cellular immunity

- The observation represents an alternative immunotherapeutic strategy to standard “vaccine approach”
 - Review evidence from MUC1 and CA125 systems
- Consider clinical development strategies for ovarian cancer immunotherapy

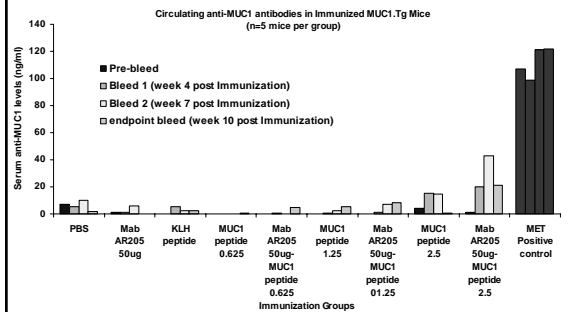


MUC1-Transgenic Mouse Model to Study Brevarex

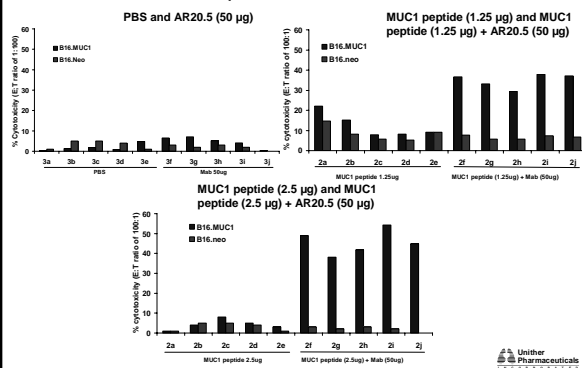
- Developed by Dr. Gendler, Scottsdale, AZ
- C57BL/6 mice that express human MUC1 in tissue-specific fashion
- Tolerant to MUC1 on a B and T cell level
- Immunizations s.c. at weeks 0, 3, 6 and 9; 9 groups with 5 mice/group:
 - MUC1-peptide; 0.625, 1.25 and 2.5 µg/mouse
 - Brevarex MAb-AR20.5; 50 µg/mouse
 - MUC1-peptide + Brevarex MAb-AR20.5 complex; 0.625, 1.25, 2.5 µg of peptide + 50 µg of MAb
 - PBS
 - MUC1-peptide-KLH (PC)
- Test bleeds for antibody responses were taken at weeks 0, 4, 7 and 10
- Mice were sacrificed at week 10 and spleen cells harvested for T cell responses



Complex-Induced B Cell Responses to MUC1 Anti-MUC1 Antibody Responses



Complex-Induced T Cell Responses to MUC1 Example - CTL Induction



Clinical Study with AR20.5 (Brevarex®)

- Phase I: Dose ranging study in patients with MUC1 associated malignancy
- Therapy: AR20.5 αMUC1 antibody (Brevarex®)
- Dosing: Sequential cohorts – 1 mg, 2 mg, 4 mg; 20 minute IV infusions
- Endpoint: Safety
- Immune response
- Clinical outcome


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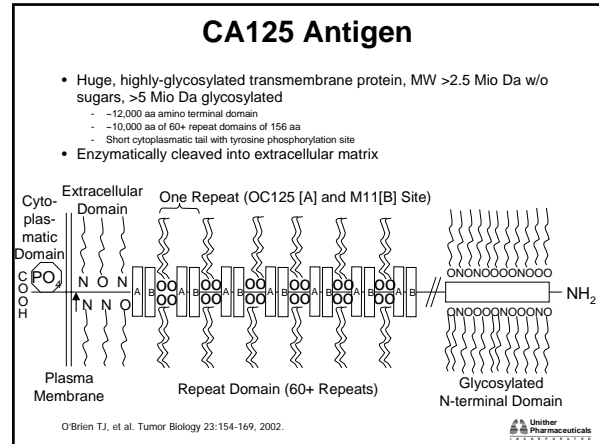



Summary of T cell ELISPOT data from patients treated with BrevaRex® MAb-AR20.5


Treatment Group	Patient No.	IFN-γ ELISPOT (spots/10 ⁵ cells) ^a	
		Baseline	Post-Injection ^b
1 mg	AA006	433	89
	AA008	0	30
	AA009	0	144
2 mg	AA011	0	0
	AA012	0	0
	AA014	0	500
4 mg	AA016	140	800
	AA017	1030	>2800 ^c
	AA019	160	0
	AA020	0	0

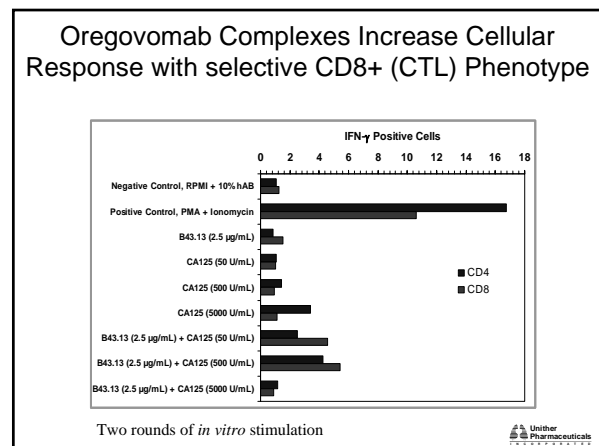
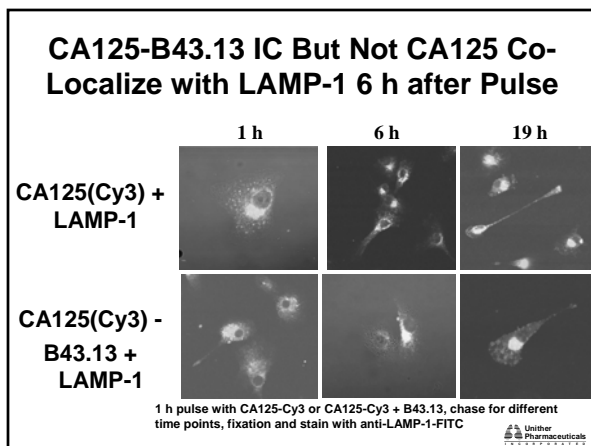
^a Number of spots counted in ELISPOT assays performed after *in vitro* stimulation of peripheral blood lymphocytes obtained from the patients at baseline or after treatment
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^c Number of spots exceeded amount that can be quantified by the Zeiss Image Analyzer

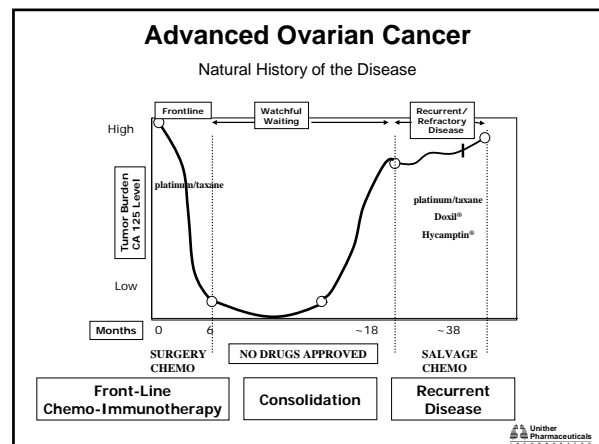
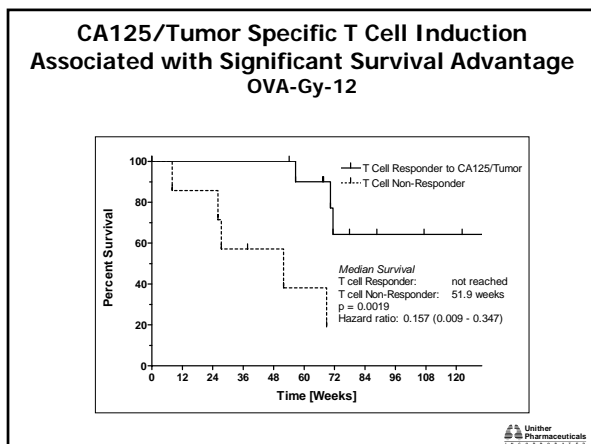
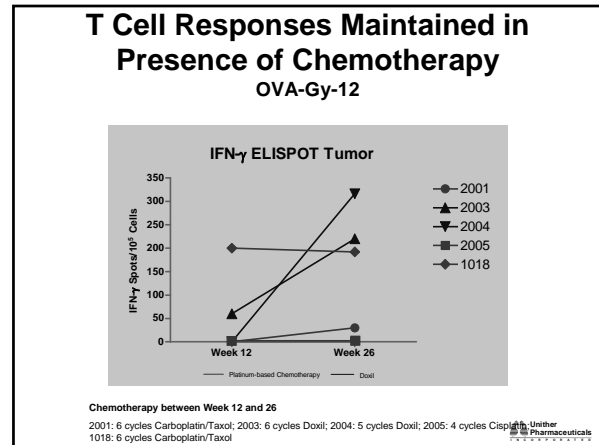
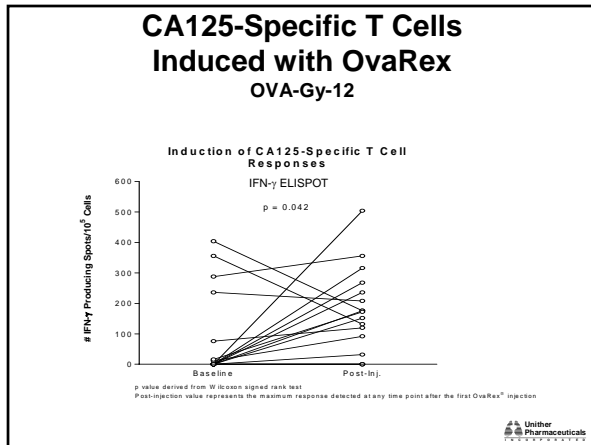
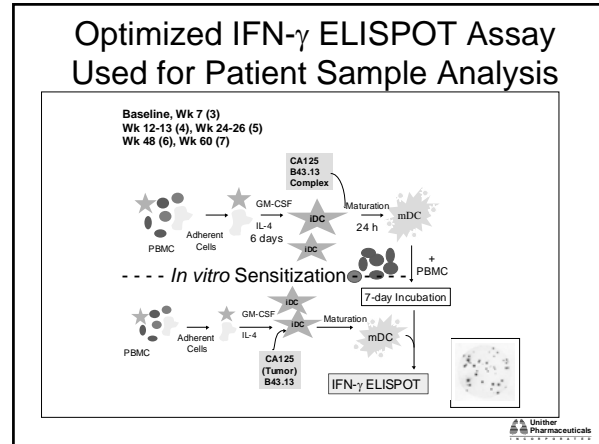
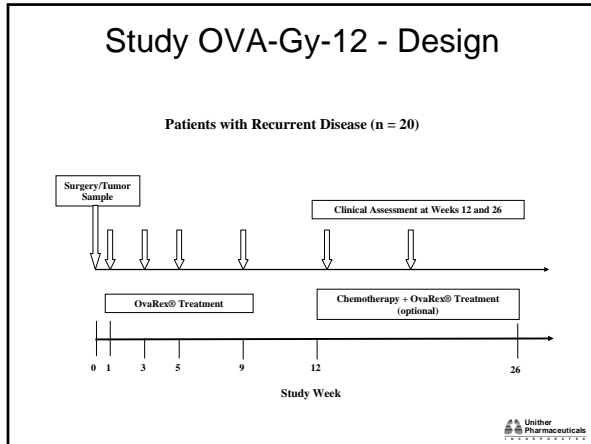
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- ### T Cell Epitopes on CA125
- Full sequence evaluated for HLA-A2 epitopes
 - Candidate peptides being identified
 - Pentamer reagent development ongoing
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- ### Monoclonal Antibody B43.13
- Oregovomab MAb-B43.13 (OvaRex®)
- Murine IgG_{1k} specific for CA125
 - Formulated for 2 mg infusions (50 mL over 20 minutes)
 - Complexes CA125 in circulation
 - Does not have direct effects (ADCC or CDC)
 - Results in altered antigen processing of CA125 and subsequent lymphocyte response
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




Study OVA-Gy-07: Randomized Phase II Consolidation Trial


- OvaRex 2 mg (n=73) versus placebo (n=72)
- Double-blind to treatment, immune response and serum CA125 levels
- Study run in conjunction with Canadian Study OVA-Gy-06
- Patients after completion of front-line therapy (post-surgery and chemotherapy)
 - No evidence of disease and normalized serum CA125 (≤ 35 U/mL) prior to enrollment
 - No restriction on surgical outcome or serum CA125 level (by third cycle of front-line chemotherapy)
- Administered IV at weeks 0, 4, 8 then Q12 to relapse
- Primary Endpoint:
 - Time to disease relapse (TTR)

Berek JS, et al. J Clin Oncol 22(17):3507-3516.



Successful Front-Line Therapy Population

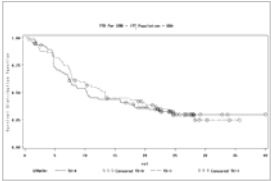
- Small diameter residual disease (microscopic to ≤ 2 cm)
- CA125 ≤ 65 U/ml, prior to cycle 3 (Makar)
- NED
- CA125 5-35 U/ml at start of OvaRex MAB therapy




Study OVA-Gy-07: Results

Kaplan-Meier Analysis of Time to First Event (Disease Relapse or Death)

All Patients (ITT; n = 145)



Successful Front-Line Therapy Patients (n = 67)




All Patients (ITT):

- OvaRex® (n=73) median TTR = 13.3 months vs Placebo (n=72) median TTR = 10.3 months (p=0.71)

Successful Front-Line Therapy Patients (U.S.):

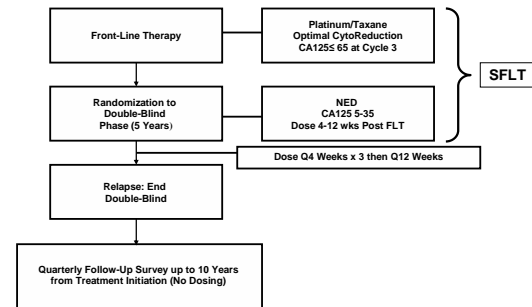

- OvaRex® (n=34) median TTR = 24.0 months vs Placebo (n=33) median TTR = 10.8 months (p=0.06)

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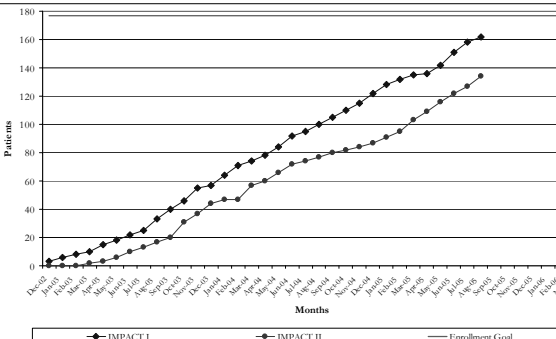


IMPACT I/II Program


Two Phase III Protocols; 354 Patients Total

IMPACT I & II Enrollment to Date*

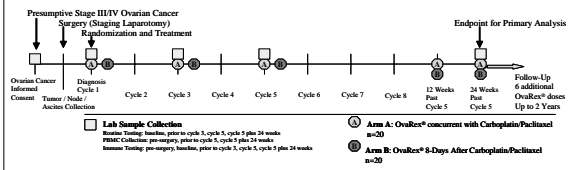


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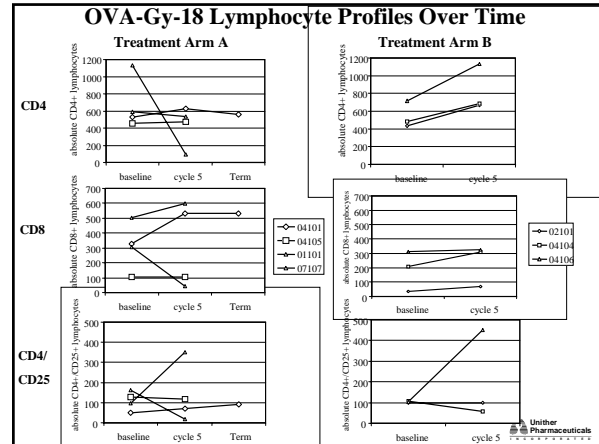
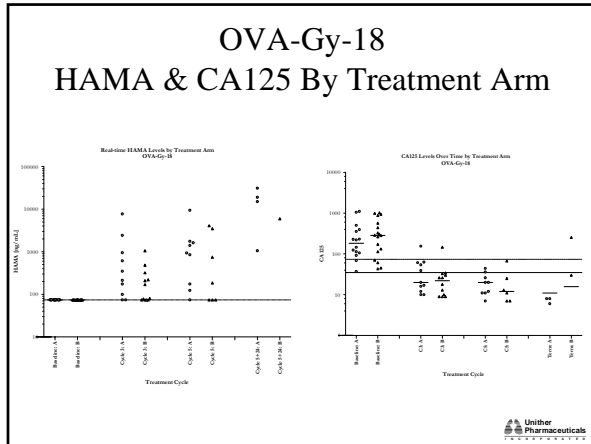
Protocol OVA-Gy-18

Piloting Front-Line Chemoimmunotherapy



Status: Enrolling at 7 centers
Preliminary Data 2006





Integrated Safety Experience: Most Frequent Treatment-Emergent Adverse Events (OvaRex vs. Placebo)

MedRA System Organ Class (SOC)	Frequency (% of patients in each group)	
	OvaRex (N=360)	Placebo (N=196)
Gastrointestinal disorders	71.4%	78.6%
General disorders & administration site conditions	54.4%	63.3%
Muskuloskeletal & connective tissue disorders	51.1%	56.1%
Nervous system disorders	41.7%	56.6%
Infections and infestations	31.9%	36.2%
Respiratory, thoracic & mediastinal disorders	28.6%	39.8%
Skin and subcutaneous tissue disorders	20.6%	30.1%
Psychiatric disorders	21.1%	21.4%
Vascular disorders	18.9%	20.4%
Reproductive system and breast disorders	15.0%	15.8%

OvaRex group (N=360) combined from studies OVA-Gy-06/07, OVA-Gy-10, OVA-Gy-12, OVA-Gy-15, and OVA-Gy-16.
Placebo group (N=196) combined from studies OVA-Gy-06/07 and OVA-Gy-10.

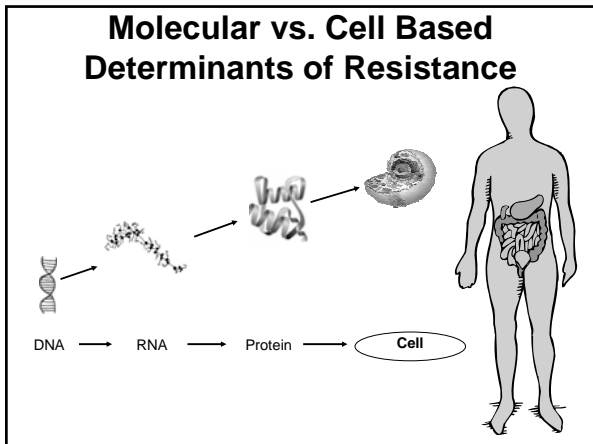
- ### Summary
- Antibody to circulating antigen can stimulate cellular immunity
 - Clinical strategy targeting minimal disease state primary development approach for oregovomab
 - Await results of IMPACT studies in early '07
 - Activity preserved with combination chemotherapy
 - Explore front-line and recurrent disease settings

- ### Future Directions
- Identification of immune responsive patients *a priori*
 - Coordination of pharmacologic interventions to modulate immune responsiveness
 - Customization of immune modulators, cytotoxics, and specific immune stimulations is the future of cancer treatment

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Individualized Cancer Care

New Technology
New Era



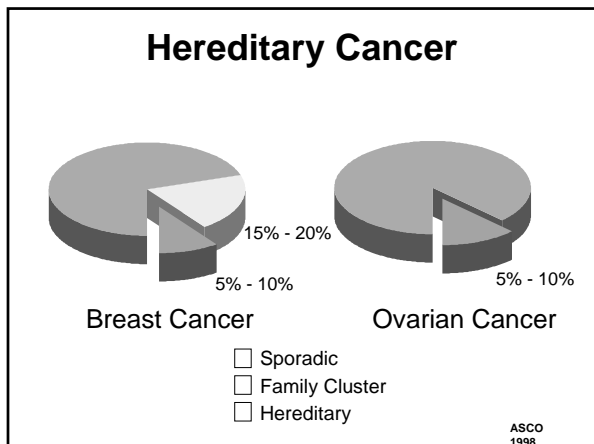
- ### Individualized Care for Cancer - A Work in Progress
- Identification of high risk women
 - BRCA1/2 (DNA)
 - Accurate prognosis
 - Recurrence Score (RNA)
 - Prediction of response to therapy
 - Chemosensitivity and Resistance Assays (Phenotypic)
 - Targeted Therapy (IHC)
 - Individualized dosing
 - SNPs (DNA)

- ### Individualized Cancer Care
- Identification of high risk women
 - 1953 - Watson/Crick double-stranded DNA
 - 1993 - BRCA1, 1994 - BRCA2
 - Accurate prognosis
 - Prediction of response to therapy
 - Individualized dosing

Ovarian Cancer: Hereditary Risk

Family History of Ovarian Cancer	Lifetime Risk
None	1.5%
1 first-degree relative	5%
2 first-degree relatives	7%
Hereditary ovarian cancer syndrome	40%
Known BRCA1 or BRCA2 mutation	35-65%

- ### Cancer Risk
- General Population
 - 10% Breast Cancer
 - 1.8% Ovarian Cancer
 - BRCA1 mutation
 - 80% Breast
 - 20-40% Ovary
 - BRCA2 mutation
 - 80% Breast
 - 10-20% Ovary



- ### Recommendations for BRCA Mutation Carriers
- Monitoring
 - 18 yrs: monthly SBE, q6mo breast exam by MD
 - 25 yrs: annual mammogram/MRI, annual pelvic exam, CA125
 - 30-35 yrs: annual TVS
 - Risk Reduction
 - OCPs 5 yrs: decreases OV risk by 50%
 - Tamoxifen-decrease BR CA risk
 - Prevention
 - Removal of Ovaries/Tubes- 99% decrease in risk
 - Mastectomy- 90% decrease in risk
- ASCO 1998

- ### Individualized Cancer Care
- Identification of high risk women
 - Accurate prognosis
 - Reserve treatment for only those most likely to benefit
 - Prediction of response to therapy
 - Individualized dosing


- ### Prognosis: Breast Cancer as an Example of Genetic Prediction
- Treatment planning based on:
 - Traditional prognostic factors
 - limited predictive power (tumor size, patient age)
 - poor reproducibility (tumor grade)
 - IHC markers (e.g., Ki-67) lacking standardization and validation

- ### Prognosis: Breast Cancer as an Example of Genetic Prediction
- Current guidelines: chemo for most >1cm tumors
 - 80% will not recur with loco-regional RX and Tam
 - <20% recur within 10 yrs on Tam only
 - Many women are offered chemotherapy
 - Few will benefit
 - Guidelines assume all patients equally benefit
 - Some patients are under-treated
 - Many others are over-treated


Are all patients created equally?

- Two women with breast cancer, each with the same
 - Age
 - Race
 - Performance Status
 - Stage
 - ER+, Her2 -
 - infiltrating ductal

Markedly Different Outcomes



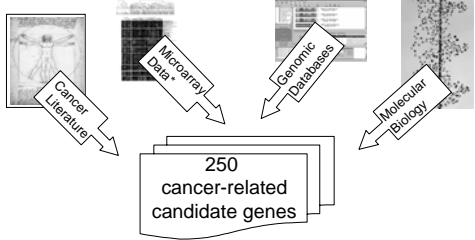
Clinical Course: ACT neoadjuvant therapy, pCR at surgery, Tam
Outcome: NED 7 years



Clinical Course: ACT neoadjuvant therapy, progressive disease, mastectomy/radiation, Tam, Herceptin
Outcome: Local and distant recurrence at 6 months

Oncotype DX™ Technology: Candidate Gene Selection

From ~40,000 genes:



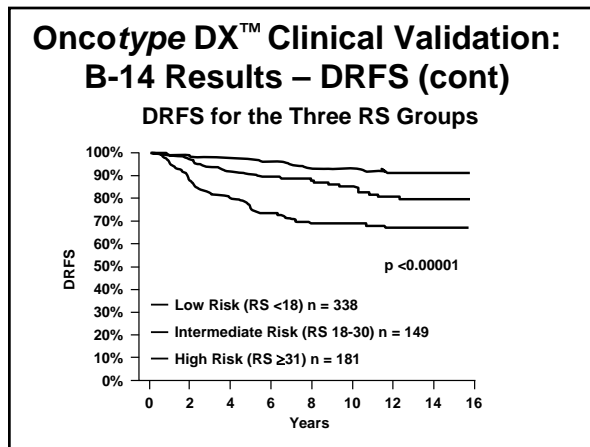
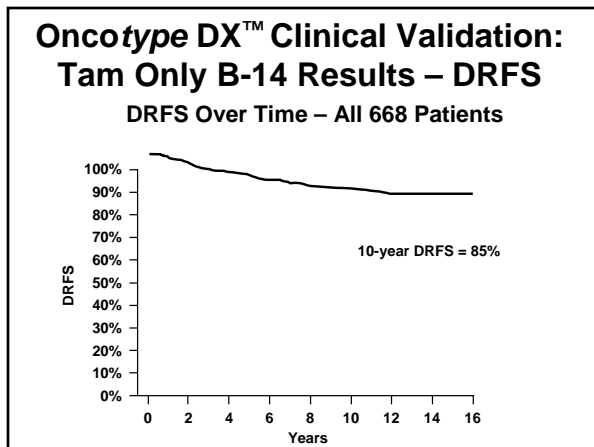
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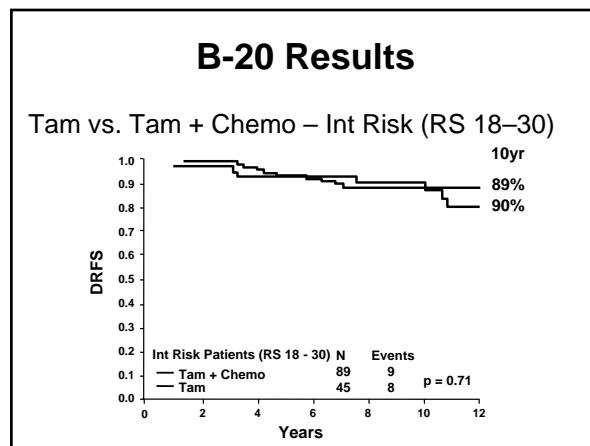
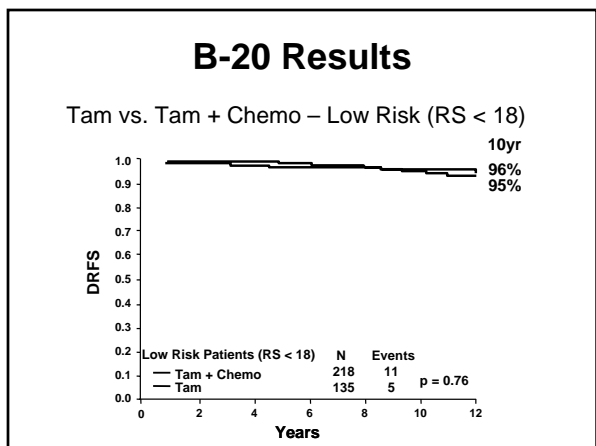
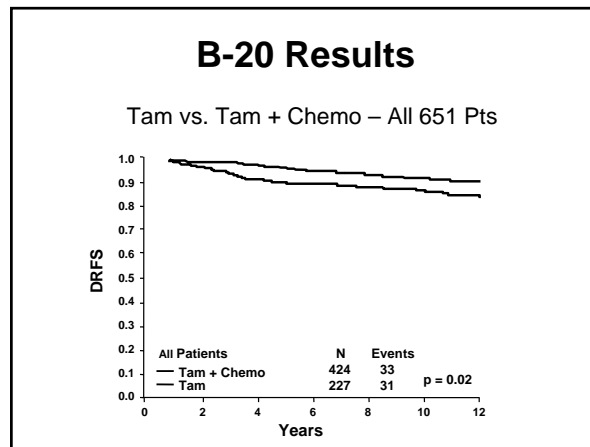
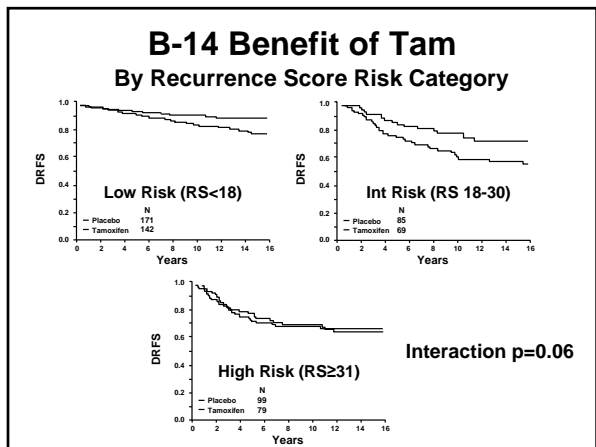
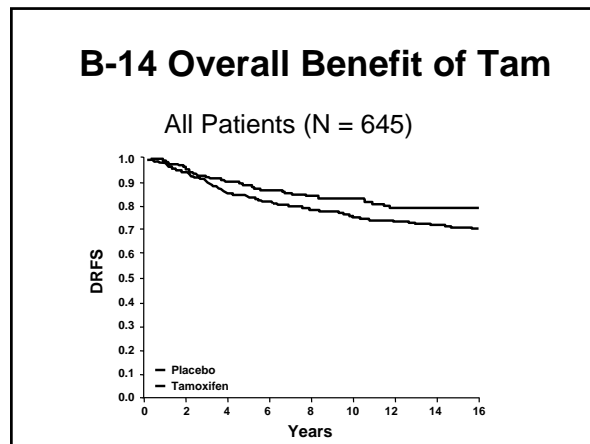
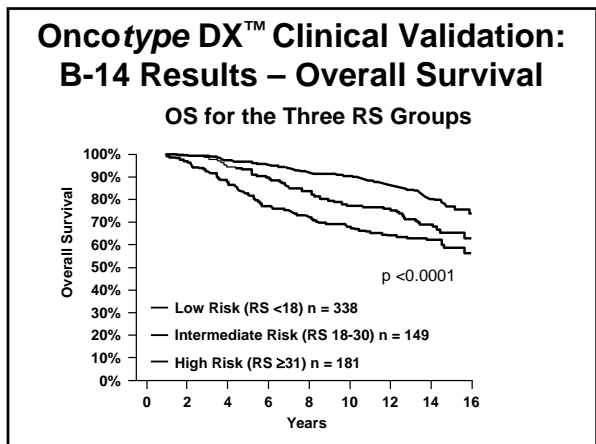
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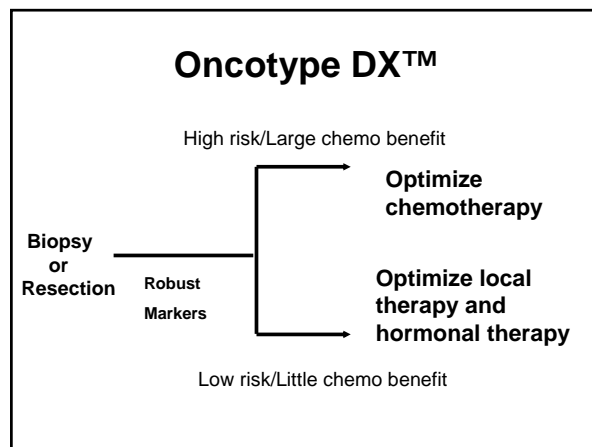
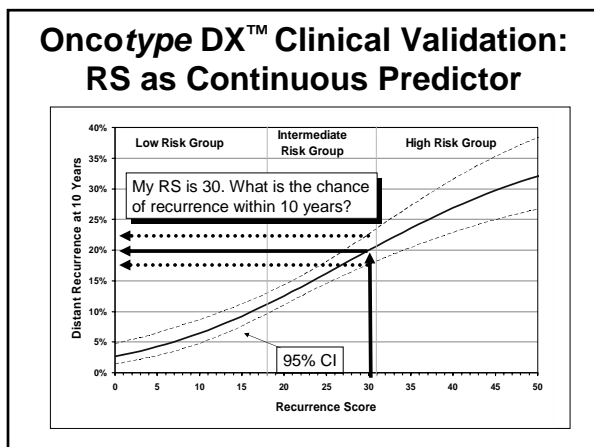
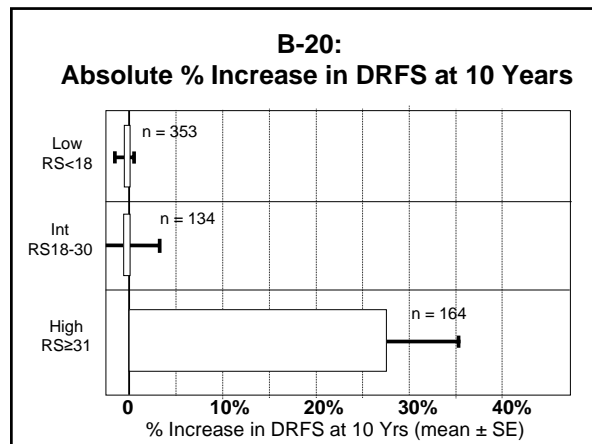
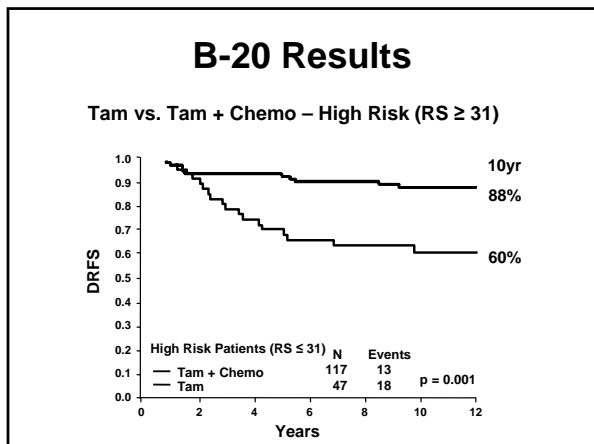
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Oncotype DX™ Technology: Algorithm and Recurrence Score (RS)

Recurrence Category	RS (0-100)
Low risk	<18
Intermediate risk	18-30
High risk	≥31







Markedly Different Outcomes

Low Recurrence Score

High Recurrence Score

- ### Individualized Cancer Care
- Identification of high risk women
 - Accurate prognosis
 - Prediction of response to therapy
 - Choose therapy according to the abnormalities in a particular tumor
 - Chemotherapy resistance and sensitivity assays
 - Targeted therapy
 - Individualized dosing

The Challenge

- Less than one in four patients benefits from chemotherapy
- Responses are inconsistent and unpredictable from one patient to another
- Physicians are faced with an increasing number of costly therapeutic options

Selection of Cancer Treatment

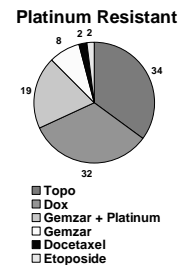
- Currently based on traditional prognostic factors:
 - Age
 - Stage
 - Grade
 - Cell Type
 - IHC

Recurrent Ovarian Cancer

Treatment Options:

- | | |
|---------------|----------------------|
| ■ Carbo | ■ Gemzar |
| ■ Taxol | ■ Gemzar/Carbo |
| ■ Taxotere | ■ Gemzar/Cis |
| ■ Carbo/Doxil | ■ Doxil |
| ■ Topotecan | ■ Navelbine |
| ■ Carbo/Taxol | ■ Hexamethylmelamine |

Ovarian Cancer: Recurrent Disease



The Need for Individualization: Platinum Resistant Ovarian Cancer



Clinical Course: 3 courses of Doxil, CA 125 drops from 2200 to 20

Outcome: NED 1 year



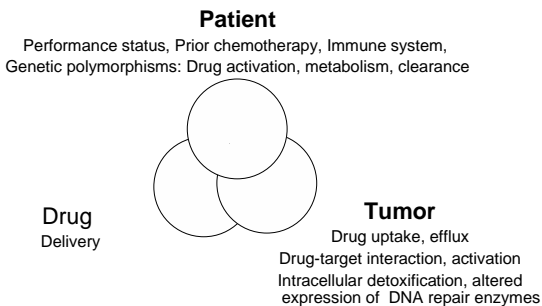
Clinical Course: 3 courses of Doxil, CA 125 rises from 120 pretreatment to 3289

Outcome: Pt develops ascites and pleural effusion, DOD at 6 mo.

Limitations of Current Trial-and-Error Approach

- Excessive or ineffective therapy results in
 - Unnecessary toxicity
 - Excessive costs
 - Delay of effective therapy
 - Emergence of resistant cells
 - Individual characteristics of a patient's particular tumor are ignored

All patients are not created equally



Individualized Selection of Therapy

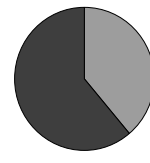
- Chemosensitivity and Resistance Assays
 - EDR assays
 - Chemosensitivity assays (ChemoFx®)
- Targeted Therapies
 - Histological markers – which patients are eligible for new therapies

Historical CSRs vs. ChemoFx®

Historical Assays	Precision ChemoFx®
Low Yield	High Assessability >90%
1-2 grams Required	35mg Required
Long Turn Around Time	10-14 days
Resistance Only	Sensitivity and Resistance
Non Standardized Procedures	Automatable, Reproducible

Gyn Onc Use of CSRs

- NOCR Symposium held in conjunction with Society of Gynecological Oncologist meeting in 2003
- When presented with a case study of a recurrent ovarian cancer, 39% of attendees indicated they would recommend therapy based on a sensitivity assay



Taken from Great Debates in Gynecological Oncology, published by the Network for Oncology Communication and Research, 2003

Extreme Drug Resistance Assays

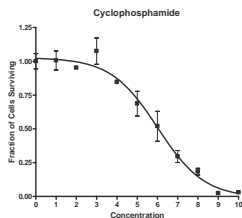
- Extreme Drug Resistance (EDR) Assays
 - Tumors placed in agar
 - Exposed to a single, very high concentration of drug
 - Measures proliferation
 - Only identifies drugs likely to not work
- Examples:
 - Oncotech EDR® Assay
 - Genzyme DRAT™ Assay

Chemosensitivity Assays

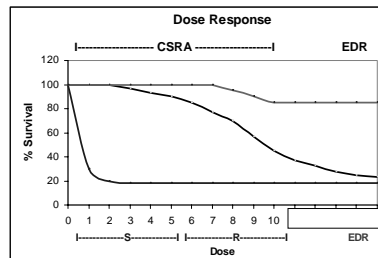
- Chemosensitivity (Response) Assays
 - Expose cells to increasing concentrations of chemotherapy
 - Measures cell death
 - Identifies drugs
 - won't work
 - are likely to work
- Examples:
 - ChemoFx® Assay by Precision Therapeutics
 - EVA™ Assay by Rational Therapeutics

ChemoResponse Calculated

- Dose response curves are generated representing fraction of cells alive at each serial dilution.
- Increasing dose number indicates increasing concentration of drug



CSRA vs. EDR: Individual Patient Results



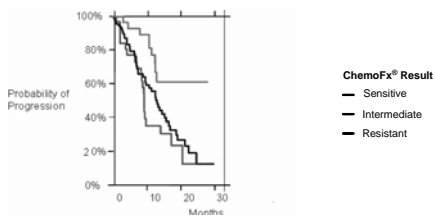
Chemotherapy Response Testing: Accuracy

- Meta-analysis of 35 studies (n=1,603)
- Pts. receiving a drug that tested sensitive were 1.44x more likely to respond
- The RR for patients receiving a drug that tested resistant was 0.23
 - Wiesenthal, 1999

Chemotherapy Response Testing: Accuracy

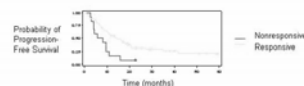
- In other words:
 - If the RR to a drug is 40%
 - Test sensitive and get the drug
 - Expected response is 57%
 - Test resistant and get the drug
 - Expected response is 9%

001: PFS According to ChemoFx[®] Assay Prediction of Response to Therapy Received: Exact Matches, n=135

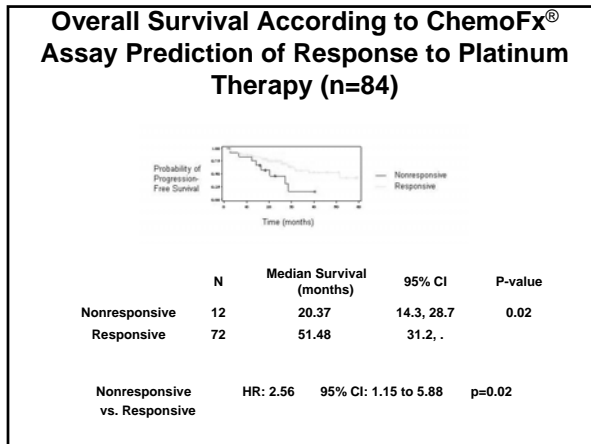


Resistant vs. Intermediate HR: 1.7 95% CI: 1.2 to 2.5
 Resistant vs. Sensitive HR: 2.9 95% CI: 1.4 to 6.3 p<0.01
 Median PFS: 9 mo for resistance, 14 mo for intermediate, not achieved in sensitive
 ASCO Abstract 2004

PFI According to ChemoFx[®] Assay Prediction of Response to Platinum Therapy (n=84)



	N	Median Progression	95% CI	P-value
Nonresponsive	12	6.95	4.1, 9.6	0.008
Responsive	72	14.26	10.6, 19.4	
Nonresponsive vs. Responsive		HR: 2.38	95% CI: 1.23 to 4.76	p=0.01

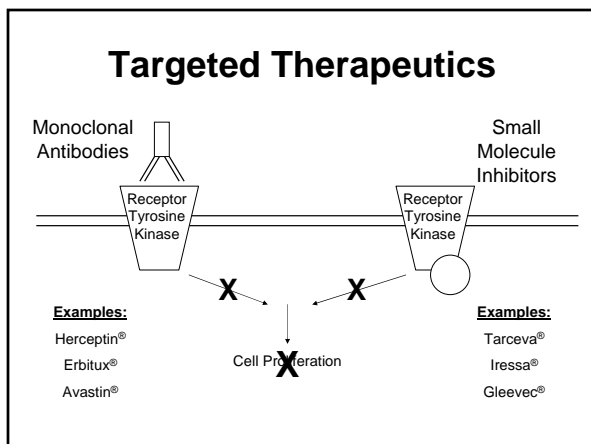


- ### CSRAs: Evidence in Ovarian Cancer
- Von Hoff (1991)
 - ORR in IVBR was 28% vs 11% in empiric
 - Kurbacher (1998)
 - ORR in IVBR was 28% vs 11% in empiric
 - Ness (2001)
 - ORR with IVBR 81% vs 33% in empiric

Predictive Value vs. Other Clinical Lab Tests

Diagnostic	PPV	NPV
Bacterial Culture & Sensitivity: ¹ <i>Predicts patient response to antibiotics</i>	60%	67-96%
Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA): ^{2,3,4} <i>Screening for asymptomatic prostate cancer</i>	28-40%	95%
Fecal Occult Blood Test (FOBT): ^{5,6,7,8} <i>Screening for colorectal cancer</i>	5-22%	NA
Steroid Hormone Receptor Status/Estrogen Receptor (ER): ⁹ <i>Predicts which patients will benefit from antihormonal therapy-Tamoxifen</i>	77%	NA
Steroid Hormone Receptor Status/Progesterone Receptor (PR): ⁹ <i>Predicts which patients will benefit from antihormonal therapy-Tamoxifen</i>	69%	NA
PTI's ChemoFx[®] Assay: ¹⁰	64%	100%

- ### CSRAs vs. EDR Assays
- CSRAs provide information useful to most patients
 - Progression: 100% (represented by 10 filled boxes)
 - EDR provides useful information only to the extremely resistant percentage of patients
 - Progression: 10% (represented by 1 filled box out of 10)



- ### Targeted Therapeutics
- Avastin[®] (bevacizumab)**
 - Target: VEGF-R (vascular endothelial growth factor receptor)
 - Indication: Metastatic colorectal cancer
 - Herceptin[®] (trastuzumab)**
 - Target: Her2/neu
 - Indication: Metastatic breast cancer
 - Gleevec[®] (imatinib mesylate)**
 - Target: BCR-ABL and c-kit
 - Indication: CML and GIST, respectively

Targeted Therapeutics

Herceptin® (trastuzumab): Her2/neu

Indication: Metastatic breast cancer, in combination with Paclitaxel

Target Diagnostic: HercepTest® (IHC), PathVysion® (FISH)

- ~25% of breast cancer patients overexpress Her2/neu
 - 38% of Her2+ patients have a favorable response to Paclitaxel + Herceptin
 - 15% of Her2+ patients have a favorable response to Paclitaxel alone
- When used as neoadjuvant therapy ...
 - 67% of Her2+ patients have pCR to chemotherapy + Herceptin
 - 25% of Her2+ patients have pCR to chemotherapy alone

Individualized Cancer Care

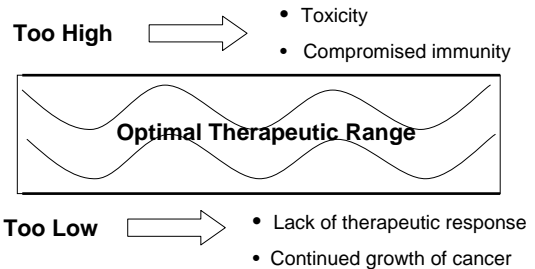
- Identification of high risk women
- Accurate prognosis
- Prediction of response to therapy
- Individualized dosing
 - Pharmacokinetics
 - Pharmacogenetics

Chemotherapy Effectiveness is Highly Variable

- A 2 to 50-fold inter- and intra-individual variability with chemotherapeutic agents has been observed
- Factors impacting pK* variability:
 - Organ function
 - Genetic regulation
 - Disease states
 - Age
 - Drug-drug interactions
 - Time of drug ingestion
 - Mode of drug administration

* Pharmacokinetic

Finding the Optimal Therapeutic Range



Pharmacogenetics

- SNP: single nucleotide polymorphism
 - A small genetic change, or variation, that can occur within a gene sequence
 - SNPs occur in approximately 1% of the population
- Example: CYP2D6

CACAGCACATCGCG
CACAGCACATCGTG

Pharmacogenetics

- Codeine
 - SNP in CYP2D6 → decreased activity
 - CYP2D6 converts codeine to morphine
 - Decreased conversion to morphine → decreased analgesia
- 5-Fluorouracil
 - SNP in promoter region of thymidylate synthase (TS) → protein overexpression
 - 5-FU inhibits TS to prevent cell replication
 - TS overexpression → decreased anticancer activity

Individualized Cancer Care: A Paradigm Shift...

- From
 - “one size fits all” trial-and-error approach
- To
 - customized cancer therapy based on each patient’s unique host and tumor characteristics

Randomized Clinical Trials

- Opponents call for RCT comparing assay to physician selection
- Majority of cancer decisions are not based on this high of a level of evidence
 - Very few RCT comparing treatments in recurrent ovarian cancer
 - Most drugs given without this
- CSRAs are tests, not treatments
- Who is going to pay for it?
 - diagnostic tests don't have the profit margins of drug companies