



Pancreatic cancer

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PANCREAS

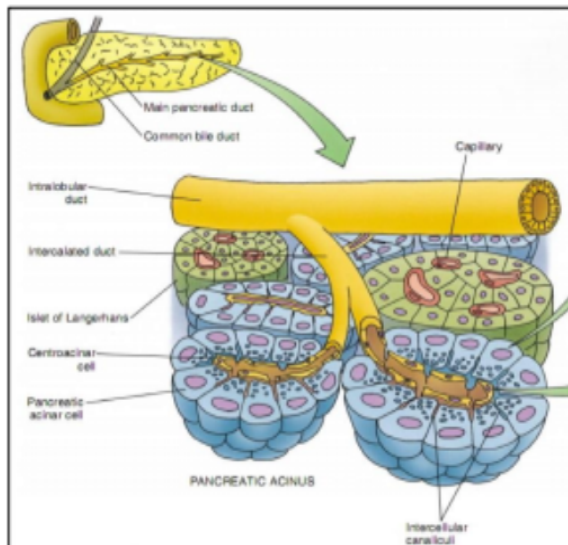
Stroma

capsule, septa & reticular fibers.

Parenchyma

Pancreas is a **mixed** gland:

- **Exocrine part** (acini & ducts): produces **digestive pancreatic enzymes**.
- **Endocrine part** (islets of Langerhans): **produces hormones**.

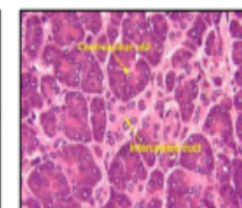
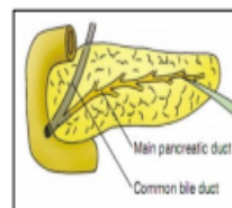
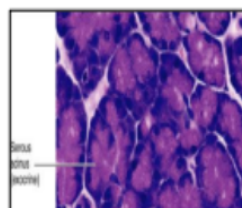
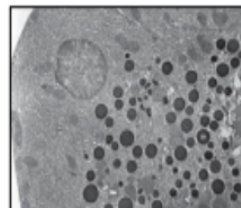
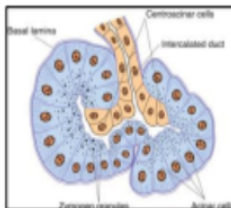


Histology of Pancreas

- Acinar cells (80%)
- Ductal cell (10-15%)
- Endocrine/islet cell(1-2%)

➤ Exocrine Pancreas

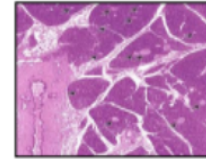
Pancreatic Acini	Pancreatic Acinar Cells	Duct System
○ <u>They are serous acini</u>: secreting a thin fluid rich in digestive pancreatic enzymes. ○ <u>Centroacinar cells</u>: Their nuclei appear in the center of the acini. They represent the beginning of the ducts. ○ <u>No myoepithelial cells</u> around the acini.	○ <u>Pyramidal</u> in shape. ○ <u>Nuclei</u> are basal. ○ <u>Cytoplasm</u>: • Basal part Basophilic (due to abundant rER). • Apical part Acidophilic (due to secretory granules).	○ <u>Centroacinar</u> cells. ○ <u>Intercalated</u> ducts (low cuboidal). ○ <u>Intralobular</u> ducts (NOT prominent). in parotid gland Intralobular ducts is prominent ○ <u>Interlobular</u> ducts. ○ <u>Main</u> pancreatic duct.



➤ Endocrine Pancreas

Islets of Langerhans:

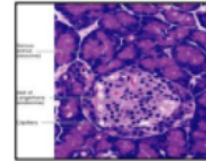
- Pale-staining spherical collections of endocrine cells, scattered among the acini.
- Richly vascularized by fenestrated capillaries.
- Each islet is surrounded and supported by reticular fibers.
- 1 million islets in human pancreas.
- Most numerous in the tail of pancreas.



Cells of the Islets:

5 types of cells in each islet

Cannot be differentiated from one another by routine stains. We can differentiate between 5 cell types by immune stain



B (B) cells	α (A) cells	δ (D) cells	G cells	PP cells
• Constitute 70% of islet cells. • Concentrated in islet <u>center</u>. • Function: secrete insulin which ↓ blood sugar.	• Constitute 15-20%. • Concentrated in islet <u>periphery</u>. • Granules are much more numerous, more tightly packed, smaller, and denser than those of B cells. • Function: secrete glucagon which ↑ blood sugar.	• Constitute 5-10% • Scattered <u>throughout the islet</u>. • Granules are less dense than those of B and α cells. • Function: secrete somatostatin which ↓ release of hormones from endocrine pancreas and enzymes from exocrine pancreas.	• Constitute 1% of islet cells. • Scattered <u>throughout the islet</u>. • Function: secrete gastrin which ↑ production of HCl by parietal cells of the stomach.	• Constitute 1% of islet cells. • Scattered <u>throughout the islet</u>. • Function: secrete pancreatic polypeptide which ↓ exocrine secretions of pancreas.



Primary Tumors of Exocrine Pancreas(W.H.O)

I-Benign

- serous cystadenoma
- mucinous cystadenoma
- intraductal papillary mucinous adenoma
- mature cystic teratoma

II-Borderline

mucinous T + moderate dysplasia ,solid-seudopapillary T

III-Malignant

Ductal adenocarcinoma, giant cell T, serous & mucinous carcinoma,
acinar cell carcinoma ,pancreatoblastoma, miscellaneous

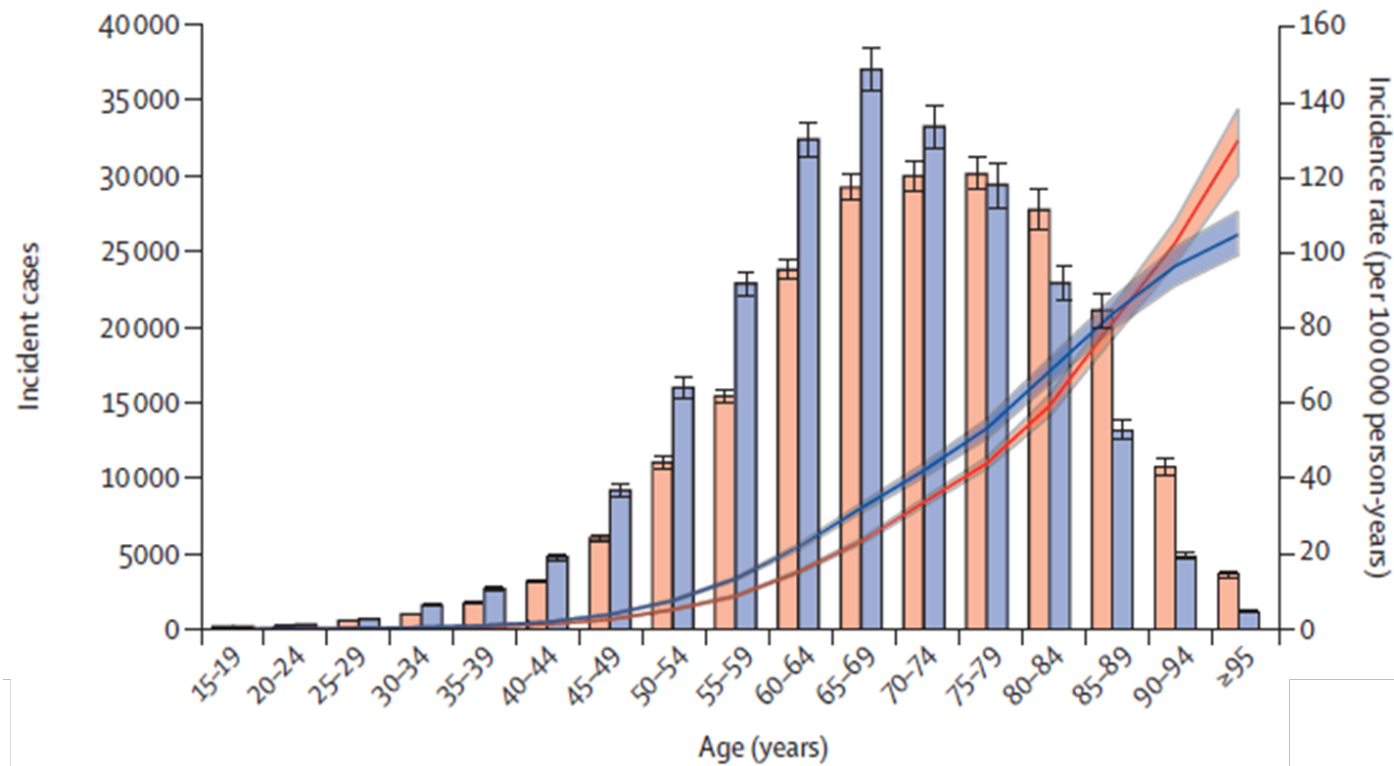
Exocrine Pancreatic Cancer(PC)

- %85-90 are adenocarcinomas arising from the ductal epithelium.
- PC, once considered a rare cancer, is a growing cause of cancer mortality worldwide.

- the worldwide annual incidence increased by 2·3 times from 1990 to 2017, from 196 000 (95% CI ;193 000–200 000) cases in 1990 to 441 000 (433 000–449 000) cases in 2017.

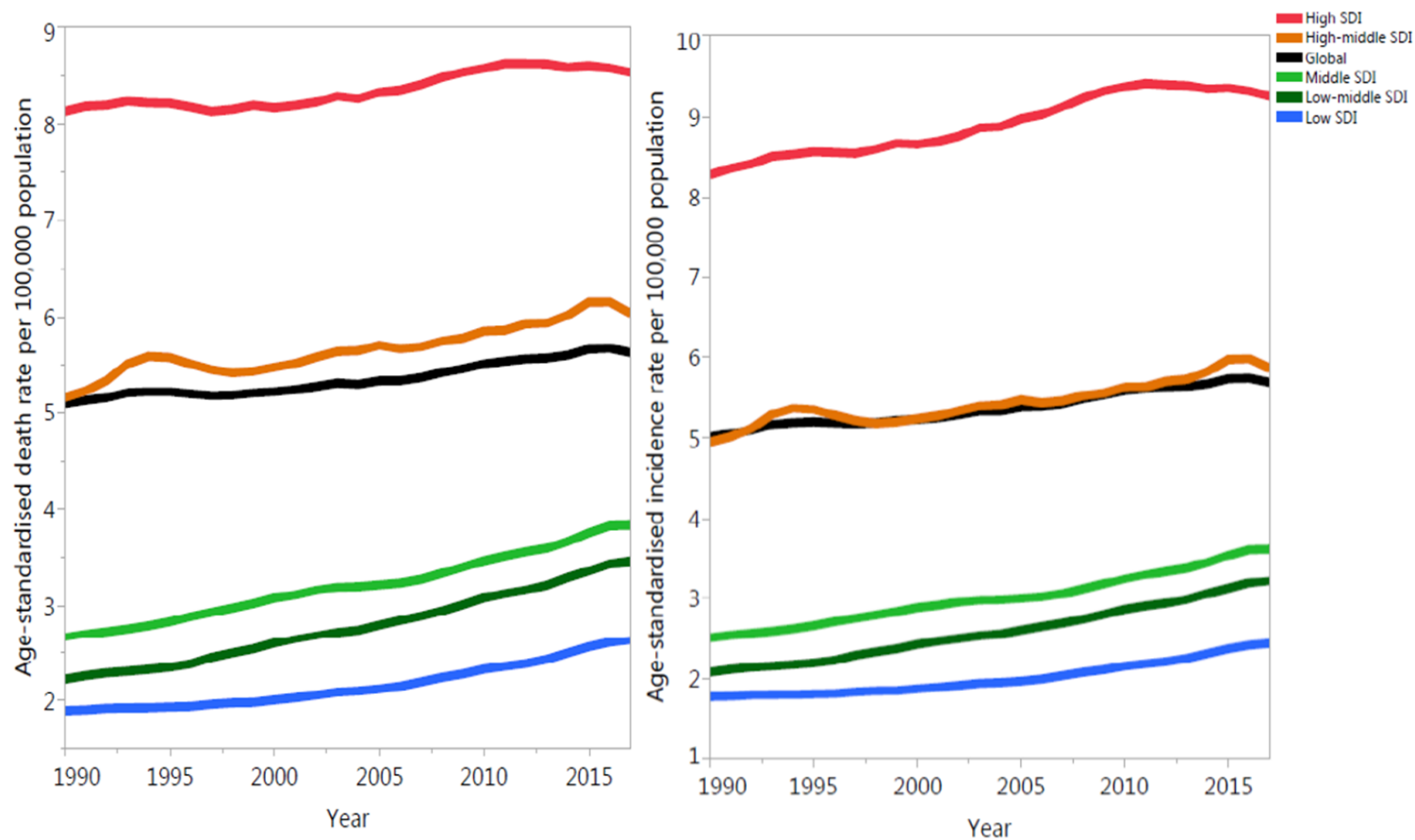
- Much of this increase is due to population ageing.
- Age is the strongest risk factor for pancreatic cancer
- <5/ 100 000 person-years in the 4 th decade of life to > 60/100 000 person-years at the start of the 8 th decade.

Global number of incident cases and incidence rate of PC per 100 000 person-years by age and sex, 2017

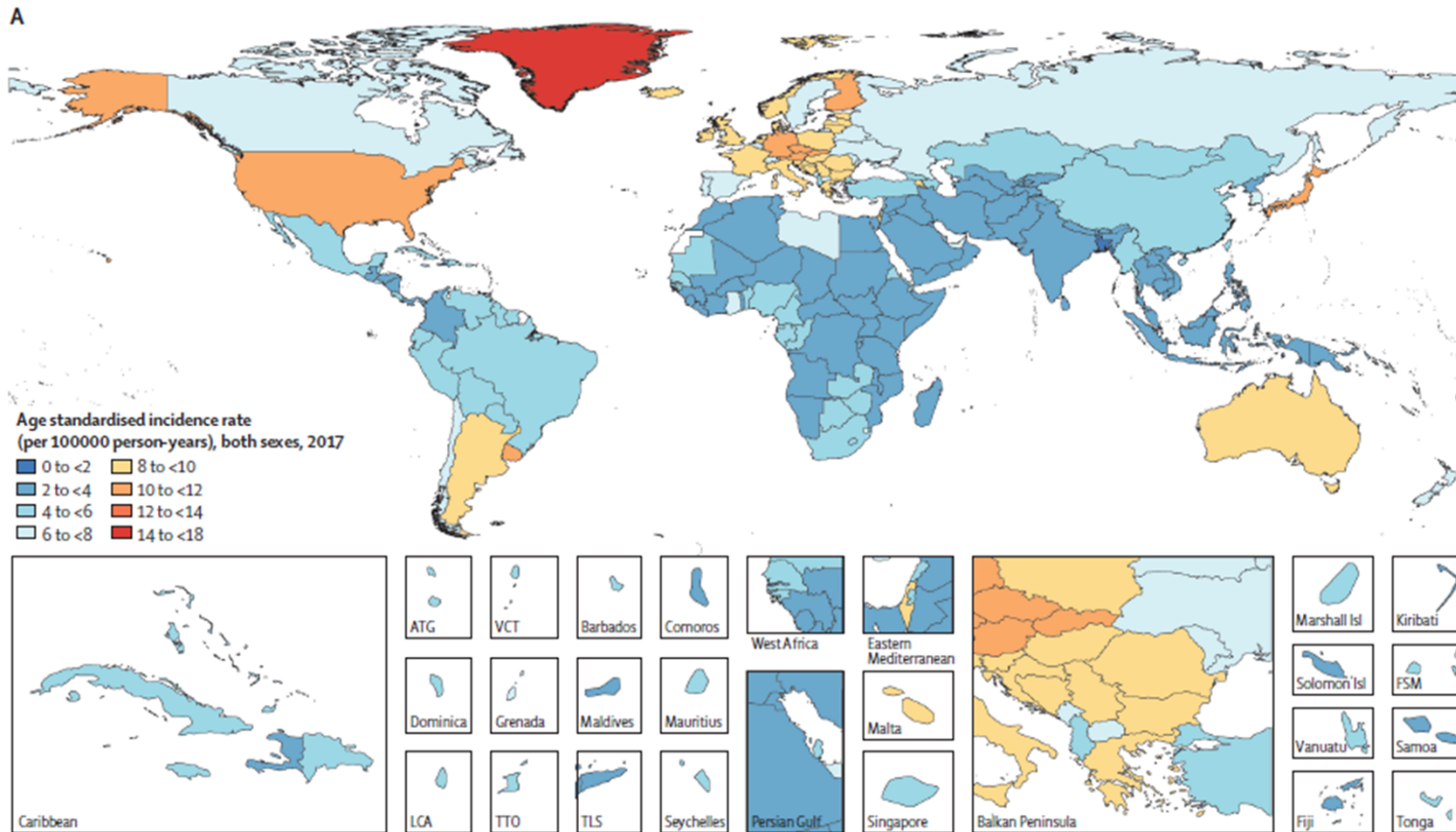


- In 2012, 8% of the global population was older than age 65 years.
- Just 3 years later, this proportion increased to 8·5%, and by 2050 it is expected to be 16·7%.

Trend of age-standardized rate of incidence and death due to PC by SDI categories



Age-standardised incidence rate of PC per 100 000 person-years by country, 2017



- Although the large changes in population demographics and improvements in diagnosis are important drivers of the increased burden of PC observed over the past 25 years, changes in modifiable risk factors also play a part.

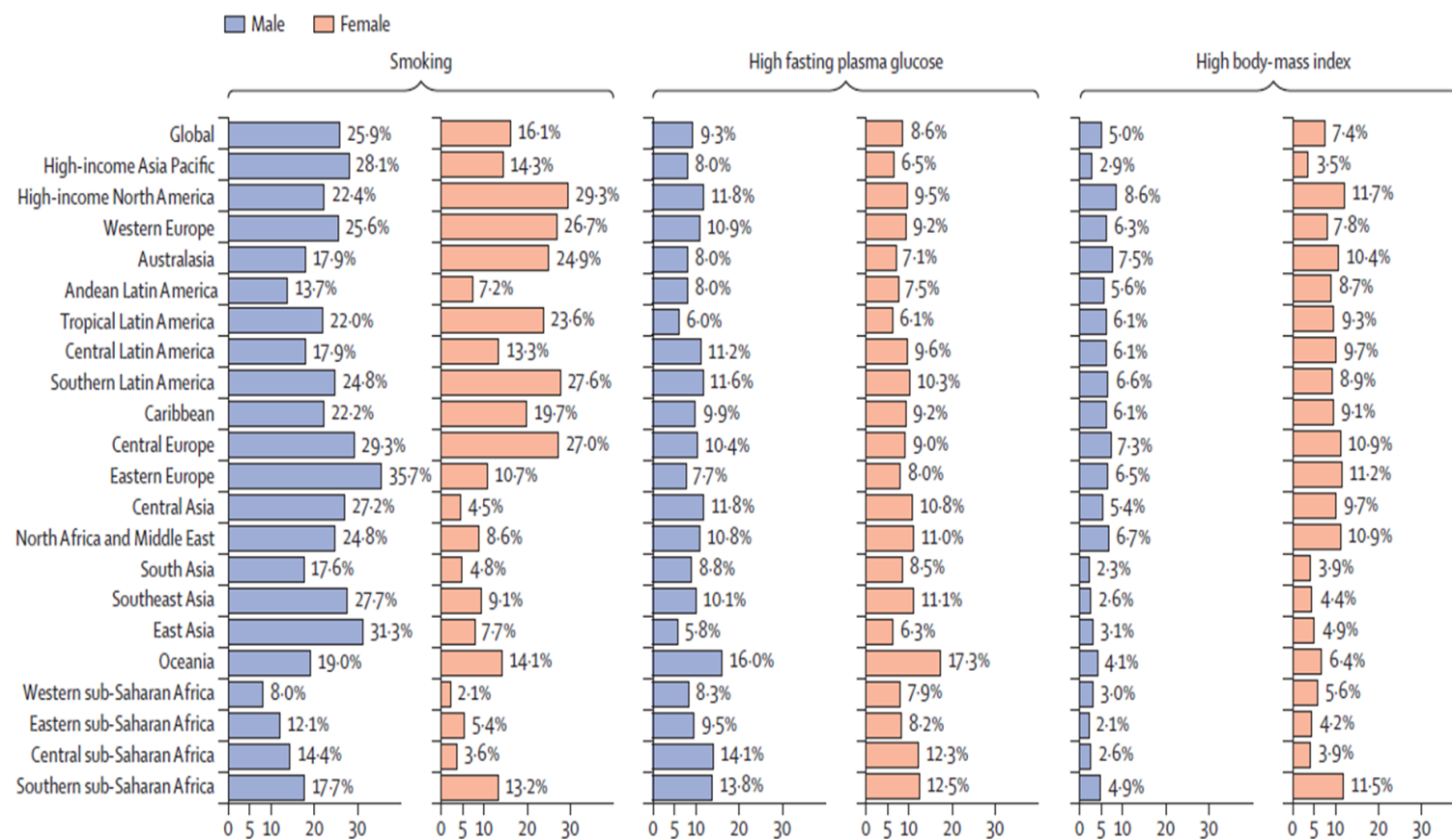
- 20–30% of PC risk is due to inherited genetic factors
- cigarette smoking, alcohol consumption, obesity and DM have important roles in PC

Risk Factors

Genetic

- hereditary pancreatitis(trypsin G Ab,AD) ,40% Pca at age 70(50-80 x)
- Non hereditary Pancreatitis : 2% /10y
- Familial Peutz-Jeghers Syndrome:132x
- FAMMM syndrome(P16 Germline mutation),20-43x
- BCRA2 ,3.5-10x
- First Degree(one $\rightarrow$ 2.3x, two $\rightarrow$ 6x, 3 $\leq$ $\rightarrow$ 32x)

Attributable risk factors for PC in 2017.



- Lifetime risk: 1.2% in U.S.A, M/F=1.3
- Incidence: increasing in developed countries
,increasing in Iran & developing countries!
- 4th leading cause of cancer –related death in U.S.A,
Iran?
- Median age :72 y in U.S.A ,Mean age in Iran; 65 ± 4.2 y.
- In U.S.A rarely diagnosed $50Y>$, in Iran 6% are $45Y>$.

Attributable risk factors for PC in Iran.

Risk factors	Total	Male	Female
Smoking	4.6%	16%	2%
Opium use	5.9%	11%	0%
Diabetes mellitus	8.2%	6%	12%
Family history of cancer	10.9%	11%	10%

Do you know the symptoms of pancreatic cancer?

**Tummy
pain or
back pain**



**Unexplained
weight loss
or loss of
appetite**



**Jaundice
(yellow skin
or eyes and
itchy skin)**



**Change
in bowel
habits**

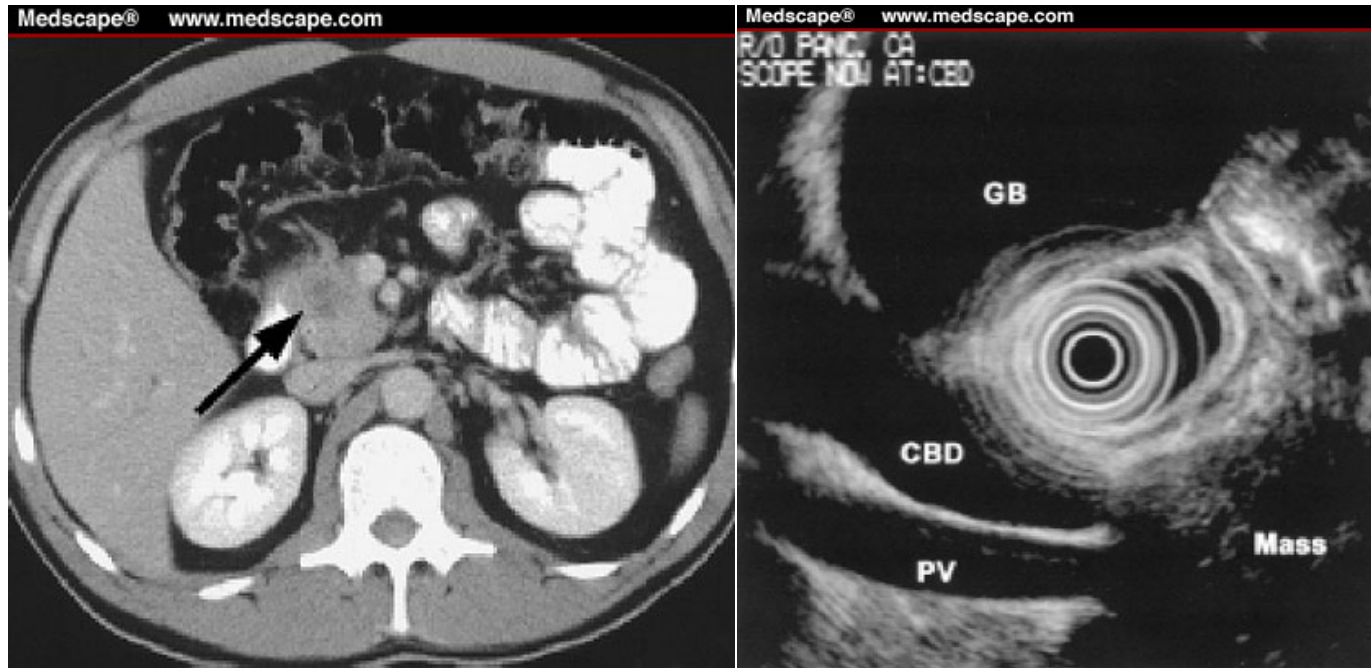


Indigestion



If you have jaundice, go to your GP or A&E without delay. If you have any of the other symptoms for four weeks or more, and you don't know why you have them, go to your GP. Remember that these symptoms could have more common causes.

Diagnosis , staging , and prognosis



Staging

AJCC staging

TX :Primary tumor cannot be assessed

T0: No evidence of primary tumor

Tis :Carcinoma in situ

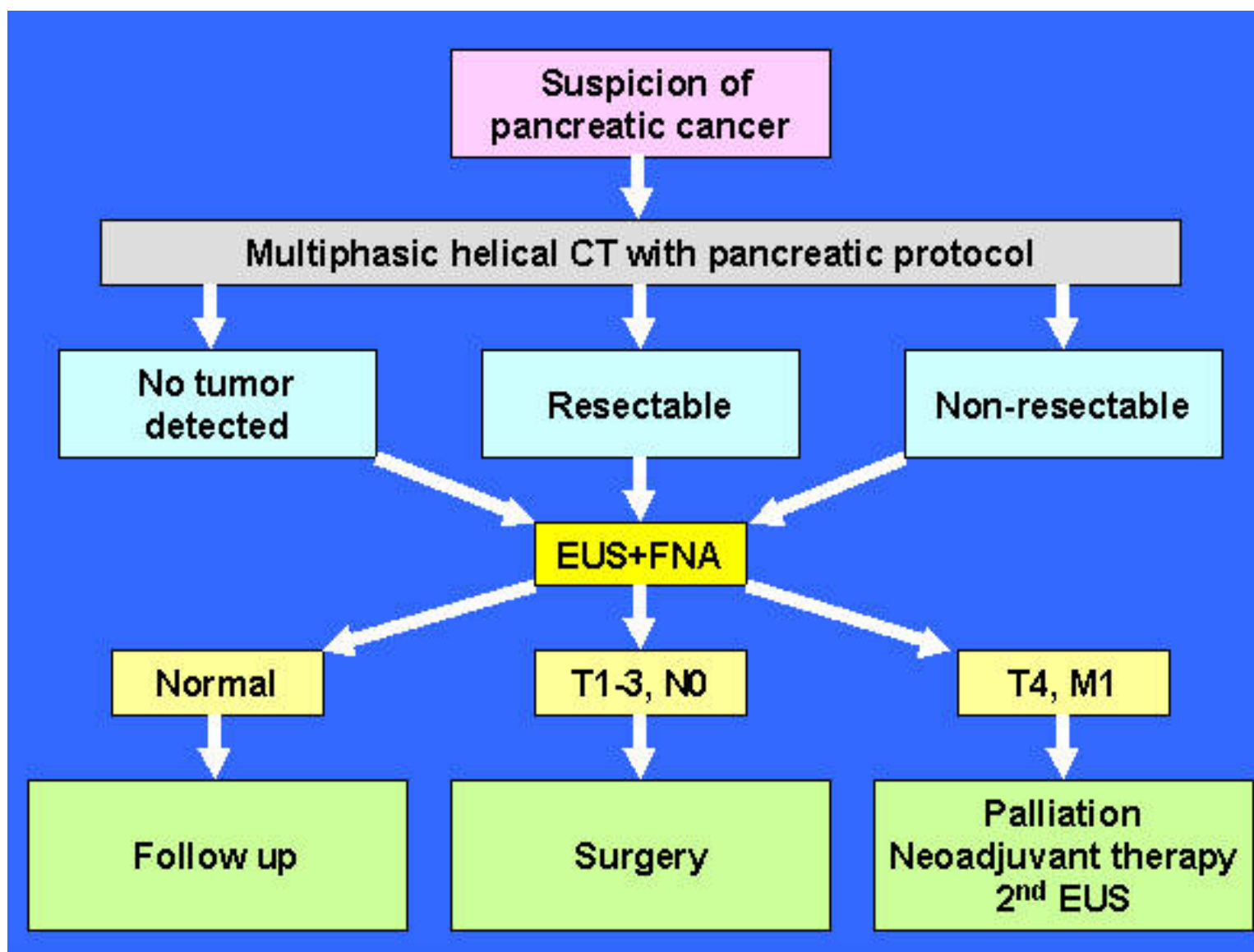
T1 :Tumor limited to P, ≤ 2 cm

T2: Tumor limited to P, > 2 cm

T3: : T beyond P , No celiac or SMA involvement

T4: Celiac or SMA involvement

Stage	0	Tis	N0	M0
Stage I		T1, T2	N0	M0
Stage II		T1-T3	N0-N1	M0
Stage III		T4	N1	M0
Stage IV		Any T	Any N	M1



Treatment

- **Surgery**

No for metastatic patient , no extension to celiac axis, SMA ,Aorta , HA, no encasement or occlusion of SMV, or PV.

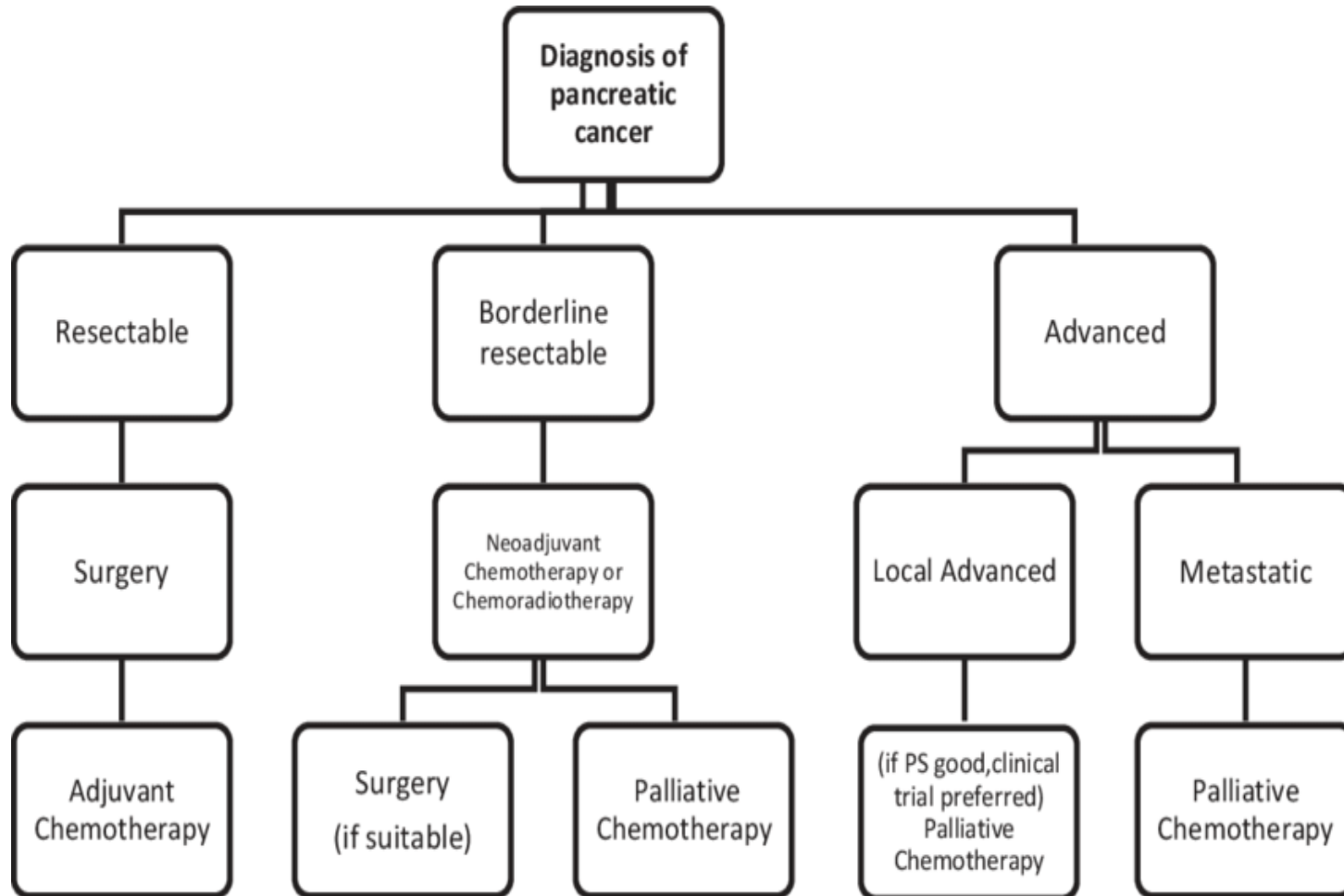
- **Chemotherapy** (adjuvant ,neo-adjuvant)

- **"targeted therapies"**

I-Growth factor inhibitors[erlotinib (Tarceva)

II-Anti-angiogenesis factors

- **Immune therapy (vaccine, monoclonal antibodies)**



- Tumor location

70% in head ,15% in body, 15% in tail

- IHC markers

- Molecular pathology

Combination of P16 & k-ras mutation is uncommon in other human tumors & may be a molecular “signature for pancreatic adenocarcinoma

- Tumor markers

Prognosis :

%15 - 20 have resectable disease!

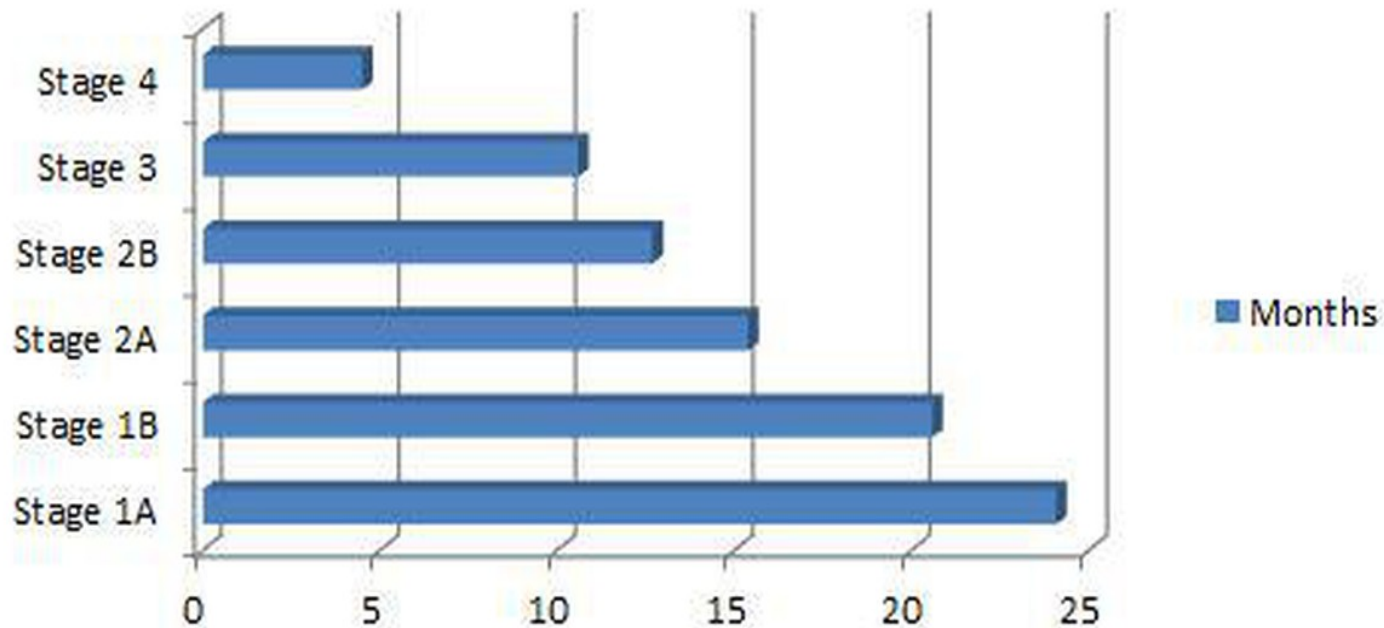
%30 – 40%;locally advanced un-resectable
,8-12 m median survival.

%40 ;metastatic disease .

5 y survival: <5%

Prognosis

Median Pancreatic Cancer Survival by Stage at Diagnosis



Prognosis of PC In Iran

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Median survival time was 6.5 months, and 1-, and 5-year survival rates were 26.2%, and 1.5%.

Patients who were older ($p < 0.001$), illiterate ($p = 0.004$), unmarried ($p = 0.003$), rural inhabitant ($p = 0.013$), and opium user ($p = 0.039$), had lower overall survival.

Only 10.4% of patients underwent surgery

