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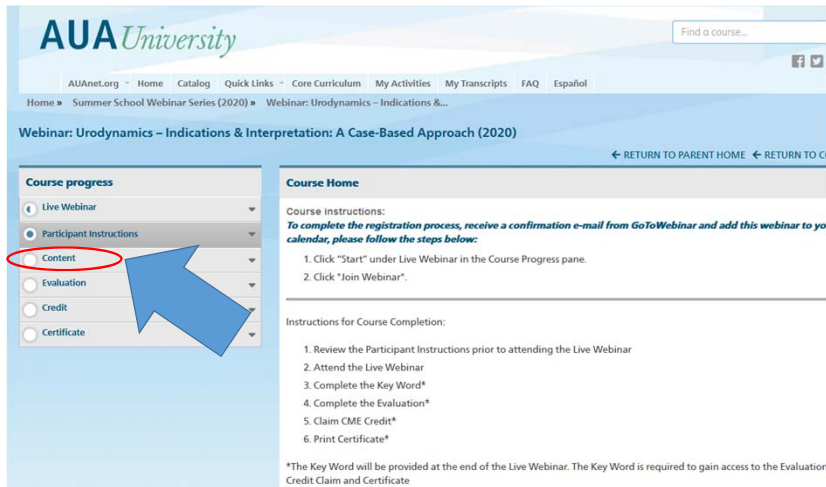
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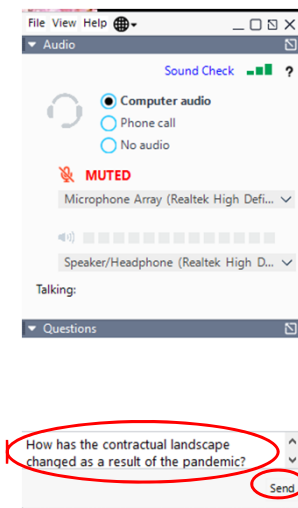
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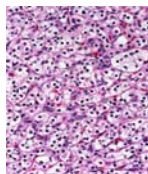
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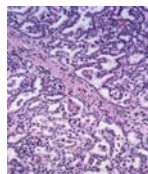
1. Differentiate among the subtypes of kidney cancer, with emphasis on clinical management decisions and outline ways in which knowledge of kidney cancer subtypes can alter surgical approach.
2. Apply advanced strategies for partial nephrectomy for patients with endophytic, hilar and multiple tumors including role of warm ischemia, intraoperative ultrasound, techniques for hemostatic control, the role of off-clamp and selective hilar clamping, the use of the retroperitoneal approach, and methods for renorrhaphy.
3. Describe techniques for management of large and/or locally advanced tumors including management of renal vein or inferior vena cava invasion and the use of lymphadenectomy.
4. Identify the role of cytoreductive nephrectomy and/or resection of metastatic foci in patients with advanced disease.
5. Describe new and emerging targeted therapy and immuno-oncology options for patients with locally-advanced and advanced kidney cancer and the role of adjuvant therapy.

# Knowledge Assessment

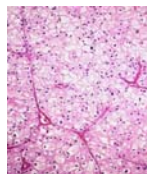
## Kidney Cancer



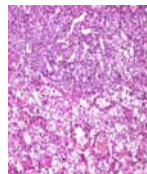
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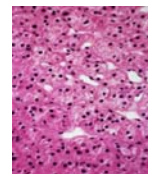
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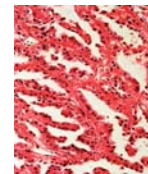
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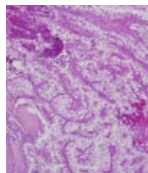
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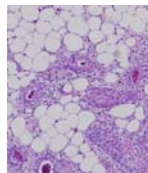
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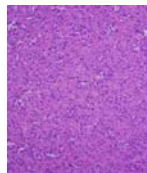
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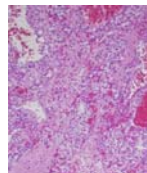
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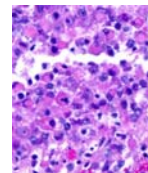
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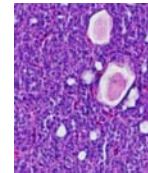
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Clear/Chromophobe



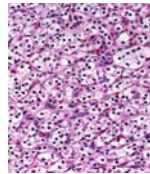
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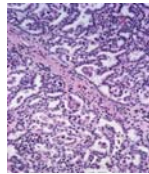
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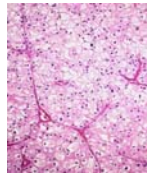
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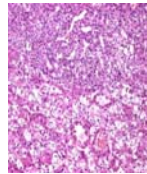
**Clear Cell**  
*VHL, TCEB1, BAP1*



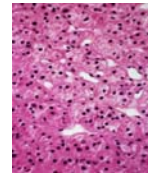
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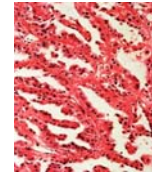
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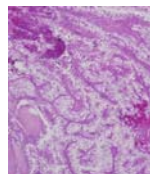


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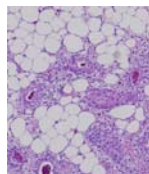


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*FH*

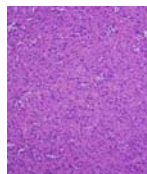
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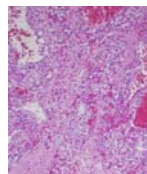
**Papillary Epithelioid**  
*TFE3, TFEB, MITF*



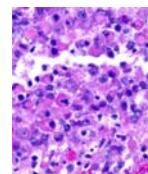
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*TSC1, TSC2*



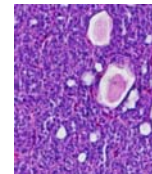
**Eosinophilic**  
*SDHB, SDHC, SDHD*



**Clear/Chromophobe**  
*PTEN*



**Medullary**  
*SMARCB1*



**MEST**  
*CDC73*

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## RCC Genes Guide Management of Localized Disease

- Active surveillance or surgery?
- What type of surgical procedure?
  - Robotic versus Open?
  - Enucleation?
  - Wide margins?

# RCC Genes Guide Management of Advanced Disease

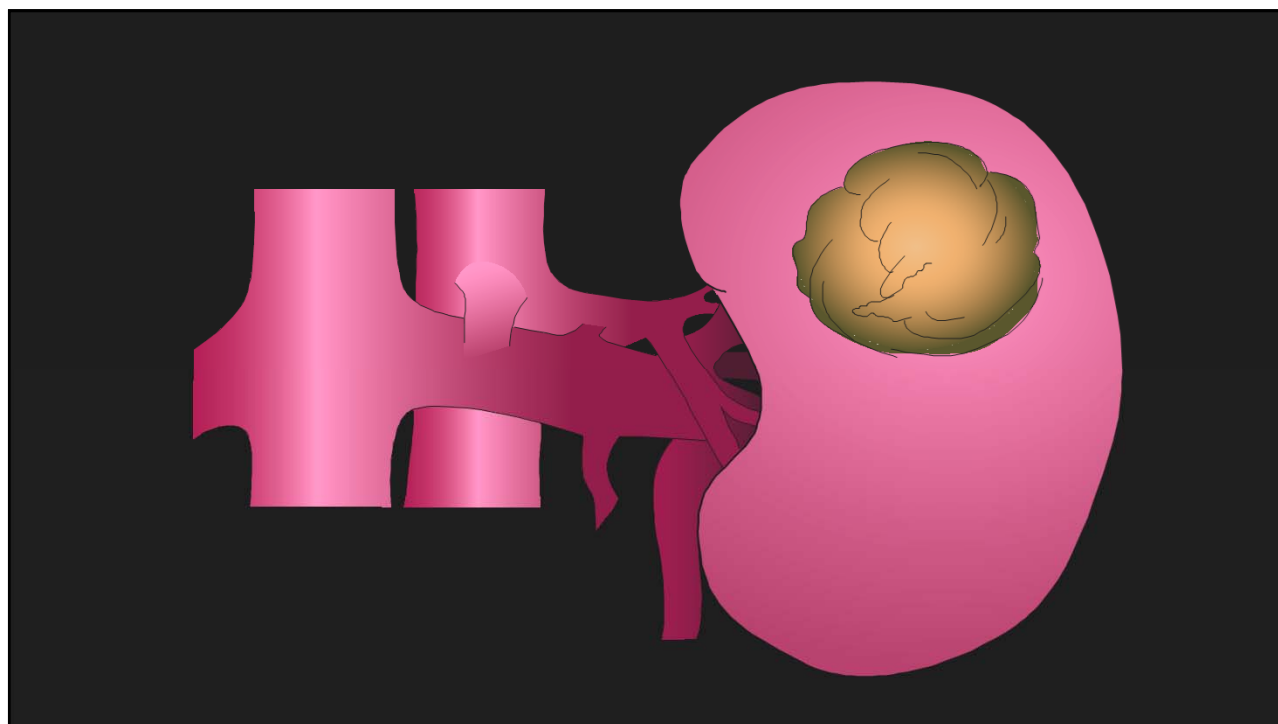
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- Active surveillance or treatment?
- What types of therapy?
  - Agents targeting the VHL/HIF/VEGF pathway?
  - Agents targeting the MET pathway?
  - Agents targeting PD-1, PDL-1, CTLA4

## Genetically Defined Renal Cell Carcinoma

1. Clear Cell RCC
  - Sporadic Clear Cell RCC
  - Von Hippel Lindau (VHL)
2. Type 1 Papillary RCC
  - Sporadic Type 1 Papillary RCC
  - Hereditary Papillary Renal Carcinoma (HPRC)
3. Type 2 Papillary RCC
  - Sporadic Type 2 RCC
  - Hereditary Leiomyomatosis Renal Cell Carcinoma (HLRCC)
4. Translocation RCC
  - TFE3/TFEB RCC
  - Hereditary MITF RCC (MITF)







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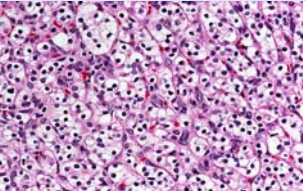
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**Loss of alleles of loci on the short arm of chromosome 3 in renal cell carcinoma**

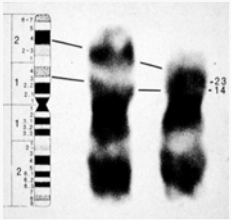
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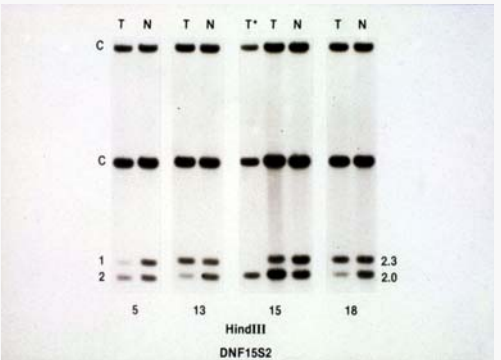
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Deletion



Chromosome 3

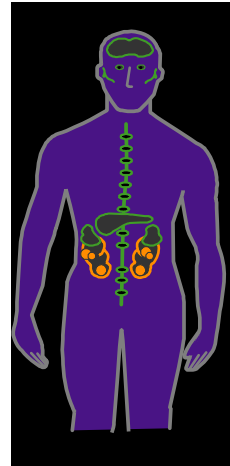
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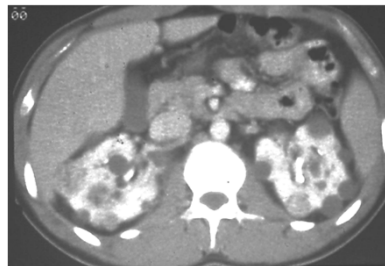
Locus DNF15S2

## VHL Clinical Features

- Tumors develop in:
  - Both Kidneys
  - Adrenal Glands
  - Pancreas
  - Brain or Spine
  - Eyes
  - Inner Ears



## VHL: Renal Cell Carcinoma

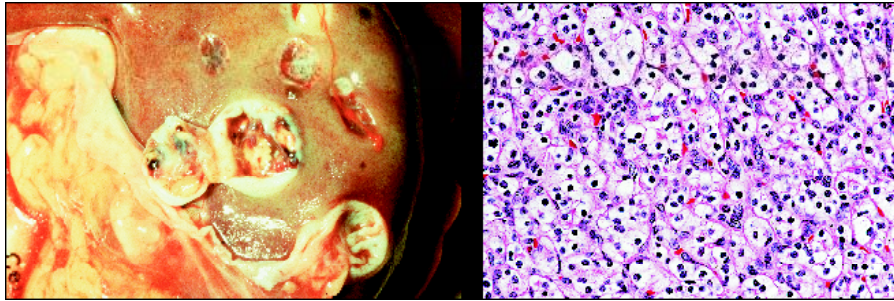


**CT Scan: Bilateral,  
Multifocal RCC**



**VHL Kidney:  
Multifocal RCC**

## von Hippel-Lindau (VHL) Multiple Clear Cell Renal Carcinomas



**Multiple Renal Cysts  
Containing RCC**

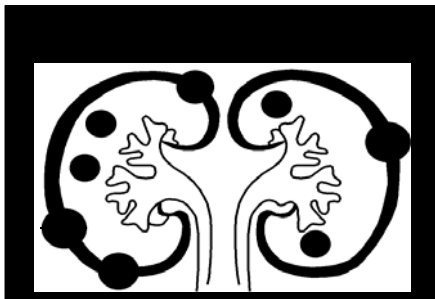
**Clear Cell RCC**

J Urol 153:1995

## NCI VHL Kindreds N=392

- 783 affected from 413 VHL families have been evaluated
- 649 nephrectomies/partial nephrectomies

## Surgical Management of VHL-Associated Renal Carcinoma



**Surgery = nephron sparing  
enucleation**

**“3 cm rule”**

**Delay surgery until  
diameter of largest  
renal tumor = 3 cm**

**Radiology 174: 1990**

**J Urol: 153:1995**

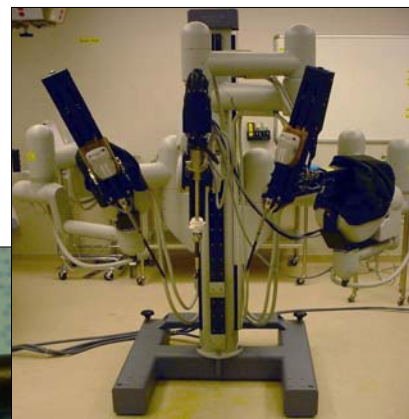
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**J Urol 173 2005**

## Robotic Assisted Partial Nephrectomy





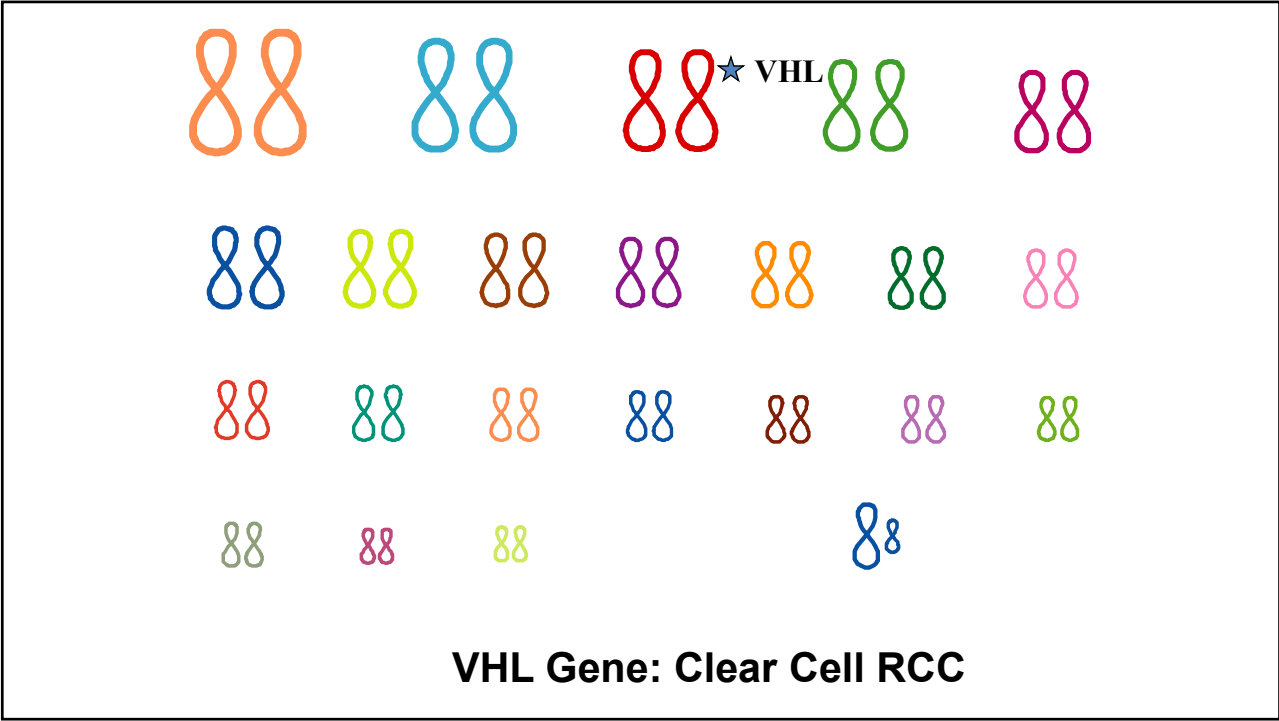
## Robotic Assisted Partial Nephrectomy




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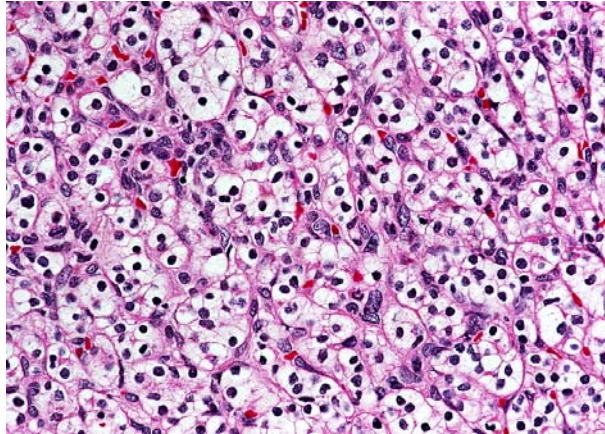
VHL Gene



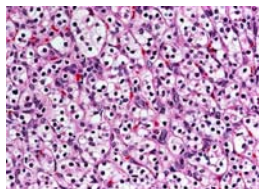
Science 260:1993



# Clear Cell Renal Carcinoma



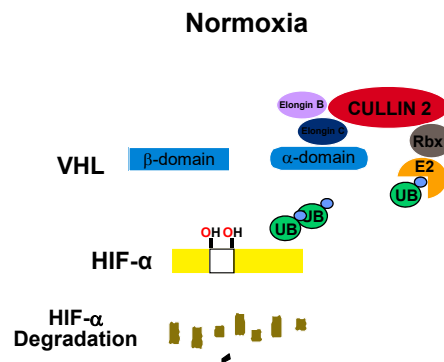
## Sporadic Clear Cell RCC *VHL* Gene Mutations



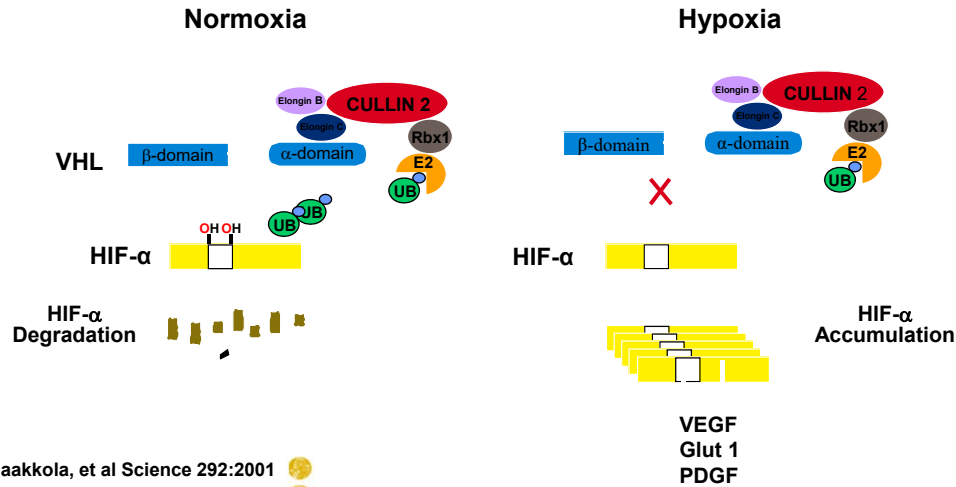
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Nature 469:2013  
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# How Does the VHL Gene Function?

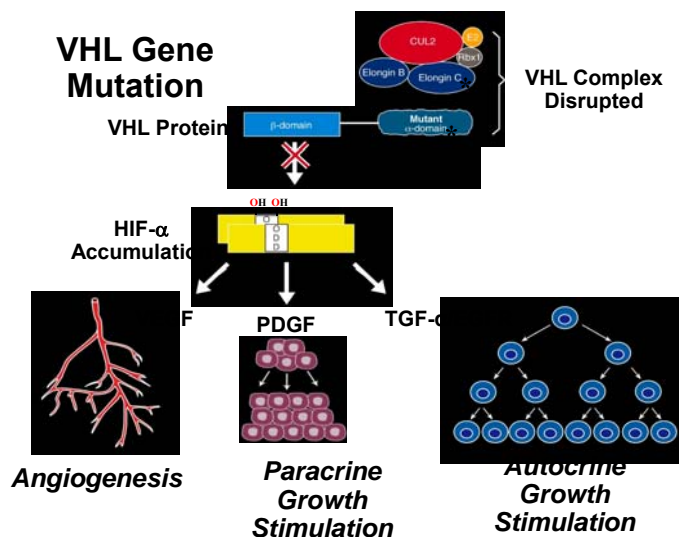
## HIF $\alpha$ is targeted for degradation in normoxic,



## HIF $\alpha$ is targeted for degradation in normoxic, but not hypoxic cells

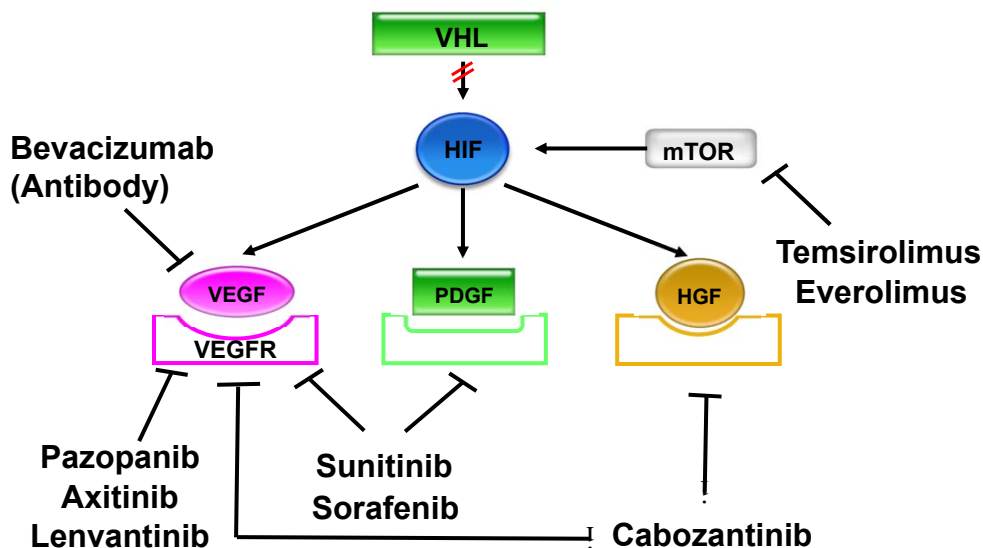


## ccRCC: *VHL/TCEB1* mutation

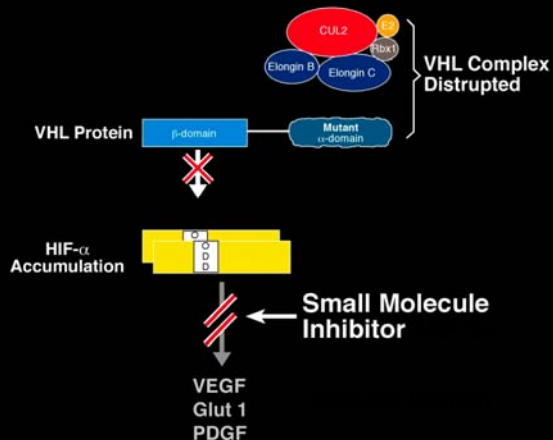




## Targeting VHL/HIF in Clear Cell RCC



## Potential Small Molecule Target

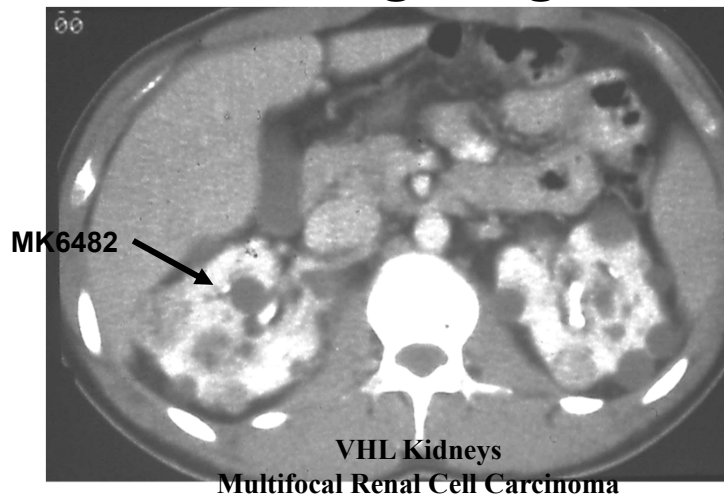


Chen, et al *Nature* 539:2016

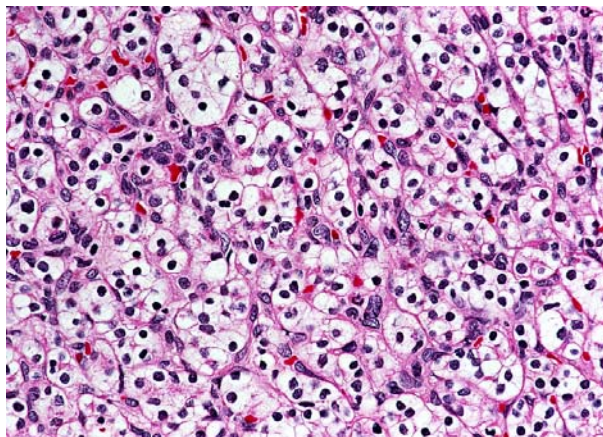
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## VHL Clinical Trial MK6482 Targeting HIF2 $\alpha$



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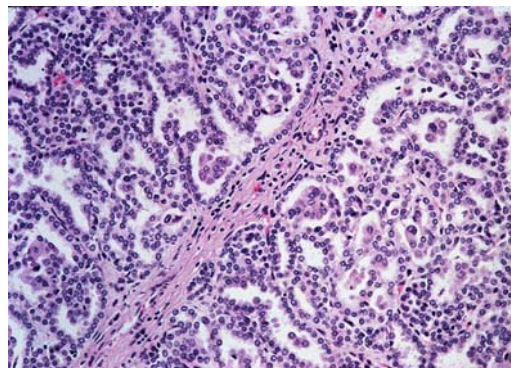


## Non-Clear Cell RCC

What possible approaches are there for developing therapeutic approaches for patients with:

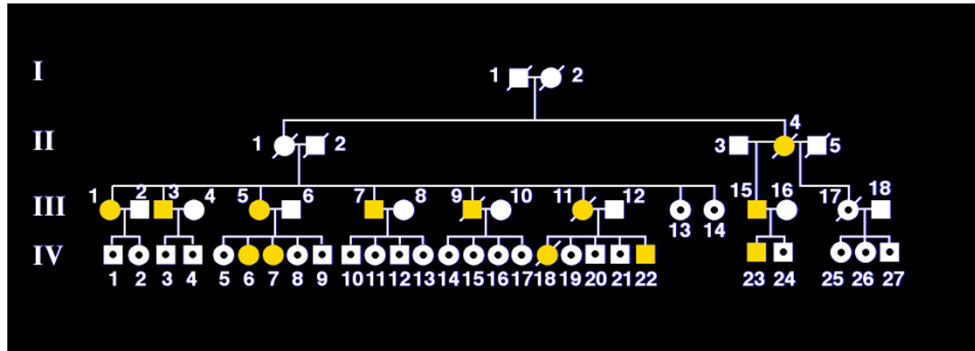
1. Type 1 Papillary RCC
2. Type 2 Papillary RCC
3. TFE3 RCC

## Papillary Renal Carcinoma



Type 1 Papillary RCC

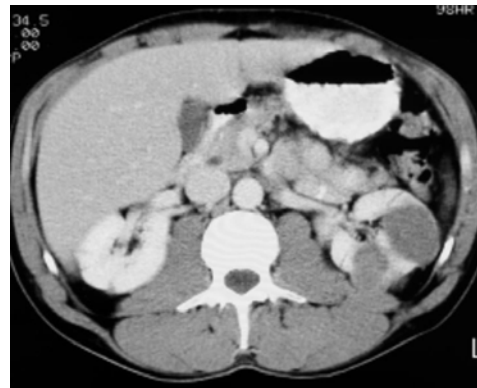
## Hereditary Papillary Renal Carcinoma (HPRC)



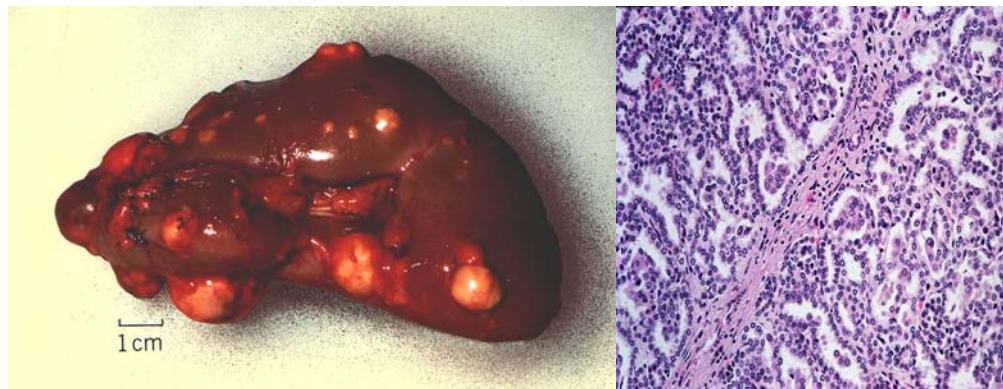
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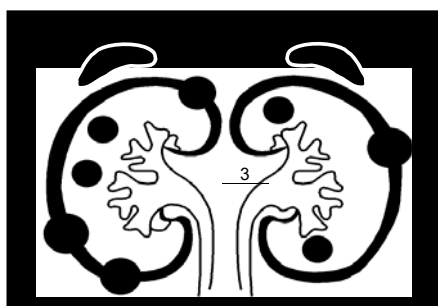
## HPRC: Renal Tumors



## Hereditary Papillary Renal Carcinoma Type 1 1 papillary renal carcinoma



### Surgical Management of HPRC-Associated Renal Carcinoma



**Surgery = nephron sparing  
enucleation**

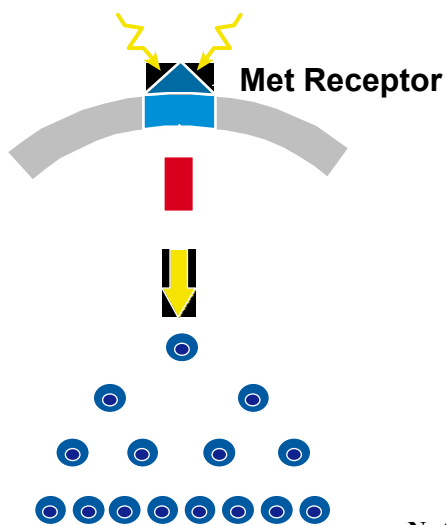
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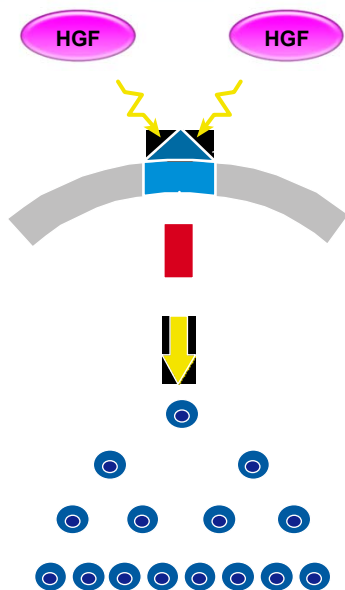
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## MET is the HPRC Gene

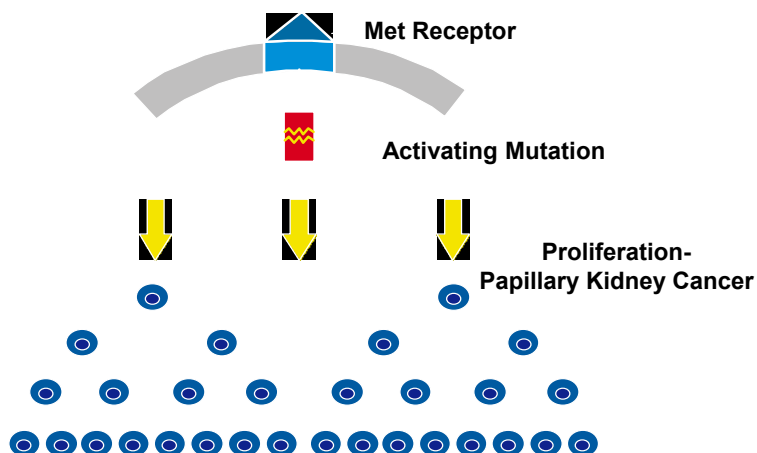


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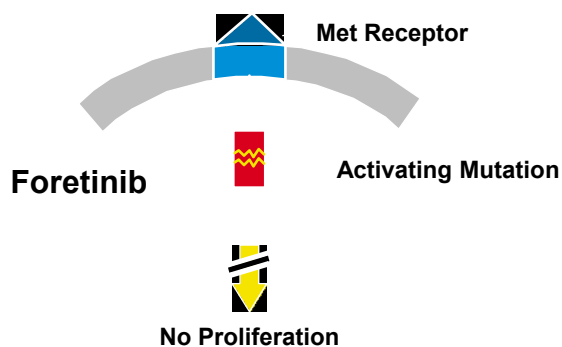


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## HPRC: Activating Mutations in the Tyrosine Kinase Domain of *MET*



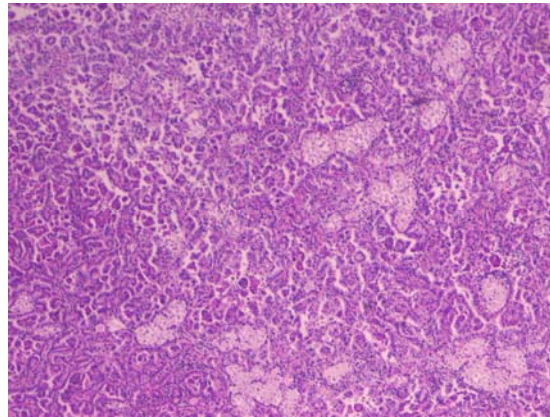
## Foretinib: Dual VEGFR and MET Inhibitor



J Clin Oncol 10:2012

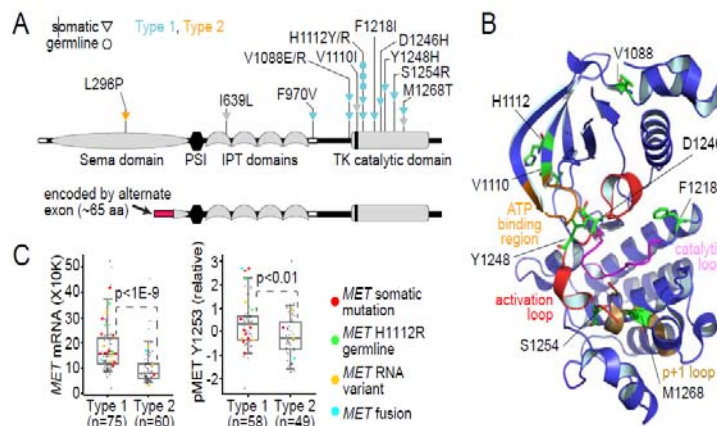
## Sporadic Type 1 Papillary RCC

Type 1  
Papillary RCC



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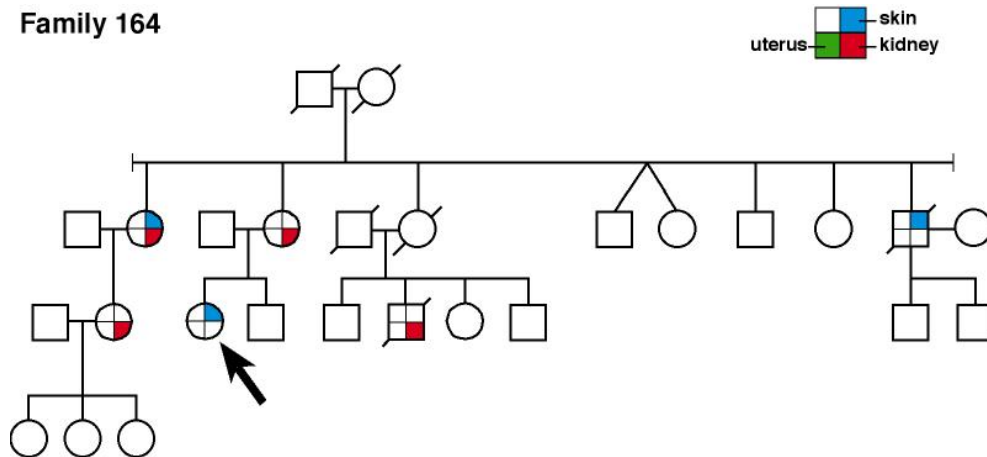
## Type 1 Papillary RCC MET Mutation, Splice, Fusion, Phosphorylation



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## Hereditary Papillary Renal Carcinoma Type 2

Family 164



J Urol:153 1995

## Hereditary Leiomyomatosis Renal Cell Carcinoma: HLRCC

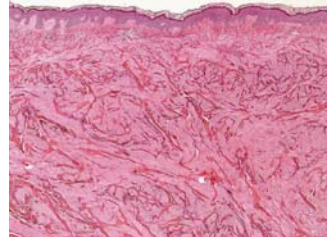
- Cutaneous leiomyomas
- Uterine leiomyomas (fibroids)
- Renal cell carcinoma

Launonen PNAS 98:2001

## HLRCC: Cutaneous Leiomyomas

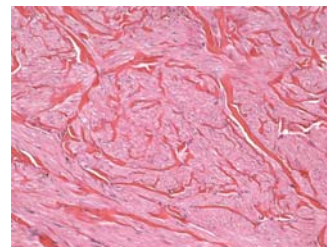


**Leiomyomas**



2.5 X

Upper Dermis



10 X

Middle Dermis

## HLRCC: Uterine leiomyomas

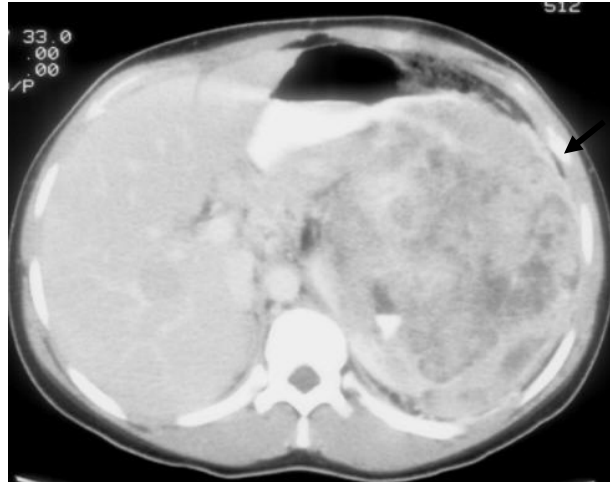


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## Papillary Kidney Cancer: Patient 2

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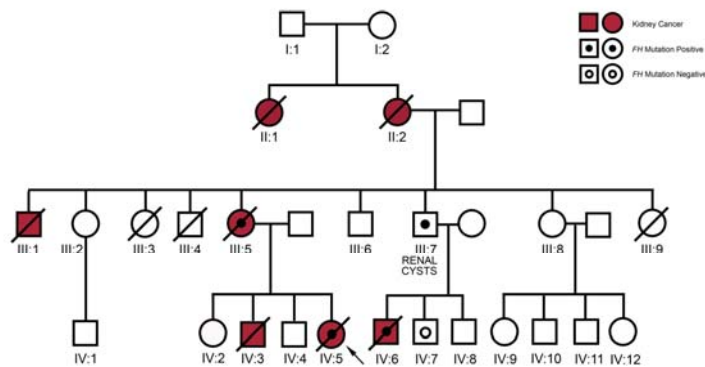
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18 Year Old Female

## HLRCC Kidney Cancer

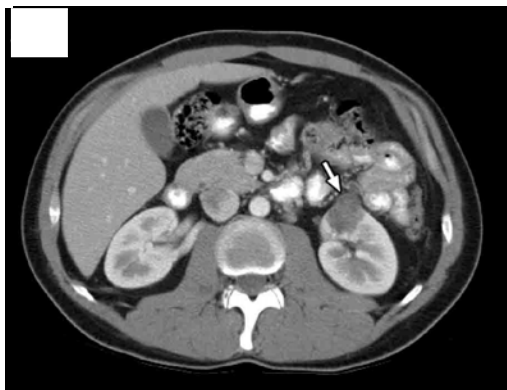
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Germline FH Mutation: c.240dupA, NT 110, p.Ile81AspfsX14, AA# 38, Exon 1, Frameshift



## HLRCC Cystic Renal Mass



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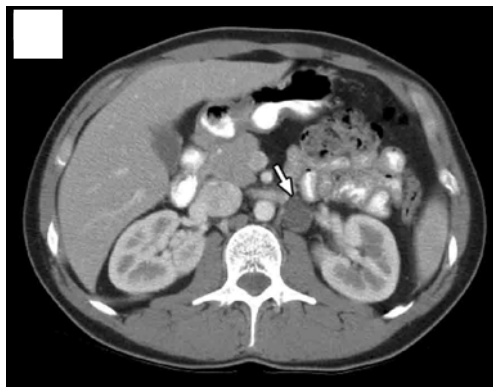


1/2 cm Renal Tumor

## HLRCC Cystic Renal Mass 2 cm Hilar Node

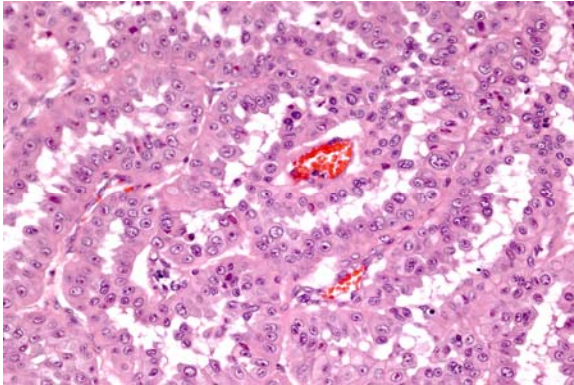


2.5 Cm Renal Cyst

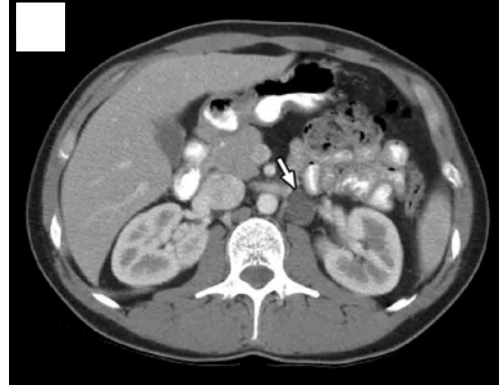


2 cm Hilar Node

## HLRCC Cystic Renal Mass 2 cm Hilar Node

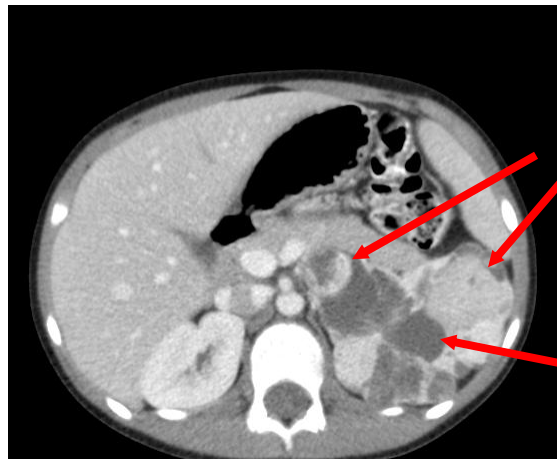


Type 2 Papillary RCC



2 cm Hilar Node

## HLRCC Kidney Cancer 10 Year Old Female

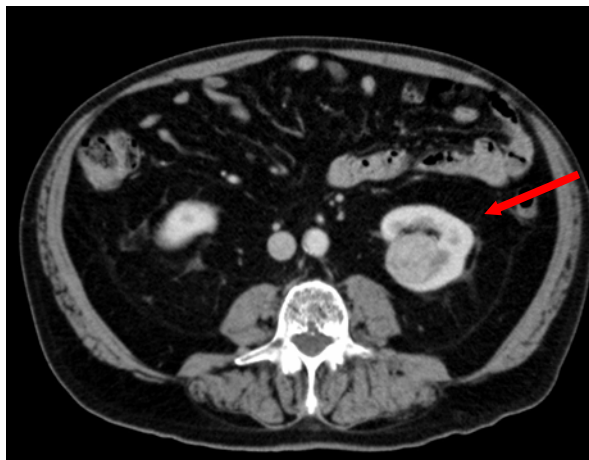


Tumors

Cysts

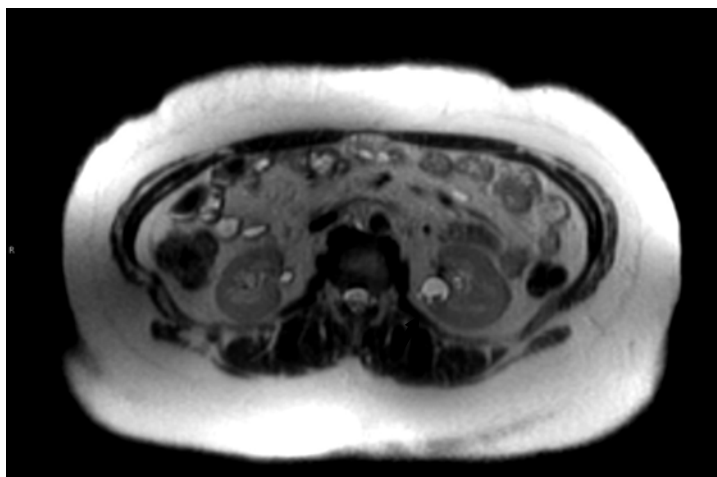
Germline *FH* mutation: C>T, NT 172, Arg58 Stop, Nonsense

HLRCC Kidney Cancer  
77 Year Old Male



**Tumor**

24 Year Old Female HLRCC Patient  
04/09/08

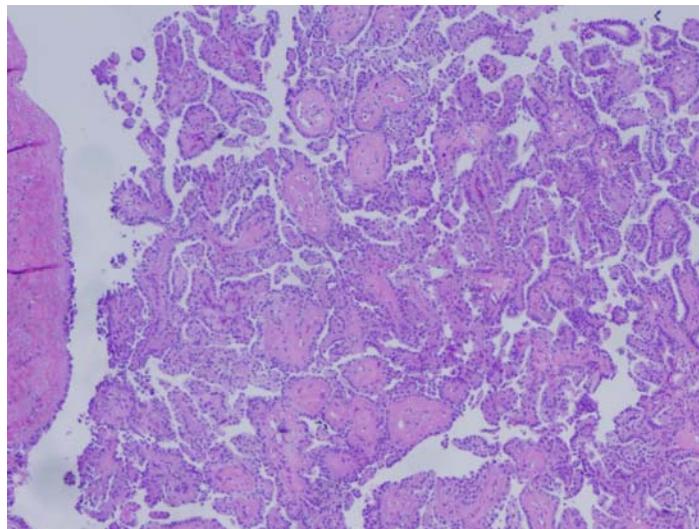


**24 Year Old Female HLRCC Patient  
04/09/08**



**24 Year Old Female HLRCC Patient  
06/06/08**

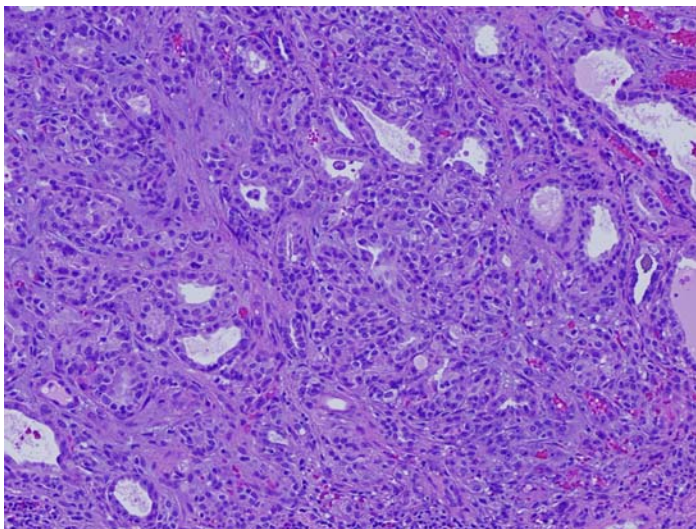
**Tumor  
Inside  
Cyst**





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**Tumor  
Invading  
Renal  
Parenchyma**

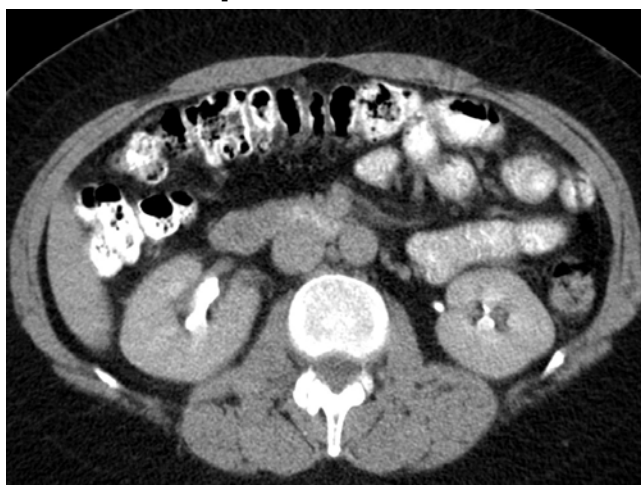


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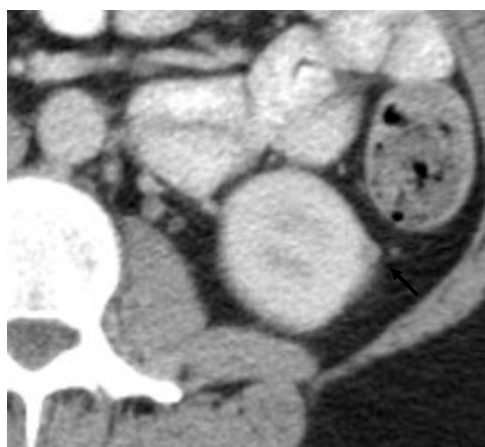
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**46 Year Old Female HLRCC Patient  
September 2006**



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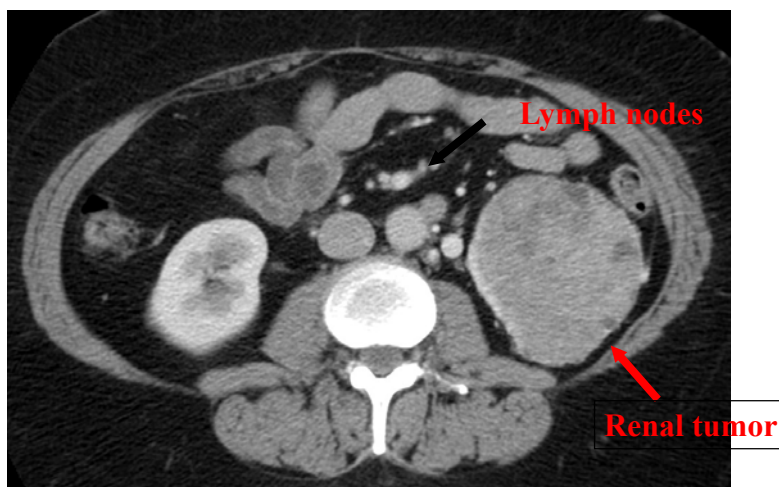
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**50 Year Old Female HLRCC Patient  
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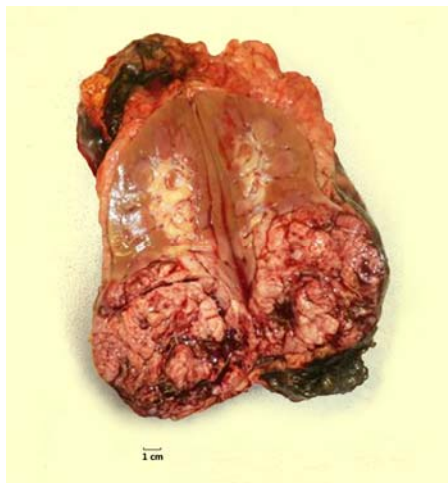
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**50 Year Old Female  
HLRCC Patient  
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Missense

## 50 Year Old Female HLRCC Patient

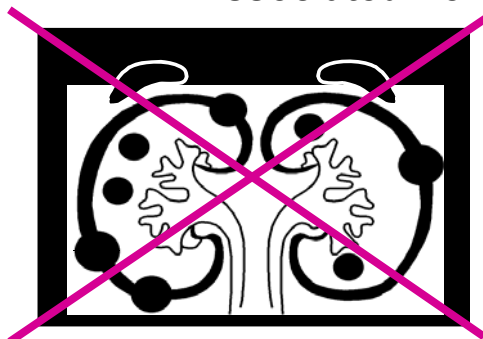


9 cm Type 2 Papillary  
Renal Cancer

10/59 lymph nodes positive

FH: T>G, NT 602, Leu201Arg, Exon 4, Missense

## Surgical Management of HLRCC-Associated Renal Carcinoma



“3 cm rule”

Delay surgery until  
diameter of largest  
renal tumor = 3 cm

Surgical management should **NOT** be delayed

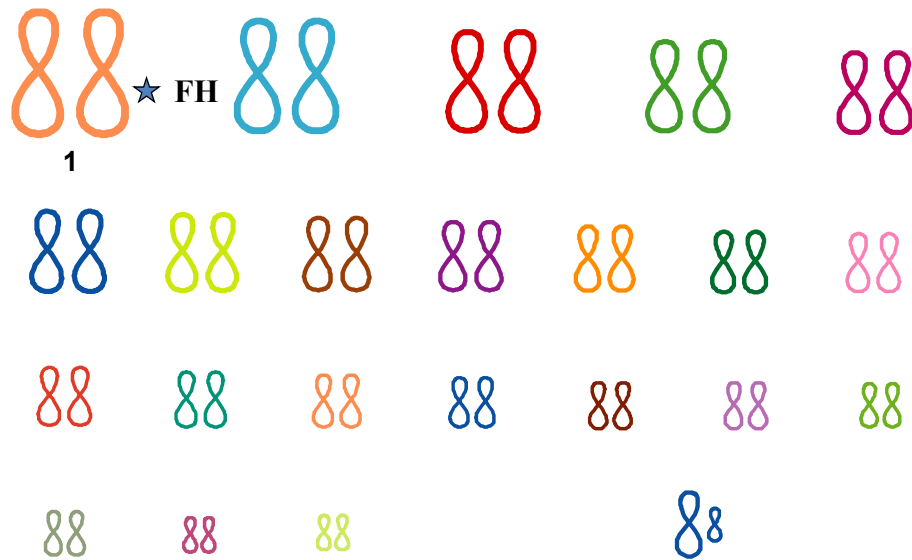
Wide Surgical Margins

Mostly Open Procedures

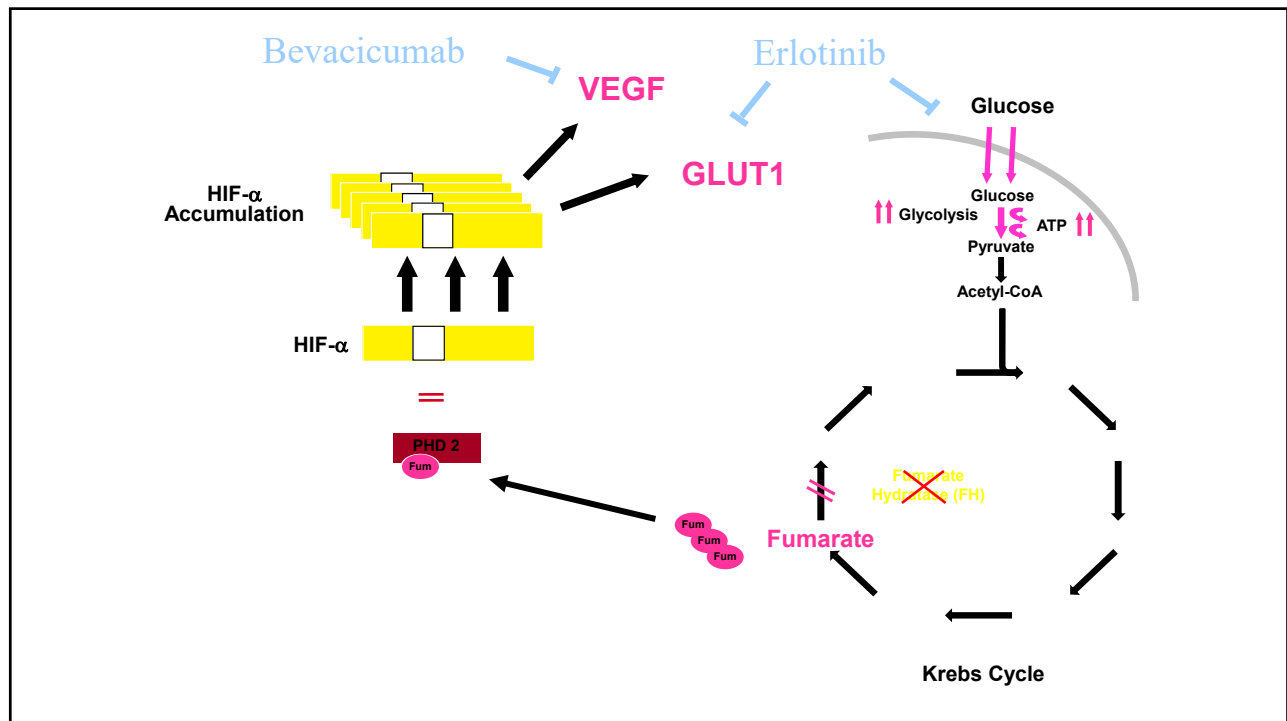
Can be bilateral and multifocal

Nature CPU 3:2007

J Urol 177:2007



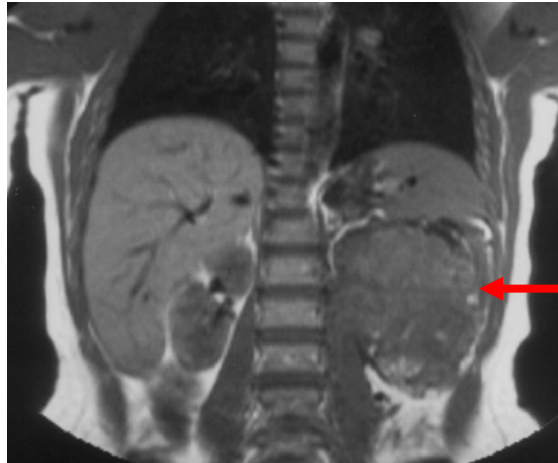
## Fumarate Hydratase Gene: HLRCC



## Locally Advanced Kidney Cancer

Surgery 4/21/87

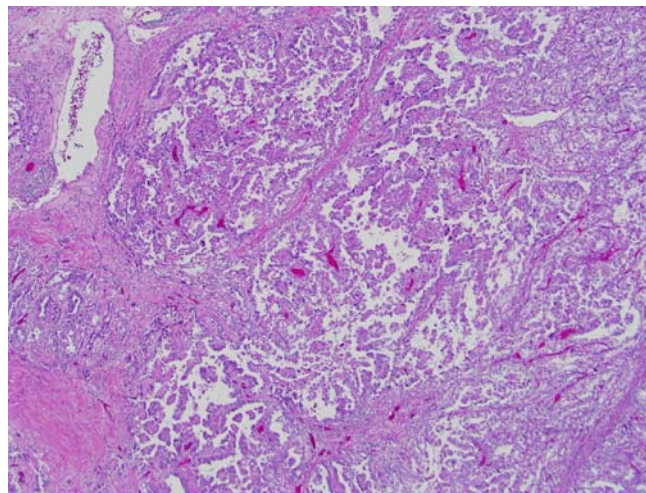
Died 1/08/88



11 cm  
T3A

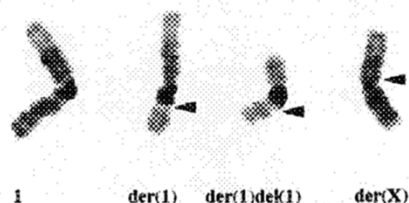
**21 Year Old Female**

## Locally Advanced Kidney Cancer



**“Papillary Kidney Cancer”**

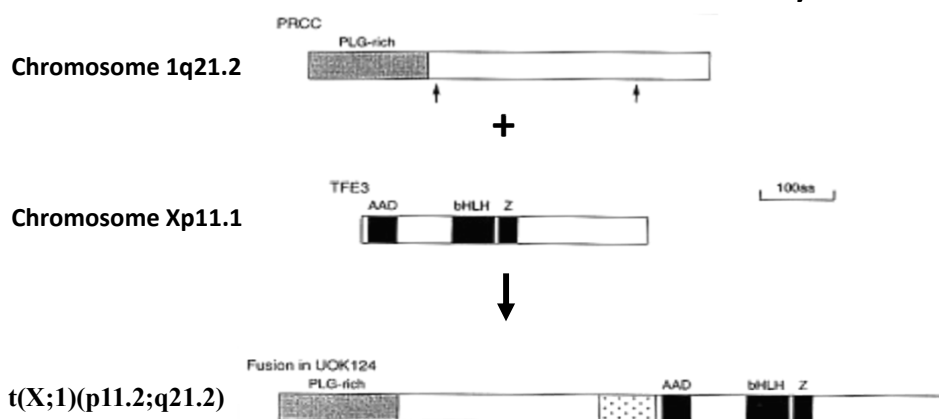
## Translocation Papillary Kidney Cancer



**Fig. 1.** Partial karyotype of the cell line UOK124 illustrating the rearrangements involving chromosomes X and 1. The karyotype contained a normal chromosome 1 but no normal X. The der(1) and the der(X) result from the  $t(X;1)(p11.2;q21.2)$  that is associated with papillary renal cell carcinoma and the  $der(1)del(1)(p31)t(X;1)(p11.2;q21.2)$  is thought to be derived by deletion following the duplication of the der(1) chromosome. The arrows indicate the position of the translocation breakpoints.

Cytogenet Cell Genet 71:1995

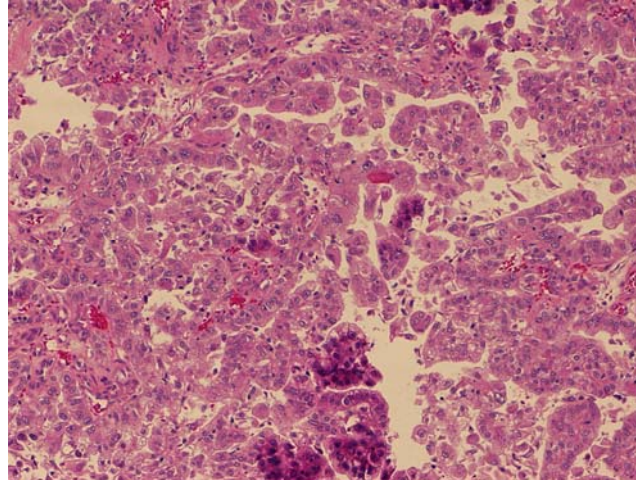
## TFE3 Kidney Cancer



Human Mol Genetics 5:1966

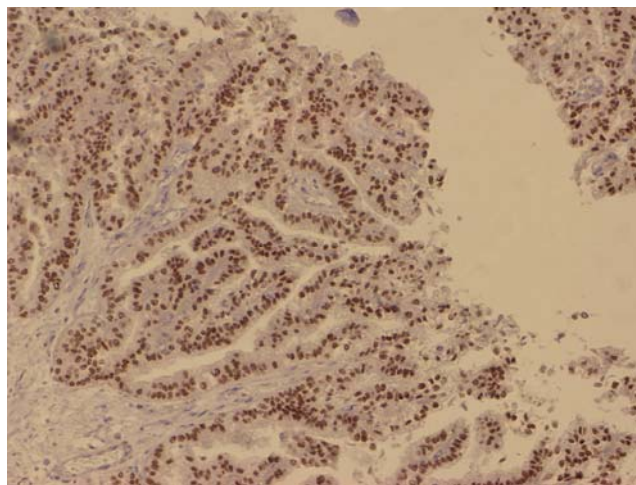


## TFE3 Kidney Cancer



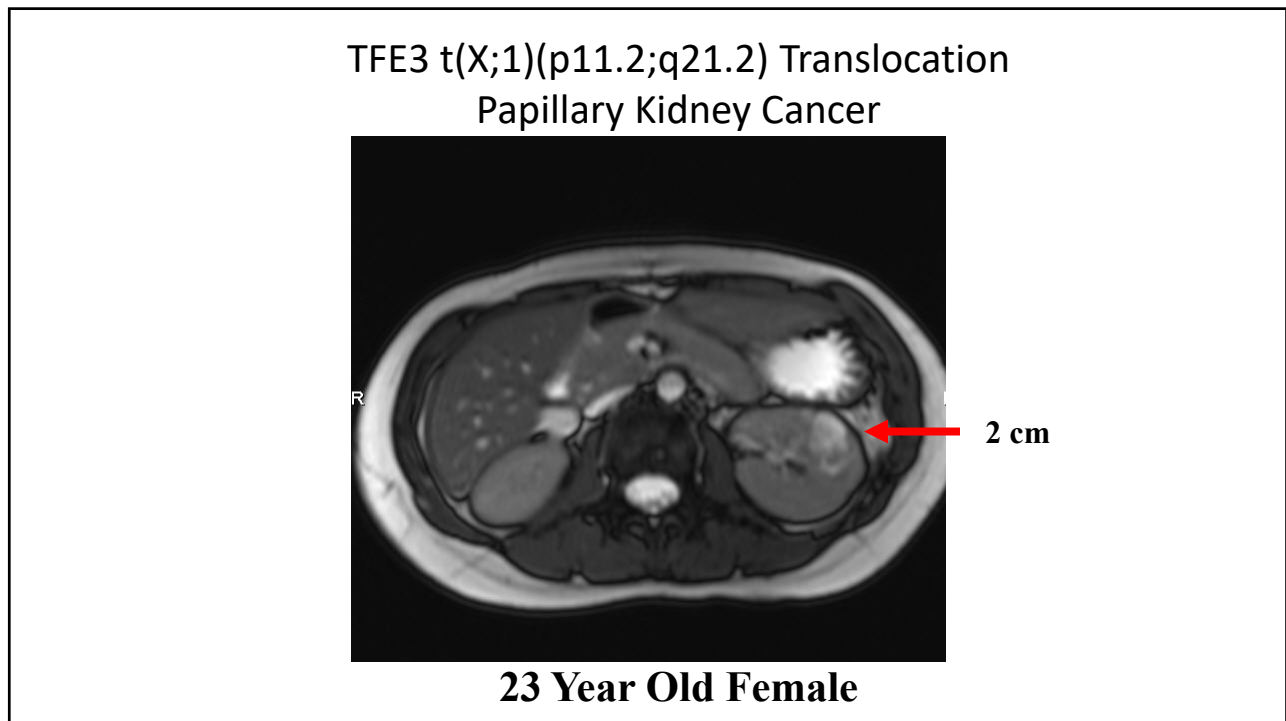
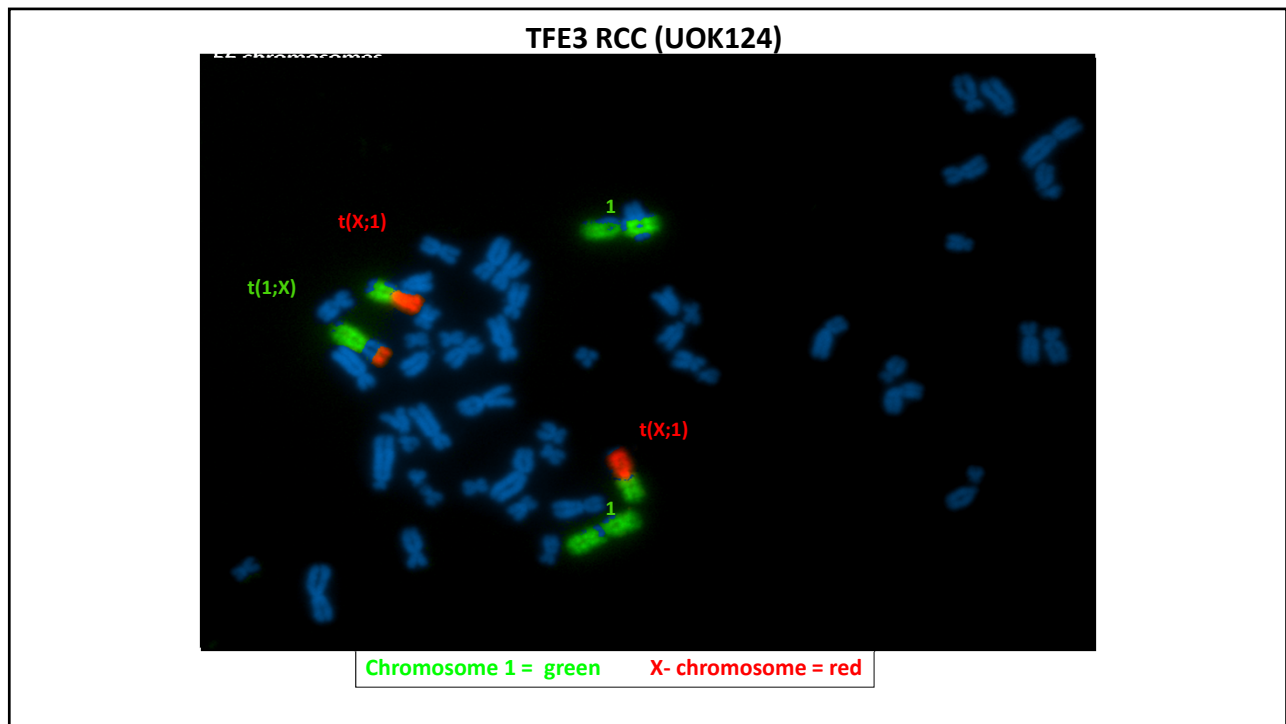
**Type 2 Papillary RCC**

## TFE3 Kidney Cancer

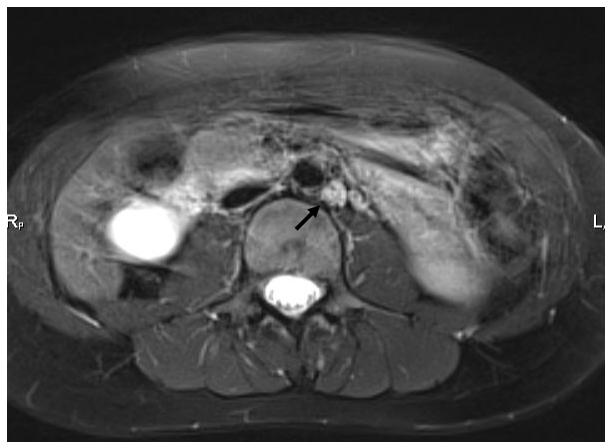


**TFE3 Immunohistochemistry**





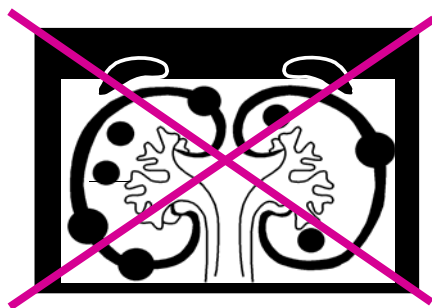
TFE3 t(X;1)(p11.2;q21.2) Translocation  
Papillary Kidney Cancer



**Positive  
Hilar node**

**23 Year Old Female**

**Surgical Management of  
TFE3/TFEB Renal Cell Carcinoma**



**"3 cm rule"**  
Delay surgery until  
diameter of largest  
renal tumor = 3 cm

**Surgical management should NOT be delayed**  
**Wide Surgical Margins**  
**May Need Open Procedures**

**TFE3 Translocation RCC  
12 Year Old Male**



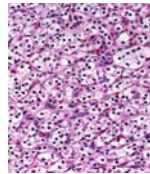
**42% of RCC in Children & Young Adults**

**TFE3/TFEB Papillary RCC**

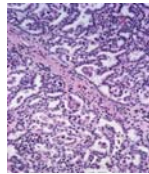
- **TFE3/TFEB Translocation kidney cancer**
  - **12% of Type 2 papillary RCC**
  - **Mean Age: 55 (37-71)**
  - **TFEB fusions found in patients 64 and 71 years of age**

N Engl J Med 143:2016

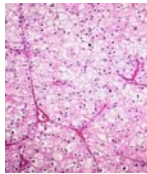
## Kidney Cancer Genes



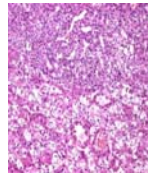
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*VHL, TCEB1, BAP1*



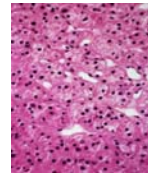
**Papillary Type 1**  
*MET*



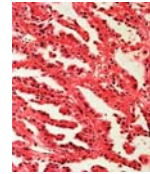
**Chromophobe**



**Hybrid**

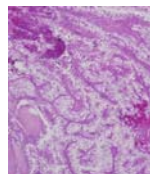


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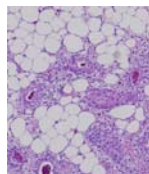


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*FH*

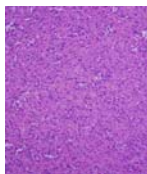
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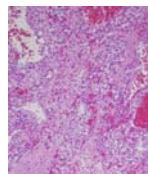
**Papillary Epithelioid**  
*TFE3, TFEB, MITF*



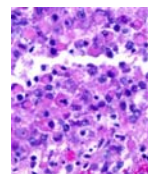
**Angiomyolipoma**  
*TSC1, TSC2*



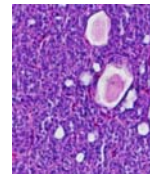
**Eosinophilic**  
*SDHB, SDHC, SDHD*



**Clear/Chromophobe**  
*PTEN*



**Medullary**  
*SMARCB1*



**MEST**  
*CDC73*



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## Decision Making During Complex Partial Nephrectomy: A Guidelines-Based Approach

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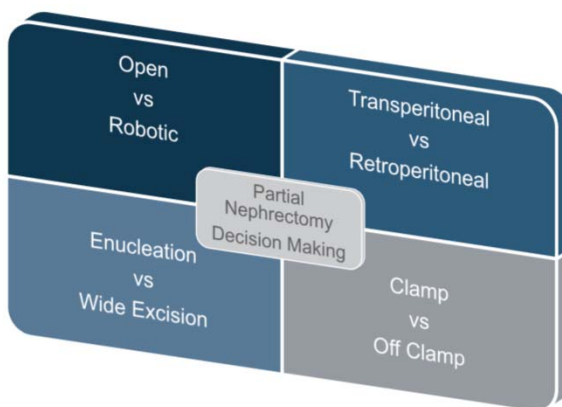
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## Outline

- When to perform partial nephrectomy
- Decision making during PN
  - Rubric
  - Cases



## *Choosing candidates for partial nephrectomy: a Goldilocks approach*





### When to operate



Too cold = Active Surveillance

#### Renal Mass and Localized Renal Cancer: AUA Guideline

- For patients with small renal masses, especially those <2cm, AS is an option for initial management.
- Physicians should prioritize AS when the anticipated risk of intervention or **competing risks of death outweigh the potential oncologic benefits** of active treatment. (Clinical Principle)

### When to operate



Too hot = Radical Nephrectomy

#### Renal Mass and Localized Renal Cancer: AUA Guideline

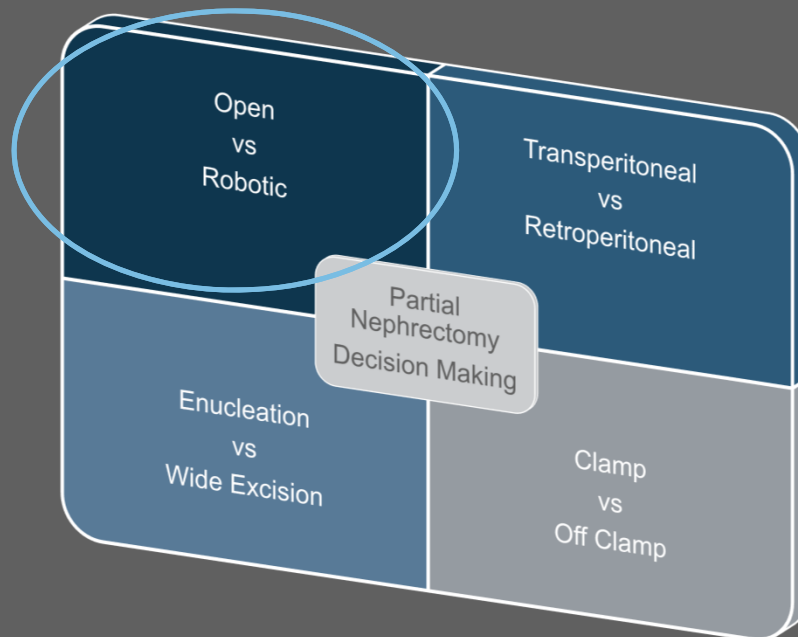
- Physicians should consider RN for patient where **increased oncologic potential** is suggested.
- RN is preferred if **all** of the following criteria are met:
  - 1) high tumor complexity and PN would be challenging even in experienced hands;
  - 2) no preexisting CKD or proteinuria; and
  - 3) normal contralateral kidney and new baseline eGFR will likely be greater than 45 ml/min/1.73m<sup>2</sup>.

## When to operate



### Just right = Partial Nephrectomy

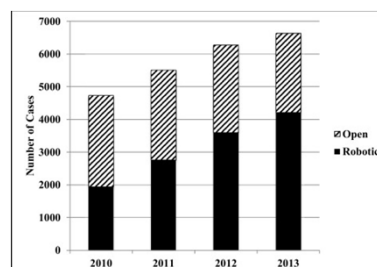
Anticipated oncologic benefits of intervention outweigh the risks of treatment and competing risks of death, physicians should recommend active treatment.



## Open versus Robotic

22. In patients undergoing surgical excision of a renal mass, a minimally invasive approach should be considered when it would not compromise oncologic, functional and perioperative outcomes. (Expert Opinion)

- Open surgery may be favored if:
  - 1. Surgeon experience and comfort \*\*\*
  - 2. Need for cold ischemia
  - 3. HLRCC/SDH Tumors
  - 4. Prior renal surgery (?)

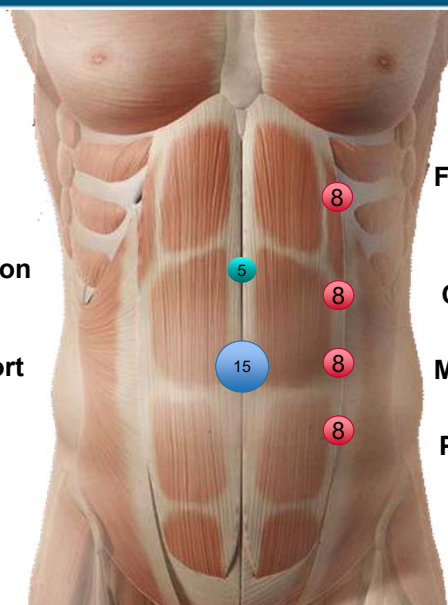


Alameddine, M et al.  
European Urology Focus, Volume 5, Issue 3, 482 - 487

## Left-Sided Port Placement

AirSeal Insufflation

Assistant Port



Fenestrated Bipolar

Camera

Monopolar Scissors

Prograsp

## Right-Sided Port Placement

Monopolar Scissors

Camera

Fenestrated Bipolar

Prograsp



Liver Retractor

AirSeal Insufflation

Assistant Port

## Operative Approach



Mini-flank incision  
Between 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Rib

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## Surgical Approach for Redo Surgery

- Traditionally, reoperative surgery was always done with an open approach.
- We are increasingly using robotics for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> time kidney surgeries.

## Reoperative Surgery



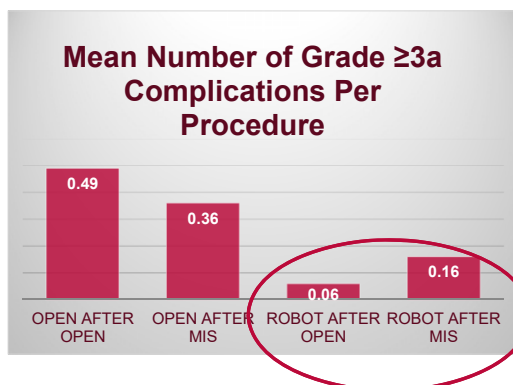


## Consideration for Robotic Redo Surgery

- Anatomy can be distorted – place a ureteral catheter
- Preserve Gerota's fascia
  - Open in Clamshell fashion
  - Suture close
- Ultrasound early and often – can identify ureter and hilum
- Approach hilum with caution if previously dissection.

## Reoperative Surgery

215 Redo PN at the NCI



In the well selected patient, robotic redo PN is as safe as open PN

### Factors Leading to More Complications

#### Univariate Analysis

Number of prior surgeries  
Final intended surgical approach

#### Multivariate Analysis

Final intended surgical approach  
( $p = .001$ , OR: 4.3)

Gurram et al GU ASCO 2020

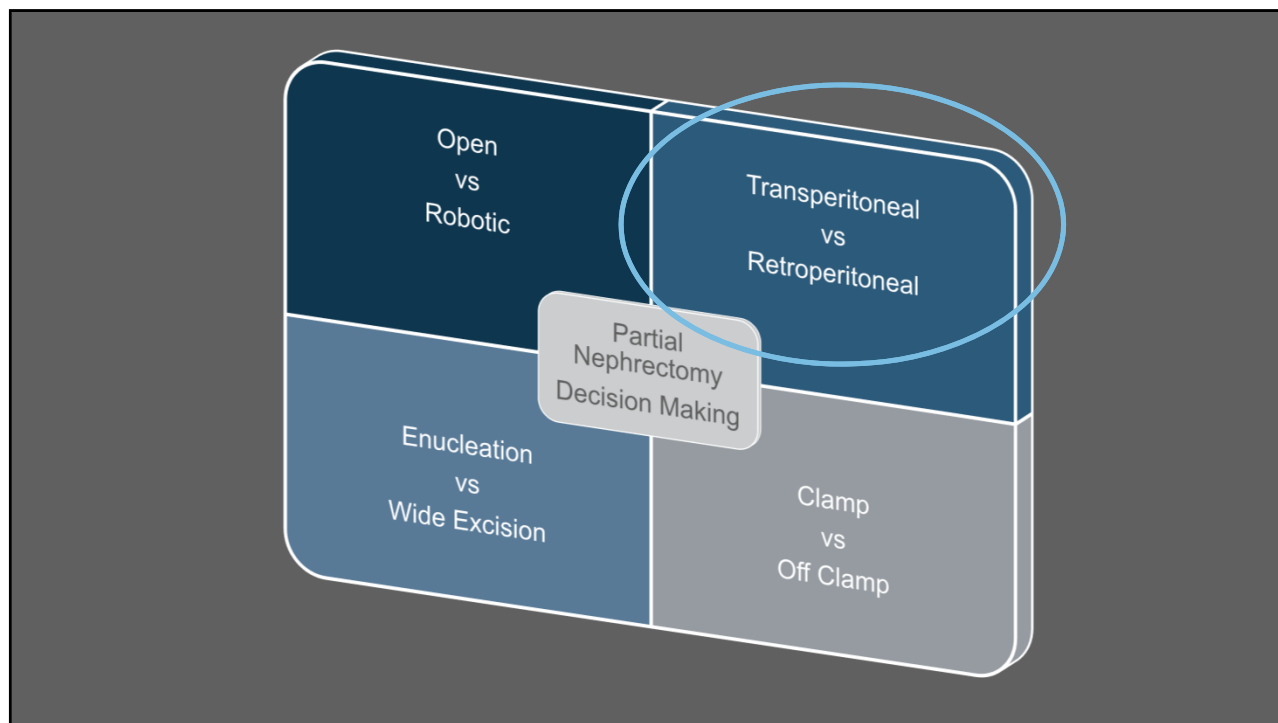


## Open versus robotic partial nephrectomy: Systematic review and meta-analysis of contemporary studies

Sheng-Han Tsai<sup>1,2†</sup> | Ping-Tao Tseng<sup>3,4†</sup> | Benjamin A. Sherer<sup>5</sup> | Yi-Chen Lai<sup>2,6</sup> |  
Pao-Yen Lin<sup>7,8</sup> | Ching-Kuan Wu<sup>3</sup> | Marshall L. Stoller<sup>5</sup> 

*Int J Med Robotics Comput Assist Surg.* 2019;15:e1963.

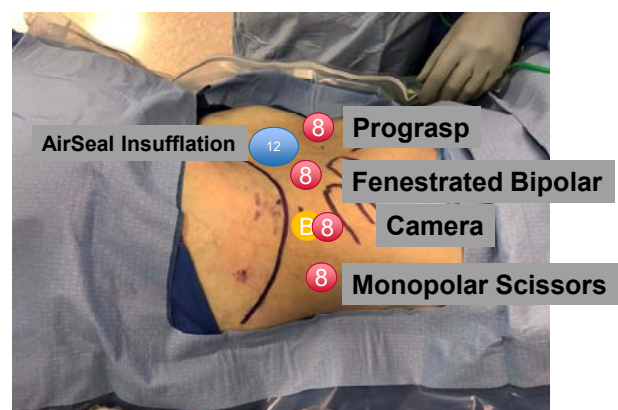
- 34 studies with 60,808 patients.
- Compared to open, robotic surgery had
  - less blood loss,
  - less transfusion,
  - longer operative time,
  - less postoperative complications,
  - lower readmission rate,
  - shorter length of stay, and
  - less estimated glomerular filtration rate (eGFR) decline



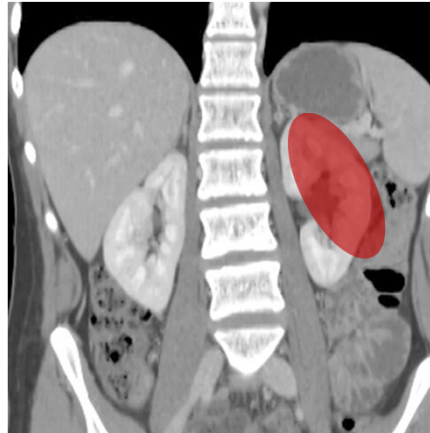
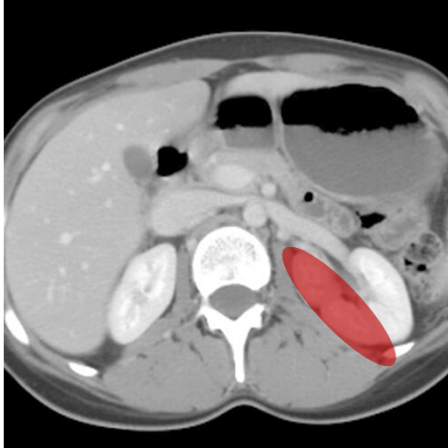
## Transperitoneal versus Retroperitoneal

- Transperitoneal = default option
  - Most familiar anatomy
  - More working space
- Retroperitoneal
  - Good for posterior tumors
  - No bowel manipulation
  - Quicker access to hilum
  - Can see the base of a posterior tumor better

## Retroperitoneal port placement



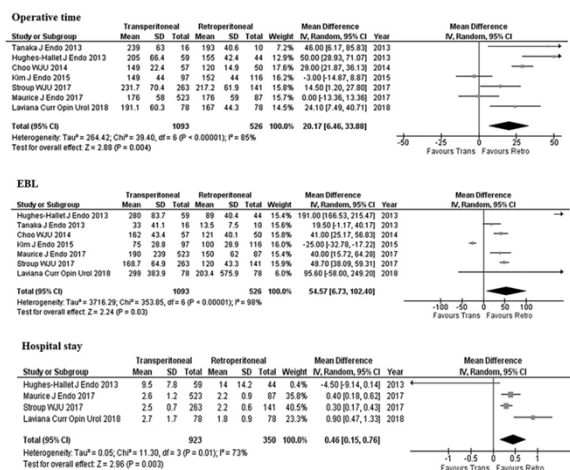
## Retroperitoneal Candidates

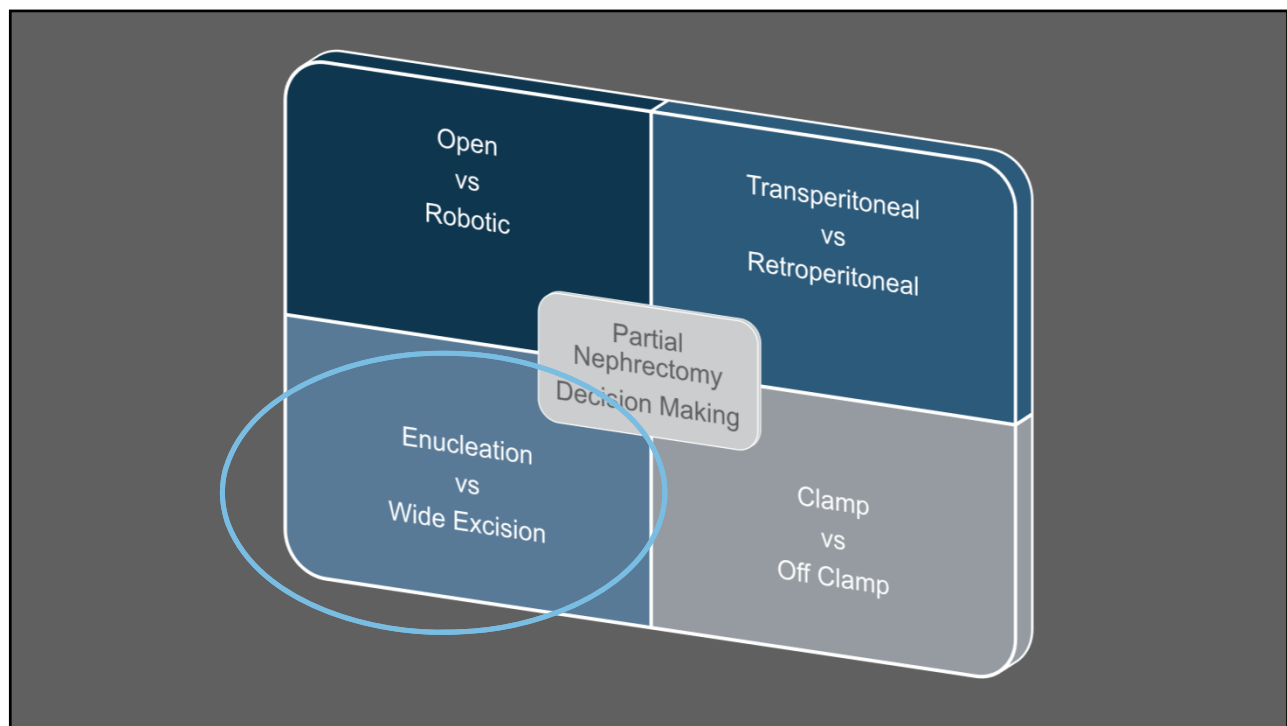



## Retroperitoneal Robotic Partial Nephrectomy: Systematic Review and Cumulative Analysis of Comparative Outcomes

JOURNAL OF ENDOUROLOGY  
Volume 32, Number 7, July 2018

- Seven retrospective case-control studies were identified and included in the analysis, with a total number of 1379 patients (866 for transperitoneal group; 513 for retroperitoneal group).





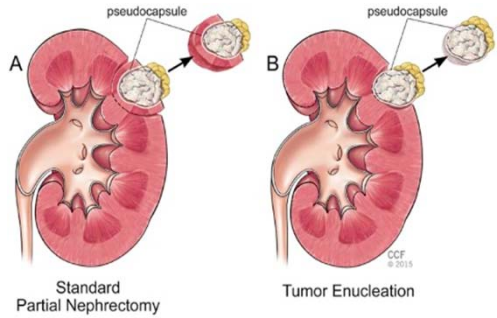


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## Partial Nephrectomy versus Tumor Enucleation

- **Benefits of tumor enucleation:**
  - Preserve more parenchyma
  - See the tumor – no guessing the depth of resection
  - Avoid collecting system entry
  - Even off clamp -> less blood loss
- **Candidates**
  - familial RCC, multifocal disease, or severe CKD
  - Unifocal sporadic – enucleation not necessary



A Standard Partial Nephrectomy

B Tumor Enucleation

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## Tumor enucleation

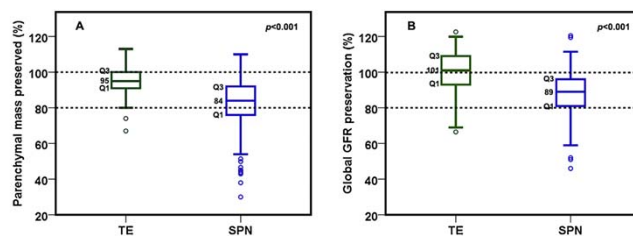
18. For patients undergoing PN, negative surgical margins should be a priority. The extent of normal parenchyma removed should be determined by surgeon discretion taking into account the clinical situation, tumor characteristics including growth pattern, and interface with normal tissue. Tumor enucleation should be considered in patients with familial RCC, multifocal disease, or severe CKD to optimize parenchymal mass preservation. **(Expert Opinion)**

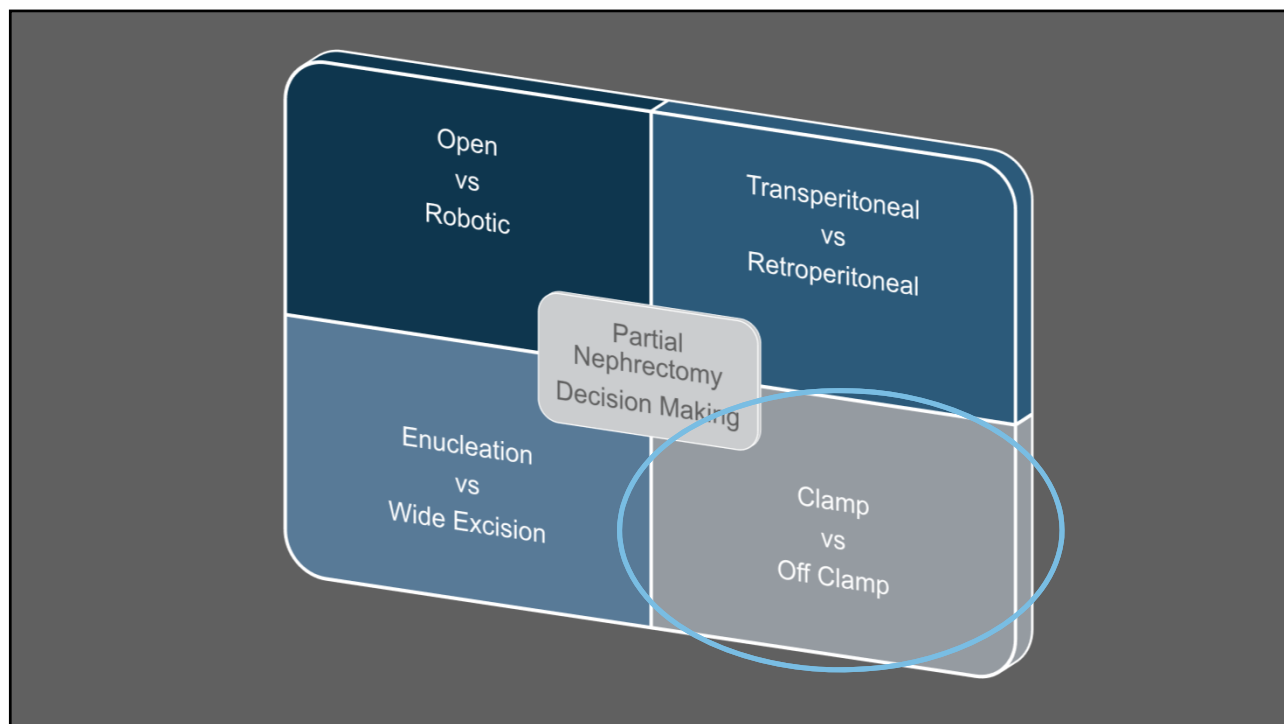
### Functional Comparison of Renal Tumor Enucleation Versus Standard Partial Nephrectomy

Wen Dong<sup>a,b,i</sup>, Gopal N. Gupta<sup>c,i</sup>, Robert H. Blackwell<sup>c</sup>, Jitao Wu<sup>a,d</sup>, Chalairat Suk-Ouichai<sup>a,e</sup>, Arpeet Shah<sup>c</sup>, Sarah E. Capodice<sup>c</sup>, Marcus L. Quek<sup>c</sup>, Elvis Caraballo Antonio<sup>a</sup>, Diego Aguilar Palacios<sup>a</sup>, Erick M. Remer<sup>a,f</sup>, Jianbo Li<sup>a,g</sup>, Joseph Zabell<sup>a</sup>, Sudhir Isharwal<sup>a</sup>, Steven C. Campbell<sup>a,\*</sup>

- 71 TE VS 373 PN cases.
- For TE, warm ischemia and zero ischemia were used in 51% and 49% of cases, respectively.
- For PN, warm ischemia and cold ischemia were used in 72% and 28% of patients, respectively.
- Positive margins were found in 8.5% of TE and 4.8% of PN patients ( $p = 0.2$ ).

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## Considerations for Off Clamp

- Indications
  - multiple tumors not amenable to extended warm ischemia
  - Solitary kidney
  - Existing CKD
  - Previous kidney surgery – scarred hilum
  - Planning for future kidney surgeries – prevent scarred hilum
- Enucleation



## Considerations for Off Clamp PN

- Enucleation > wide resection
- Have lap pad or bolster in the body for manual compression

## Impact of Renal Hilar Control on Outcomes of Robotic Partial Nephrectomy: Systematic Review and Cumulative Meta-analysis

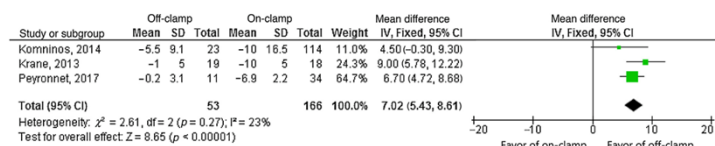
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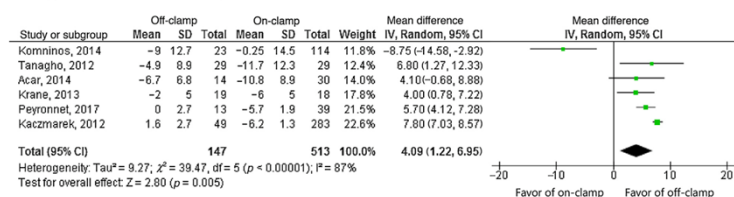
Off clamp versus on clamp:

Similar:  
Transfusion requirements  
Complications  
Positive surgical margins

B Short-term % eGFR decrease off-clamp RPN vs main artery on clamp RPN



D Long-term % eGFR decrease off-clamp RPN vs main artery on clamp RPN

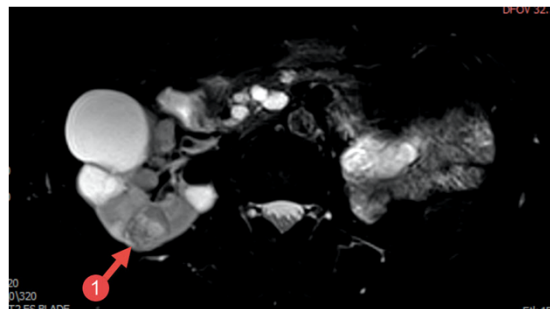
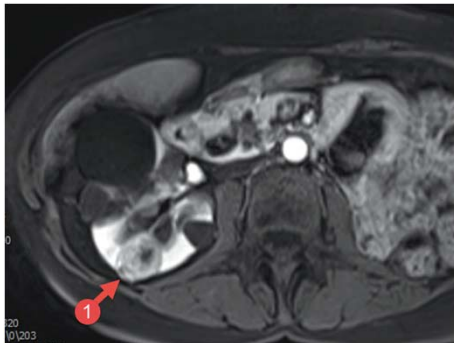


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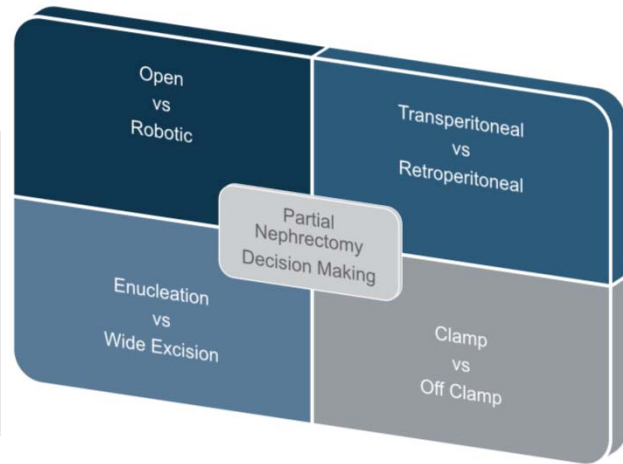
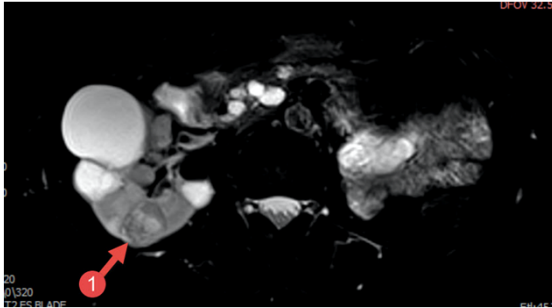
- My population – large percentage of either hereditary or non-hereditary but multifocal kidney tumors
  - Robotic off-clamp enucleation (mostly transperitoneal)
  - The combination of robotic, off clamp, enucleation → maximal preservation of renal function, while minimizing blood loss and complications

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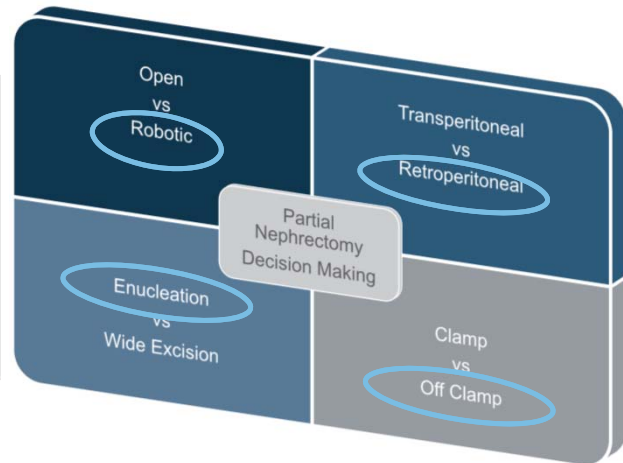
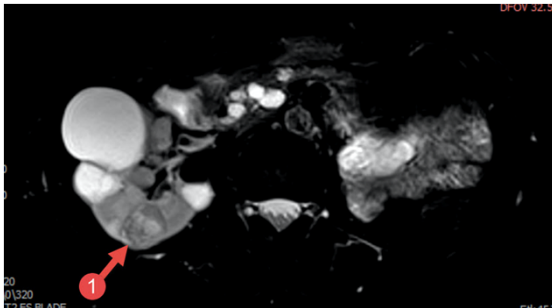
- Woman in her 60s, previous right PN, previous left RN
- Cr 1.6, eGFR 35



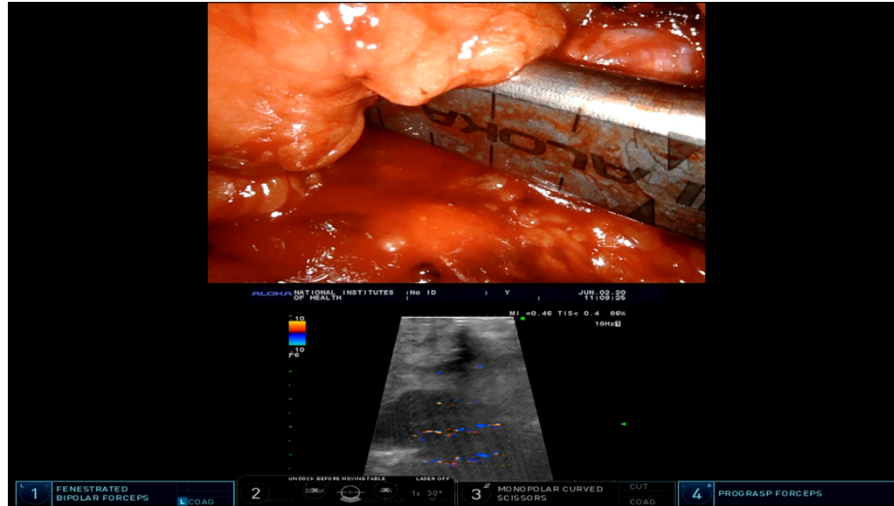
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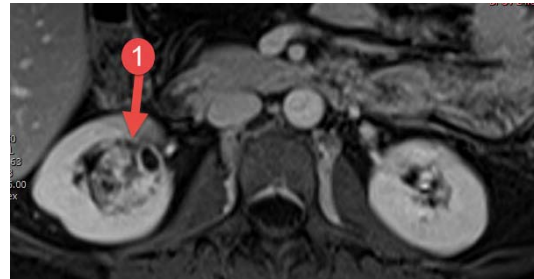
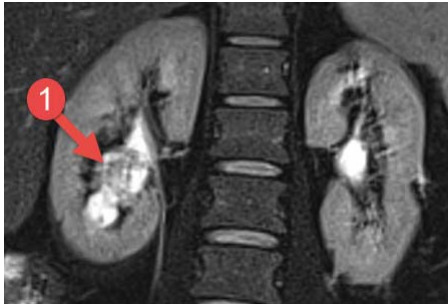


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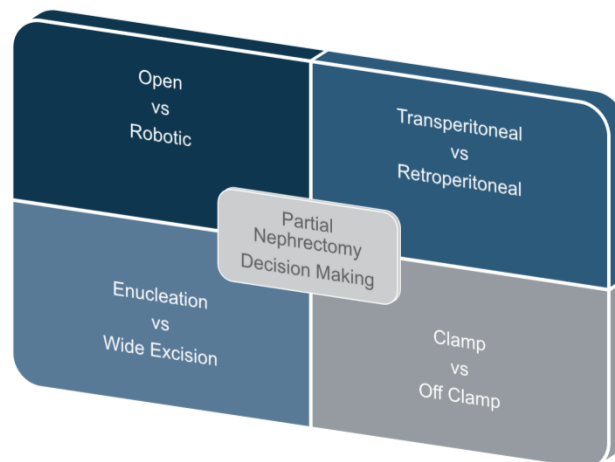
- Perioperative: WIT 0 min, EBL 100 cc
- Pathology: FG2, cRCC, negative margins
- Renal function: Cr 1.3, eGFR 43

## Case 2

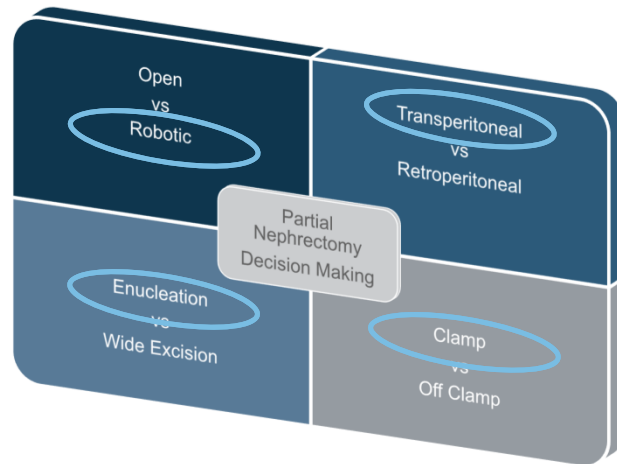
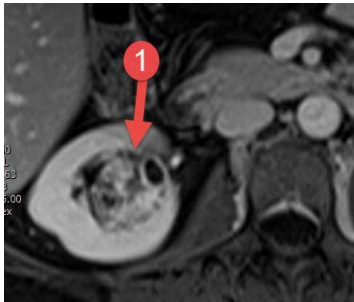
- 31-year-old woman with history of left partial nephrectomy
- Germline panel negative
- Cr 0.76, eGFR 100



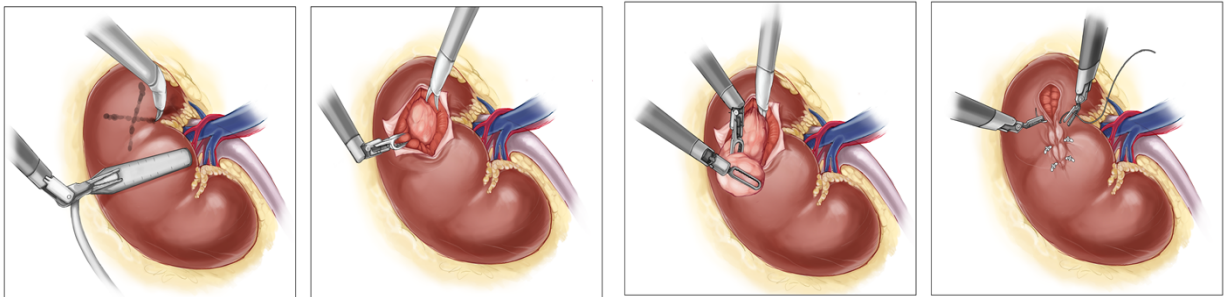
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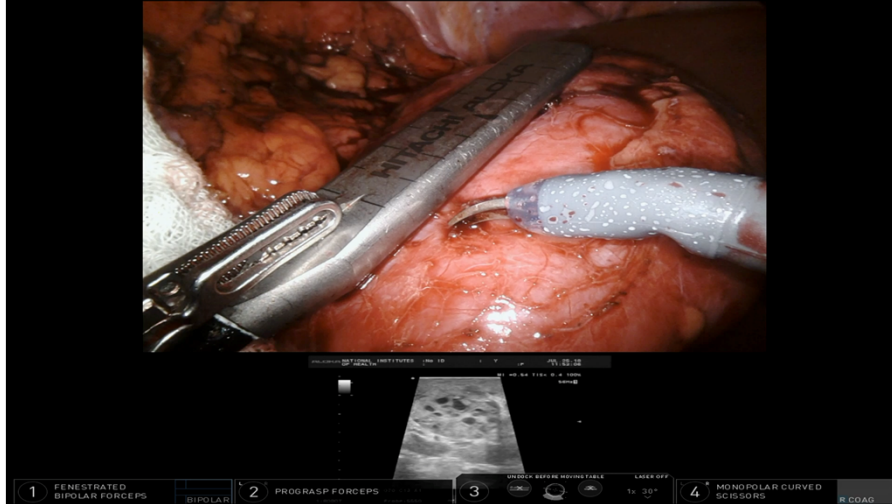
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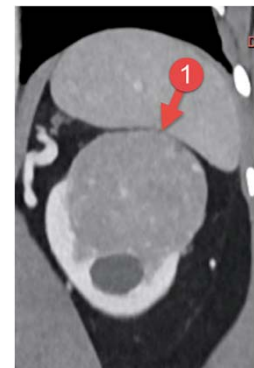
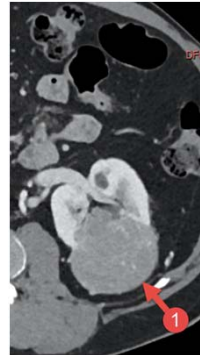


## Case 2 Outcomes

- Perioperative: WIT 19 min, EBL 55 cc
- Pathology: FG2, ccRCC, negative margin
- 12 month Cr: 0.78, eGFR 113
- No recurrent or de novo disease at 24 months.

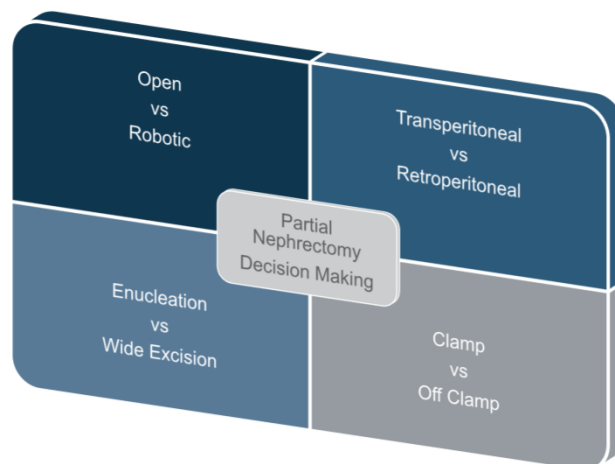
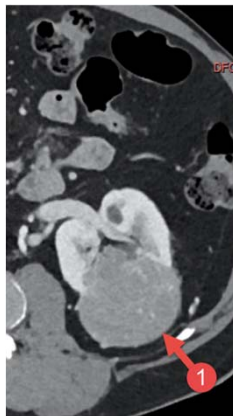
### Case 3

- 71-year-old man with bilateral masses, genetic work up negative
- Right biopsy: clear cell RCC, left not biopsied
- Cr 0.96 eGFR 79



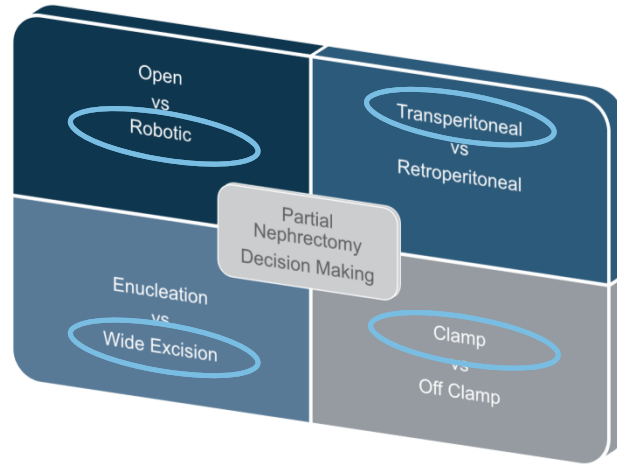
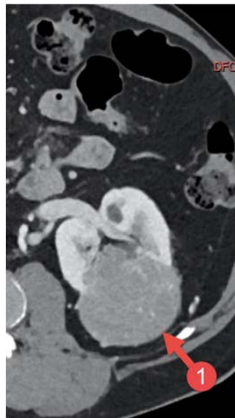
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- Left first – bigger, but higher chance of partial

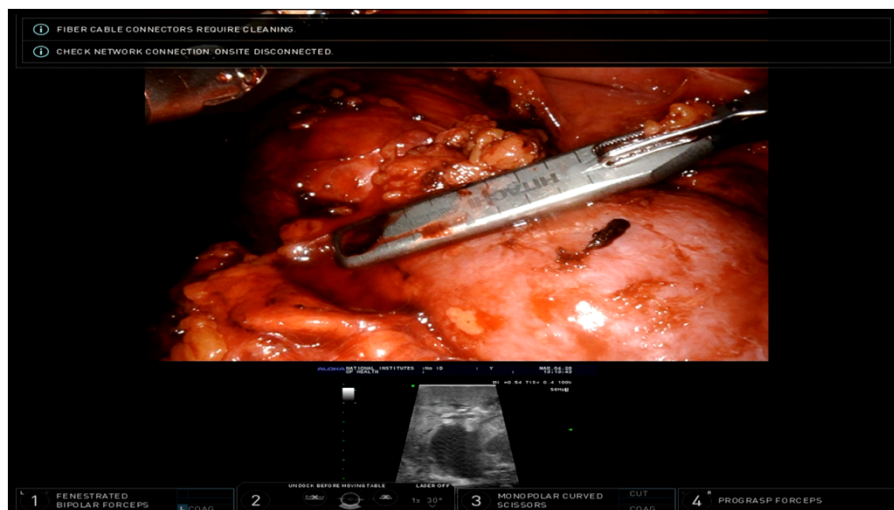


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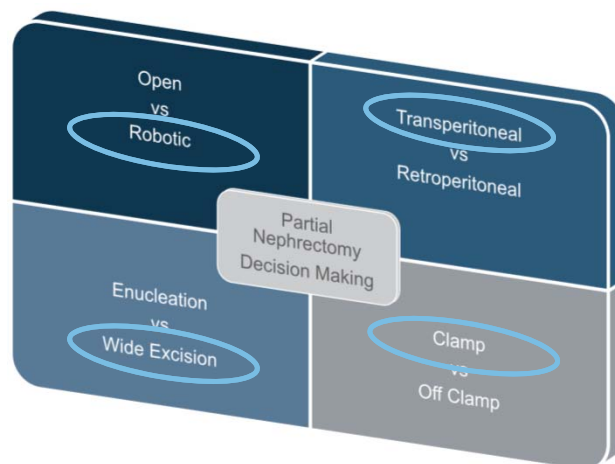
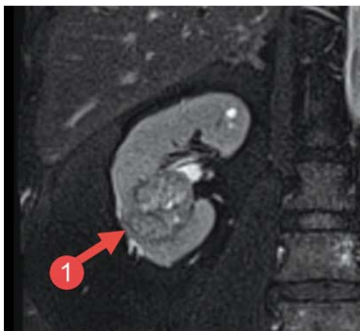


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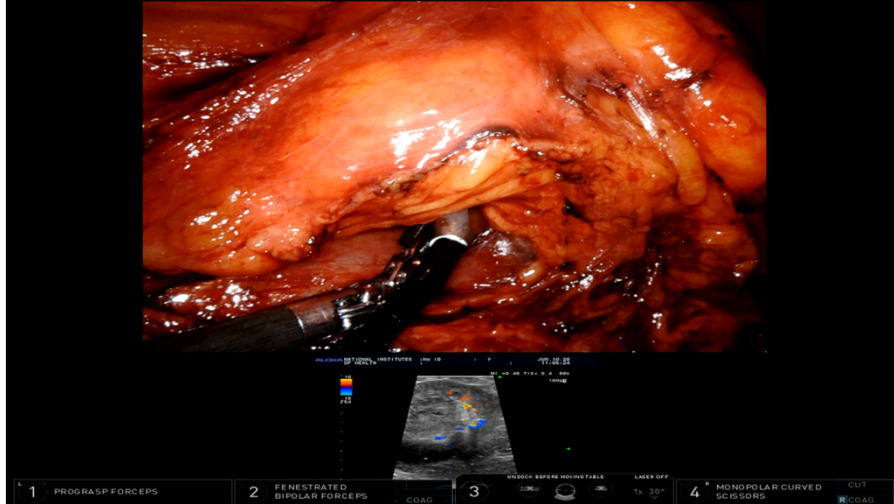
- Perioperative: WIT 29 min, EBL 350 cc
- Pathology: 8.5 cm chromophobe RCC, negative margin
- Discharge Cr 1.3, GFR 60

## Decision Making

- 6 weeks later – right side



## Case 3- Right



## Case 3 – Right Side



- Too hot = Radical Nephrectomy
- 3 cm FG 3 ccRCC invading sinus fat (pT3a), negative margins
- Discharge Cr 2.0, GFR 38



## Conclusion

- Decision to perform PN – weigh oncologic risk versus competing risks of surgery.
- Decision making during PN requires input of patient, tumor and surgeon factors.
- Being facile with each of the options give you more tools in the armamentarium ( $2^4 = 16$  surgical options).



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# HOW IMMUNOTHERAPY FITS IN THE TREATMENT ALGORITHM FOR PATIENTS WITH RENAL CELL CARCINOMA

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# Identify the drug target: block PD-1/PD-L1

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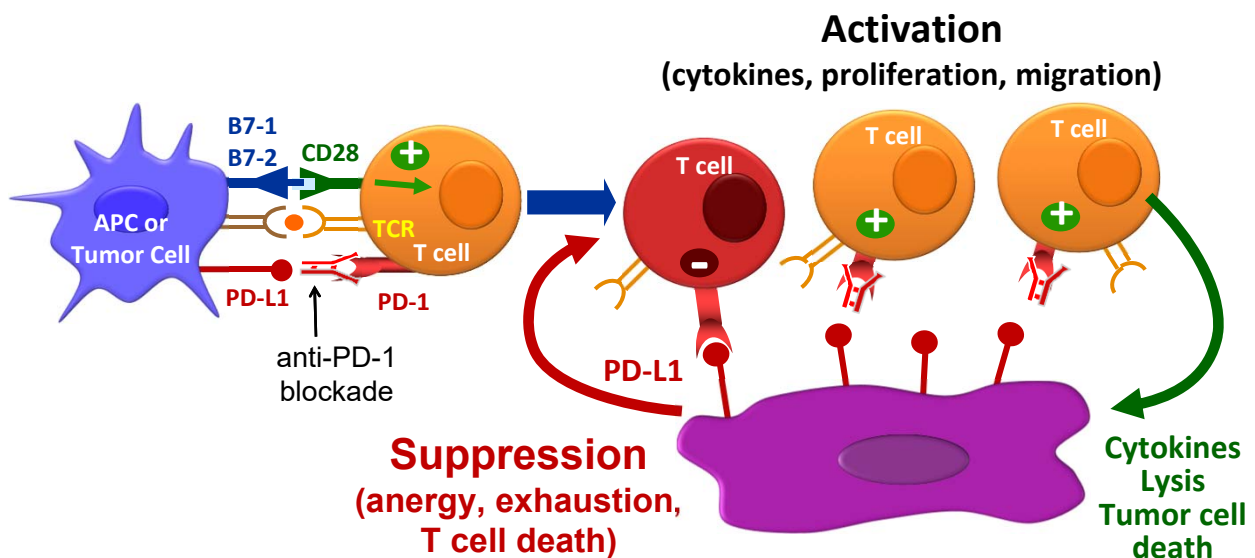
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## Anti-PD-1: Blocking T cell Suppression



Keir ME et al, *Annu Rev Immunol* 2008; Pardoll DM, *Nat Rev Cancer* 2012

## Kidney Cancer: Most Applied Sequence 2015

Setting	NCCN	Alternative
1st-Line Therapy	<b>VEGF Blockade</b> <b>PD-1 Blockade</b>	
2nd-Line Therapy		

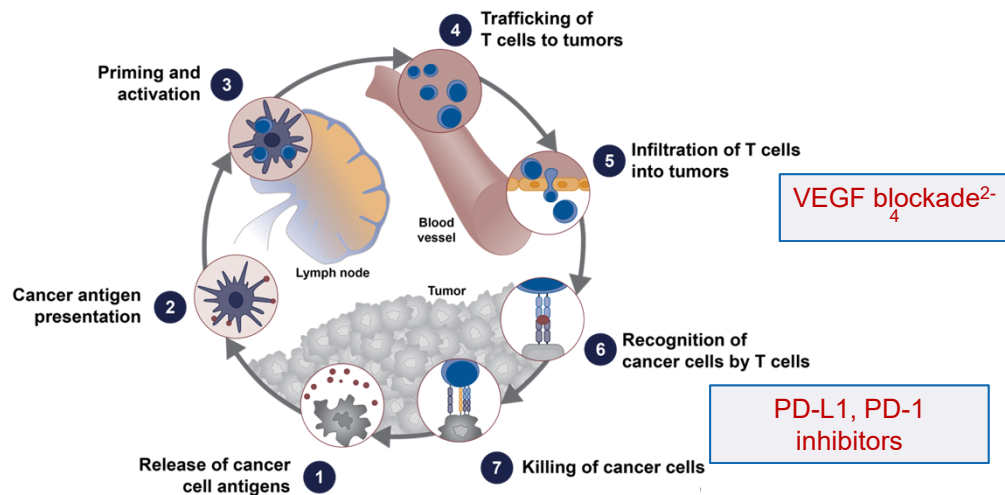
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Can we combine therapies  
to increase remissions?



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# Is VEGF Inhibition Synergistic With Anti-PD-1?<sup>1</sup>



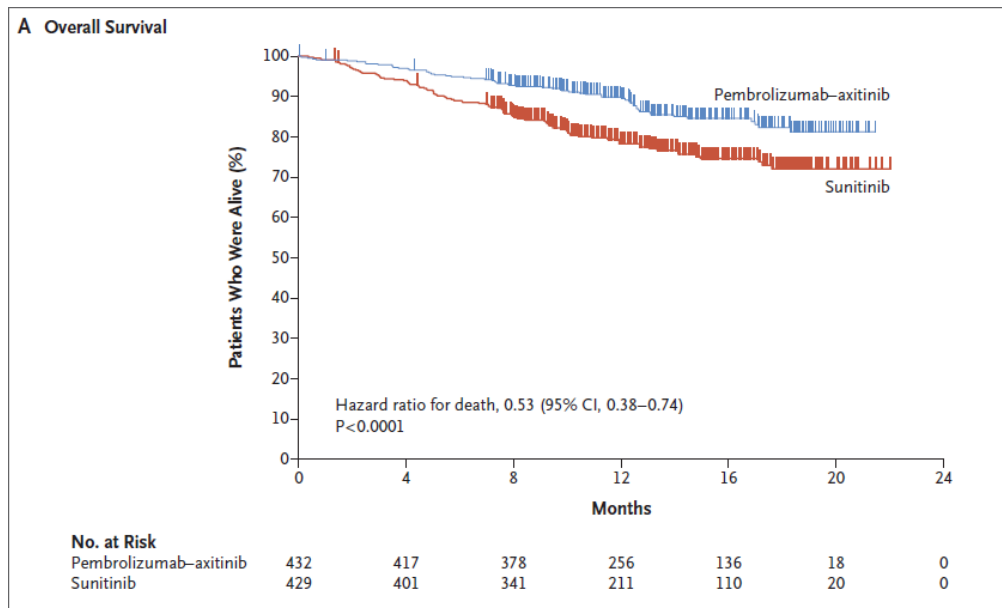
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## Fusion of First and Second-line Therapy

Setting	NCCN	Alternative
Treatment Naïve	<b>PD-1 + VEGF Blockade</b>	
3rd-Line Therapy		
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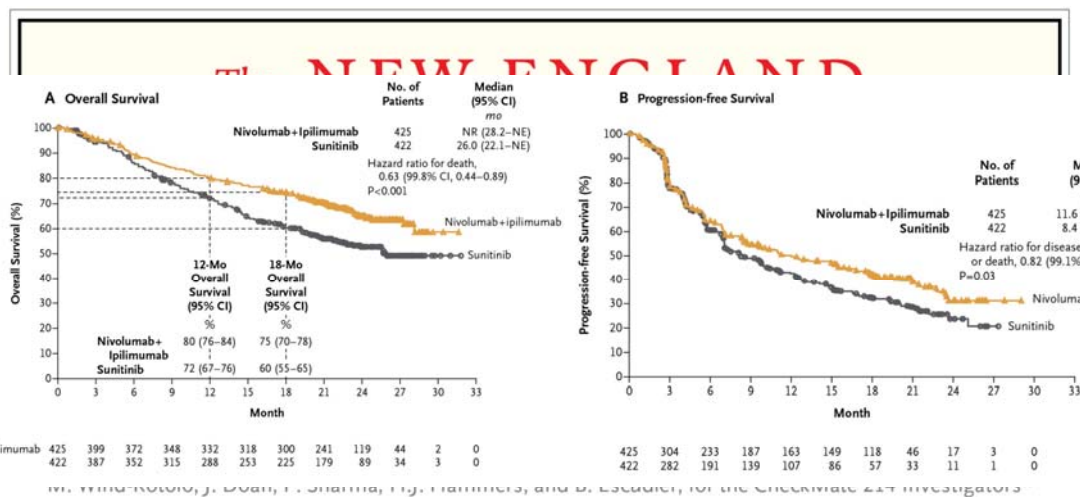
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## mRCC: Era of Front-Line Combination Therapy

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2nd-Line Therapy		





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## First-Line Phase 3 Trials in Advanced Kidney Cancer

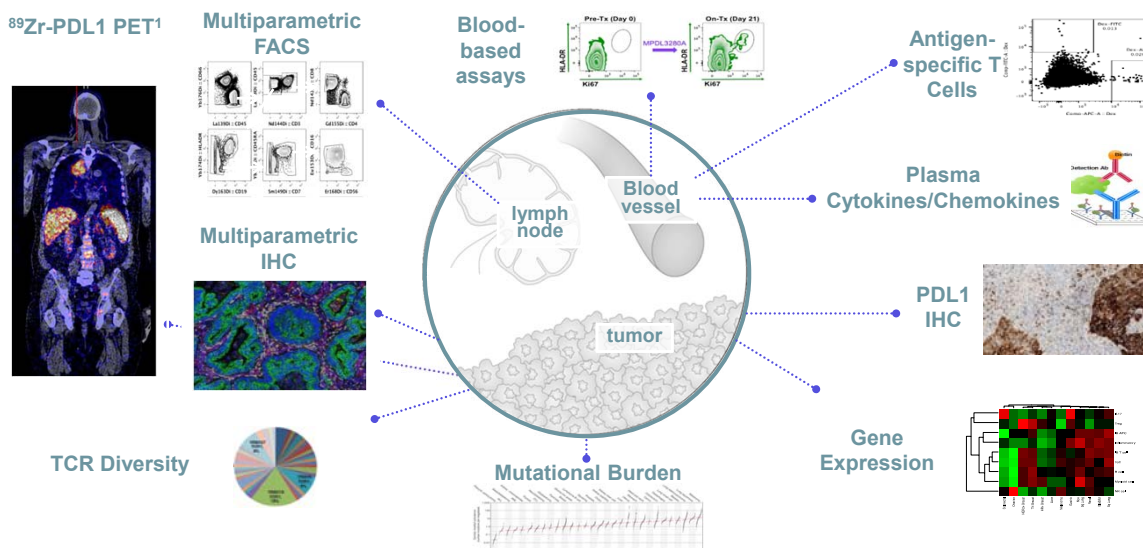
Control	Experimental Arm
Sunitinib	<b>Axitinib + avelumab</b>
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Sunitinib	<b>Nivolumab + cabozantinib</b>
Sunitinib	Lenvatinib + everolimus or lenvatinib + pembrolizumab
Sunitinib	<b>Axitinib + pembrolizumab</b>
Sunitinib	<b>Nivolumab + ipilimumab</b>

Should these approaches be applied to all patients?

# Making Remissions More Common in Solid Tumors

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## Comprehensive Biomarker Platform



Modified from Chen DS SITC 2015  
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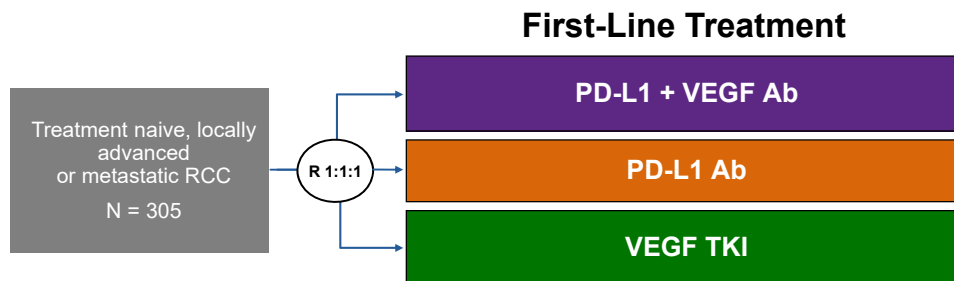
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## IMmotion150 Trial Design: Randomized P2



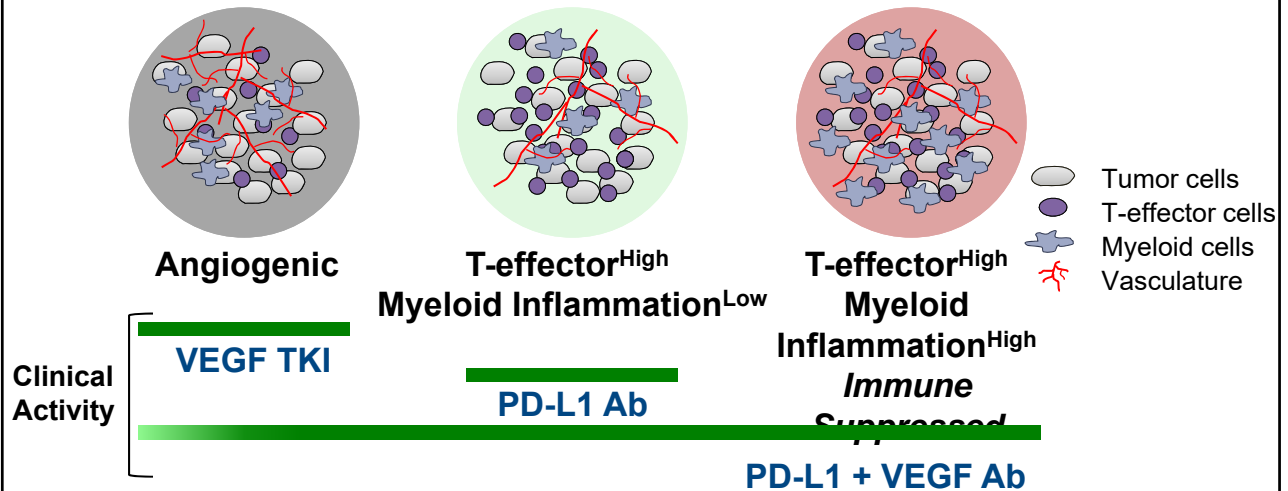
- IMmotion150 was designed to be **hypothesis generating** and inform the Phase III study IMmotion151
- **First Randomized Trial to:**
  - Explore **ICB** (atezo) + **Targeted Therapy** (bev)
  - Explore the **association between outcome** and **TME gene signatures**

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TME, tumor microenvironment; ICB, immune checkpoint blockade

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Rini et al, *Lancet* 2019

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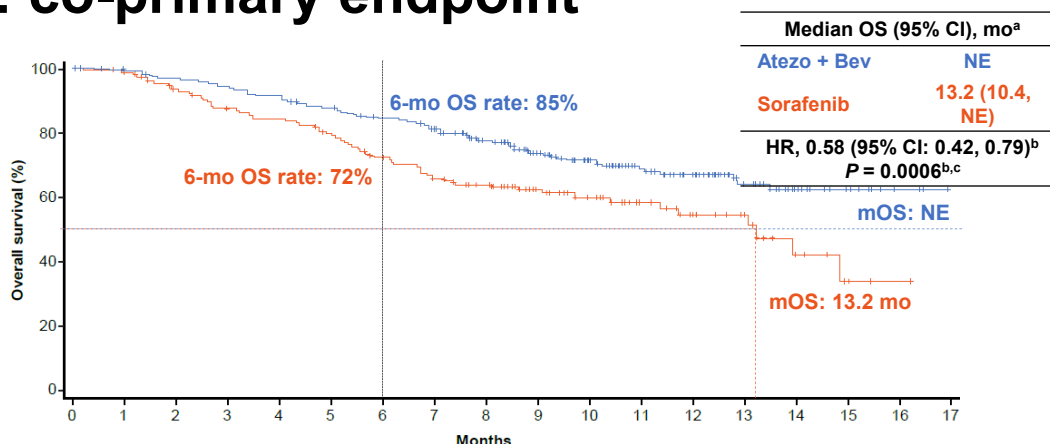
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## OS: co-primary endpoint



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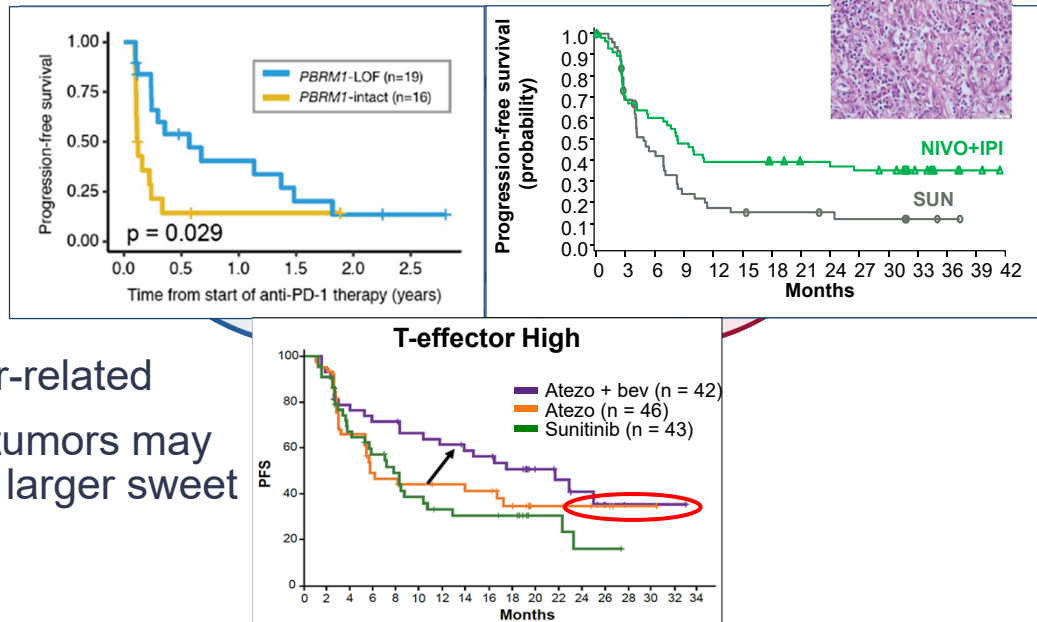
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## Biomarker Model



- All inter-related
- Some tumors may have a larger sweet spot

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## Phase 3 Trials Assessing Adjuvant Immunotherapy for High-Risk Localized RCC<sup>1</sup>

Treatment Arms	Primary Endpoint	Trial	ClinicalTrials.gov ID
Atezolizumab vs placebo	DFS	IMmotion010	NCT03024996
Pembrolizumab vs placebo	DFS	KEYNOTE-564	NCT03142334
Neoadjuvant nivolumab → surgery → adjuvant nivolumab vs observation	RFS	PROSPER RCC	NCT03055013
Nivolumab + ipilimumab vs placebo	DFS	CheckMate 914	NCT03138512
Durvalumab vs durvalumab + tremelimumab vs active surveillance	DFS and OS	RAMPART	NCT03288532

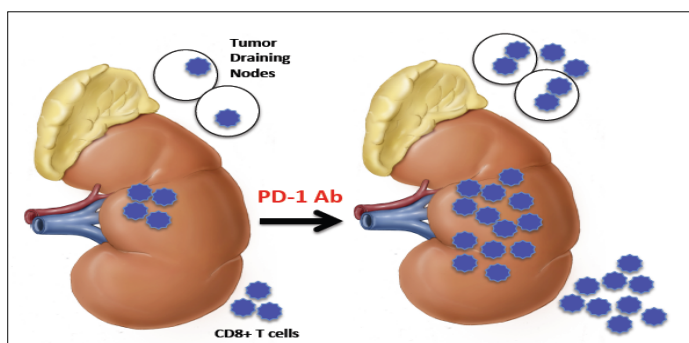


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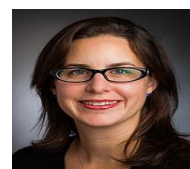
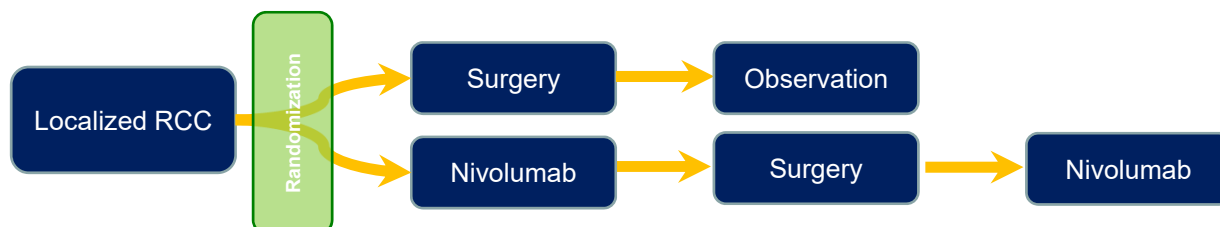


Harshman Cancer J 2014

- Ongoing but unsuccessful anti-tumor T cell response in the tumor, tumor microenvironment, and draining lymph nodes
- Post-PD-1 blockade anti-tumor CD8 T cells may preferentially expand in these areas → traffic to distant sites as memory cells → eradicate micrometastases
- Nephrectomy will remove the majority of these effector cells and cytokines potentially resulting in a less potent response
- We know nivolumab can work when there is tumor present; no idea if it does when there is little or no antigen

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## PROSPER RCC: Phase III Perioperative PD-1 Blockade



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## The Landscape of Novel Agents in RCC

Agent	Mechanism of Action	Results from Ongoing Early-Phase Studies
PT2977/MK-6482 <sup>1-3</sup>	Binds to HIF-2 $\alpha$ and prevents heterodimerization with HIF-1 $\beta$	N = 55; PR 24%, PFS 11 mo
NKTR-214 <sup>4</sup>	Pegylated IL-2	N = 26; ORR 46% (in combo with nivolumab)
TRC105 + axitinib <sup>5</sup>	Anti-Endoglin/anti-VEGFR	N = 150; mPFS 6.7 mo combo (HR 1.4 vs axi)

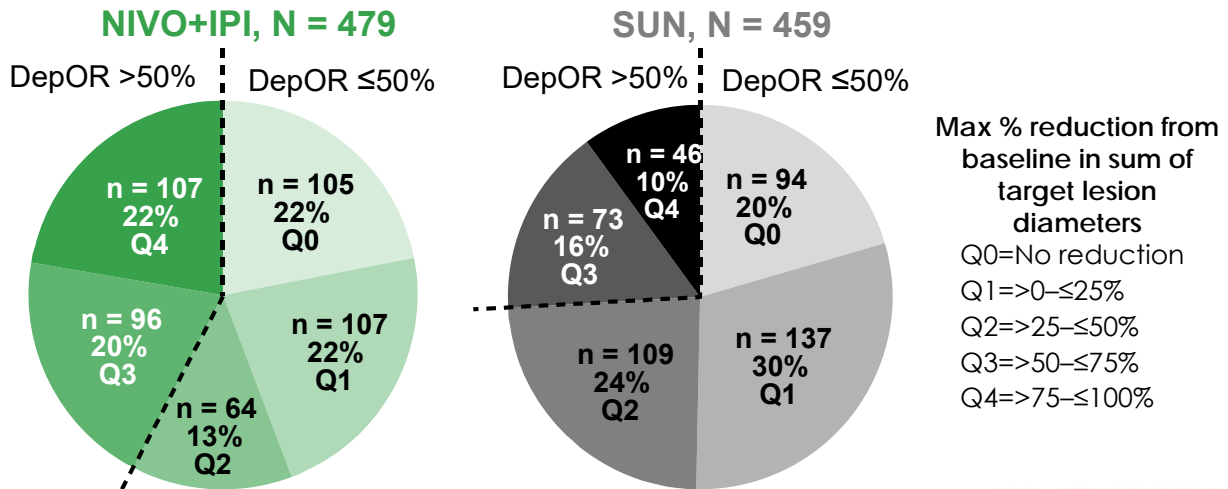
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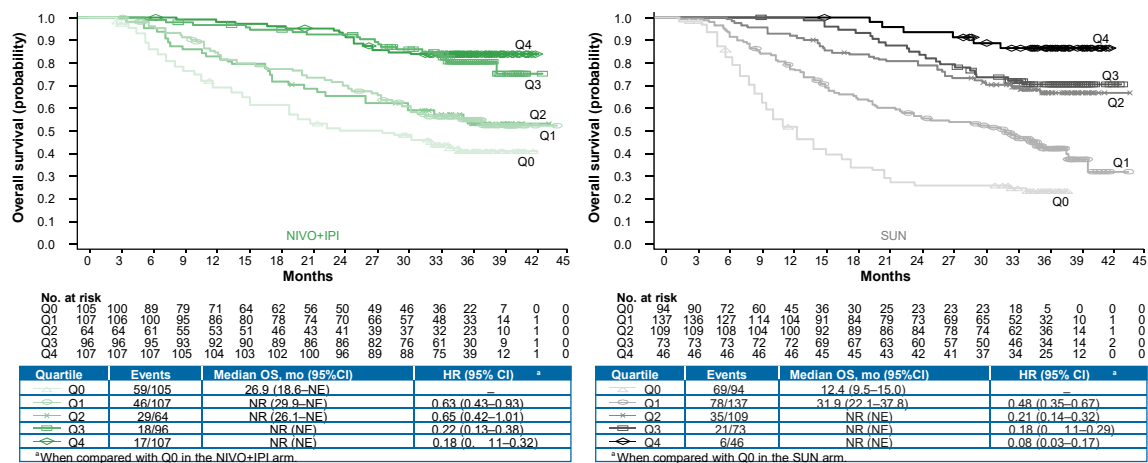
## Depth of Response: Proportion of Evaluable Patients by Quartile in ITT



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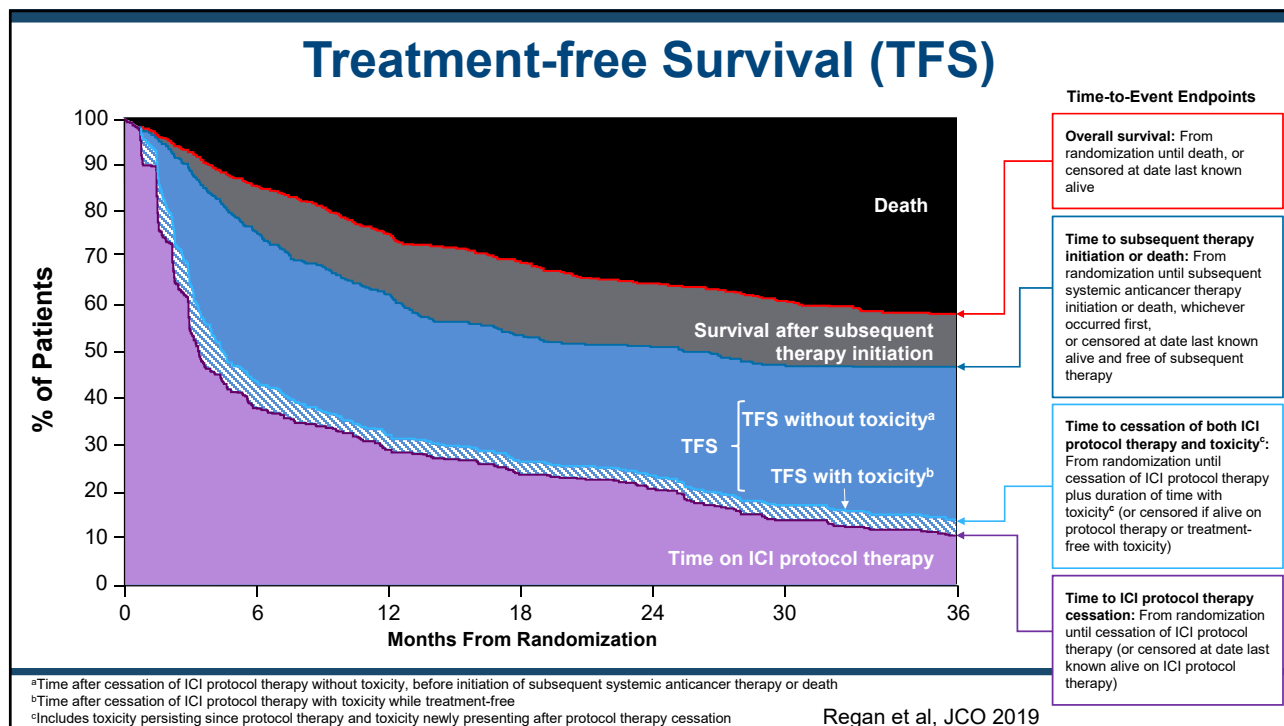
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## Depth of Response: Associated with improved Overall Survival



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Standard Therapy for mRCC: 2030		
Setting	NCCN	Alternative
1st-Line Therapy	<p style="color: red; text-align: center; font-size: 1.5em;">Treatment based on TME Profile</p> <p style="color: red; text-align: center; font-size: 2em;">Not Necessary</p>	
2nd-Line Therapy		

**HOW WILL YOU SEQUENCE NOW?**  
 Personalizing Care Along the RCC Treatment Continuum When There Are Many Options

TME indicates tumor microenvironment.  
 Smyth MJ, et al. *Nat Rev Clin Oncol*. 2016;13(3):143-158.


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## Making Remissions More Common in Kidney Cancer

- Patient Selection
- Trial Design
- Novel Endpoints
- Novel Targets



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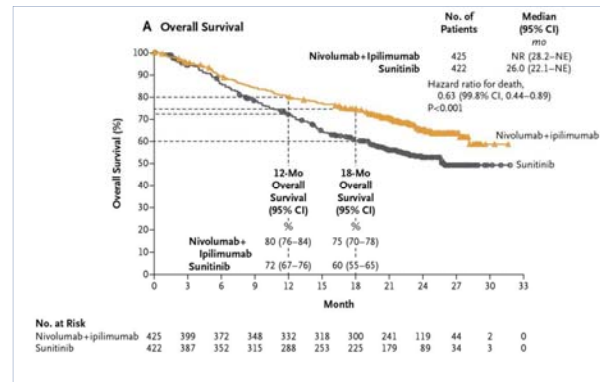
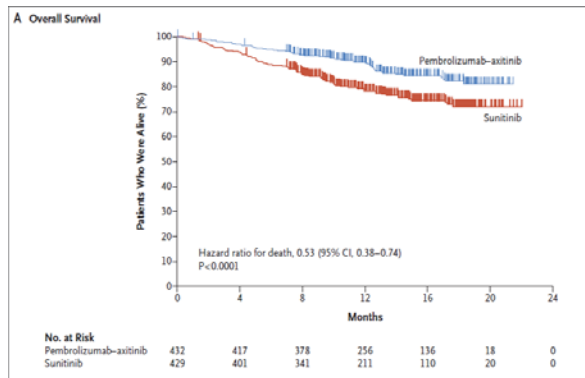
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## Front Line Therapy: Advanced Clear Cell RCC

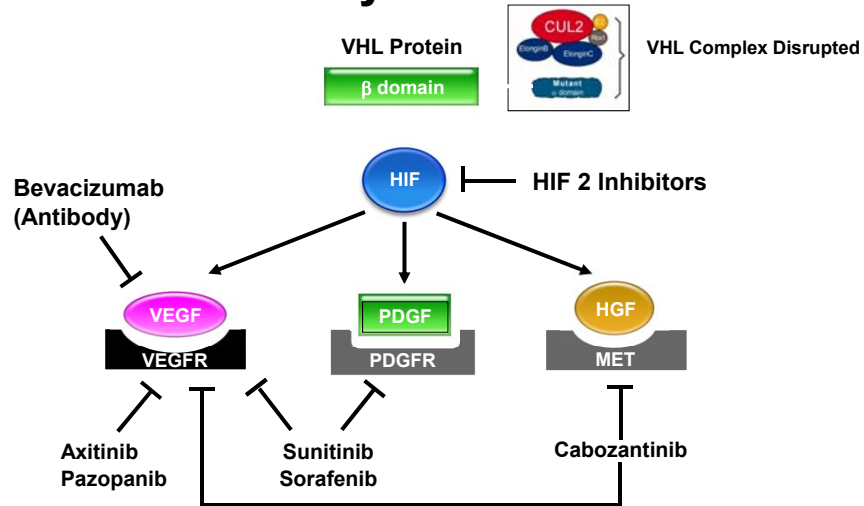


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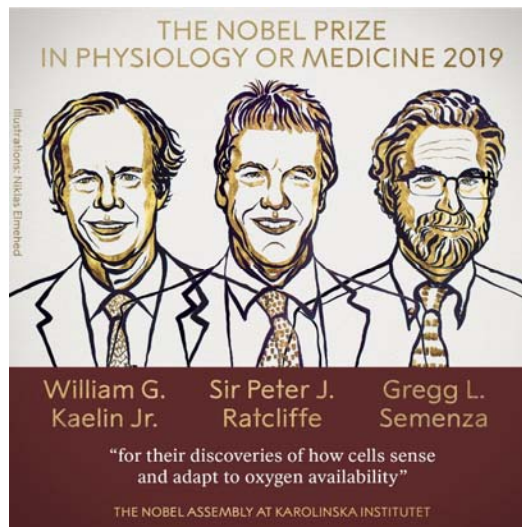
## Advanced Clear Cell RCC: Options Beyond ICI and VEGFR TKIs

- Cabozantinib, Lenvatinib plus Everolimus
- Other VEGFR TKIs/ICI/Combinations not previously used
- Choices based on studies in patients who had failed antiangiogenic therapy
- No phase 3 randomized studies in patients who have progressed on ICI/ICI-based combinations
- Novel approaches needed

## Targeting the VHL Pathway



## Targeting HIF 2- $\alpha$ in Clear Cell RCC



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ARTICLE

### The contribution of VHL substrate binding and HIF1- $\alpha$ to the phenotype of VHL loss in renal cell carcinoma

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ARTICLE

### Inhibition of HIF is necessary for tumor suppression by the von Hippel-Lindau protein

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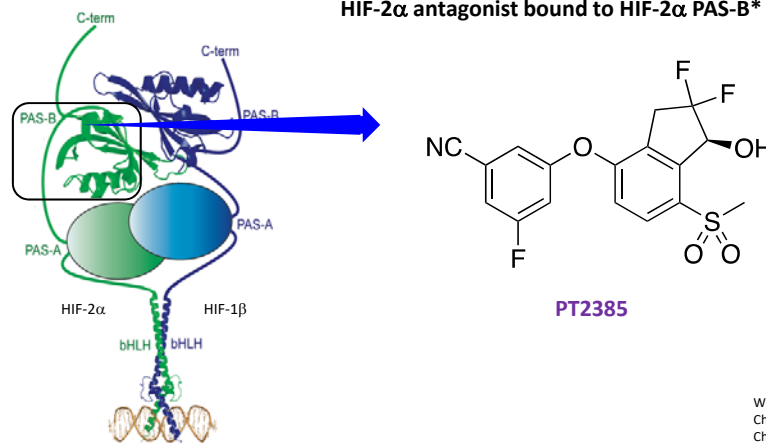
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## Development of Small Molecule HIF2- $\alpha$ Inhibitor

HIF-2 $\alpha$  antagonist bound to HIF-2 $\alpha$  PAS-B\* domain



Wallace et al. *Cancer Res* **2016**, 76:5491  
Cho et al. *Nature* **2016**, 539:107  
Chen et al. *Nature* **2016**, 539:112  
Courtney et al. *J Clin Oncol* **2018**

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## HIF2 $\alpha$ Inhibitor- PT2385: 1st Generation HIF-2 $\alpha$ Inhibitor

- N = 26 in dose escalation at doses of 100-1800 mg PO BID
- N = 25 in expansion at 800 mg PO BID
- Median prior therapies: 4
- Anemia most common adverse event
- ORR: CR 2%; PR 12%; SD 52%
- High variability in drug levels among patients

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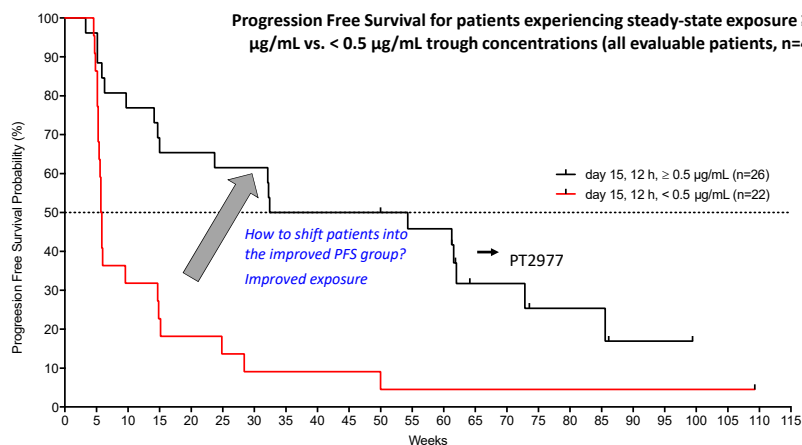
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Phase I Dose-Escalation Trial of PT2385, a First-in-Class Hypoxia-Inducible Factor-2 $\alpha$  Antagonist in Patients With Previously Treated Advanced Clear Cell Renal Cell Carcinoma

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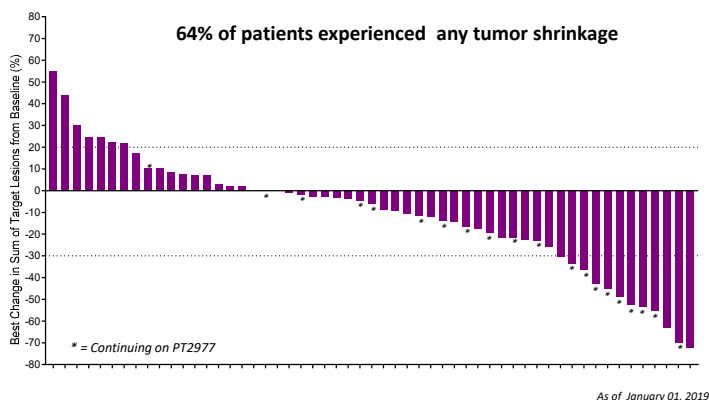
Sustained HIF-2 $\alpha$  target engagement is necessary to achieve clinically meaningful benefit



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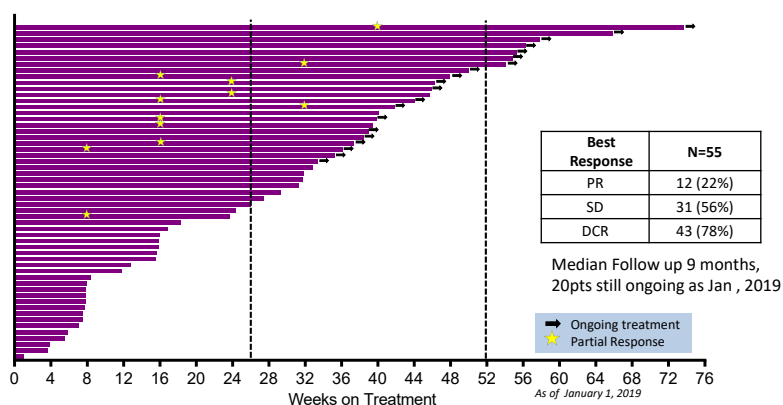


## HIF2 $\alpha$ Inhibitor- PT2977/MK-6482: Phase 1/2 study in RCC- Best Change in Tumor Size



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## HIF2 $\alpha$ - PT2977/MK-6482: Duration of Treatment



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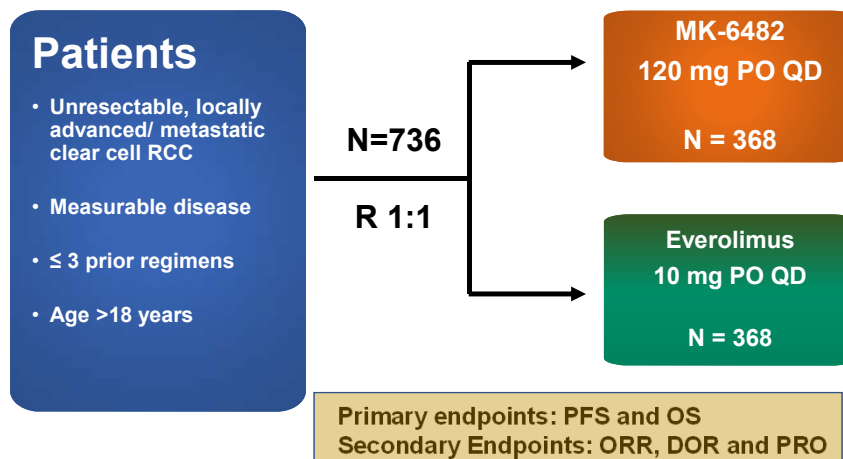
## HIF2 $\alpha$ - PT2977/MK-6482: Safety

- **Anemia**
  - Most common AE
  - Expected AE due to Regulation of EPO with HIF2 $\alpha$  inhibitors
  - Managed well with EPO replacement as clinically indicated (EPO therapy initiated on average 6-8 weeks)
- **Hypoxia**
  - Average time of onset is after 3-4 weeks of therapy
  - Majority of cases triggered by an acute event
- No cardiovascular toxicities reported with treatment with HIF2 $\alpha$  inhibitors (no Hypertension, no CHF...)

Safety profile compares well with current VEGFR TKI

Choueiri et al., KCA; Slide courtesy of Naseem Zojwalla, Peloton

## Phase 3 MK 6482 vs Everolimus in clear cell RCC



Choueiri et al, ASCO 2020

## **VHL Associated Tumors: Principles of Management**

### **Local Control: Surgery/Ablation**

- Minimize the risk of metastases (RCC, PNET, pheochromocytoma)
- Control of local symptoms (CNS, retinal, ELST) or systemic complications (pheochromocytoma)

### **Metastatic Disease: Systemic Therapy**

- No dedicated/VHL-specific studies
- Management derived from standard of care for sporadic tumors

## **Why Should We Explore Alternative Treatment Strategies?**

- **Current therapy associated with significant morbidity**
  - Multiple surgeries during a patient's lifetime
  - Perioperative complications from surgery
  - Gradual loss of renal function, pancreatic or adrenal insufficiency
  - Neurologic deficits
- **Lifelong risk of developing new lesions**

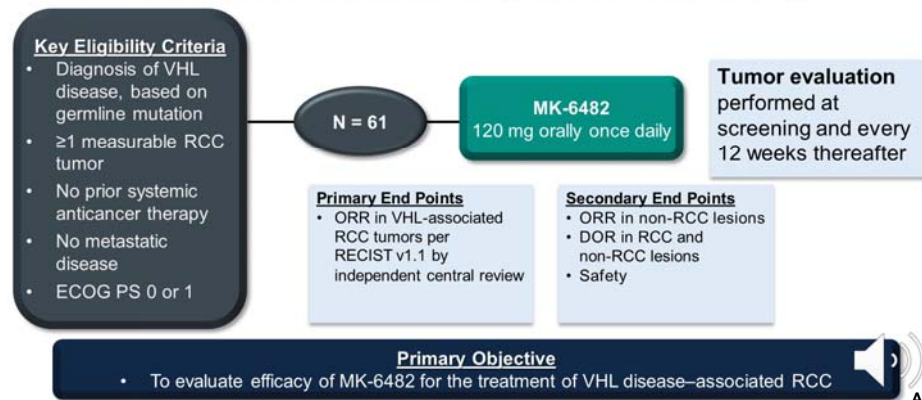
## Systemic Therapy as an Alternative to Surgery

### Goals of Therapy

- Delay or avoid surgery
  - Prevent tumor growth/reduce tumor size
  - Prevent new tumors
- Prevent distant spread/metastasis
- Improve quality of life
- Preserve function
- Acceptable short and long term side effects

## HIF 2- $\alpha$ Inhibition as a Therapeutic Strategy in VHL

### Phase 2 Study: MK-6482 for VHL-Associated RCC (NCT03401788)



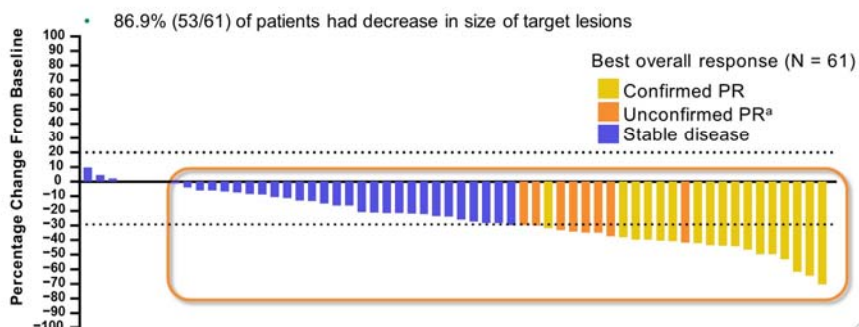
## Confirmed ORR in RCC Lesions by Independent Central Review

All Patients N = 61	
ORR, % (95% CI)	27.9 (17.1-40.8)
Best response, n (%)	
CR	0
PR	17 (27.9)
SD	43 (70.5)
Unconfirmed PRs <sup>a</sup>	8 (13.1)
PD	0
Not Evaluable	1 (1.6)

<sup>a</sup>Documented at 1 time point and to be confirmed at subsequent time point. Data cutoff: December 6, 2019.

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## Maximum Change From Baseline in Target RCC Lesions by Independent Central Review

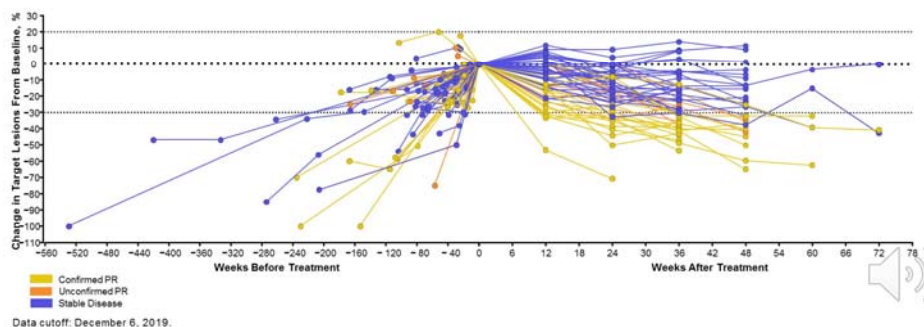


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## Longitudinal Change From Baseline in Target RCC Lesions by Independent Central Review

- Median linear growth rate
  - +3.63 mm/year (range, 3.06-10.91) before treatment
  - 6.40 mm/year (range 23.32-4.48) after treatment



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## All-Cause Adverse Events ≥10%

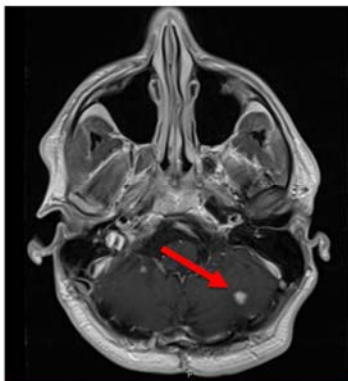
AE, n (%)	All Patients N = 61			
	Any Grade	Grade 1/2	Grade 3 <sup>a</sup>	Grade 4/5 <sup>b,c</sup>
Anemia	53 (86.9)	51 (83.6)	2 (3.3)	0
Fatigue	35 (57.4)	32 (52.5)	3 (4.9)	0
Headache	22 (36.1)	22 (36.1)	0	0
Dizziness	19 (31.1)	19 (31.1)	0	0
Nausea	15 (24.6)	15 (24.6)	0	0
Dyspnea	12 (19.7)	11 (18.0)	1 (1.6)	0
Arthralgia	10 (16.4)	10 (16.4)	0	0
Alanine aminotransferase increased	10 (16.4)	10 (16.4)	0	0
Myalgia	9 (14.8)	9 (14.8)	0	0
Vision blurred	9 (14.8)	9 (14.8)	0	0
Constipation	8 (13.1)	8 (13.1)	0	0
Aspartate aminotransferase increased	7 (11.5)	7 (11.5)	0	0
Upper respiratory tract infection	7 (11.5)	7 (11.5)	0	0
Weight increased	7 (11.5)	6 (9.8)	1 (1.6)	0

<sup>a</sup>1 patient was recorded as having hypoxia (grade 3).<sup>b</sup>1 patient was recorded with retinal detachment (grade 4).<sup>c</sup>1 patient died from toxicity of various agents (grade 5).  
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## Response in Non-RCC Tumors



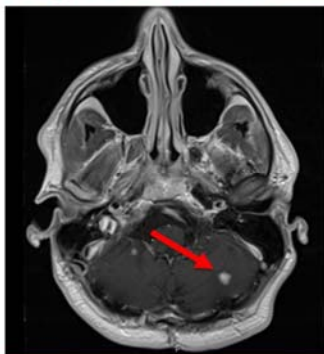
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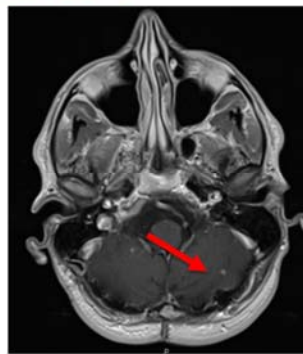
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## Response in Non-RCC Tumors



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## Response in Non-RCC Tumors



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## Response in Non-RCC Tumors



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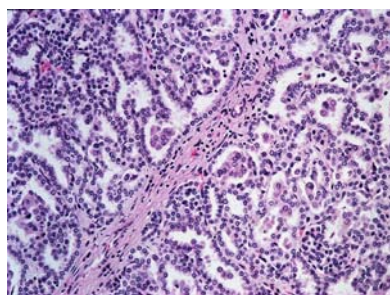
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## Papillary RCC

- Papillary RCC is the second most common histological subtype of RCC and occurs in both familial and sporadic forms
- Patients with advanced pRCC exhibit poorer survival outcomes compared to clear cell RCC<sup>1</sup>
- Phase II studies of first line VEGFR TKIs, mTOR inhibitors, and MET inhibitors in papillary RCC demonstrate a median PFS of 5-8 months<sup>2-5</sup>
- IO monotherapy and combination therapy has shown promise in pRCC with a 25-27% ORR<sup>6-8</sup>

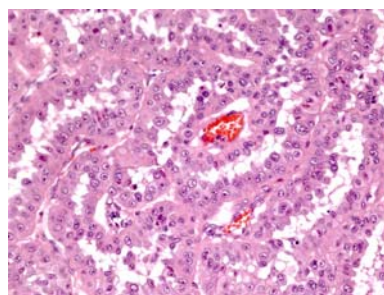
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## Papillary RCC: Histologic Subtypes



Type 1

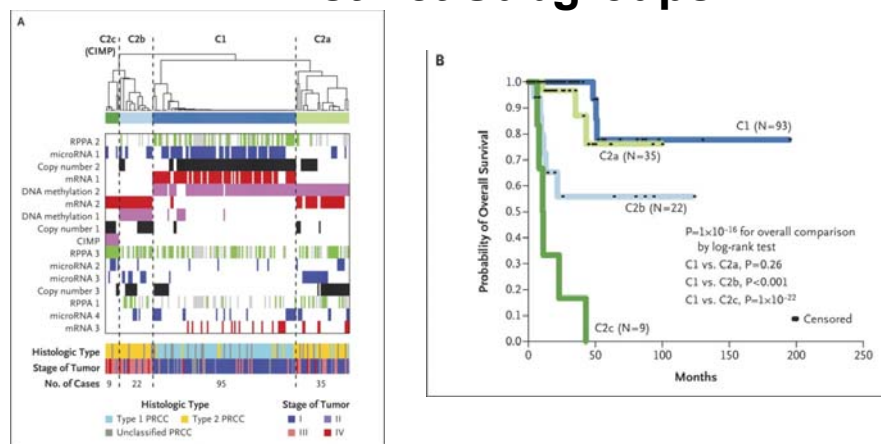
***MET***  
Gain of Ch 7 and 17



Type 2 (Non Type 1)

***FH***  
***NRF2* Pathway**  
***CDKN2A***  
Chromatin Remodeling

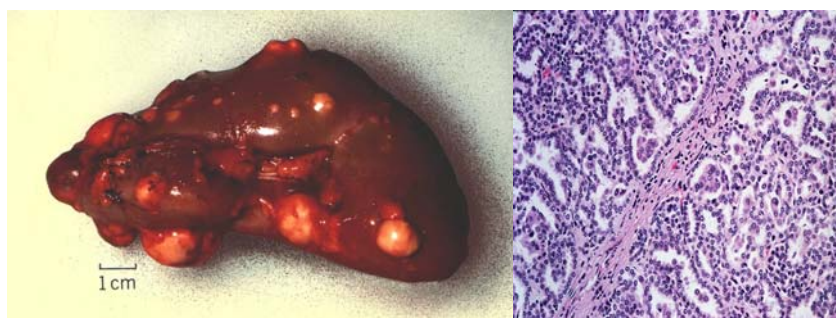
## Type 2 Papillary RCC: 4 Distinct Subgroups



TCGA, NEJM 2015

## Hereditary Papillary Renal Cancer (HPRC)

- Familial form of type I papillary RCC
- Affected individuals present with bilateral multifocal papillary RCC
- Characterized by activating mutations in *MET*



## Met Activation in Papillary Renal Cancer

- **Activating Mutations in *MET***
  - Germline mutations in tyrosine kinase domain (HPRC)
  - Somatic activating mutations seen in ~15% of sporadic papillary RCC
  - *MET* fusion or splice variants ~ 5%
- **Duplication of chromosome 7**
  - ~ 50% - 70% of all papillary RCC
  - Both *MET* and its activating ligand *HGF* located on Ch 7
- ***MET* and Ch7 alterations seen predominantly in type 1 papillary RCC**

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#### **N=67 evaluable:**

#### – **Germline *MET* mutation (N=10)**

- **Mutated *MET*- 5/10 PR (50%), 5 SD (4 with >10% reduction in SLD of tumors)**
- **WT *MET*- 5/57 (9%)**

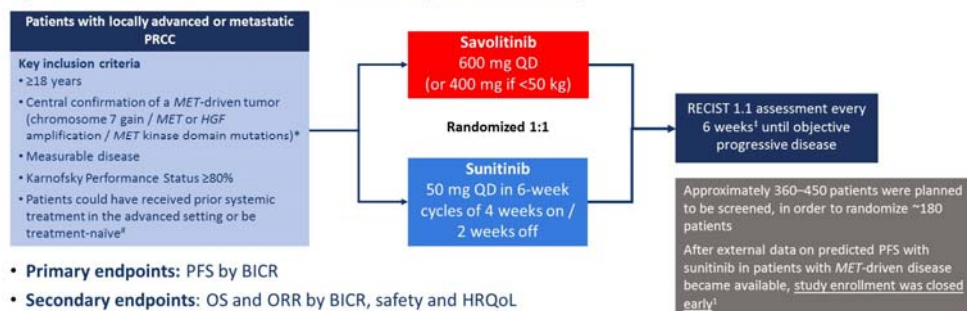
#### – **Other *MET* alterations**

- ***MET* amplification (N=2):** No responses
- **Gain chromosome 7 (N=18):** ORR 5%



## SAVOIR study design

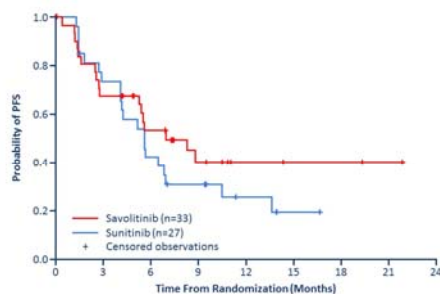
Open-label, randomized, Phase III trial (NCT03091192)



1. Abigès et al. ASCO; May 29–31, 2020; presented here: abstract e19321; 2. Frigault et al. AACR 2018;78:4541–4541.  
\*In the absence of co-occurring *PI* or *VHL* mutations. <sup>†</sup>Patients were excluded if they had previously received sunitinib or a *MET* inhibitor. <sup>‡</sup>Follow-up every 12 weeks after first year. BICR, blinded independent central review; HRQoL, health-related quality of life; ORR, objective response rate; OS, overall survival; PFS, progression-free survival; PRCC, papillary renal cell carcinoma; QD, once daily; RCC, renal cell carcinoma; RECIST, Response Evaluation Criteria in Solid Tumors

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## SAVOIR progression-free survival



**Median PFS by BICR in months (95% CI)**

Savolitinib 7.0 (2.8, NC)

Sunitinib 5.6 (4.1, 6.9)

HR (95% CI): 0.71 (0.37, 1.36)

Log-rank two-sided *P*-value: 0.313

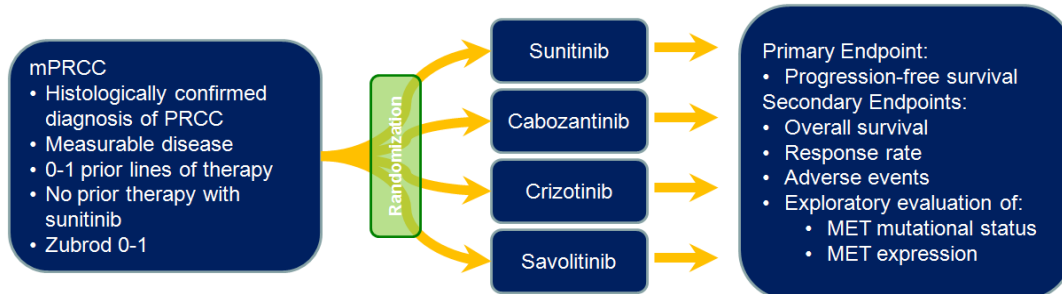
PFS reported for sunitinib was in range with previous studies<sup>1,2</sup>

Data cut-off August 19, 2019.  
1. Abigès et al. J Clin Oncol 2018;36:3624–3631; 2. Ravaud et al. Ann Oncol 2015;26:1123–1128. BICR, blinded independent central review; CI, confidence interval; HR, hazard ratio; NC, not calculated; PFS, progression-free survival

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## SWOG 1500 for mPRCC



- PI: S. Pal (City of Hope)
- Translational PI: B. Shuch (Yale)
- BISQFP funding for genomic characterization
- Requires 41 pts/arm → 164 pts total
- Assuming 10% ineligibility → 180 pts total

NCT02761057: A Randomized, Phase II Efficacy Assessment of Multiple MET Kinase Inhibitors (Cabozantinib [NSC #761968], Crizotinib [NSC #749005], Savolitinib [NSC #785348], and Sunitinib [NSC #736511]) in Metastatic Papillary Renal Carcinoma (PAPMET)



## AUA VIRTUAL EXPERIENCE

### Hereditary Leiomyomatosis Renal Cell Carcinoma: HLRCC

- **Cutaneous leiomyomas**
- **Uterine leiomyomas (fibroids)**
- **Renal cell carcinoma (Type 2 papillary RCC)**

## HLRCC

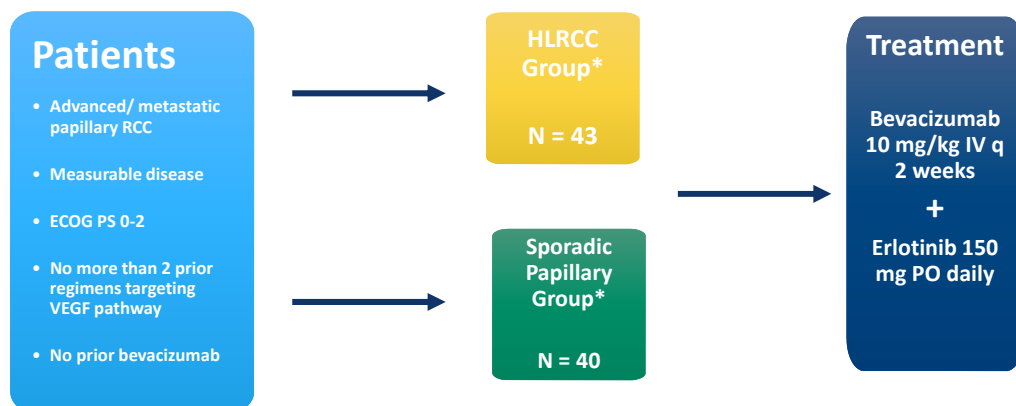
- HLRCC is a familial disorder characterized by germline loss of function alterations in the *fumarate hydratase (FH)* gene
- HLRCC predisposes patients to early onset, aggressive papillary RCC<sup>9-12</sup>
- There are currently no data from prospective systemic therapy trials and no established standard of care for this patient population

9. Forde, *Eur Urol* 2019; 10. Grubb, *J. Urol* 2007; 11. Lehtonen, *J. Med Genet* 2006; 12. Muller, *Clin Genet* 2017;

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## Study Design



ECOG PS, Eastern Cooperative Oncology Group performance status. VEGF, Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor. IV, intravenous, PO, per oral, PFS, progression free survival

Primary Endpoint: Overall Response Rate per RECIST 1.1

Secondary Endpoints: PFS and Duration of Response

\* Each group is comprised of an initial cohort of 20 patients and an expansion cohort

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## Primary Outcome

### Overall Response by Group

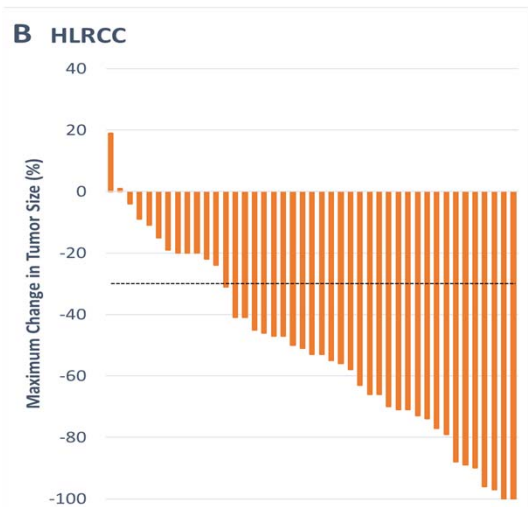
- HLRCC
  - 31/43 patients had a confirmed response
  - **ORR: 72.1% (95% CI 57.2 – 83.4)**
- Sporadic
  - 14/40 patients had an overall response
  - **ORR: 35% (95% CI 22.1 – 50.6)**

Confirmed Best Response	HLRCC, n (%) (N = 43)	Sporadic, n (%) (N = 40)
Complete Response	2 (4.7)	0 (0)
Partial Response	29 (67)	14 (35)
Stable Disease	12 (28)	21 (53)
Unconfirmed Partial Response	0 (0)	1 (2.5)
Progressive Disease	0 (0)	4 (10)
<b>ORR</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>35%</b>

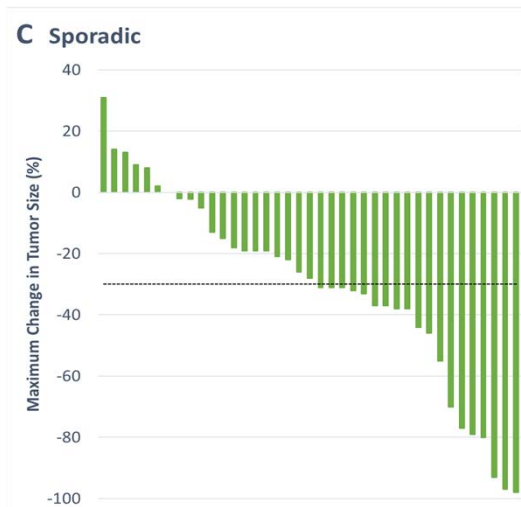
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## Maximum Change in Sum of Longest Dimensions



41/43 (95%) had decrease in tumor burden



32/40 (80%) had decrease in tumor burden

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## Evolving Strategies in the Management of Kidney Cancer

### • VHL Deficient RCC

- HIF 2- $\alpha$  a promising target in advanced sporadic clear cell RCC
- HIF 2- $\alpha$  being explored as a systemic therapy alternatives to standard of care surgical management in VHL patients-Potential paradigm shift

### • Papillary RCC

- Heterogeneous group of malignancies
- Immunotherapy effective in a proportion of patients
- Mechanism based targeted therapy approaches effective in specific subsets

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