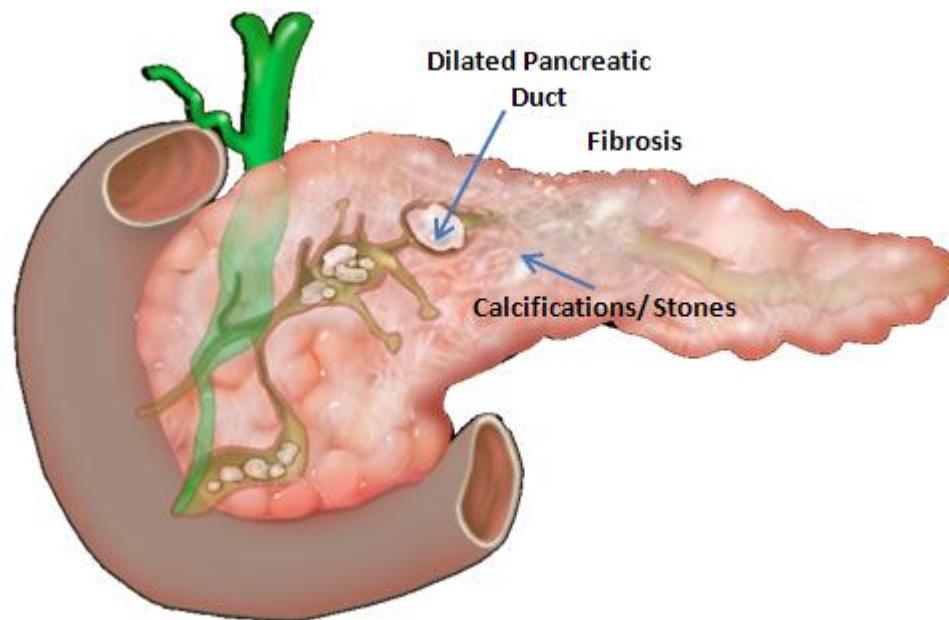


# Bible Class

## Chronic Pancreatitis



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# Definition

## Statement 1 – 1 - 1 Definition

Chronic pancreatitis is a disease of the pancreas in which recurrent inflammatory episodes result in replacement of pancreatic parenchyma by fibrous connective tissue.

Morphological change



**Exo-, endocrine insufficiency**

**Complications**

**Malnutrition**

**Pain**

**Risk for cancer**

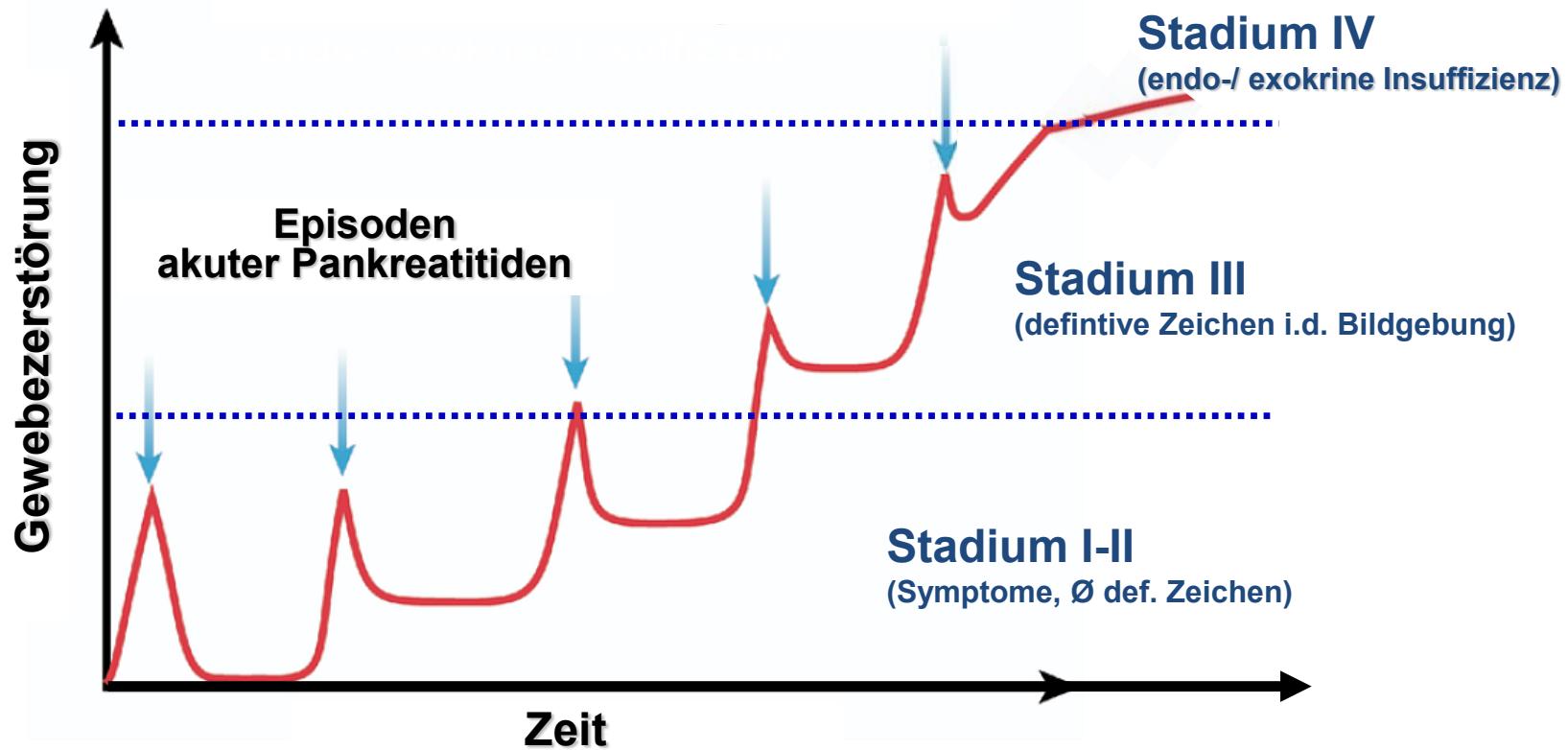
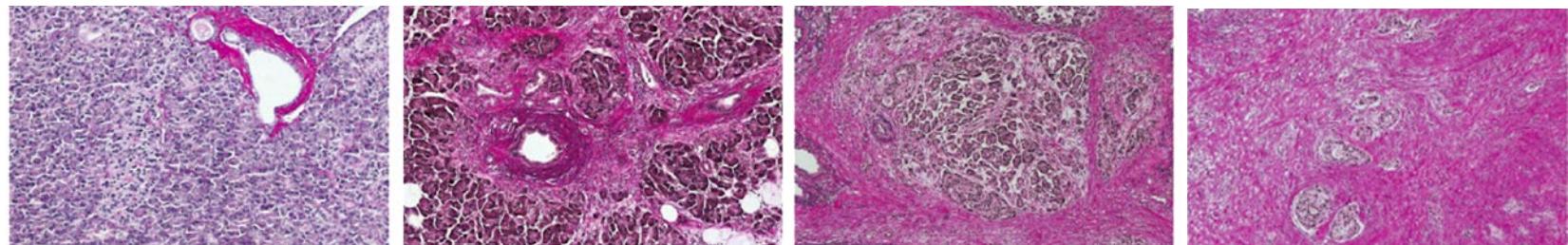
**Functional consequences**



**Reduced quality of life and life expectancy**

# Natürlicher Krankheitsverlauf

## Nekrose-Fibrose Sequenz



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# Epidemiologie

- Inzidence: 1.6 - 23/100'000
- Prevalence: 50/100'000, man >> woman
- Rising numbers
- 10y survival 70 % (normal population 93%)
- 20y survival 45 % (normal population 65%)
- In western countries mostly due to alcohol and nicotine (>70%)
- up to 40% are forced to retire

Majumder S et al. Lancet. 2016 May 7;387(10031):1957-66  
S3-Leitlinie Chronische Pankreatitis; Z Gastroenterol 2012; 50(11): 1176-1224

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Manser CN et al. Schweiz Med Forum 2014;14(31–32):570–577

# Causes of chronic pancreatitis

## Alcohol

- No threshold level ! Below which no risk
- Dose- Response: more = worse = higher risk
- 5% of «heavy drinkers» (> 80g/d für > 10 years) develop chronic pancreatitis

Getränk	typische Portion	Alkoholgehalt	Alkoholgehalt
Bier, groß	500 ml	4,8 Vol.-%	19 g
Bier, klein	330 ml	4,8 Vol.-%	13 g
Wein, Viertel	250 ml	11-13 Vol.-%	22-24 g
Wein, Achtel	125 ml	11-13 Vol.-%	11-12 g
Sekt, 1 Sektkglas	100 ml	11 Vol.-%	9 g
Spirituosen, 1 Schnapsglas	20 ml	15-40 Vol.-%	2-6 g

nach Weiß C (2007). Alkohol. EU 54 (2)



Samokhvalov et al. Ebio Med 2015  
Amann RW et al. Pancreas 1997

# And smoking? +/- alcohol

- Smoking accelerates progression of CP-disease
- In hereditary pancreatitis: Ca 20y earlier!
- After two decades of smoking cessation risk of non-gallstone-related acute pancreatitis is reduced to a level comparable to that of never smokers

Alcohol consumption (g/month)				
<400		≥400		
	RR† (95% CI)	p Value	RR (95% CI)	p Value
Smoking status*				
Never	1 (Ref)		1 (Ref)	
Former	1.30 (0.88 to 1.90)	0.20	1.66 (1.09 to 2.53)	0.02
Current	1.63 (1.09 to 2.45)	0.02	2.10 (1.38 to 3.19)	<0.01
Pack-years of smoking*				
Never	1 (Ref)		1 (Ref)	
Former				
<20	1.33 (0.86 to 2.06)	0.20	1.97 (0.91 to 4.24)	0.08
≥20	1.44 (0.81 to 2.55)	0.21	3.96 (1.87 to 8.39)	<0.01
Current				
<20	1.69 (0.99 to 2.90)	0.06	2.13 (0.84 to 5.40)	0.11
≥20	1.94 (1.18 to 3.19)	<0.01	4.12 (1.98 to 8.60)	<0.01

# Other causes

## TIGAR-O

Toxic-metabolic: alcohol, tobacco smoking, hypercalcemia, hyperlipidemia, chronic renal failure, medications, toxins

Idiopathic: early onset, late onset, tropical

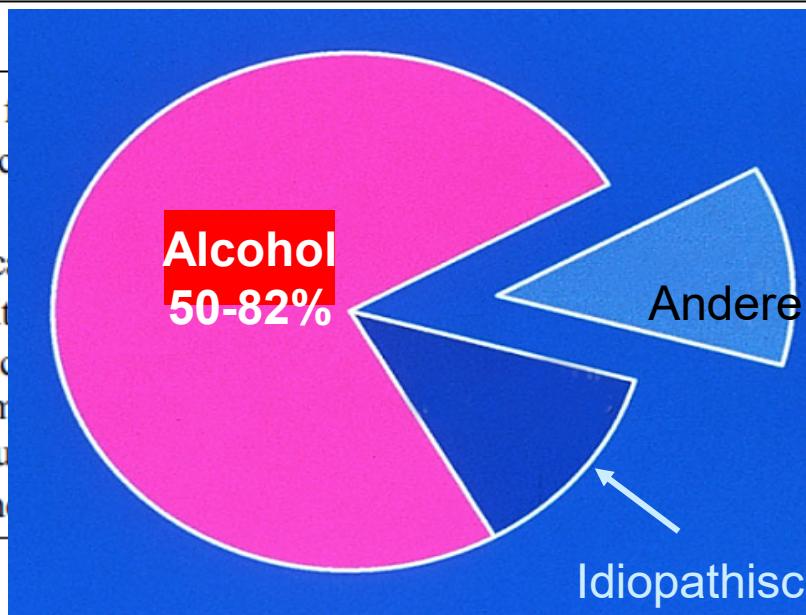
Genetic mutations: *PRSS1*, *CFTR*, *SPINK1*, others

Autoimmune: isolated, syndromic

Recurrent and severe AP-associated CP: postnecrotic (severe AP), vascular disease/ischemic, postirradiation

Obstructive: pancreas divisum, sphincter of Oddi, duct obstruction (eg, tumor), posttraumatic pancreatic duct scars

M indicates multiple risk factors  
Alcohol consumption: excess (eg, >20 g/d)  
Nicotine consumption  
Nutritional factors: high caloric intake  
Hereditary factors: hereditary pancreatitis  
Efferent duct factors: pancreatic duct obstruction (eg, tumor)  
Immunological factors: autoimmune pancreatitis  
Miscellaneous and rare causes

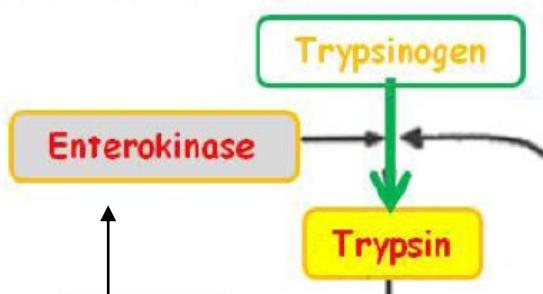


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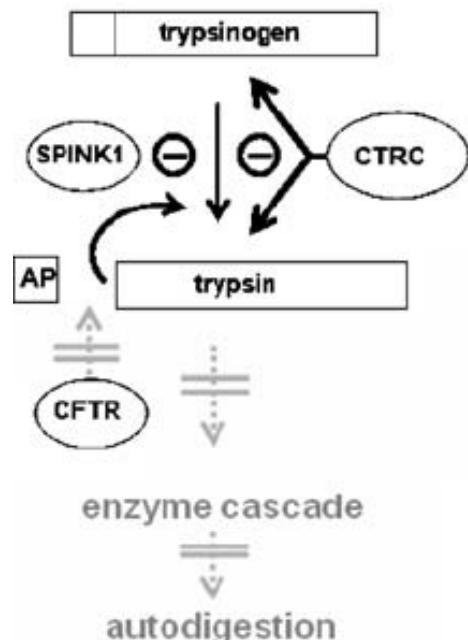
# Hereditary pancreatitis

In the duodenum



Produced in the  
duodenal mucosa

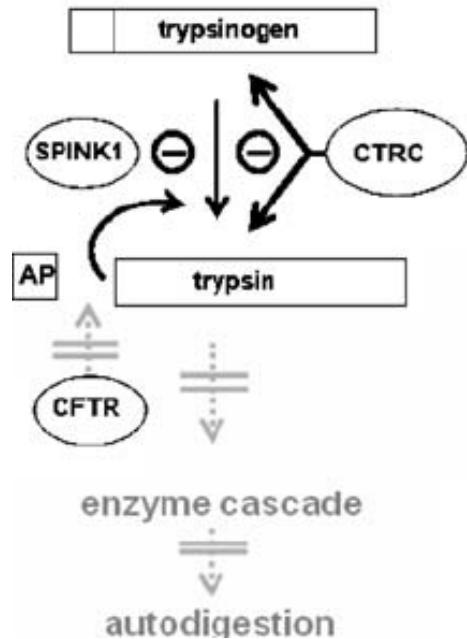
a In the pancreas  
normal pancreas



# Hereditary pancreatitis

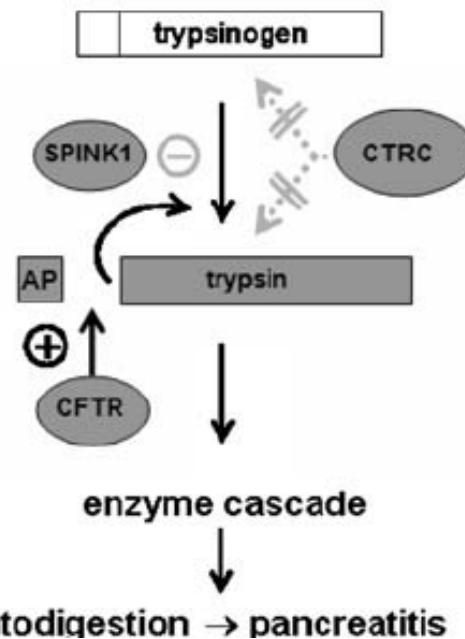
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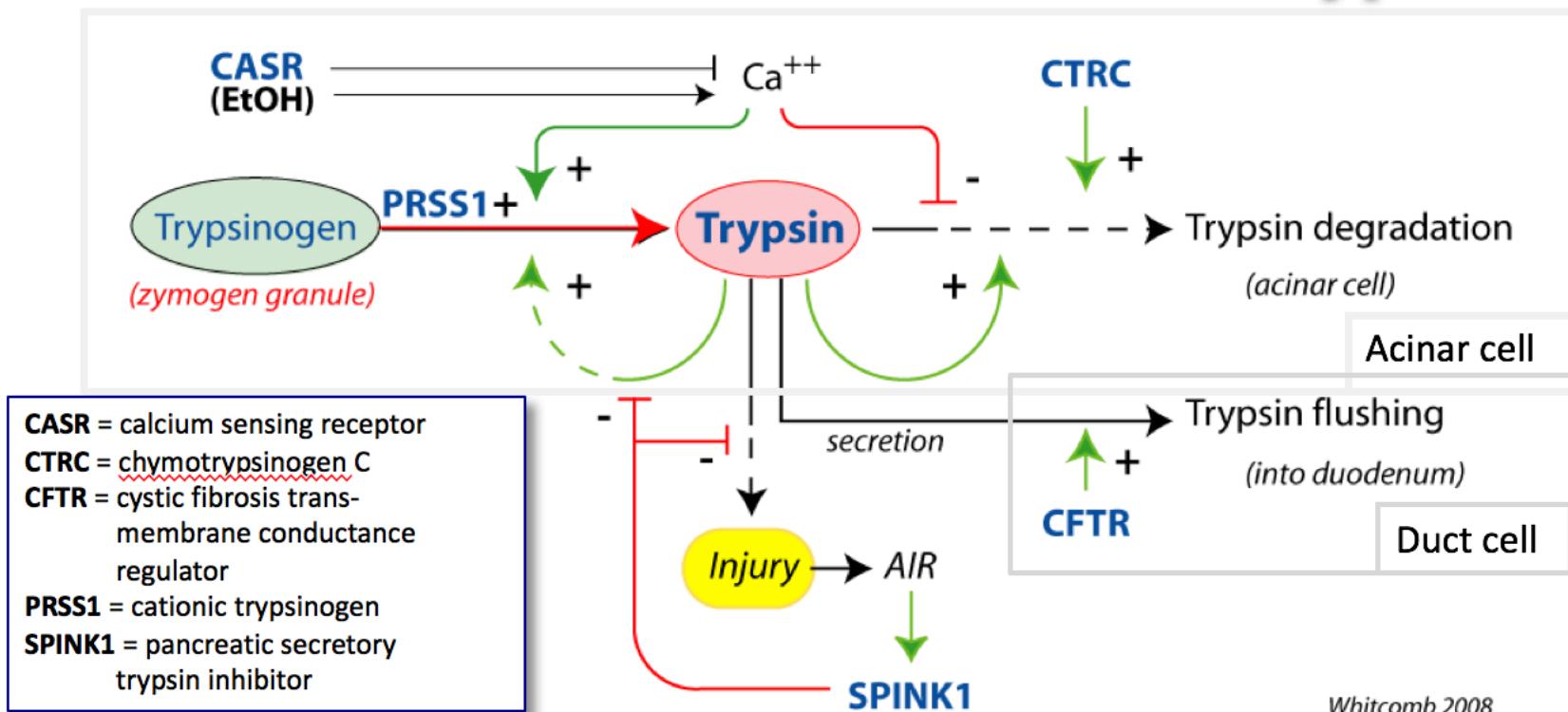


b

chronic pancreatitis



Model of chronic pancreatitis. a Condition in the normal pancreas: trypsin resulting from autoactivation of trypsinogen within the pancreatic parenchyma is inhibited by SPINK1 and degraded by chymotrypsin C (CTRC). This defence mechanism prevents the pancreas from activation of the pancreatic enzyme cascade and autodigestion. b Condition in chronic pancreatitis: mutations in PRSS1, SPINK1, or CTRC lead to an imbalance of proteases and their inhibitors within the pancreatic parenchyma resulting in an inappropriate conversion of pancreatic zymogens to active enzymes with autodigestion and inflammation. Mutations in CFTR may disturb this delicate balance by intrapancreatic acidification or by a defective apical trafficking of zymogen granules and thus facilitate the intrapancreatic activation of digestive enzymes. Dark boxes represent products of mutated genes. (AP, activation peptide)



Whitcomb 2008

AIR = Acute inflammatory response (acute phase protein expression)

- Genes linked to **CP susceptibility** all regulate intra-pancreatic **trypsin** activity.
- Both the acinar cells and duct cells are linked with pancreatitis-causing variations

# Hereditary pancreatitis

## Mutation in the kationic Trypsinogen-Gen (PRSS1):

- Autosomal dominant, high penetrance (up to 80 %)
- Risk für pancreatic carcinoma: 49% in 75 years
- usually symptoms before 20y

## Mutationen im SPINK1-Gen:

- Autosomal recessive
- Common mutation (ca. 2%), only in 1% CP, «disease modifier»

## CFTR-Mutation: (Cystic fibrosis transmembrane regulator gene )

- Autosomal recessive inheritance, Prevalence 1:2500,
- > 2000 mutations leading to alterations in secretion of Cl, Na and HCO<sub>3</sub>.  
Thick viscous mucus, low pancreatic fluid volume
- Increased acidic pancreatic juice-> precipitations -> duct obstruction
- Mild variants: e.g. R75Q or BD

Majumder S et al. Lancet. 2016 May 7;387(10031):1957-66

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# Who to test for HP?

- A family history of idiopathic chronic pancreatitis, recurrent acute pancreatitis or childhood pancreatitis
- Relatives with known mutations associated with HP
- Unexplained pancreatitis in a child
- Idiopathic chronic pancreatitis in patients <25 years
- Recurrent ( $\geq 2$  episodes) acute pancreatitis of uncertain etiology

## Pancréatite

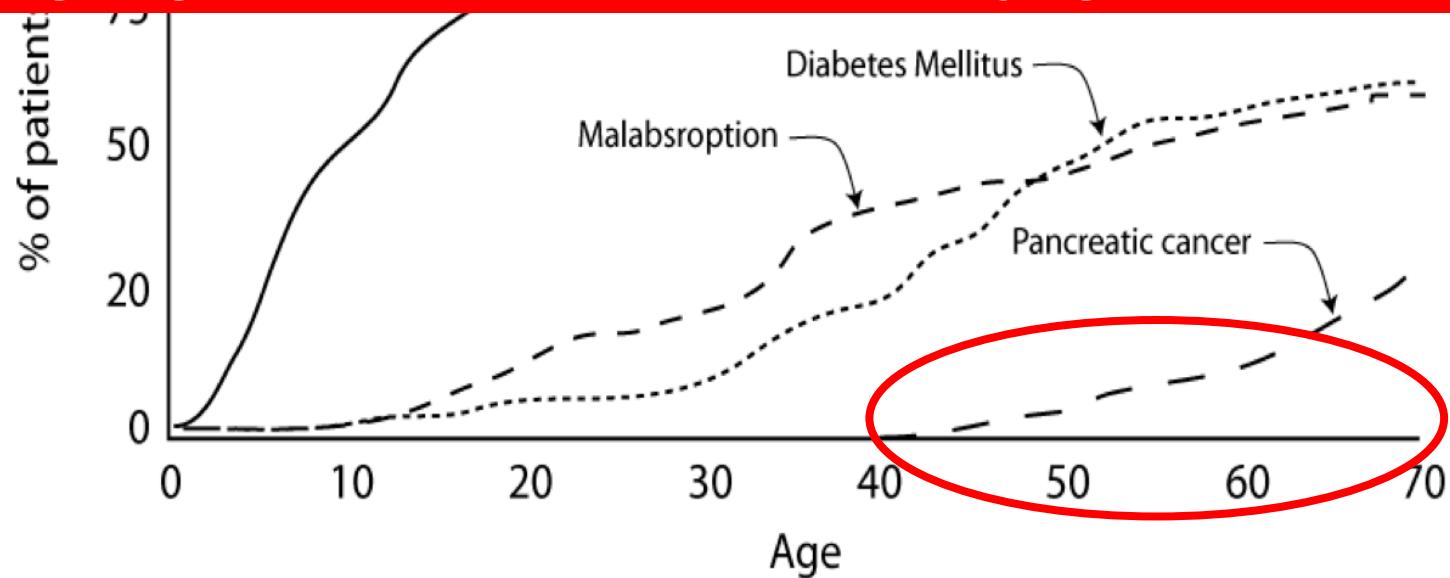
- CFTR+5T (33 mutations)* 450 CHF
- mutation *SPINK* 215 CHF
- gène *PRSS1* !! 530 CHF → **Kostengutsprache einholen**

# Surveillance of HP

Hereditary Pancreatitis: Time to symptom development

Risk for pancreatic cancer > 50-fold increased

e.g. Arg122His mutation in PRSS1: > 75y age risk about 50%!



Howes et al. Clin Gastroenterol Hepatol. 2004;2(3):252-61

# Autoimmunpancreatitis

Subtypes of autoimmune pancreatitis.

Subtype of AIP	Type 1	Type 2
Other nomenclatures	AIP without GEL IgG4-related LPSP	AIP with GEL IgG4-unrelated IDCP
Prevalence	Asia > USA, EU	EU > USA > Asia
Age	High aged	Younger
Gender	Male ≫ female	Male = female (NS)
Symptoms		
Obstructive jaundice	Often	Often
Abdominal pain	Rare	Common
Pancreas swelling	Common	Common
Serology	High serum IgG, IgG4, autoAbs (+)	Normal IgG, normal IgG4, autoAbs (-)
Other organ involvement (OOI)	Sclerosing cholangitis Sclerosing sialadenitis Retroperitoneal fibrosis Others	Unrelated with OOI
Ulcerative colitis	Rare	Often
Steroid	Responsive	Responsive
Relapse	High rate	Rare

GEL=Granulocytic epithelial cells

K. Okazaki, Autoimmunity reviews 2014

# AIP and international consensus diagnostic criteria (ICDC)

ICDC<sup>1</sup> 5 signs for AIP:

- Imaging of pancreatic parenchyma and duct
- Serology
- Other organ involvement
- Histology of pancreas
- Response to steroid therapy (optional)



70% of AIH 1 do not need a biopsie for diagnosis. AIH 2 often needs biopsie

<sup>1</sup>Shimosegawa T et al. Pancreas 2011;40: 352Y358

<sup>2</sup>Manser CN et al. Digestion 2015;92:138–146

# AIP – algorithm

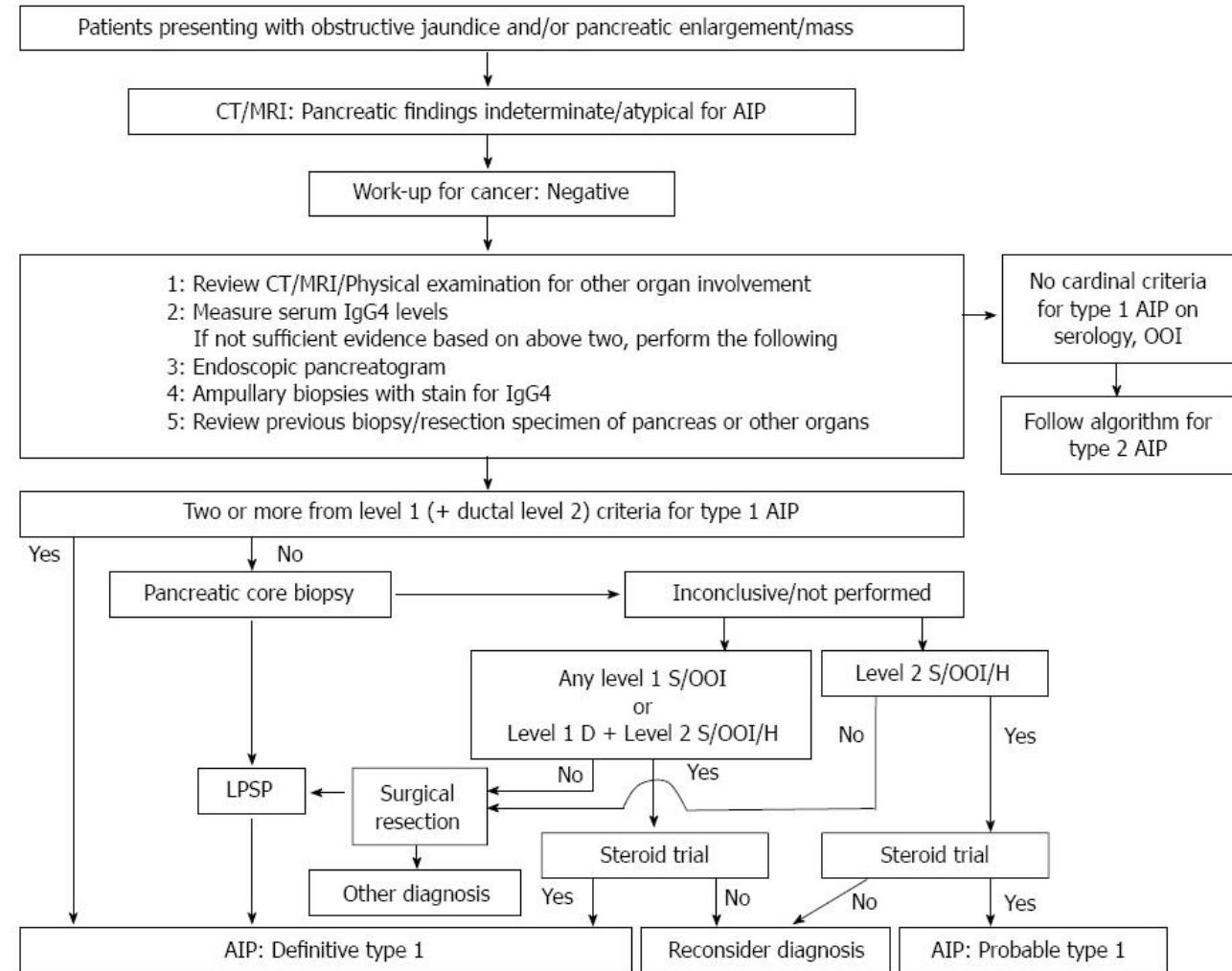
**TABLE 2: Level 1 and Level 2 Criteria for Type I Autoimmune Pancreatitis (AIP) Using International Consensus Diagnostic Criteria [40]**

Abbreviation	Criterion	Level 1	Level 2	H	Histology of the pancreas	LPSP (core biopsy or resection)	LPSP (core biopsy)
P	Parenchymal imaging	Diffuse enlargement with delayed enhancement	Indeterminate and atypical findings such as segmental or focal enlargement with delayed enhancement				
D	Ductal imaging (ERCP)	Long and multiple strictures without marked upstream dilatation	Segmental or focal narrowing without marked upstream dilatation (duct size < 5 mm)				
S	Serology	IgG4 level > 2 times upper limit of normal value	IgG4 level 1–2 times upper limit of normal value				
OOI	Other organ involvement	Either typical histology or radiology a. Histology of extrapancreatic organs Any three of the following: (1) Marked lymphoplasmacytic infiltration with fibrosis and without granulocytic infiltration (2) Storiform fibrosis (3) Obliterative phlebitis (4) Abundant (> 10 cells/HPF) IgG4-positive cells b. Typical radiologic evidence At least one of the following: (1) Segmental or multiple proximal (hilar or intrahepatic) or proximal and distal bile duct stricture (2) Retroperitoneal fibrosis	a or b a. Histology of extrapancreatic organs including endoscopic biopsies of bile duct Both of the following: 1) Marked lymphoplasmacytic infiltration without granulocytic infiltration 2) Abundant (> 10 cells/HPF) IgG4-positive cells b. Physical or radiologic evidence At least one of the following: (1) Symmetrically enlarged salivary or lachrymal glands (2) Radiologic evidence of renal involvement described in association with AIP	Rt	Response to steroid	At least 3 of the following: (1) Periductal lymphoplasmacytic infiltrate without granulocytic infiltration (2) Obliterative phlebitis (3) Storiform fibrosis (4) Abundant (> 10 cells/hpf) IgG4-positive cells	Any 2 of the following: (1) Periductal lymphoplasmacytic infiltrate without granulocytic infiltration (2) Obliterative phlebitis (3) Storiform fibrosis (4) Abundant (> 10 cells/hpf) IgG4-positive cells

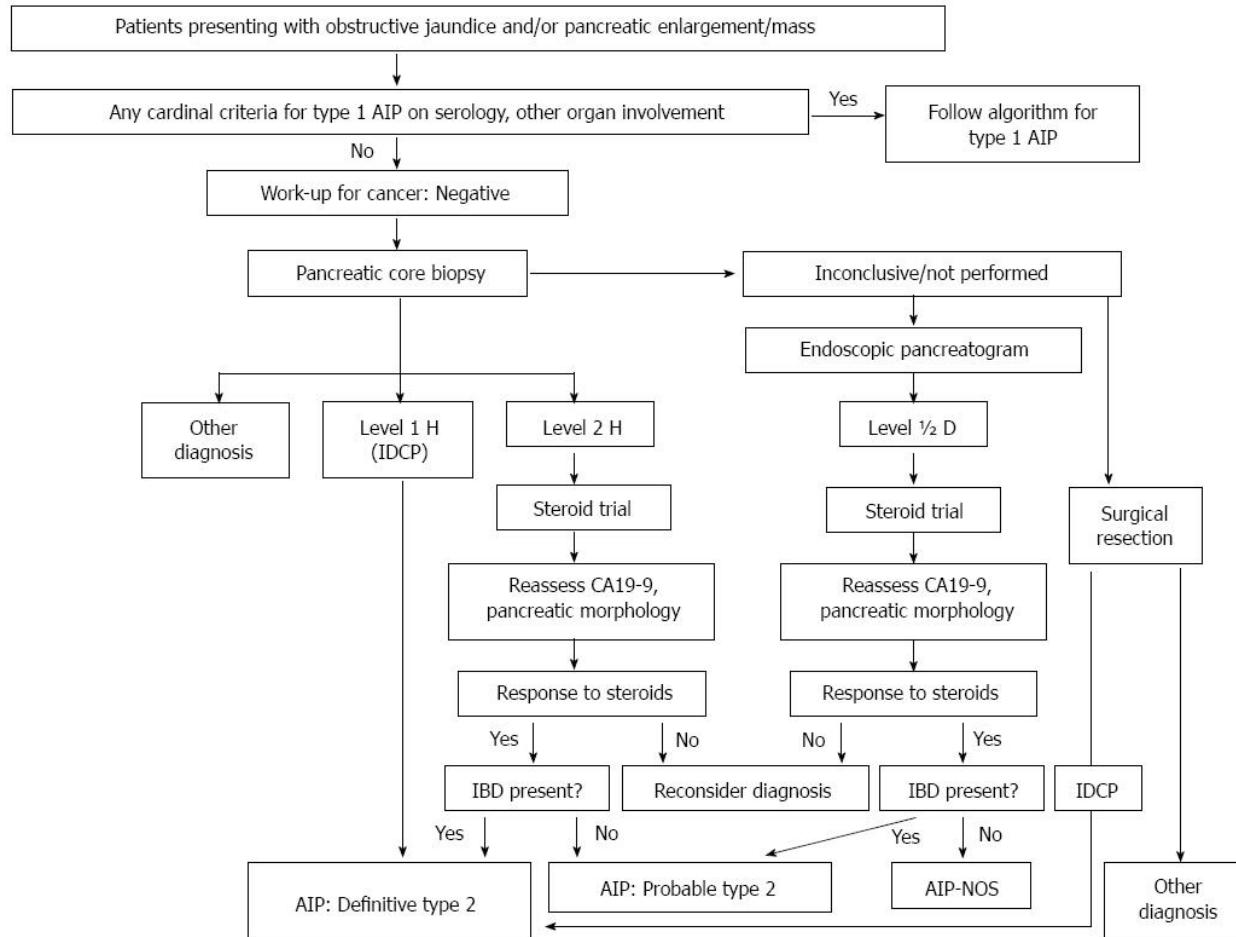
Note—hpf = high-power field, LPSP = lymphoplasmacytic sclerosing pancreatitis.

AJR:202, May 2014

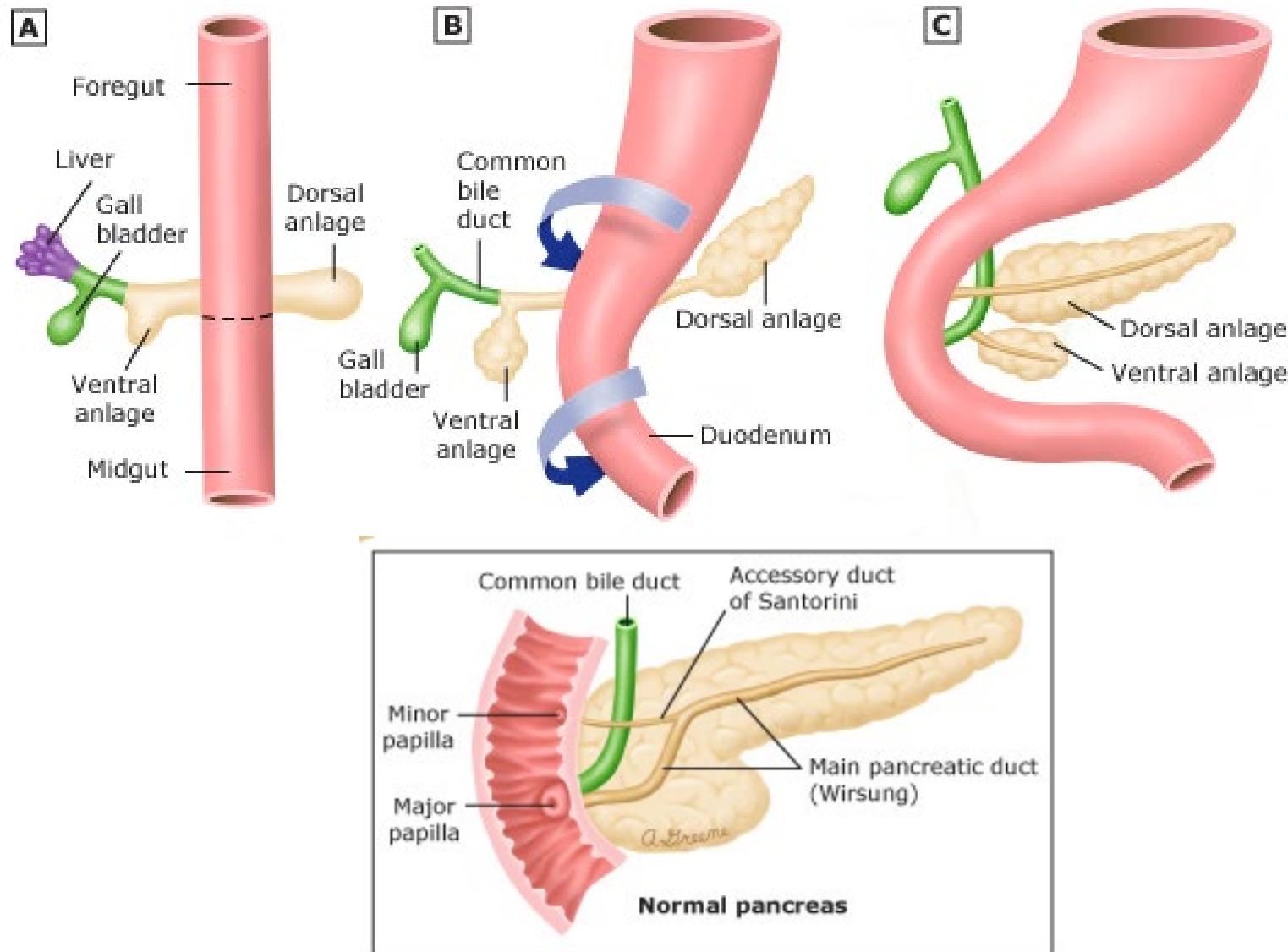
# AIP 1 – algorithm



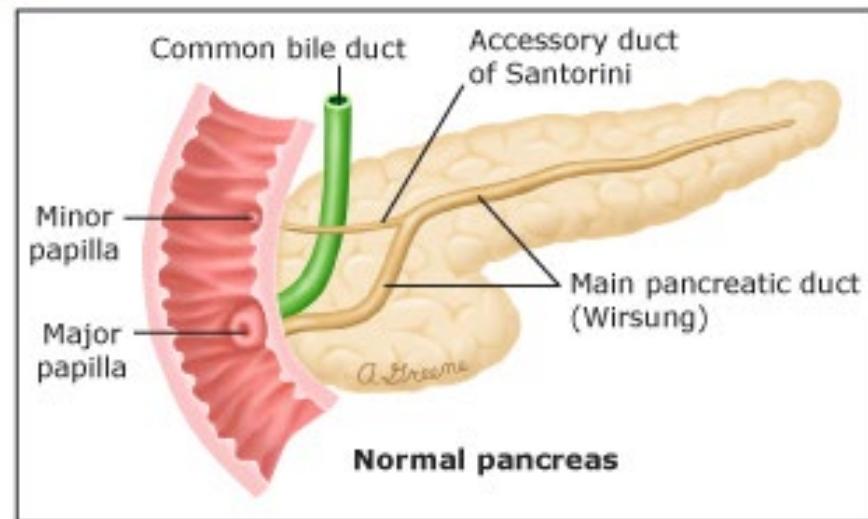
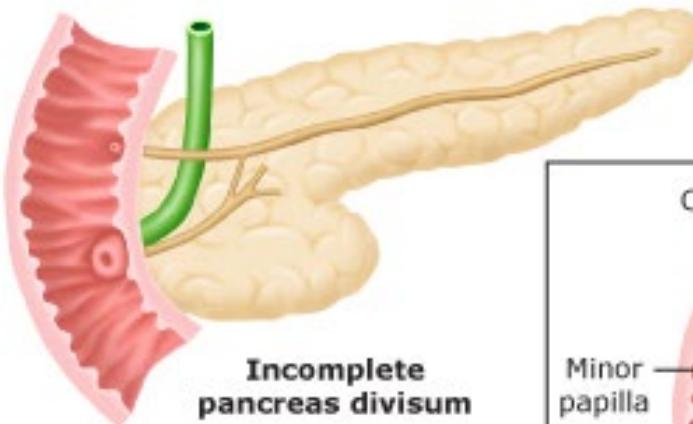
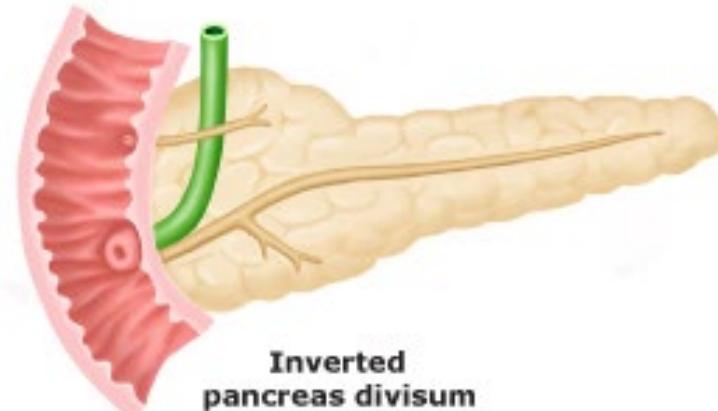
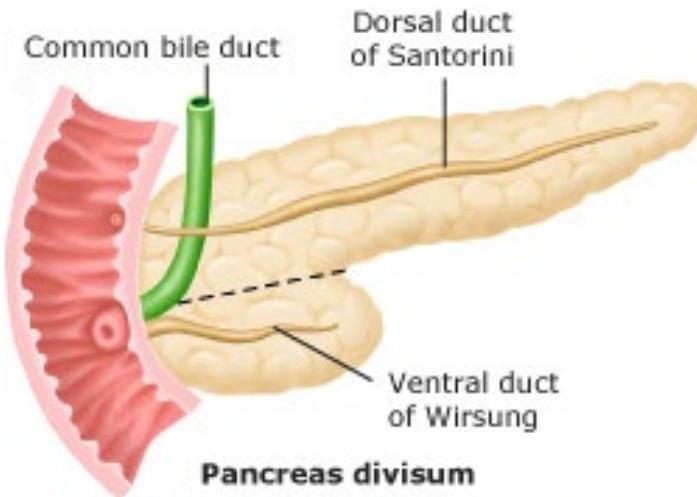
# AIP 2 – algorithm



# Pancreas divisum



# Pancreas divisum



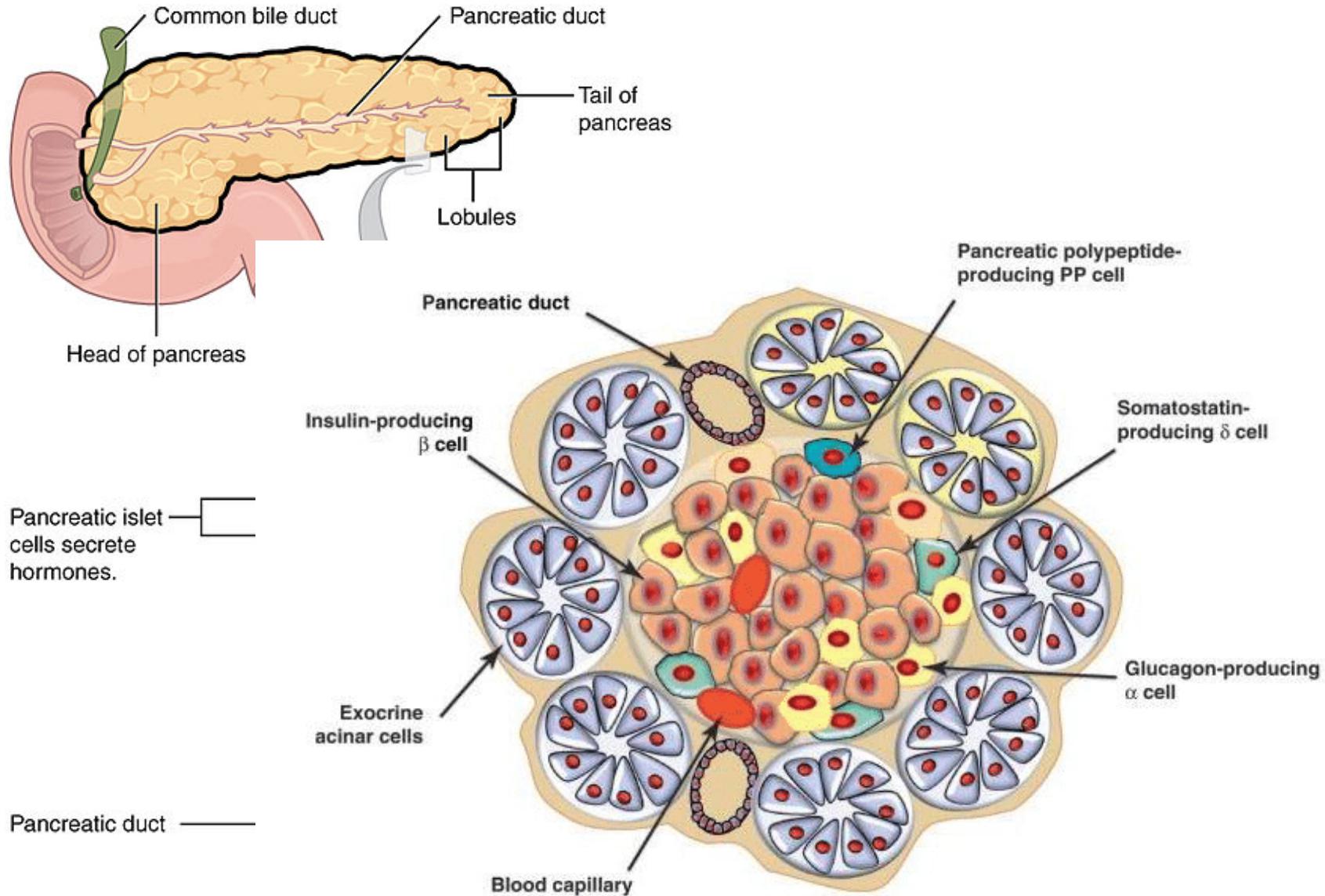
# Pancreas divisum

- Incomplete or lack of fusion D.santorini + D.wirsungianus with seperate drainage of ventral and dorsal pancreas in major and minor papilla
- Autopsies: 5-10% all individuals
- CP-cases: 6-26% of idiopathic CP-cases
- With other risk factors (genes, C2..): can cause CP
- Particularly in childhood pancreatitis search for it
- Endoscopic treatment can be/is appropriate individually

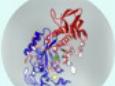
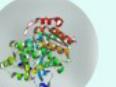
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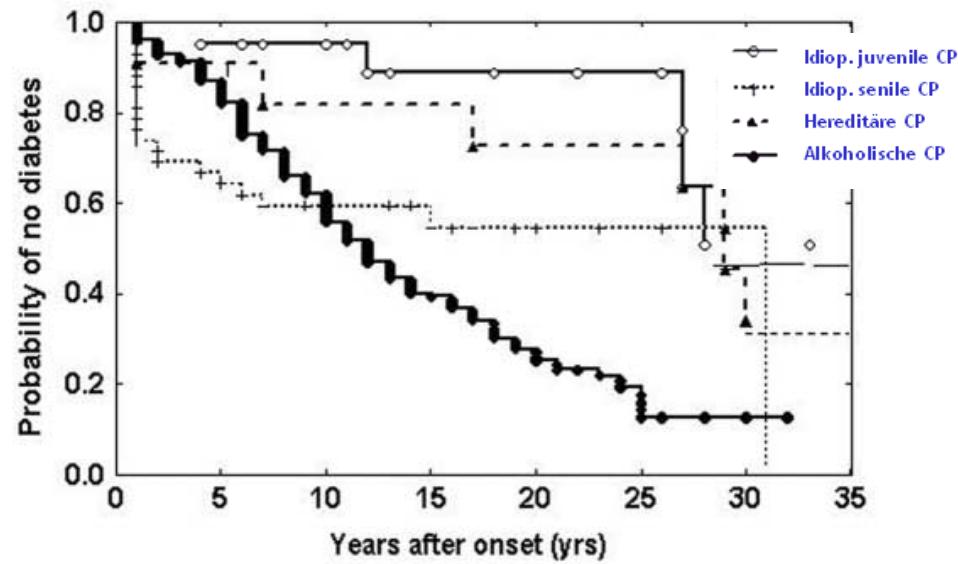
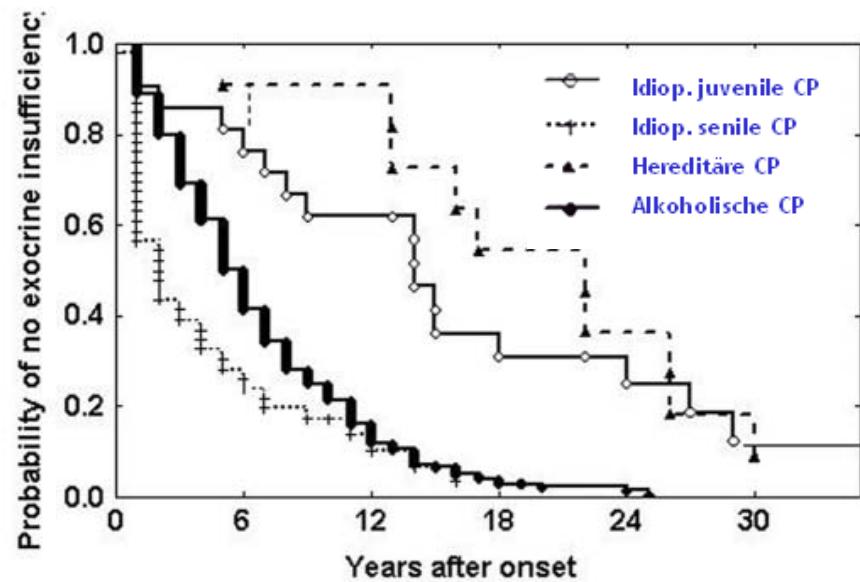
# Endo- and exocrine function of Pancreas



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Endokrine Funktion	Exokrine Funktion
<p>Insulin wird in den B-Zellen gebildet. Es ist das anabolste Hormon und sorgt für den Transport von Glukose aus dem Blut in die Zellen.</p>	<p><b>Amylase</b> </p>
<p>Glukagon wird in den A-Zellen gebildet und ist der Gegenspieler von Insulin.</p>	<p><b>Lipase</b> </p>
<p>Somatostatin wird in den D-Zellen gebildet. Es hemmt u.a. die Freisetzung von Insulin und Glukagon aus den benachbarten Zellen.</p>	<p><b>Peptidasen</b> </p>
<p>Das Pankreatische Peptid hemmt die Enzym- und Hydrogencarbonat-Produktion des Pankreas, die Motilität des Darms und den Gallefluss.</p>	<p><b>Hydrogencarbonat</b> </p>

# Endo- and exocrine insufficiency

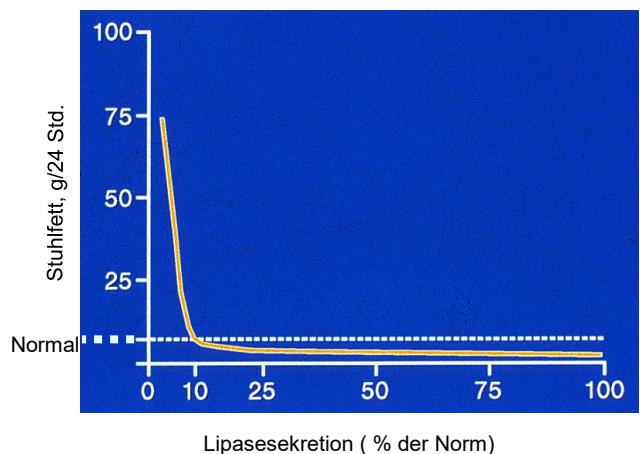


- Faster in smoker

# Steatorrhea



- >7g fat/d at 100g fat ingestion/d
- Large volume, stinky stool, osmotic diarrhoe, undigested fibres
- No very good clinically detection (NPV < 30%) (neither negative nor positive predictive)
- > 90% reduction in lipase-secretion



# ExPI Testing – How

Test	Leichte ePI	Mässige ePI	Höhergradige ePI	Spezifität
	Sensitivität	Sensitivität	Sensitivität	
Elastase-Stuhl	<b>54%</b>	75%	<b>95%</b>	<b>85%</b>
Qual. Stuhlfett	0%	0%	78%	70%
Chymotrypsinakt. Stuhl	<50%	Ca. 60%	80-90%	80-90%
<b>C13 Atemtest (gem. Triglyceride)</b>	<b>62-100%</b>	-	<b>90-100%</b>	<b>80-90%</b>

N = >200 ug/g, false low if diarrhea

**C13-Atemtest-Triglyceride:**  
Better im mild ExPI  
**Only test to monitor therapy**

# ExPI and vitamin deficiency

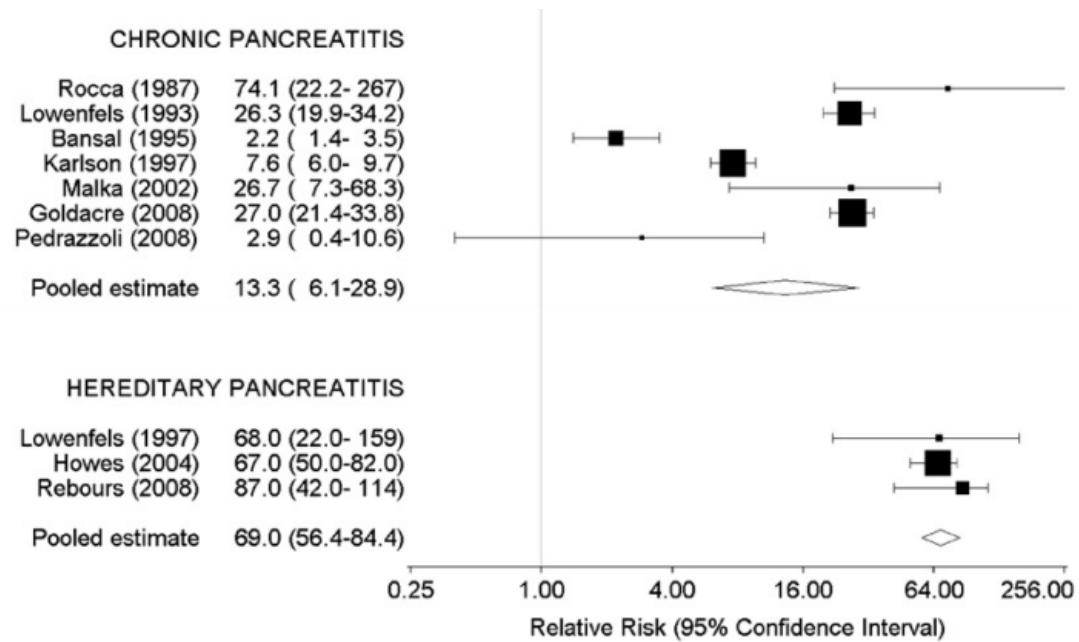
Vitamin	Laboratory Sign of Deficiency	Clinical Sign of Deficiency	Treatment/Prevention
Vitamin A	Retinol: retinol-binding protein <0.8 mol/mol	Xerophthalmia, keratomalacia	Vitamin A: 3,000–10,000 U/d
Vitamin D	25-Hydroxyvitamin D <14 ng/mL = deficiency; <30 ng/mL = insufficiency	Rickets, osteomalacia	Cholecalciferol: 800–5,000 IU/d; 1,25 OH <sub>2</sub> cholecalciferol: 0.05–0.2 µg/kg per d
Vitamin K	Prolonged prothrombin time, elevated protein in vitamin K absence	Coagulopathy	Phytonadione: 2.5–5 mg twice a week to every day
Vitamin E	Vitamin E: total serum lipid ratio <0.6 mg/g	Neurologic changes, hemolysis	TPGS: 15–25 U/kg per d; D-α tocopherol: up to 100 U/kg per d

TPGS=D- $\alpha$ -tocopheryl polyethylene glycol 1,000 succinate.

# Risk of carcinoma

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- 5y after diagnosis 8-time higher risk for pancreatic cancer<sup>2</sup>
- Highest risk within the first two years after diagnosis
- More extrapancreatic neoplasia<sup>3</sup>



<sup>1</sup>Raimondi S et al. Best Pract Res Clin Gastroenterol. 2010 Jun;24(3):349-58

<sup>2</sup>Kirkegaard J, Am J GE 2017

<sup>3</sup>Talamini G et al. American Journal of Gastroenterology (1999) 94, 1253–1260

# Screeeing for carcinoma

- DGVS-Leitlinien 2012:
  - «Es kann sinnvoll sein, Hochrisikogruppen in regelmässigen Abständen auf das Auftreten eines Pankreaskarzinoms zu untersuchen»  
[Evidenzgrad 3b, Empfehlungsgrad D, starker Konsens]
  - Hochrisikogruppen: PRSS1-Mutation sowie Raucher
  - Abdomenultraschall alle 6-12 Monate, weitere Bilddiagnostik bei Verdacht
  - Keine Bestimmung von Tumormarkern
- AGA medical position statement pancreatic carcinoma 1999:
  - Hereditary pancreatitis: Screening after 35y
  - Familiary syndrome: 10 before symptoms of the first family member
  - Combination of CT, EUS und CA19-9; interval unclear
- Consensus Guidelines, Pancreatic Cancer in Hereditary Pancreatitis 2001:
  - **Offer** screening after 40 y
  - EUS, MRI, CT; interval unclear

# Riskfactors for cancer

Multicenter studiy (cross-sectional), 660 Pat with firs AP 2003-2007

## Results:

### RF for recurrent AP:

- Alcohol OR 2.29 (1.42-3.70)
- Smoking (active) OR 3.06 (1.98-4.74)
- Nekrot. AP OR 1.92 (1.2-3.08)

### RF for CP:

- Alcohol OR 3.98 (1.64-9.65)
- Smoking (active) OR 2.90 (1.42-5.93)
- Nekrot. AP OR 6.65 (3.40-13.01)

- Cumulative risk of recurrent AP within 5y:
  - Smoking: 40% (non-smoker 13%)
  - Alcohol: 30%
- Cumulative risk of CP within 5y:
  - Smoking or alcohol 18% (each) (30% in combination)

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# Diagnosis of CP

- EUS
- CT
- MRI, MRCP
- ERCP

# EUS-diagnostic accuracy for chronic pancreatitis

25 Pts. with surgical wedge-resection; EUS and secretin-test prior to operation

Goldstandard Fibrose- Histologie	Sensitivität	Spezifität
EUS	84%	100%
Secretin-Test	86%	67%

- EUS is the most sensitive imaging technique for the diagnosis of CP (mainly during the early stages of the disease)
- EUS best tool in differential diagnosis of CP, pancreatic masses or cystic lesions (fine needle biopsy)

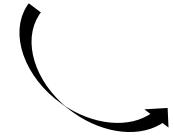
# Strength of diagnostic EUS

Real-time – dynamic – individual adaptation

Focus/Depth



Proximity  
to target



Operateur!

Knows patient

The Best!!

Gain-function



High Resolution  
(up to 12 MHz!)



EUS = highest detail resolution

Contrast-  
enhancement

Optimized examination of  
target

Fine-Needle-  
Aspiration/Bx

# Rosemont Classification

## Parenchymal:

- Major:
  - Hyperechoic foci + shadowing (Major A)
  - Lobularity (Major A)  
if honeycomb-typ (Major B)
- Minor:
  - Hyperechoic foci without shadowing
  - Cysts
  - Stranding

## Ductal:

- Major:
  - MPD calculi (Major A)
- Minor:
  - Irregular MPD contour
  - Dilated side branches
  - MPD dilation
  - Hyperechoic MPD margin

# Rosemont Classification

## I. Consistent with CP

- A. 1 major A feature (+)  $\geq 3$  minor features
- B. 1 major A feature (+) major B feature
- C. 2 major A features

## II. Suggestive of CP†

- A. 1 major A feature (+)  $< 3$  minor features
- B. 1 major B feature (+)  $\geq 3$  minor features
- C.  $\geq 5$  minor features (any)

## III. Indeterminate for CP†

- A. 3 to 4 minor features, no major features
- B. major B feature alone or with  $< 3$  minor features

## IV. Normal

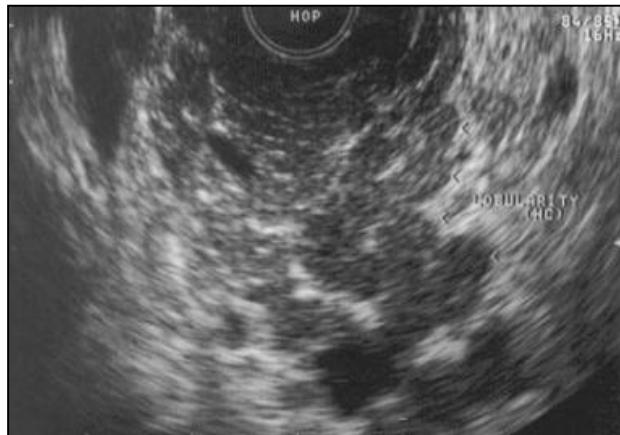
$\leq 2$  minor‡ features, no major features

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\*EUS diagnosis of CP should be made in the appropriate clinical setting.

†Diagnosis requires confirmation by additional imaging study (ERCP, CT, MRI, or PFT).

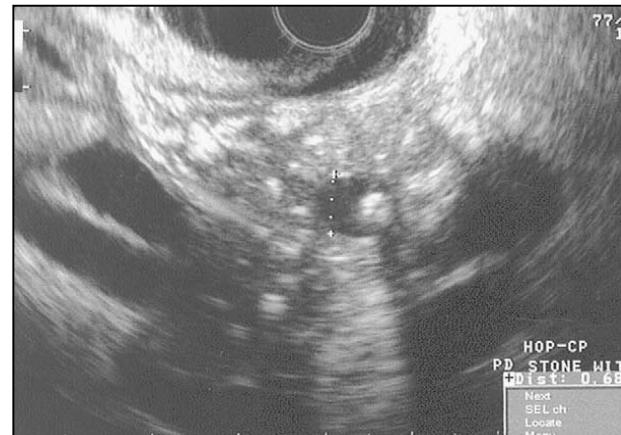
# Picture in EUS



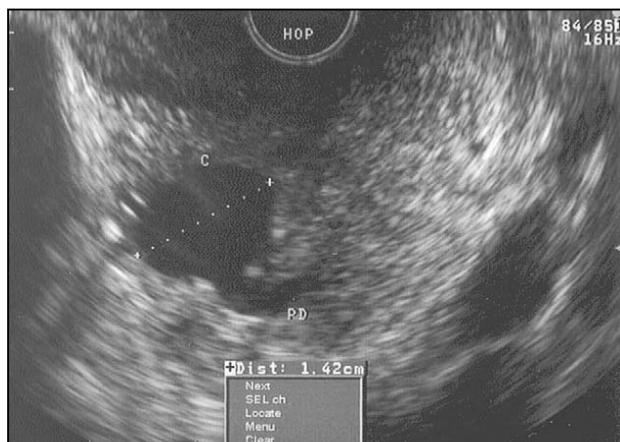
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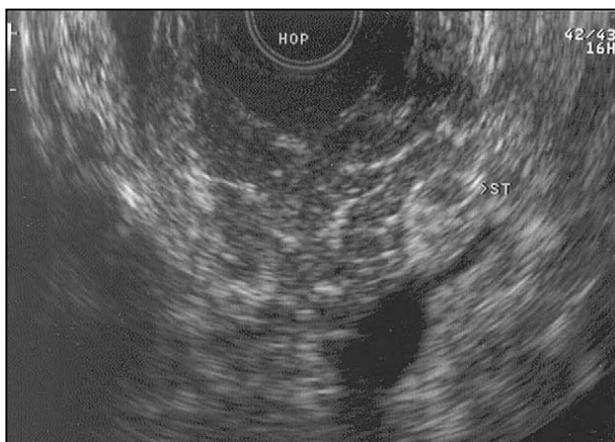
Hyperechogene Foci & Schatten



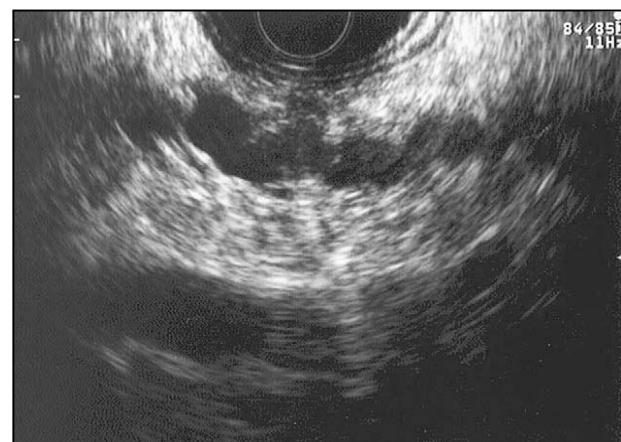
Intraduktale Steine



Zyste



„Stranding“



Dilatierter, unregelmässiger Gang

# CH-EUS for pancreatic adenocarcinoma (AC) diagnosis

227 pts. with solid pancreatic lesion

After CT/MR/MRCP and conventional EUS

Diagnosis: surgery (n=92) or negative FNA + 12 months FU

All  
Lesions  
(n=277)

	Sensitivity	Specificity	AUC
CH-EUS	95.1% (92.7-96.7%)	89.0% (83.0-93.1%)	0.91
MDCT	91.7% (88.9-93.7%)	84.2% (76.9-89.7%)	0.88

Lesions  
< 2cm  
(n=67)

CH-EUS	<b>91.2%</b> (82.5%-95.1%)	<b>94.4%</b> (86.2-98.1%)	<b>0.93</b>
MDCT	70.6% (60.3-76.1%)	91.9% (86.2%-98.4%)	0.81

} p<0.03

Kitano et al. AJG 2012

MDCT= multidetector-row computed tomograph



# Problems in Differentiation CP and carcinoma

	No pts./ With CP	Sensitivity Without CP %	Sensitivity With CP %	P-Value
Fritsche et al 2002	200/ 74	89.3%	<b>53.5%</b>	-
Wang et al 2005	300/75	91.3%	<b>73.9%</b>	0.02

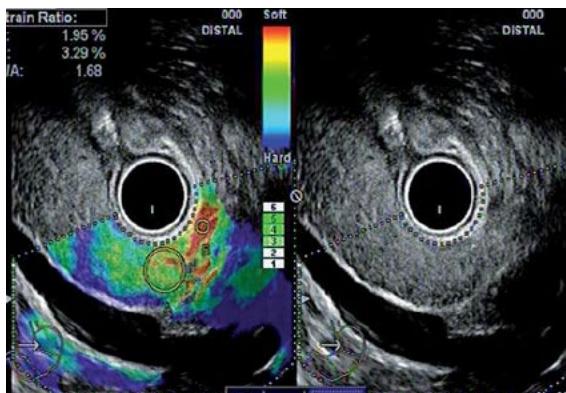
**Diagnostic accuracy  
< 75%**

Significantly lower sensitivity of EUS-FNA in CP due to:

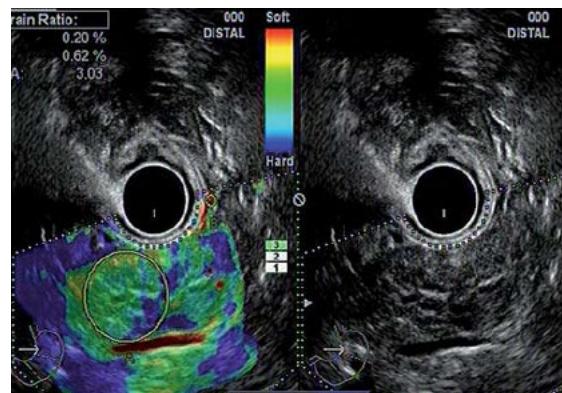
- ✓ Calcified stones can reduce the quality
- ✓ desmoplastic stroma traps cancer cells, yielding only a scant aspirate.
- ✓ Collaterals make FNA challenging: considering expert-recommendation of «funnel-technique» and > 7 passes/per puncture
  - ✓ Occasional atypical cells can mimic malignancy
- ✓ Well-differentiated Ca overlooked: lack hyperchromasia; modest increase N/C-ratio

# Diagnostik - Elastographie

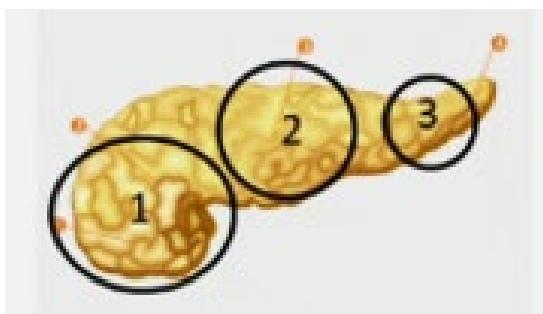
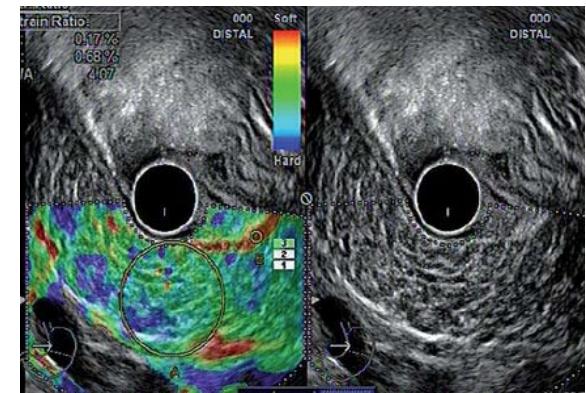
Normales Pankreas



Strands, irregulärer Hauptgang und dilatierte Seitenäste  
→ suggestiv für CP



Hyperechogene Foci,  
honeycombing, dilatierter  
Hauptgang → vereinbar mit CP

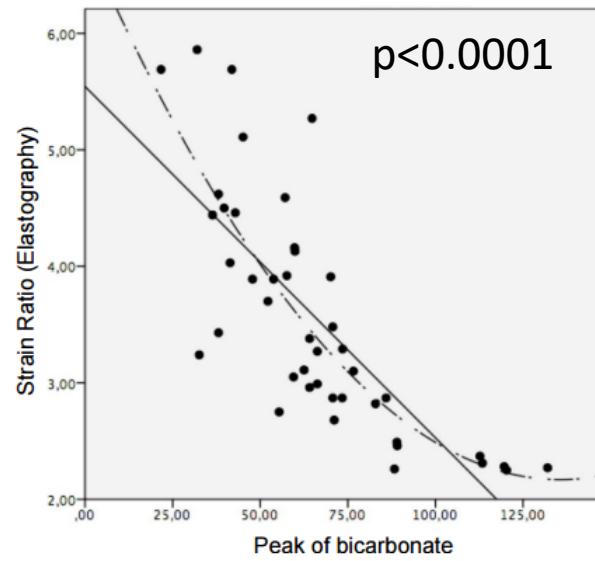
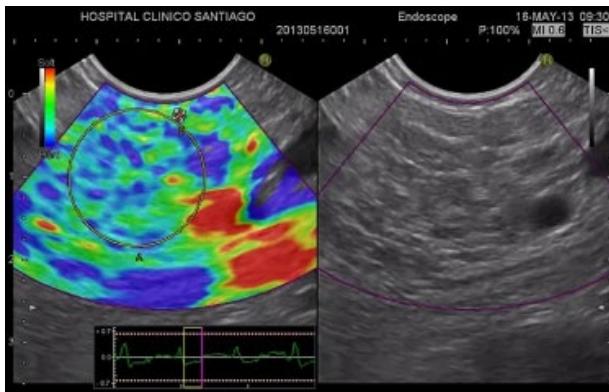


**Table 3** Accuracy of quantitative elastography for the diagnosis of chronic pancreatitis. A strain ratio of 2.25 was used as the cut-off value.

	Accuracy, % [95%CI]
Sensitivity	91.2 [84.8 – 97.6]
Specificity	91.0 [84.9 – 97.1]
Positive predictive value	90.2 [83.6 – 96.8]
Negative predictive value	91.9 [86.1 – 97.8]
Overall accuracy	91.1 [86.8 – 95.4]

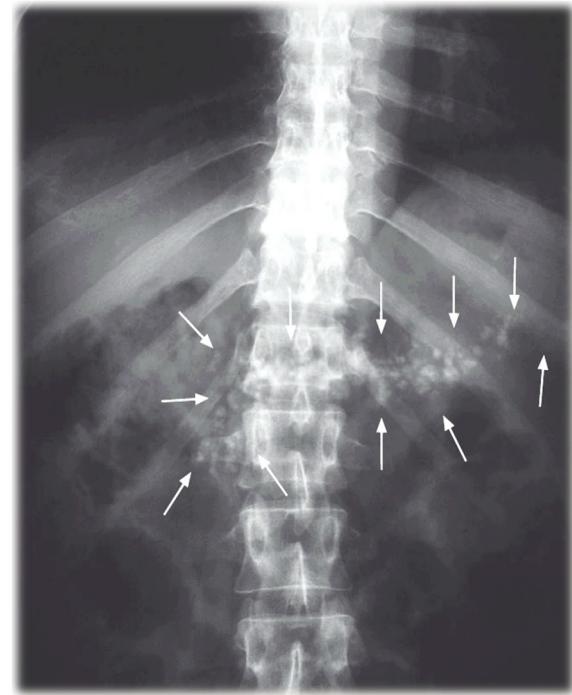
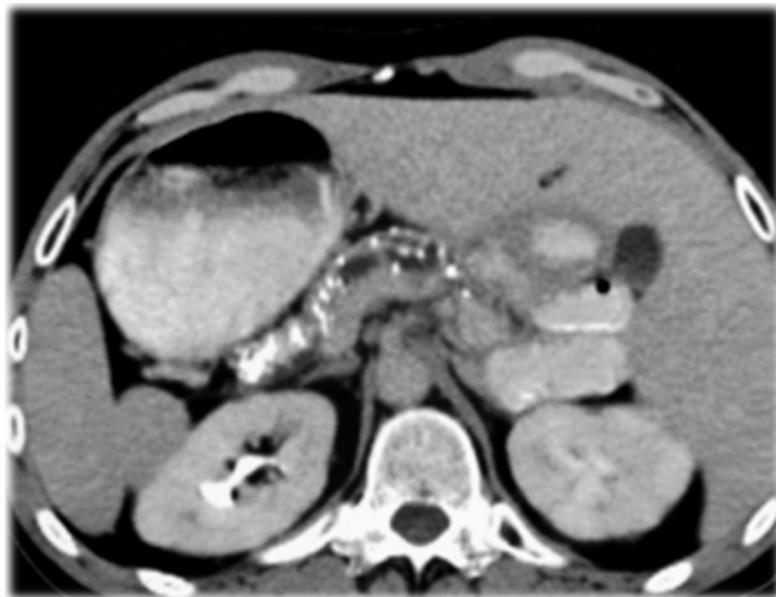
# EUS - Elastography

- Prospective study with 43 Patienten, suspected CP with 3-4 EUS-Features
- EUS + Elastography an Sekretin-Stimulationstest
- Signifikant correlation of Pankreatic fibrosis (Elastography) and stimulated pankreatic bicarbonat secretion



# CT

- Sensitivity 75-90%, specificity ca. 85%
- Other reason for pain, complications
- Not high sensitivity in early stages



Y. Issa Eur Radiol 2017; 27:3820-3844  
Conwell et al, Pancreas, Vol 43, No 8, Nov. 2014  
Manser CN et al. Schweiz Med Forum 2014;14(31–32):570–577  
S3-Leitlinie Chronische Pankreatitis; Z Gastroenterol 2012; 50(11): 1176-1224

# MRI/MRCP

- High sensitivity (78-88%) and specificity (96%), in early stages too
- Duct irregularity: dilatation, strictures, stones
- Parenchymal irregularity
  - Often before irregularity of the duct
  - Subtle reduces signal intensity, longer T1-relaxation time (fett-supprimierte T1-gewichtete Bilder)
  - Later and fewer absorption of Gadolinium
- No intervention

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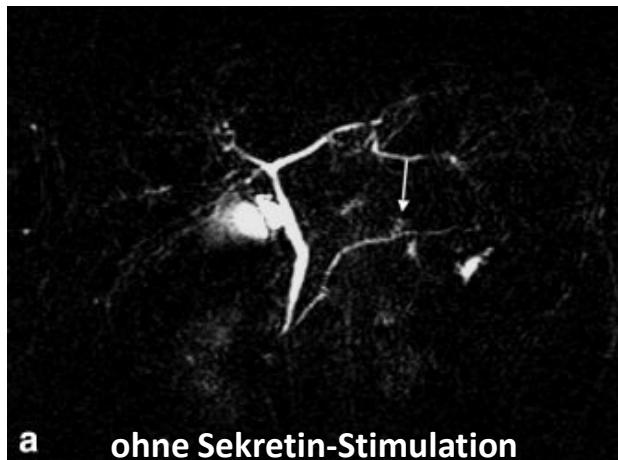
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# MRCP with Sekretin stimulation

**Sekretin leads to production of pancreatic Bicarbonat**

- Better visualisation of the duct than MRCP (dilatation, strictures, communication with cyst)
- Sensitivity 92% and specificity 75% even in eraryl stage CP
- Detection of exocrine insufficiency (Sensitivität 77%, Spezifität 83%)



# MRCP vs. ERCP

	Sens.	Spez.	PPV	NPV
MRCP	88%	94%	93%	90%
ERCP	90%	91%	90%	91%



1



2

ERCP not for diagnostic reasons



3



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# Therapy

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- Pseudocysts
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# Enzyme replacement

- Indication
  - Clinical (weightloss, high stoolfrequency, steatorrhea)
  - Malabsorption (Albumin, Zink, Ferritin, fettlösliche Vitamine)
  - Pain, not a good indication
- Treatment:
  - 25'000 – 80'000 to meal
  - 12'500 – 40'000 with snack
  - If no clinical response increase (not > 10'000 - 20'000 /kg KG); **add PPI**
- Control of therapy clinical:
  - Weight, vitamins, diarrhea
- In doubts
  - Measure fat in stool
  - 13C-Breath test



# Pain

**Pharmacological-conservative:**

WHO-3-step-ladder:

Paracetamol/Novalgin/NSAR → low-> high potent long-acting opiate

tricyclic antidepressants or gabapentin

**ERCP**

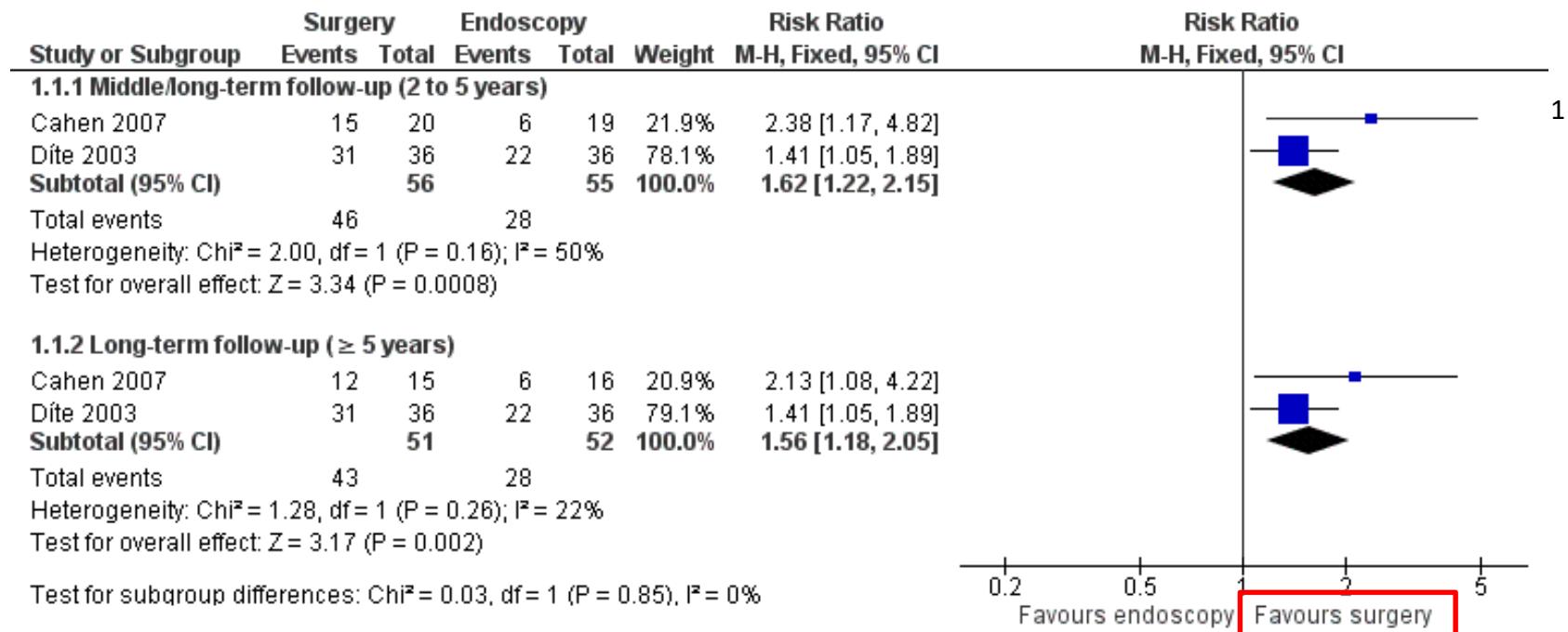
**EUS guided panreaticogastrostomy**

coeliac plexus blockade (passage effective)

ESWL, thorakoscop. Splanchnectomy.....

# Pain

## Endoscopy vs. Surgery



N=222

<sup>1</sup>Ahmed AU et al. Cochrane Database Syst Rev. 2015 Mar 19;(3):CD007884

<sup>2</sup>A.M. Drewes et al, Pancreatology 2017

<sup>3</sup>Dumonceau et al., ESGE Clin Guideline, Endoscopy. 2012 Aug;44(8):784-800

# Pain

## Endoscopy vs. Surgery

- No difference in morbidity and mortality (not enough power)<sup>1</sup>
- No difference in endocrine and exocrine insufficiency
- Surgery better in painful obstruction CP especially in<sup>2</sup>:
  - Early after first symptoms (2-3y)
  - after  $\leq 5$  endoscopic interventions
  - Without opiate
- ESGE: Endoscopy first-line therapy, if persistent pain after 6-8 week, discuss interdisciplinary<sup>3</sup>

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# Pain

## Endoscopy vs. Surgery

**Table 3** Selected series of treatment with plastic stents for main pancreatic duct (MPD) strictures in chronic pancreatitis.

First author, year	n	Stent sizes, Fr	Follow-up, months	Early pain relief, %	Sustained pain relief, %	Patients undergoing operation, %
Cremer, 1991 [58]	75	10	37	94	n.a.	15
Ponchon, 1995 [59]	23	10	14	74	52	15
Smits, 1995 [60]	49	10	34	82	82	6
Binmoeller, 1995 [68]	93	5–7–10	58	74	65	26
Morgan, 2003 [69]	25	5–7–8.5	n.a.	65	n.a.	n.a.
Vitale, 2004 [61]	89	5–7–10	43	83	68	12
Eleftheriadis, 2005 [62]	100	8.5–10	69	70	62	4
Ishiiara, 2006 [63]	20	10	21	95	90	n.a.
Weber, 2007 [64]	17	7–8.5–10–11.5	24	89	83	n.a.

n.a., not available.

N=491

- After prolonged MPD stenting (>1 year), relapsing pain was observed in 36–48% of patients after “definitive” stent removal
- re-stenting was indicated in 22–30% of patients
- 4–26% of patients needed pancreatic surgery

# Strictures/Stones

## Endoscopy vs. Surgery

Pain is often caused by dilated main duct, caused by strictures (47%) or stones (18%) or both (32%)

**Table 2** Long-term outcome after endoscopic treatment of chronic pancreatitis.

First author, year	n	Follow-up, months	Surgery	Ongoing endoscopic treatment	No further intervention
Binmoeller, 1995 [68]	93	58	26%	13%	61%
Rösch, 2002 [1]	1018	58	24%	16%	60%
Delhaye, 2004 [36]	56	173	21%	18%	61%
Tadenuma, 2005 [38]	70	75	1%	20%	79%
Inui, 2005 [45]	555	44	4%	-	-
Farnbacher, 2006 [37]	98	46	23%	18%	59%

- N= 1890 patients with chronic pancreatitis; only 17% did need pancreatic surgery
- Factors associated with long-term ( $\geq 2$  years) pain relief after endoscopic therapy
  - obstructive calcifications in the head
  - short duration and low frequency of pain attacks before therapy
  - complete MPD stone clearance
- Maybe only sphincterotomy

# Stones

**Stone main duct: (in 18% the reason of MPD obstruction, 32% + stricture)**

- ESWL (specially stone $\geq$ 5mm) <sup>1,2</sup>
  - Stone fragmented in 89-93%
  - Spontaneous elimination in 70-88%
  - Painfree in 50-80%, better Qol 88%<sup>2</sup>, reduction of narcotica in 80%
  - No therapy of the stricture
- ERCP especially for smaller stones (<5mm)
  - Caput often difficult.
- Transcastric ERCP mit intraductal EHL

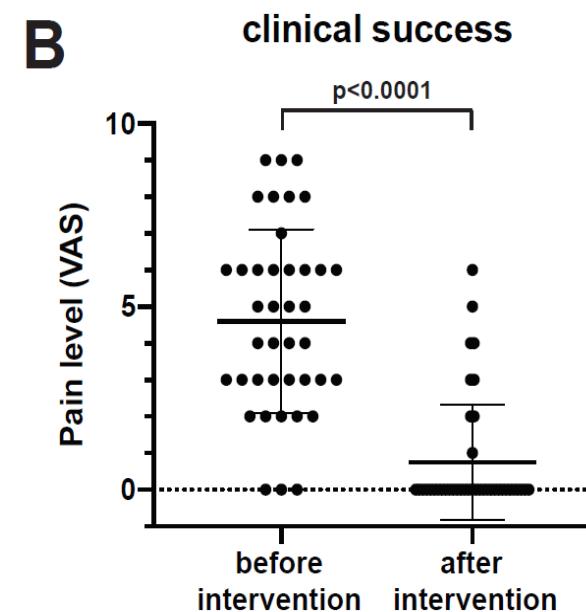
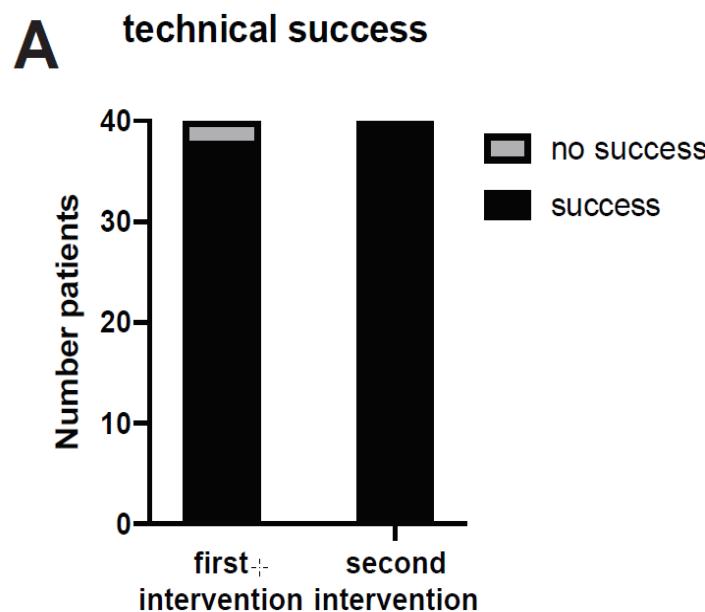
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# Transgastric ERCP

- Treatment strictures and stones, if transpapillary way is difficult



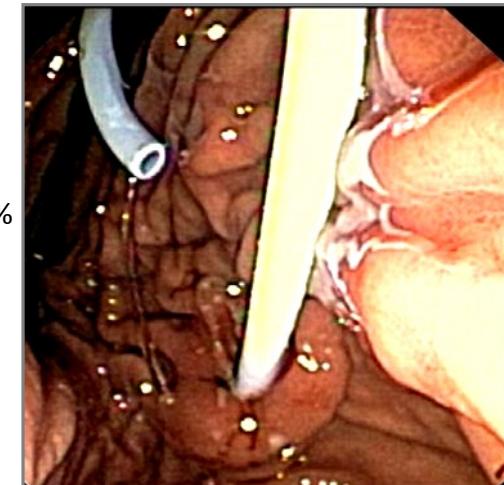
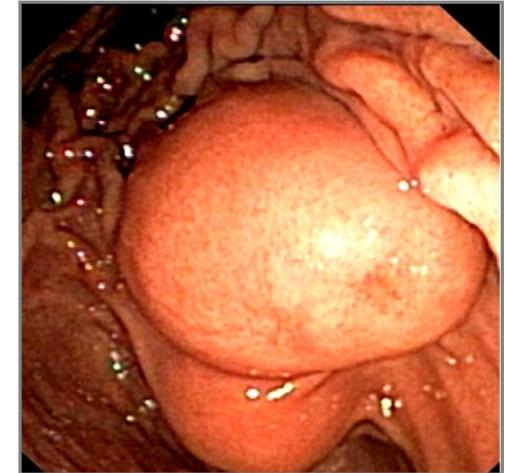
# Transgastric ERCP

**Table 5: Summary of clinical studies utilizing EUS-PD for treatment of chronic pancreatitis**

Authors	Year of publication	Number patients	Technical success	Clinical success	Adverse events excluding pain and stent dislocation	Adverse events including pain	Stent dysfunction / dislocation
This study (results after first intervention)	2020	40	95.0%	76.3%	17.5%	30.0%	5.0%
Hayat et al. [19]	2020	8	88.0%	62.5%	12.0%	NA	12%
Dalal et al. [17] <sup>1</sup>	2020	18	77.8%	72.0%	33.0%	NA	NA
Honjo et al. [20]	2018	15	87.0%	NA	6.6%	21.0%	NA
Matsunami et al. [21]	2018	30	100.0%	100.0%	6.6%	23.0%	20.0%
Uchida et al. [25] <sup>2</sup>	2018	15	86.7%	80.0%	13.3%	NA	26.5%
Tyberg et al. [24]	2017	80	89.0%	81.0%	26.3%	31.3%	NA
Chen et al. [16] <sup>3</sup>	2017	40	92.5%	88.5%	7.5%	40.0%	NA
Oh et al [22] <sup>4</sup>	2016	25	100.0%	100.0%	4.0%	20.0%	0.0%
Will et al. [26] <sup>5</sup>	2014	74	59.0%	78.0%	20.0%	NA	NA
Fujii et al. [27]	2013	45	74.0%	83.0%	6.6%	35.5%	17.7%
Ergun et al. [18]	2011	20	90.0%	72.0%	10.0%	NA	50.0%
Tessier et al. [23] <sup>6</sup>	2007	36	72.0%	69.0%	13.8%	NA	55.0%
Summary of previous literature <sup>7</sup>		432	81.3%	80.8%	15.0%	30.6%	27.2%

# Therapy of pseudocysts

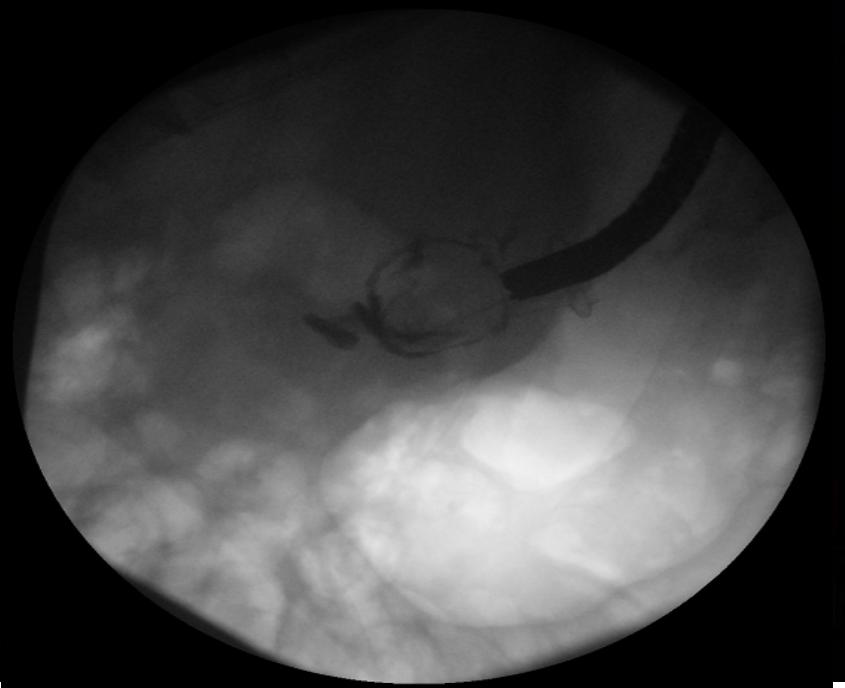
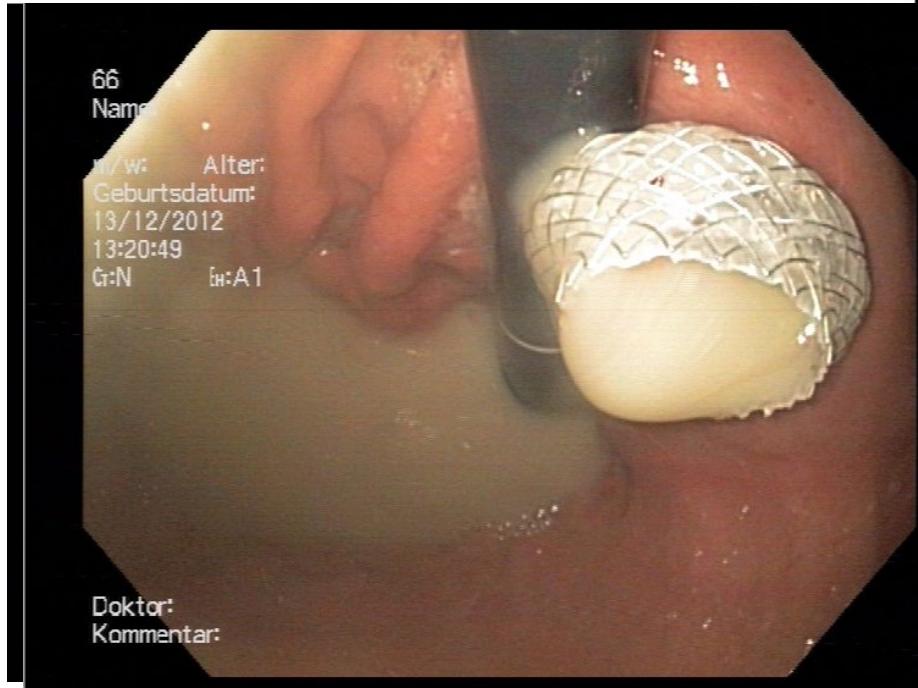
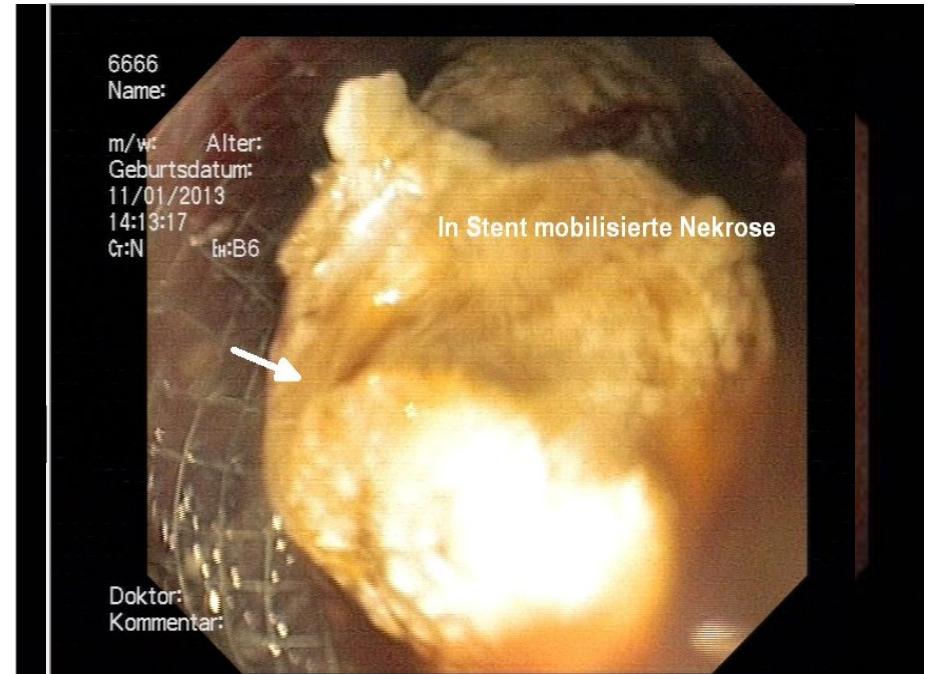
- Incidence
  - 20-40% of all patients with CP
- Clinic / Complications:
  - Pain, outflow obstruction
  - Biliary obstruction (10%)
  - Vascular obstruction, pleural-/pericardial fistula, abscess (10%)
  - Free perforation (< 3%)
  - Pseudoaneurysma (10%)
- Management:
  - 50% spontaneous resolution over time (v.a. < 4 cm)
    - no treatment if asymptomatic
  - Ggf. EUS-guided drainage
    - Complications: Bleeding 4%, infection 4%, retroperitoneal leakage 4%, mortality 0.3%



# EUS method of choice

2 RCTs equal/superior  
vs. surgery

Bakker OJ et al. JAMA 2012  
Varadarajulu et al., Gastroenterology 2013



# Coeliac plexus block

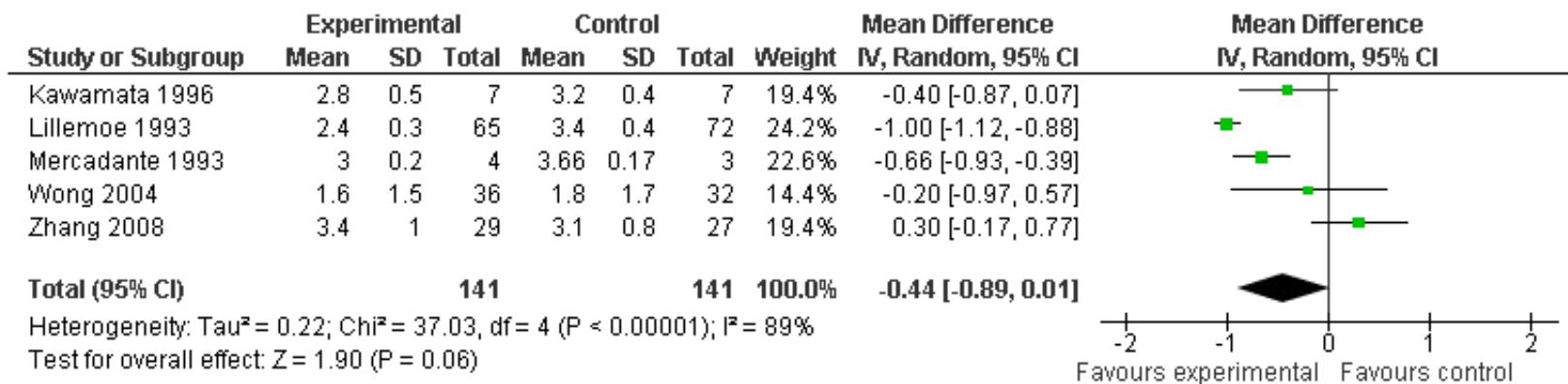


Figure 4. Forest plot of comparison: 1 CPB versus analgesic therapy, outcome: 1.2 Pain VAS at 8 weeks.

- EUS guided plexus block: low complication rate (cave: infections)
- Half of the patient have good effect but only for some weeks (usually <24W)
- ESGE: second-line Therapy

Arcidiacono PG et al. Cochrane Database Syst Rev. 2011 Mar 16;(3):CD007519

Kaufman Met al. J Clin Gastroenterol 2010;44:127-34

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