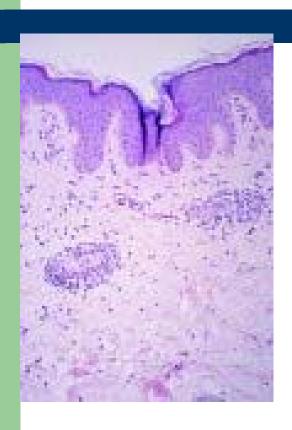
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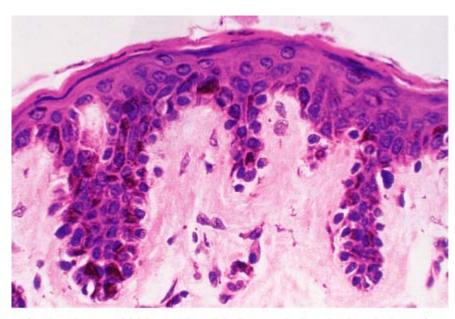
ANSHU PALTA

- New growth-Neoplasm
- Tumour- Swelling
- Oncology Oncos-study of tumour
  - neoplasms
- Cancer- Malignant tumours[crab]

- Definition-Abnormal mass of tissue the growth of which exceeds & is uncoordinated with that of normal tissue & persists in the same excessive manner after cessation of stimuli
- Heritable genetic alteration –passed to progeny of tumour cells
- Autonomous
- Clonal

## Non-neoplastic skin tissue





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# Neoplasia (abnormal tissue mass, Excessive growth)



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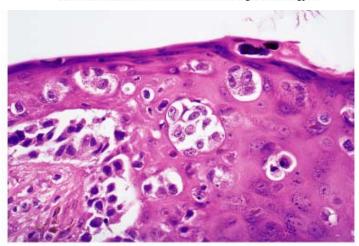


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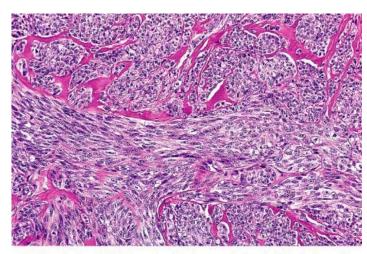
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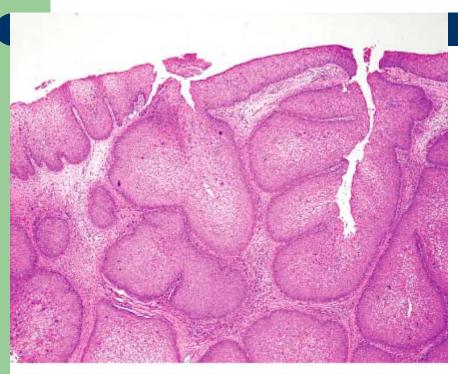


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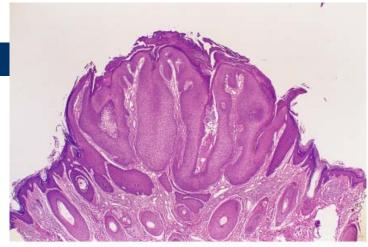


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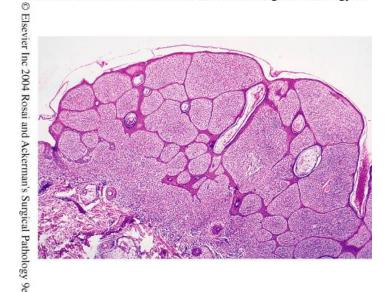
# Neoplasia-Uncoordinated (Autonomous) Growth



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# Neoplasia persists even after initiating event (stimulus)no longer exists



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# Neoplasia parasitic upon host tissues



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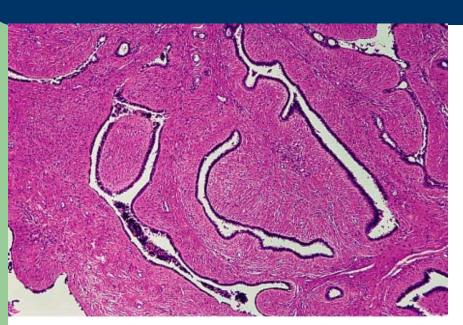


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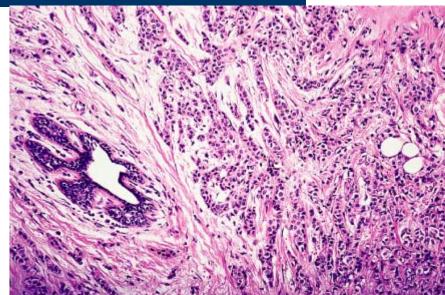
### Benign

#### **Malignant**

- Parenchyma[proliferating neoplastic cells]cutting edge&behaviour of tumour
- Supporting storma[C.T&bld.vessles]growth&evolution of tu &framework-
- soft&fleshy
- Schirrous

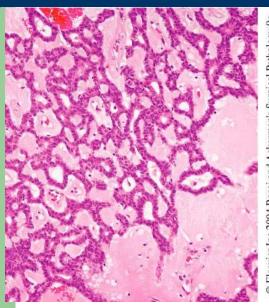


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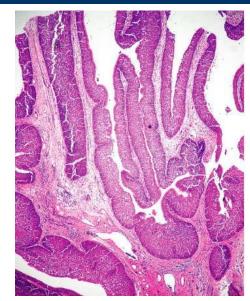


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- Benign tumours-suffix –oma to cell of origin
  - Mesenchymal tumours- Chondroma, Fibroma
  - Epithelial-complex
    - --Adenoma-form glandular structures/arise from Glandular structures
    - Renal Adenoma&Adrenal cortical adenoma
    - --Papilloma
    - -- Cystadenoma
    - ---Papillary Cystadenoma
    - ---Polyp

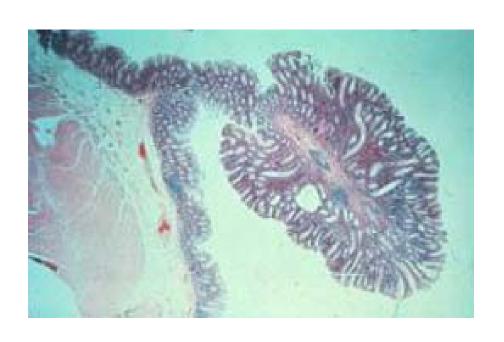


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### Malignant tumors nomenclature:

- -Mesenchymal cancers-Sarcomas (Fleshy)
  - -Rhabdosarcoma, Liposarcoma, Fibrosarcoma, Osteosarcoma, Chondrosarcoma
- -Epithelial cancers (Epithelium of any 3 germ layers) -Carcinomas

(further qualified as differentiated/ site of origin)

- -Adenocarcinoma, Squamous cell carcinoma, Renal cell carcinoma, Hepatocellularcarcinoma
- -Undifferentiated malignant tumor
  - -Cancer of undifferentiated cells of unknown tissue origin

## Nomenclature of neoplasms

#### **Tumours of Mesenchymal Tissues**

#### BENIGN

C.T.&derivatives lipoma

Endothelial.&derivatives Haemangioma

MALIGNANTaemia,lymphoma fibrosarcoma, leiomyoma,Rhabdomyoma **Blood cells** 

Muscle

#### **Tumours of epithelial tissues**

Squamous cells

Basal cells Basal C.ell Ca. **Papilloma** 

Epi. lining of glands Adenoma, papilloma. Cystaden gmeell. Cadeno Ca.

Resp . Bronchogenic Ca.

Liver **Hepatocellular Ca** 

**Placenta** 

Choriocarcinoma.

 Mixed tumours-divergent diff. of a single line of parenchymal cells into another tissue
 eg Pleomorphic adenoma

 Teratoma- A variety of parenchymal cells from more than 1 germ layer



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# Neoplasia-basic concepts & definitions

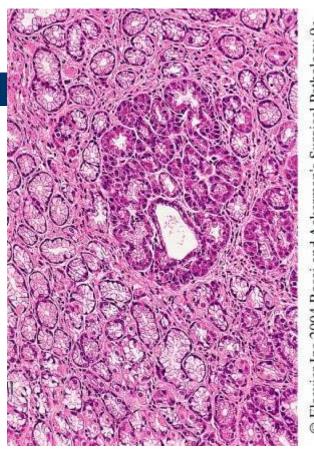
### Nomenclature Exceptions: Tumors

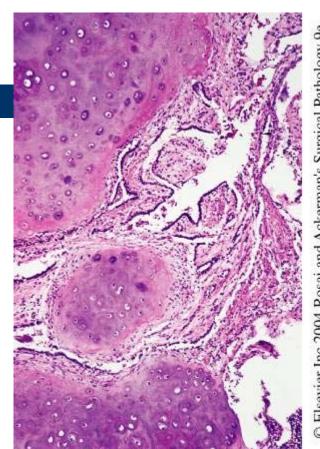
- -Malignant tumors & suffix-oma
  - ~Melanoma (cancers of Melanocytes)
  - ~Lymphoma (cancers of Lymphoid tissue)
  - ~Seminoma (cancers of Gonadal germ cells)
  - ~Hepatoma (Hepatocellularcarcinoma)
  - ~Myeloma (Malignancy of Plasma cells)

Choriostoma-An ectopic Rest of normal tissue

E.g Adrenal cells under kidney
capsule
Pancreatic rests-Gastric mucosa

Hamartoma-Mass of disorganised but mature cells/tissue indigneous to that site; Lungs-cartilage,b.v.,bronchial structures lymhoid tissue





Choristoma- Pancreatic acini in gastric mucosa

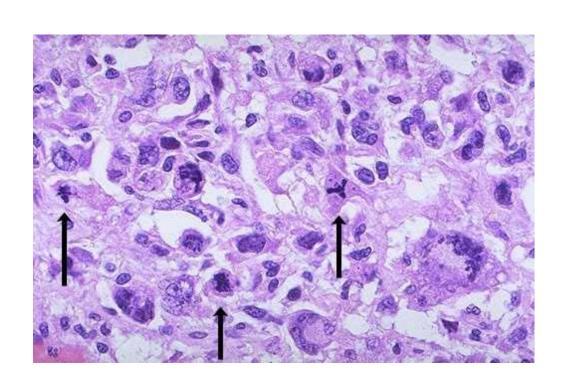
Lung Hamartoma

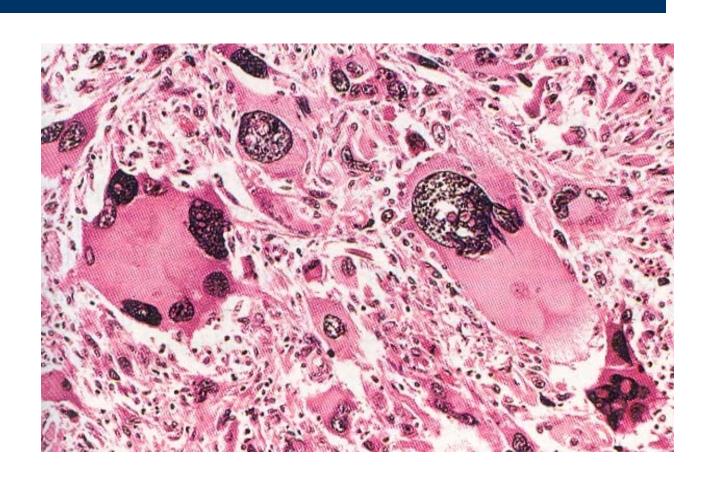
- Differentiation & Anaplasia
- Rate of Growth
- Local Invasion
- Metastasis

- Differentiation&Anaplasia-Refers to extent to which parenchymal cells resemble comparable normal cells of that tissue –morhphology.& function.
- Benign-well differentiated. E.g Leiomyoma
- Malignant-well differentiated, Mod. diff. Poorly differentiated.
- Anaplasia is lack of differentiation.-Hallmark of MALIGNANCY
- Cancer-stem cells in specialized tissues
- Well diff.- Maturation of proliferating cells-
- Poorly differentiated. proliferation without maturation

### Morphological features of Anaplasia

- Pleomorphism-variation in size &shape
- Hyperchromasia
- Nuclear shape
- Clumped chromatin
- Prominent nucleoli
- Increased mitosis
- Tu giant cells
- Loss of orientation
- Central necrosis

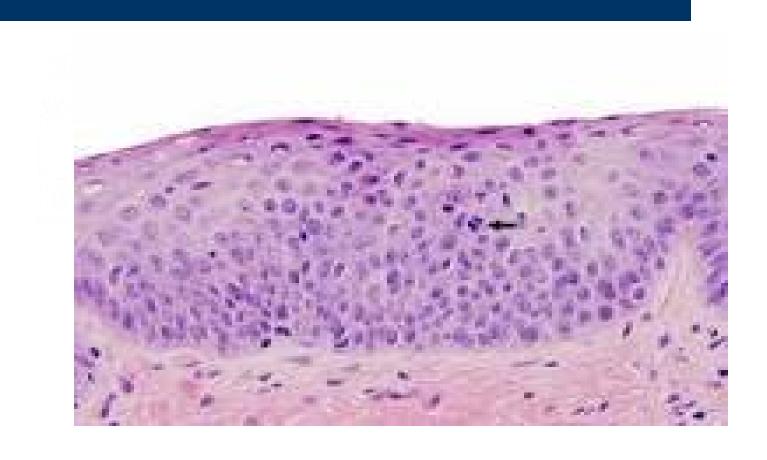


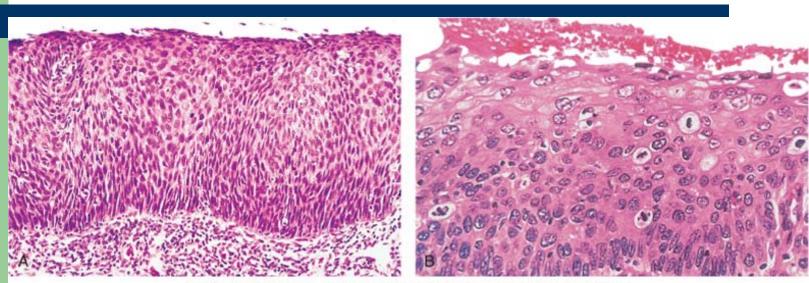


- Dysplasia-disorderded growth
- Loss of uniformity of individual cells
- Loss in architectural pattern
- Mild, moderate, severe
- Mild, moderate-reversible
- FUNCTIONAL changes- well differentiated retain

function.

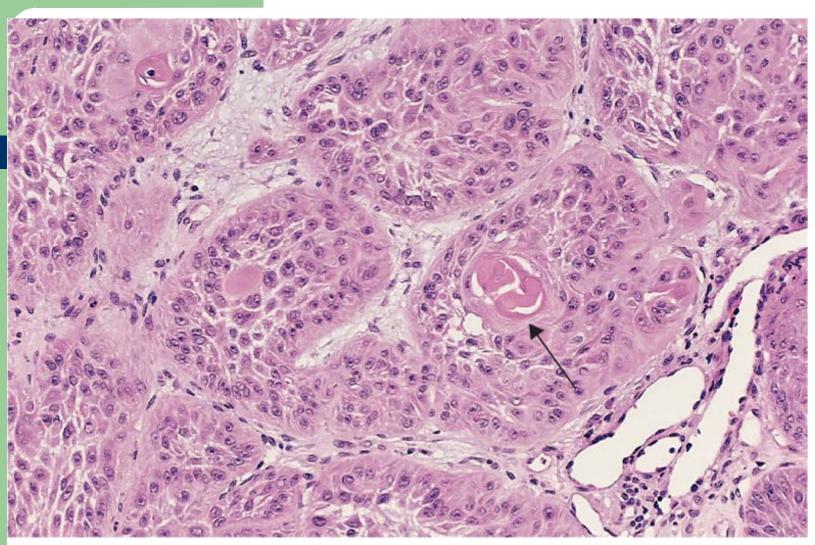
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  - ----ectopic hormone production



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Rate of growth :Prognosis & t/t outcome determined by 3 factors:

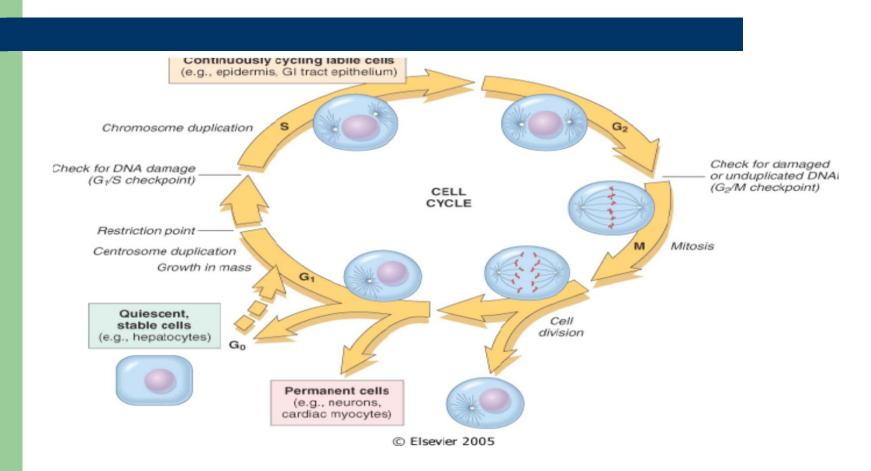
Fraction of tumour cells in replicating pool

**Doubling time of tumour cells** 

Rate at which cells are lost in growing lesion

Cell cycle constraints –lost in tumours but cell cycle is not shortened

## **Normal Cell Cycle**



- Proportion of cells with in tu. That are in proliferation pool-Growth fraction
- Submicroscopic level transformed cells in proliferating pool grow, most leave cell cyclevast majority of

shedding

**Decreased nutrients** 

**Apoptosis** 

Differentiation

 $G_{O}$ 

#### Rapidly proliferating tumour- G. fraction-20%

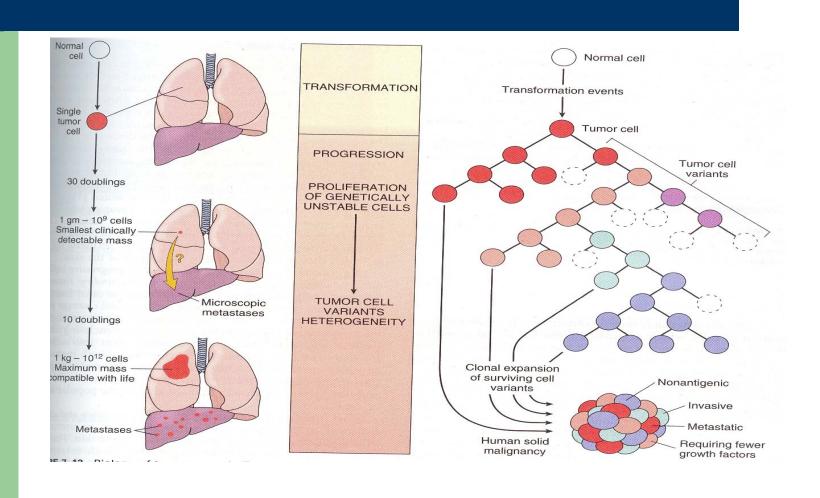
- Cell production>cell loss
  - Rapid- leukemia/lymphoma/lung ca
  - Slow-Ca breast, colon
- G fraction determines response to chemotherapy
  - Rapid- meltaway by chemo
  - Slow (5%)-debulking increases G fraction

Doubling time- clinically detectable tumour (approx 1gm =10<sup>9</sup> cells) requires 30 population doublings

for 1kg (10<sup>12</sup> cells)- only 10 more doublings

Doubling time variable

Rate of growh –not constant



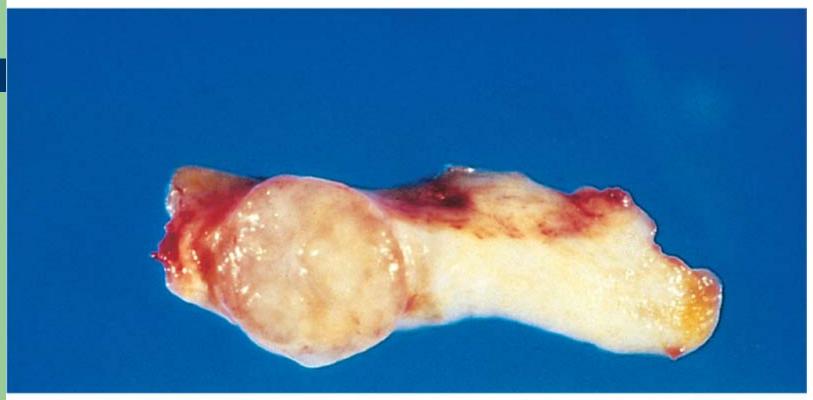
#### **Local Invasion**

Infiltration of adjacent normal tissue

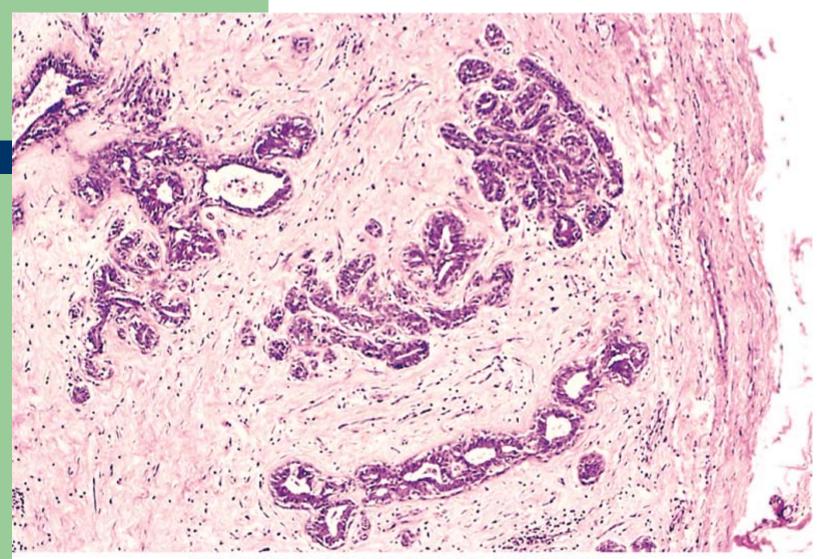
- □ Nearly all benign tumors grow as cohesive expansile masses that remain localized to their site of origin
- □ Next to the development of metastases, invasiveness is the most reliable feature that differentiates malianant from benian tumors.

☐ The growth of cancers is accompanied by progressive infiltration, invasion, and destruction of the surrounding tissue.

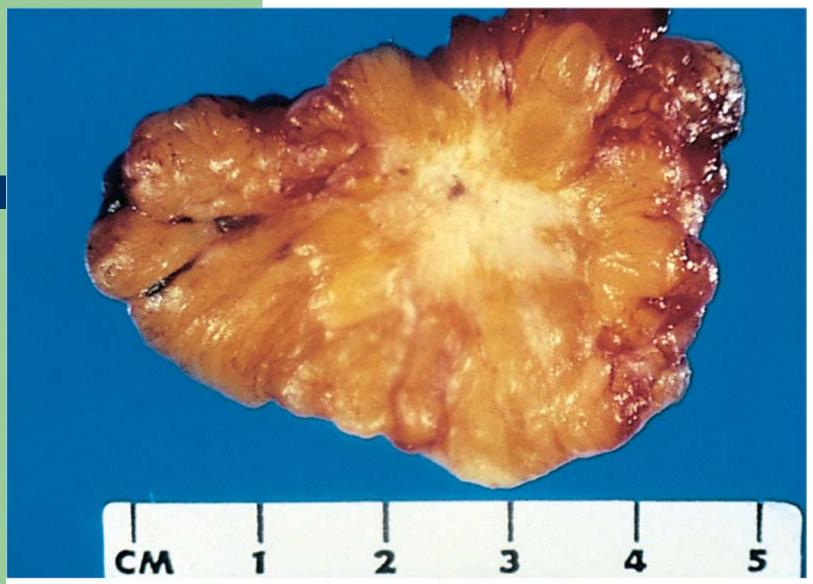
☐ In general, malignant tumors are poorly demarcated from the surrounding normal tissue, and a well-defined cleavage plane is lacking



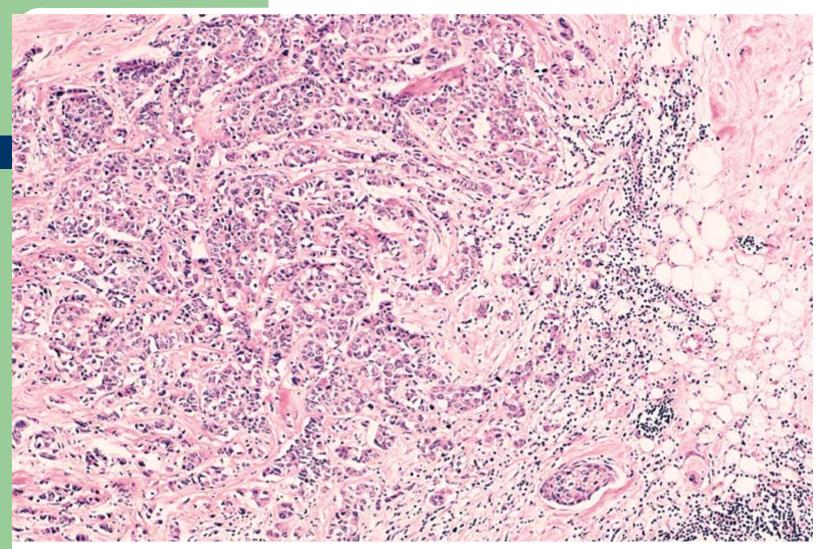
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#### **Metastasis**

- Metastases are tumor implants discontinuous with the
- primary tumor, taking up residence at some distance
- Metastasis unequivocally marks a tumor as malignant
- because benign neoplasms do not metastasize
- ☐ With few exceptions, all cancers can metastasize

- □ The major exceptions are gliomas in the CNS and basal cell carcinomas of the skin
- □ In general, the more aggressive, the more rapidly growing, and the larger the primary neoplasm, the greater the likelihood that it will metastasize or already has metastasized

#### Pathways of spread

- 1. Direct seeding of body cavities & surfaces
  Open field
  Pseudomyxoma peritonei
- 2. Lymphatic spread
  Dissemination of ca,no fntional lymphatics;

Pattern of L.N.-natural routes of lymphatics

CA BREAST-Upper outer quadrant-axillary L.Ns;inner quadrant – internal mammary,Lung ca-perihilar,tracheobronchial ,medistinal L.Ns.

> skip metastasis

- > Prognostic marker
- Sentinal L.N.-FIRSt L.N.in lymphatic drainage from pr. Tu.
- > Effective barrier
- > L.N. enlargement

#### Pathways of spread

#### 3. Haematogenous spread

- Sarcomas
- Arteries resistant- pulmonary capillary bed pulmonary arteriovenous shunt
- Venous invasion follows the route of venous drainage lungs- caval liver- portal vertebral venous plexus- thyroid, prostate
- Carcinoma RCC,HCC
- Gross-multiple,round lesions



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#### **INVASION AND METASTASIS**

- □ Invasion and metastasis are biologic hallmarks of malignant tumors.
- □ They are the major cause of cancer-related morbidity and mortality
- ☐ A clear understanding of the origin of metastasis is of major importance for the management of cancer patients and the development of effective therapies to prevent tumor spread
- □ Subclones of tumour cells,metastatic signature prop. Intrinsic to tu. Cells components of stroma

- ☐ The metastatic cascade: Two phases
- □ Invasion of Extracellular Matrix
- Vascular Dissemination and Homing of Tumor cells

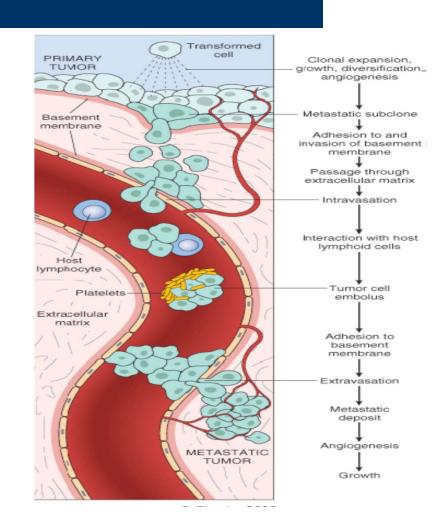
TUMOR STROMA

immune cells,, etc.

- COMPOSITION OF THE STROMA
   EC connective tissue consisting of collagen, proteoglycans, blood vessels, stromal fibroblasts, inflammatory and
- TUMOR-STROMAL INTERACTIONS

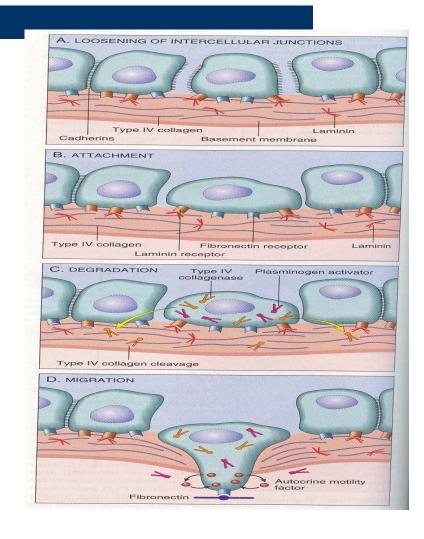
#### **Steps of Invasion**

- loss of tumor cell-cell adhesion
- invasion of basement membrane and extracellular matrix
- adherence to matrix
- secretion of proteolytic enzymes
- cell locomotion
- invasion of blood vessels and lymphatics



#### **Invasion** of Extracellular Matrix[active process]

- □ Detachment ("loosening up") of the tumor cells from each other
- □ Attachment to matrix components
- □ Degradation of ECM
- ☐ Migration of tumor cells



- Normal cells-cadherins[E-cadherins], catenins
- Receptor mediated attachement of tu. Cells tolaminin ,collagen IV[integrins,lgs family]
- Increase integrins ,laminin receptors
- Different integrins  $[\alpha_4\beta_1]$  integrins

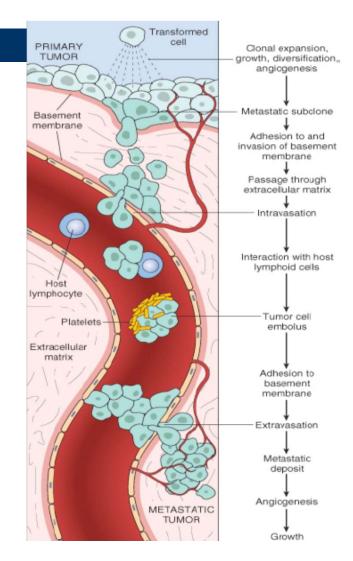
#### **Invasion of ECM:**

- Enzymatic Degradation of Matrix: ☐ Invasion of the ECM is not merely due to passive growth pressure but requires active enzymatic degradation of the ECM components.
- Tumor cells secrete proteolytic enzymes themselves or induce host cells (e.g., stromal fibroblasts and infiltrating macrophages) to elaborate proteases such as plasminogen activators, collagenases. etc.
- Serine, cystine, matrix metalloproteinases-MMP-9,MMP-2
- Inhibitors of MMPs

- □ While the most obvious effect of matrix destruction is to create a path for invasion by tumor cells
- cleavage products of matrix components, derived from collagen and proteoglycans, also have growth promoting, angiogenic, and chemotactic activities
- Degradation of collagen IV exposes cryptic domainsangiogenesis
- Antiangiogenesis-endostatin,tumststin

## **Tumor Metastasis Steps of Extravasation**

- circulating tumor cells
- formation of tumor clumps
- · adhesion to endothelium
- penetration of basement membrane



#### Vascular Dissemination and Homing of Tumor Cells

- Once in the circulation, tumor cells are particularly vulnerable to destruction by innate and adaptive immune defenses.
- ☐ Within the circulation, tumor cells tend to aggregate in clumps.
- ☐ This is favored by homotypic adhesions among tumor cells as well as heterotypic adhesion between tumor cells and blood cells, particularly platelets.
- ☐ Formation of platelet-tumor aggregates may enhance tumor cell survival and implantability.

proteolytic enzymes.

Vascular Dissemination and Homing of Tumor Cells

☐ Arrest and extravasation of tumor emboli
at distant sites involve adhesion to the
endothelium, followed by egress through
the basement membrane.

☐ Involved in these processes are adhesion
molecules (integrins, laminin receptors) and

#### Sites of Tumor Metastasis

- Proximity to tumor site
- --regional lymph nodes
- --Tumor specific targets e.g. prostate carcinoma mets to bone
- Organ-specific adhesion molecules?
- ✓ Growth factor secretion
- ✓ Suitable environment

#### **Mechanism of Organ Tropism**

- Because the first step in extravasation is adhesion to the endothelium, tumor cells may have adhesion molecules whose ligands are expressed preferentially on the endothelial cells of the target organ.
- The endothelial cells of the vascular beds of various tissues differ in their expression of ligands for adhesion molecules.

- Chemokines have a very important role in determining the target tissues for metastasis.e.g. Some breast cancer cells express the chemokine receptorsCXCR4 and CCR7. The chemokines that bind to these receptors are highly expressed in tissues to which breast cancers commonly metastasize.
- Some target organs may liberate chemoattractants that tend to recruit tumor cells to the site. Examples include insulin-like growth factors I and II.

#### **Mechanism of Organ Tropism**

In some cases, the target tissue may be an unpermissive environment-unfavorable soil, for the growth of tumor seedlings.e.g.,although well vascularized, skeletal muscles are rarely the site of metastases.

#### Staging of Malignant Neoplasms

#### TNM Staging [UICC] Union int. contre cancer

To In situ, non-invasive (confined to epithelium)
T1 Small, minimally invasive within primary organ site
T2 Larger, more invasive within the primary organ site
T3 Larger and/or invasive beyond margins of primary organ site
T4 Very large and/or very invasive, spread to adjacent organs

N0 No lymph node involvement
N1 Regional lymph node involvement
N2 Extensive regional lymph node involvement
N3 More distant lymph node involvement
M0 No distant metastases
M1 Distant metastases present

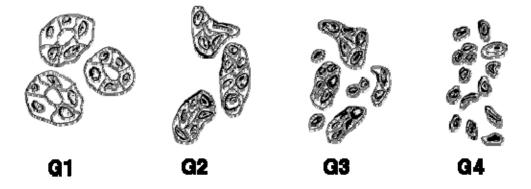
#### **Staging**

- AJC staging
- Stage O-IV
- All 3 components of UICC

#### **Grading**

- Grading schems are based upon the microscopic appearance of a neoplasm with H&E staining.
- Degree of differentiation and no. of mitosis
- Most grading systems have three or four grades (designated with numbers or roman numerals).
- Broders' for sq. cell ca
   Grade I-Well diff.-less than 25% anaplastic cells
   Grade II-Mod. Diff.-25%-50% anaplastic cells
   GradeIII- Mod. Diff-50%-75% anaplastic cells
   Grade IV-Poorly diff.-more than 75% anaplastic cells
- In the diagram utilizing an adenocarcinoma as an example, the principles of grading are illustrated:

#### **Grading**



#### **Prognostic Markers**

- Clinical Prognostic Markers
  Size,grade, vascular invasion,nodal involvement
- Molecular markers

Expression of oncogene C-met, c-ras

**CD44** 

Estrogen receptors

EGF receptor

Angiogenesis factors

# **Epidemiology and predisposing factors to Neoplasia**

- Incidence-20-23% of all mortality
- Most common ca in males-lung,prostate,colorectal
- Most common ca in females-breast,lung,colorectal
- Age-males-6-8 decade

females-4 6 decade

children [less than 15]-leukaemia,lymphoma,wilms Tu.,retinoblastoma,neuroblastoma,medulloblastoma, rhabdomyosarcoma,hepatoblastoma

#### **Predisposing factors**

#### Racial and geographical factors

- Japanese– ca stomach<7-8 fold>
- Europeans and Americans

   Ca lung,Breast ,Colon
- Black africans

   Ca skin, cervix,penis
- South east asians—Nasophar.ca
- Indians oral cavity, upper aero digestive

#### **Predisposing factors**

#### **Environmental and cultural**

- Smoking ,Alcohol,Betel nut,Diet
- Carcinoma cervix—early marriage, parity ,and multiple partners
- Penile Cancer Rare in Jews and muslims, smegma-carcinogenic

### arsenic compounds

--Lung, skin, hemangiosarcoma

Byproduct of metal smelting. Component of alloys, electrical and semiconductor devices, medications and herbicides, fungicides, and animal dips

#### Asbestos

- --Lung, mesothelioma; gastrointestinal tract (esophagus, stomach, large intestine)
- --Formerly used for many applications because of fire, heat, and friction resistance; still found in existing construction as well as fire-resistant textiles, friction materials (i.e., brake linings)

#### Benzene

- --Leukemia, Hodgkin lymphoma
- --Principal component of light oil.

Although use as solvent is discouraged, many applications exist in printing and lithography, paint, rubber, dry cleaning, adhesives and coatings, and detergents, fumigant

# Beryllium and beryllium compounds

- --Lung
- --Missile fuel and space vehicles.
- Cadmium and cadmium compounds
- --Prostate
- --. Used in batteries and as alloy and in metal platings and coatings

# Cadmium and cadmium compounds

- --Prostate
- --. Used in batteries and as alloy and in metal platings and coatings

### Chromium compounds

- --Lung
- --Component of metal alloys, paints, pigments, and preservatives

#### Ethylene oxide

- ---Leukemia
- ---Ripening agent for fruits and nuts. Used in rocket propellant and chemical synthesis, in fumigants for foodstuffs and textiles, and in sterilants for hospital equipme

### Nickel compounds

- ---Nose, lung
- ---Nickel plating. Component of ferrous alloys, ceramics, and batteries.

### Radon and its decay products

- --Lung
- --From decay of minerals-containing uranium. Can be serious hazard in quarries and mines

### • Vinyl chloride

- --Angiosarcoma, liver
- --Refrigerant. Monomer for vinyl polymers. Adhesive for plastics.

### **Hormones And Cancer**

- Estrogen—Endometrial ca, Vaginal Ca
- Contraceptive pills-ca breast, Liver
   Adenomas
- Anabolic Steroids ---liver tumors

# Heredity

Hereditary forms of cancer can be divided into three categories

- Inherited Cancer Syndromes
- Familial Cancers
- Inherited Autosomal Recessive Syndromes of Defective DNA Repair

## Inherited cancer syndromes

- Inherited cancer syndromes include several well-defined cancers in which inheritance of a single mutant gene greatly increases the risk of developing a tumor.
- The predisposition to these tumors shows an autosomal dominant pattern of inheritance.
- "Childhood retinoblastoma -- Approximately 40% of retinoblastomas are familial.
- Carriers of this gene have a 10,000-fold increased risk of developing retinoblastoma, usually bilaterally.
- greatly increased risk of developing a second cancer, particularly osteogenic sarcoma.

Familial adenomatous polyposis ---an extraordinarily high risk of cancer.

Individuals who inherit the autosomal dominant mutation have, at birth or soon thereafter, innumerable polypoid adenomas of the colon, and virtually 100% of patients develop a carcinoma of the colon by age 50 p53

--- Li-Fraumeni syndrome (various tumors)

- Tumors within this group often are associated with a specific marker phenotype.
- There may be multiple benign tumors in the affected tissue, as occurs in familial polyposis of the colon and in multiple endocrine neoplasia.
- Sometimes, there are abnormalities in tissue that are not the target of transformation (e.g., Lisch nodules and caféau-lait spots in neurofibromatosis

#### **Familial Cancers**

- Familial clustering of cases, but role of inherited predisposition not clear for each individual
- Breast cancer (not linked to BRCA1 or BRCA2
- Ovarian cancer
- Pancreatic cancer

## **Familial cancers**

- Virtually all the common types of cancers that occur sporadically have been reported to occur in familial forms
- Features that characterize familial cancers include
  - early age at onset
  - tumors arising in two or more close relatives of the index case
  - sometimes multiple or bilateral tumors.

- Familial cancers are not associated with specific marker phenotypes. For example, in contrast to the familial adenomatous polyposis syndrome, familial colonic cancers do not arise in preexisting benign polyps.
- The transmission pattern of familial cancers is not clear.
   In general, siblings have a relative risk between 2 and 3 times.
- Segregation analysis of large families usually reveals that predisposition to the tumors is dominant, but multifactorial inheritance cannot be easily ruled out

# Inherited Autosomal Recessive Syndromes

- Inherited Autosomal Recessive Syndromes of Defective DNA Repair
- Xeroderma pigmentos
- Ataxia-telangiectasia
- Bloom syndrome
- Fanconi anemia

## **Acquired Preneoplastic Disorders**

certain clinical conditions have well-recognized predispositions to the development of malignant neoplasia and are referred to as preneoplastic disorders.

This designation is unfortunate

- ✓ Persistent regenerative cell replication
  - --(e.g., squamous cell carcinoma in the margins of a chronic skin fistula or in a long-unhealed skin wound
  - -- hepatocellular carcinoma in cirrhosis of the liver)

- Hyperplastic and dysplastic proliferations
  - endometrial carcinoma in atypical endometrial hyperplasia
  - bronchogenic carcinoma in the dysplastic bronchial mucosa of habitual cigarette smokers)
  - -Chronic atrophic gastritis (e.g., gastric carcinoma in pernicious anemia or following long-standing Helicobacter pylori infection)
  - an increased incidence of colorectal carcinoma in longstanding disease Chronic ulcerative colitis )

- increased risk of squamous cell carcinoma following Leukoplakia of the oral cavity, vulva, or penis
- Villous adenomas of the colon (e.g., high risk of transformation to colorectal carcinoma)

 ALL BENIGN TU—INHERENT RISK:NEVER TO FREQUENT

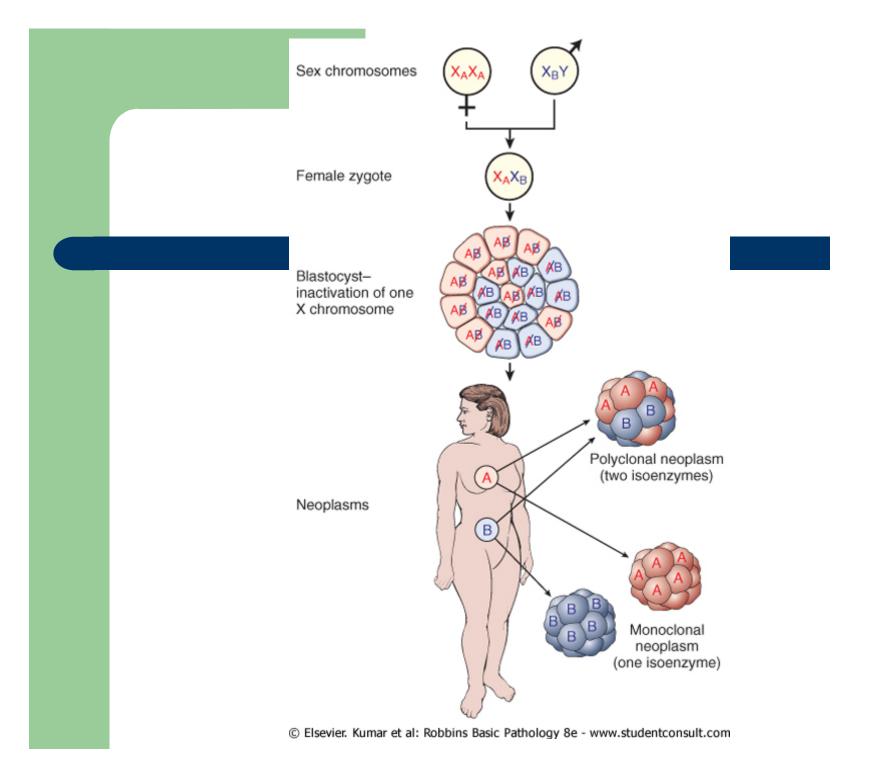
## **MOLECULAR BASIS OF CANCER**

 Nonlethal genetic damage (or mutation) lies at the heart of carcinogenesis. Cancer is a genetic disease,

Envt. Damage Germ Line

- A tumor is formed by the clonal expansion of a single precursor cell that has incurred the genetic damage (i.e., tumors are monoclonal)
  - -- Clonality of tumors is assessed readily in women who are heterozygous for polymorphic X-linked markers, such as the enzyme glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase

--HUMARA



Four classes of normal regulatory genes –
 proto-oncogenes
 tumor suppressor genes
 apoptosis-regulating genes
 genes involved in DNA repair

 the principal targets of genetic damage

- Mutant alleles of proto-oncogenes are called oncogenes. They are considered dominant because mutation of a single allele can lead to cellular transformation.
- typically both normal alleles of tumor suppressor genes must be damaged for transformation to occur, so this family of genes is sometimes referred to as recessive oncogenes.
  - in some cases, loss of a single allele of a tumor suppressor gene can promote transformation (haploinsufficiency).
- Genes that regulate apoptosis may be dominant, as are protooncogenes, or they may behave as tumor suppressor genes.

## **MOLECULAR BASIS OF CANCER**

- DNA repair genes affect cell proliferation or survival indirectly by influencing the ability of the organism to repair nonlethal damage in other genes, including protooncogenes, tumor suppressor genes, and genes that regulate apoptosis
- Carcinogenesis is a multistep process at both the phenotypic and the genetic levels
  - TOMOUR PROGRESSION

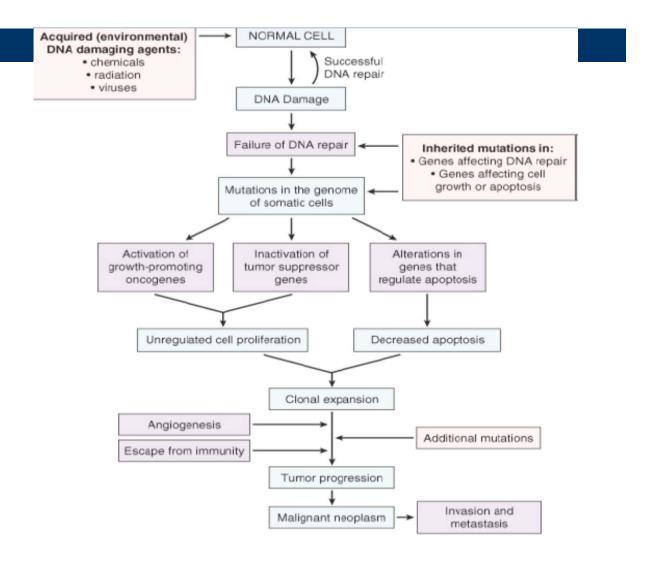
# Principal Targets of Genetic Damage: 4 Classes of Normal Regulatory Genes

- Growth-promoting protooncogenes
- Growth-inhibiting tumor suppressor genes
- Apoptosis-regulating genes; genes that regulate the programmed cell death
- DNA repair genes

# **Essential Alterations for Malignant Transformation**

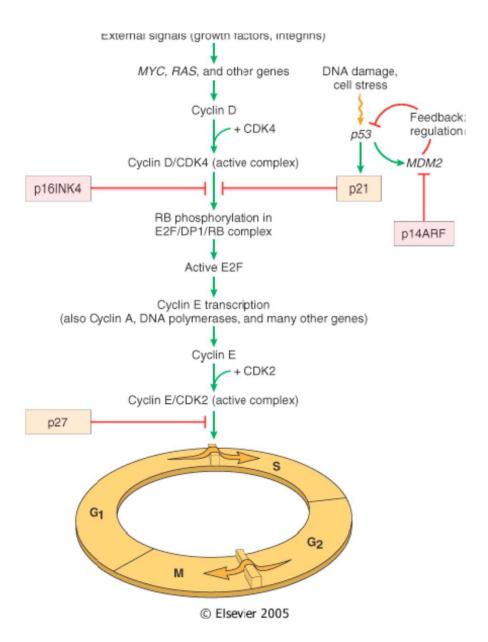
- Self-sufficiency in growth signals
- Insensitivity to growth-inhibitory signals
- Evasion of apoptosis
- Defects in DNA repair
- Ligmitless replicative potential
- Sustained angiogenesis
- Ability to invade and metastasize

# Simplified flow chart of the molecular basis of cancer



## Normal Cell Cycle

- It is important to understand the molecular regulation of the normal cell cycle, since cell cycle abnormalities are fundamental to cancer growth and many of the genes that cause cancer perturb the cell cycle.
- The orderly progression of cells through the various phases of cell cycle is orchestrated by cyclins and cyclin-dependent kinases (CDKs), and by their inhibitors.



# Main Cell-Cycle Components and Their Inhibitors

- □ Cyclin-Dependent Kinases (CDK)
- CDK Inhibitors
- Checkpoint Components

## **Cell-Cycle Inhibitors**

- The activity of cyclin-CDK complexes is tightly regulated by inhibitors, called CDK inhibitors.
- Two main classes of CDK inhibitors: the Cip/Kip
- These inhibitors function as tumor suppressors and and the INK4/ARF families are frequently altered in tumors
- Cip/Kip-p21 p27 p57
- INK4/ARF- p16INK4, p14ARF

# Cell-Cycle Checkpoints

- The cell cycle has its own internal controls, called checkpoints.
- Two main checkpoints: One at the G1/S transition and another at the G2/M.
- To function properly, cell-cycle checkpoints require sensors of DNA damage, signal transducers, and effector molecules.

## **G1/S Checkpoint**

- The S phase is the point of no return in the cell cycle, and before a cell makes the final commitment to replicate, the G1/S checkpoint checks for DNA damage.
- If DNA damage is present, the DNA repair machinery and mechanisms that arrest the cell cycle are put in motion.
- The delay in cell-cycle progression provides the time needed for DNA repair; if the damage is not repairable, apoptotic pathwaysare activated to kill the cell.
- Thus, the G1/S checkpoint prevents the replication of cells that have defects in DNA, which would be perpetuated as mutations or chromosomal breaks in the progeny of thecell.
- DNA damaged after its replication can still be repaired aslong as the chromatids have not separated.

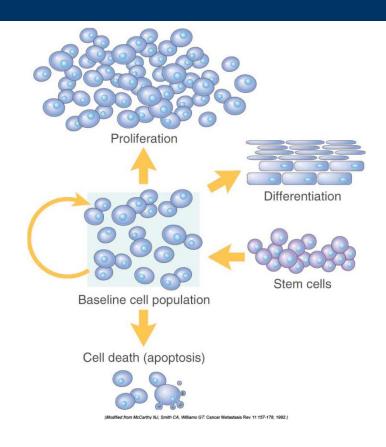
## **G2/M Checkpoint**

- The G2/M checkpoint monitors the completion of DNA replication and checks whether the cell can safely initiate mitosis and separate sister chromatids.
- This checkpoint is particularly important in cells exposed to ionizing radiation.
- Cells damaged by ionizing radiation activate theG2/M checkpoint and arrest in G2□□
- Defects in this checkpoint give rise to chromosomal abnormalities.

# **Checkpoint Components**

- The sensors and transducers of DNA damage appear to be similar for the G1/S and G2/M checkpoints.
- Sensors the RAD family and ataxia telangiectasia mutated (ATM)
- Transducers the CHK kinase families
- The checkpoint effector molecules differ, depending on the cell-cycle stage at which they act.
- In the G1/S checkpoint, cell-cycle arrest is mostly mediated through p53, which induces the cell-cycle inhibitor p21.
- Arrest of the cell cycle by the G2/M checkpoint involves both p53- dependent and independent mechanisms.
  - Defect in cell-cycle checkpoint components is a major cause of genetic instability in cancer cells.

# Mechanisms regulating cell populations



# Steps of Cell Proliferation under physiologic conditions

- 1. The binding of a **growth factor** to its specific receptor generally located on the cell membrane
- 2. Transient and limited activation of the **growth factor receptor**, which, in turn, activates several signal transducing proteins on the inner leaflet of the plasma membrane
- 3. Transmission of the transduced signal across the cytosol to the nucleus via second messengers or by **signal transduction** molecules that directly activate transcription
- 4. Induction and activation of **nuclear regulatory factors** that initiate **DNA transcription**
- 5. Entry and progression of the cell into the cell cycle, ultimately resulting in cell division

# Self-Sufficiency in Growth Signals

- Oncogenes genes that promote autonomous cell growth in cancer cells
- Protooncogenes their normal cellular counterparts; genes in normal cells which encode proteins that have normal function in cell

## **Protooncogenes and Oncogenes**

- Protooncogenes are physiologic regulators of cell proliferation and differentiation
- Oncogenes are characterized by the ability to promote cell growth in the absence of normal mitogenic

#### **Protooncogenes and Oncogenes**

- Oncogene products, called oncoproteins, resemble the normal products of protooncogenes with the exception that oncoproteins are devoid of important regulatory elements
- Their production in the transformed cells becomes constitutive, that is, not dependenton growth factors or other external signals
- Because oncoproteins are constitutivelyexpressed, they endow the cell with selfsufficiency in growth
- 'Enemies with in'

### Cellular Oncogenes (c-onc)

- MUTATED FORM
- V-onc
- V-FES,v-SIS
- Some cancer-causing RNA viruses (i.e.,leukemia virus) have no viral oncogenes
- Proviral DNA insertion near a protooncogene induces a structural change in the cellular gene, converting it into a cellular oncogene (conc, or onc) – insertional mutagenesis
- Also retroviral promoters inserted in the vicinity of the protooncogenes lead to dysregulated expression of the cellular gene

#### Where Do Oncogenes Come From?

#### Proto-oncogenes-- Oncogenes via:

- mutations causing altered properties of the protooncogene product, inhibiting its normal activity
- mutation of regulatory sequences leading to overexpression of the protooncogene
- incorporation of foreign DNA causing altered expression of altered protooncogene product
- some may arise from chromosomal translocations

#### Requirements for Altered Cell Growth

Oncogenes act dominantly, needing only one gene copy to generate the altered phenotype Loss of cell growth control therefore requires: Mutations in both copies of tumor-suppressor genes

- Mutation of one copy of the proto-oncogene

#### **Functional Category of Oncogenes**

- Growth Factors
- Growth Factor Receptors
- Proteins Involved in Signal Transduction
- Nuclear Regulatory Proteins
- Cell-Cycle Regulators

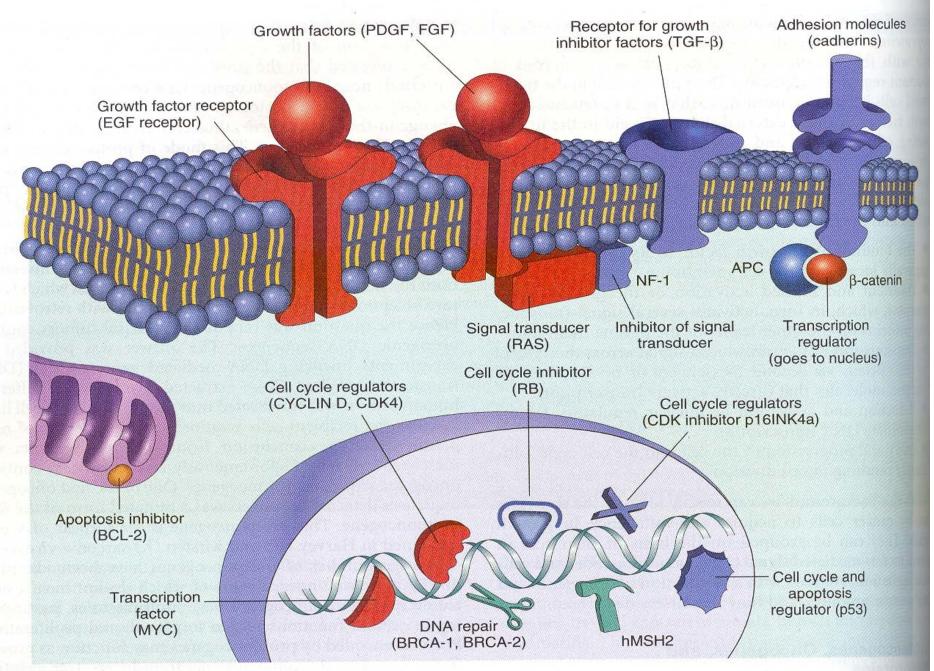
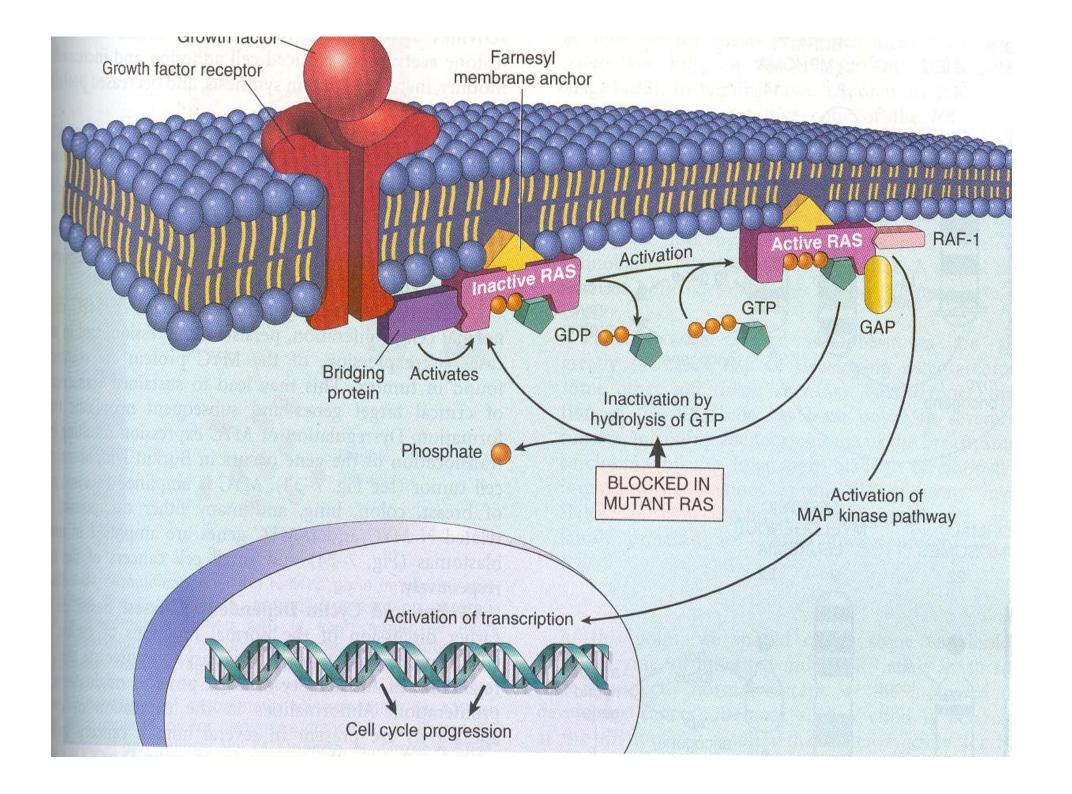


FIGURE 7-31 Subcellular localization and functions of major classes of cancer-associated genes. The protooncogenes are colored at cancer suppressor genes blue, DNA repair genes green, and genes that regulate apoptosis purple.

ategory	ry Protooncogene		Associated Human Tumor	
Growth Factors			<b>计图像的数据数据数据数据</b>	
PDGF-β chain	SIS	Overexpression	Astrocytoma Osteosarcoma	
Fibroblast growth factors	HST-1 INT-2	Overexpression Amplification	Stomach cancer Bladder cancer Breast cancer Melanoma	
TGFα	TGFα	Overexpression	Astrocytomas Hepatocellular carcinomas	
HGF	HGF	Overexpression	Thyroid cancer	
Growth Factor Receptors				
EGF-receptor family	ERB-B1 (ECFR) ERB-B2	Overexpression Amplification	Squamous cell carcinomas of lung, gliomas Breast and ovarian cancers	
CSF-1 receptor	FMS	Point mutation	Leukemia	
Receptor for neurotrophic factors	RET	Point mutation	Multiple endocrine neoplasia 2A and B, familial medullary thyroid carcinomas	
PDGF receptor	PDGF-R	Overexpression	Gliomas	
Receptor for stem cell (steel) factor	KIT	Point mutation	Gastrointestinal stromal tumors and other soft tisse tumors	
Proteins Involved in Signal Transduction				
GTP-binding	K-RAS H-RAS N-RAS	Point mutation Point mutation Point mutation	Colon, lung, and pancreatic tumors Bladder and kidney tumors Melanomas, hematologic malignancies	
Nonreceptor tyrosine kinase	ABL	Translocation	Chronic myeloid leukemia Acute lymphoblastic leukemia	
RAS signal transduction	BRAF	Point mutation	Melanomas	
WNT signal transduction	β- <i>catenin</i>	Point mutation Overexpression	Hepatoblastomas, hepatocellular carcinoma	
Nuclear Regulatory Proteins				
Transcriptional activators	C-MYC N-MYC L-MYC	Translocation Amplification Amplification	Burkitt lymphoma Neuroblastoma, small cell carcinoma of lung Small cell carcinoma of lung	
Cell-Cycle Regulators				
Cyclins	CYCLIN D	Translocation Amplification	Mantle cell lymphoma Breast and esophageal cancers	
	CYCLIN E	Overexpression	Breast cancer	
Cyclin-dependent kinase	CDK4	Amplification or point mutation	Glioblastoma, melanoma, sarcoma	



#### **RAS** Oncogene

- 15-20% of all human cancers have a RAS mutation
- Normally, RAS is activated by receptors to exchange GDP for GTP
- Activated RAS returns to ground state by its intrinsic GTPase activity
- GTPase activating proteins (GAPs) augment this process[1000 fold]
- •Mutant forms of RAS bind GAP but their GTPase activity is not augmented
- K-ras-colon, pancreatic, cholangioca
- H-ras-bladder ca
- N-ras –haematological tus
- Cell cycle regulation –cyclins
- Anti –ras therapy

#### Oncogenes, Oncoproteins: Nonreceptor tyrosine kinase

Tyrosine kinase in the signal transduction pathways regulating cell growth

ABL protooncogene product with TK action

Reciprocal translocation of Chr 9 (c-ABL) to chr 22 (BCR),

BCR-ABL protein with unrestrictive tyrosine kinase activity

ABL Chr 9

BCR — BCR-ABL hybrid gene

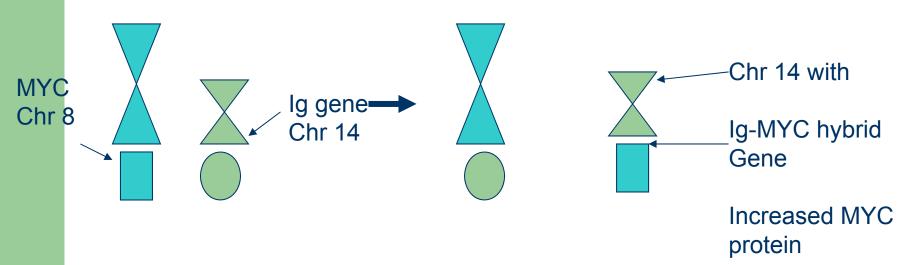
## Oncogenes, Oncoproteins: Transcription factors

C-MYC, C-FOS, C-JUN

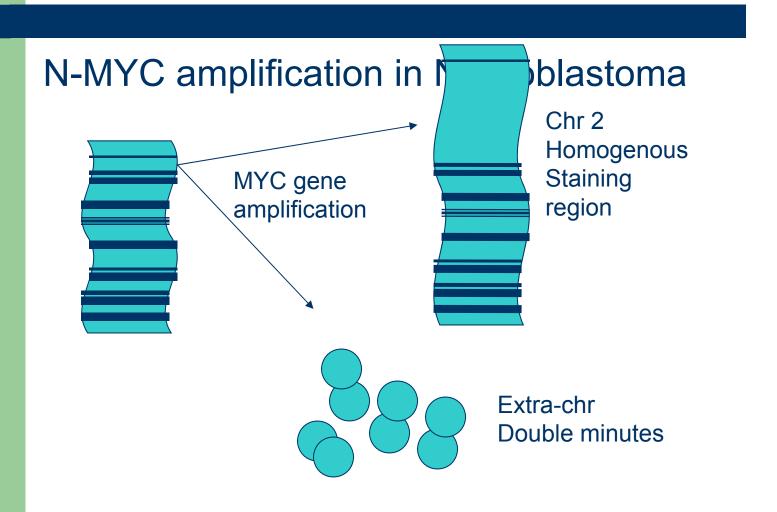
MYC is most common mutated

C-MYC (chr 8) translocated to chr 14 (Ig gene) increased MYC protein Burkitt's lymphoma

C-MYC amplified in colon, breast CA; L-MYC amplification small cell CA lung

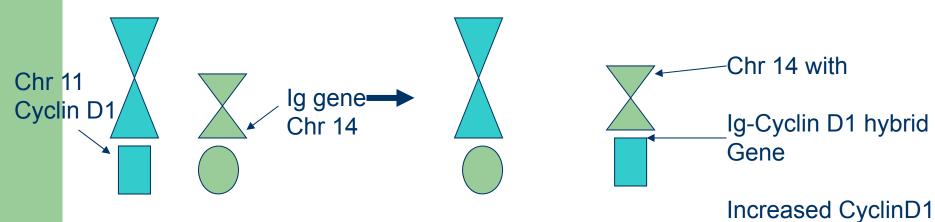


# Oncogenes, Oncoproteins: Transcription factors



# Oncogenes, Oncoproteins: cyclins, CDKs

Cyclin D gene overexpressed
Breast, esophagus & liver CA
Cyclin E gene overexpressed in breast CA
CDK4 gene amplification in GBM & sarcomas
Lymphomas
Mantle cell lymphoma



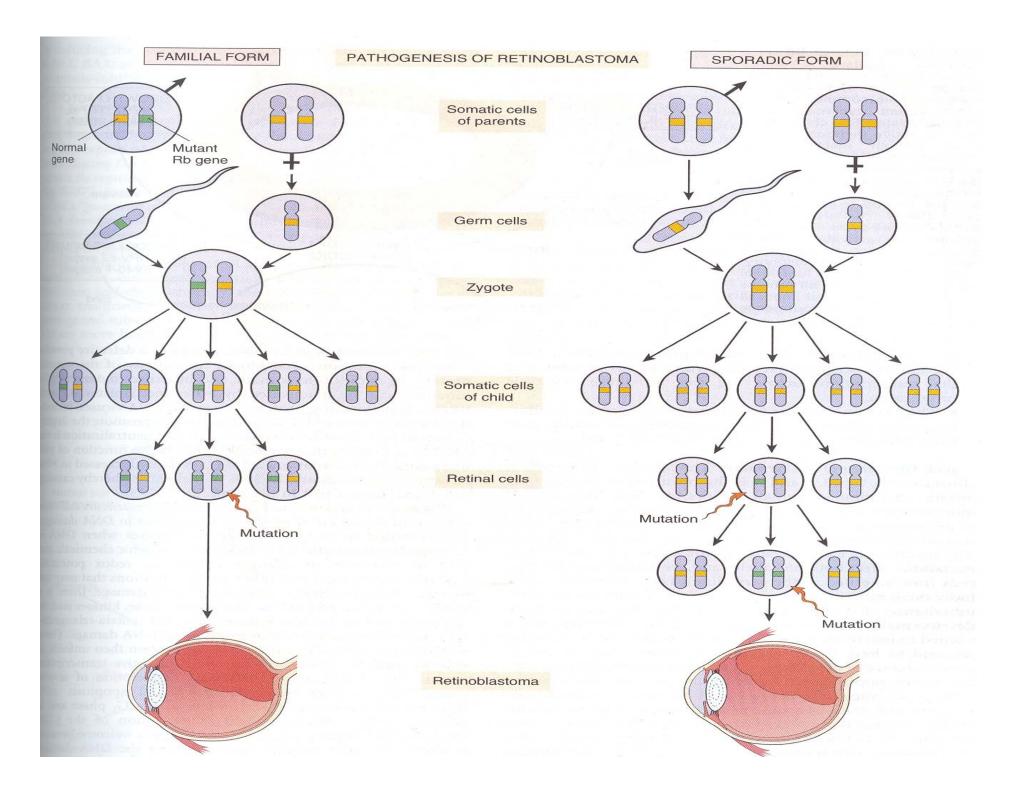
# Insensitivity to Growth Inhibitory Signals:

#### **Tumor Suppressor Genes**

- Failure of growth inhibition is one of the fundamental alterations in the process of carcinogenesis.
- The proteins that apply brakes to cell proliferation are the products of tumor suppressor genes.
- Misnomer

Subcellular Location	Gene	Function	Tumors Associated with Somatic Mutations	Tumors Associated with Inherited Mutations
Cell surface	TGF-β receptor E-cadherin	Growth inhibition Cell adhesion	Carcinomas of colon Carcinoma of stomach	Unknown Familial gastric cancer
Inner aspect of plasma membrane	NF-1	Inhibition of RAS signal transduction and of p21 cell-cycle inhibitor	Neuroblastomas	Neurofibromatosis type 1 and sarcomas
Cytoskeleton	NF-2	Cytoskeletal stability	Schwannomas and meningiomas	Neurofibromatosis type 2 acoustic schwannomas and meningiomas
Cytosol  Line described serior	APC/β-catenin	Inhibition of signal transduction	Carcinomas of stomach, colon, pancreas; melanoma	Familial adenomatous polyposis coli/colon
	PTEN	PI-3 kinase signal transduction	Endometrial and prostate cancers	cancer Unknown
	SMAD 2 and SMAD 4	TGF-β signal transduction	Colon, pancreas tumors	Unknown
Nucleus	RB	Regulation of cell cycle	Retinoblastoma; osteosarcoma carcinomas of breast, colon, lung	Retinoblastomas, osteosarcoma
	p53	Cell-cycle arrest and apoptosis in response to DNA damage	Most human cancers	Li-Fraumeni syndrome; multiple carcinomas
	WT-1 p16 (INK4a)	Nuclear transcription Regulation of cell cycle by inhibition of cyclin- dependent kinases	Wilms tumor Pancreatic, breast, and esophageal cancers	and sarcomas Wilms tumor Malignant melanoma
	BRCA-1 and BRCA-2	DNA repair	Unknown	Carcinomas of female breast and ovary; carcinomas of male
	KLF6	Transcription factor	Prostate	breast Unknown

- Normally serve to inhibit cell proliferation
- First recognized in retinoblastoma, rare pediatric tumor of the eye
- RB ---tumor suppressor gene is a nuclear phosphoprotein that regulates cell cycle
- Knudson [Two-hit] Hypothesis of oncogenesis
- Loss of heterozygosity [LOH]
- Products of Tumor suppressor genes—cell cycle control,regulation of apotosis,growth and survival
- Functions-transcription factors, cell cycle inhibitors, signal transduction molecules, cell surface receptors, regulators of cell response to DNA damage



- RB protein hypoPO4 binds E2F
- Mutation---RB absent or deficient binding E2F
- Unrestrained E2F function;
- Unchecked entry of cell from G1-S phase
- Retinoblastoma, osteosarcoma, Other tumors
- 40% familial (inherit AD one defective (mutated) copy of RB gene at chr13q14),LOH for this locus---both RB genes mutated & so lack of any functional RB protein---unrestrained E2F function
- 60% sporadic (both copies/ alleles of RB locus acquired mutation)
- Other tumors have mutation of genes controlling the RBPO4 & most of cancers have at least one of (cyclin, CDK, RB & p16INK4a) genes mutated
- DNA viruses-HPV

#### p53: Guardian of Genome

- Both copies of genes mutated--- acquried
- >50% cancers have p53 mutation
- One copy of mutated p53 gene may be inherited (Li-Fraumeni syndrome) & other mutation acquired. 25 fold increased risk by 50 yrs

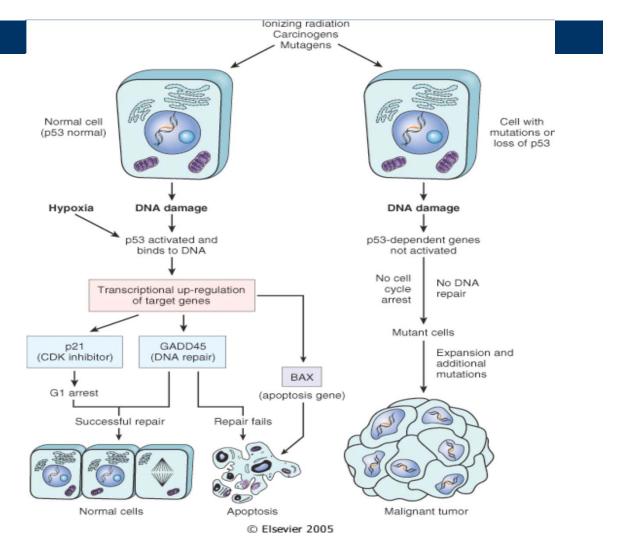
Sarcomas, breast CA, leukemia, brain tumor

- Gatekeeper
- Molecular policeman

- Major function: Cell-cycle arrest and initiation of apoptosis in response to DNA damage.
- p53-induced cell-cycle arrest occurs late in the G1 phase and is caused by the p53-dependent transcription of the CDK inhibitor p21.
- If the DNA damage can not be successfully repaired, normal p53, as a last effort, sends the cell to the graveyard by inducing the activation of apoptosis-inducing genes, such as BAX
- Loss of p53 results in DNA damage unrepaired, mutations fixed in dividing cells, and eventually malignant transformation

- DNA damage---DNA dependent Kinases & Ataxia telangiectasia Mutated (ATM) proteins activated---PO4 to P53—unfolds---binds DNA---active transcription factor---p21(CDK inhibitor ---
- GADD45 (DNA repair)
- unrepairable damage ---BAX (apoptosis promotion by inhibition of the apoptosis inhibitor)
- Mutation---abnormal p53---no binding DNA---binding/blocking normal p53
- Homozygous loss of p53-- DNA damage unrepaired, mutations getting fixed, cell cycle goes unchecked—malignancy

# Role of p53 in Maintaining the Integrity of Genome

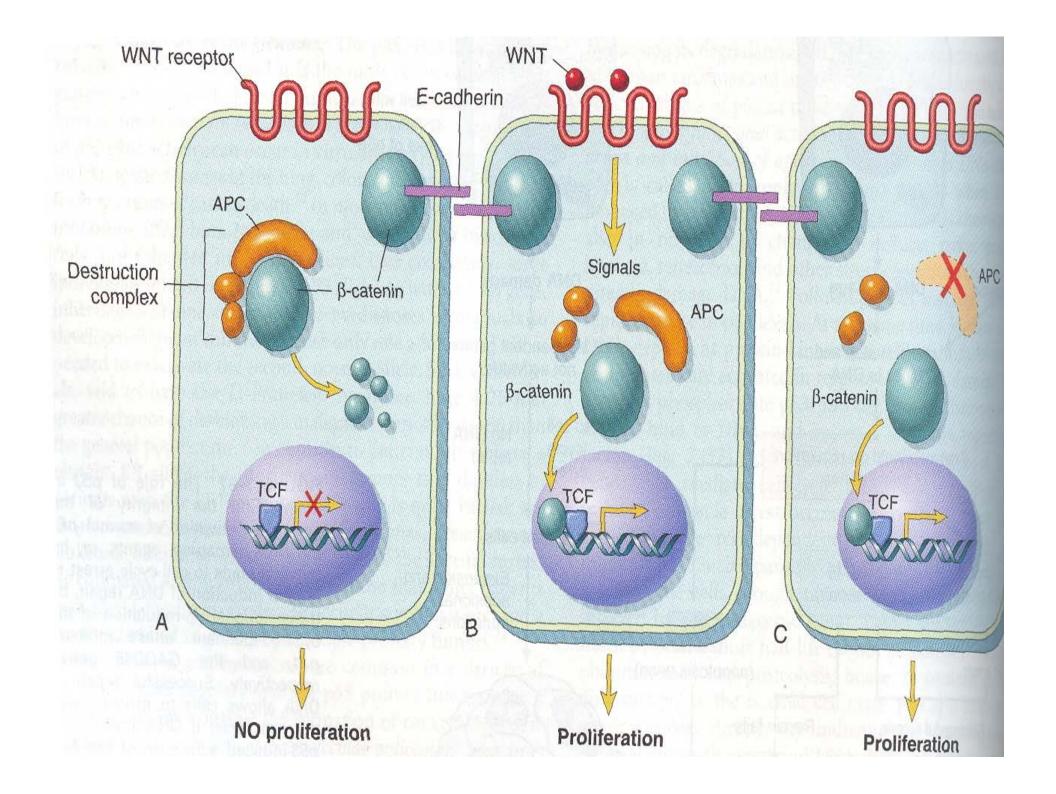


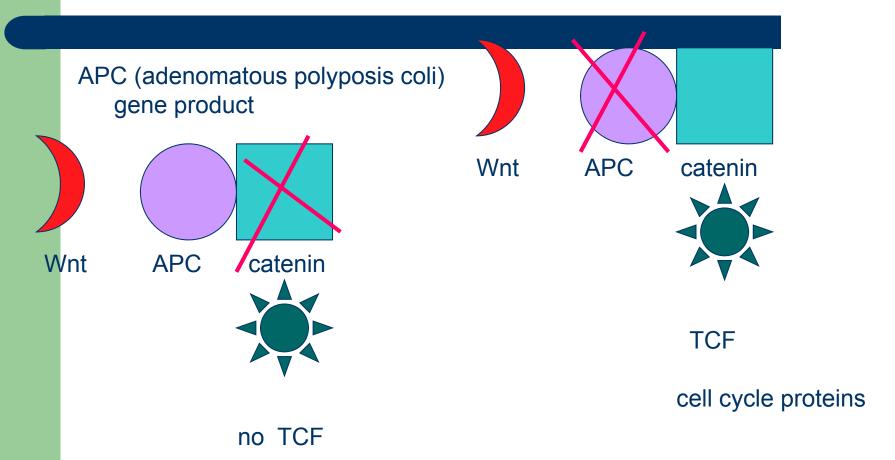
- E6 HPV protein of HPV binds degrades p53
- MDM2 levels (Degrades p53) increased in sarcomas & leukemias
- Radiotherapy & chemotherapy damage DNA induce apoptosis
- Tumor cells with defective p53 less likely respond
- Tumor cells with normal p53 likely respond
- Therapeutic enhancing p53 levels or killing p53 deficient tumor cells
- Partially homologous p63 & p73 proteins

APC gene both copies inactivated for adenoma formation & in other colon tumors HNPCC

Thousands of adenomatous polyps late teens/20s (familial adenomatous polyposis-one mutation inherited); one or more malignant degeneration CA by additional mutations

β-Catenin: hepatoblastoma (50%)& HCC(20%)





no cell cycle proteins



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TGF B:HNPCC-Ca colon Gastric ca, sporadic colon ca

NF1[17q]: benign neurofibromas (plexiform), MPNST Neurofibromin-GTPase activating protein (GAP) for RAS deactivation

NF-2[22q]:Merlin—R.B.C. memb. Protein 4.1—actin, CD44
VHL[3p]: von hippel lindau protein (ubiquitin ligases)---acts on HIF—transcription of VEGF
Lack degradation of HIF, VEGF
RCC, Pheochromocytoma, Hemangioblastoma, Retinal angiomas, renal cysts



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WT1[11p13]: involved in renal and gonadal genesis---- wilms tumor

PTEN[10q]( Phophatase & Tensin homologue)-cell cycle arrest and apoptosis p27
Endometrial CA, GBM

INK4a/ARF: 20%melanomas, SCC, PANCREATIC Adenoca cervical cancer--hypermethylation

KLF-6— T.F.—target genes-TGF &TGFR . INHIBITS PROLIFERATION by p21

Prostatic ca

PATCH[Patched] --Patched hedgehog family 20%Gorlin syndrome [naevoid basal cell ca]- TRF

**CADHERINS** 

 PATCH[Patched] --Patched hedgehog family TGF-β,PDGF-R

Gorlin syndrome [naevoid basal cell ca]- TRF

- 20-50%SPORADIC basal cell ca
- CADHERINS
  - Ca oesophagus,breast,ovary,colon,prostate
  - Familial gastric ca

#### Apoptosis associated genes

BCL2 increased expression inhibits apoptosis

P53 decreased expression decreases BAX protein (BAX promotes apoptosis)

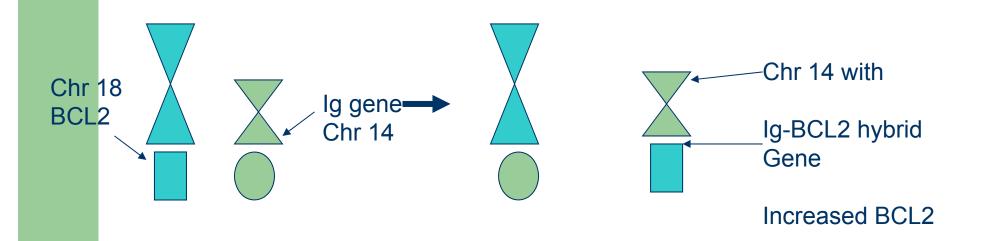
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### Apoptosis associated genes

Follicular lymphoma

BCL2--- decreased apoptosis--- reduced cell death--- B lymphocyte accumulation-lymphadenopathy

Increased cell life but not explosive cell proliferation.



#### **DNA Repair genes**

Mismatch repair genes
NER genes
Homologous recombination

Why the patients of Hereditary non polyposis colon carcinoma HNPCC syndrome develop early colon cancers why genetic study of Microsatellites is significant in such patients.

#### **DNA Repair genes**

DNA replication mistakes (A—G, C---T),
Checked & corrected by Mismatch repair proteins
(MMR genes:MSH2, MLH1, PMS & PMS2 defective in
HNPCC syndrome; one defective copy inherited
other copy acquired)

Defective repair--- accumulation of DNA changes, mutations in the protooncogenes & tumor suppressor genes

#### **DNA Repair genes**

- Microsatellites are the tandem repeats of 1-6 nucleotides in the genome
- Due to accumulation of the DNA mistakes the microatellites vary in length markedly (microsatellite instability) which is marker for the defective mismatch repair genes
- Endometrial cancer, ovarian CA increased in the HNPCC
- TGF-β receptor, β-catenin pathway, BAX gene usually mutated in HNPCC
- Mismatch repair genes usually mutated in sporadic cancers(15% colon CA)

## NER genes

Why patients with xeroderma pigmentosum have increased predisposition of developing the skin cancers

UV-A (320-400nm)

UV-B (280-320nm)

UV-C(200-280nm)

Radiation damage muation in p53 & RAS genes (skin CA)

Type of radiation: UV-C highly mutagenic but filtered out by ozone

Intensity of exposure (duration)

Quantity of light-absorbing melanin

Pyrimidine dimers formation due to UV-B rays (280-320nm) repaired by the Nucleotide excision repair NER proteins

In XP NER genes are defective DNA changes accumulate

skin degenerative changes

cancers result from the accumulation of the mutated protooncogenes & tumor suppressor genes

Homologus recombination repair

Why the patients with ataxia-telangiectasia, Bloom syndrome are prone to develop neoplasia

Proteins responsible for sensing & repairing the homologus recombination of DNA when it is damaged by the lonizing radiations (x-rays, radioactive radiations/ partculate) or reactive oxygen species(ROS) are defective

Ataxia telangiectasia (ATM-protein kinase---p53 stimulation does not occur & DNA damage/ changes accumulates---mutated oncogenes)

ATM heterozygous 1% population at risk of radiation damage

Bloom syndrome (BLM-helicase)

BRCA-1, BRCA-2 genes defective & mutations in 80% familial breast CA & Ovarian CA

BRCA-1: breast & Ovarian CA, prostatic ca, colon ca

BRCA-2 male breast ca, melanomas, pancreatic ca

Fanconi anemia FANCD1gene

Proteins usually involved in the repair of DNA damage (radiation/ ROS) by homologus recombination.

## **Limitless Replicative Potential:Telomerase**

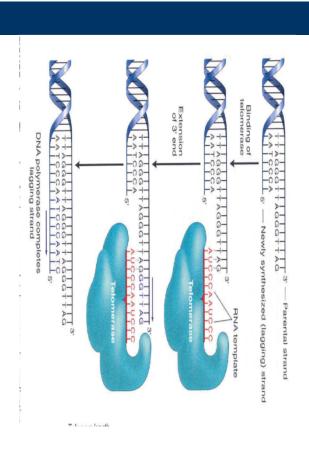
Telomerase enzyme is detected in 90% of tumors

explain the significance of this finding

# Replicative Senescence

- Normal cells, after a fixed number of divisions, become arrested in a terminally nondividing state known as replicative senescence.
- With each cell division there is some shortening of specialized structures, called telomeres, at the ends of chromosomes
- Once the telomeres are shortened beyond a certain point, the loss of telomere function leads to activation of p53-dependent cell-cycle checkpoints, causing proliferative arrest or apoptosis. Thus, telomere shortening functions as a clock that counts cell divisions.
- Cancer cells must find a way to prevent telomere shortening

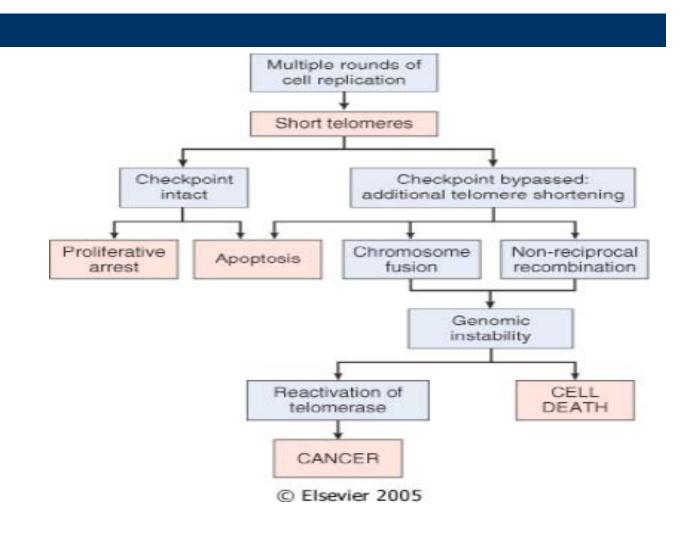
# **Replicative Senescence**



# **Limitless Replicative Potential**

- Telomerase activity and maintenance of telomere length are essential for the maintenance of replicative potential in cancer cells.
- Transformed cells may have defects in cell-cycle checkpoints, allowing for critical telomere shortening in dividing cells.. These cells may die by apoptosis or survive with chromosome defects that cause genomic instability

# Replicative Senescence



## STEPWISE ACCUMULATION

- Cancer is associated with a progressive accumulation of genetic and epigenetic abnormalities.
- These defects lead to disruption of cell growth, cell death, apoptosis, differentiation, DNA repair, and other critical pathways.
- The molecular events in the development of familial adenomatous polyposis provide a good example of the genetic evolution that underlies progressive morphologic changes

- Multiple steps
- Sequence not sure in many cancers
- Step for Initiation of cancer may be different from the step of cancer progression
- Gatekeeper genes: directly regulate the cell growth—
  protooncogenes (MYC, RAS) & tumor suppressor genes p53
  (related p14ARF, MDM2 genes)& RB (relatedINK4, cyclinD &
  kinases) the principal two pathways
- Caretaker genes: regulate the DNA repair
- Germline mutation of either predisposes to cancer
- More with gatekeeper genes
- Hypothesis: DNA repair defect is initial event in very early stage of cancer development

## **STEPWIS**





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- ---widespread mutation & genetic instability in neoplastic cells further susceptible to additional mutations (cancer cells with mutator profile)
- Tumor grows—aggressive—greater malignant potential (Tumor progression

## **MECHANISMS OF CARCINOGENESIS**

- □ Chemical carcinogenesis
- □ Radiation carcinogenesis
- **□ Viral oncogenesis**

# **Initiation Promotion**

# Chemical carcinogens INITIATION

- Initiation results from exposure of cells to sufficient dose of a carcinogenic agent (initiator); an initiated cell is altered, making it potentially capable of giving rise to a tumor. Initiation alone, however, is not sufficient for tumor formation
- Initiation causes permanent DNA damage (mutations). It is therefore rapid, irreversible and has "memory". Tumors are produced even if the application of the promoting agent is delayed for several months after a single application of the initiator

## **Chemical Carcinogens PROMOTION**

- Promoters can induce tumors in initiated cells,but they are nontumorigenic by themselves
- Tumors do not result when the promoting agent is applied before, rather than after, the initiating agent
- in contrast to the effects of initiators, the cellular changes resulting from the application of promoters do not affect DNA directly & reversible

## 1. Initiation:

- Initiation involves a irreversible changes in DNA -a heritable change
- Initiated cells (altered cells) may reproduce faster, or fail to undergo apoptosis normally
- Initiation may involve more than one genetic alteration before a cell has the potential to become malignant
- Initiation itself is believed to involve at least 2 steps
- Molecular lesion in a target cell
- The fixation of such lesions by a round of cell proliferation

# 2. Promotion: Expansion of precursor populations

- The process by which an initiated tissue is induced to develop focal proliferative lesion
- Promotion alone does not lead to malignant transformation.
- Promotion must occur after initiation, or during stepwise initiation.
- Promotion is reversible.
- Promotion most likely does not involve genetic mutation. It can be viewed as an epigenetic change involving altered gene expression without a change in the DNA sequence

- Because malignant transformation results from mutations--- most chemical carcinogens are mutagenic.
- Indeed, all direct and ultimate carcinogens contain highly reactive electrophile groups that form chemical adducts with DNA, as well as with proteins and RNA.

electrophile---reacts with DNA (nucleophile)---Adduct(addition formation)---DNA damage---Mutation

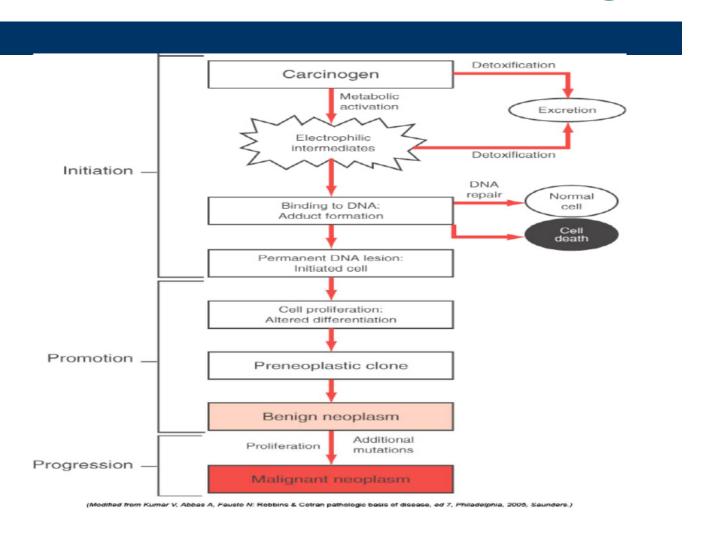
---?cell death? DNA repair ?Tumor Initiation

This initiated cell must divide once for the DNA change to get fixed (Irreversible) in the cell genome

Further proliferation of the initiated cell is augmented by acetaldehyde & phenol (Promoters) in the cigarette smoke (Tumor Promotion) also by the toxic damage & reactive proliferation

Proliferation of the Initiated cell with mutation is accompanied by further predisposition & accumulation of mutations (Tumor Promotion

# **Events in chemical carcinogenesis**



- Carcinogen (Initiator) directly acting on DNA or metabolized first from procarcinogen to active form
- Most carcinogens are metabolic products & predisposition to cancer also depend upon the metabolizing enzyme activity
- 10% population highly inducible form of p-450 CYP1A1 (metabolizes benzopyrene) 7x increased risk of lung CA from light smoking
- 50% population have deleted gene for glutathione S transferase (enzyme for detoxifying benzopyrene) increased risk of lung CA
- Few of chemical carcinogens alkylating agents (cyclophosphamide, chlorombucil, Busulphan), & Acylating agents do not require metabolic activation

- Although any gene may be the target of chemical carcinogens, the commonly mutated oncogenes and tumor suppressors, such as RAS and p53, are important targets of chemical carcinogens.
- MOLECULAR FINGERPRINT
- Intiators usually attack the DNA at specific sites (aflatoxin b1 mutation at codon G:C—T:A 249Ser p53 gene)

- METABOLIC INACTIVATION
- Ames TEST—Mutagenic potential

- Carcinogen (Initiator) directly acting on DNA or metabolized first from procarcinogen to active form
- Most carcinogens are metabolic products & predisposition to cancer also depend upon the metabolizing enzyme activity
- 10% population highly inducible form of p-450 CYP1A1 (metabolizes benzopyrene) 7x increased risk of lung CA from light smoking
- 50% population have deleted gene for glutathione S transferase (enzyme for detoxifying benzopyrene) increased risk of lung CA
- Few of chemical carcinogens alkylating agents (cyclophosphamide, chlorombucil, Busulphan), & Acylating agents do not require metabolic activation

 Direct-acting compounds – do not require chemical transformation for their carcinogenicity

Indirect-acting compounds (procarcinogens) –
 require metabolic conversion in vivo to produce
 ultimate carcinogens capable of transforming cells

## **Direct-Acting Carcinogens**

#### **Alkylating Agents**

Diepoxybutane

Dimethyl sulfate

□-Propiolactone

Anticancer drugs(cyclophosphamide, chlorambucil, nitrosoureas, and others)

#### **Acylating Agents**

Dimethylcarbamyl chloride

1-Acetyl-imidazole

#### Procarcinogens That Require Metabolic Activation

- Polycyclic and Heterocyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons
- Benz(a)anthracene
- 3-Methylcholanthrene
- Dibenz(a,h)anthracene
- Benzo(a)pyrene
- 7,12-Dimethylbenz(a)anthracene

- Aromatic Amines, Amides, Azo Dyes
- 2-Naphthylamine (□-maphthylamine)
   Benzidine
- 2-acetylaminofluorene
- Dimethylaminoazobenzene (butter yellow)

- Natural Plant and Microbial Products
- Griseofulvin
- Aflatoxin B
- Betel nuts
- Others
- Insecticides, fungicides
- Vinyl chloride, nickel, chromium
- Nitrosamine and amides

- Some of the most potent indirect chemical carcinogens-the polycyclic hydrocarbons-are present in fossil fuels. For example, benzo[a]pyrene and other carcinogens are formed in the high-temperature combustion of tobacco in cigarette smoking. These products are implicated in the causation of lung cancer in cigarette smokers.
- Polycyclic hydrocarbons may also be produced from animal fats during the process of broiling meats and are present in smoked meats and fish..

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## **Chemical Carcinogens**

#### Other examples:

Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons in broiled & smoked animal meat/ fish GIT CA

Dye industry (amines /azo dyes-2-naphthylamine) bladder Ca

Aspergillus infection (certain strains) of stored food grains in China & south Africa Aflatoxin B1---hepatocellular carcinoma

Nitrosamines formed by gut bacteria from nitrates & nitrosable amines in food preservatives---Gastric CA

Asbestos---Mesothelioma & Bronchogenic CA

Vinyl chloride (PVC)---liver angiosarcoma

Arsenic---skin CA

## Viral carcinogenesis

- HPV
- EBV
- KSHV
- HBV

#### **HPV**

- Among 70 genetic types of Human papilloma virus (HPV)
- 1,2,4,7 types are associated with the benign tumors (squamous papillomas of skin) atypes 16 & 18 are associated with the squamous cell carcinomas esp.

cervix anogenital

Oral cavity

larynx

benign warts&low grade lesion—6&8 high grade lesion&invasive ca---16,18,31,33,35,51

- Benign tumors the viral DNA remains in episomal form in the cytoplasm
- Malignant tumors the viral DNA interrupted specifically at the E1/E2 of viral genome & is integrated with the host's DNA
- E2 normally represses transcription of E6 & E7 early viral protein; the E1/E2 disruption releases such repression & E6 & E7 proteins are formed in the host cells infected with HPV16 & 18

- E6 binds p53 & degrades it
- also activate Telomerase
- E7 binds RB protein & degrades it
- also inhibits p53 transcription
- also inhibits p21
- Cell cycle breaks released
- DNA damage is not repaired goes unchecked----cancer

- HPV16, 18 & 31 E6 bind p53 with high affinity & degrade it
- HPV 6 & 11 bind p53 poorly & do not degrade it
- P53 polymorhic at aminoacid 72—arginine&proline

- HPV iinfection intiating event for Tumor initiation with more mutations---cancer
- Majority of HPV infections are cleared by the immune response only in few the infection causes the tumor intiation.
- (additional cofactors: smoking

microbiological infections hormonal changes dietry factors

## **Epstein-Barr virus (EBV)**

Epstein-Barr virus (EBV) infection is associated with B-cell lymphomas

Burkitt's lymphoma

**B-cell NHL** 

Hodgkin's lymphoma

Nasophyrangeal CA

what mechanisms are involved in such causation? What are the evidences of such association?

EBV—B lymphocytes (CD21)
Episomal infection,
Immortal B lymphocyte
Latent Membrane protein (LMP-1)-----signaling pathway (NFkB & JAK/STAT)-----Promotes
B cell proliferation & survival
EBNA-2
----Activates the LMP-1 expression
& Cyclin D

- --EBV ubiquitous infection
- --Mostly asymptomatic
- --Few Infectious mononucleosis (self limited)

Endemic Burkitt's lymphoma (central Africa/ New Guinea) 90 % of tumors contain EBV genome

100% pts have antibodies agst EBV

Such antibody titers are correlated with risk of BL.

- In the endemic areas cofactors (chronic malaria) favor sustained proliferation Immortal B-lymphocyte (EBV infected)----
- ---actively dividing cells----increased risk of mutation----t (8;14)---c-myc activation----other mutations----release growth regulation----Burkitt's lymphoma

- Multiple CNS lymphomas
- Initially polyclonal population---Monoclonal population---tumors (lack of host immunity)
- Nasopharyngeal Ca
- 100% contain clonal EBV genome integration in tumor cells, China, Arctic, Africa
- EBV infection one step in the CA development other geographic factors? Genetic, ?environmental as cofactors in development of CA

#### **HBV**

- Hepatitis B virus strongly linked to hepatocellular carcinoma (China & Africa)
- -chronic tissue injury, regenerative Hepatic cells----larger pool of dividing cells-----prone to mutation (?spontaneous/?enviromental agents)
- HBx protein
  - binds p53 (inhibits)
  - Promotes transcription of Growth factors (ILGF)

# Human T-cell leukemia virus type 1(HTLV-1)

- T-cell Lymphoma / Leukemia (Japan/ Caribbean)
- Infects T-lymphocytes & integrates with host's genome
- RNA virus (gag, pol, env & LTR regions +TAX gene)
- > TAX protein promotes cell proliferation:
  - -c-FOS gene
  - -IL-2/ IL-2 receptor
  - -myeloid CSF
  - -inactivates p16INK4a
  - -enhances cyclin D activation

TAX protein leads to genomic instability:

Interfere DNA repair, ATM checkpoints

## Helicobacter pylori

- Helicobacter pylori infection—90%
- Chronic gastritis, atrophy, metaplasia---- sustained epithelial proliferation (risk of mutation)
- --Gastric ca ,Lymphoma(MALTOMA)
- -Hpylori protein immunogenic---T cells & B cells, lymphoid follicles in gastric mucosa
- CagA,VacA
- ----in few cases B cell Lymphoma (continuous proliferation t (11;18) MALT Lymphoma

## effects of a tumor on host

 What are the local & hormonal effects of a tumor

Site specific mass effect (mechanical & functional compromise)

- > GIT tumors: obstruction, rupture, Intussusception
- Respiratory tract tumors: obstruction, respiratory function loss,
- Oral cavity & upper aerodigestive tract tumors

--erosive destructive malignant growth/ pressure growth by benign tumor----ulceration, secondary infection, bleeding

- -Endocrine gland tumors
- Non-functional loss of endocrine function Metastases
- functional endocrine tumors (usually well differentiated/ benign)

Acromegaly, hyperthyroidism, Hyperparathyroidism, hypoglycemia, Diabetes, Cushing syndrome

#### **Cancer Cachexia**

- Many cancer patients suffer progressive loss of body fat and lean body mass, accompanied by profound weakness, anorexia, and anemia, referred to as cachexia.
- There is some correlation between the size and extent of spread of the cancer and the severity of the cachexia.

cachexia is not caused by the nutritional demands of the tumor. current evidence indicates that cachexia results from the action of soluble factors such as cytokines produced by the tumor and the host rather than reduced food intake.

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- In patients with cancer, calorie expenditure remains high, and basal metabolic rate is increased, despite reduced food intake.
   ----This is in contrast to the lower metabolic rate that occurs as an adaptational response in starvation.
- TNF produced by macrophages in response to tumor cells or by the tumor cells themselves mediates cachexia.
- TNF suppresses appetite
- inhibits the action of lipoprotein lipase, inhibiting the release of free fatty acids from lipoproteins.
- a protein-mobilizing factor called proteolysis-inducing factor, which causes breakdown of skeletal muscle proteins by the ubiquitin-proteosome pathway,

#### paraneoplastic syndrome

Symptom complex not attributable to local/ distant tumor spread or indigenous site hormone production

- -- 10% of malignant tumors
- -may be earliest tumor manifestation
- -significant clinical problem & may be lethal
- -mimic other disease (management problem)

## **Endocrinopathies**

Cushing syndrome

ACTH or ACTH-like substance,P0MC

Small-cell carcinoma of lung

Pancreatic ca

**Neural tumors** 

Syndrome of inappropriate antidiuretic hormone secretion

Small-cell carcinoma of lung intracranial neoplasms

Antidiuretic hormone or atrial natriuretic hormone

#### Hypercalcemia

Parathyroid hormone-related protein, TGF-α, TNF, IL-1

Squamous cell carcinoma of lung

Breast carcinoma

Renal carcinoma

Adult T-cell leukemia/lymphoma

Ovarian carcinoma

- Hypoglycemia Fibrosarcoma Insulin or insulin-like substance
- Other mesenchymal sarcomas
- Hepatocellular carcinoma

#### Hypoglycemia

Insulin or insulin-like substance

Fibrosarcoma

Other mesenchymal sarcomas

Hepatocellular carcinoma

- Carcinoid syndrome
- Serotonin, bradykin
- Bronchial adenoma (carcinoid)
- Pancreatic carcinoma
- Gastric carcinoma
- Polycythemia Erythropoietin
- Renal carcinoma
- Cerebellar hemangioma
- Hepatocellular carcinoma

#### **Nerve and Muscle disorders**

- Myasthenia
- Bronchogenic carcinoma --Immunological
- Disorders of the central and peripheral nervous systems Breast carcinoma

#### Dermatologic Disorder

- Acanthosis nigricans Gastric carcinoma
   Immunologic; secretion of epidermal growth fac
- Lung carcinoma
- Uterine carcinoma
- Dermatomyositis Bronchogenic, breast carcinoma

  Immunologie

- Osseous, Articular, and Soft-Tissue Changes
   Hypertrophic osteoarthropathy and clubbing of the fingers
   Bronchogenic carcinoma
- Vascular and Hematologic Changes
  - --Venous thrombosis (Trousseau phenomenon)
     Pancreatic carcinoma
     Bronchogenic carcinoma Tumor products (mucins that activate clotting
  - Nonbacterial thrombotic endocarditis --Advanced cancers ---Hypercoagulability
  - -- Anemia -- Thymic neoplasms
- Nephrotic syndrome ---- Tumor antigens, immune complex

## Tumour immunity

## **TUMOUR Ags**

Products of altered oncogene/ tumor suppressor gene (altered p53, BCR-ABL, RAS proteins)

Products of other mutated genes (esp Radiation & Chemicals)

Overexpressed or aberrantly expressed proteins

(Tyrosinase in melanoma cells & cancer-testis family antigens-MAGE in melanoma cells); GAGE, RAGE, BAGE

Proteins of oncogenic viruses (HPV & EBV)

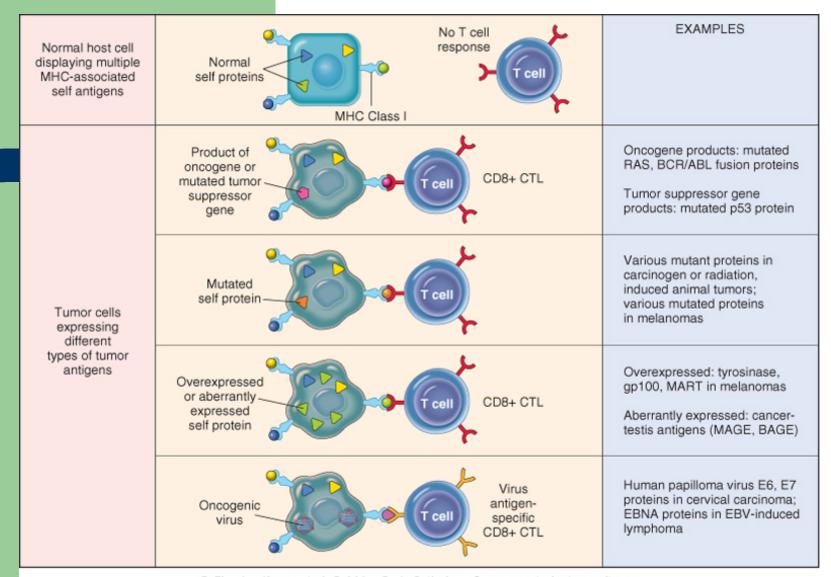
**Oncofetal antigens** (AFP & CEA)

Altered cell surface glycolipids & glycoproteins

(Ganglioside GM2 GD2 GD3, CA125, CA 19.9, MUC-1)

**Cell type specific differentiation antigens** 

(CD10, CD20, idiotypic determinants of surface immunoglobulin)



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What type of antitumor effector mechanisms exist

Cytotoxic lymphocytes CD8+ T cells

MHC 1 antigen, wide variety Tumors

Esp. Viral induced Tumors (EBV & HPV)

Harvesting & expansion (in vitro) reinfusion

- Natural killer lymphocytes kill the tumor cells without prior sensitization, esp tumor cells with low MHC expression (In some tumors) IL2 activates; imunotherapy with in vitro expansion
- Macrophages activated by IFN γ from T cells & Natural killer cells
- Antibodies kill tumor cells by complement activation & antibody mediated cytotoxicity (by macrophages & NK cells)

 What is immune surveillance, what are the evidences that it exists, how tumor cells evade it

- Normal function of immune system is to survey the body for emerging malignant cells & to destroy them
- Increased cancer incidence in immunodeficient
- But mainly lymphoma (B cell immunoblastic)
- Lymphocytic infiltrate in the tumors
- Tumors mainly in immunocompetent
- (likely many must have been curbed & destroyed & the successful tumors develop ways to evade the immune system)

## Mech. To evade immunity

- Selective outgrowth of antigenic negative Nonimmunogenic tumor cell variants
- Loss or reduced MHC molecule expression (evades killing by CTL but not by NK cells)
- Lack of costimulation

MHC 1 with tumor antigen but no costmulatory molecule--t cells not stimulated or anergy or apoptosis

(Autologous tumor cells with gene for costimulatory
molecule---B7 or autologous APC wth tumor antigen
expanded)

- Immunosuppression: chemicals, radiations, tumor products (TGFβ)
- Antigen masking by glycocalyx mucopolysacchrides
- Apoptosis of cytotoxic Lymphocytes
   (Fas ligand on tumor cells causes apoptosis of Fas receptor on T cells)

# Lab. Diagnosis of cancer

1. What are the histologic methods used for the tumor diagnosis.

### **Incisional biopsy** (Diagnosis of Tumor & Typing)

(part of tumor is cut & examined, before any definite tumor management planned)

- ✓ Skin biopsy, mucosal biopsy (Oronasal, genital)
- Laryngoscopic/ bronchoscopic biopsy for tumors of respiratory tract, transbronchial biopsy for tumors in lung parenchyma
- endoscopic biopsy GIT tumors
- Cystoscopic biopsy urinary bladder
- ✓ Trans uretheral resection of prostate (TURP)

Core Needle biopsy (Trucut needle biopsy) Breast, prostate, liver, chest/ mediastinal, brain (burr hole), retroperitoneum **Excision specimen (biopsy)** (Grading & Staging) Skin & Soft tissue tumors Appendicectomy Cholecystectomy, Colectomy Mastectomy Hysterectomy Lobectomy

- > Fixation 10 % foramalin (Formaldehyde sol.)
- Tissue Processing (Tissue treated with reagents for impregnation with paraffin wax)
- > Paraffin wax block of tissue
- > Thin sections (3-5um) Microtome--- on glass slides
- Stained with Dyes (Hematoxylin & Eosin)
- Microscopic evaluation
- Clinical correlation, Benign/Malignant criteria & tumor type differentiation & grading
- Histologic Sections & wax blocks can be stored for very long periods (many years—indefinitely)
- ~Two days (fixation, Processing & slide preparation)

#### Frozen sections:

Fresh tissue obtained from lesion during operation & sections prepared by freezing tissue at Cryostat, diagnosis in minutes conveyed to surgeon for intraoperative decision making

Breast tumors intraabdominal tumors Brain tumors excision margins

2. What are the cytological methods of tumor diagnosis

Exfoliative cytology (Cancer cells loose adhesions)

- Urine cytology
- Sputum, bronchial washing, BAL, Ascitic fluid, pleural fluid, CSF cytology
- Vaginal, cervical cytology (Papanicolaou (PAP) smear test)

Most cost effective cancer reduction program

- ✓ George N Papanicolaou
- √ 70-80 % reduction of mortality from cervical Ca
- Early detection of precancer & treatable CA
- ✓ Reduction depends intensity of screening--screening highest Scandinavian countries

- ✓ 1930 --USA Cervical CA most common cause of cancer death
- √ 2/3 rd mortality reduction to 8<sup>th</sup> position
- √ 89% women USA had screening
- ✓ In developing countries < 5% women screening, cervical CA leading cause of cancer mortality
- Evaluating microscopy: Nuclear atypia & Cytoplasmic, Architecture features

# Fine Needle Aspiration Cytology

#### Fine Needle Aspiration Cytology (22G-25G)

- Cellular material aspirated by thin needle usage & smeared on glass slide---stained (MGG & H & E, PAP) & microscopically evaluated
- Tumors or other pathologies diagnosed, with experience High sensitivity & specificity
- -Superficial Palpable masses (Thyroid, breast, lymph nodes, salivary glands, soft tissue)
- Image guided (visceral --kidney, liver, lung, retroperitoneum, ovarian; deep seated masses) CT scan, USG

- ✓ OPD procedure, economical, no anasthesia, can be repeated
- Architecture not completely evaluated, Invasiveness evaluation not as specific as that of biopsy evaluation
- ✓ Blood cells & Lymphoid tissue tumors evaluated : Peripheral blood smear—stain, Bone marrow aspiration (Illiac crest)---smeared---stained; Bone marrow trephine biopsy
- ✓ Lymph node biopsy

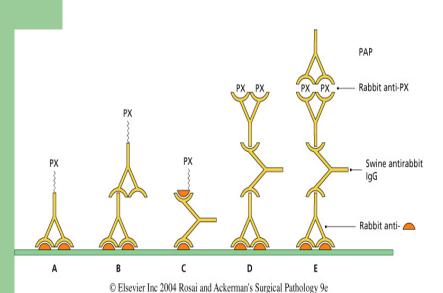
3. What is Immunohistochemistry, how it is applied to the tumor diagnosis?

--Monoclonal antibodies tag the type specific tumor antigens,

--such bound antibodies in sections are marked by anti globulins/ or Avidin biotin complex tagged with stain markers

Positivity in histology sections is seen as colored product with

specific locations



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#### Categorization of the poorly differentiated/ undifferentiated tumors

- Undiiferentiated Ca (Cytokeratin)
- Sarcoma (Desmin, vimenetin)
- Melanoma (HMB-45)
- > Lymphoma (LCA, CD3/ CD19-20)

#### Categorization of Leukemia & Lymphoma

Specific lineage differentiation correlate with prognosis & tumor biology (T vs. B vs Myeloid)

Metastatic deposit origin PSA, Thyroglobulin

Prognostic Therapeutically significant molecules

ER/PR better prognosis breast CA Anti estrogen therapy

Her 2neu Poor prognosis but respond to Herceptin

4. How the molecular techniques are changing the ways of cancer patient's management

#### Diagnosis of neoplasms:

- Clonal arrangement of antigen receptor gene (T cell receptor/ immunoglobulin receptor rearrangement)
- Detection of specific translocation
- (routine cytogenetic analysis or Fluorescent in situ hybridization (FISH))
  - --Burkitt's lymphoma t 8; 14
  - --Follicular lymphoma t 14;18
  - --Mantle cell lymphoma t 11; 14
  - --Chronic myeloid leukemia t 9;22

Detection of hybrid gene or specific DNA segment or its transcript by PCR Polymerase chain reaction

#### Sarcomas

- > T ---Ewings sarcoma,
- > t 12; 22 ---clear cell sarcoma
- >, t 8; 22 ---epithelioid sarcoma,
- > t x; 18--- synovial sarcoma,
- > t 8; 11--- embroynal rhabdomyosarcoma
- > t 3;12; ring (3) chromosome ----Atypical lipoma

#### **Prognosis**

- N-MYC amplification & 1p deletion bad prognosis for neuroblastoma
- > T 9;22 in ALL bad prognosis
- > t 15;17 in AML good prognosis

#### Minimum residual disease

Routine histology/ cytology/ radio-imaging mathods not senistive/reliable to pick residual neaplastic diasease after the anti-neoplastic treatment

PCR technique---amplify even minute DNA of tumor & specific sequences for the tumors can be identified by this method

BCR-ABL residual leukemia cells, K-RAS in stool samples colon cancer recurrence

Hereditary predisposition to Cancer

BRCA 1/ BRCA2 RET oncogenes high association with Breast CA & MEN

# 5.Flowcytometery

Cell/ nuclear size

Cytoplasmic granules

DNA content of cells

Cell surface antigens markers

- (for diagnosis, typing of Hematolymphoid neoplasms)
- > Aneuploidy bad prognosis

 What are tumor markers, how are they useful in diagnosis & monitoring of tumors Support to the diagnosis in clinical context

Need to investigate

Prognosis Levels indicate tumor burden of tumor

Response to therapy (levels decline)

Residual disease (> 6 wks CEA high levels residual disease)

Relapse in the follow up period

(PSA, HCG, AFP, CEA, CA125, Calcitonin)

#### Tumor substances detectable in body fluids

- Human chorionic gonadotropin (HCG)----Trophoblastic tumors, NSeminomatous testicular T
- Calcitonin---Medullary CA thyroid
- Catecholamine/ metabolites---Pheochromocytoma
- α-Fetoprotein---HCC, NSGCTT (Yolk sac, fetal liver git) (liver injury, cirrhosis, fetal distress/ neural tube defect, pregnancy) CA colon, pancreas lung
- Carcinoembryonic antigen CEA (embroynic liver git pancreas) (IBD-CD/UC, alcoholic cirrhosis, hepatitis) colorectal CA 60-90%, pancreatic 50-80%, gastric/ breast CA 25-50%

- Prostate specific antigen PSA---Prostate CA (Prostatitis)
- Neuron specific enolase---neuroblastoma, small cell CA
- Immunoglobulins (M Protein)---Myeloma
- > CA-125---Ovarian Ca
- > CA19-9----Pancreatic colon Ca
- > CA15-3----Breast Ca

## **Molecular Tumor markers**

- > P53, APC, RAS mutation in stool/ serum colon Ca
- > p53 & RAS (stool & serum) --Pancreatic Ca
- > p53 & RAS (sputum & serum) --- Lung Ca
- > p53 (urine)--- Urinary bladder Ca