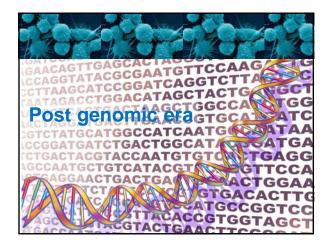
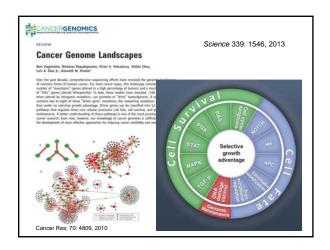
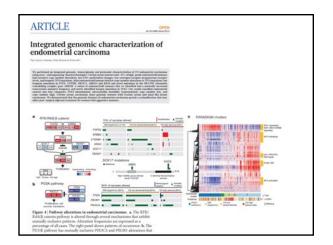
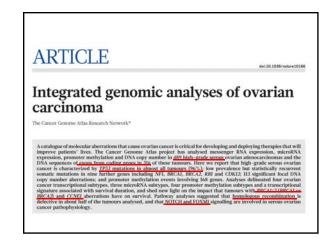


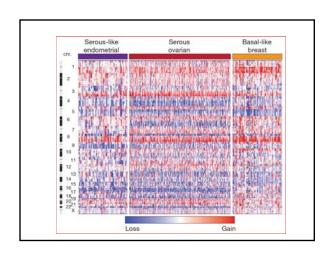
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	New cases	Deaths
Endometrial cancer	39,080	7,400
Ovarian cancer	22,430	15,280
Cervical cancer	11,150	3,670
Vulva cancer	3,490	880
Vaginal cancer and others	2,140	790

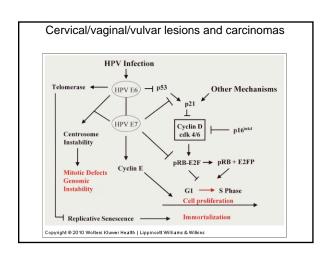




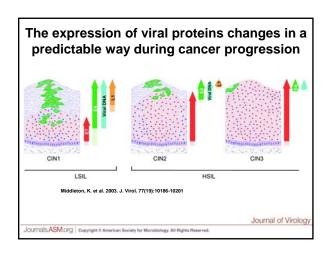


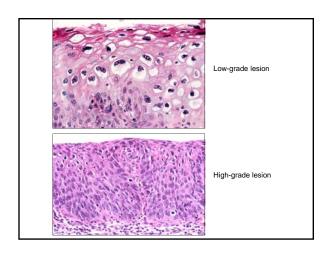




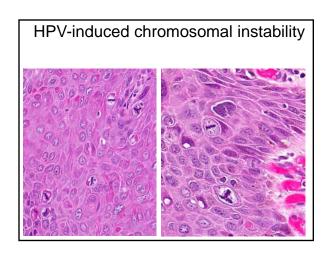


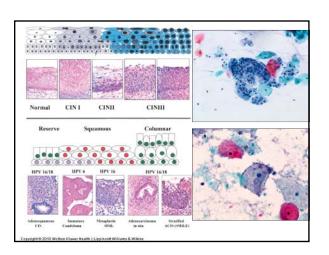












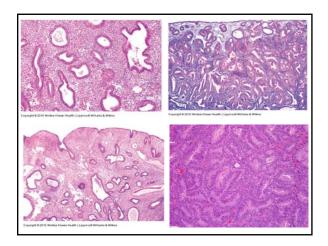
# Uterine carcinoma

# Uterine endometrioid carcinoma (type I)

Age: younger (35-65 y/o) Stage: early, curable Precursor: endometrial hyperplasia Etiology: unopposed estrogen stimulation Molecular genetics: Wnt, PIK/Pten, Kras MSI or CIN: MSI

## Uterine serous carcinoma (type II)

Age: older (> 65 y/o)
Stage: advanced, mostly incurable
Precursor: EIC in the background of atrophy and endometrial polyp
Etiology: unknown
Molecular genetics: p53, PP2A
MSI or CIN: CIN



### Endometrioid carcinoma of the uterus



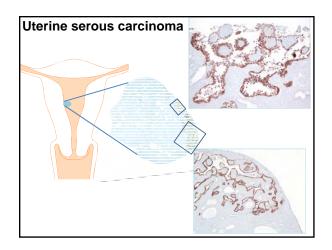
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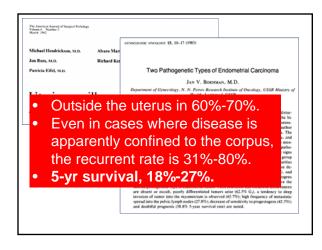
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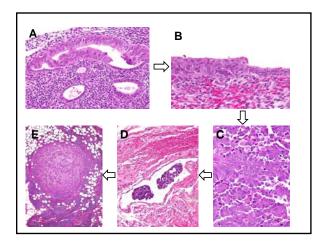
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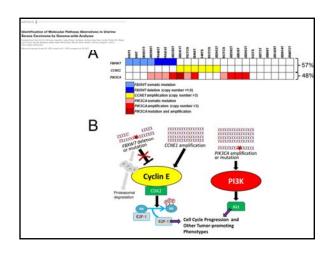
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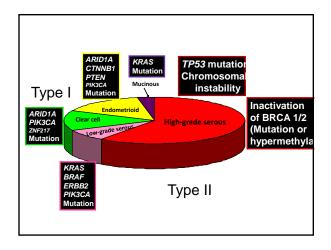


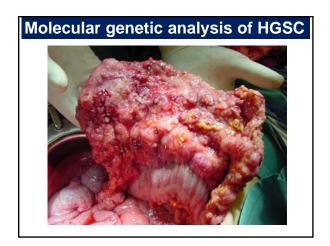


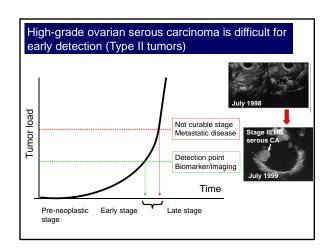


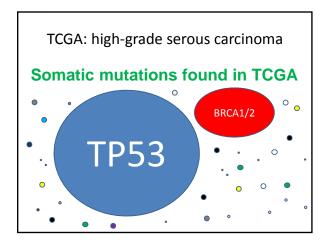
# The fact of ovarian cancer

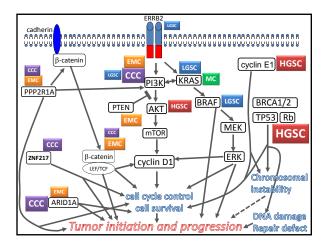
- Ovarian carcinoma is the major disease of cancer mortality in women (22,430 new cases 15,280 new deaths in 2007)
- Molecular etiology is poorly understood
- Patients are usually on death roll if tumors recur
- A peritoneal disease, ideal for i.p. therapy

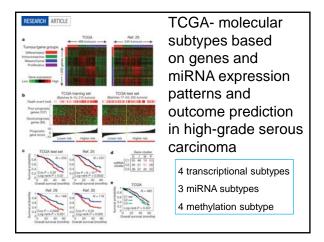


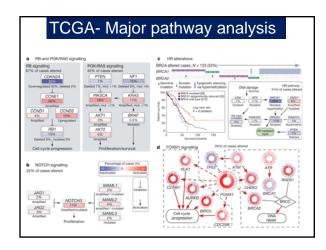


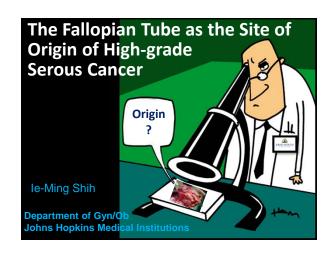


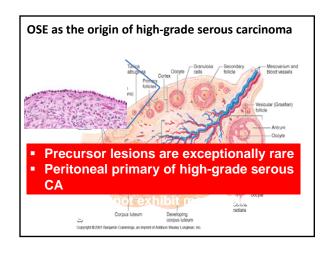


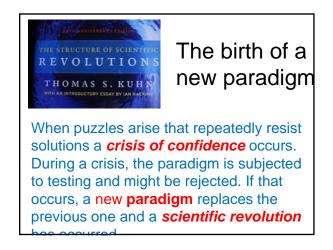


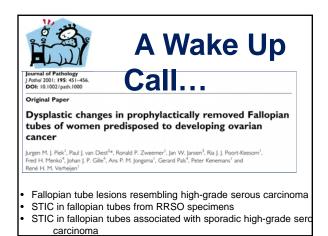


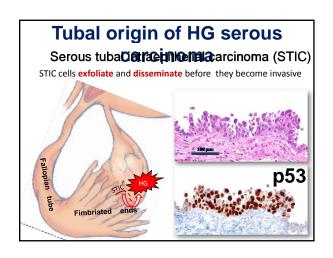


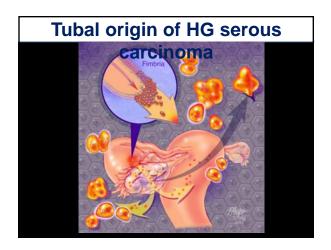


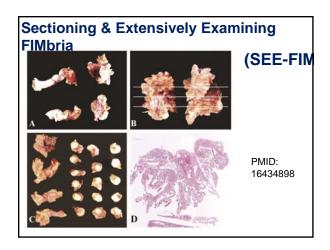


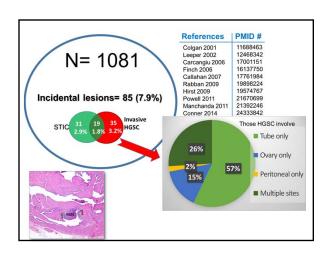


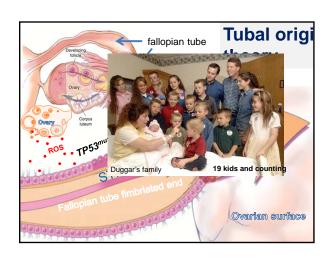


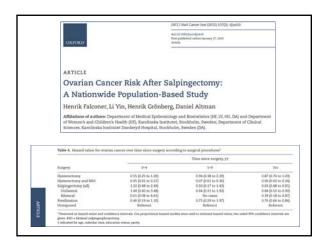










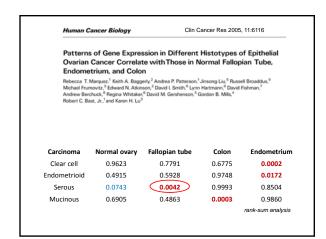


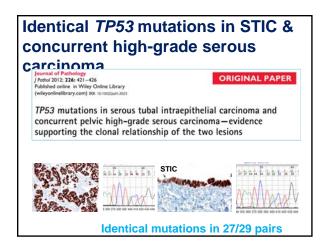
STICs in > 50% of HGSCs and in ~5-10% of fallopian tubes removed prophylactically.

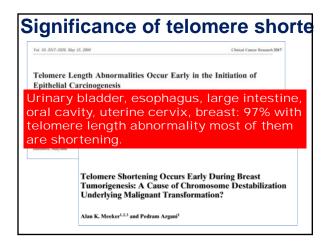
STICs were only associated with serous CA but rarely with other types of gynecologic cancers.

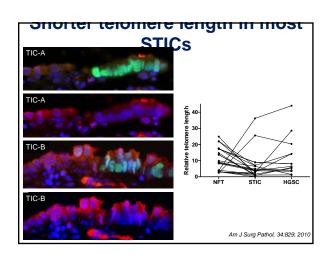
HGSC expresses markers of fallopian tube epithelium not OSE.

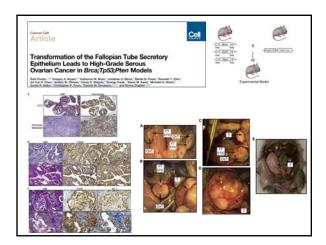
HGSC rarely presents as stage I disease; screening for early HGSC did not work.

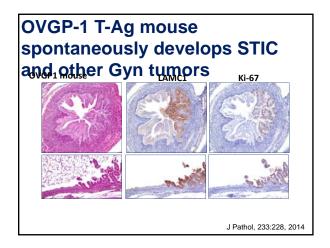






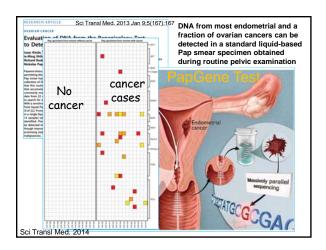






# **Summary so far**

- STIC & HGSC are always clonally related
- STIC expresses HGSC markers
- Precursor lesions of STIC may exist
- As compared to HGSC, STIC has shorter telomere, lower level of centrosome amplification & reduced ALDH1A1 exp
- Mouse models- developing STIC then ovarian cancer



#### Things to remember...

- All the female reproductive tract and organs including placenta can give rise to neoplastic diseases. Some are common and some are rare!
- The most common neoplasm among gynecologic tumors is leiomyoma (smooth muscle tumors from myometrium in the uterus) which causes pain, bleeding and infertility in women. Not much research is going on.
- Endometrioid carcinoma is the most common malignant tumors in the uterus. Most of cases are at early stages and prognosis is excellent. This type of cancer arises from precursors, endometrial hyperplasia and is characterized by defined mutations in PTEN and beta-catenin genes.

## Things to remember...

- Ovarian "cancer" is a heterogeneous group of tumors and can be broadly classified into primary epithelial, stromal, germ cell and metastatic tumors.
- Within the primary epithelial tumors, they can be classified into different histologic subtypes and each subtype can have benign, borderline or malignant categories.
- Different histologic subtypes have unique molecular pathways for their development and progression. So, study of ovarian cancer should separate different histological types.

# Things to remember...

- The high-grade serous carcinoma is what has been referred as "ovarian cancer". It is the most common and lethal type of all ovarian neoplasms.
- 8. The origin of "ovarian" cancer is still not known. Increased ovulation (causes surface inclusion bodies) is a risk factor...A new hypothesis of tubal origin has been recently proposed.
- Early detection of high-grade serous carcinoma may not work... Focus on the studies of recurrent tumors may likely have a translational impact.