## **A Primer for Hereditary Cancers** -a focus on Pediatric and AYA cancers

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# Outline

- Genetic terminology and concepts
- Hereditary cancers
  - When to consider
  - Genetics assessment
- Pathology and genes
- Genetic testing
- Genetic counselling





### **Cancer is a genetic disease**

Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. USA Vol. 68, No. 4, pp. 820–823, April 1971

### Mutation and Cancer: Statistical Study of Retinoblastoma

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RETINOBLASTOMA

Communicated by James V. Neel, February 8, 1971

TWO MUTATIONS

Hereditary









#### Sporadic/acquired cancer (90%)



# Who do medical geneticists see?

- All diseases have a genetic component
- Not all diseases require a medical genetics consultation
- Continuum of genetic contribution
  - Many genes interacting with environment (multifactorial)
    - Coronary artery disease
  - Few genes interacting with environment (poly-genic)
    - Diabetes mellitus, IBD
  - Single gene interacting with environment (incomplete penetrance)
    - Hereditary cancer
  - Single gene (fully penetrant)
    - <u>Huntington disease, Sickle</u> <u>cell anemia</u>





# **Hereditary cancer syndromes**

- Over 50 syndromes catalogue in 2008
- Over 300 syndromes entered into OMIM (Online Mendelian Inheritance in Man)
- Under-recognized and under-referred
- Germline genetic testing results affect
  - Surveillance
  - Surgical management
  - Eligibility for trials
- Distinct from somatic profiling of the tumour for targeted therapy (non-inherited changes in tumours)

Genetics inMedicine ACMG PRACTICE GUIDELINES

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A practice guideline from the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics and the National Society of Genetic Counselors: referral indications for cancer predisposition assessment





### Li-Fraumeni syndrome, the exemplar of Pediatric and AYA cancers

- Choroid plexus Carcinoma
- Adrenocortical carcinoma
- Young Breast Cancer
- Medulloblastoma
- Wilm's Tumour
- Brain cancer
- Rhabdomyosarcoma
- Colon cancer





- Germline Mutation in TP53
- Li-Fraumeni syndrome
- L breast cancer @24
- R breast cancer @25
- R shoulder sarcoma @31
- R lung cancer @44
- Papillary thyroid cancer@44
- c.743G>A; p.Arg248GIn

- Risk of sarcoma, brain, breast cancer, endocrine (100% penetrance in women)
- Whole body MRI, breast MRI, brain MRI, colonoscopy
- Mastectomy, avoid radiation
- Metformin trials



#### News / Insight

#### Five separate cancers. One tenacious Toronto lawyer

Sabrina Fuoco's rare syndrome sparked a pitiless run of cancers. Now she hopes her struggle might help others.



KEITH BEATY / TORONTO STAR Order this photo Sabrina Fuoco, 34, had her first cancer diagnosis at age 3. She has refused to let her recurring bouts of the disease change her positive outlook.



### Hereditary Breast and Ovarian Cancer ~1/500

#### BRCA1

- 40-70% Breast (vs 12%)
- 20-40% Ovarian (vs 1.5%)
- 20-30% Prostate (vs 17%)
- Surveillance
  - Breast MRI@25years (OBSP)
  - CA-125 and US not offered
- Management
  - Bilateral Mastectomy
  - Prophylactic Bilateral Salpingooophorectomy 35-40
  - Chemoprevention denosumab
  - PARP trials
  - Aspirin





### "Synthetic lethality", from flies to personalized medicine





Figure 3. Synthetic Lethality According to BRCA Status and PARP Inhibition.

# Lynch syndrome

- Mismatch repair pathway deficiency
- Colorectal cancer (50-80%)
- Endometrial (25-60%)
- Ovarian (5-10%)
  - Endometroid, clear cell
- Hepatobiliary (1-5%)
- Adrenocortical carcinoma (3%)
- MLH1, MSH2, MSH6, PMS2
- Consider if:
- Amsterdam criteria
  - 3 individuals
  - 2 first-degree relatives
  - 1 under 50
- CRC<35 years of age</li>
- CRC+another Lynch cancer
- Other ongoing screening protocols
- NCCN all CRC<70, UHN endometrial <70</li>
- Annual Colonoscopy ~25y, RRSO, consider endometrial surveillance







# ccRCC, Von Hippel Lindau

- Multi-system disorder
- Mutations in VHL gene responsible for degradation of hypoxia inducible factor 1-alpha (HIF1α)
- Results in hemangioblastomas
  - Eye
  - Brain
  - Spine
- Deafness (endolymphatic sac tumours)
- Pancreatic cysts
- variable expressivity = not all mutation carriers develop all manifestations
- Frameshift mutations result in risk of renal cell carcinoma "type 1"
- Missense mutation result in pheochromocytoma "type 2"



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### **Familial Adenomatous polyposis**

- APC
- ~ 50% mutations carriers develop adenomas by 14 yo
- Genetic testing usually recommended at 10-12 yo
- Untreated FAP leads to ~100% risk colorectal cancer
- Annual colonoscopy at 10 years, colectomy in late teens



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### **FAP Extracolonic manifestations:**

- Congenital hypertrophy of retinal pigment epithelium (CHRPE)
- Epidermoid cysts
- Abnormal dentition
- Desmoid tumors
- Malignant tumors (hepatoblastoma, medulloblastoma, thyroid cancer)
- Osteomas





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### **Ovarian fibromas, Gorlin syndrome**

- Nevoid basal cell carcinoma syndrome (PTCH gene)
- Jaw cysts
- Coarse facial features, milia
- Macrocephaly
- Bifid ribs
- Medulloblastomas
- Meningiomas, post XRT
- Palmar pits
- Ovarian fibromas













Tuberous Sclerosis (*TSC1-harmatin/TSC2-tuberin*), multisystem disorder -brain, skin, kidney





# Skin, kidney cysts, lung and uterine LAM



Lymphangiomyomatosis



## **DICER1**

- Pleuropulmonary blastoma
- Cystic nephroma
- Pituitary blastoma
- Nasal chondromesenchymal harmartoma
- Multinodular goitre, differentiated thyroid cancer
- Embryonal rhabdomyosarcoma of the cervix
- Ovarian Sertoli-Leydig tumour
- Not well-defined surveillance







# **Genetic Testing**

### **Genetic Myths**

First Session, Forty-second Parliament, 64-65-66 Elizabeth II, 2015-2016-2017



**STATUTES OF CANADA 2017** 

#### **CHAPTER 3**

An Act to prohibit and prevent genetic

discrimination

ASSENTED TO

MAY 4, 2017 BILL S-201 Myth: Patients pay for genetic testing: if eligible\*\* (evolving) covered by OHIP \$1000/gene → \$1/gene

Myth: Genetic

discrimination

patients will face

#### Myth: My children Will carry my genes





### THE ANGELINA EFFECT

Angelina Jolie's double mastectomy puts genetic testing in the spotlight. What her choice reveals about calculating risk, cost and peace of mind BY JEFFEY KUGER & ALICE PARK

Myth: Genetics is a taboo; awareness is increasing



#### Who to test?

- Patients affected with cancer are the most appropriate individuals to test to interpret the genetic results
- If no family members, available, some high risk families can have testing on unaffected individuals if probability of mutation based on computer models >10%, but many limitations of this
- Need to consider DNA banking on all individuals with cancer as new genes are discovered (panel testing)



# **Genetic testing Results**

# Positive

- Mutation is found
- "have the gene"
- Seen in other individuals with disorder
- Surveillance decisions can be made

Maybe

- Genetic change is found
- Not seen in other individuals with disorder
- Significance
  uncertain
- "Variant of uncertain significance"
- Seen 30% during panel testing
- Management decisions NOT made
- Revisit the clinic

Negative

- No genetic change is found
- Limitation of the technology
- May have another gene involved
- Revisit the clinic, other gene testing



### **Autosomal dominant and autosomal recessive**

- One mutation results in hereditary breast/ovarian cancer
- Two mutations result in pediatric disorders
- Ataxia telangiectasia (ATM)
  - Ataxia, scleral telangiectasia, immunodeficiency
- Fanconi Anemia (*BRCA2, PALB2, BRIP1, RAD51C*)
  - Café au lait macules, radial ray defects, bone marrow failure, congenital anomalies
- Nijmengen Breakage syndrome (NBN)
  - Microcephaly, IUGR, developmental delay, immunodeficiency









Two Lynch syndrome parents have a child...





At risk of biallelic mismatch repair, severe hereditary cancer disorder (brain, hematologic malignancy, look like they have neurofibromatosis)













Ethical challenges in sequencing 30, 000 genes vs one gene

### Recommendations for reporting of secondary findings in clinical exome and genome sequencing, 2016 update (ACMG SF v2.0): a policy statement of the American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics

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- Medically actionable genetic findings
- Should be returned to patient in a clinical exome
- Cardiac disease (hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, hereditary arrhythmia)
- Metabolic disorders (familial hypercholesterolemia, Wilsons disease)



### **Circulating DNA from fetuses to tumours**

#### **Preliminary Communication**

## Noninvasive Prenatal Testing and Incidental Detection of Occult Maternal Malignancies

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### **Concepts in tumour DNA analysis**

- Cancer is caused by genetic changes in cells
  - Germline: born with first hit
  - Somatic: tumourspecific events
  - Tumour: includes both somatic and germline events
- Germline is analyzed by isolating peripheral blood lymphocytes (buffy coat)
- Somatic/tumour mutations analyzed by tumour (biopsy)
- Tumour cells shed DNA into the plasma

1 Cell-free DNA fragments (cfDNA) are released from cells and circulate in the blood

In patients with cancer, a small fraction of cfDNA originates from tumor cells and is known as circulating tumor DNA (ctDNA)

#### 2 Liquid biopsy

Blood is drawn from the patient and cfDNA (including ctDNA) is extracted for molecular genomic analyses



CELLS

**ctDNA** 

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