

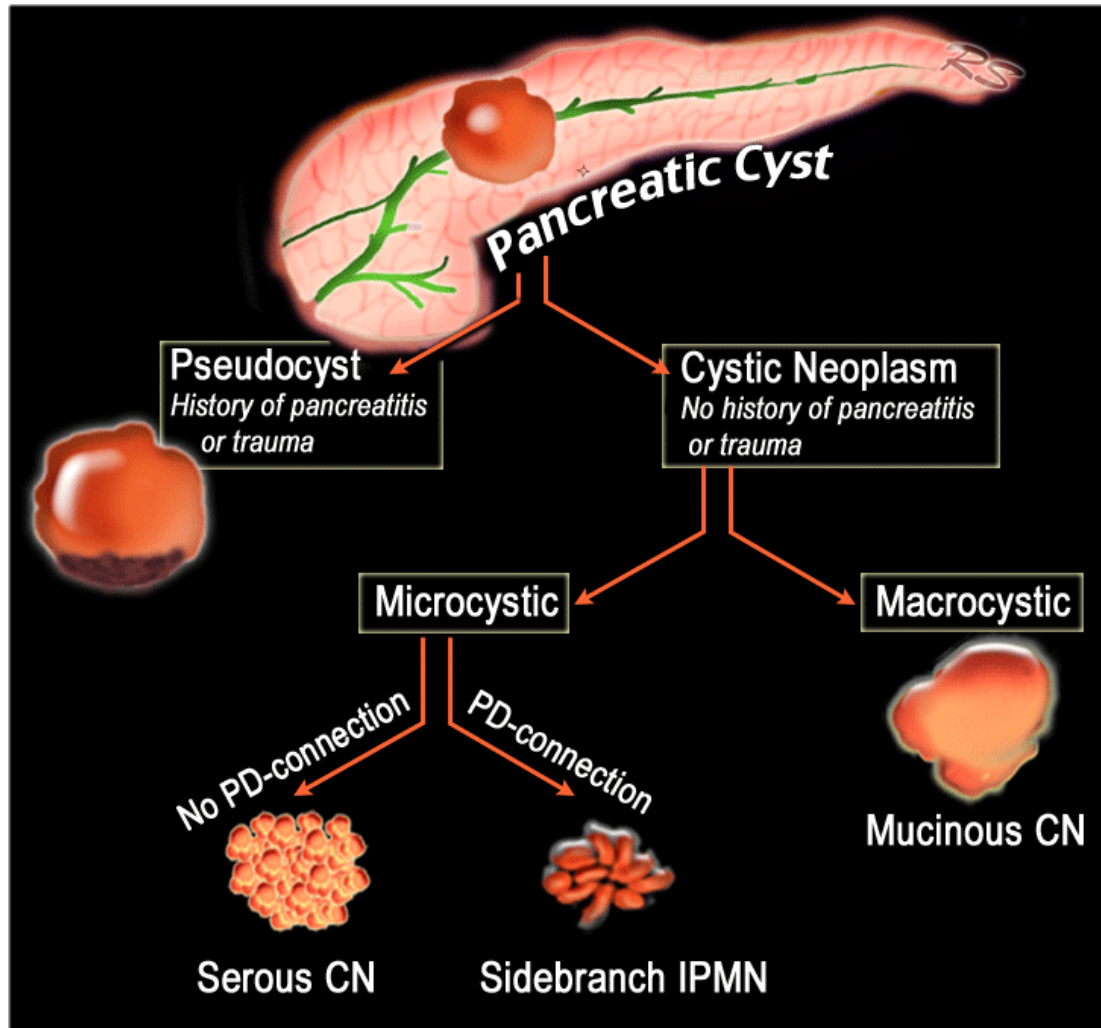
Pancreatic Cystic neoplasms

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How frequent are **neoplastic** pancreatic cystic lesions ?

Average: 2.5%

Age > 70 years: up to **-20%***

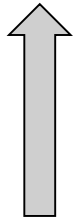
Age > 80: up to 37%

*: MRI in non-pancreatic disease: 20% of 1444 patients; Zhang XM et al. Radiology 2002
up to 44.7% Lee et al. AJG 2010

higher prevalence in MRI compared to CT (2.6%vs1.2%) Laffan TA Am J Roentgenol 2008

**What categories and what type of
pancreatic cysts
exist?**

Inflammatory



Pseudocyst (PC)

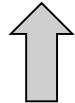
Acute fluid collection
Walled-off-pancreatic
necrosis (WOPN)
Abscess

Kongenital, Rentention/Lymphoepithel-
Cyst, enterogen, Carvenous hemangioma
Parasitic Cyst

Non-Inflammatory



Serous



Serous
Cystadenoma
(SCA)



Mucinous



Intraductal papillary
mucinous neoplasm
(IPMN)

Mucinous cystic
neoplasm
(MCN)



Solid



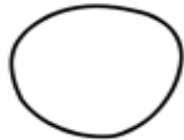
Solid Pseudo-
papillary Neopl.
(SPN)

Cystic Endocrine
(CPEN)
Metastatic cyst
Cystic degeneration
of solid tumors
Acinar cell carcinoma
Pancreatoblastom
Sarkom, Lymphagniom

How to describe a cystic pancreatic lesion?

Typical morphological aspects

Locularity



Unilocular with
smooth contour



Bilocular with
lobulating contour
and thick septum



Oligolocular
mucinous



Multilocular

Size of cysts



Multiple
microcysts



Macrocysts
with mural nodule



Honeycomb-like
appearance
serous



Mixed micro-
and macrocysts

Communication with pancreatic duct



Branch-duct IPMN;
grape-like cluster
with communication



Main-duct IPMN;
Saccular dilation of main
pancreatic duct with mass

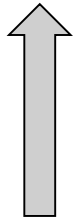


Mucinous cystadenocarcinoma
without communication

Figure 1. Schematic presentation of cystic lesions by locularity and size of cysts, and communication with pancreatic duct.

**What entity of pancreatic cyst
can become – or may be already
malignant ?**

Non-Malignant



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Acute fluid collection

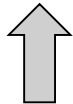
Walled-off-pancreatic
necrosis (WOPN)

Abscess

Others



Serous



Serous
Cystadenoma
(SCA)

Risk of Malignancy



Mucinous



Intraductal papillary
mucinous neoplasm
(IPMN)

Mucinous cystic
neoplasm
(MCN)



Solid



Rare
Entities

Low
or variable
Risk

**Accidental finding of pancreatic
cyst 15 mm in abdominal ultrasound
– no history of pancreatitis
what next ?**

CT or MRI with MRCP
is recommended for a cyst of >1 cm

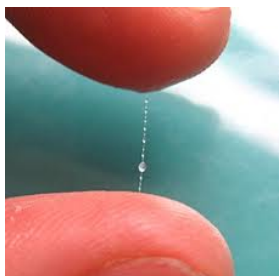
MDCT and MRCP
are most useful for distinguishing BD-IPMN from other cysts
by showing multiplicity and a connection to the main
pancreatic duct

ERCP is not recommended

History of pancreatitis ?

Family history of pancreatic cancer ?

How to separate serous from mucinous pancreatic cysts ?



Fluid: «String-Sign», definiert: > 1cm (> 1 sec.)



	CEA (> 200ng/ml)	String	CEA+String
PPV	96%	94%	96%
NPV	73%	60%	81%
Accuracy	83%	72%	89%

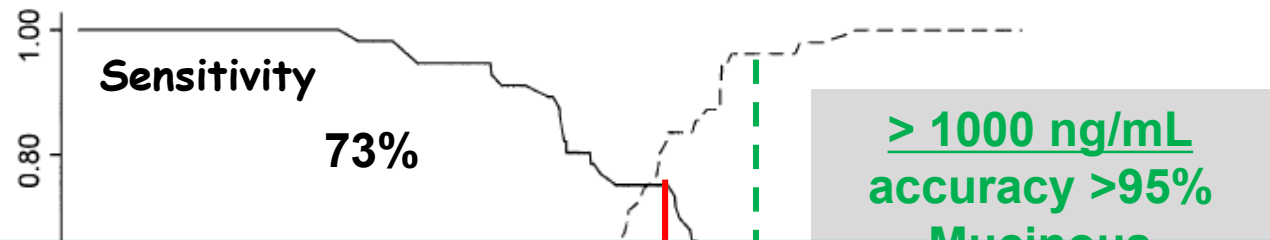
String vs. CEA (with > 800 ng/ml) equal sens./specificity

Bick BL et al. Endoscopy 2015

How to separate mucinous cysts from others ?

Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS) with Fine-Needle-Aspiration (FNA)

Fluid: CEA

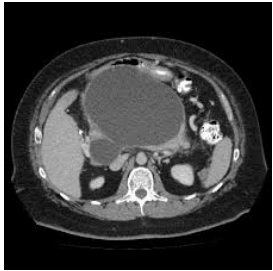


CEA most sensitive marker for mucinous lesion:
**Better diagnostic accuracy than EUS morphology
and/or cytology**

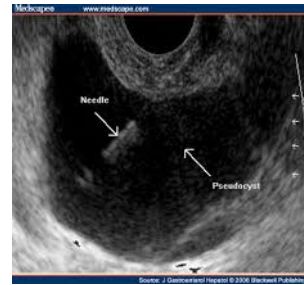
No correlation with malignancy

CAVE: and a low CEA level does not exclude a mucinous cyst.

Serous pancreatic Cyst/s: Pseudocyst vs. SCA Specific features ?



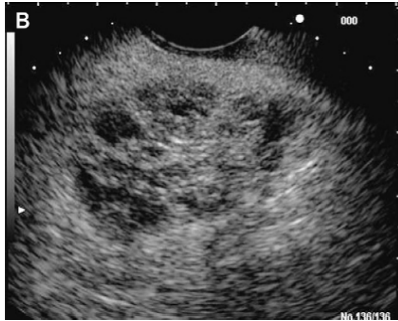
Differentiation pancreatic pseudocyst - cystic tumor ?



Feature	Pseudocyst	Cystic Tumor
Anamnesis	Pancreatitis or Trauma	No history *
Septae	None (unilocule)	Evtl. Multi-loculized
Wall	Thin (< 4 mm)	Evtl. thick
Communication Pancreatic Duct	> 65%	No *
Fluid: Enzymes Amylase/Lipase	High (> 2000/ > 5000 IU/ml)	Low *
Zytology	Inflammatory, degenerative	Pre-/malignant cells Tumor-markers

*** Exception: for IPMN/MCN**

Key features: Serous Cystic Neoplasm



- Malignant potential: **NO (only case reports)**
- Location: throughout the pancreas (50% body/tail)
- Demographics, rate: (older) **women (70%)**, 15-20% of PCNs
- Morphology: micro-, oligo-, macrocystic

typically: multicystic cluster (each < 2 cm) = **honeycombed**

No communication with pancreatic duct

Pathognomonic: central **calcified stellate scar: 30% cases**

**Which syndrome associates with multiple/
oligocystic SCN ?**

Hippel-Lindau-Syndrome

**When if at all could/should be a SCN be
resected ?**

If symptomatic/ aggressive behaviour/pa-head

EUS with FNA

What to measure in cyst fluid ?

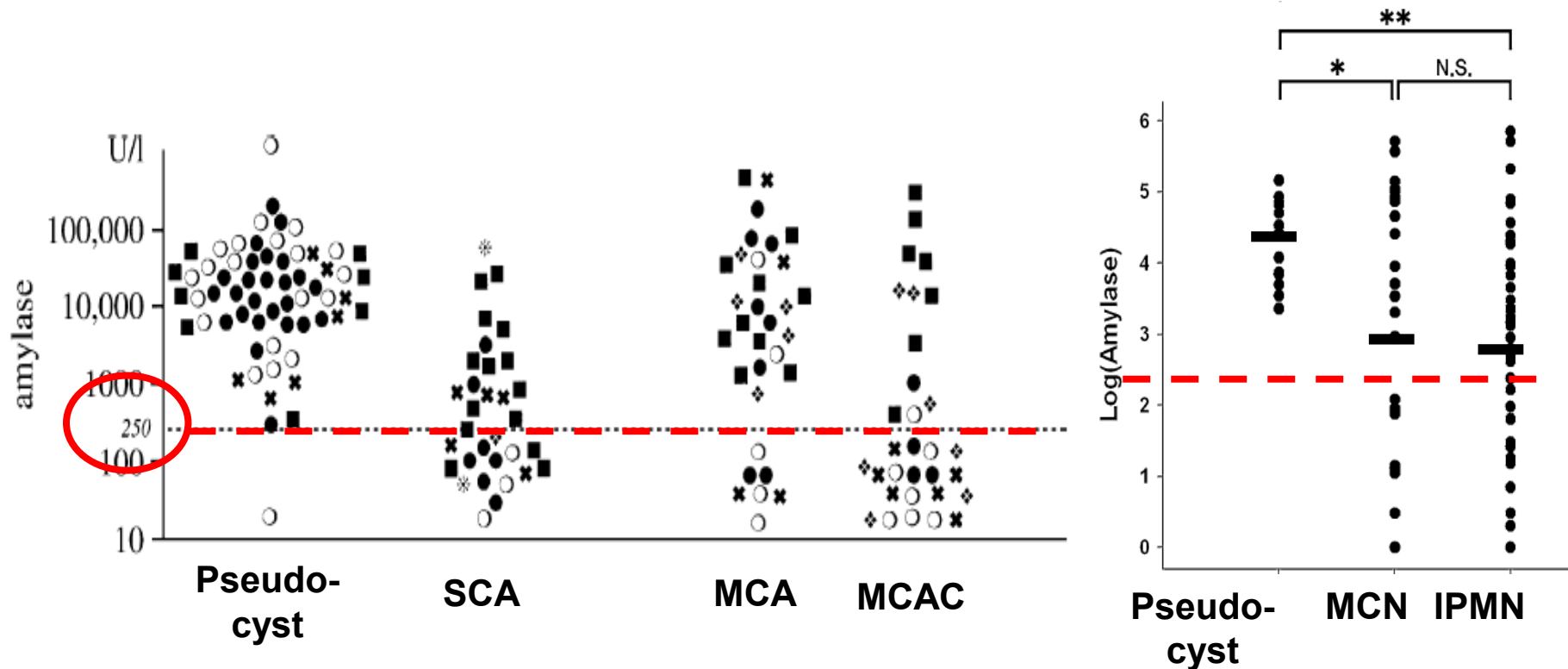
**What conclusion can be derived
from Cyst Amylase-/Lipase-levels ?**

Fluid Analysis and Type of Cysts

Typ	Pseudocyst	MCN	IPMN	SPN	SCA
Viscosity /Mucin	Low	High	High	NA	Low
Amylase =duct-communication	High	Low	Variable	Low	-
CEA	-	High	High	-	-
Cytology	«dirty material» Macrophages, Inflammatory cell	mucin- containing column cells	papillary clusters of mucin-column cells, atypia	Branching papillae cuboid or cylindric cells, high cellularity, myxoid stroma	negative or Glyogen-containing cuboid cells

*: Low Amylase < 250 U/ml: basically excludes Pseudocyst
Ident. Lipase

Is Fluid Analysis for Amylase helpful ?



Cysts with an amylase concentration > 250 U/L were SCA, MCA, or MCAC
< 250 U/L virtually excluded Pseudocyst

Glucose-level and diagnostic yield in mucinous cysts

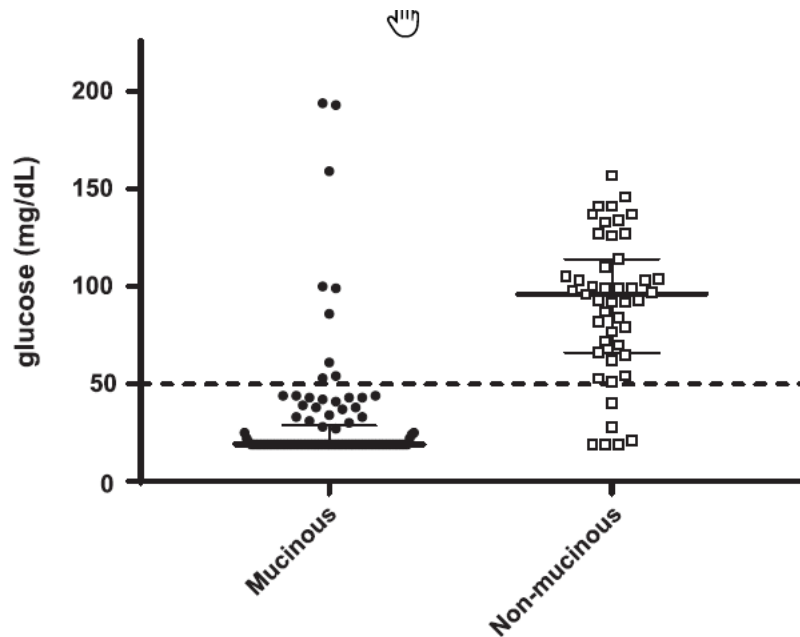


Fig. 1. Pancreatic cyst fluid glucose in mucinous versus nonmucinous pancreatic cysts. Cyst fluid glucose (y-axis) is compared between mucinous and nonmucinous cysts on the x-axis. The thick horizontal bars represent median values. Bordering median bars are thin, IQR bars. The horizontal dashed line identifies the cutoff value of 50 mg/dL for detecting mucinous pancreatic cysts.

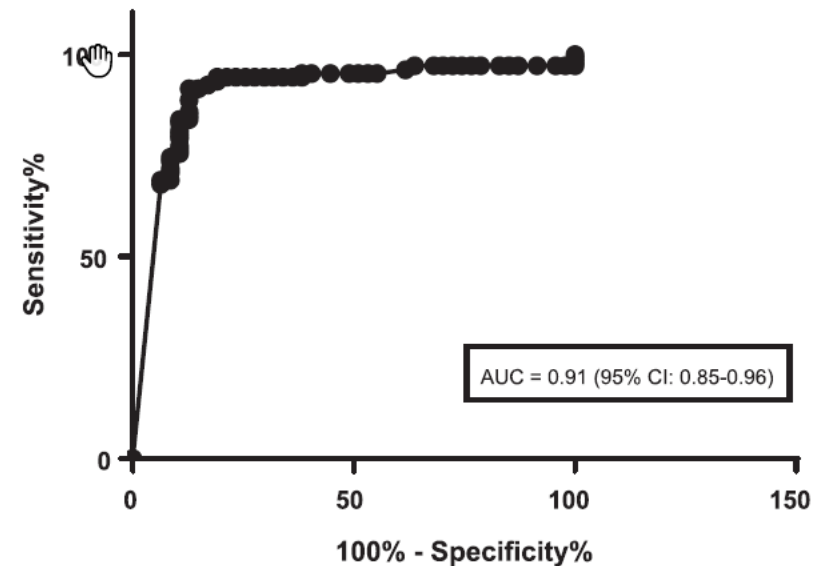


Fig. 3. Pancreatic cyst fluid glucose ROC curve analysis. The AUC for cyst fluid glucose is 0.91.

Carr et al. Surgery 2018

Combining Glucose and CEA criteria
Sensitivity 95%, Specificity 85%
Accuracy 93%
AUC 0.95
For mucinous etiology

NGS of pancreatic cyst fluid

- highly accurate in cyst classification and detection of advanced neoplasia
- mutations in *KRAS* and/or *GNAS* → 89% sensitive and 100% specific for mucinous PC.
- the presence of *KRAS* and/or *GNAS* mutations 100% sensitivity for IPMNs, and the presence of *GNAS* mutations was 100% specific for an IPMN.
- *KRAS* mutations are detected in only 30% of MCNs.
- While mutations in *KRAS* are common in MCNs, the prevalence of these activating mutations is reported to increase with the severity of dysplasia.

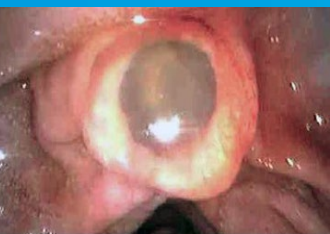
Hr B.H. 70 yo



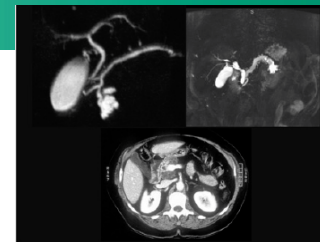
Mucinous Cysts (IPMN/MCN)

Risk of malignancy:

**Rank MD-, BD-IPMN, MCN and give
5year risk for HGD/Carcinoma**



What factors determine malignant risk in IPMN/MCN?



Differentiation between types of mucinous cysts ?

Type – entity - Cyst

IPMN:

Main-Duct- :

Branch-Duct-:

MCN:

Surgical series:

> 30%

missclassified pre-operatively

Can fluid analysis differentiate

BD-IPMN from MCN ?

No

¹: Sakorafas GH et al. Surg Oncol. 2011; ² Sakorafas GH et al. Surg Oncol 2012; Tanaka et al. Pancreatology 2012

IPMN

**What histological types exist
And what differences in terms of
malignant risk?**

The histologic subtypes of IPMN have clinicopathologic significance

Oncocytic type/
gastric type

typically low grade,
only small percentage of carcinoma

intestinal-type

can have invasive carcinoma, colloid type

pancreatobiliary type

more frequently develops cancer,
usually aggressive



**Cancer
Risk**



Prognosis

Mucinous Cysts (IPMN/MCN) Revised Fukuoka-Criteria:

**What are high-risk-stigmata and
Worrisome features ?**

Revised Fukuoka criteria for IPMN

Obstructive jaundice (cystic lesion in pa-head), enhanced mural nodule >5 mm, MPD size of >10 mm)



**Cyst size > 3 cm, enhancing mural nodule <5 mm,
main duct 5-9 mm, thickened enhanced cyst walls,
abrupt change in the MPD caliber with distal
pancreatic atrophy, lymphadenopathy, elevated (CA)19-9,
rapid rate of cyst growth > 5 mm/2 years**



EUS +/- FNA suspicious

If no High-Risk-Stigmata: What are «worrisome features» in IPMN ?

Prediction of malignancy in pathological confirmed IPMNs
(41 studies, 5788 patients)

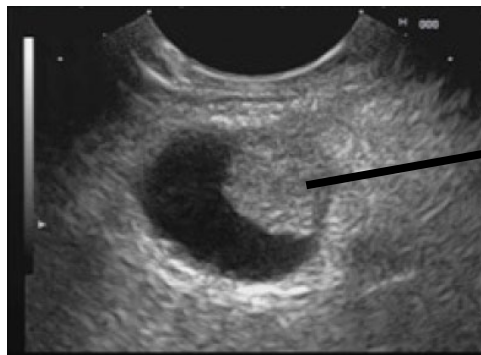
	OR
Size > 3 cm	62/ <u>3</u>
Intramural nodule	7.3/ <u>7.7</u>
Dilation main duct > 6 mm	9.3/<u>2.3</u>
Main-vs. BD-duct IPMN	4.7/-
Symptoms	1.6/-

Anand ClinGastroHep. 2013/ AGA technical Review Gastro 2015

Increased serum CA19-9; diagnostic accuracy 82%

Fritz et al. BJSurg 2014

EUS-feature: Role of intramural nodule in IPMN ?



Intramural
Nodule

Main duct
involvement



Cyst Size

Wall

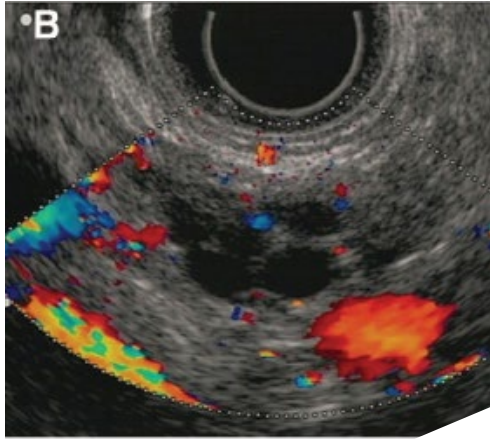
	> 3 cm	< 3 cm
Intramural Nodules	54/165 (32.7%)	40/367 (10.9%)

NO intramural nodules:



rate of malignancy extremely low (0-11%)

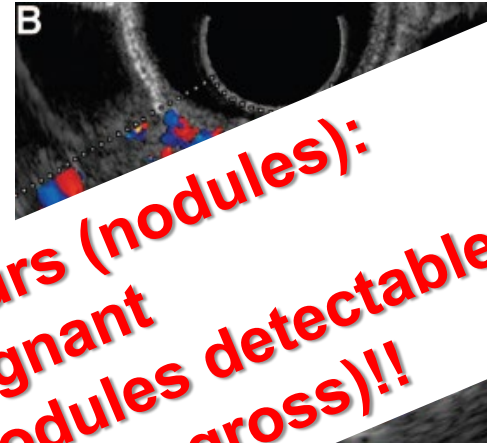
Contrast-EUS and IPMN: Sub-types + risk malignancy



Typ I:

low papillary
Nodule

Fine prot



Typ II:

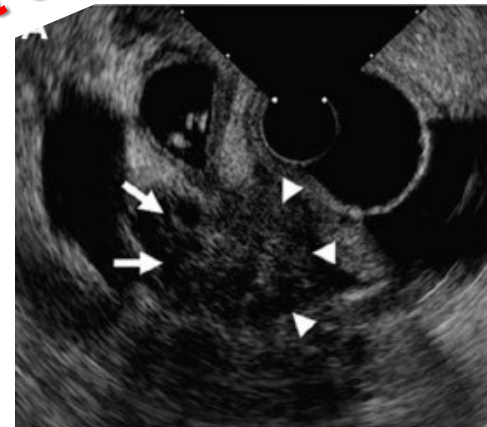
polypoid
Nodule

Smooth surfaced
Component protr.



papillary
Nodule

Protruding+
Thickend wall



Typ IV:

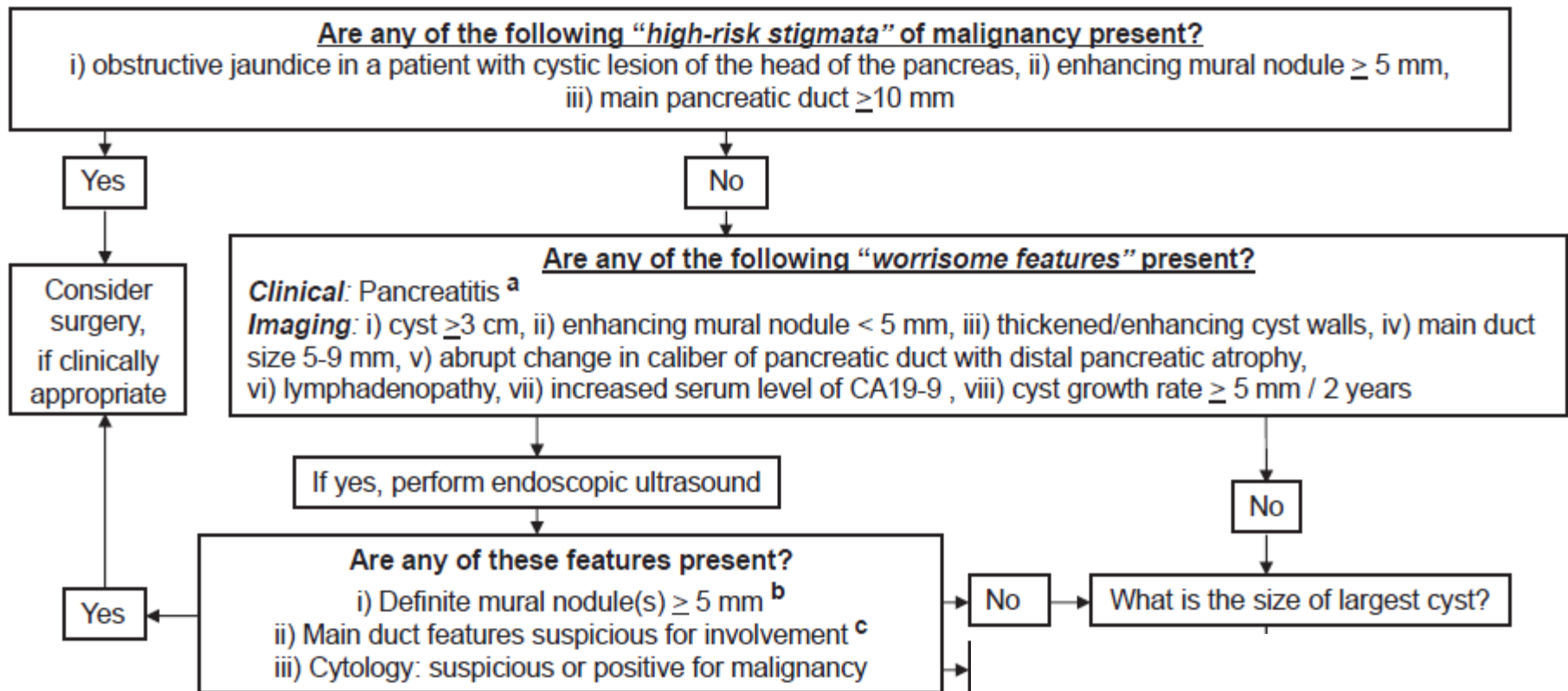
invasive
Nodule

Ill-defined
Hypoechoic area

**CT: 15 no malignant features (nodules):
histology: malignant
CE-EUS in these cases: nodules detectable
(2-15 mm, im schnitt 6 mm gross)!!**

Ohno et al. Ann Surgery 2009

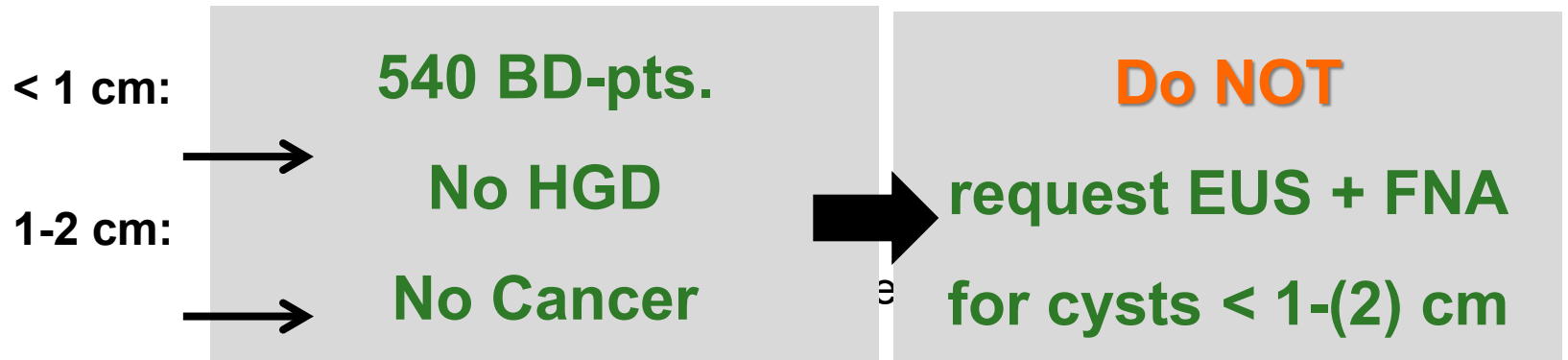
IPMN: When surgical resection ?



Mucinous Cysts (IPMN/MCN) Follow-up:

**In fukuoka-negative cysts in
dependency on cyst size when/how
to control?**

How to perform surveillance for BD-IPMN and MCN?



*:initial control 6 months

2-3 cm: **EUS** in 3-6 months

Lengthen interval, alternating EUS and MRI

Consider surgery in young, fit patients (long surveillance)

> 3 cm: **EUS** with close surveillance

alternating with MRI every 3 months

Strongly consider surgery (in young, fit patients)

Additiv: Serum CA19-9; diagnostic accuracy 82%

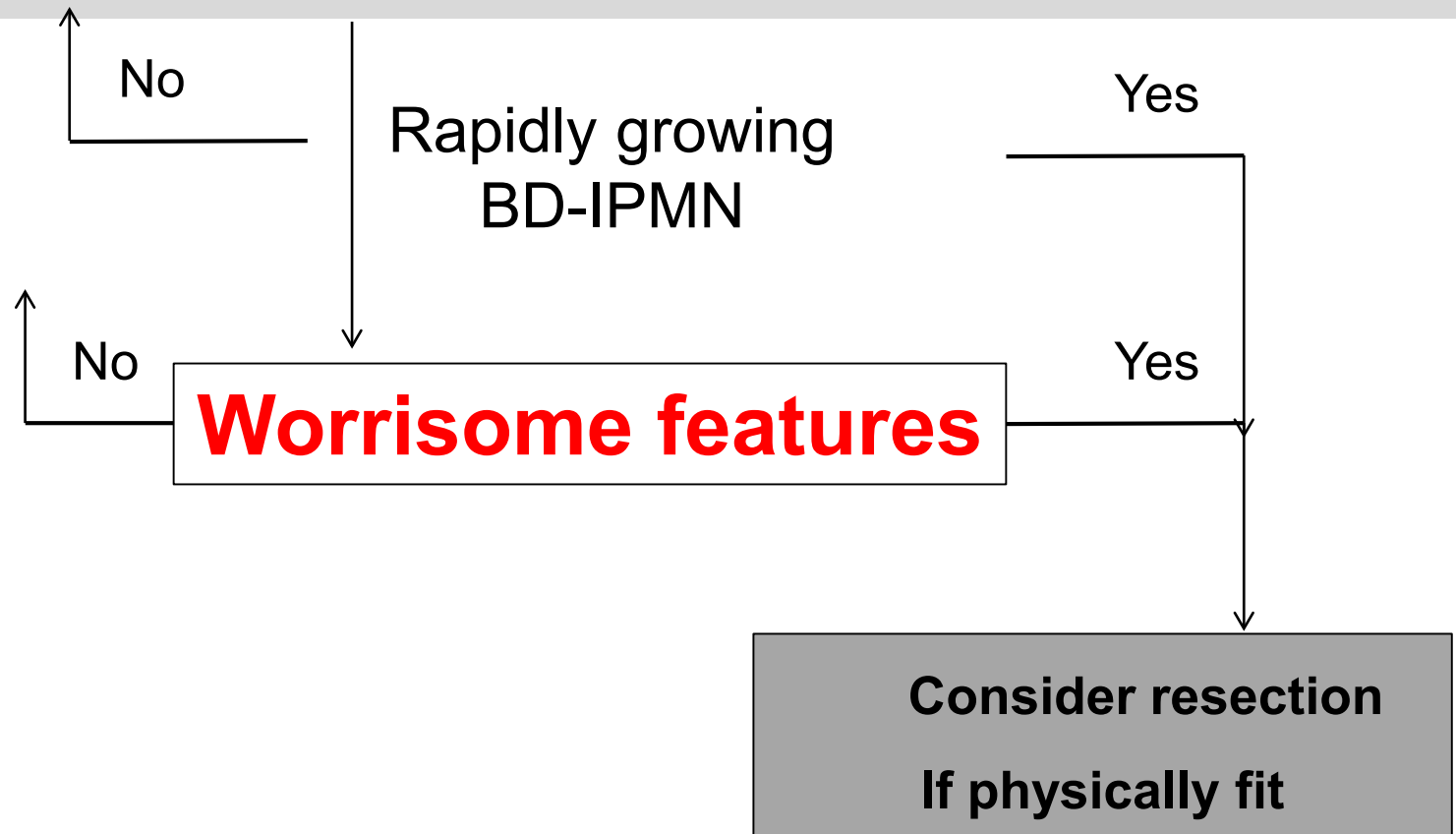
Tanaka et al. Pancreatology 2012

Fritz et al. BJSurg 2014

Mucinous Cysts - Follow-up:

In patients with two or more first degree relatives with pancreatic cancer ?

aggressive surveillance
by MRI/MRCP (or CT) every 3 (-6) months
and EUS annually



Mucinous Cysts - Follow-up:

**What is the risk of concomitant
Adeno-carcinoma in BD-IPMN?**

Concomitant Pancreatic-Cancer in BD-IPMN

102 pts. with BD-IPMN: 6-monthly surveillance with EUS (CT,MRI)

NO progression of BD-IPMN: but pancreatic cancer otherwise

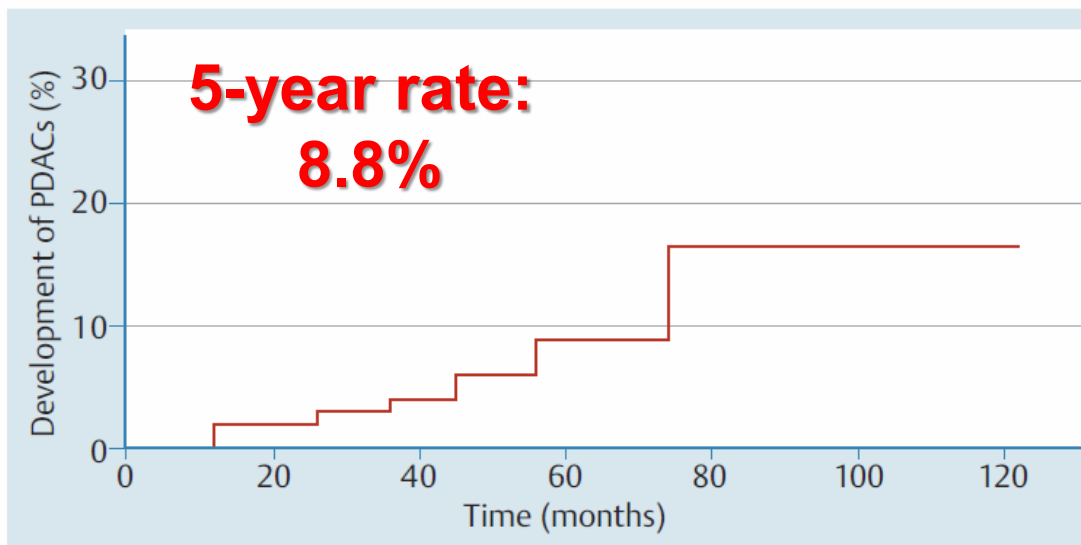


Fig.3 Rate of intraductal papillary mucinous neoplasm (IPMN)-concomitant pancreatic ductal adenocarcinomas (PDAC) development during the follow-up of branch duct IPMNs, as analyzed by the Kaplan–Meier method.

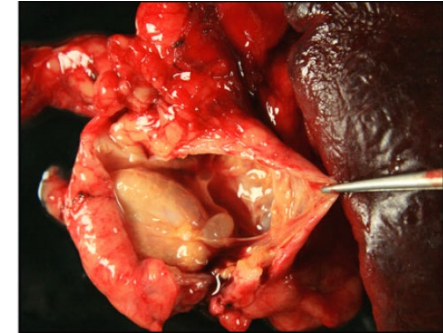
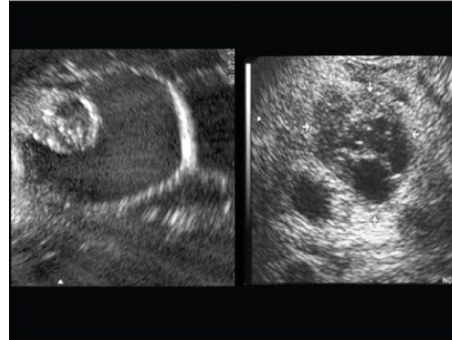
**CT after
EUS-Diagnosis:**

**only 43%!!!!
detectable
with CT**

Kamata et al. Endoscopy 2014

What characterizes MCN and when to resect?

Key features: MCN



- Malignant potential: **Yes** (but lower than IPMN)
- Location: **Body/tail (95%), always single lesion!**
- Demographics, rate: **Middle-aged women (95%), 25% of PCNs**
- Morphology: **thick-walled single cyst, capsule = „Orange“-like, often septations, epithelial layer with mucin-producing cells, ovarian-like stroma;**
No communication with pancreatic duct

Surgicâl resection is recommended for MCN

- ✓ all surgically fit patients
- ✓ for MCNs of < 4 cm without mural nodules, laparoscopic resection or parenchyma-sparing resections or distal pancreatectomy should be considered

After surgical resection:

**How to perform surveillance in
IPMN/MCN?**

Non-invasive MCNs:

no surveillance necessary after resection

IPMNs need surveillance:

based on the resection margin status:

High-grade dysplasia-> further resection

no residual lesions-> repeat examinations at 2 and 5 years*+

moderate-grade dysplasia-> unknown

low-grade or moderate-grade dysplasia -> MRCP twice a year

*: remnant BD-IPMN (multifocal cases); surveillance as in normal algorithm

+: others: **CT/MR initially every 6 months due to PDAC-risk (up to 2%/year)
and then yearly (European Consensus)**

Tanaka et al. Pancreatology 2017

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