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# How will new biomarkers change prostate cancer management

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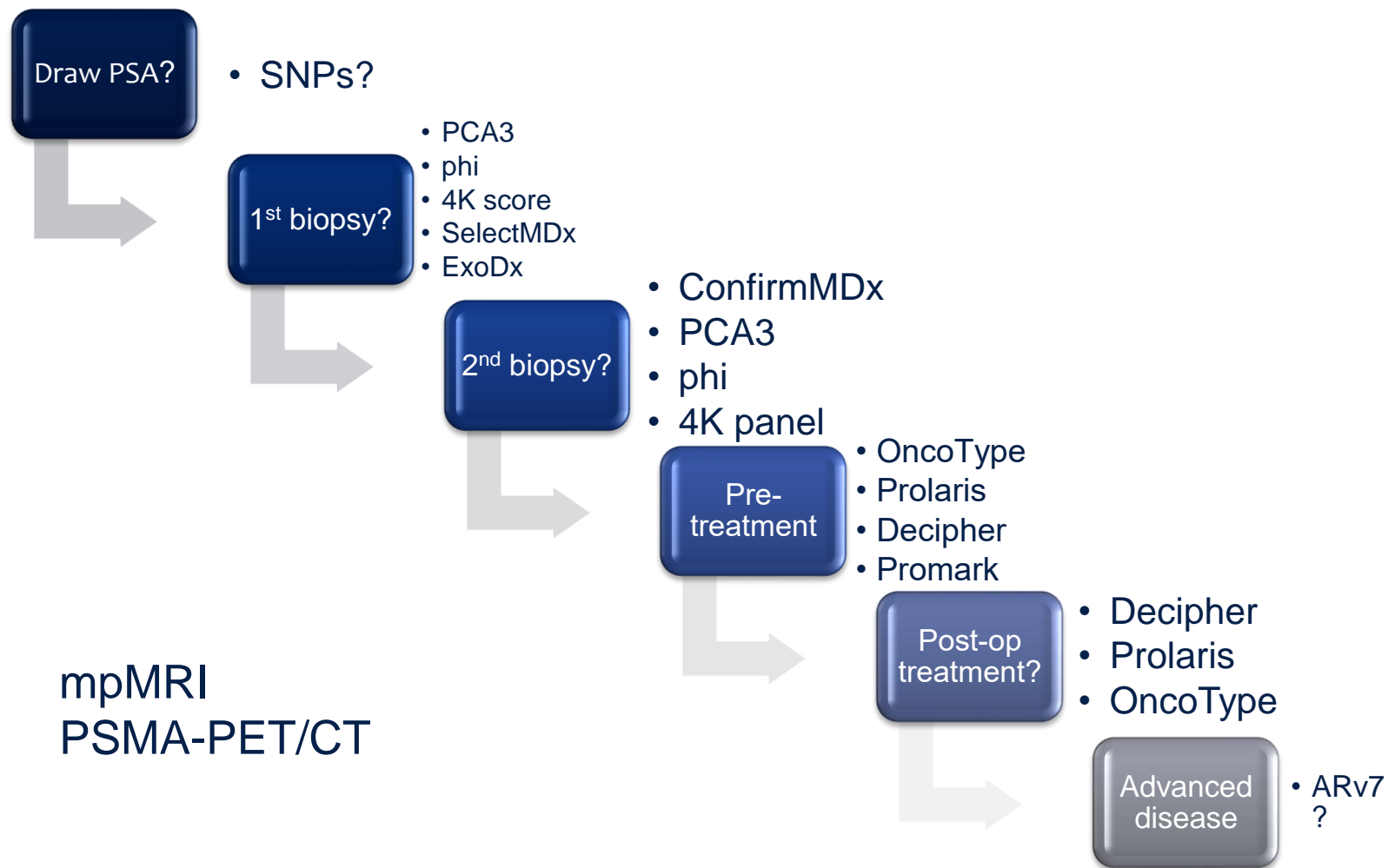
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# Prostate cancer 2016: *Decision, decisions...*



# Pre-diagnosis principles

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1. Any candidate marker has to **improve on an existing multivariable gold standard** (not just PSA).

Risk calculators: e.g. PCPT, ERSPC, Sunnybrook

2. **High-quality methodology** is absolutely critical, especially for retrospective studies.

- **RE**porting of tumor **MARK**er (**REMARK**) guidelines – McShane et al. JCO 2005; 23:9067
- **P**rospective-specimen collection, **R**etrospective **B**linded **E**valuation (**PROBE**) - Pepe et al. JNCI 2008; 100:1432

3. The goal is *not* identification of prostate cancer. The goal is identification of **potentially lethal** prostate cancer.

# Should we consider *pre-PSA* testing in the population?

## Evaluation of Multiple Risk-Associated Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms Versus Prostate-Specific Antigen at Baseline to Predict Prostate Cancer in Unscreened Men

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	Any prostate cancer	Aggressive or advanced prostate cancer (clinical stage $\geq$ T3, evidence of metastasis, WHO grade 3, or Gleason stage $\geq$ 8 at diagnosis)	Advanced prostate cancer (clinical stage $\geq$ T3 or evidence of metastasis at diagnosis)
PSA alone	0.792 (0.774–0.810)	0.823 (0.792–0.855)	0.800 (0.771–0.830)
PSA plus SNPs	0.791 (0.773–0.809)	0.811 (0.777–0.844)	0.788 (0.757–0.818)
SNPs alone	0.571 (0.548–0.594)	0.498 (0.455–0.541)	0.499 (0.460–0.538)

WHO = World Health Organization; SMP = single nucleotide polymorphism.  
† All estimates have been corrected for overfit using 10-fold repeated cross-validation and are reported as area under the curve (95% confidence interval).

# Tests to *consider* before a first biopsy

PCA3

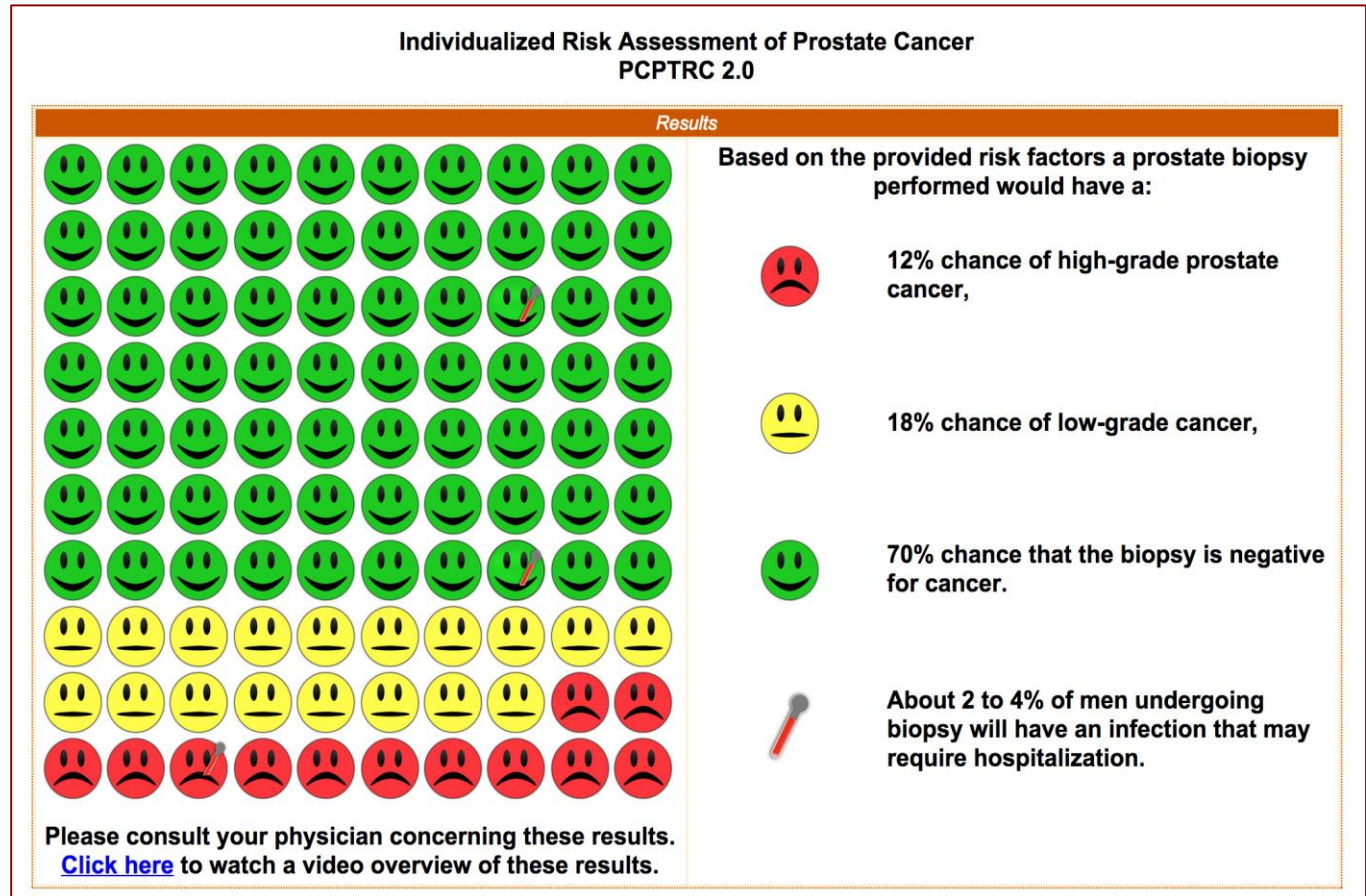
4K

phi

SelectMDx

ExoDx

mpMRI





# 4K and phi

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## Prostate Cancer

### Comparison Between the Four-kallikrein Panel and Prostate Health Index for Predicting Prostate Cancer

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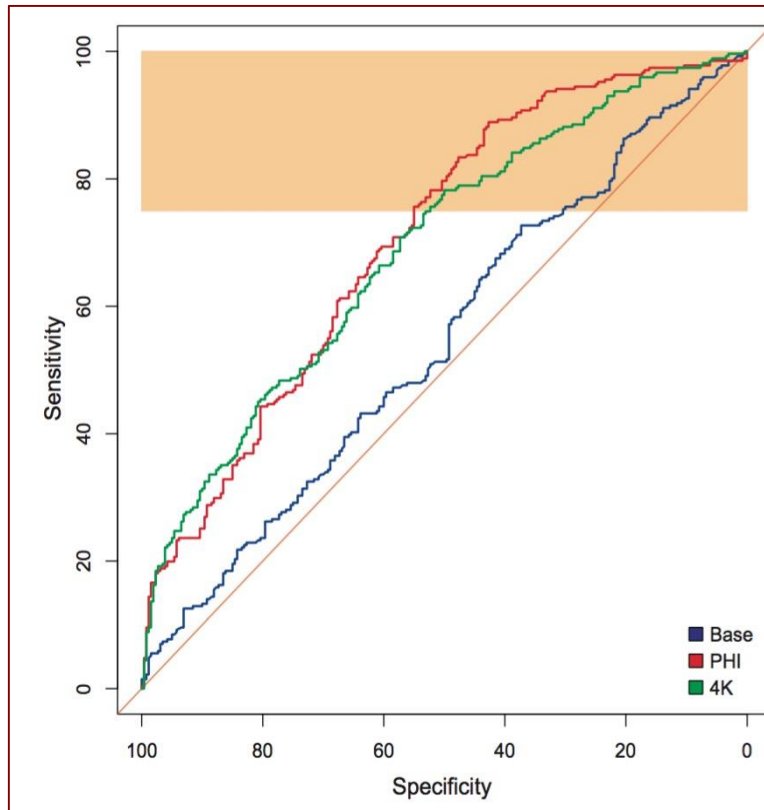
**phi:** PSA, fPSA, -2proPSA

**4K:** PSA, fPSA, iPSA, HK2

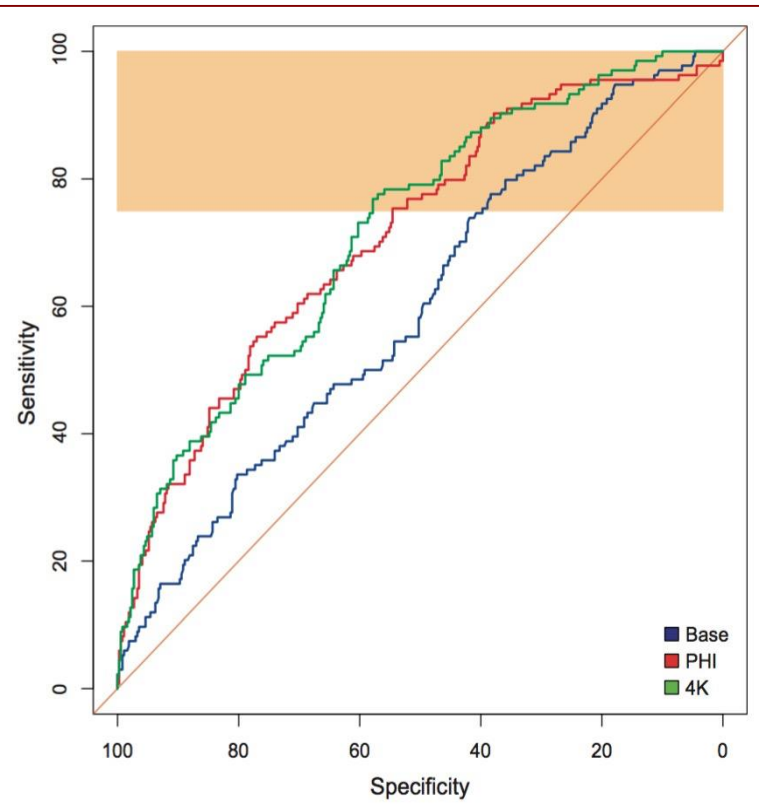
**Conclusions:** The four-kallikrein panel and PHI similarly improved discrimination when predicting PCa and high-grade PCa. Both are simple blood tests that can reduce the number of unnecessary biopsies compared with screening with total PSA, representing an important new option to reduce harm.

# 4K and phi

Any cancer



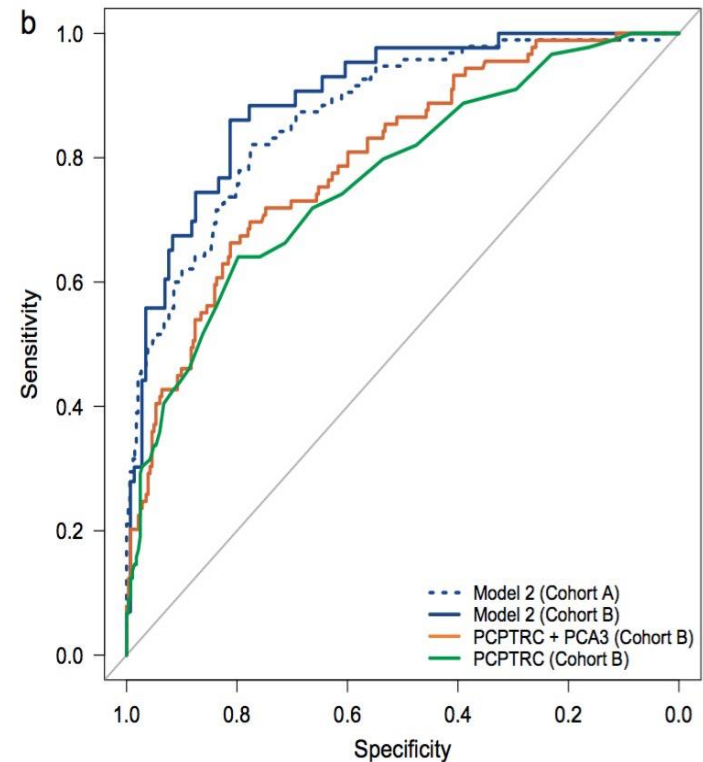
High-grade cancer





# SelectMDx

- Urinary assay for *HOXC6* and *DLX1* mRNA transcripts
- Validated in 2 multicenter cohorts across 6 centers in the Netherlands (N=519, N=386), mixed de novo and repeat biopsy



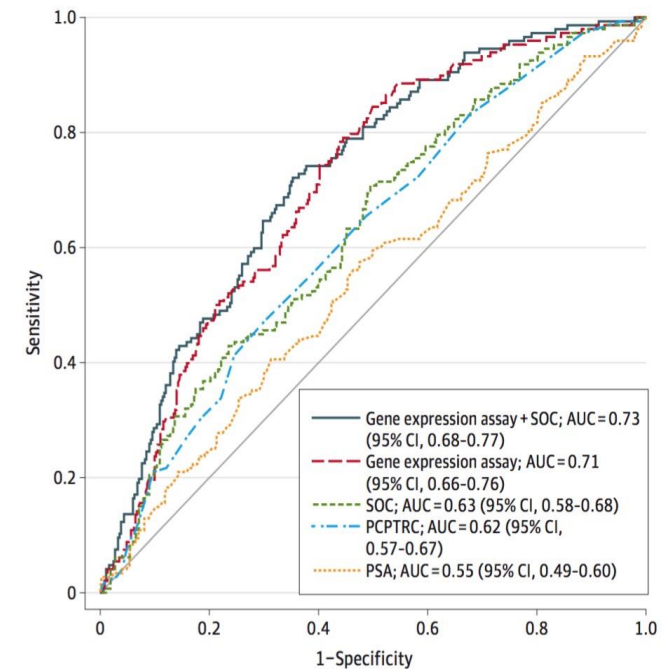
# ExoDX

- Assessment of urinary exosomal RNA (PCA3, TMPRSS2:ERG, SPDEF as control) without prior DRE
- N=255 training, N=519 validation

Table 1. Performance of Gene Expression Assay<sup>a</sup> in the Training Cohort

	Biopsy Result		Total	Performance, % (SE)	(95% CI)
	High Grade	Negative and Low Grade			
ExoDx Prostate IntelliScore > cut point	76	128	204	Sensitivity, 97.44 (1.79)	(93.93-100)
ExoDx Prostate IntelliScore ≤ cut point	2	49	51	Specificity, 27.68 (3.36)	(21.09-34.28)
Total	78	177	255	PPV, 37.25 (3.39)	(30.62-43.89)
				NPV, 96.08 (2.72)	(90.75-100)
High-grade biopsy prevalence %	30.59	Fraction predicted negative	20.00		

Figure 2. Area Under Receiver Operating Characteristic Curve (AUC) for Performance of Gene Expression Assay Score Plus Standard of Care (SOC), Gene Expression Assay Score, or SOC in the Intended Use Validation Cohort (N = 519)



# Tests to consider before a *repeat* biopsy

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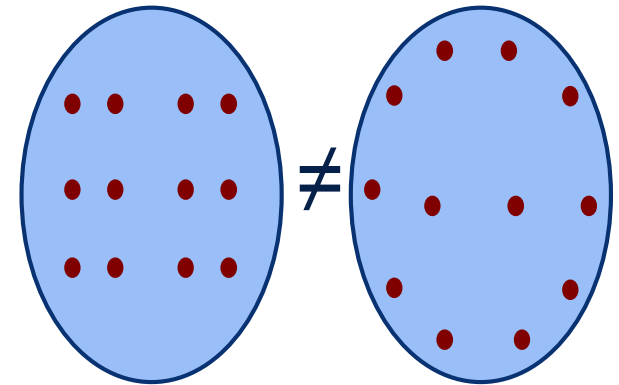
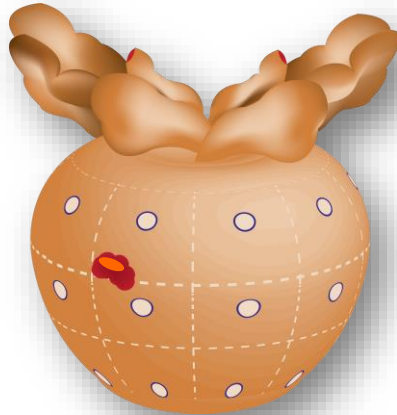
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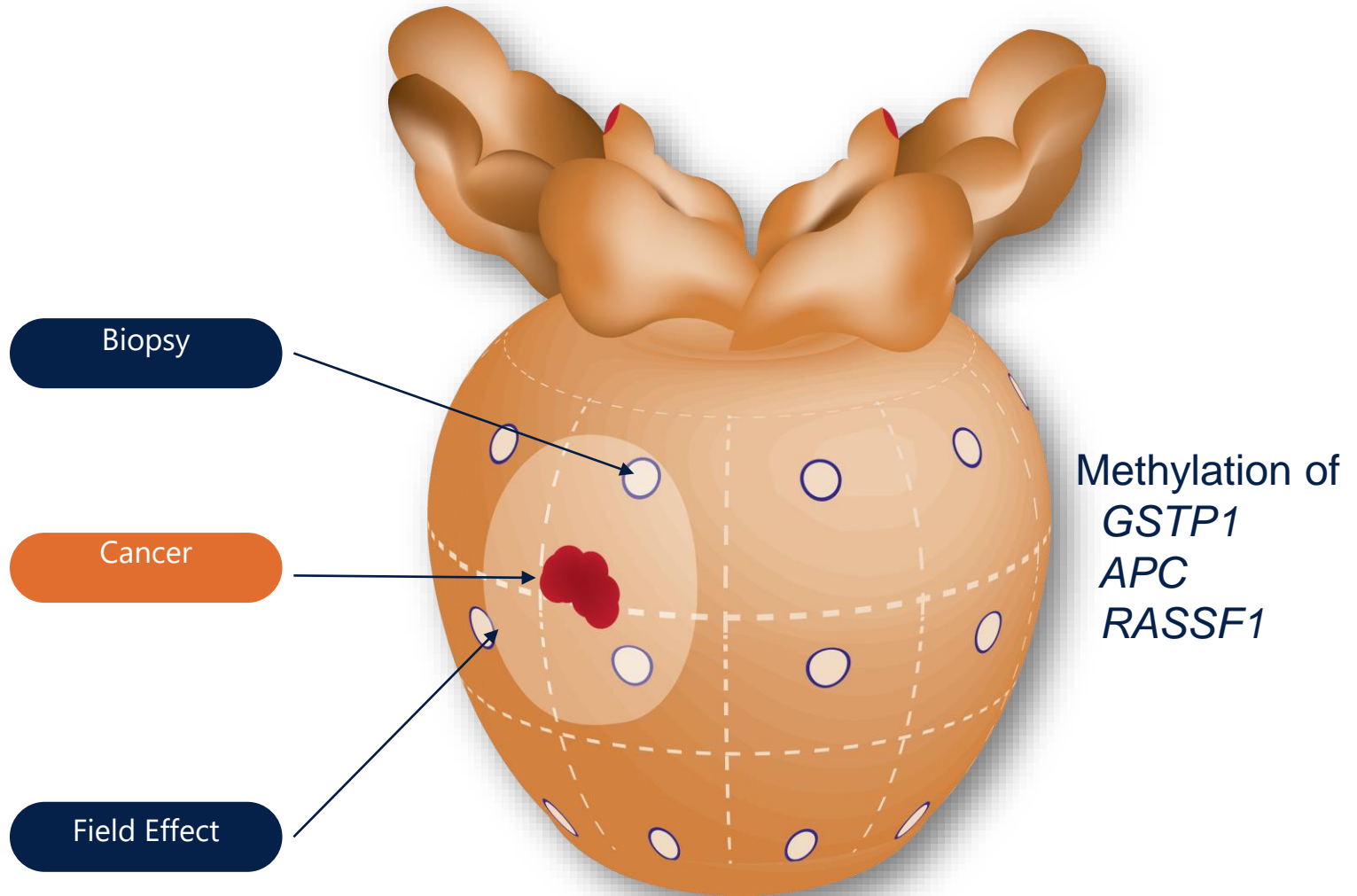
ConfirmMDx

mpMRI

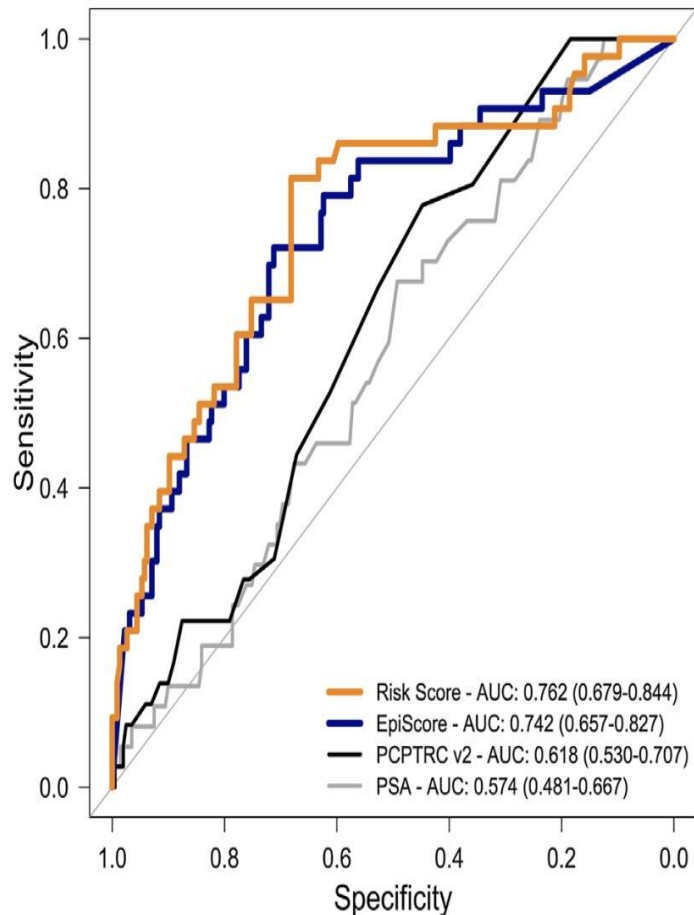


Routinely include anterior cores

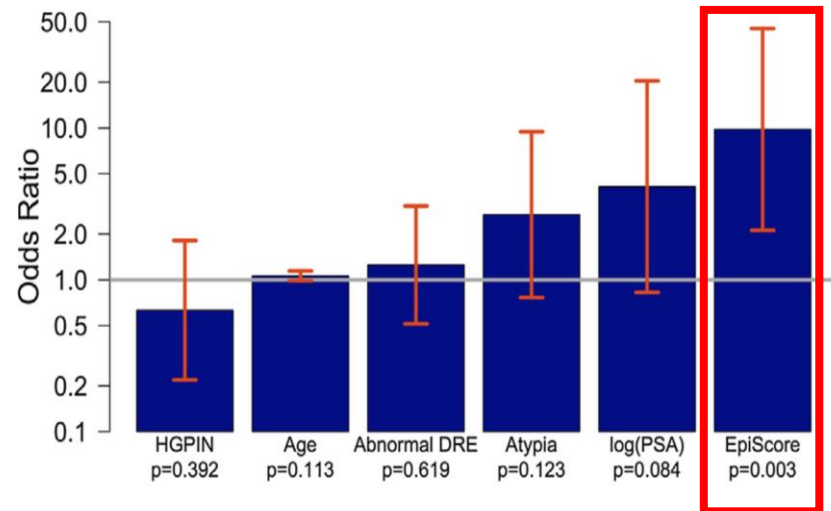
# ConfirmMDx



# ConfirmMDx Risk Profile Score



Outperforms traditional score methods like PSA and Prostate Cancer Prevention Trial Prostate Cancer Risk Calculator 2.0 (PCPTRC2)



NPV for high-grade disease: 96%

# Post-diagnosis: similar principles

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A putative biomarker must improve on an existing, *multivariable* clinical model, ideally a previously validated one

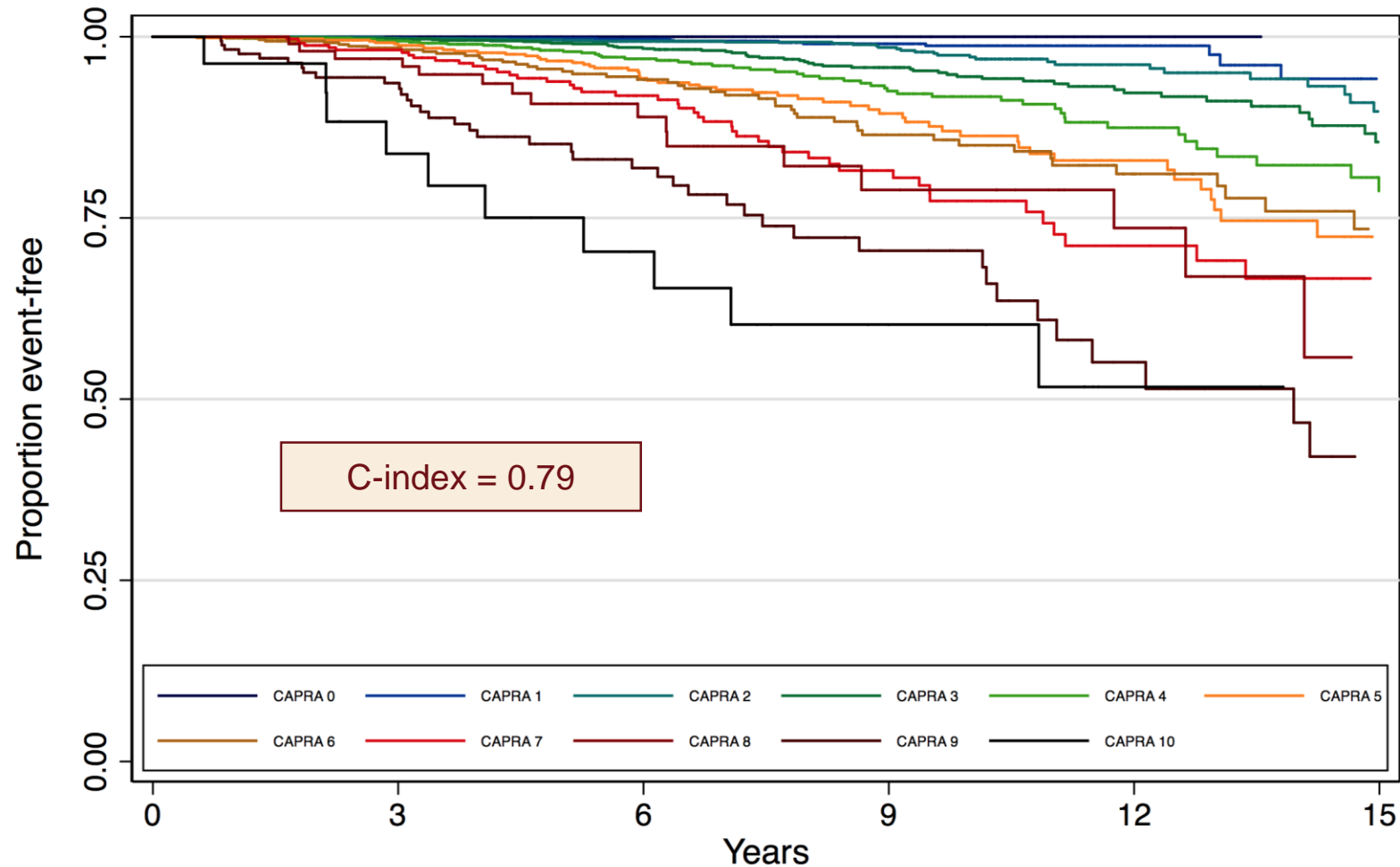
Nomograms

CAPRA / CAPRA-S

/ *Not* just Gleason score alone or the D'Amico  
NCCN risk groups



# The bar is high for improved accuracy



# Prolaris (Myriad Genetics)

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## **Prognostic value of an RNA expression signature derived from cell cycle proliferation genes in patients with prostate cancer: a retrospective study**

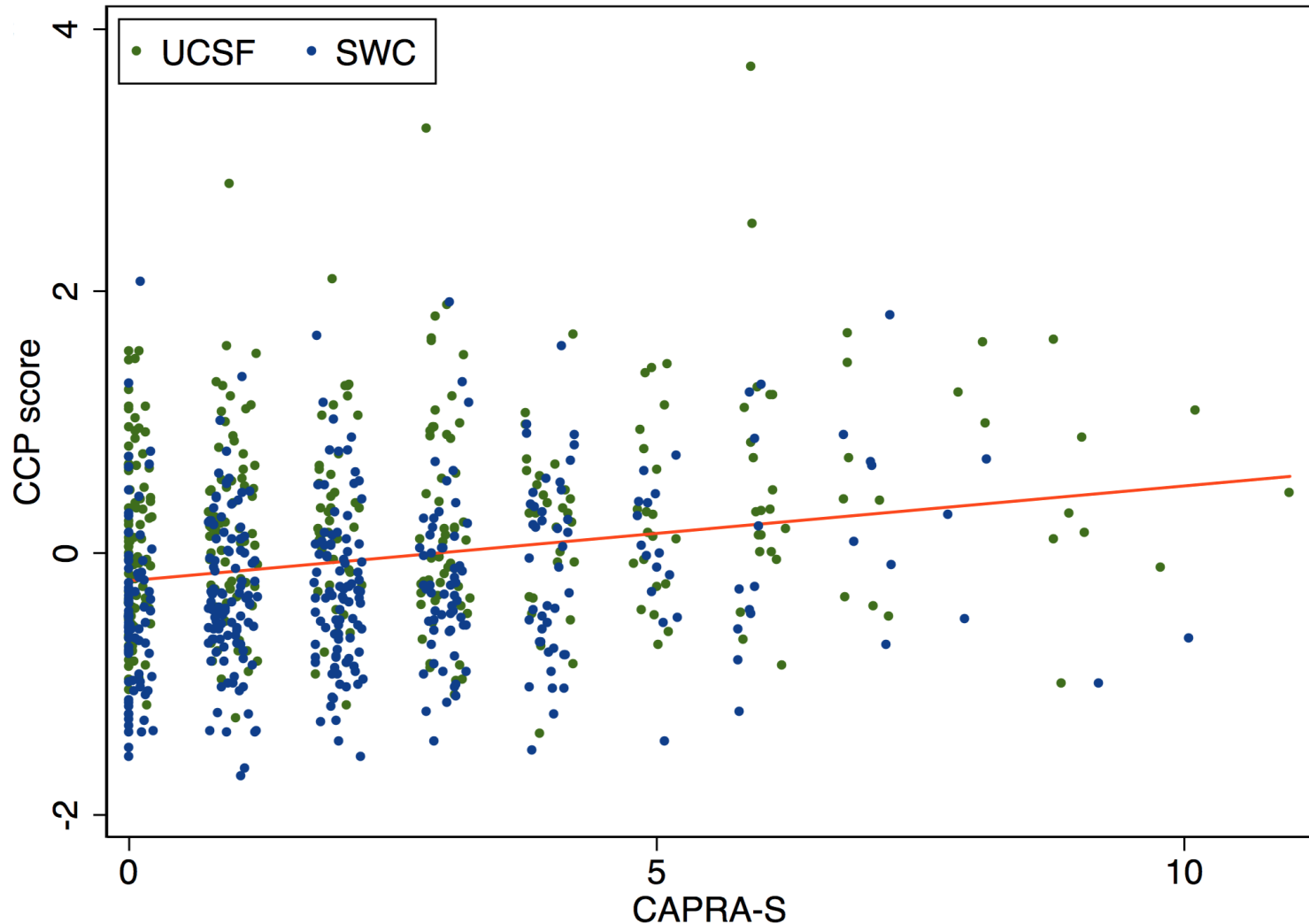
*Jack Cuzick\*, Gregory P Swanson\*, Gabrielle Fisher, Arthur R Brothman, Daniel M Berney, Julia E Reid, David Mesher, V O Speights, Elzbieta Stankiewicz, Christopher S Foster, Henrik Møller, Peter Scardino, Jorja D Warren, Jimmy Park, Adib Younus, Darl D Flake II, Susanne Wagner, Alexander Gutin, Jerry S Lanchbury, Steven Stone, on behalf of the Transatlantic Prostate Group*

31 cell cycle progression (CCP) genes, normalized to 15 housekeeper genes

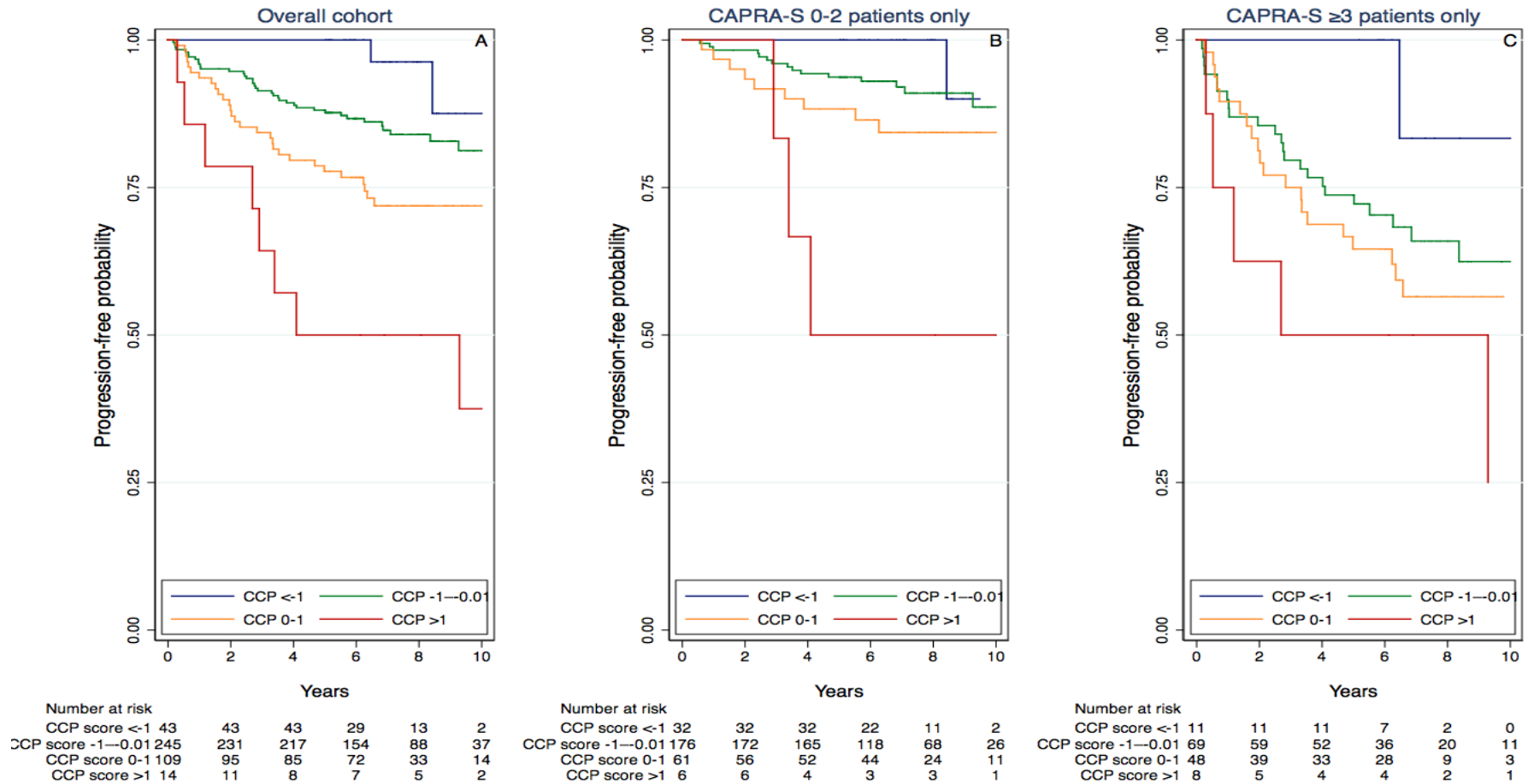
Score is expressed as average centered expression of CCP genes relative to housekeeper genes; negative scores = less active CCP, positive scores = more active CCP

Predicts mortality from biopsy

# Biomarkers vs. clinical parameters



# CCP score stratifies outcomes



# Cox model of PGP

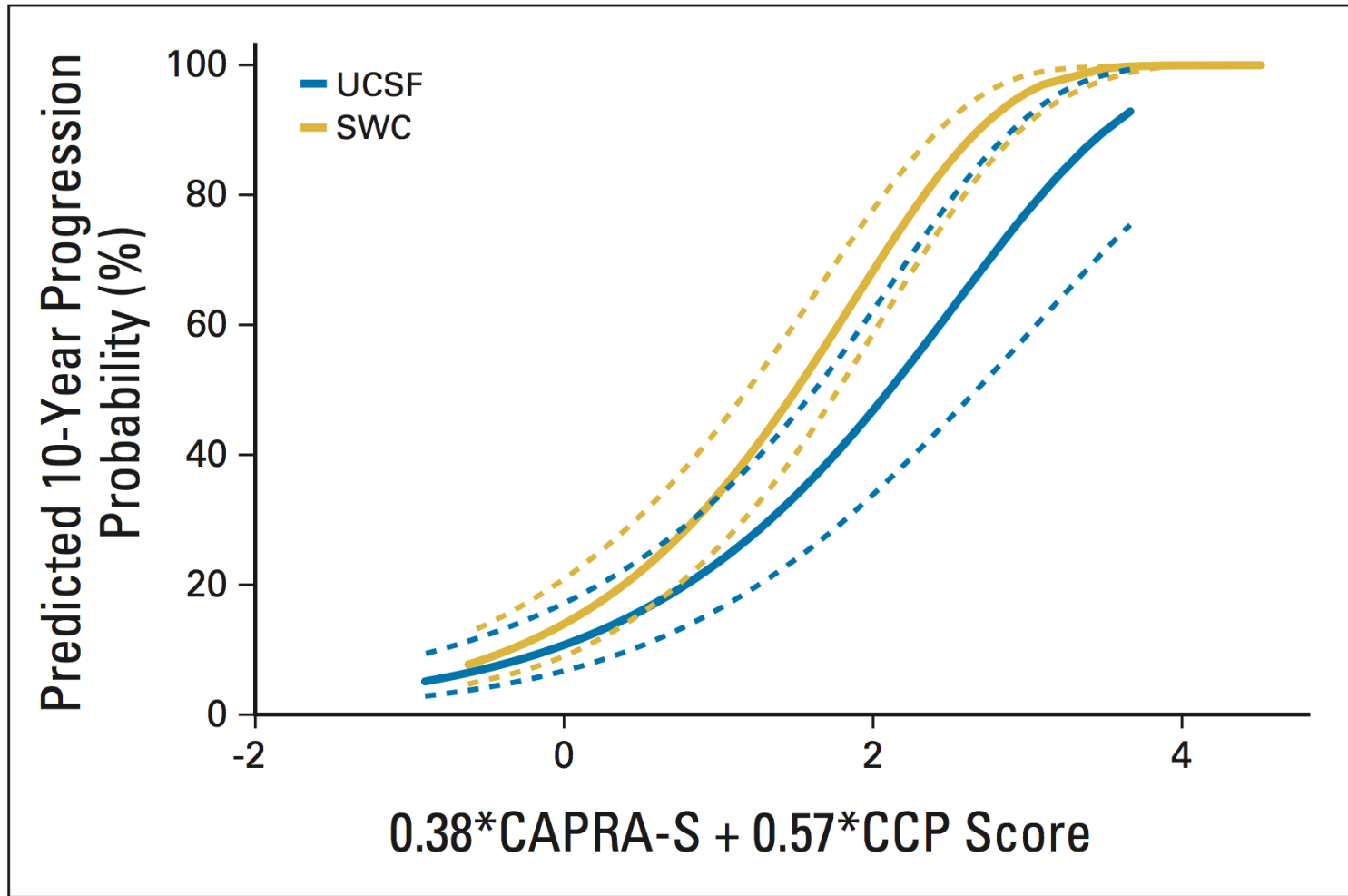
	Univariate			Adjusted model 1			Adjusted model 2		
CCP score	HR	p	95% CI	HR	p	95% CI	HR	p	95% CI
≤-1	ref								
>-1 - 0	3.5	0.08	0.9 - 14.6	3.3	0.10	0.8 - 13.6	2.9	0.15	0.7 - 12.0
>0 - 1	6.8	0.009	1.6 - 28.3	5.1	0.03	1.2 - 21.4	4.7	0.04	1.1 - 19.8
>1	14.9	0.001	3.1 - 70.3	9.4	0.005	2.0 - 44.7	12.7	0.002	2.5 - 63.3

Model 1 = adjusted by CAPRA-S

Model 2 = adjusted by individual clinical variables

C-index 0.73 for CAPRA-S vs. 0.77 for combined model

# 10-year PGP predictions





# Oncotype DX GPS (Genomic Health)

- Quantitative 17-gene RT-PCR assay on manually microdissected tumor tissue from needle biopsy
- Genes and biological pathways predictive of multiple endpoints, with emphasis on clinical recurrence
- Optimized for very small tissue input: six 5 micron sections of single needle biopsy block with as little as 1 mm tumor length

## Androgen Signaling

AZGP1  
FAM13C  
KLK2  
SRD5A2

## Cellular Organization

FLNC  
GSN  
GSTM2  
TPM2

## Stromal Response

BGN  
COL1A1  
SFRP4

## Proliferation

TPX2

## Reference

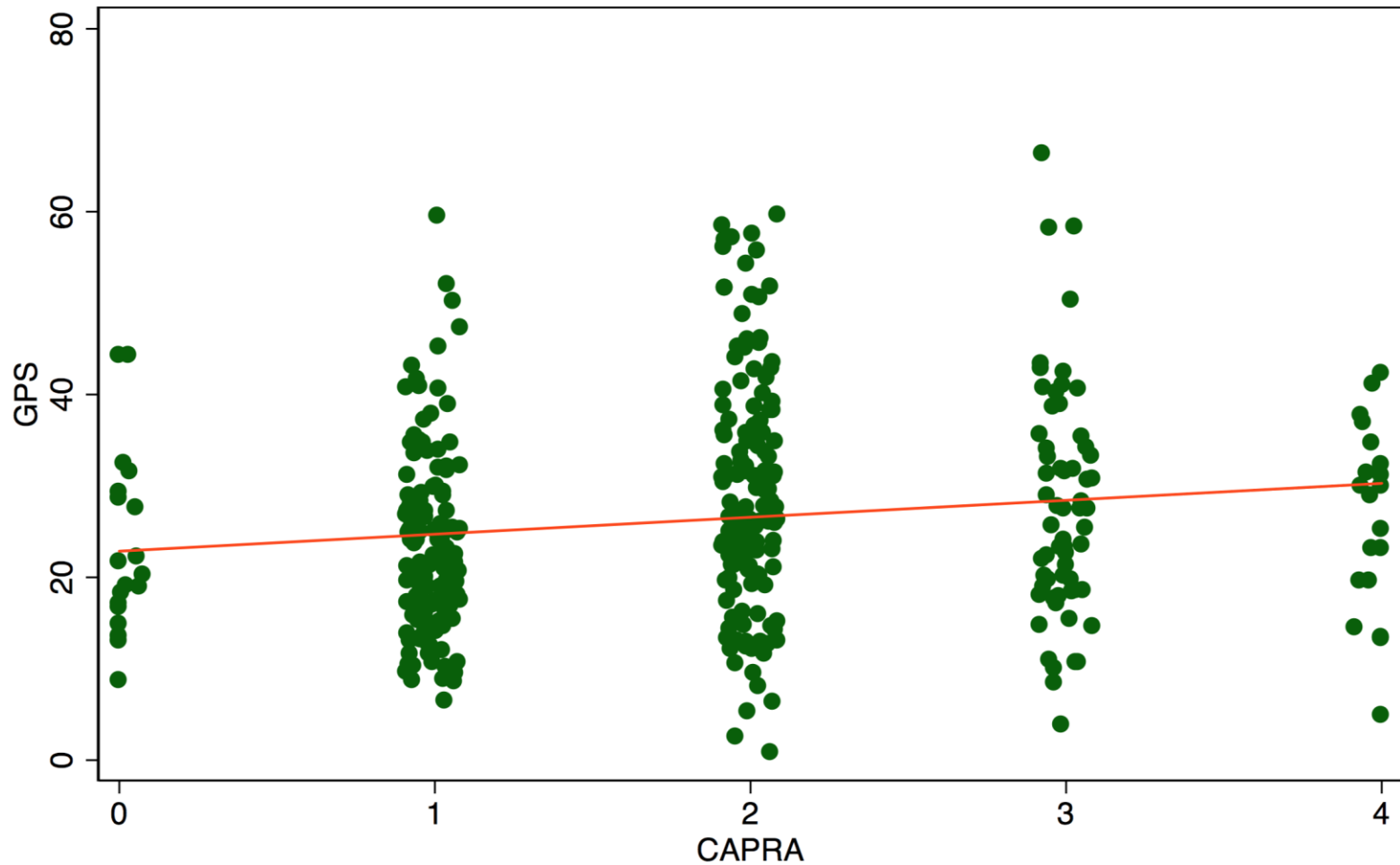
ARF1  
ATP5E  
CLTC  
GPS1  
PGK1

GPS =

$0.735 \times \text{Stromal Response group}$   
 $-0.352 \times \text{Androgen Signaling group}$   
 $+0.095 \times \text{Proliferation group}$   
 $-0.368 \times \text{Cellular Organization group}$

Scaled between 0 and 100

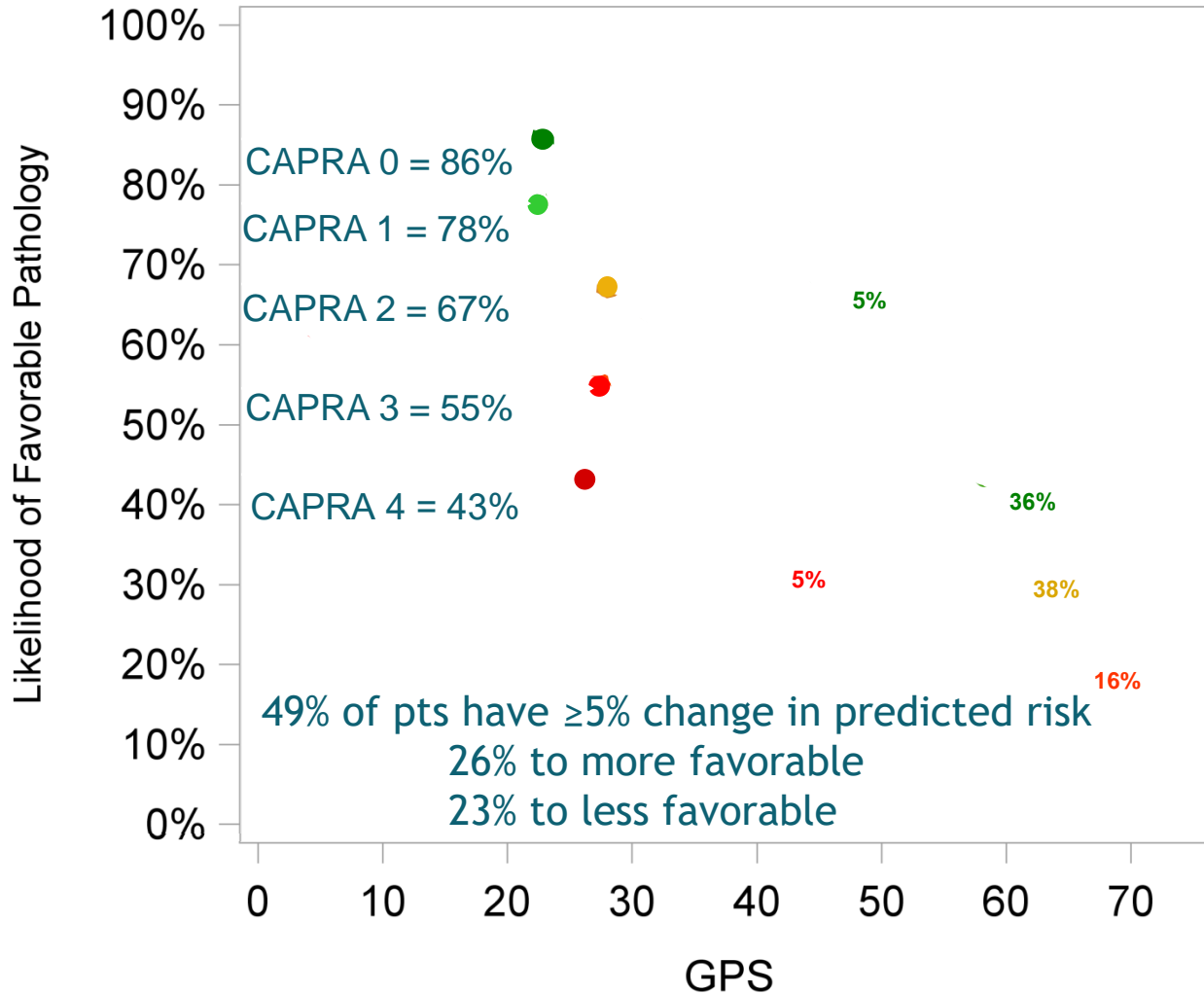
# Weak correlation between CAPRA and GPS



# Multivariable Performance of GPS

Model	Variable	Odds Ratio	95% CI	P-value
1	GPS (per 20 units)	1.85	(1.23, 2.81)	0.003
	Age (continuous)	1.05	(1.01, 1.09)	0.004
	PSA (continuous)	1.11	(1.04, 1.18)	0.002
	Clinical Stage T2 vs. T1	1.57	(0.98, 2.51)	0.059
	Biopsy Gleason Score (7 v. 6)	1.70	(1.00, 2.88)	0.050
2	GPS (per 20 units)	2.13	(1.44, 3.16)	<0.001
	CAPRA	1.58	(1.24, 2.02)	<0.001

# Adding GPS to CAPRA: predicting pathology



# Additional validation studies

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## Prolaris

- Predicting BCR and mets following surgery based on biopsy (Bishoff J Urol 2014)
- Predicting BCR after EBRT (Freedland IJROBP 2013)
- Prolaris as outcome in fish oil diet study (Galet, Cancer Prev Res 2014).

## OncoType GPS

- Prediction of adverse pathology and BCR following prostatectomy in CPDR cohort (Cullen Eur Urol 2014)

# Decipher (GenomeDx Biosciences)

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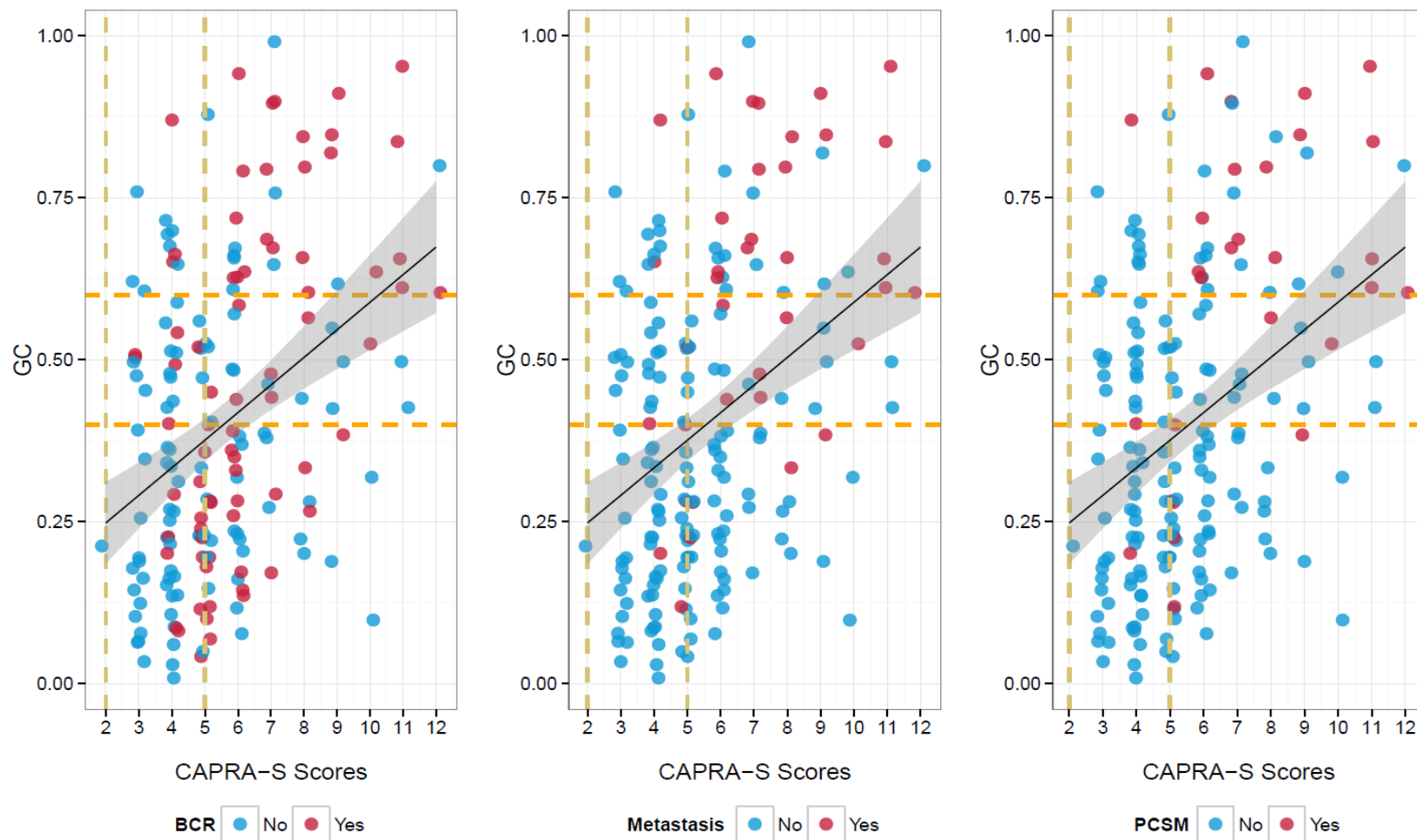
22-gene genomic classifier, with genes chosen purely by statistical selection to predict metastasis among high-risk RP patients, no pathway analysis (includes non-coding genes, 3 unknowns)

Rather than RT-PCR on established gene set, clinical assay is run using Affymetrix Human Exon 1.0ST GeneChip (1.4M probe sets interrogating 5.5M features of whole exome)

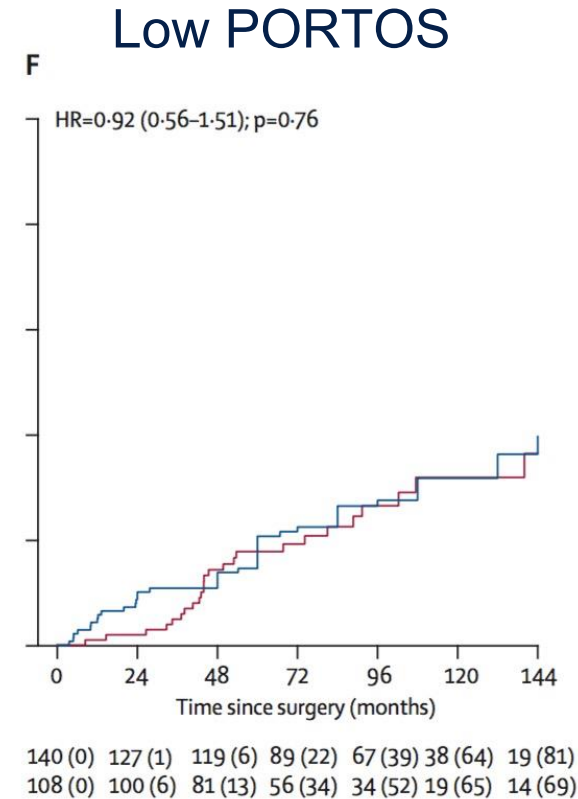
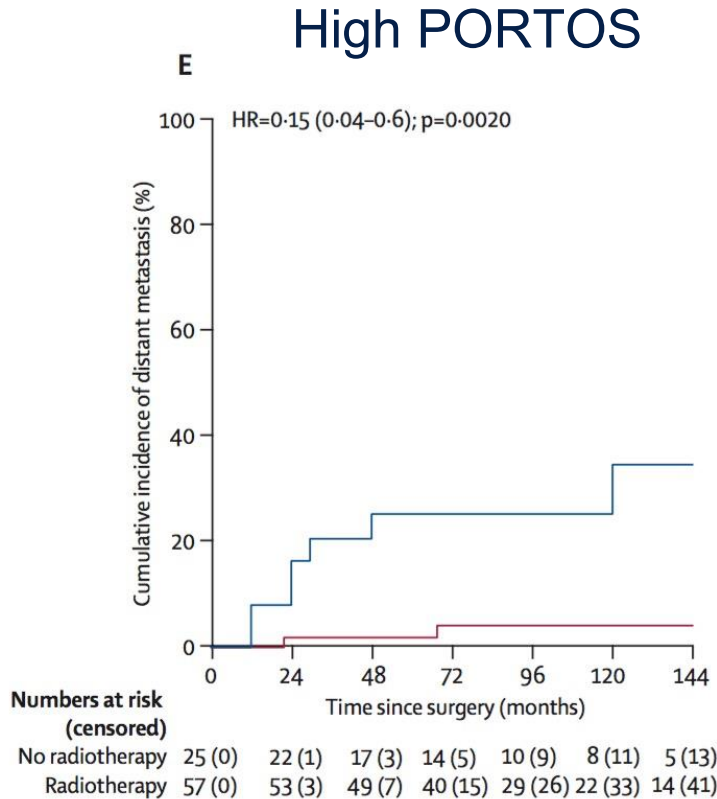
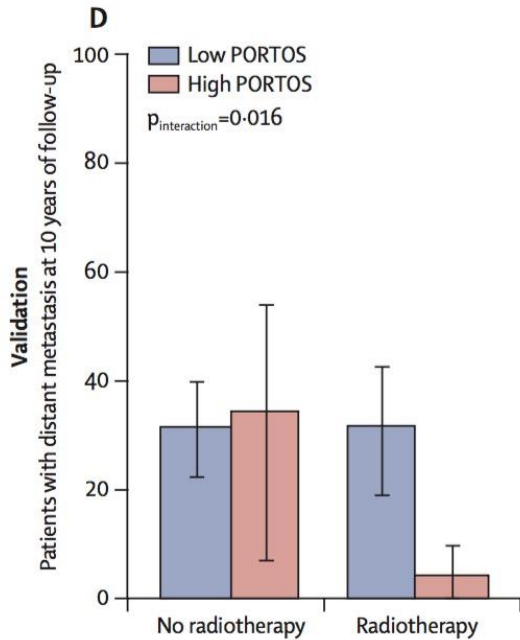
Decipher score is calculated, but a large trove of data is kept in the databank for ongoing / future discovery



# Genomic reclassification



# PORTOS score for post-op radiation



# Decipher GRID

## GENOMIC PROFILE SUMMARY

### Molecular subtype signatures (P.2)

○ Neuroendocrine/small cell  
● Adenocarcinoma

● Luminal  
○ Basal

○ ERG  
○ ETS  
● SPINK1  
○ TripleNeg

### PREDICTIVE (P.3)



### PROGNOSTIC (P.4)

Risk of metastasis (average of 18 signatures)\* 19 LOW METASTASIS RISK

### TUMOR GRADE/STAGE (P.5)

Genomic Gleason grade 8 LOWER GRADE

### MOLECULAR PATHWAYS (P.5)

Tumor cell proliferation (average of 3 signatures)\* 24 AVERAGE PROLIFERATION  
AR signaling activity (average of 2 signatures)\* 61 AVERAGE AR ACTIVITY

### SELECT RNA MARKERS - TOP OUTLIERS (P.6)

RNA marker most over-expressed:

VEGFR2

PERCENTILE RANK

RNA marker most under-expressed:

EZH2

100%

5%

# “Next generation” liquid biopsy

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Coming soon:

Plasma miRNA

CTC enumeration/sequencing

Cell-free DNA

*Stay tuned...!*

# Conclusions and future questions

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Emerging biomarkers offer improved *prognostic* information compared to clinical parameters alone

How to (really) use these tests in clinical practice is mostly unclear

Can we do a better job *customizing* active surveillance (Can some men be stratified to watchful waiting? Can a subset be “undiagnosed”?)

Are these tests cost-effective?

Molecular subtyping is finally in sight for prostate cancer

We are barely even at the “end of the beginning”

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