

## Familial polyposis syndromes

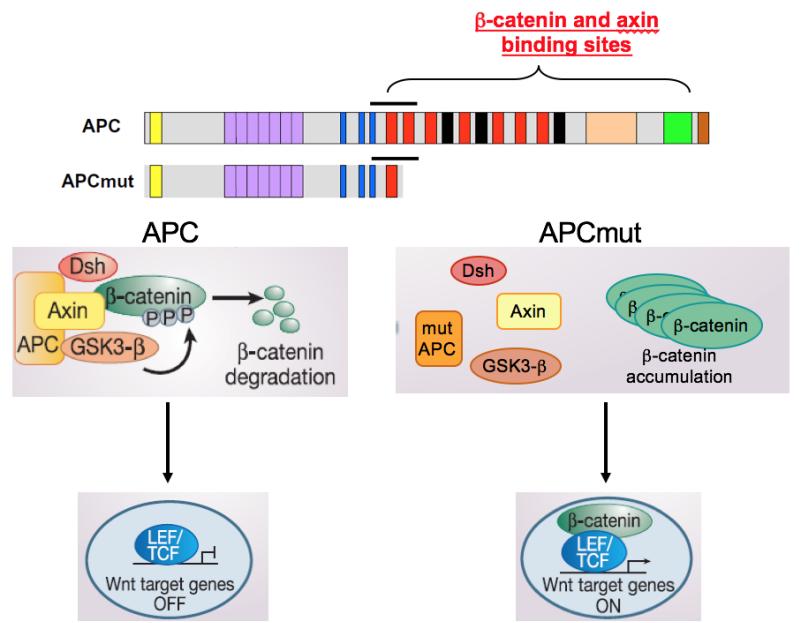


Benjamin Misselwitz, 17<sup>th</sup> of April 2019



# Familial adenomatous polyposis (FAP)

- ≤1% of all colorectal carcinomas
- Frequency 1:100'000
- **Mutation of APC gene, autosomal-dominant, but:**  
**25% new mutations (no family history)!**
- Diffuse proliferation of colorectal polyps (100->5000) in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> decade (average 16 years)
- 100% penetrance for colonic polyposis



FAP: mutated APC gene  
 → 2<sup>nd</sup> hit: mutation of other allele  
 → No catenin degradation  
 → Wnt pathway is active  
 → Cell proliferation

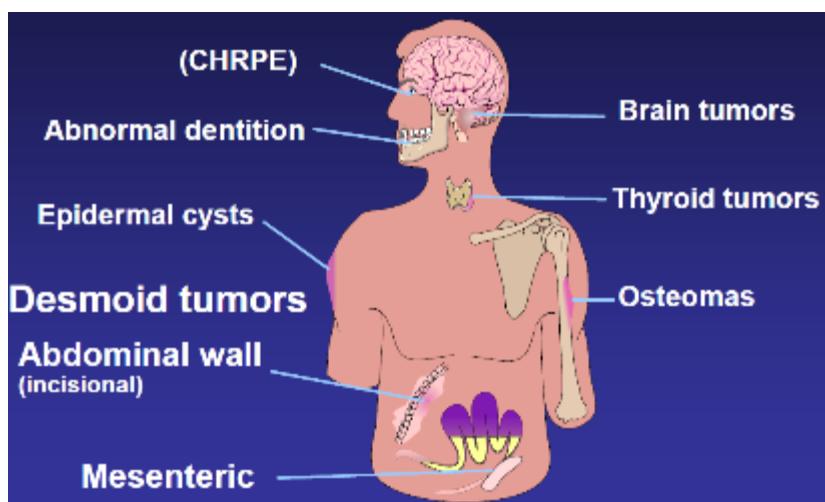
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**Attenuated FAP**

- «oligopolyposis» – 10-99 adenomas
- Carcinomas later in life (44 -58 years)
- **Life time carcinoma risk ~80%**

**Extracolonic manifestationen**

- Duodenal adenomas
- Gastric adenomas/ fundic gland polyps
- Desmoids (15%) – occasional bowel obstruction
- 80% «nodular thyroid» - 12% thyroid cancer
- Brain tumors (medulloblastoma)

***Life time risk in FAP***

Type	%
Colon	100
Duodenum/ Periampullary	4-12
Pancreas	2
Thyroid	1-12
Liver	1-2
Stomach	< 1
CNS	< 1

***AFAP***

Type	%
Colon	70
Duodenum/ Periampullary	4-12

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# Duodenal lesions in FAP

- 2<sup>nd</sup> most common site of polyp development
- 15 years after colon polyps, life time adenoma risk ~100%
- Around/ distal of papilla of Vater (bile acid exposure?)
- Endoscopic treatment advanced lesions (>1cm, villous)
- Duodenal carcinoma: 5% (life-time); OR: 200-300

## ***Spigelman classification***

Criterion	1 point	2 points	3 points
Polyp number	1–4	5–20	>20
Polyp size (mm)	1–4	5–10	>10
Histology	Tubular	Tubulovillous	Villous
Dysplasia	Mild*	Moderate*	Severe†

Stage 0, 0 points; stage I, 1–4 points; stage II, 5–6 points; stage III, 7–8 points; stage IV, 9–12 points.

\*A low degree of dysplasia according to current classification.

†A high degree of dysplasia.

## ***Surveillance intervals***

Spigelman classification	Surveillance interval (years)
0/I	5
II	3
III	1–2
IV	Consider surgery



10-20 white numerous flat adenomas



Papilla of Vater with solitary adenoma



Carcinoma of papilla of Vater

# FAP - Surveillance

## ***Surveillance***

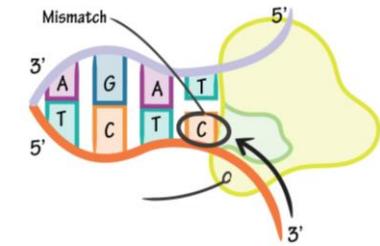
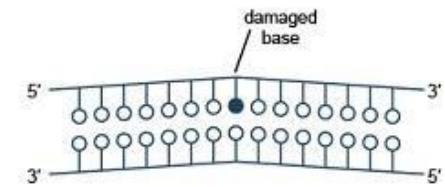
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<i>Colonoscopy</i>	<i>FAP 10-12</i>	1-2 *	<i>Sigmoidoscopy until 1st adenoma detected</i>
	<i>AFAP 18-20</i>		
<i>EGD</i>	<i>20-25</i>	<i>3 or according Spigelman stage</i>	
<i>Small bowel</i>			<i>No recommendations</i>
<i>Thyroid US</i>	<i>10-12</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Abdominal US</i>	<i>FAP 10-12</i>	<i>1</i>	
	<i>AFAP 18-20</i>		

\*prophylactic colectomy, if polyps not «manageable»

Vasen, Mösllein, Gut 2008;57:704–713  
 Giardiello FM, Gastroenterology. 2001;121:198–213  
 Jasperson KW. Gastroenterology 2010

# MUTYH associated polyposis (MAP)

- MUTYH
  - Autosomal recessive
  - Base excision repair enzyme
  - 10-100 adenomas by 5th to 6th decade of life
  - Extracolonic features
    - Gastric and duodenal polyps, bladder cancer, ovarian cancer...
    - Osteomas, dental cysts, desmoids...
- Polymerase proofreading enzymes (POLE, POLD1)
  - Autosomal dominant, rare
  - Oligadenomatous polyposis, colorectal cancer
  - Endometrium cancer
- Surveillance
  - Colonoscopy at 18-25 years of age



Farrington SM, Am J Hum Genet. 2005 Jul; 77(1):112-9  
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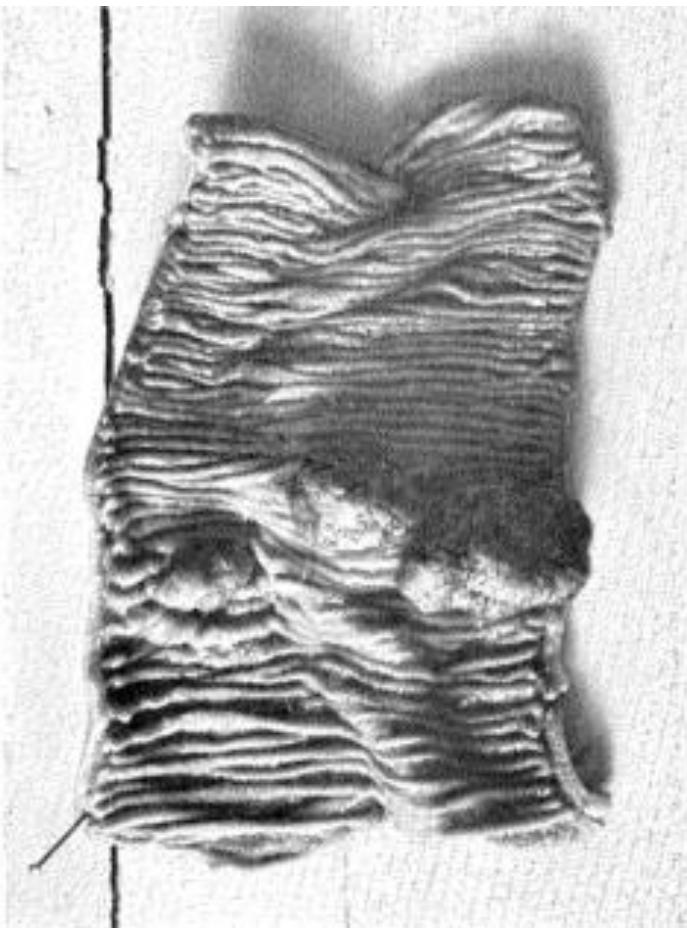
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Peutz-Jeghers: *Ephilides inversae*

Connor et al., Lancet 1900, 2: 1100

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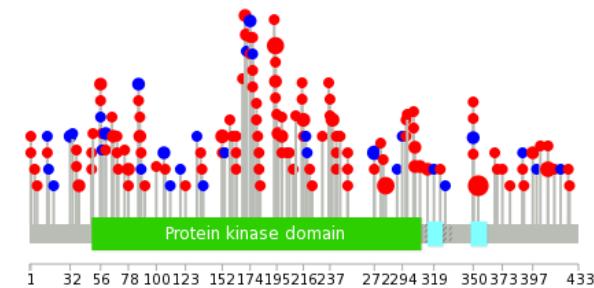
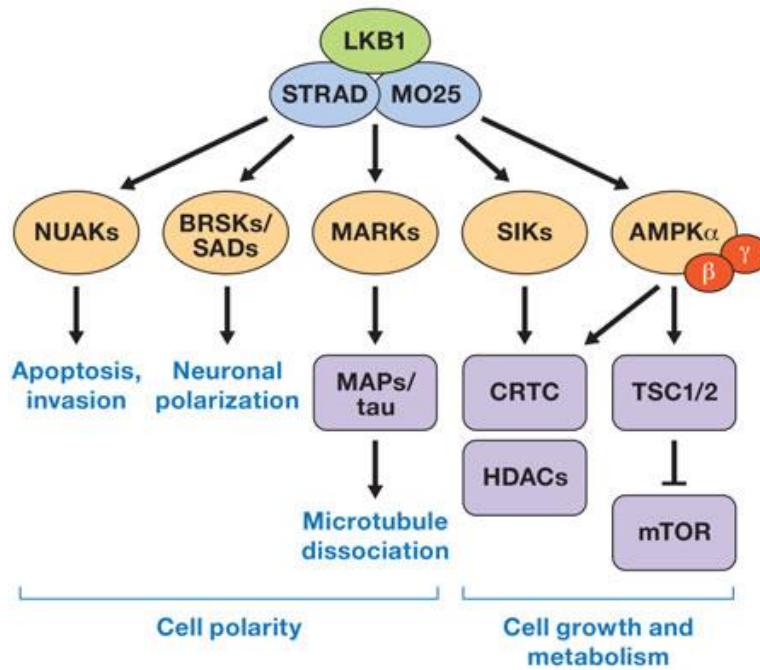


*“Concerning the unusual syndrome of familial polyposis of the gastrointestinal mucosa with that of the nasal cavity also in combination with strange pigmentation of the skin and mucosa.”*

Peutz et al., Nederl Maandschr Geneesk. 1921; 10:134  
Jeghers et al., N Engl J Med 1949; 241:1031

# Peutz-Jeghers-Syndrome (PJS)

- Prävalenz 1:25'000-200'000
- **Autosomal dominant**, 70% familiär, 30% sporadisch
- STK11/LKB1-Mutation (Ser/Thr kinase 11/ liver kinase B1)
- The first kinase acting as a tumor suppressor gene
- Involved in regulation **cell polarity, cell growth** → STK11 activates 11 additional kinases



An &amp; Brognard IUBMB Life 2018

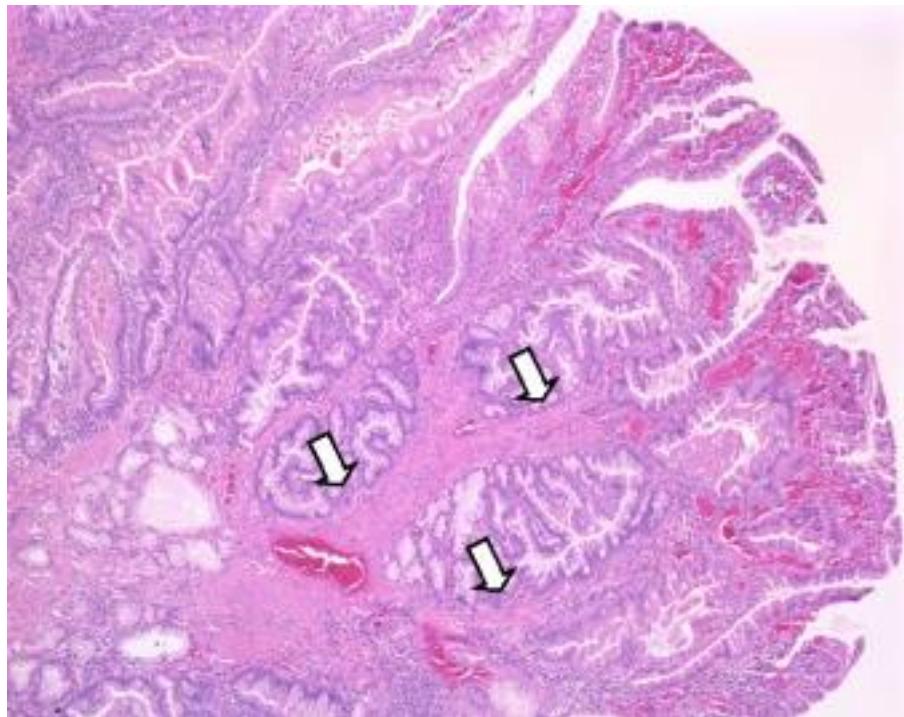
# Polyps in Peutz-Jeghers-Syndrome

- **Intestinal polyps**
  - Jejunum
  - Ileum
  - Colon
  - Rectum
  - Stomach
  - Duodenum
  - Appendix
  - Esophagus
- **Nasal polyposis (15%)**
- **Gallbladder, bile duct polyps (4%)**

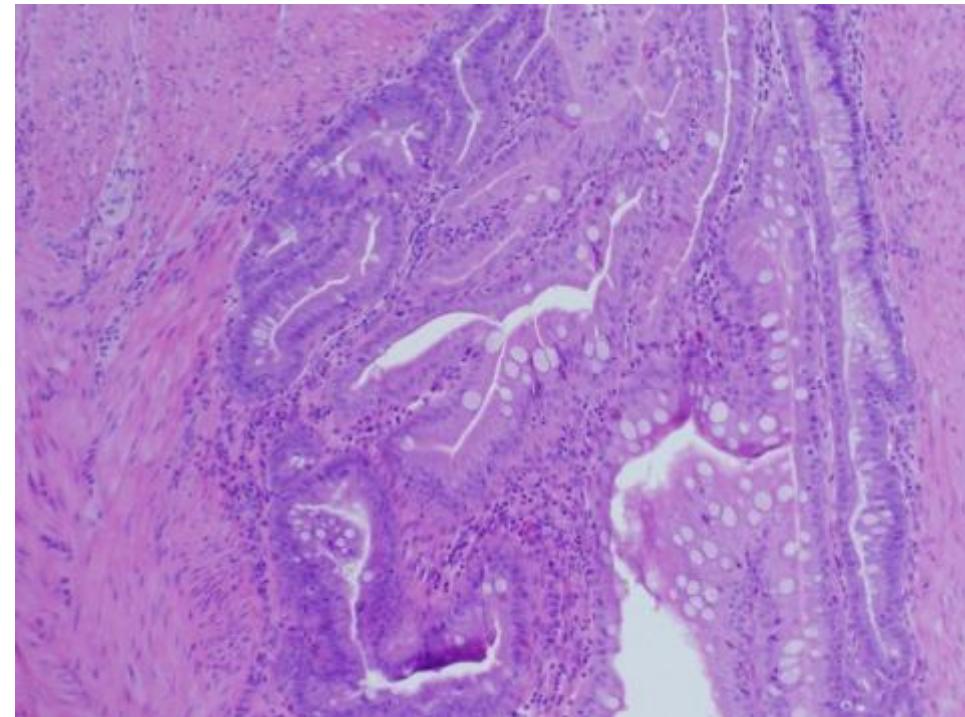


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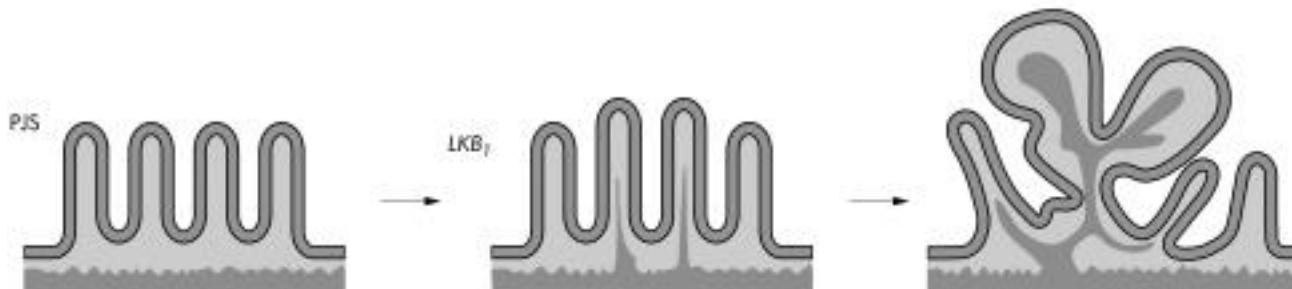
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Hamartomatous polyp

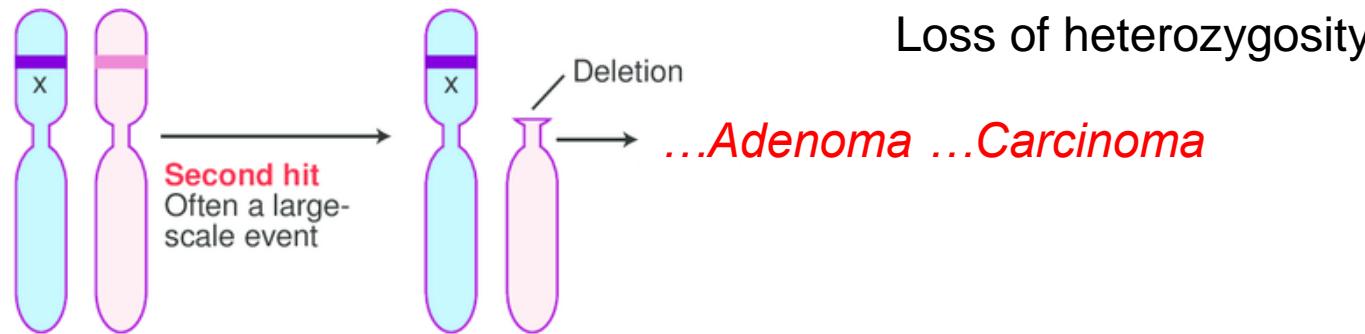


Pseudoinvasion



Riegert-Johnson et al.; 2009  
Jansen et al., 2006 Gut; 55:1

# Carcinogenesis in PJS



## 144 PJS patients

792 Hamartomas

11 dysplastic hamartomas (1.4%)      60% LOH (3/5) in dysplastic areas  
0% LOH in non-dysplastic areas

24 malignancies (17%)

50% LOH (3/6)

There is no “absolute” hamartoma → carcinoma sequence.

Pathogenesis of hamartomas and carcinomas might be independent.

- Hamartomas in small intestine, carcinoma in colon, pancreas
- Low incidence of SI carcinoma despite high hamartoma load

## MAYO CRITERIA

A diagnosis of PJS can be made in patients without a family history of PJS if either of the following are present

- Characteristic melanotic macules and one or more intestinal polyps with PJS-type histology, or
- Two intestinal polyps with PJS-type histology

In patients with a family history of PJS in a parent or sibling, if any of the following are present

- Characteristic melanotic macules, or
- One intestinal polyp with PJS-type histology, or
- *LKB1* mutation

## TOMLINSON AND HOUSTON

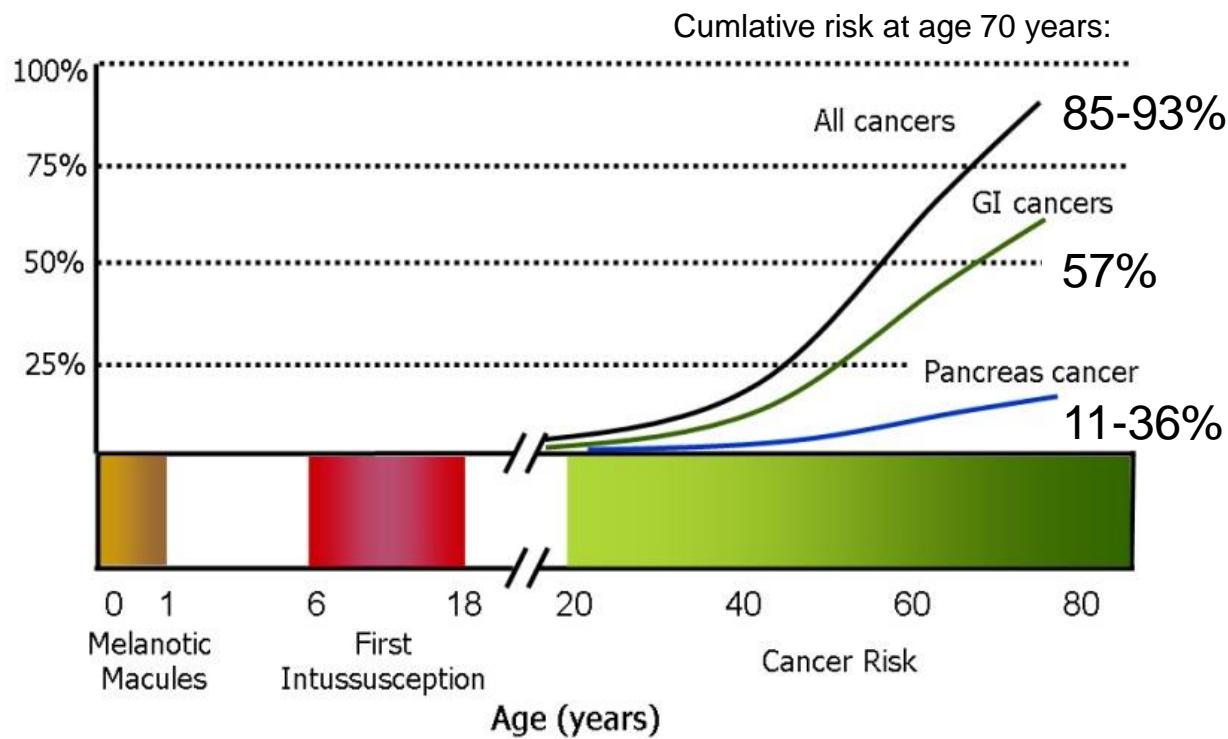
A diagnosis of PJS can be made if there are

- Two or more intestinal polyps with PJS histology, or
- One intestinal polyp with PJS-type histology with either typical melanotic macules or a family history of PJS, or
- A family history of PJS and characteristic melanotic macules

→ Diagnosis mostly clinical, genetic testing generally not necessary  
negative in 25% of cases, does not change management  
no genotype – phenotype relation

Tomlinson J Med Genet. 1997; 34:1007

# Clinical course and carcinoma incidence in PJS



Site	Cumulative risk from age 15 to 64
All cancers	93%
Esophagus	0.5%
Stomach	29%
Small intestine	13%
Colon	39%
Pancreas	36%
Lung	15%
Testes	9%
Breast	54%
Uterus	9%
Ovary	21%
Cervix	10%

Riegert-Johnson et al., Cancer Syndromes [Internet]. Bethesda (MD): National Center for Biotechnology Information (US); 2009  
 Giardiello. Gastroenterology. 2000;119:1447  
 Postgate J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr. 2009

# Surveillance in PJS

<b>Test</b>	<b>Start (Y)</b>	<b>Interval (Y)</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
<i>History “routine blood tests”</i>	<i>birth</i>	<i>1</i>	
Colonoscopy	12-20	1-3	<i>Yearly with polyps</i>
EGD	8-12	2-3	<i>Yearly with polyps</i>
Small bowel	8-12 ???	2-3 ???	<i>CT/MR-Sellink or Capsule endoscopy or Double balloon</i>
Pancreas MRCP/EUS	18-30	1-2	<i>Benefit unclear!!</i>
Breast MRI/Rx	18-25	1	
Ovarian/Cervix/Uterus	18	1	<i>Pelvic exam, pap smear, transvaginal US</i>
Testicular US	10	1	

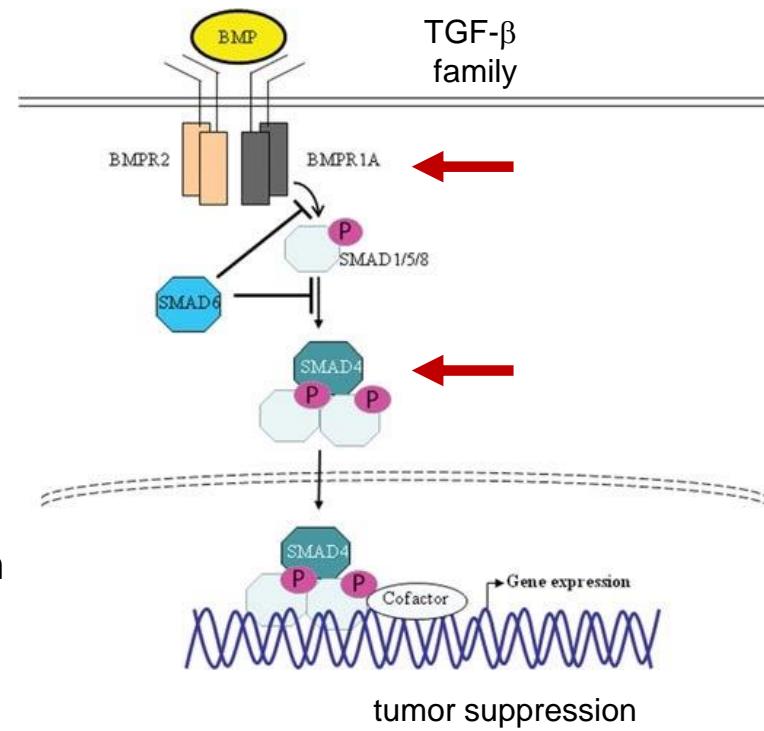
**Goal:** prevention of intussusception + carcinoma

**Cave:** no evidence! Only few cancers are detected by surveillance (1/96; 2/34)...

Friedl W. Dtsch Arztebl. 1999;96:A 2285–A 2291; McGarrity TJ. Cell Mol Life Sci. 2006;63:2135–2144; Jasperson KW. Gastroenterology 2010; Haerle N. Clin Cancer Res 2006;12:3209; Riegert-Johnson et al., Cancer Syndromes [Internet]. Bethesda (MD): National Center for Biotechnology Information (US); 2009

# Juvenile Polyposis Syndrome (JPS)

- **Hamartomatous Polyposis**
  - 1:100'000 – 1:160'000
  - 25% new mutations
- **DD: Solitary hamartomatous (juvenile) polyp**
  - 90% of all juvenile polyps
  - Rectal bleeding
  - no carcinoma risk
- **Diagnostic criteria JPS**
  - ≥5 hamartomatous polyps within the colon or rectum
  - Hamartomatous polyps in other parts of the GI tract
  - Any number of hamartomatous polyps with positive family history of JPS
- **Genetic**
  - Autosomal-dominant
  - Mutations found in 40-60% of cases
    - SMAD4
    - BMPR1A



Cohen et al., JPGN 2019; 68:3  
Tan et al. Human Mutation, 2012; 33:720

# Juvenile Polyposis Syndrome (JPS)

- Polyps since first decade of life
  - Colorectum (98%)
  - Stomach (14%)
  - Duodenum (7%)
  - Jejunum & ileum (7%)
- Bleeding, diarrhea, protein loosing enteropathy
- Increased carcinoma risk:
  - Colorectal carcinom at young age (median 34 years)
    - 35 years: 17-22%
    - 60 years: 68%
  - Gastric carcinoma (median 58 years)
    - Life time risk: 30-30
- SMAD4
  - Overlap with hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia (HHT)  
= Osler-Weber-Rendu disease
- BMPR1A
  - overlap with PTEN (adjacent genes)
  - juvenile polyposis of infancy  
more aggressive phenotype



Cohen et al., JGPN 2019; 68:3

<https://ghr.nlm.nih.gov/condition/juvenile-polyposis-syndrome>  
<http://www.altcancer.com/images/polyposis.jpg>

# Juvenile Polyposis Syndrome (JPS)

## Associated conditions

*Cardiac:*

12–13%

Mitral valve prolapse

VSD + pulmonary stenosis bicuspid aortic valve

*Vascular/skin:*

9–56%

Telangiectasia, pigmented nevi, splenic artery aneurysm

Bilateral iliac artery aneurysm, pulmonary AVM

*Cranial/skeletal:*

12–70%

Macrocephaly, hydrocephalus, cleft palate, polydactyly,  
hypertelorism

Thyroid disease, ADHD/autism

9%

*Neurology:* epilepsy

22%

Undescended testes

17%

Ocular abnormalities

4%

<b>Test</b>	<b>Start (Y)</b>	<b>Interval (Y)</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
Colonoscopy	12-15	1-5	<i>Earlier if symptomatic Yearly if polyps found</i>
EGD	12-25	1-3	<i>Earlier if symptomatic</i>
Small bowel	<i>Baseline in teenage years f/u according to findings</i>		<i>Earlier if symptomatic</i>

**Cave:** no evidence for surveillance schedule!

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Trichilemmoma



Oral Fibroma

# PTEN hamartoma tumor syndrome (PHTS) =Multiple Hamartoma Syndrome



**PTEN = Phosphatase and tensin homologue**

- **Cowden syndrome**

- Trichilemmomas
- Oral fibromas
- Palmoplantar keratoses

- **Bannayan-Riley-Ruvalcaba**

- Subcutaneous lipomas
- Macrocephaly

- **Adult Lhermitte-Duclos disease**

- Hamartomatous outgrowth of cerebellum

- **Proteus/ proteus like syndrome**

- Segmental overgrowth, lipomatosis, AV-malformation, Nevus

- **Autism with macrocephaly**

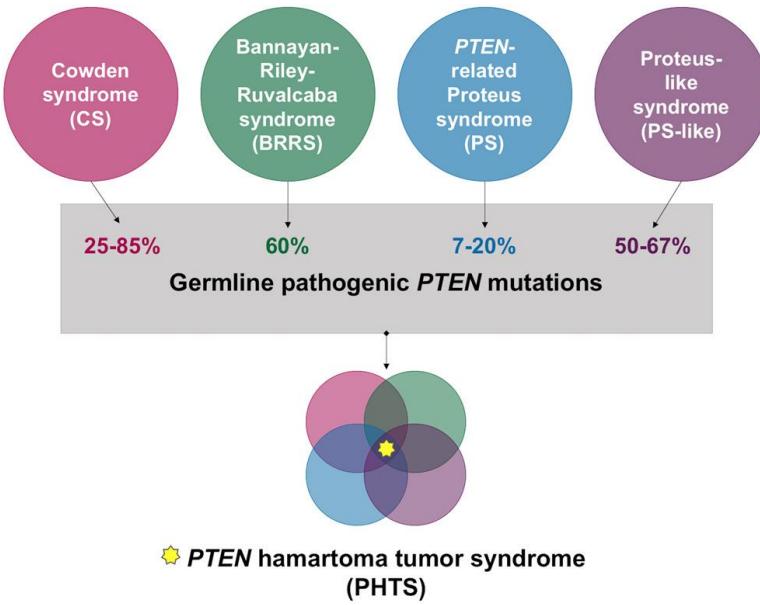


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Gustafson S., Semin Oncol. 2007;34:428–434  
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Tan MH, Clin Cancer Res 2012 Jan 15;18(2):400-7  
Yehia & Eng, Endocrine related cancer (2018); 25:T121



# PTEN hamartoma tumor syndrom (PHTS)

## = Multiple Hamartoma Syndrome

- Prevalence < 200'000
- Autosomal dominant
- Unique mutations in families
- Complex diagnostic criteria (major + minor)

### GI-manifestations

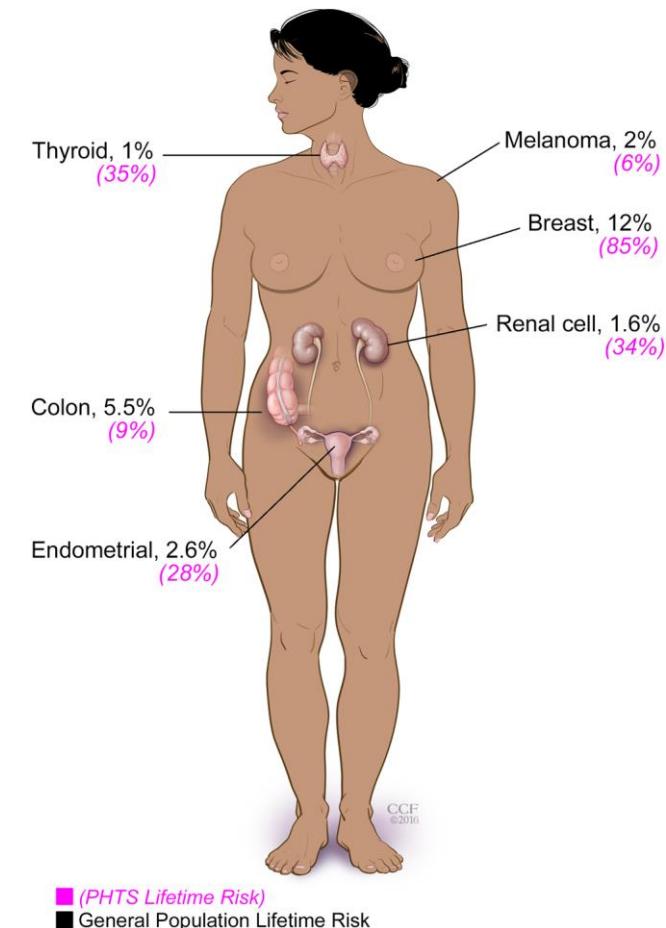
- Esophageal glycogenic acanthosis
- Gastric and duodenal polyps (66-100%)
  - Hamartomas, hyperplastic polyps, ganglioneuromas, adenomas, inflammatory polyps
- Colon polyps (93%)!!!
  - Hamartomas, inflammatory polyps, hyperplastic polyps, ganglioneuromas, adenomas, leiomyomas, lipomas
  - Multiple synchronous pathologies
- GI-malignancy
  - Colon carcinoma (9-17%)
  - Gastric cancer (rare)

Yehia & Eng, Endocrine related cancer (2018); 25:T121  
 Pilarski et al., J Natl Cancer Inst 2013; 105:1607

# PTEN hamartoma tumor syndrome (PHTS) Management

## Cancer surveillance

Cancer	Screening recommendations
Breast (female)	Starting at age 30 years: annual mammogram; breast MRI
Thyroid	Annual ultrasound
Endometrial	Starting at age 30 years: annual endometrial biopsy or transvaginal ultrasound
Renal cell	Starting at age 40 years: renal imaging every 2 years
Colon	Starting at age 40 years: colonoscopy every 2 years
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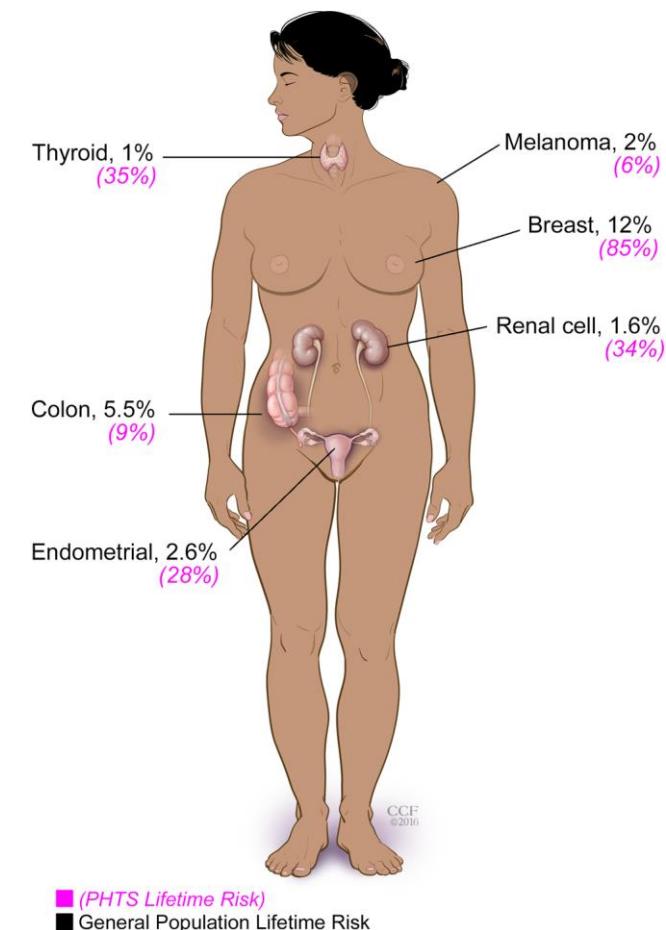


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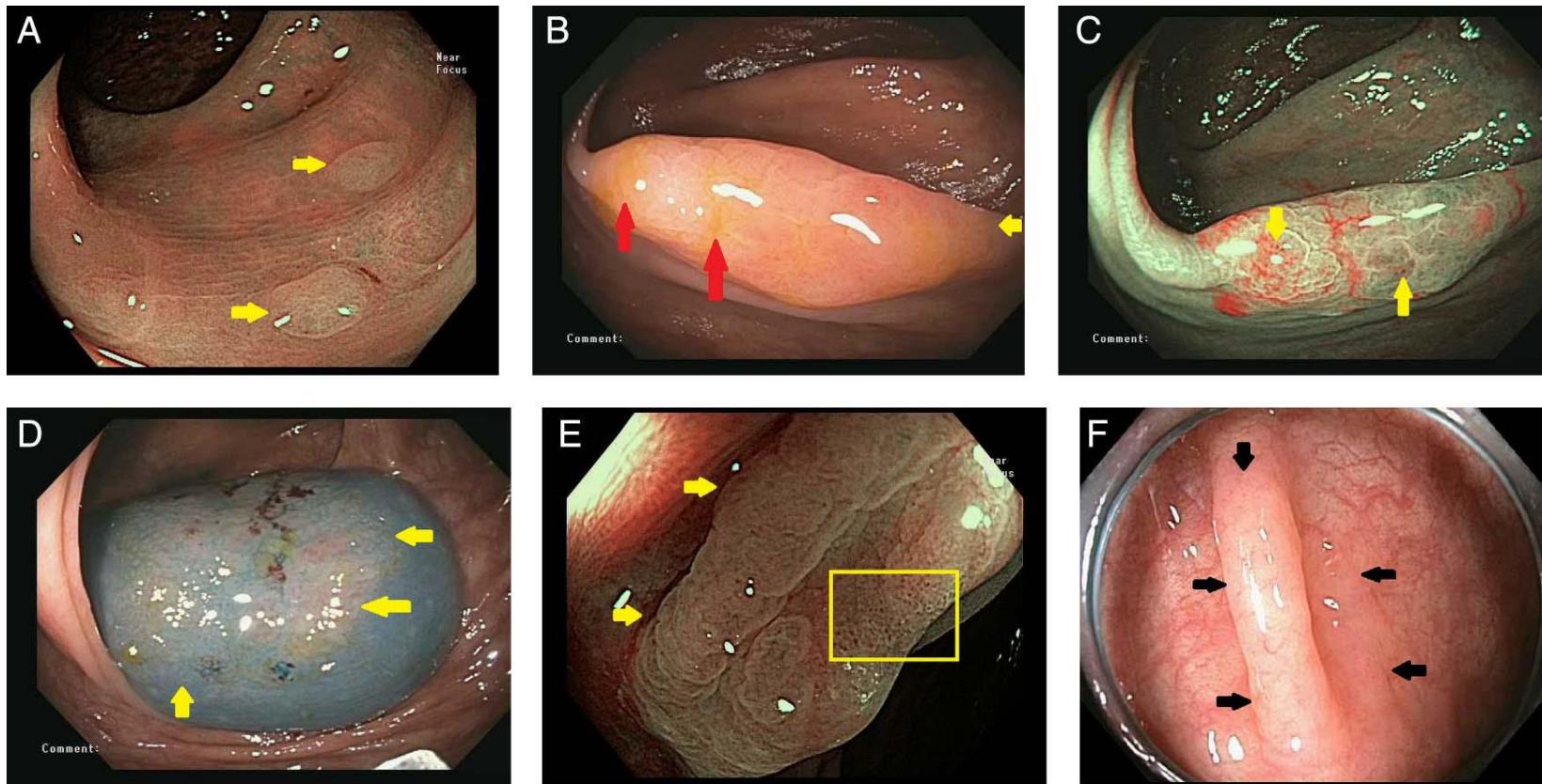
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# Hyperplastic and Serrated Polyps



Compared to hyperplastic polyps serrated polyps are/ have:

- Larger, distributed toward the proximal colon,
- Cloud-like or bossellated surface
- irregular surface, a mucus cap, indistinct edges
- Large black pits predict SSP over HP

East et al. Gut 2015; 64:991

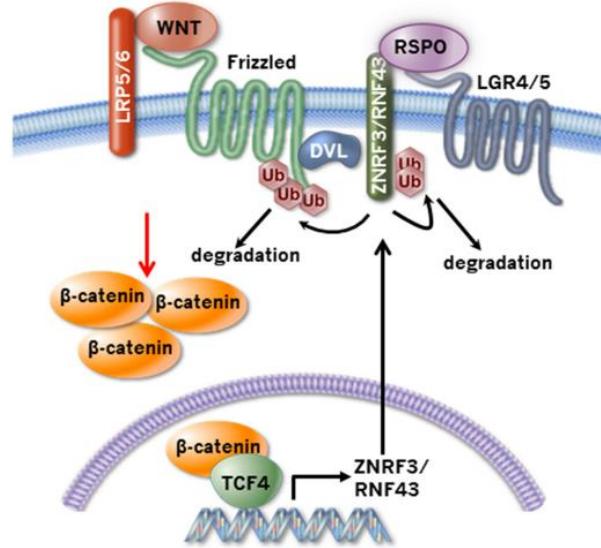
# Hyperplastic Polyps and Serrated Polyposis Syndrome (SPS)

- **15-30% of CRC arise via the serrated adenoma pathway**
  - Hyperplastic polyps
  - Sessile serrated polyp
  - Sessile serrated polyp without cytological dysplasia
  - Sessile serrated polyp with cytological dysplasia
  - Traditional serrated adenoma
- WHO-criteria for Serrated Polyposis Syndrome (**SPS**):
  - 1) >20 hyperplastic polyps distributed throughout the whole colon
  - 2)  $\geq 5$  hyperplastic polyps proximal to the sigmoid colon with  $\geq 2$  being  $>1\text{cm}$
  - 3)  $\geq 1$  serrated polyp proximal to the sigmoid colon in an individual with a first degree relative with SPS
- **Prevalence of SPS**
  - 1:2'000 in individuals referred for colonoscopy screening
  - 1:300 in individuals with positive FOBT/ FIT

East et al. Gut 2015; 64:991

Snover et al. WHO classification of tumours of the digestive system. Lyon, 2010. 160–5.

# Genetics of Serrated Polyposis Syndrome (SPS)



Wnt –  $\beta$ -catenin pathway for cellular proliferation  
 RNF43 ubiquitinates FZD → marked for degradation  
 = negative feedback.

Lesion	Total number	RNF43 Loss of Heterozygosity
<b>Serrated polyp</b> Hyperplastic, serrated, traditional serrated adenoma	16	14 (87.5%)
<b>Adenoma</b> Tubular, villous	5	4 (80%)
<b>Adenocarcinoma</b>	1	1 (100%)

In 1 out of 4 SPS families an RNF43 mutation was found  
 → 2<sup>nd</sup> hit mutations in serrated polyps, adenomas and CRC  
 → RNF34 might be one genetic factor for SPS and the serrated adenoma pathway

Yan et al., Gut 2017;66:1645  
 Hao et al., Cancers 2016, 8:54

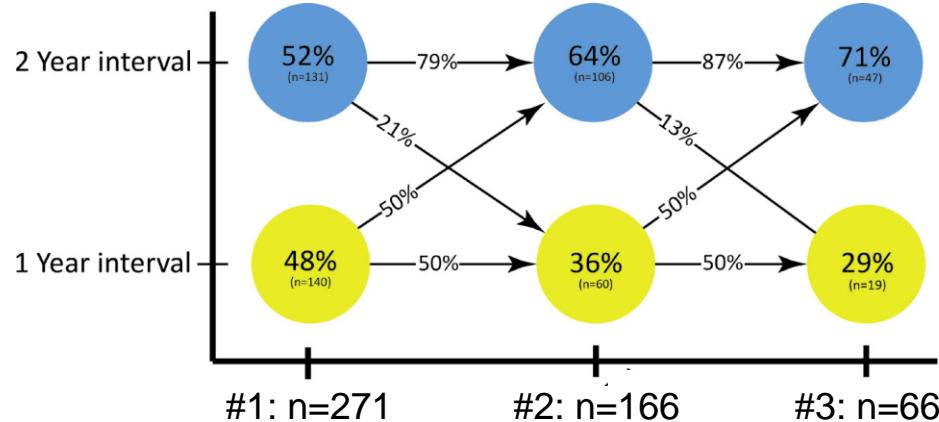
# Personalized surveillance for Serrated Polyposis Syndrome (SPS)

271 SPS patients. Clear colon. f/u for 3.6 years

Apply surveillance criteria:

- $\geq 1$  advanced serrated adenoma or adenoma
- $\geq 5$  serrated lesions
- Surgery needed

- yes → 1 year surveillance  
 no → 2 year surveillance



2 carcinomas

- 1 after 2 years surveillance
  - Late recurrence after surgery
- 1 after 1 years surveillance
  - After piece meal resection

→ 2 year surveillance schedule seems save surveillance colonoscopies reduced by 40%

Blejenberg et al., Gut 2019 *in press*







