



Identifying and Addressing Disparities in Precision Medicine and Germline Genetic Testing in Prostate Cancer

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My Medical Choice

By ANGELINA JOLIE MAY 14, 2013

Angelina Jolie Pitt: Diary of a Surgery

By ANGELINA JOLIE PITT MARCH 24, 2015

New York Times

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OPINION

Beyoncé's Dad Has a Mutation More African-Americans Should Be Tested For

An inherited gene that can be discovered early caused Matthew Knowles's breast cancer.

Oct. 16, 2019



Matthew Knowles Johnny Nunez/WireImage

Outline

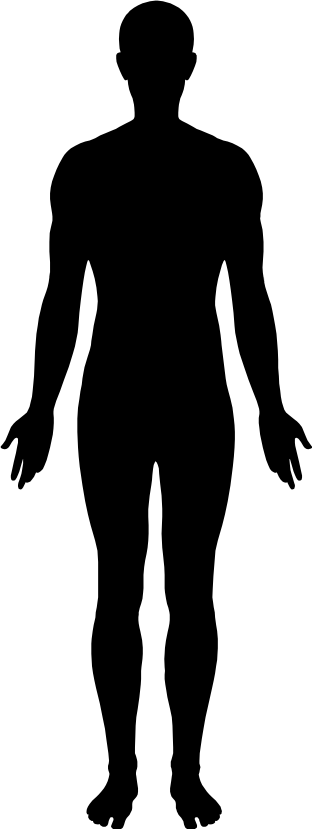
1. **Background** *what is prostate cancer genetics and why does it matter*
2. **Clinical Actionability** *why is it even more important now*
3. **Genetics Care Delivery** *what has been tried (clinical and research)*
4. **Conclusions and Future Directions** *what do we need to do better*

Prostate Cancer Statistics in 2023

- Most common cancer diagnosis and second-leading cause of cancer death in US men¹
 - **288,300 new cases** and **34,700 deaths**
- More diagnoses of distant-stage PC²
 - Doubled from 4% in 2003 to 8% in 2017
- More life-prolonging therapies³
- More men living with metastatic PC^{4,5}
 - By 2030, ~192,500 will be living with metastatic PC

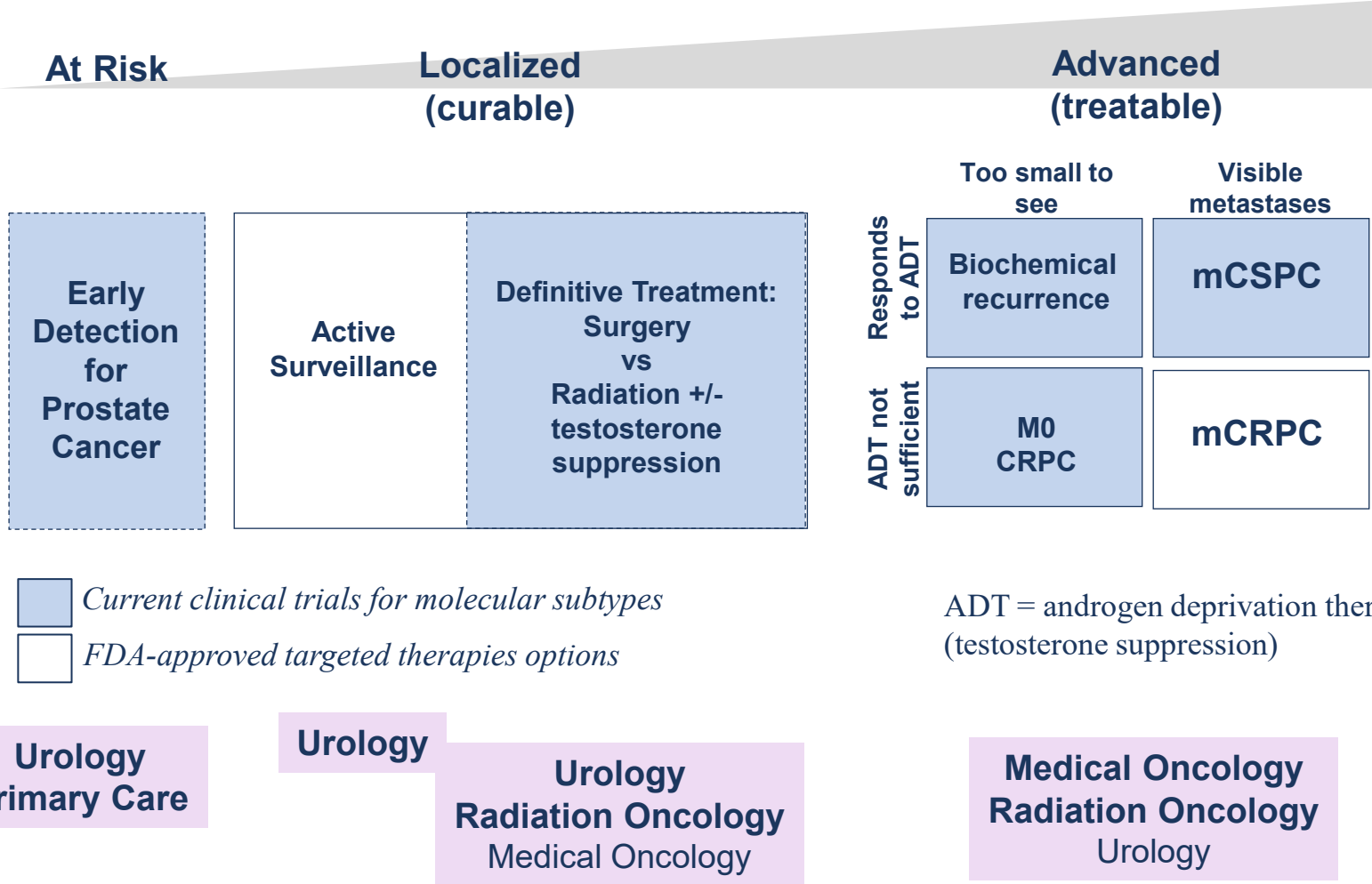
New Cancer Cases in US Men, 2023¹

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|-------------------------|----------------|------------|
| Prostate | 288,300 | 29% |
| Lung and bronchus | 117,550 | 12% |
| Colon and rectum | 81,860 | 8% |
| Urinary bladder | 62,420 | 6% |
| Melanoma of the skin | 58,120 | 6% |
| Kidney and renal pelvis | 52,360 | 5% |
| Non-Hodgkin lymphoma | 44,880 | 4% |
| Oral cavity and pharynx | 39,290 | 4% |
| Leukemia | 35,670 | 4% |
| Pancreas | 33,130 | 3% |
| All sites | 1,010,310 | 100% |



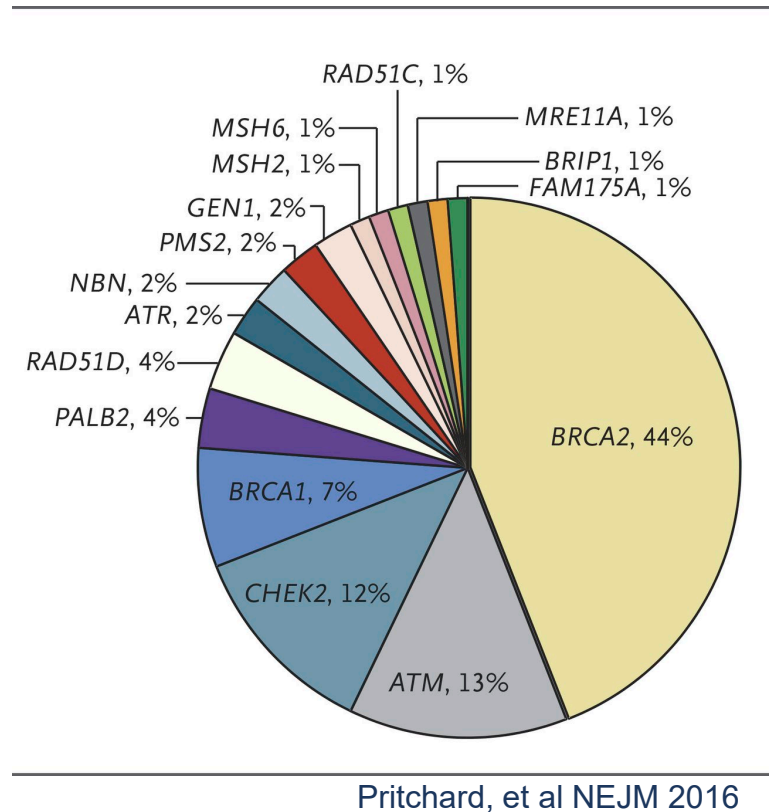
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Prostate Cancer Disease States

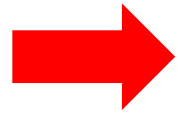


Background

- ~10% of men with metastatic prostate cancer carry inherited mutations in DNA repair genes (inherited cancer risk genes).
- Important because...:
 - Precision therapy (PARP inhibitors, immune checkpoint inhibitors)
 - Prognosis: cancers behave more aggressively
 - Family members may share same cancer risk
 - Cancer screening and prevention implications
- **NCCN guidelines: genetic testing should be considered (2017) then recommended (2019) in patients with metastatic prostate cancer (first consider then recommend)**



Hereditary (Germline) genetics vs Tumor genetics



INHERITED DNA (Hereditary, Germline DNA)

parent



child



- “*Master Blueprints*” Inherit half of our DNA from each parent
- Changes are in *ALL* healthy cells of the body
- Some changes in genes (variants/mutations) are linked with higher risks of cancer
- Typically *blood or saliva*
- *Healthy cell DNA doesn't change over time*

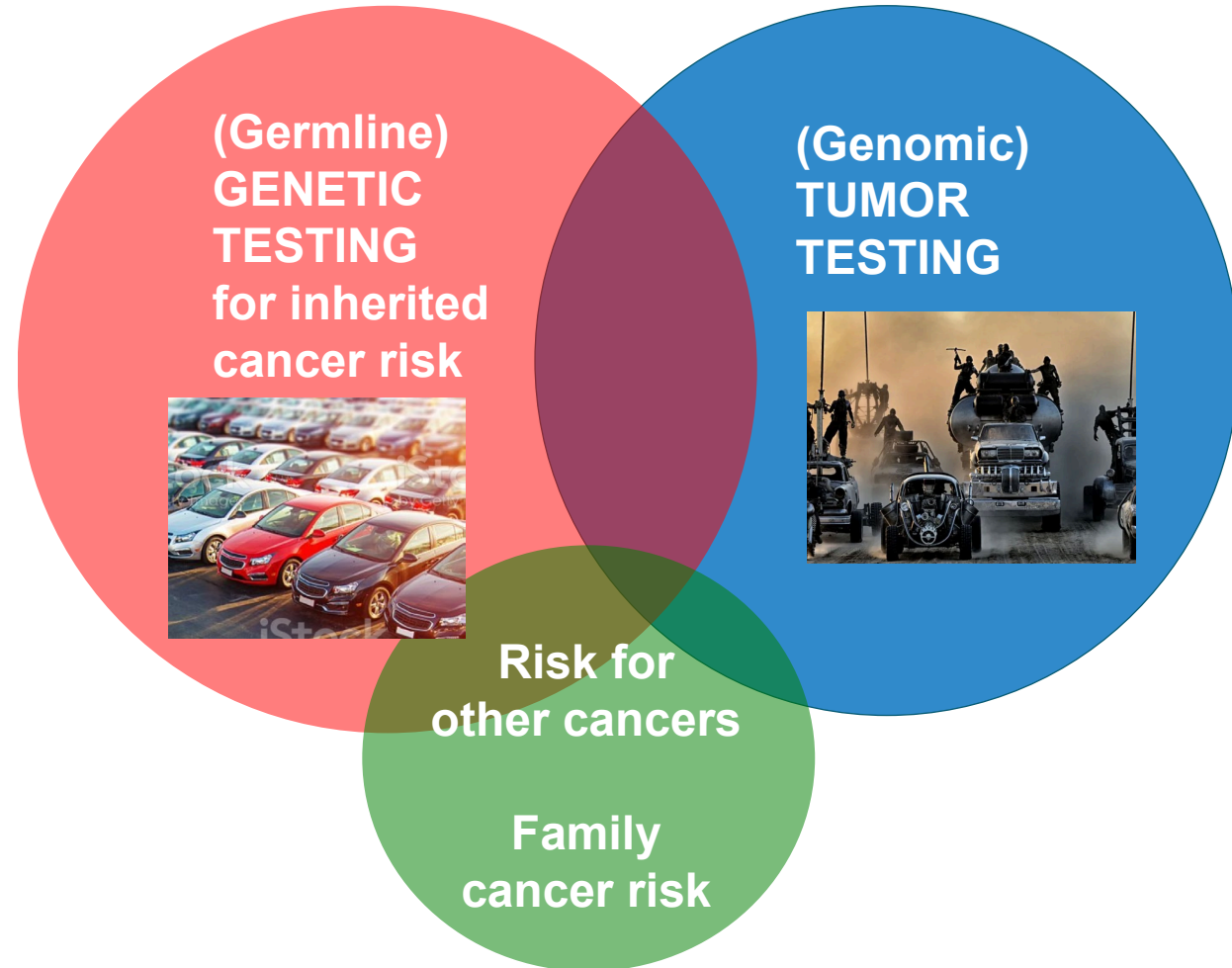
CANCER-SPECIFIC DNA (Tumor, Genomic, Somatic DNA)



- “*Working Manual*” Starts from Master Blueprints, then acquires mistakes over time
- Changes are *NOT* passed on to children
- Must test *cancer cells/tissue*
- Test methods are evolving
- Cancer may evolve

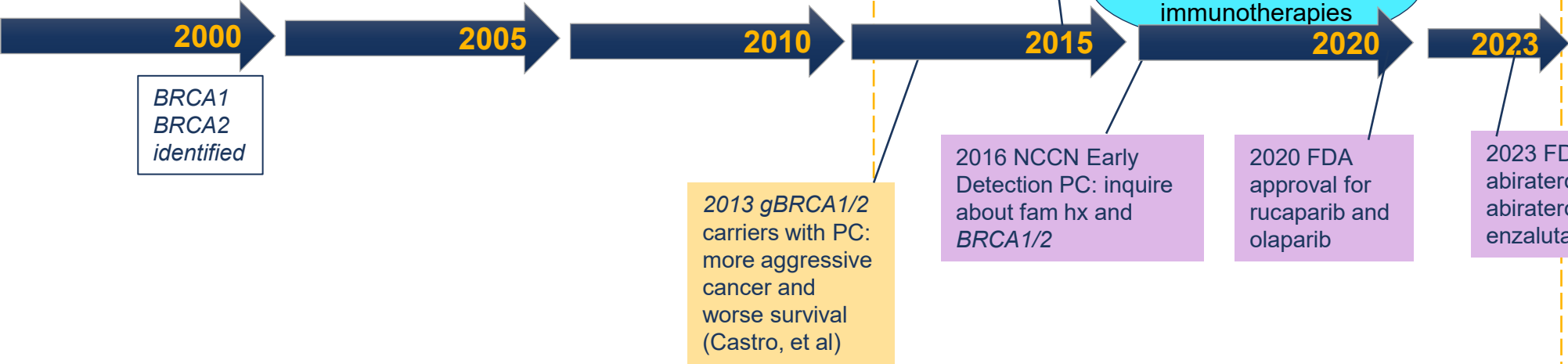
WHY Test for Inherited Cancer Risk:

1. **IT MAY HELP YOU**—understand the risk of prostate and other cancers and find earlier
2. **IT MAY HELP YOUR FAMILY**—understand their cancer risks, and have potentially life-saving options
3. **IT MAY HELP YOU**—have additional targeted treatment options for your prostate cancer

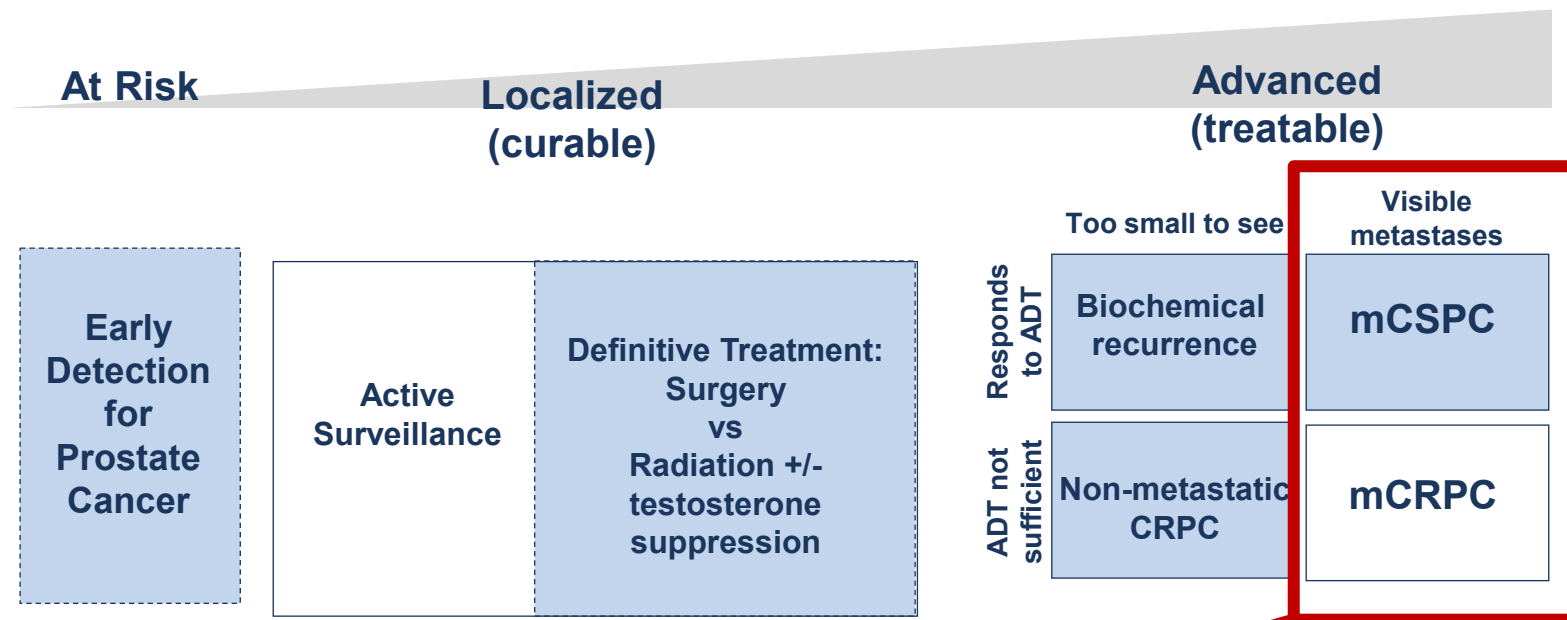


Rapid changes in past few years

- 1. Mutations in *BRCA1/2* thought to be rare and more for family
- 2. No substantive changes to prostate cancer management until 2020

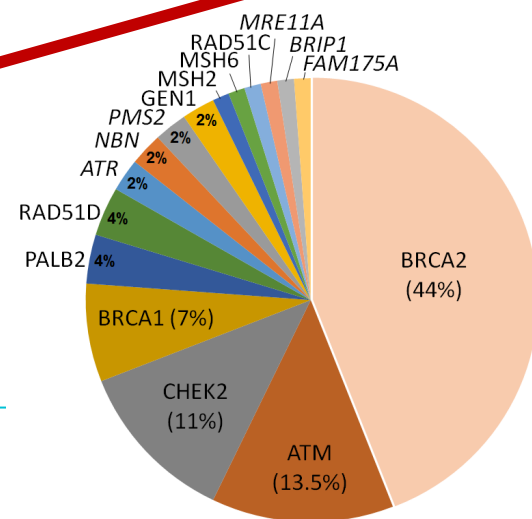


10% of men with metastatic prostate cancer carries an inherited mutation in a DNA repair gene

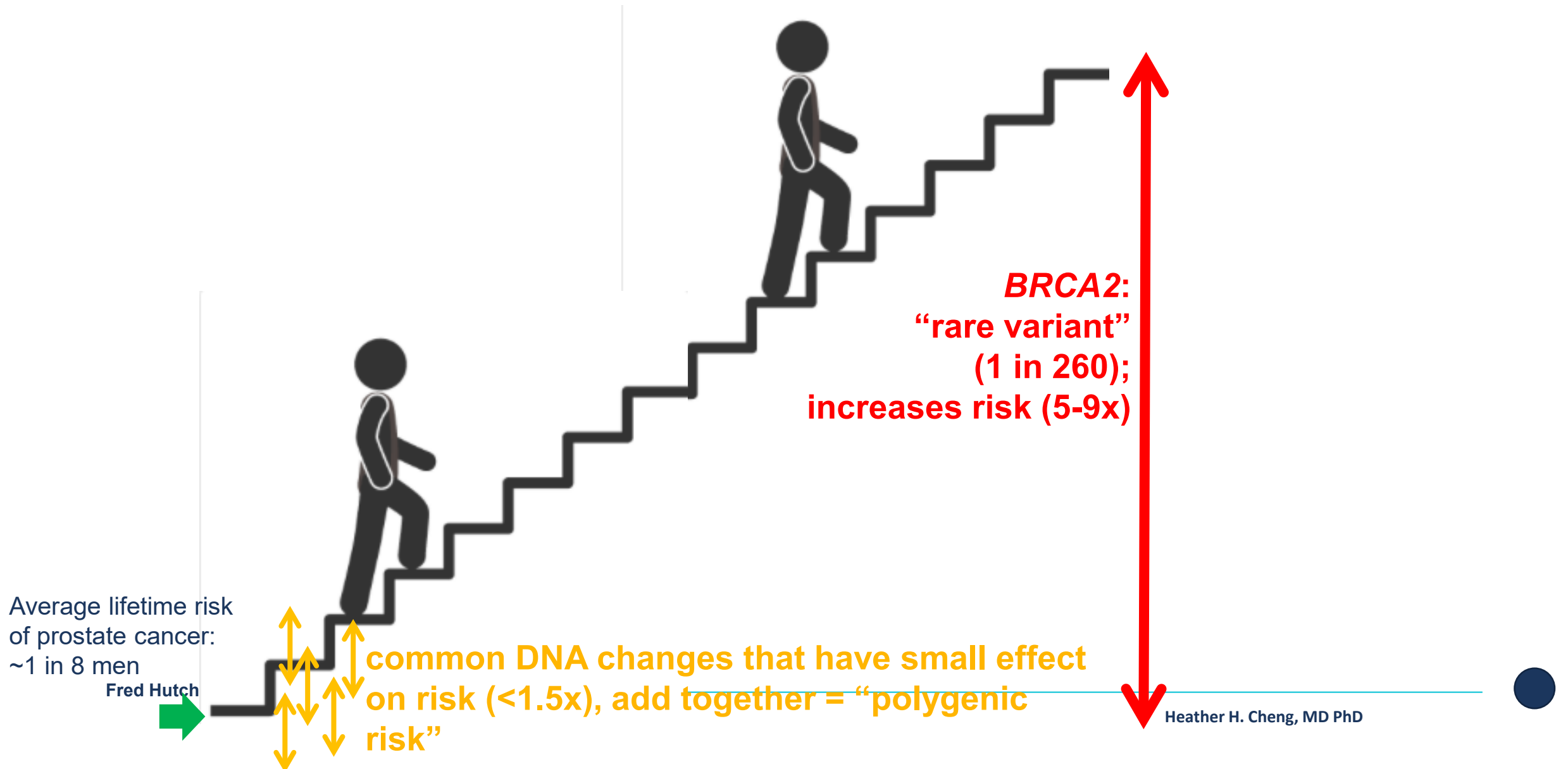


- **11.8% (82/692)** with inherited mutations in DNA repair genes
- Many without family history
- Known/suspected autosomal cancer predisposition

Pritchard, et al. 2016 NEJM



Genetic effects on cancer risk: small vs large effect gene variants



Who should be offered genetic testing for inherited cancer risk?



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NCCN Guidelines Version 1.2023
Prostate Cancer

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Recommend in patients with:

- Metastatic, lymph node positive, Gleason 8-10, PSA>20)
- Family history of known cancer risk gene (*BRCA2*, *BRCA1*, Lynch Syndrome)
- Family history of cancer, esp. breast, pancreatic, ovarian
- Ashkenazi Jewish ancestry
- A diagnosis of male breast cancer

PRINCIPLES OF GENETICS AND MOLECULAR/BIOMARKER ANALYSIS

Germline testing is recommended *in patients with a personal history of prostate cancer* in the following scenarios:

- By prostate cancer stage or risk group (diagnosed at any age)
 - ▶ Metastatic, regional (node positive), very-high-risk localized, or high-risk localized prostate cancer
- By family history^a and/or ancestry
 - ▶ ≥1 first-, second-, or third-degree relative with:
 - ◊ breast cancer at age ≤50 y
 - ◊ colorectal or endometrial cancer at age ≤50 y
 - ◊ male (sex assigned at birth) breast cancer at any age
 - ◊ ovarian cancer at any age
 - ◊ exocrine pancreatic cancer at any age
 - ◊ metastatic, regional, very-high-risk, or high-risk prostate cancer at any age
 - ▶ ≥1 first-degree relative (parent or sibling) with:
 - ◊ prostate cancer^b at age ≤60 y
 - ▶ ≥2 first-, second-, or third-degree relatives with:
 - ◊ breast cancer at any age
 - ◊ prostate cancer^b at any age
 - ▶ ≥3 first- or second-degree relatives with:
 - ◊ Lynch syndrome-related cancers, especially if diagnosed <50 y: colorectal, endometrial, gastric, ovarian, exocrine pancreas, upper tract urothelial, glioblastoma, biliary tract, and small intestinal cancer
 - ▶ A known family history of familial cancer risk mutation (pathogenic/likely pathogenic variants), especially in: *BRCA1*, *BRCA2*, *ATM*, *PALB2*, *CHEK2*, *MLH1*, *MSH2*, *MSH6*, *PMS2*, and *EPCAM*
 - ▶ Ashkenazi Jewish ancestry
- Personal history of breast cancer

Germline testing may be considered *in patients with a personal history of prostate cancer* in the following scenarios:

- By prostate cancer tumor characteristics (diagnosed at any age)
 - ◊ intermediate-risk prostate cancer with intraductal/criform histology^c
- By prostate cancer^b AND a prior personal history of any of the following cancers:
 - ◊ exocrine pancreatic, colorectal, gastric, melanoma, upper tract urothelial, glioblastoma, biliary tract, and small intestinal

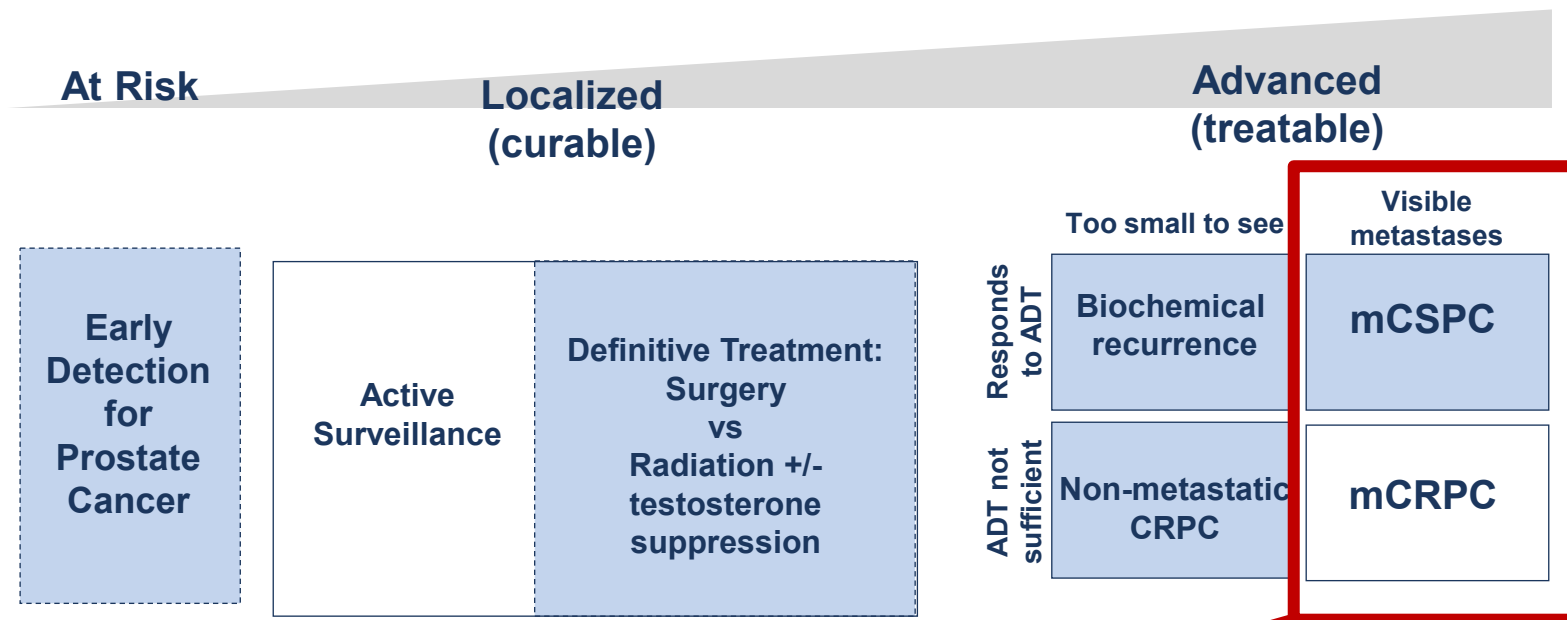
^a Close blood relatives include first-, second-, and third-degree relatives on the same side of the family. See Pedigree: First-, Second-, and Third-Degree Relatives of Proband (EVAL-B) in the [NCCN Guidelines for Genetic/Familial High-Risk Assessment: Breast, Ovarian, and Pancreatic](#).

^b Family history of prostate cancer should not include relatives with clinically localized Grade Group 1 disease.

^c Acinar prostate adenocarcinoma with invasive cribriform pattern, intraductal carcinoma of prostate, or ductal adenocarcinoma component have increased genomic instability, and germline testing may be considered.

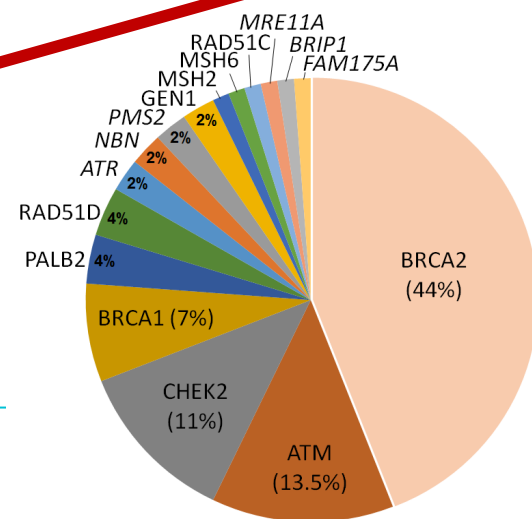
Clinical Actionability: Precision Treatment

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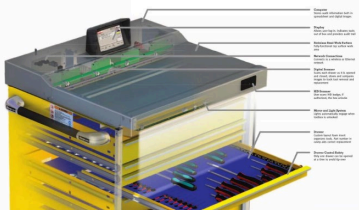
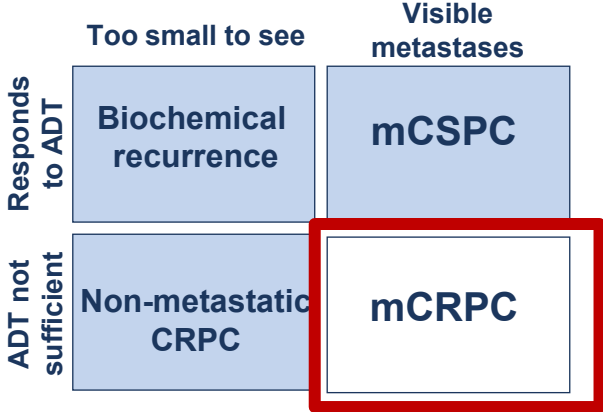
Treatment Toolbox for Advanced Prostate Cancer

At Risk

Advanced
(treatable)



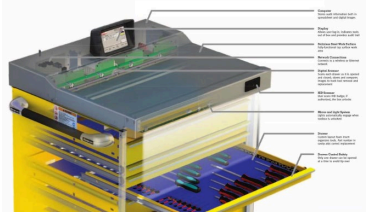
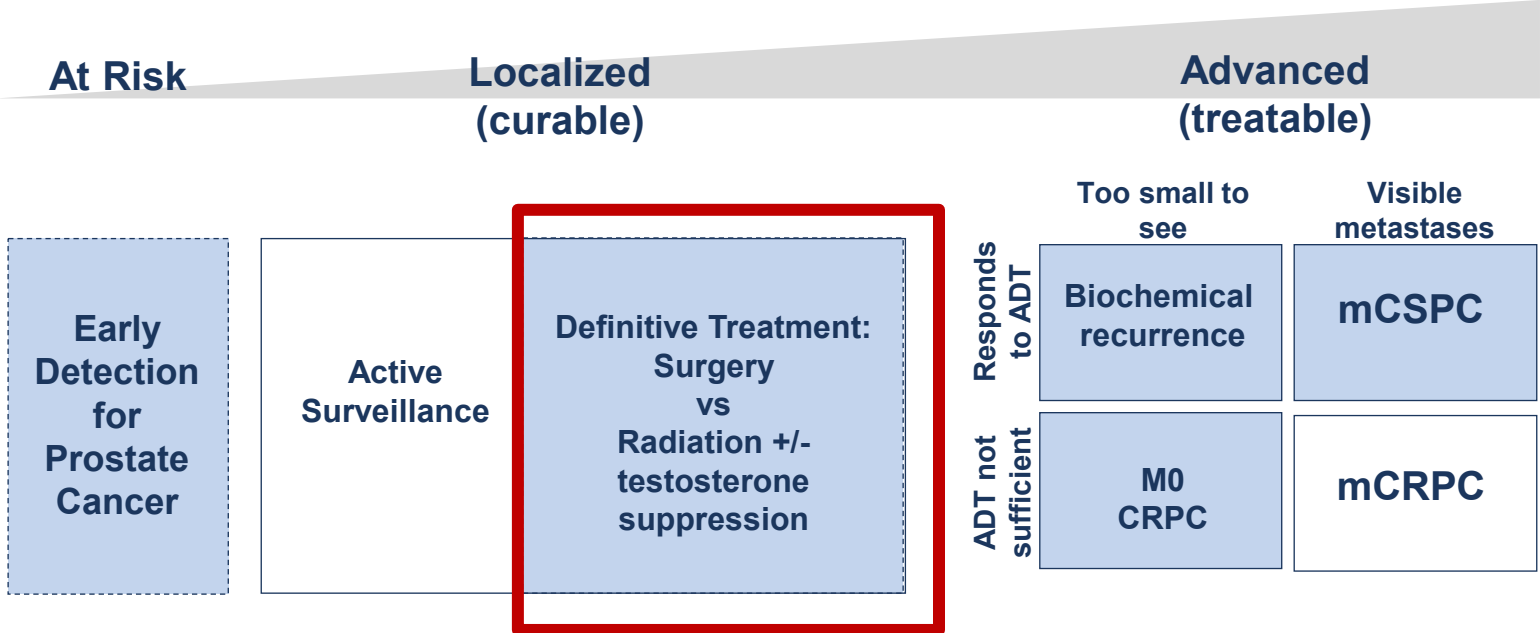
1. Androgen deprivation therapy (ADT)
2. Abiraterone (Zytiga)
3. Docetaxel (Taxotere)
4. Apalutamide (Erleada)
5. Darolutamide (Nubeqa)
6. Sipuleucel-T (Provenge)
7. Enzalutamide (Xtandi)
8. Cabazitaxel (Jevtana)
9. Radium-223 (Xofigo)
10. Vipivotide tetraxetan (Pluvicto)



- a. Pembrolizumab
- b. Rucaparib
- c. Olaparib
- d. Abiraterone/olaparib
- e. Abiraterone/niraparib
- f. Enzalutamide/talazoparib
- g. Carboplatin



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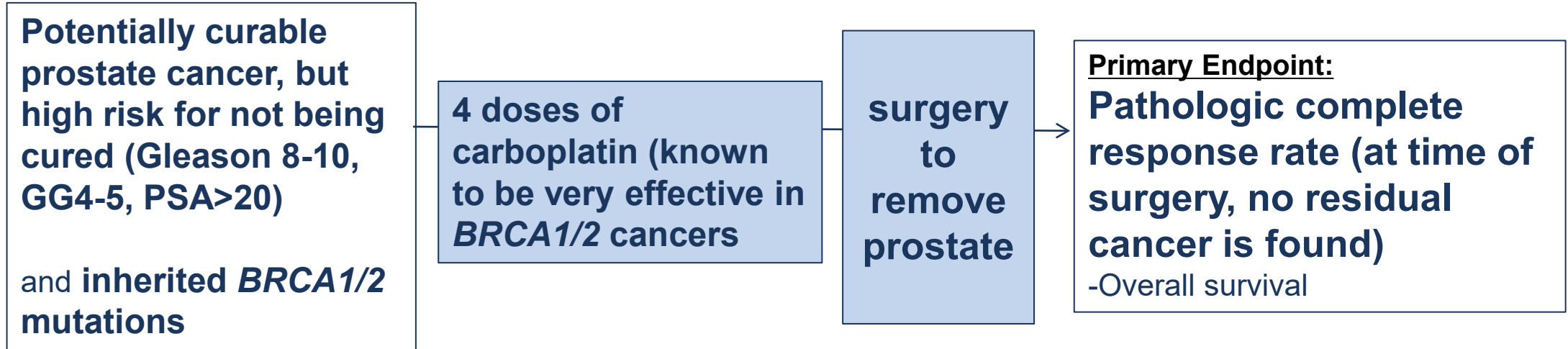


Could we use targeted treatments prior to surgery to improve chance of cure?



SWOG S2210: A PHASE II STUDY OF CARBOPLATIN BEFORE SURGERY FOR HIGH RISK LOCALIZED PROSTATE CANCER IN PEOPLE WITH INHERITED *BRCA1/2* MUTATIONS

Activated August 14, 2023!



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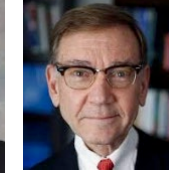
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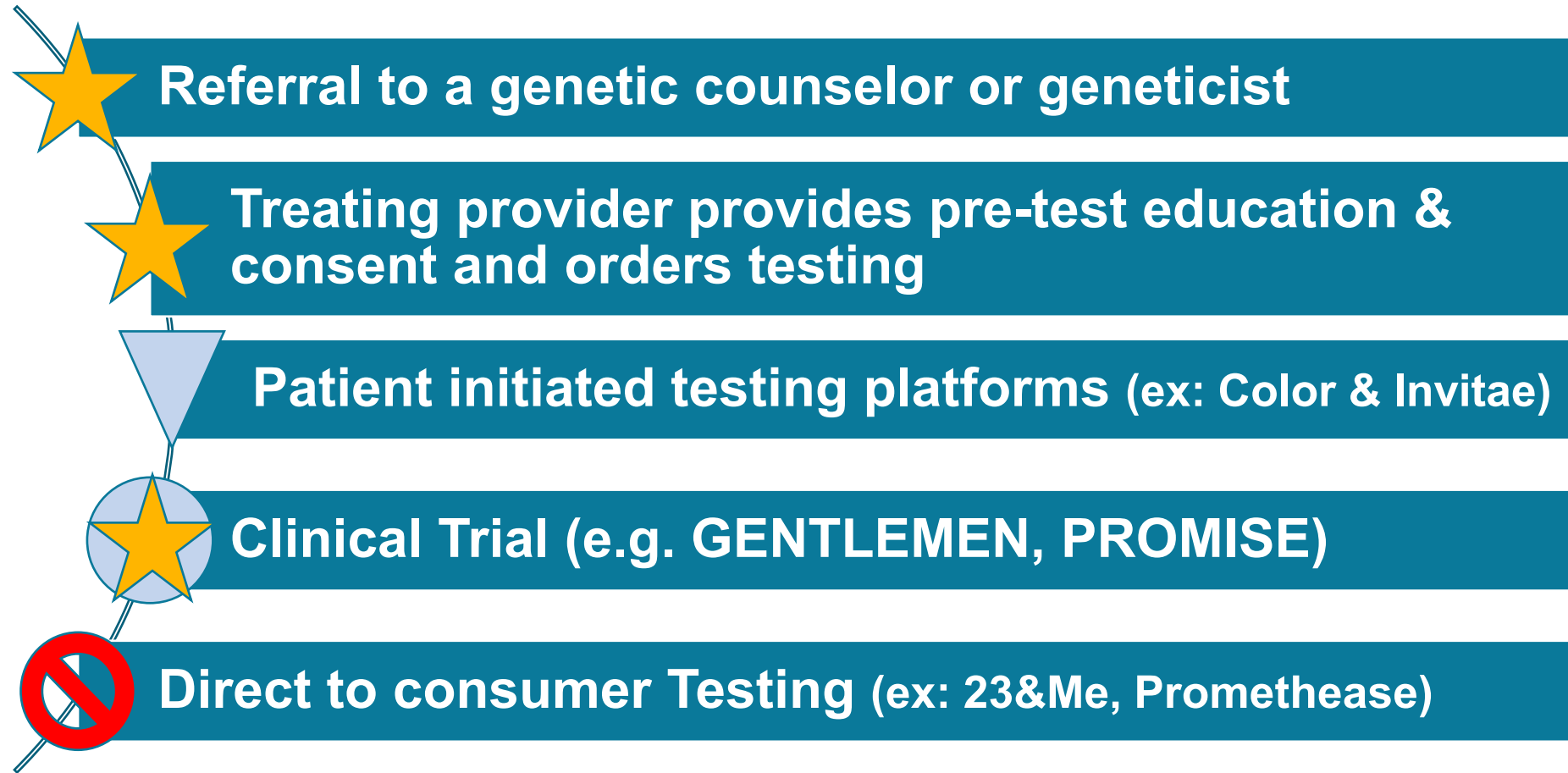
Medical News & Perspectives

It Takes an Average of 17 Years for Evidence to Change Practice—the Burgeoning Field of Implementation Science Seeks to Speed Things Up

Rita Rubin, MA



How Can Patients Get Hereditary (Germline) Genetic Testing?



Prostate Cancer Genetics Clinic (c.2016)

1. Medical Oncology/Urology

- Review of genetics (inherited and tumor)
- Treatment, clinical trial and research
- Cascade genetic testing

2. Genetic Counselor

- Pre/post- test genetic counseling
- Navigating insurance coverage
- Guidance on cascade testing for family

3. Comprehensive Cancer Genetics Care

- For carriers: tailored cancer screening—
- Prostate, breast, ovary, pancreas, etc.



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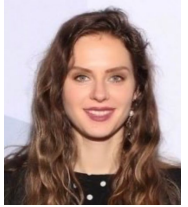
**GENetic Testing for MEN
with metastatic prostate cancer**
www.gentlemenstudy.org
Started 2016

OBJECTIVE: Remove barriers to genetic testing that may provide critical information for men with metastatic prostate cancer living in Washington State (later U.S.) and their families

- 1. Recruitment from clinic, support groups, newsletters, social media outreach**
- 2. Self-enrolled, Web-based informed consent**
3. Web-based patient survey: family history, knowledge, behavior, distress
4. Upload supporting data to verify metastatic PCa: PSA, pathology, scans
5. Patients are mailed **Color Genomics** saliva kit (costs covered by study)
6. Color Genomics pre-test video and post-test phone access to counselors
7. Patients receive result; invited to follow-up additional genetic counseling, cascade testing, opportunities for research/registry participation, etc.



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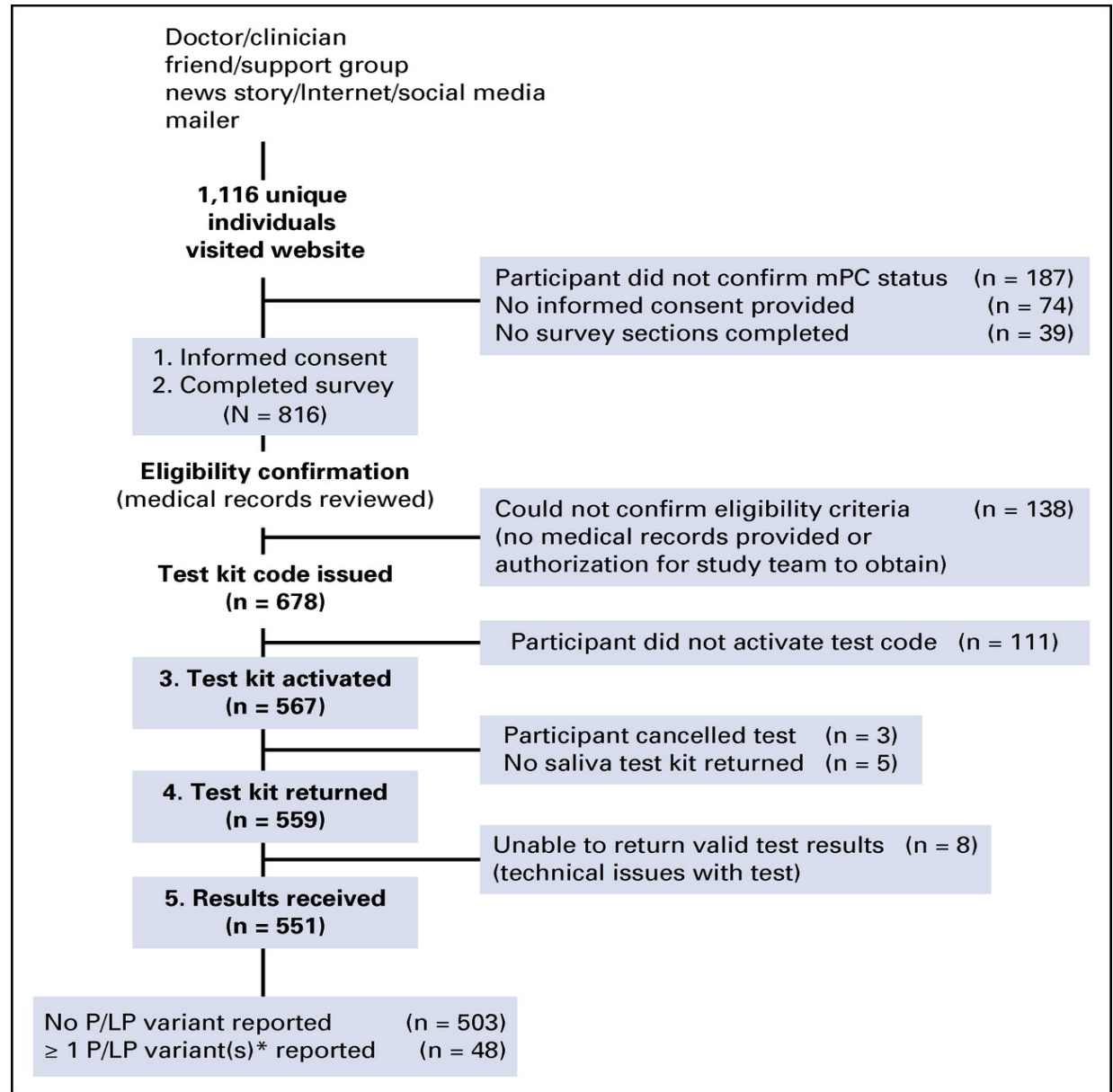
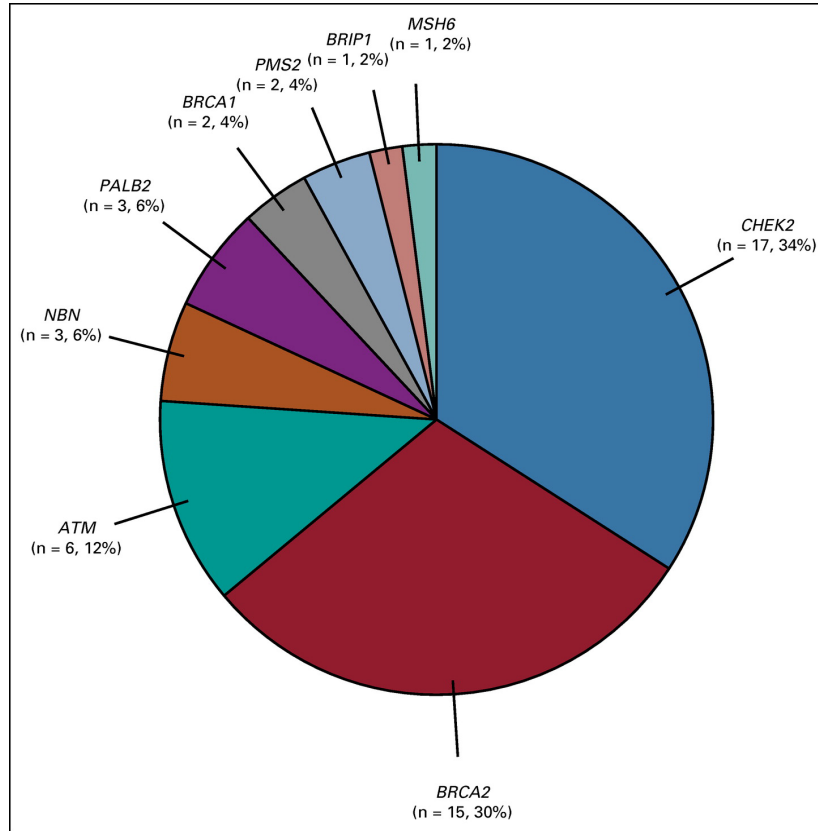
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GENTleMEN results



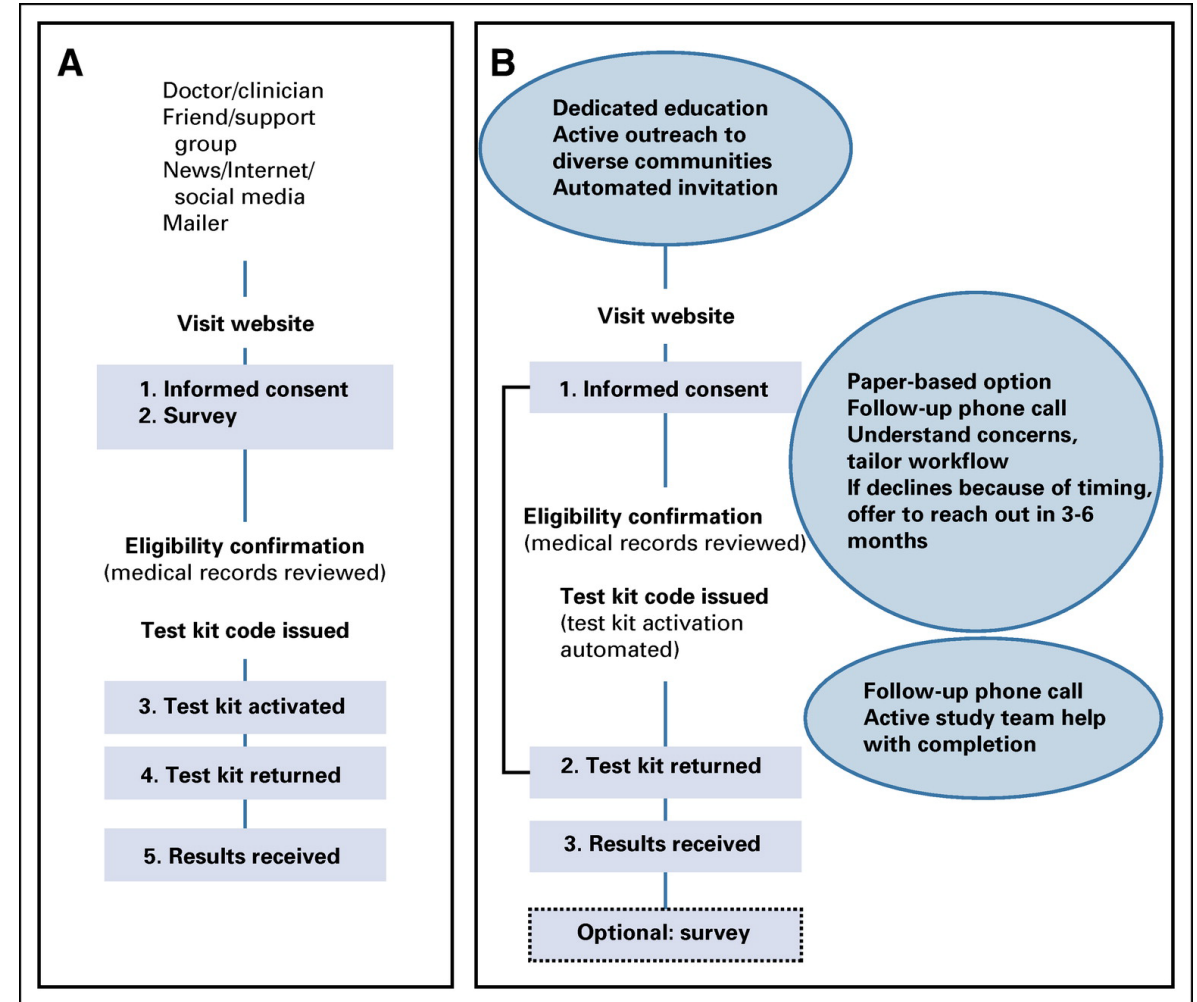


GENTleMEN...yes, we can...

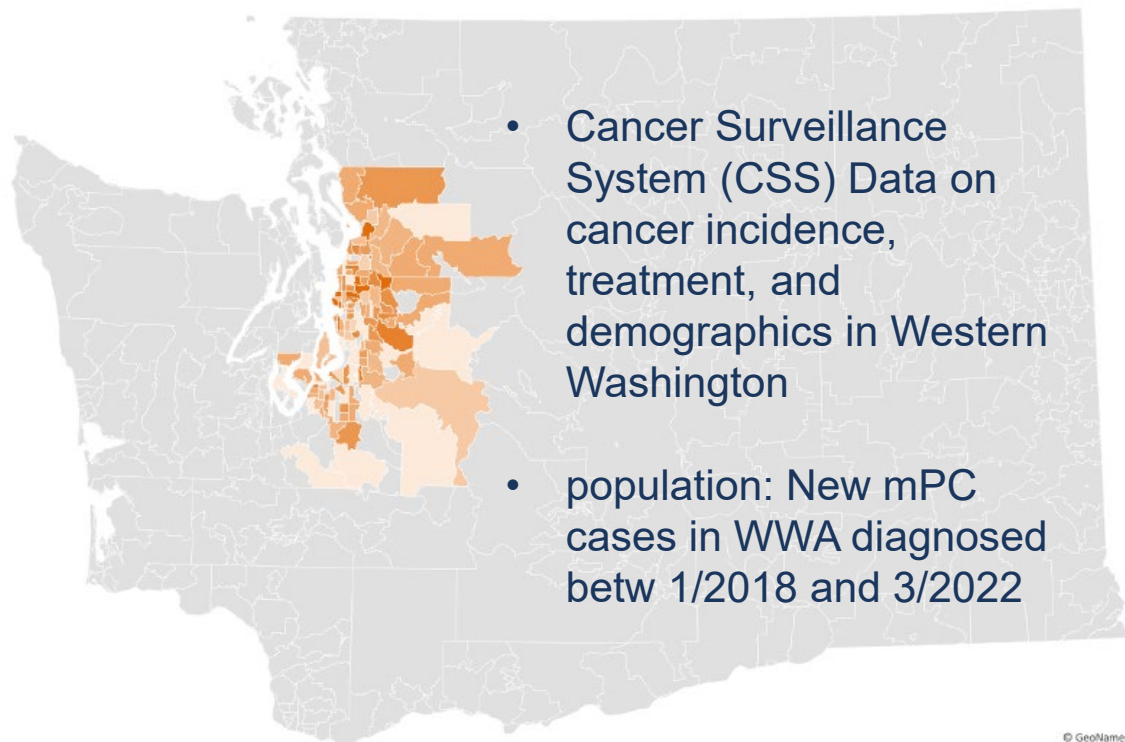
1. We can deliver genetic testing remotely
2. We can engage patients in research remotely
3. More on demographics in a moment
4. Drop off can be improved, e.g.....

WHAT CAN WE DO BETTER?

WHO ARE WE MISSING?



Using Cancer Registry to Learn Which Patients May be Missed: GIFTS



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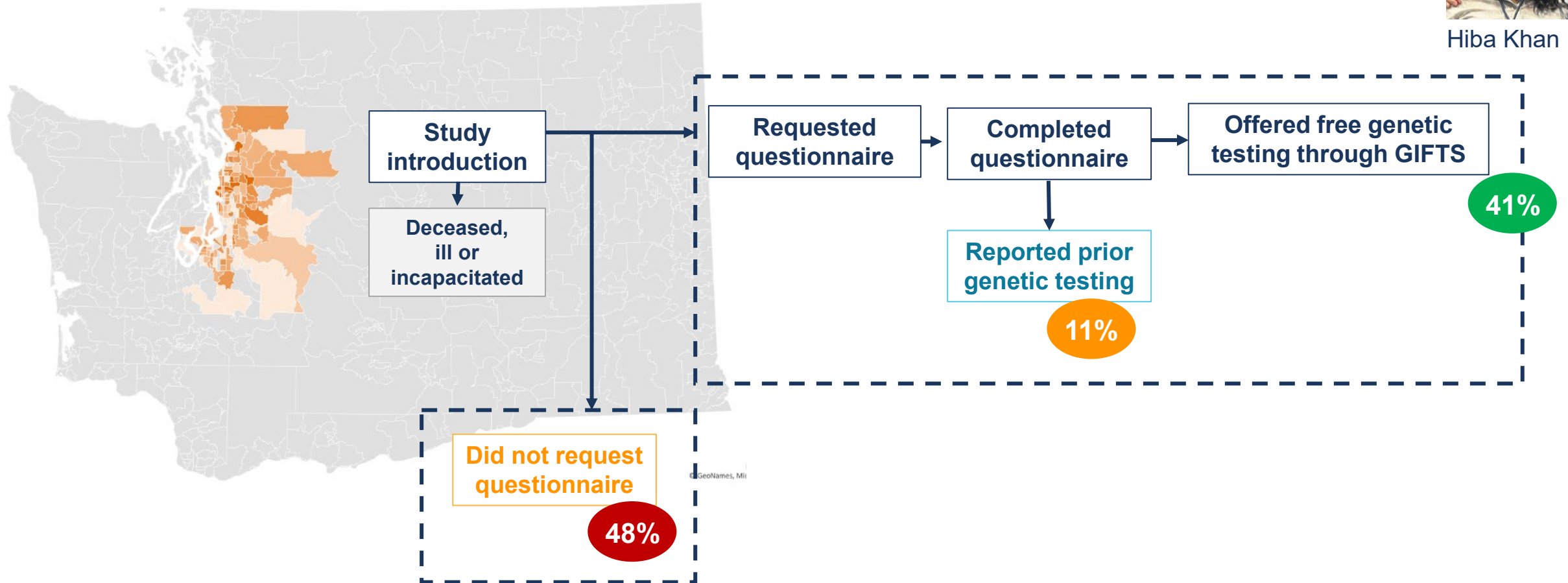
OBJECTIVES

1. Describe the patterns and gaps in testing amongst patients with mPC in the Western Washington community
2. Offer free testing for mPC patients in our community who have not yet undergone germline genetic testing (a la GENTLEMEN)
3. Understand uptake of testing when offered ***with phone assistance*** and with no cost

GIFTS Design



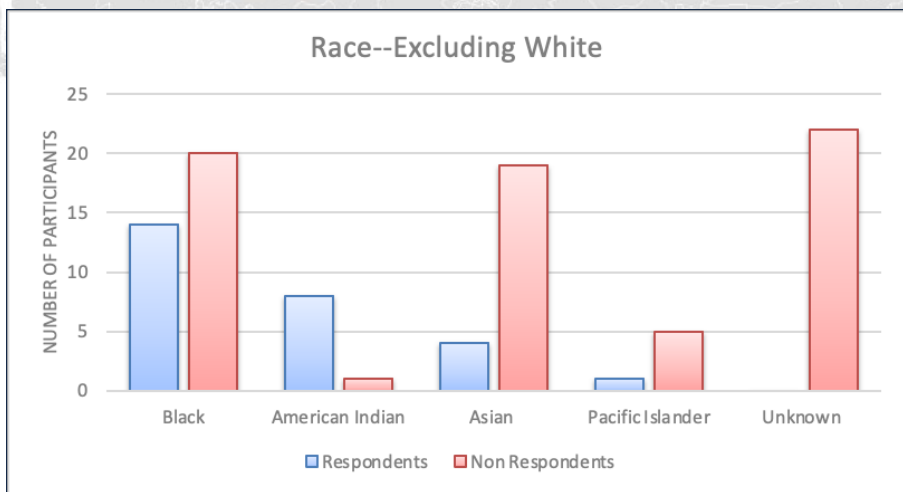
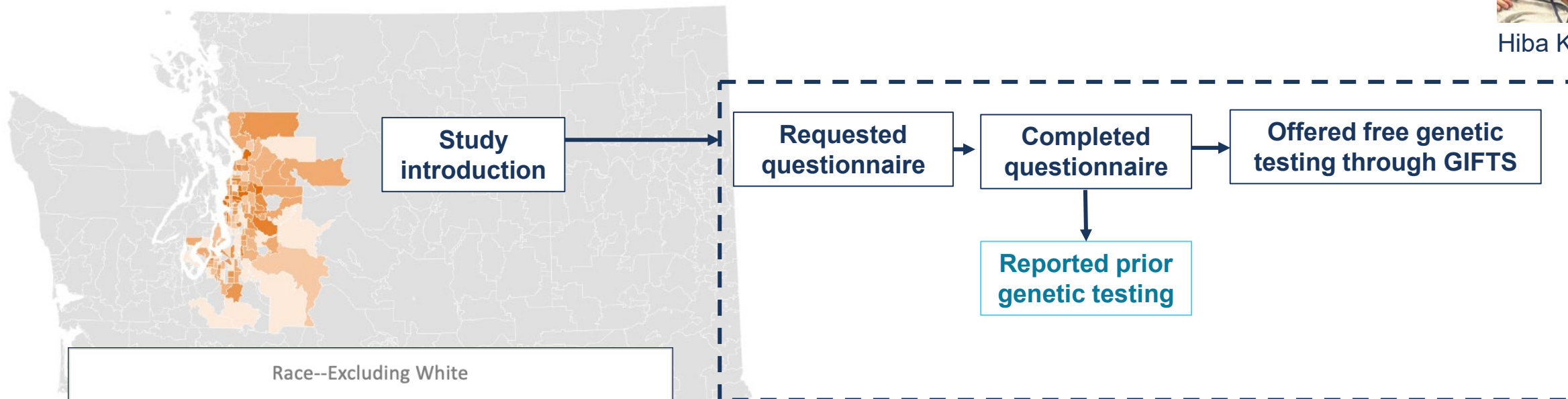
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GIFTS Results



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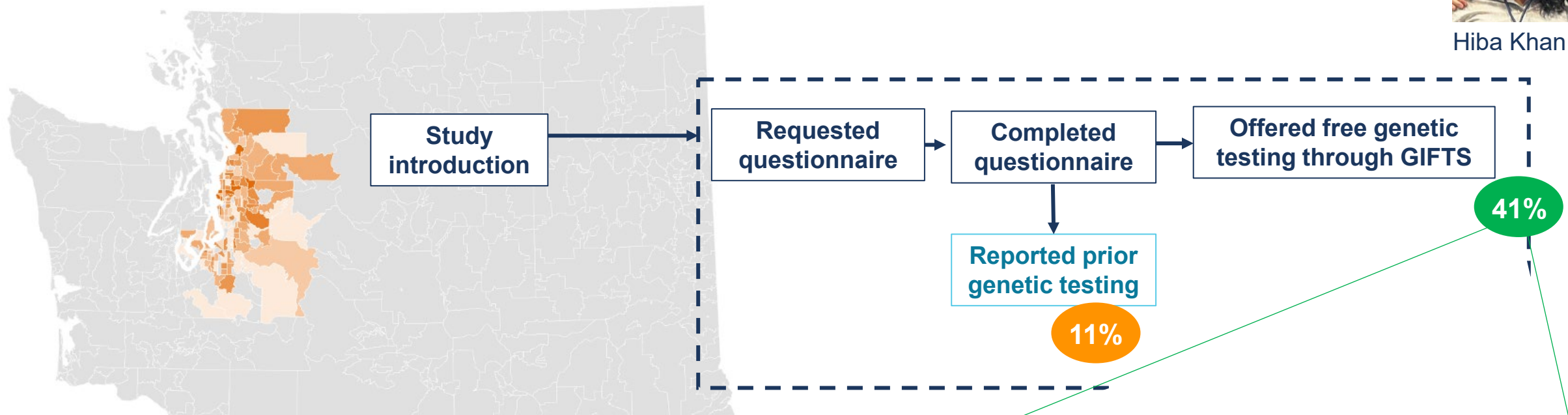
Demographics of Respondents compared to Non-Respondents:

- Majority of respondents were White
- Proportion esp. low among Black, Asian, Pacific Islanders
- Particularly high among American Indian men

GIFTS Results



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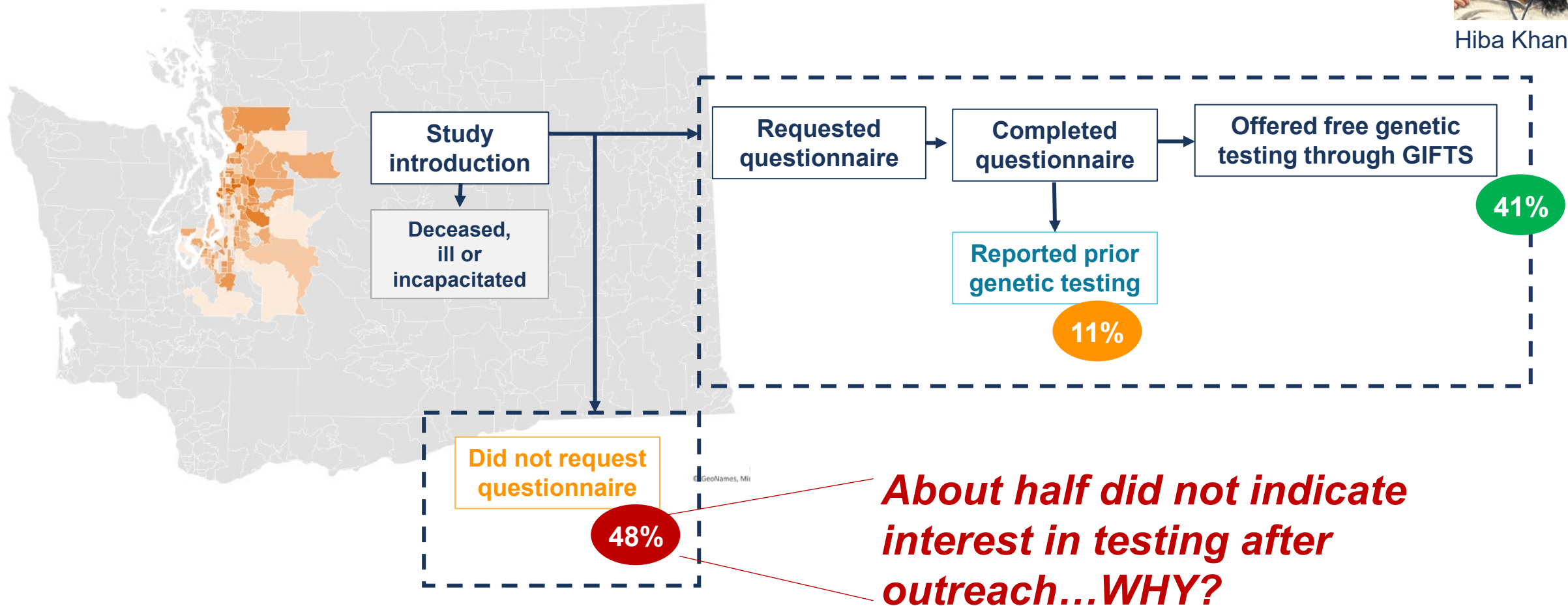


88% (168/192) of those who indicated interest in genetic testing received testing
Of all respondents who had any genetic testing, **7% (9/128)** of them had pathogenic variant identified, including in *ATM* (1), *BRCA2* (3), *BRIP1* (1), *CHEK2* (1), *PALB2* (1), and *PMS2* (2)

GIFTS Results



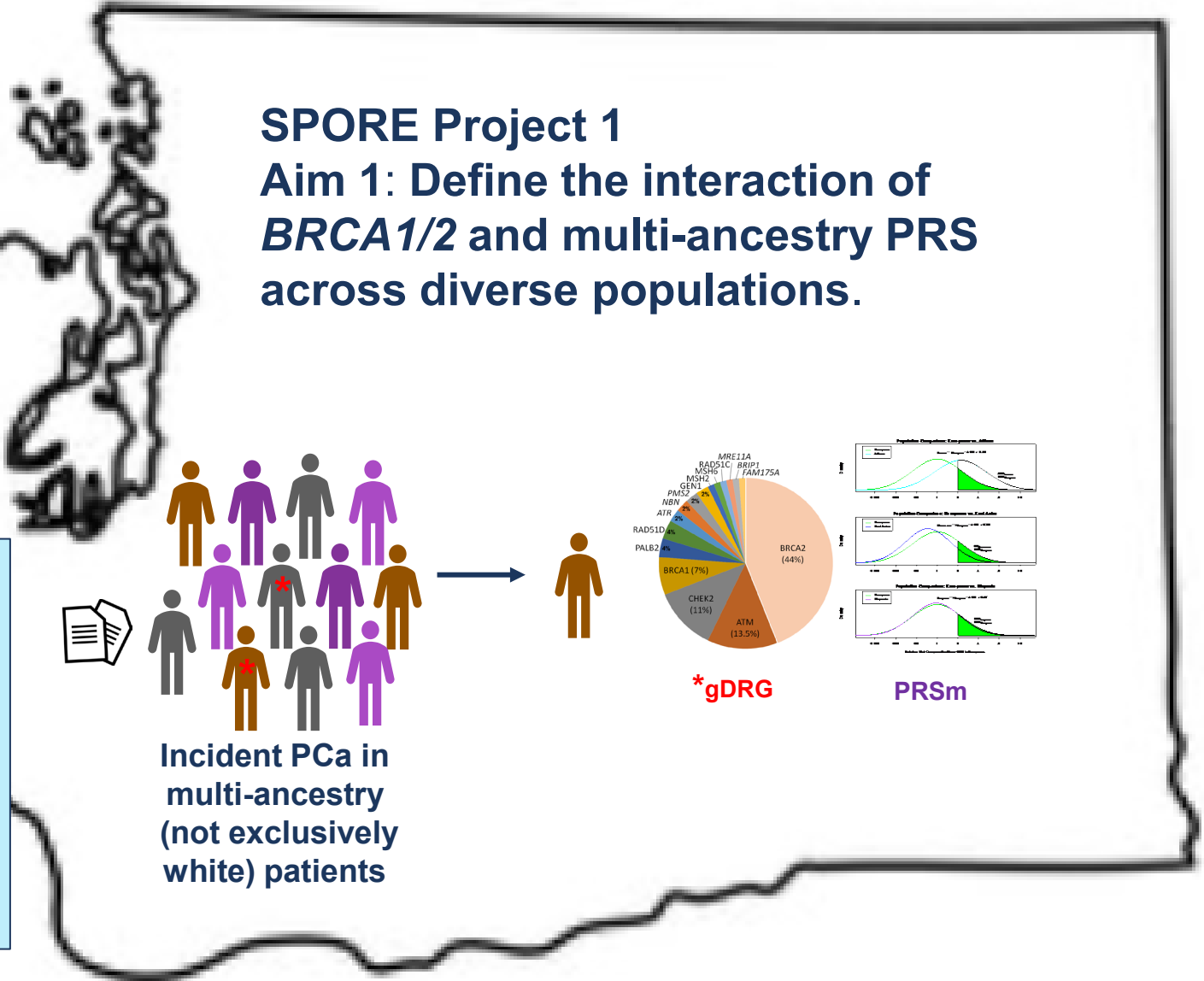
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SPORE Project 1

Aim 1: Define the interaction of *BRCA1/2* and multi-ancestry PRS across diverse populations.

Newly diagnosed prostate cancer cases identified in CSS and now WA State Cancer Registry



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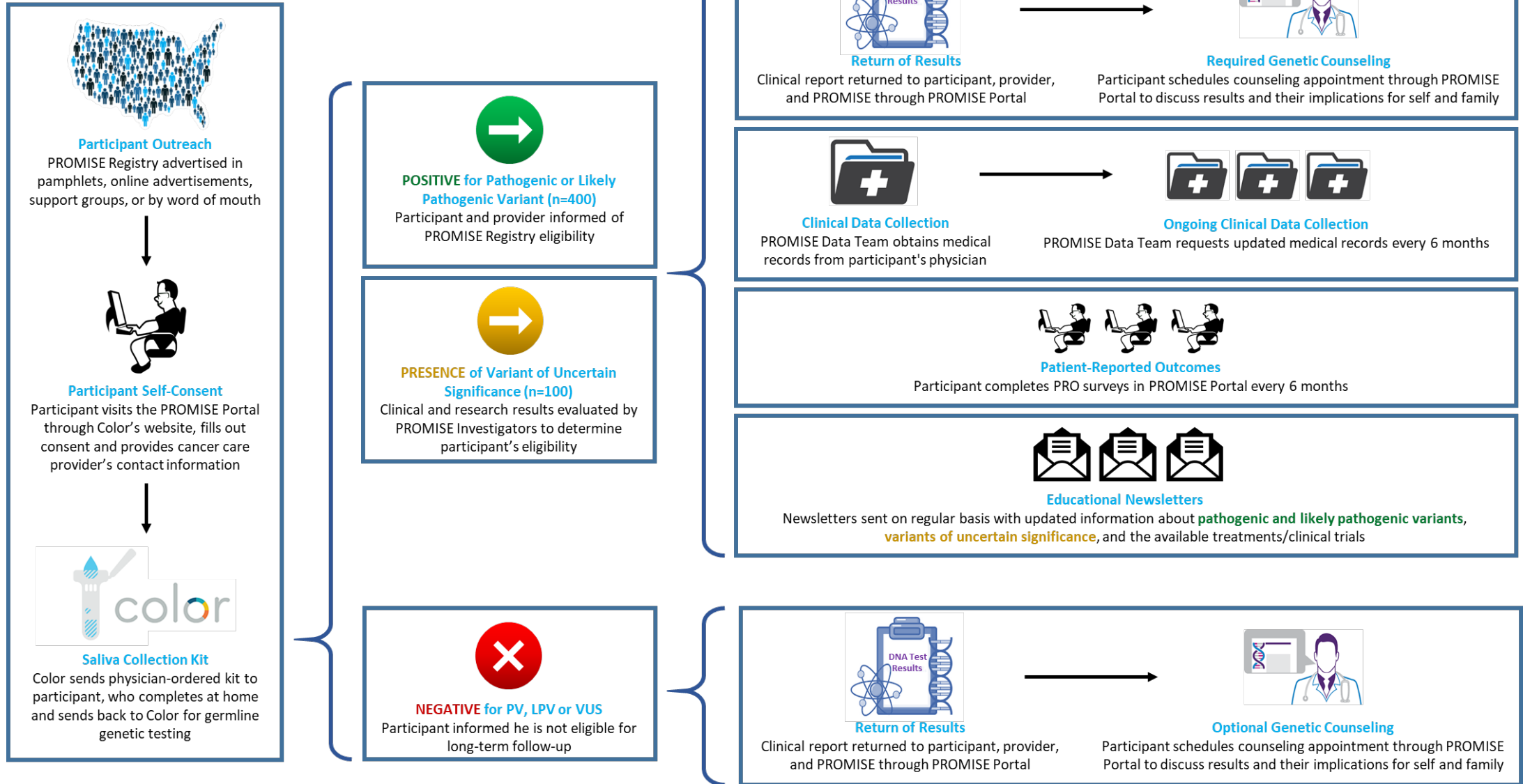
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Promise.

Prostate Cancer Registry of Outcomes and Germline Mutations for Improved Survival and Treatment Effectiveness



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**2,689
consented
participants**

(goal: 5,000)



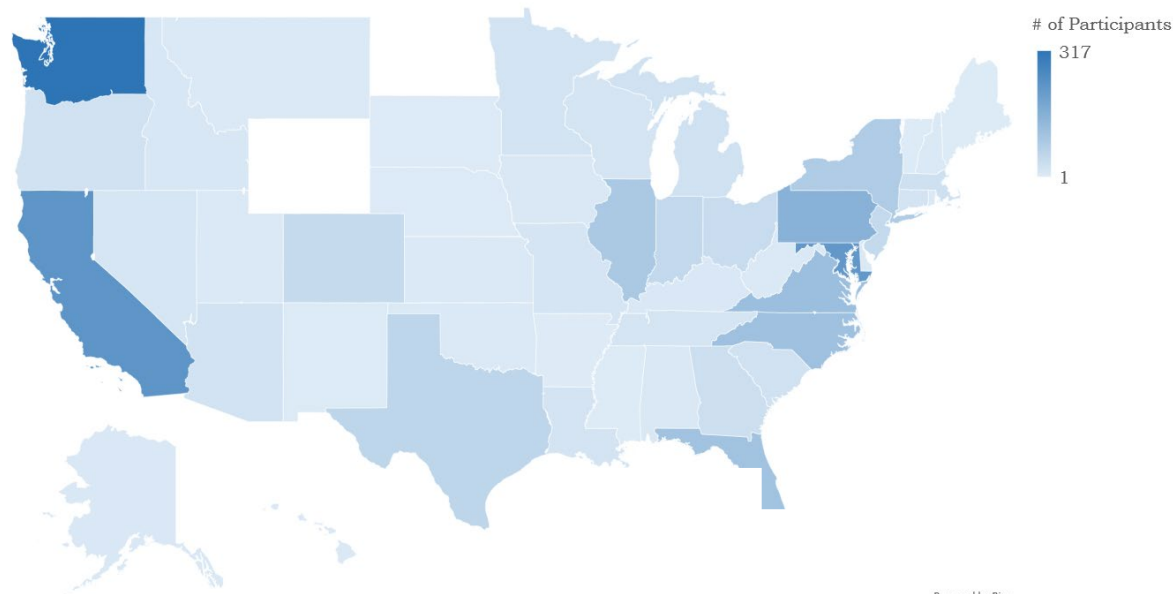
**1,932 genetic
testing results
returned**



**240 participants
eligible for long-
term follow-up**

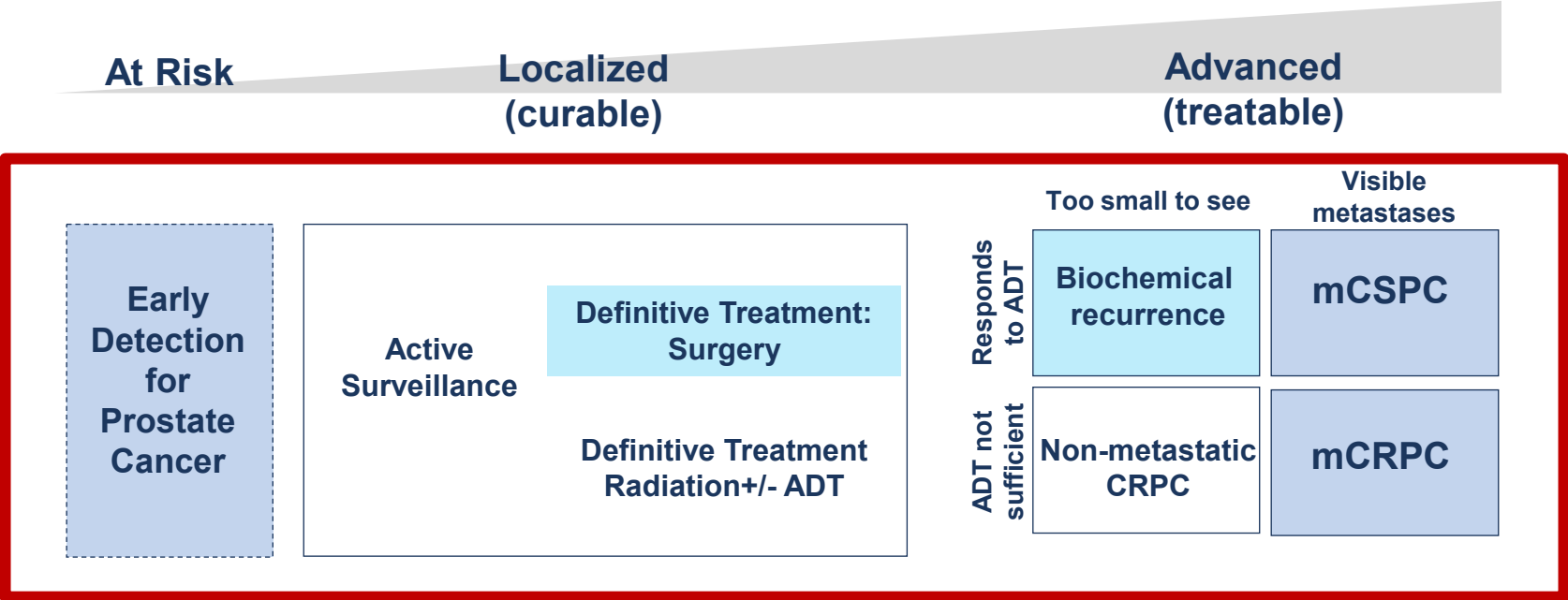
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Consented Participants by State



**Clinicaltrials.gov ID:
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Moving towards tailored options at every step....



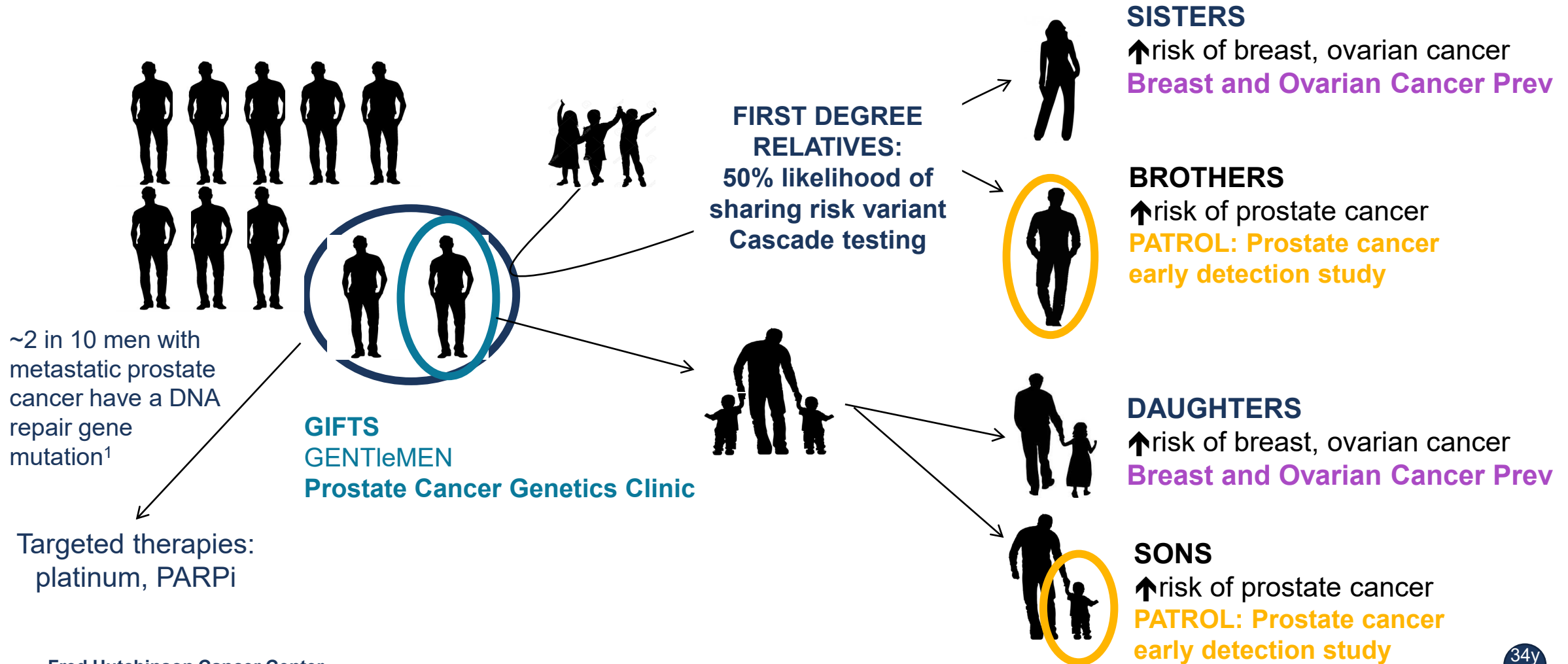
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Conclusions

1. Inherited (germline) genetic testing for cancer risk is recommended for high-risk localized, node positive and metastatic prostate cancer patients, regardless of family history of cancer.
2. This genetic testing is increasingly important for cancer treatment options, clinical trials and potentially life-saving for family members
3. Cancer Care Delivery:
 - We can deliver germline genetic testing via internet-based methods
 - We can use cancer registries (and health systems) to do better, but key disparities persist

Future Directions *(Welcome your ideas and partnership)*

1. Need better understanding of barriers and improve tailored education and workflow, esp. in diverse populations, health systems and communities
2. Engage health systems to provide systematic/automated invitations and multi-tiered support for prostate cancer screening and earlier intervention
3. Standardize coverage of genetic testing, and encourage cascade testing (How can we help relatives across healthcare plans?)
4. How can we better engage males and people at risk for prostate cancer to be proactive in health (genetics and PSA screening)

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