## Innovative Thinking for Locally Advanced Kidney Cancer

(for Patients)

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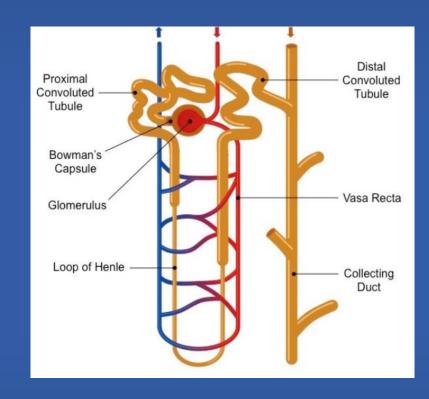
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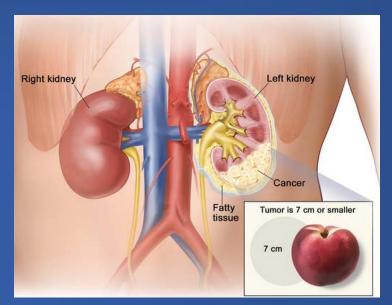
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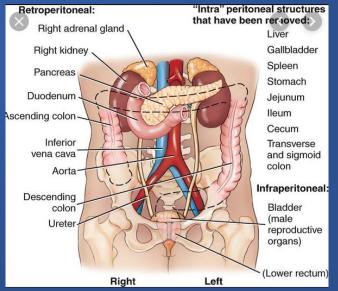
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## What is Locally Advanced RCC?

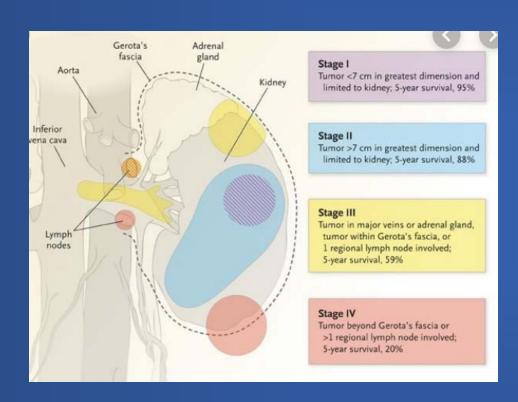
- Tumor involving the:
  - Perinephric fat
  - Renal Sinus Fat
  - Renal Vein
  - Inferior Vena Cava
  - Nearby lymph Nodes
  - Adjacent organs
    - Adrenal, pancreas, colon, spleen or musculature on the left
    - Adrenal, liver, colon or musculature on the right

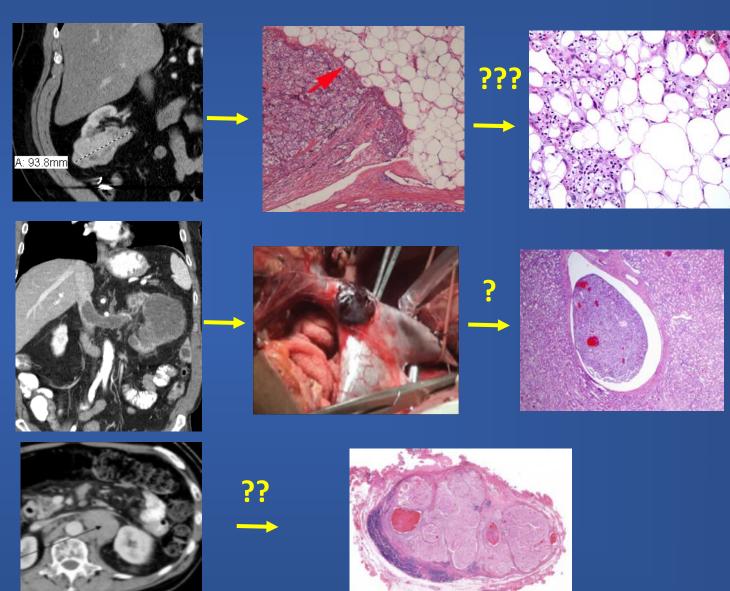






#### Clinical vs Pathological Staging: cTNM vs pTNM

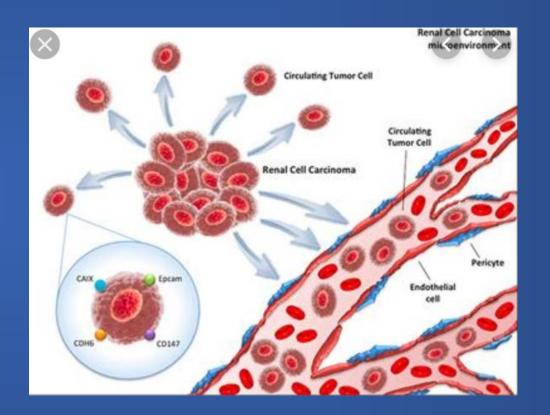




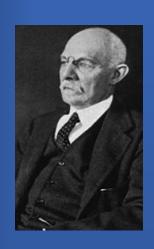
## Why is Locally Advanced RCC Concerning?

- Risk of Micrometastatic Disease:
  - Timing of microscopic spread unclear and not measureable
  - Implies that the tumor will recur at some time in the future

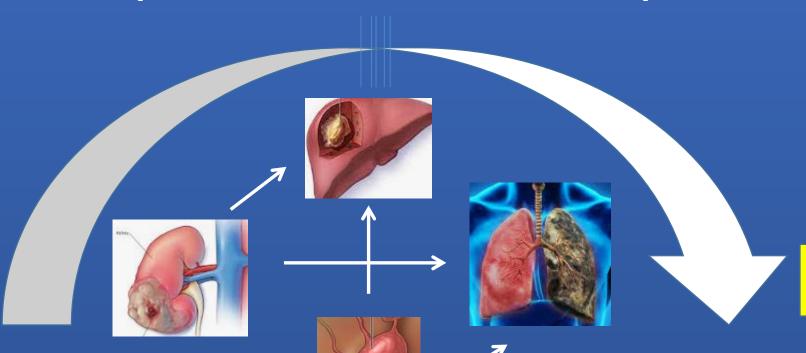
 Currently believe that all metastases evolve from prior micrometastases that have been present yet undetectable or "suppressed"



## Tumor Progression Paradigms (evolution of micrometastases)

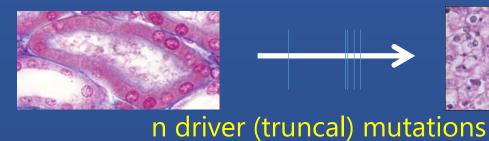


**Surgery** then systemic Rx

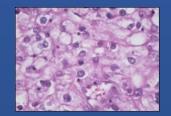




**Neoadjuvant Rx** <u>+</u> surgery







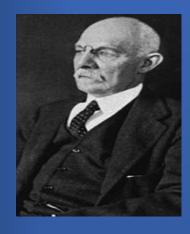


Clones/subclones



## Timing of Perioperative Systemic Rx

Micrometastases (CTCs) (Halstedian)



Subclinical Stage IV/ Clinical Stage IV

**Clinical Stage 3** 

**Clinical Stage 2** 

**Clinical Stage 1** 

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(Neo) Adjuvant Rx

 $1 \times 10^9 / \text{cm}^3$ 







**CTCs** 



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## Adjuvant/Neoadjuvant Therapy

The Holy Grail of Surgery



Incompletely effective (high quality) surgery



Completely effective systemic Rx

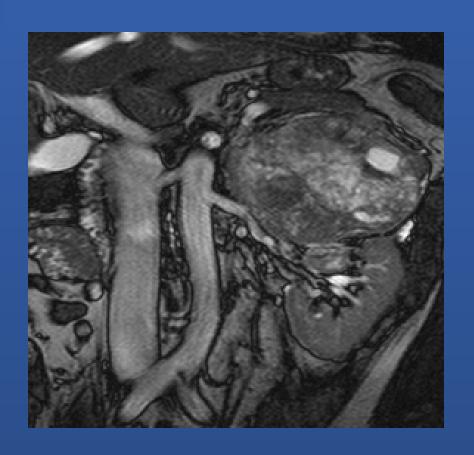
Incompletely effective systemic Rx

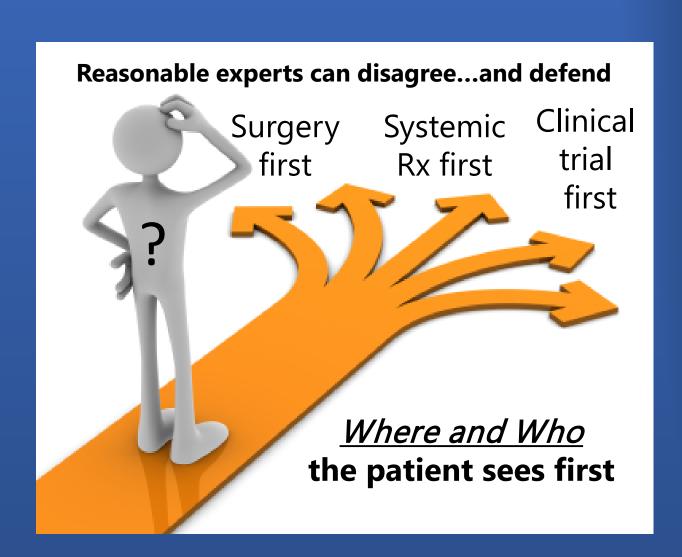
## We all struggle ....

to advise the right treatment for locally advanced and mRCC in the right patient at the right time

## Locally Advanced or mRCC...

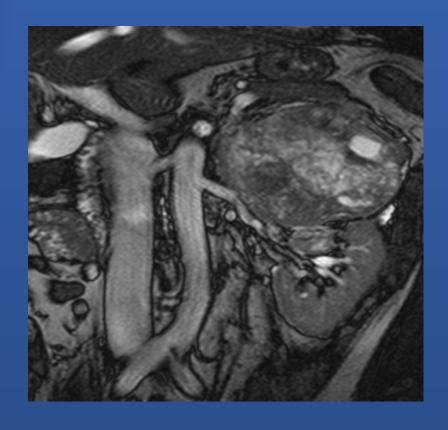
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- Good Renal Function

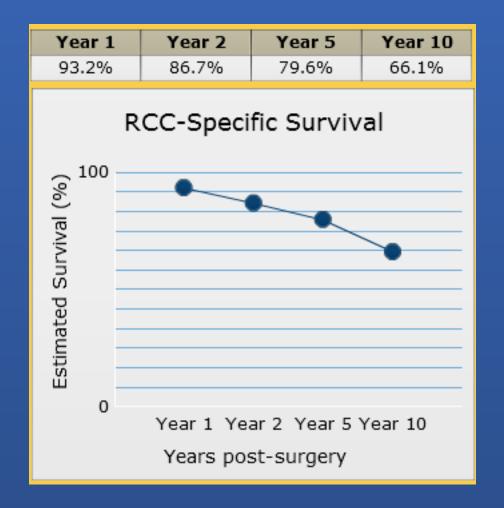




## Surgical Outcomes – pT3aNoMo ccRCC

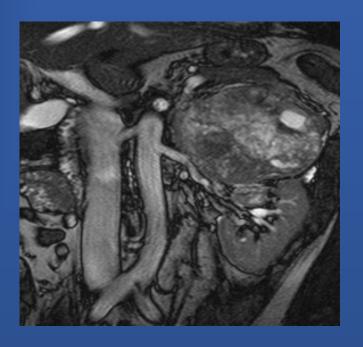
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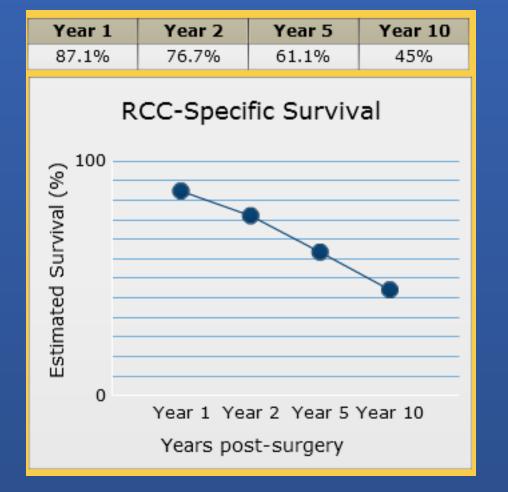


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## Past State (prior to 2006)

Incompletely effective surgery vs incompletely effective systemic Rx









## **Present State**

Incompletely effective surgery vs more effective systemic Rx













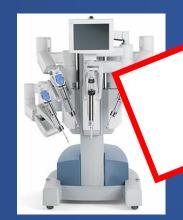












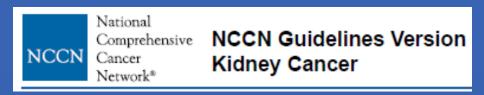
## Hypotheses (Rationale) of RNx (for locally advanced or mRCC)

- Clonal Deletion
  - Potential for curative resection (Ro) in locally advant
  - Decrease source of new metastases from
- It's "aggressive therapy".

  (and that is perceived as better)

  (and that is perceived as better) Improved pharmacodynamic
  - Drugs don't get
- Prima
  - gressions
- Sympt matic relief

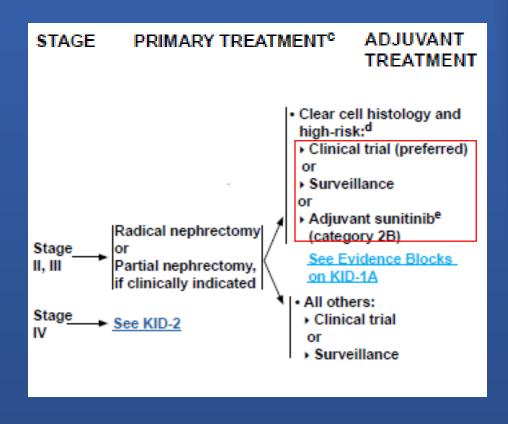
#### **Guidelines for Perioperative Systemic Rx in RCC:**



- Adjuvant Space (n=8076)
  - Reported Level 1 data from ASSURE, S-TRAC, PROTECT, ATLAS
  - Fully accrued trials SORCE and EVEREST

Sunitinib

- Neoadjuvant Space
  - No mention in guidelines



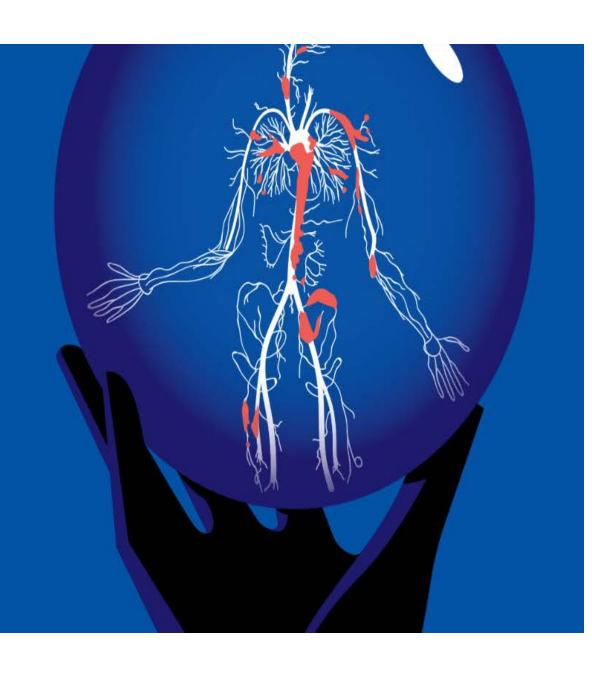
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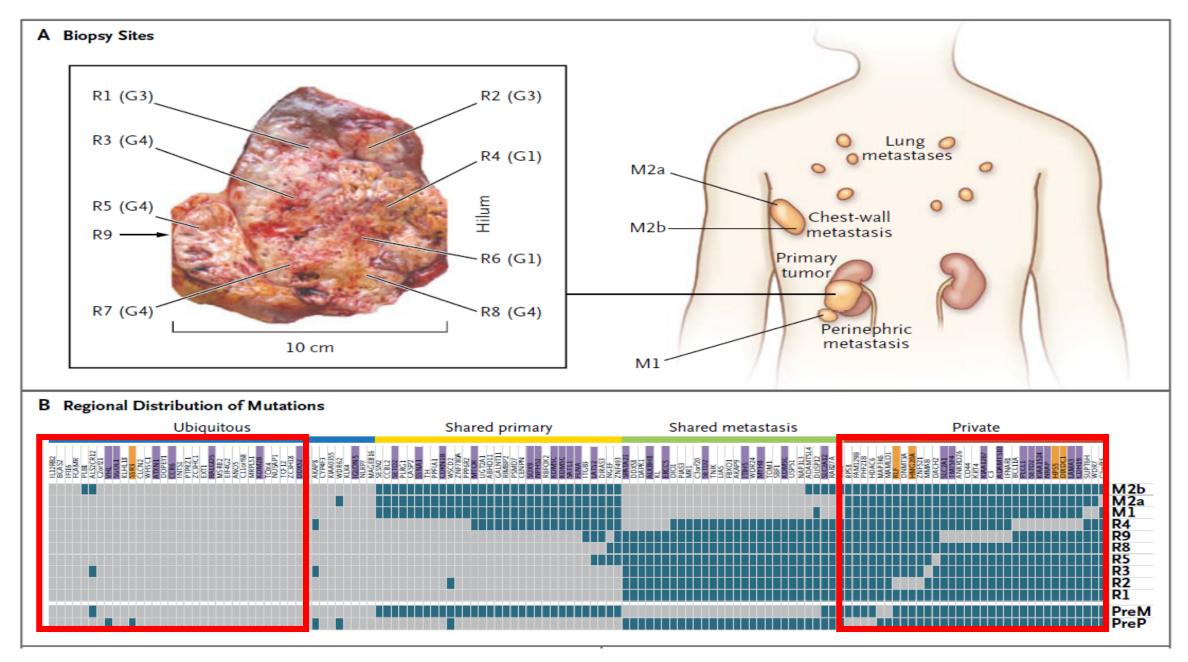
## CANCER'S INVASION EQUATION

We can detect tumors earlier than ever before. Can we predict whether they're going to be dangerous?

By Siddhartha Mukherjee

Cancer is an evolving ecosystem





Gerlinger et al, NEJM 2012



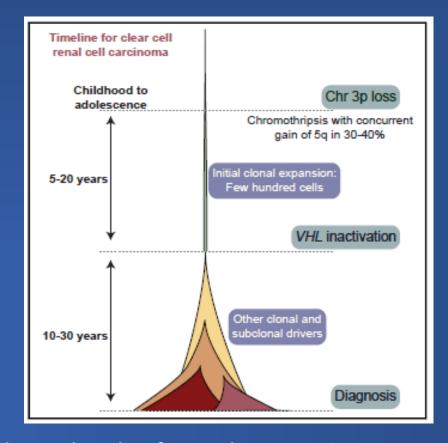


#### Timing the Landmark Events in the Evolution of Clear Cell Renal Cell Cancer: TRACERx Renal

**Authors** 

Thomas J. Mitchell, Samra Turajlic, Andrew Rowan, ..., Charles Swanton, Peter J. Campbell, the TRACERx Renal Consortium TRAcking renal cell Cancer Evolution through Therapy (Rx)

- 95 cancer biopsies from 33 pts with ccRCC
  - Average of 7,680 unique somatic substitutions and 1,193 indels per patient



- Driver event is loss of 3p loss (40Mb segment) occurs decades before diagnosis
  - Loss of 4 tumor suppressors = VHL (70-80%), PBRM1 (40%), BAP1 (10%), SETD2 (10%)
  - Simultaneous 5q gain through chromothripsis where 40% resulted in t(3;5)
  - Initial clonal expansion of only a few hundred cells with long latency
- Inactivation of second VHL allele leads to clonal evolution down multiple pathways

### **Branched Evolution (Clone Chasers)**

Heterogeneity as a Hallmark

\*\*Cancer Specific Death\*\*



Selective Intrinsic Pressures (stochastic)



Variable Latency



#### **Clonal Evolution**

- linear vs branched vs punctated
- selective sweeps



Failure to recognize/repair/rescue

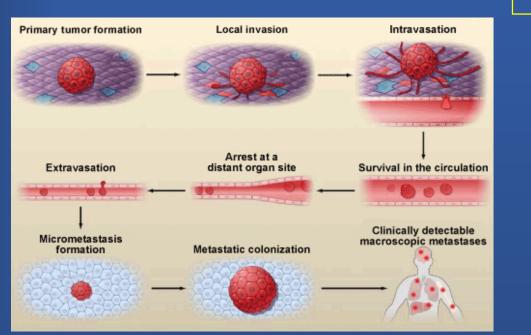


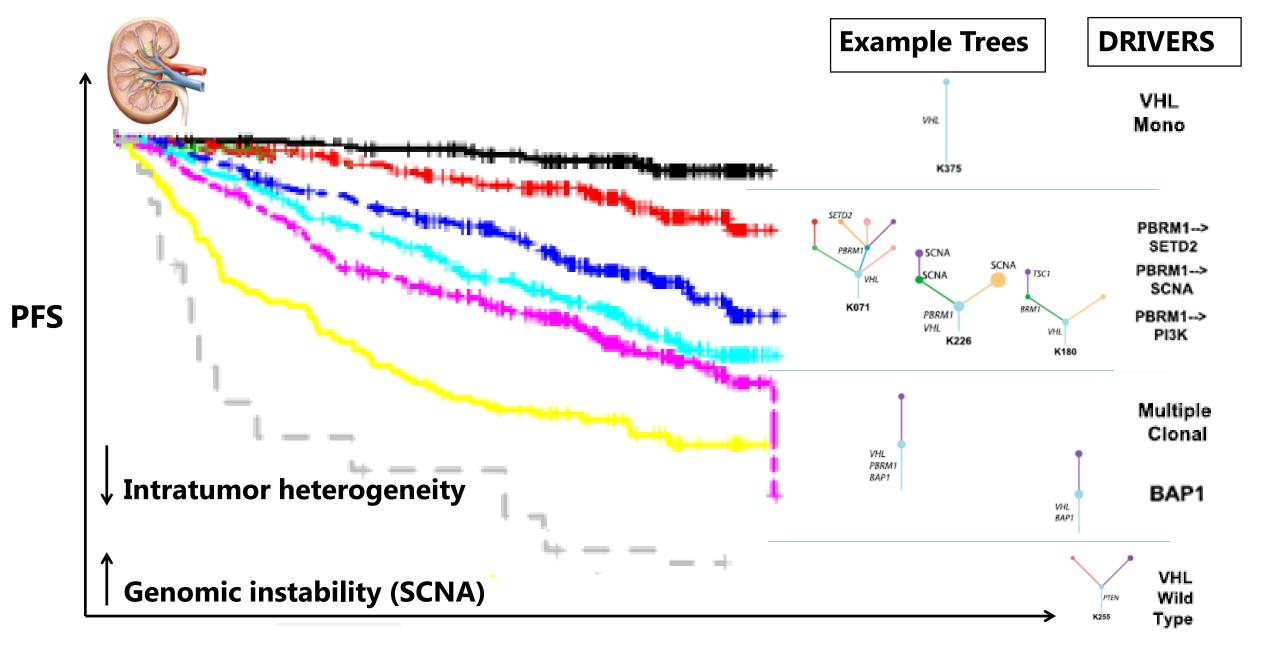
#### Metastatic Cascade

- migration/invasion
- intravasation/extravasation
- colonization/proliferation



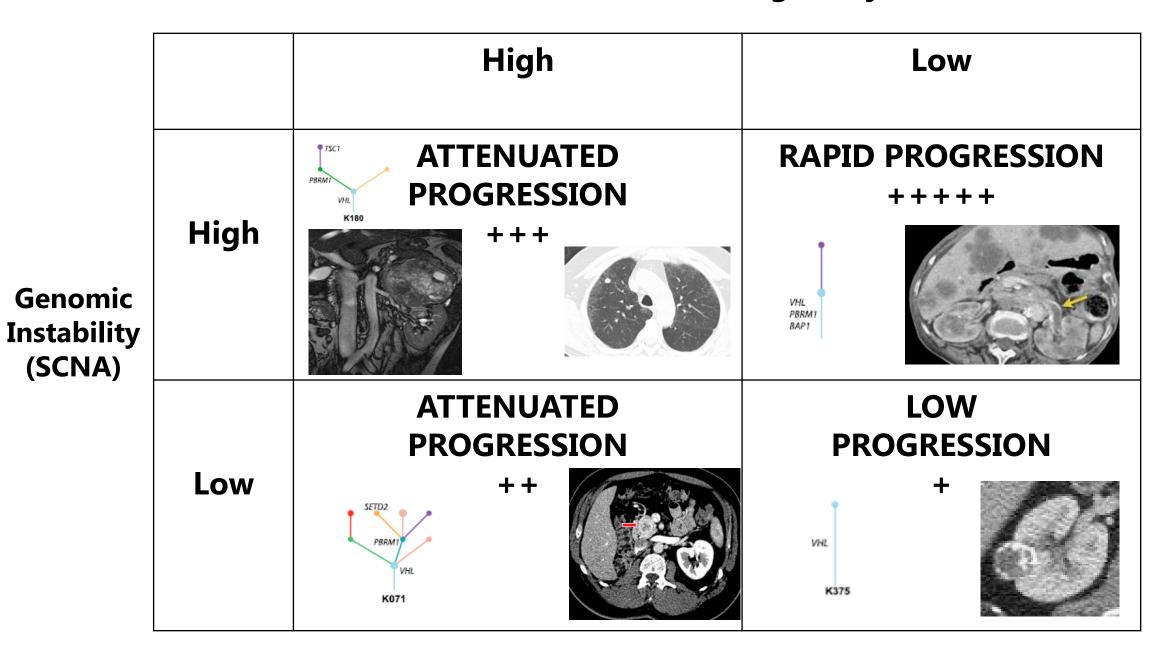
Selective Extrinsic Pressures = Rx

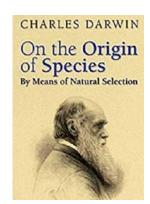




**Time** 

#### **Intratumoral Heterogeneity**

















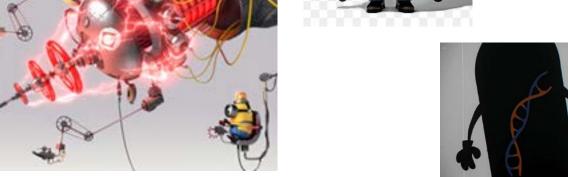








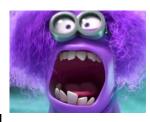




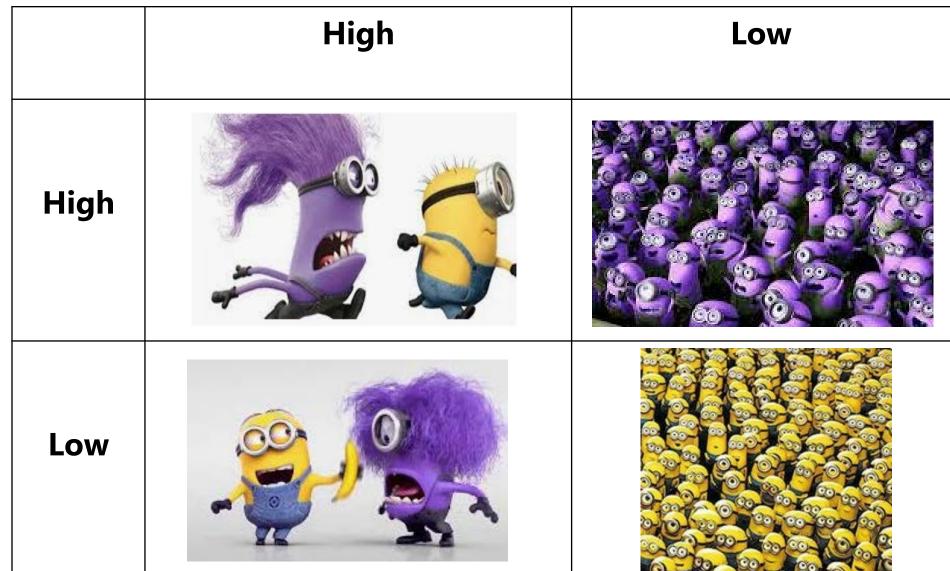




#### **Intratumoral Heterogeneity**



Genomic
Instability
(SCNA)

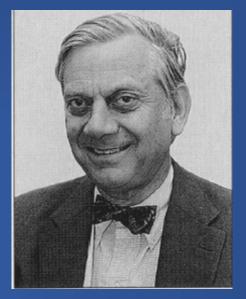


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## Tumor Biology is King

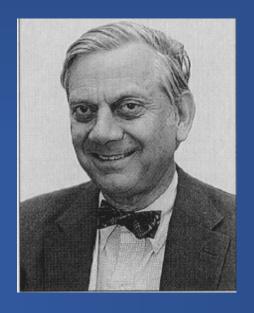
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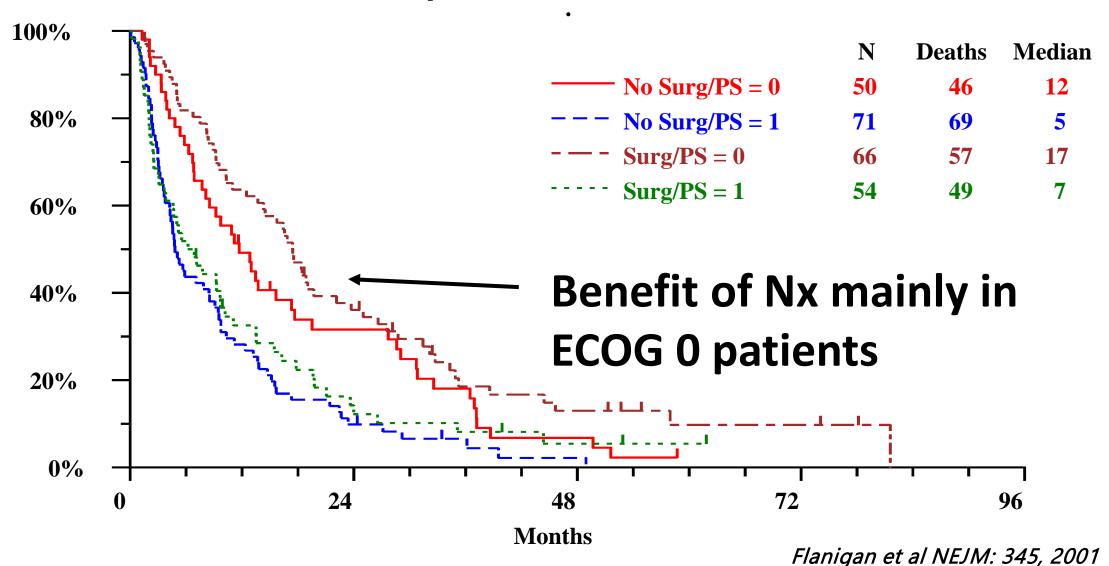
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## Case Selection is Queen

#### SWOG 8949: Cytoreductive Nephrectomy Improves Survival.....in patients with good performance status





#### Calculator



**ACS NSQIP Website** About FAQ **ACS Website** Home Procedure: 50230 - Nephrectomy, including partial ureterectomy, any open approach including rib Change Patient Risk Factors resection; radical, with regional lymphadenectomy and/or vena caval thrombectomy Risk Factors: 65-74 years, Male, Partially dependent functional status, Mild systemic disease, Disseminated cancer, Diabetes (Oral), HTN, Class1 Obese Note: Your Risk has been rounded to one decimal point. Chance of Your Average Risk Risk Outcomes 📵 Outcome Serious Complication 16.5% 13.0% Above Average **Any Complication** 18.1% 14.2% Above Average Pneumonia 2.4% 2.1% Above Average **Cardiac Complication** 1.5% 1.4% Average Surgical Site Infection 3.2% 2.6% Above Average **Urinary Tract Infection** 2.2% Above Average Venous Thromboembolism 4.1% 2.5% Above Average Renal Failure 3.1% 2.6% Above Average Readmission 10.8% 7.5% Above Average Return to OR 1.7% 1.9% Average Death 1.7% Above Average Discharge to Nursing or Rehab Facility 10.9% Above Average Sepsis 3.5% Above Average Predicted Length of Hospital Stay: 6.5 days Surgeon Adjustment of Risks 1 How to Interpret the Graph Above: This will need to be used infrequently, but surgeons may adjust the estimated risks if Your Risk Your % Risk they feel the calculated risks are underestimated. This should only be done if the Average Patient Risk reason for the increased risks was NOT already entered into the risk calculator. X% 1 - No adjustment necessary Step 3 of 4

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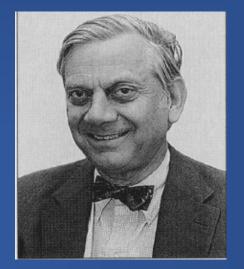
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## Therapies are the Prince and Princess

who occasionally try to usurp the

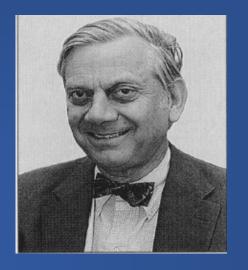
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## but current therapies often fail

to overcome the powerful forces

of the King and the Queen

# Clinical Trials Improve Decision Making...

Can address the known knowns...

... but cannot completely remove uncertainty

## In the Absence of Certainty:

Prospect Theory

#### **Philosophy and Perspective Matter**

- 1. Simplify Choices
- 2. Frame the Decision
- 3. Estimate probability

Biases and cognitive dissonance

Verma AA, Razak F, Detsky AS: JAMA 311:6, 2014



1 XNB

## Perspective Contextualizes and Validates Approach

**Effective Systemic Therapy** 

**Validates** pt/MD perspectives







**Level 1 data** 

Validates pt/MD perspectives

**SOC** and population based data





**Systemic Rx** not curative

# Carmena does put an end Selection is Queen Select