



## Erblicher Darmkrebs, Erkennung, Vorsorge, Entwicklung

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# Estimated fraction hereditary cancers

## Hereditary, familial

Breast Carcinoma: 5-10% (15-20%)  
Ovarian Carcinoma: 15-20% (5-10%)  
Colorectal Carcinoma: 5-10% (10-20%)  
Retinoblastoma: 40-50% (10%)  
Paraganglioma: 25-35% (8-10%)  
Prostate Carcinoma: 3-5% (10-20%)

10-25% of all patients develop a secondary neoplasia, 18% are hereditary

1:10 in advanced cancer

1:20 colorectal cancer

## Pick-up criteria:

cancer < 50 y., syn- metachronous tumors, advanced cancer, pos. family history

<sup>1</sup>Mandelker et al. 2017; Robinson et al. 2017; <sup>2</sup>Zhang et al. 2015;  
<sup>3</sup>Yurgelun et al. 2017; <sup>4</sup>Brand et al. 2018; Yurgelun et al. 2019;  
<sup>5</sup>Pritchard et al. 2016; <sup>6</sup>Walsh et al. 2011; Norquist et al. 2016



# Lynch Syndrome

MMR genes: MLH1, MSH2, MSH6, PMS2

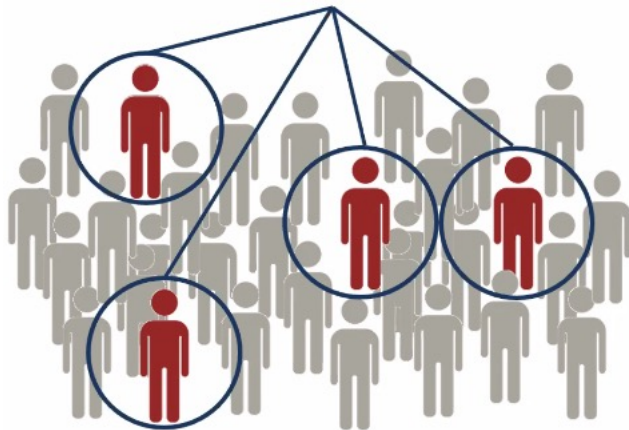
Carrier: 1:280

< 300,000 individuals affected in Germany

< 1 Mio in the US



Henry T. Lynch  
(1928-2019)

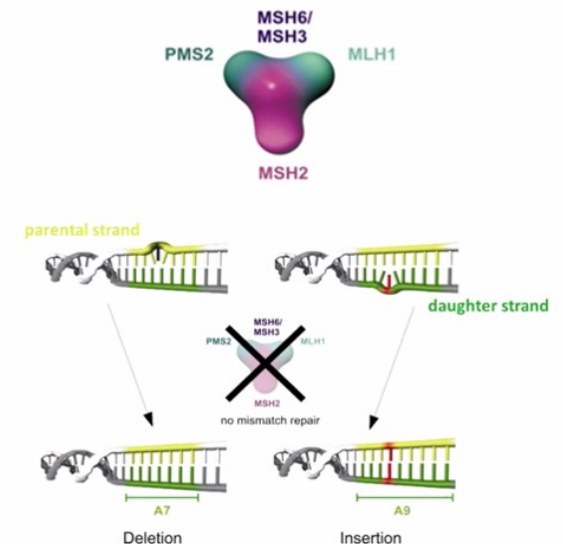


„Molecule of the year“



R. J. KAUFMAN

Koshland, Science 1994



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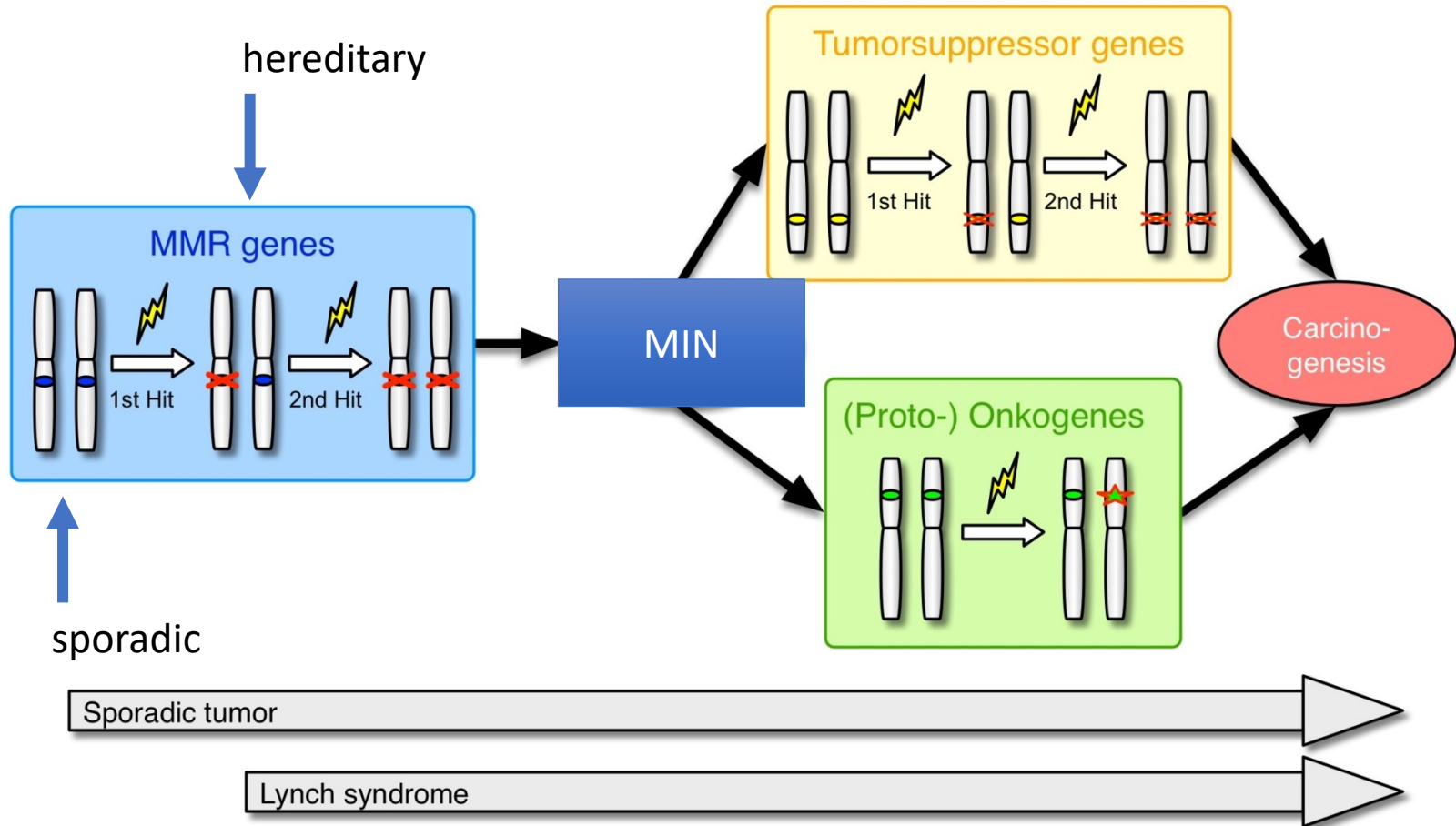
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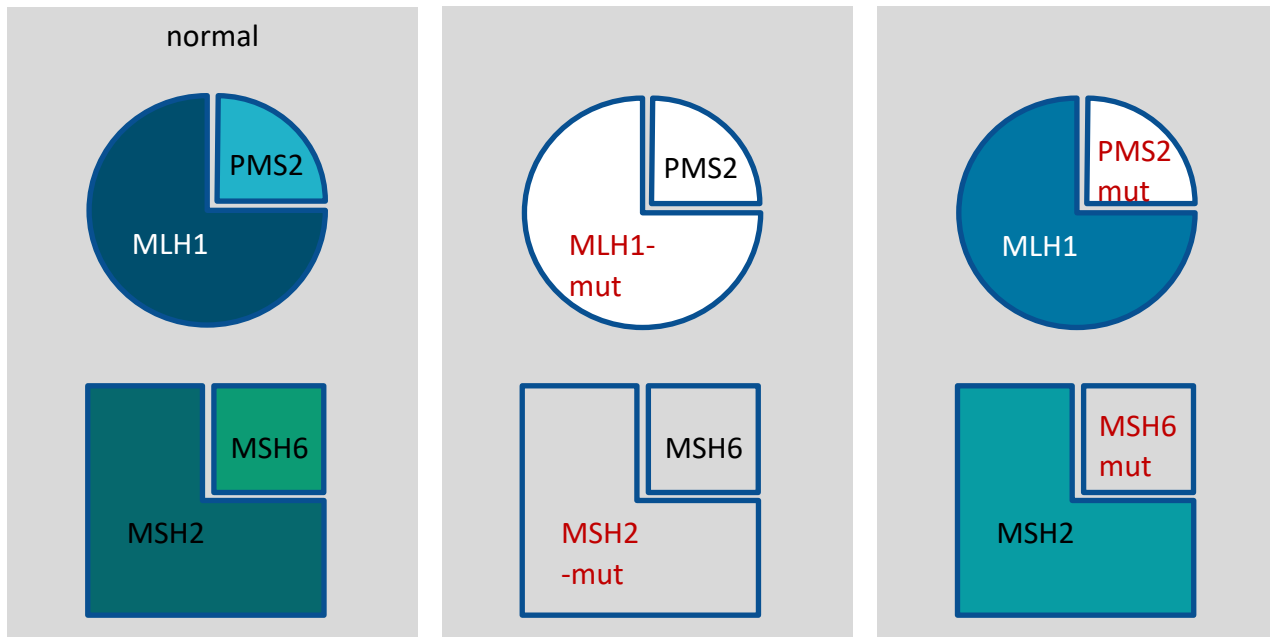


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# Lynch Syndrome



# Lynch Syndrome detection - immunohistochemistry



Appropriate tumors: CRC, EC

Screening for Lynch Syndrome by immunohistochemistry

- all colorectal cancers
- endometrial cancer < 60 years



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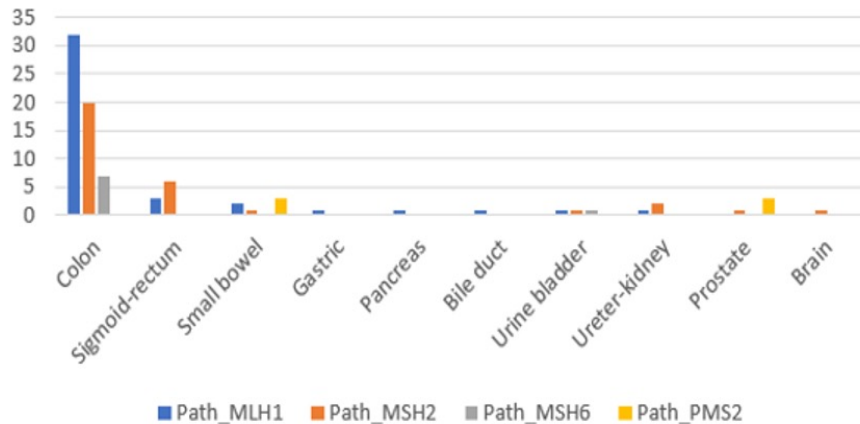
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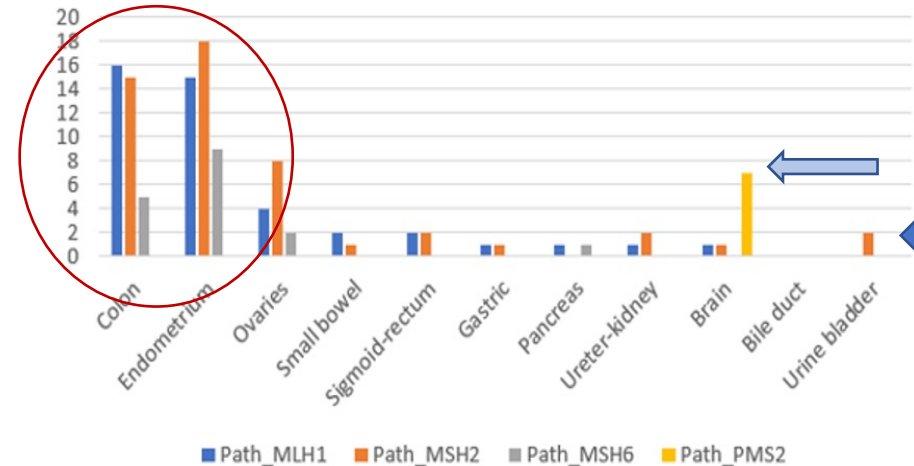
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# Lynch Syndrome – tumor risk

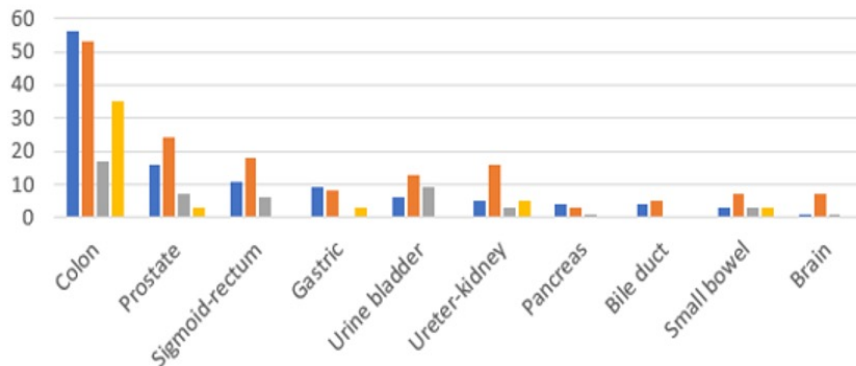
Male cumulative incidences of cancer at 50 years of age



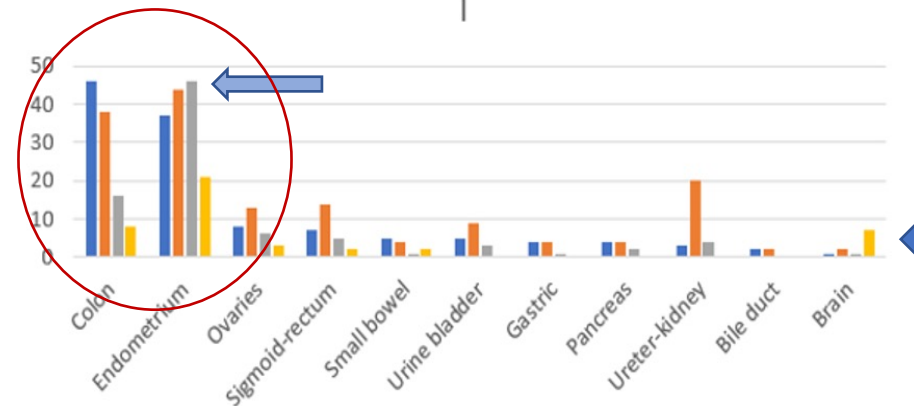
Females cumulative incidences of cancers at 50 years of age



Male cumulative incidences of cancers at 75 years of age



Females cumulative incidences of cancers at 75 years of age



PLSD : Prospective Lynch Syndrome database, Moller 2023



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# Lynch Syndrome survival - overall

Group	Number cases	5-year survival (95% CI)	10-year survival (95% CI)
Any cancer	301	90% (86 to 93)	87% (83 to 91)
Colorectal cancer	140	94% (90 to 98)	91% (84 to 95)
Endometrial cancer	71	98% (88 to 99.8)	98% (88 to 99.8)
Ovarian cancer	19	88% (60 to 97)	89% (60 to 97)
Upper GI cancer	24	58% (36 to 75)	53% (31 to 71)
Urinary tract cancer	17	82% (51 to 93)	73% (42 to 89)

Møller et al., Gut. 2015

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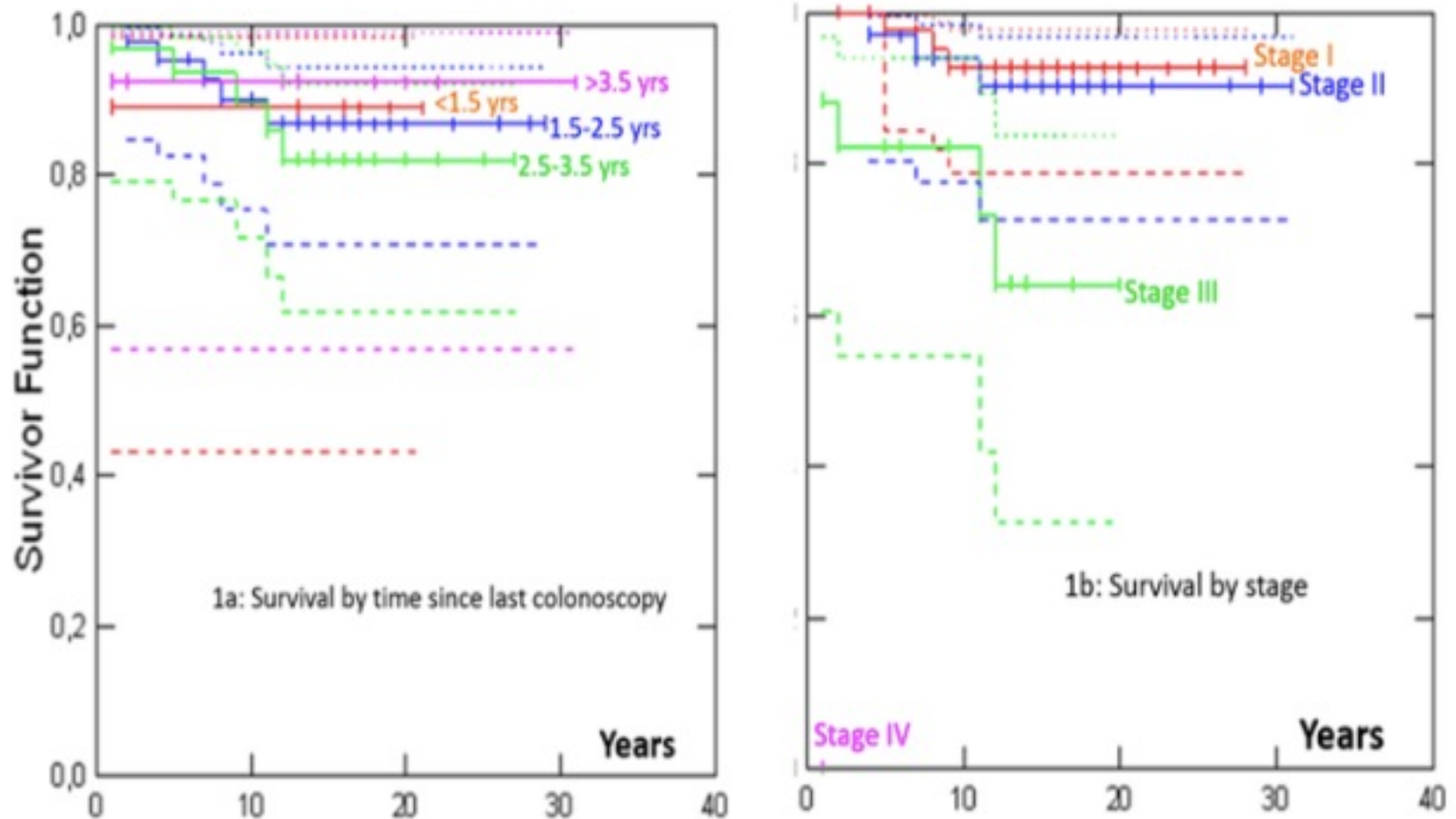
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# Lynch Syndrome survival - CRC



Mev Dominguez-Valentin et al., BMC 2019



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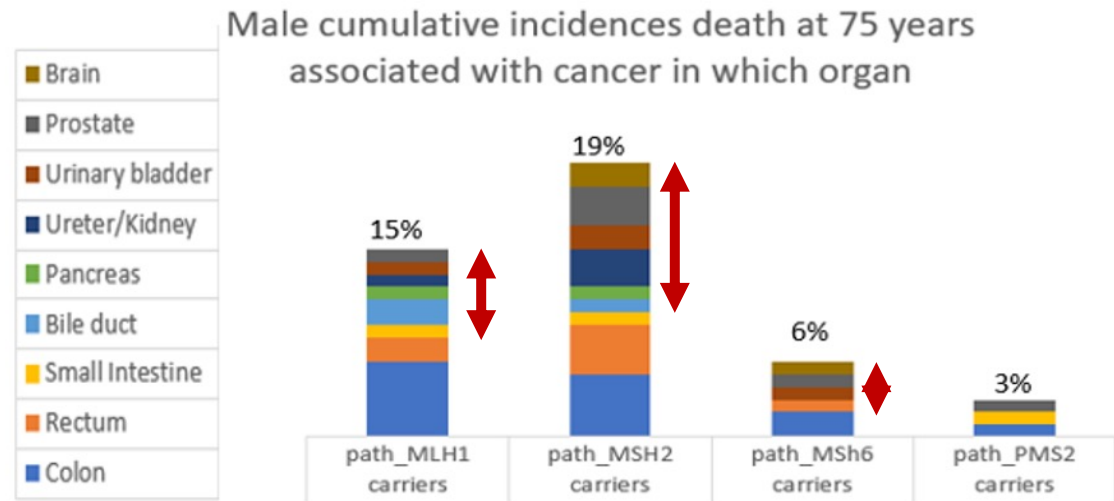
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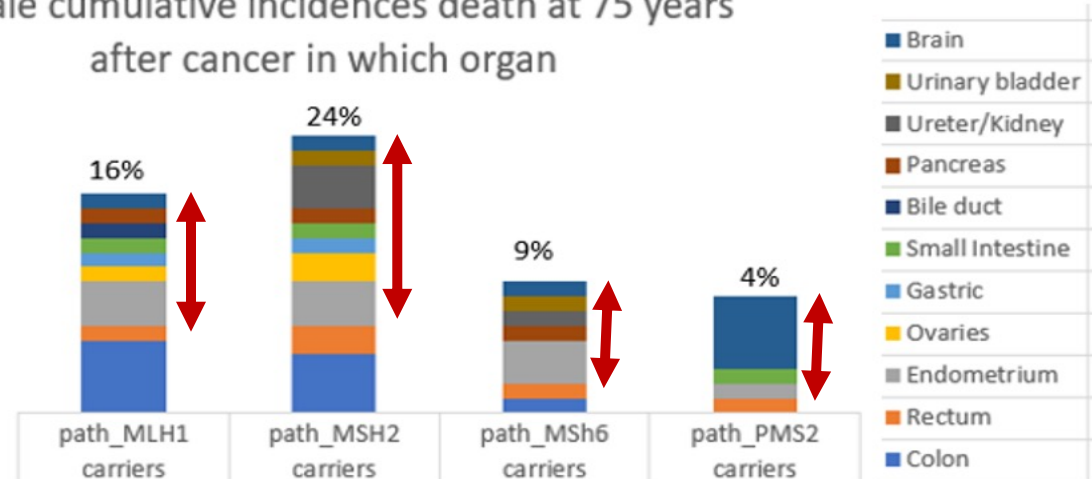
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# Lynch Syndrome – deaths

↑ The majority of deaths result from  
↓ extraintestinal cancers



Female cumulative incidences death at 75 years after cancer in which organ



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# Lynch Syndrome surveillance

## Recommended colonoscopy intervals in Lynch syndrome

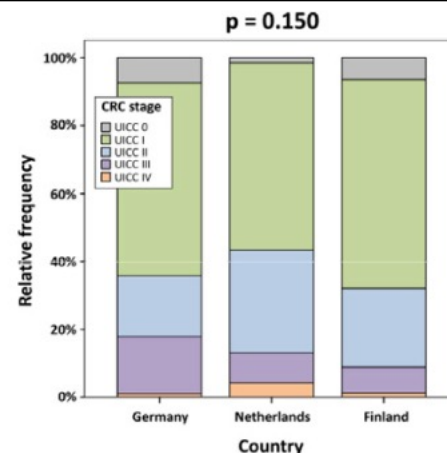
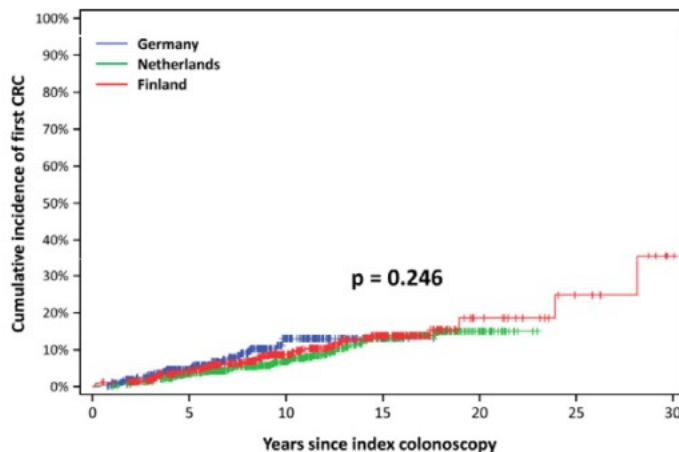
**Germany**  
1-yearly

**The Netherlands**  
1-2-yearly

**Finland**  
2-3-yearly

Outcome in 2747 patients

No reduction of  
CRC risk or tumor  
stage with shorter  
intervals



Engel et al., Gastroenterology 2018



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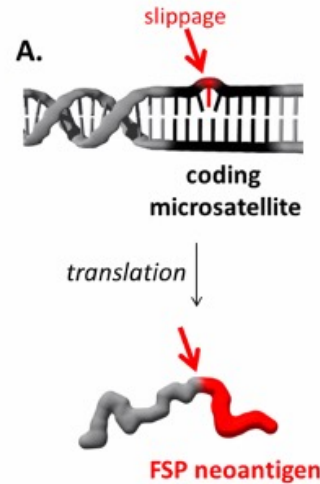
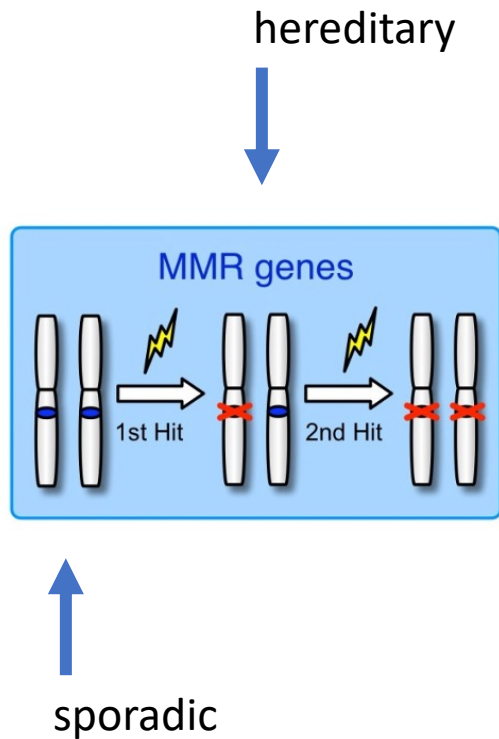


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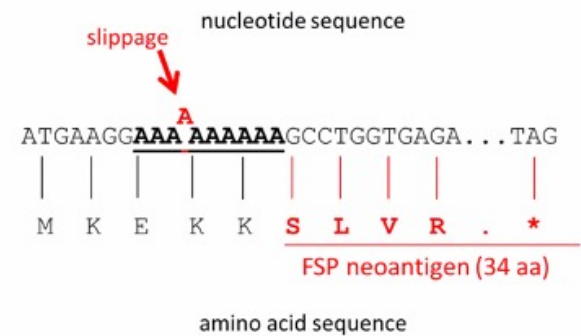


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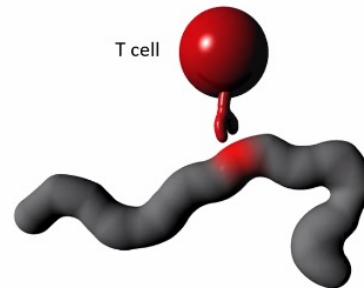
# Lynch Syndrome – therapy



## B. Example: TGFB $\beta$ 2 A(10)

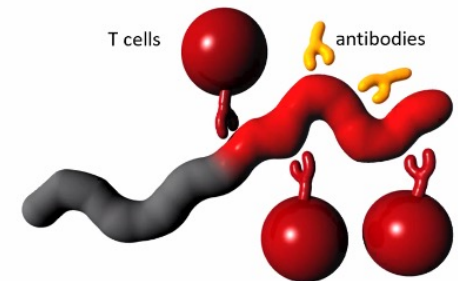


### point mutation-induced antigen



e.g. mutant p53 or kras genes

### FSP antigen



Kloor et al. Int J Cancer. 2010 Sep 1;127(5):1001-10.



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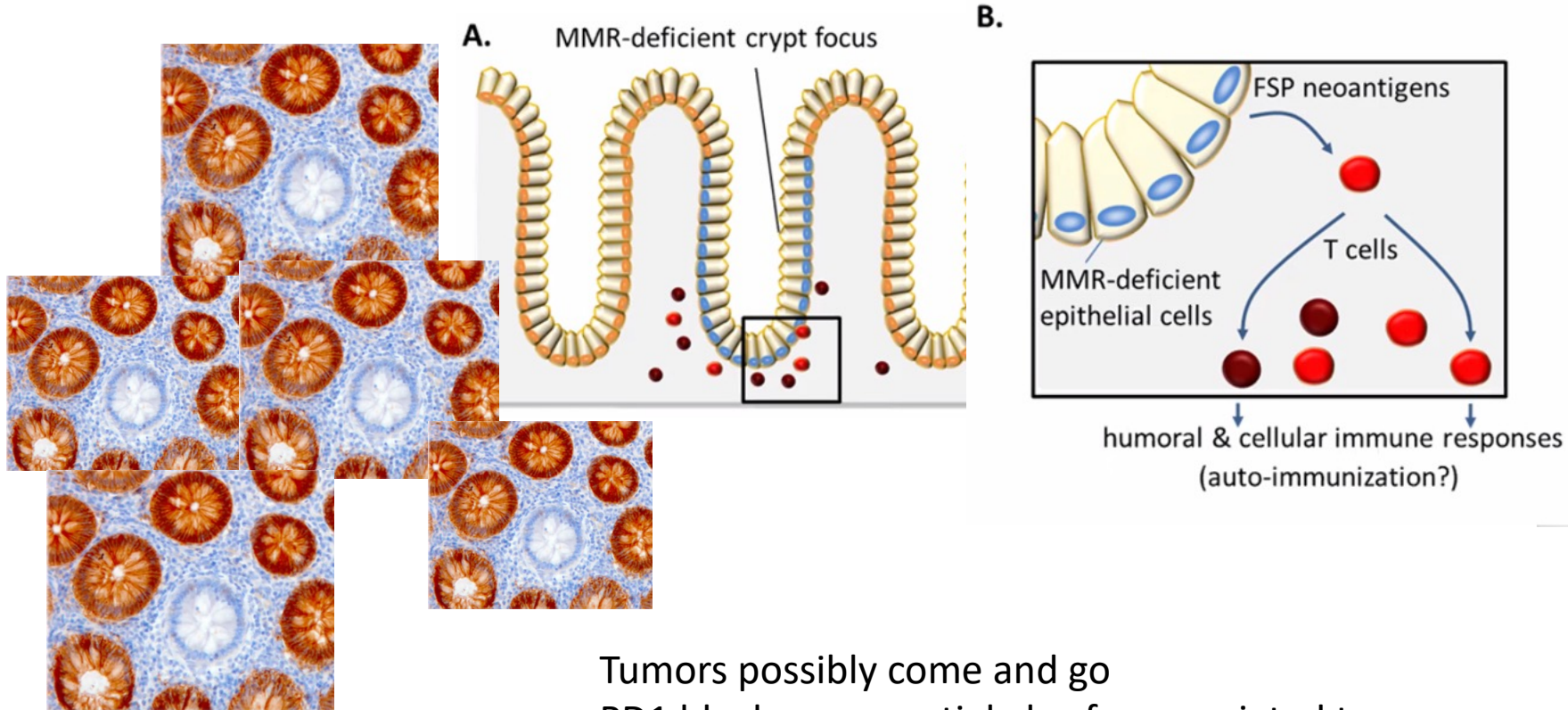


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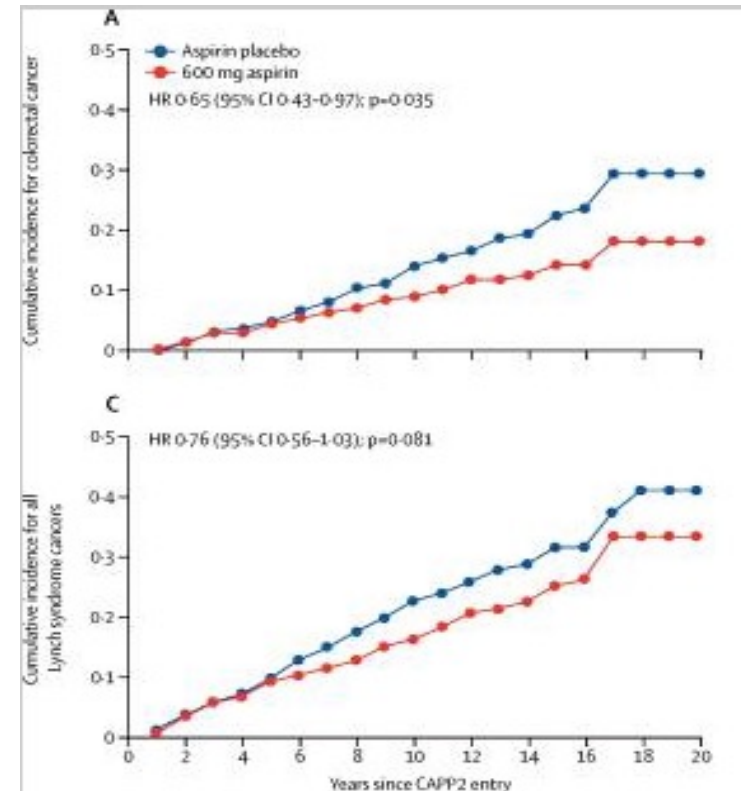


Tumors possibly come and go  
PD1 blockage essential also for associated tumors  
Resistance by mutations in  $\beta 2$  microglobulin



# Lynch Syndrome – prevention

- Aspirin:
  - Long term reduction of CRC
  - Necessary dosis unclearCurrently no general recommendation  
Can be discussed with male MLH1
- Oral contraceptives:
  - General risk reduction for ovary and endometrial cancer
  - Not data for patients for Lynch SyndromeCurrently no general recommendation



Burn et al., Lancet 2020



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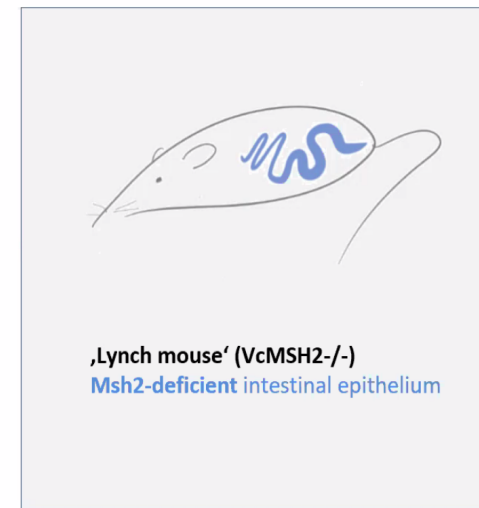
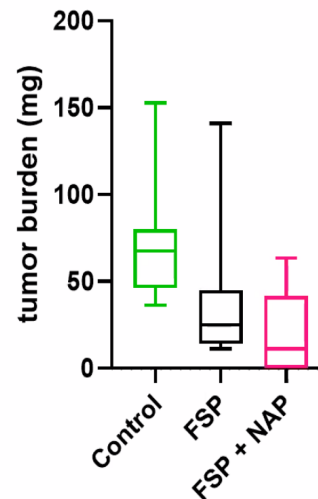
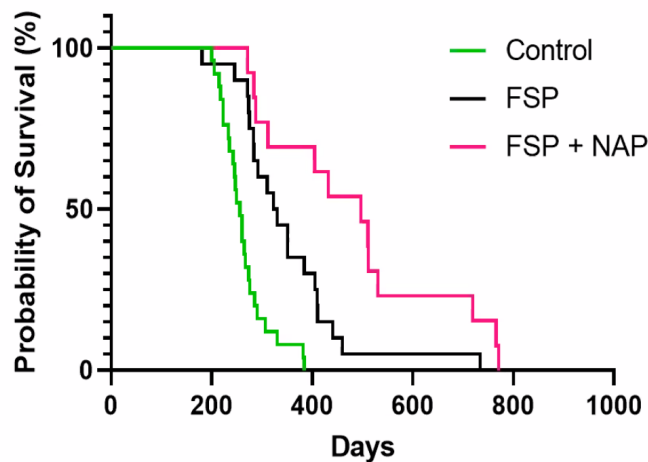


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# Lynch Syndrome – future prevention

FSP vaccine prolongs life and reduces tumor burden in Lynch mice

- Synergy with chemoprevention (naproxen [NAP])



Control vs FSP,  $P < 0.0001$     Control vs FSP + NAP,  $P < 0.0001$     Control vs FSP,  $P = 0.0024$     Control vs FSP + NAP,  $P = 0.0002$

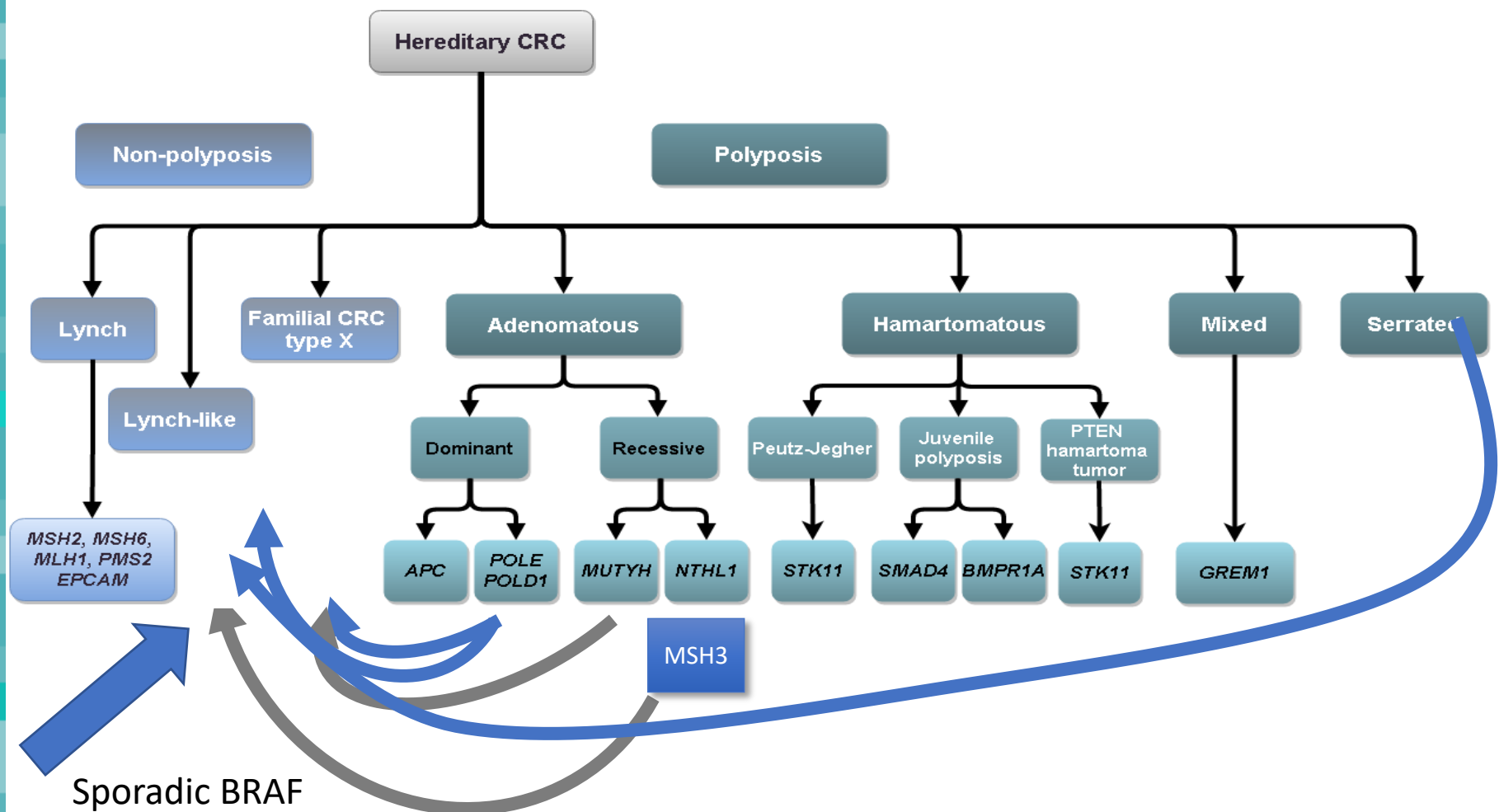
Gebert et al. Gastroenterology 2021

# Lynch Syndrome – surveillance

5.23.	<b>Konsensbasierte Empfehlung</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>EK</b>	HNPCC-Patienten und Risikopersonen sollen in der Regel ab dem 25. Lebensjahr jährlich koloskopiert werden. <b>alle 1-2 Jahre</b>	
5.26.	<b>Konsensbasierte Empfehlung</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>EK</b>	Bei HNPCC-Patienten und Risikopersonen mit HNPCC sollte ab dem 35. Lebensjahr zusätzlich regelmäßig eine ÖGD durchgeführt werden. <b>ab 30. Jahre</b>	
5.24.	<b>Evidenzbasierte Empfehlung</b>	<b>2013</b>
Empfehlungsgrad <b>B</b>	Bei weiblichen HNPCC-Patienten und Risikopersonen sollte ab dem 25. Lebensjahr zusätzlich zur jährlichen gynäkologischen Untersuchung ein transvaginaler Ultraschall im Hinblick auf Endometrium- und Ovarialkarzinome durchgeführt werden. <b>optional</b>	
5.25.	<b>Konsensbasierte Empfehlung</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>EK</b>	Bei weiblichen HNPCC-Patienten und Risikopersonen sollte ab dem 35. Lebensjahr zusätzlich jährlich eine Endometriumbiopsie durchgeführt werden.	
	Konsens	<b>optional</b>



# Differential diagnosis



# Summary

- Lynch syndrome rather four syndromes than just one
- App. 4-5% of all CRC is LS (1 von 20-25 CRC patients), carrier frequency 1:280
- CRC < 50 years of age
- $\geq 2$  HNPCC tumors in one patient
- $\geq 3$  HNPCC tumors in the family
- Appropriate treatment improves prognosis
- Surveillance and early detection also of associated tumors especially saves lifes
- Development of vaccination

**HNPCC / Lynch syndrom is a common disease – that is commonly not diagnosed.**