



Pathology

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NEOPLASIA

EPIDEMIOLOGY of CANCER

- The branch of medicine deals with the incidence and prevalence of disease in large populations and with detection of the source and cause of epidemics.
- Contributes substantially to the knowledge about the origin of cancer.
- The concept that **cigarette smoking is causally** associated with **lung cancer** arose from **epidemiologic studies**.



Cancer

- ❑ Worldwide Problem
- ❑ Increasing
- ❑ Due to genetic mutations in cells, which may be spontaneous or environmentally induced.

CANCER INCIDENCE:

2016. American Cancer Society.

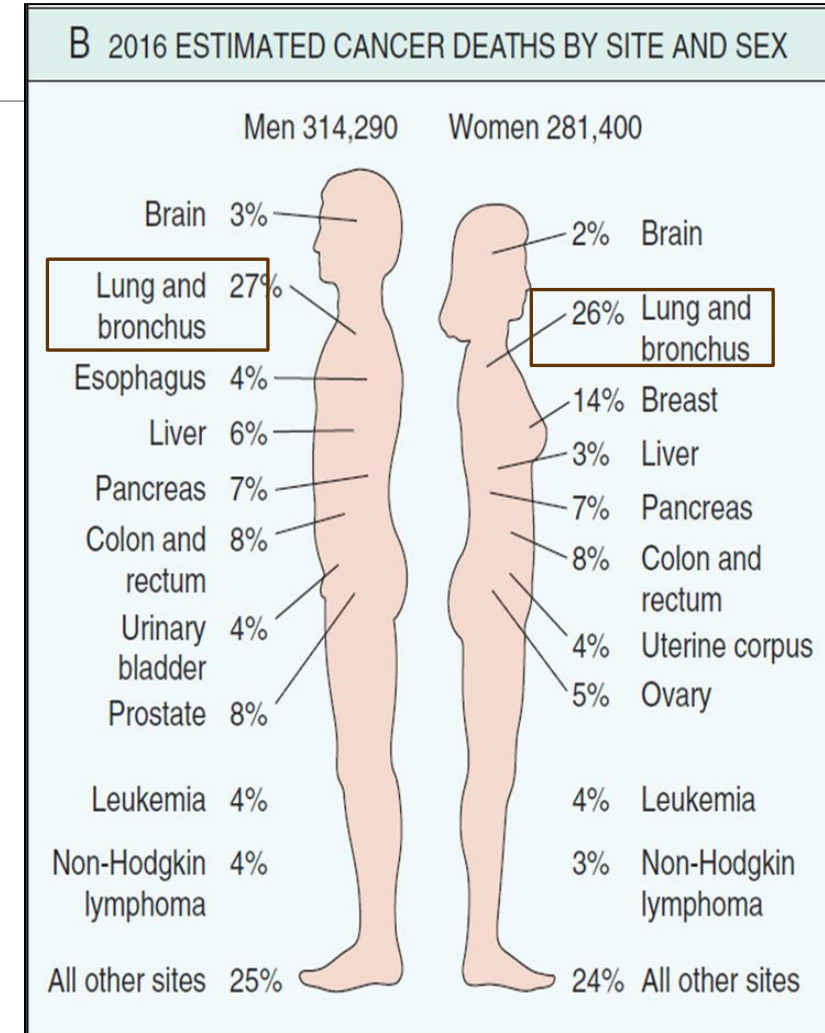
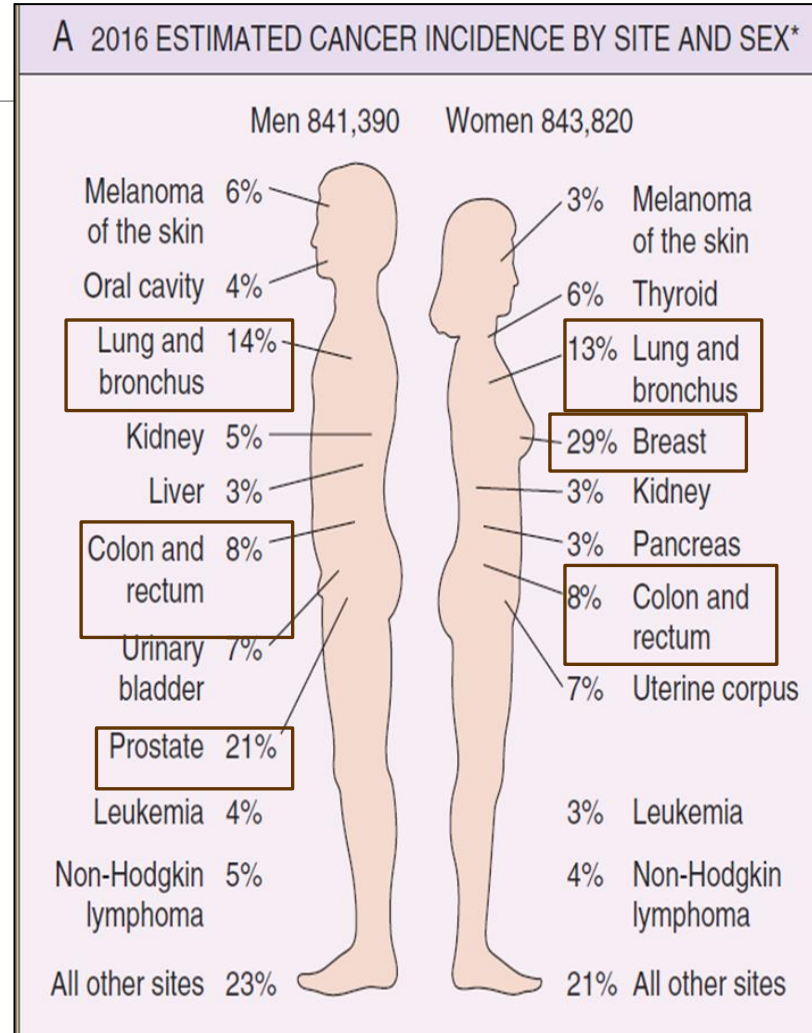




Table (7) Ten most common cancers among Jordanians, Males, 2014



| Rank | Site | Frequency | Percent |
|------|----------------------|-----------|---------|
| 1 | Colorectal | 371 | 13.6 |
| 2 | Lung | 326 | 12.0 |
| 3 | Urinary Bladder | 244 | 9.0 |
| 4 | Prostate | 229 | 8.4 |
| 5 | Non-Hodgkin lymphoma | 153 | 5.6 |
| 6 | Leukemia | 129 | 4.7 |
| 7 | Hodgkin disease | 113 | 4.2 |
| 8 | Stomach | 99 | 3.6 |
| 9 | Kidney | 93 | 3.4 |
| 10 | Larynx | 85 | 3.1 |

JORDAN CANCER REGISTRY

Table (8) Ten most common cancers among Jordanian Females , 2014



| Rank | Site | Frequency | Percent |
|------|-----------------------|-----------|---------|
| 1 | Breast | 1174 | 39.4 |
| 2 | Colorectal | 287 | 9.6 |
| 3 | Thyroid | 173 | 5.8 |
| 4 | Uterous | 161 | 5.4 |
| 5 | Non-Hodgkin lymphoma | 121 | 4.1 |
| 6 | Ovary | 88 | 3.0 |
| 7 | Hodgkin disease | 78 | 2.6 |
| 8 | Lung | 77 | 2.6 |
| 9 | Leukemia | 66 | 2.2 |
| 10 | Brain, Nervous system | 60 | 2.0 |

➔ WHAT FACTORS may influence the incidence of cancer?

Incidence may be related to:

1. Geographic and Environmental factors.
2. Age.
3. Hereditary factors.
4. Acquired predisposing factors.

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الذي يمتثل الاستجابة
للظروف البيئية
الواحدة

Genetic polymorphism is responsible for:

- ❖ Individual predisposition to disease
- ❖ Individual response to environmental agents
- ❖ Individual response to drugs

*عوامل بيئية مرتبطة بالسرطان الكواكب والبيئة الجغرافية

1. Geographic & environment (Multifactorial)



-Environmental factors are the predominant determinant of the most common sporadic cancers

- Prostatic CA ---- **High in USA**
- Colorectal CA ----**High in USA**
- Breast CA ---- **High in USA**
- Gastric CA ---**High in Japan**
- Skin CA----**High in New Zealand**
- Hepatocellular CA --- **High in Africa & China**
- Nasopharyngeal CA --- **Far East**
- Burkitt Lymphoma --- **Africa**

Nearly all the evidence indicates that these geographic differences are environmental rather than genetic in origin.

Environment:

-In the workplace, in food, and in personal practices.
-They can be as universal as sunlight or be largely restricted to urban settings (e.g., asbestos) or particular occupations

- Diet
- Obesity/Overweight
- Occupation (asbestos, radon....) *الاشعاع الايونية*
- Sunlight
- Personal habits (smoking and alcohol consumption).
- Reproductive history (age at first sexual intercourse and the number of sex partners)
- Infectious agents (cause **~15% of cancers worldwide**)

2. Age:

- In general, cancer incidence increases with AGE
- The rising incidence with age may be explained by:
 1. The **accumulation of somatic mutations** associated with the emergence of malignant neoplasms
 2. The **decline in immune** competence that accompanies aging.
- However, certain **cancers occur more in children:**

① Acute Leukemia

② Some Lymphomas

③ Some CNS Tumors

④ Blastomas
 ↳ retinoblastoma
 ↳ Neuroblastoma

3. Heredity (5%-10% of cancers are familial) ^{موروث}

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Table 6.4 Inherited Predisposition to Cancer

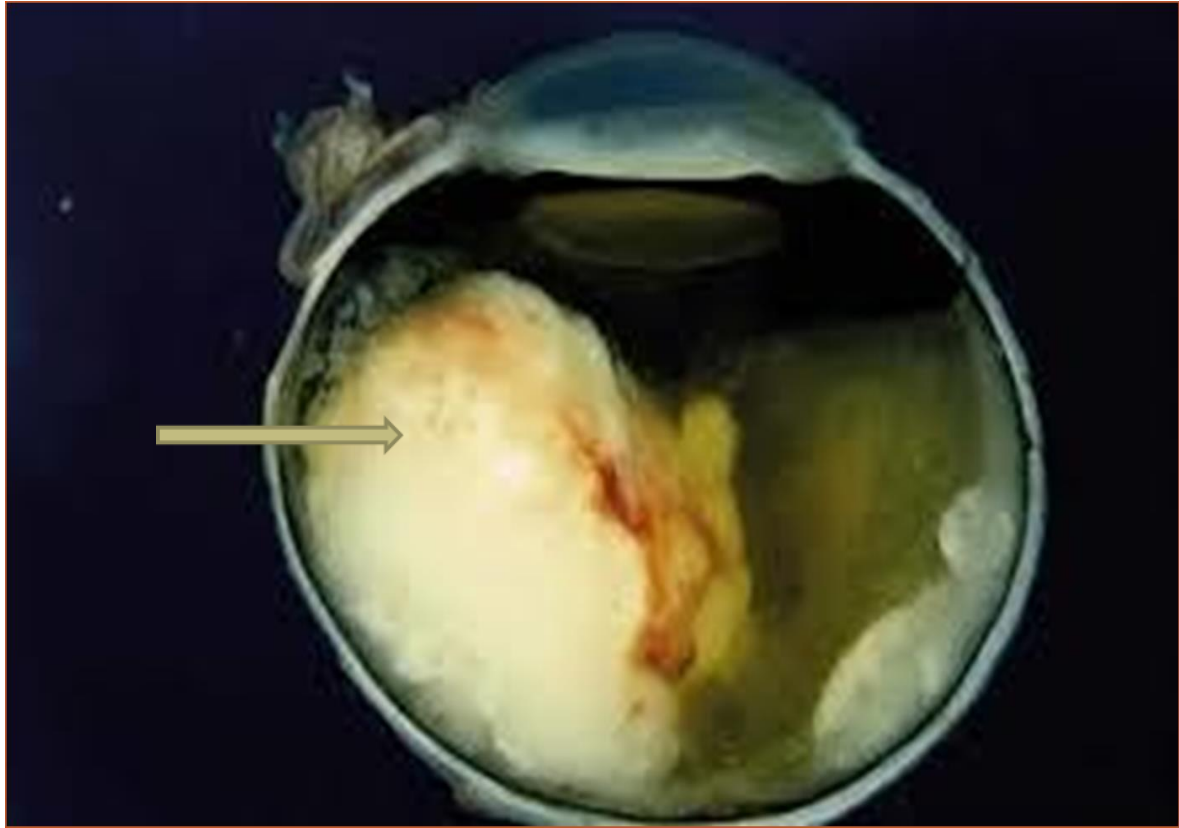
| Inherited Predisposition | Gene(s) |
|--|--|
| Autosomal Dominant Cancer Syndromes ^{یورت شدگی سازه} | |
| Retinoblastoma | RB |
| Li-Fraumeni syndrome (various tumors) | TP53 |
| Melanoma | CDKN2A |
| Familial adenomatous polyposis/colon cancer | APC |
| Neurofibromatosis 1 and 2 | NF1, NF2 |
| Breast and ovarian tumors | BRCA1, BRCA2 |
| Multiple endocrine neoplasia 1 and 2 | MEN1, RET |
| Hereditary nonpolyposis colon cancer | MSH2, MLH1, MSH6 |
| Nevoid basal cell carcinoma syndrome | PTCH1 |
| Autosomal Recessive Syndromes of Defective DNA Repair | |
| Xeroderma pigmentosum | Diverse genes involved in nucleotide excision repair |
| Ataxia-telangiectasia | ATM |
| Bloom syndrome | BLM |
| Fanconi anemia | Diverse genes involved in repair of DNA cross-links |

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Autosomal dominant

A. Inherited AD Cancer Syndromes:

White tumor in the retina of the eyeball (gross view).



* Inherited

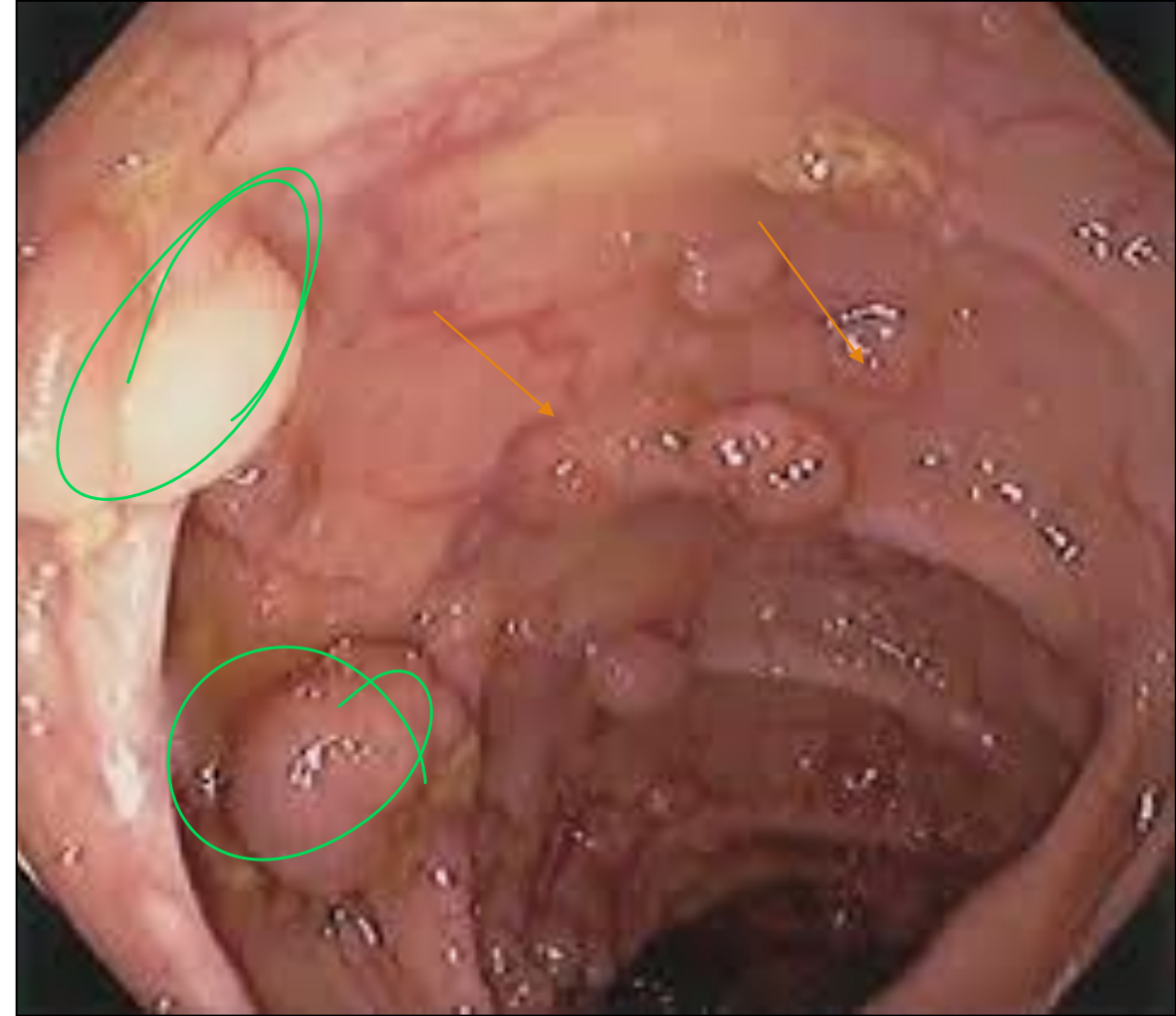
Retinoblastoma (malignant tumor) in the right eye of a child, is seen as a white patch.



Familial *عقب*
polyp. projection from mucosal surface to hollow organ

Gross view of **familial polyposis coli (FAP)**, the colon is studded with hundreds of mucosal polyps.

Endoscopic view of **familial polyposis coli (FAP)** showing numerous mucosal adenomatous polyps of the colon .



- **Neurofibromatosis** is an **autosomal dominant hereditary neoplastic disease**.
- Hundreds of **neurofibromas** with café au lait pigmentation of the skin

Neural ←
Fibrous ← benign



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Autosomal recessive

B. AR syndromes of Defective DNA Repair:

يكون عيب في جين إصلاح الحمض النووي

1. Xeroderma Pigmentosum

- Great predisposition to skin cancers^{نتيجة التعرض للشمس}, including (basal C. Ca, squamous C. Ca, & malignant melanoma) in sun-exposed areas like the face, hands & feet.

2. Ataxia Telangiectasia

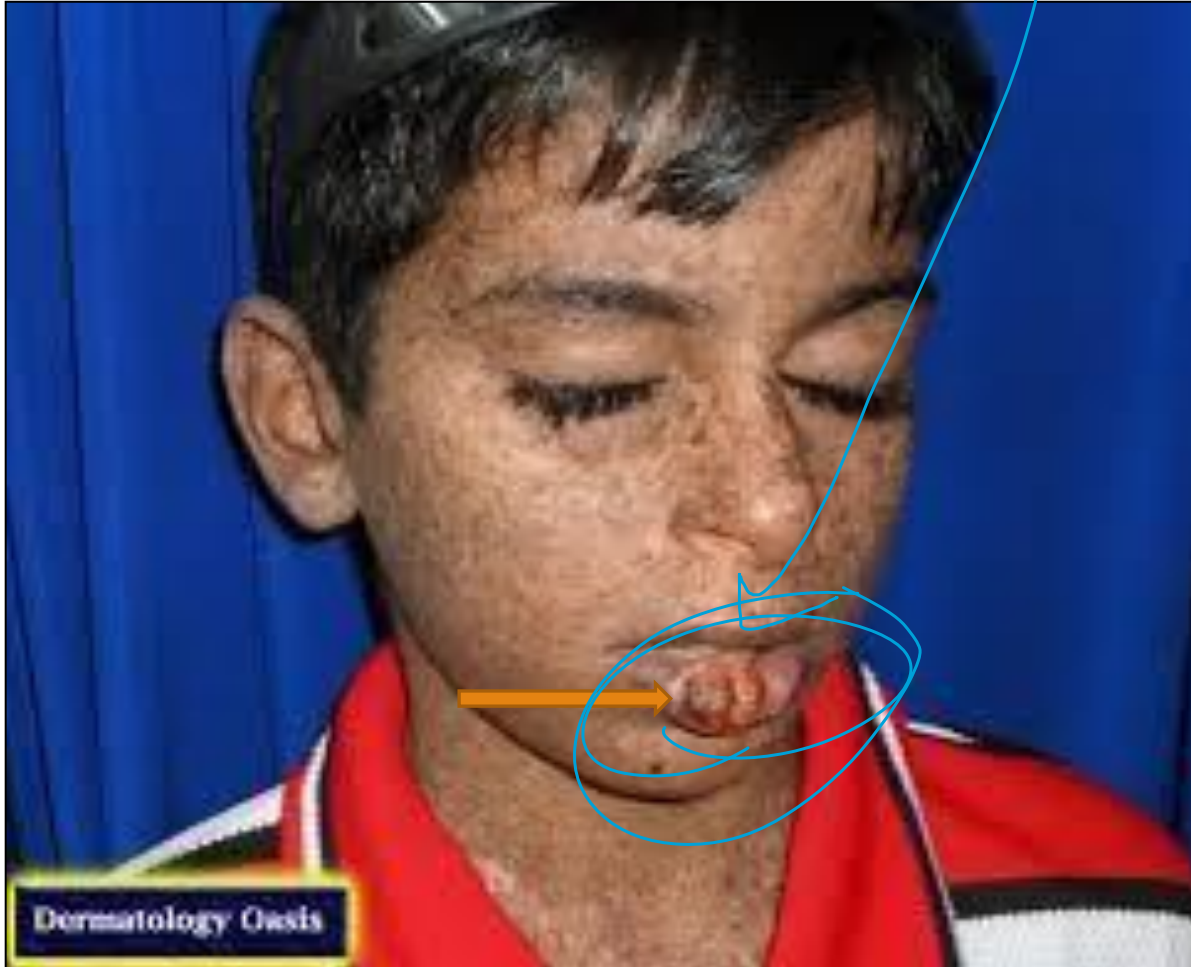
3. Bloom Syndrome

4. Fanconi Anemia.

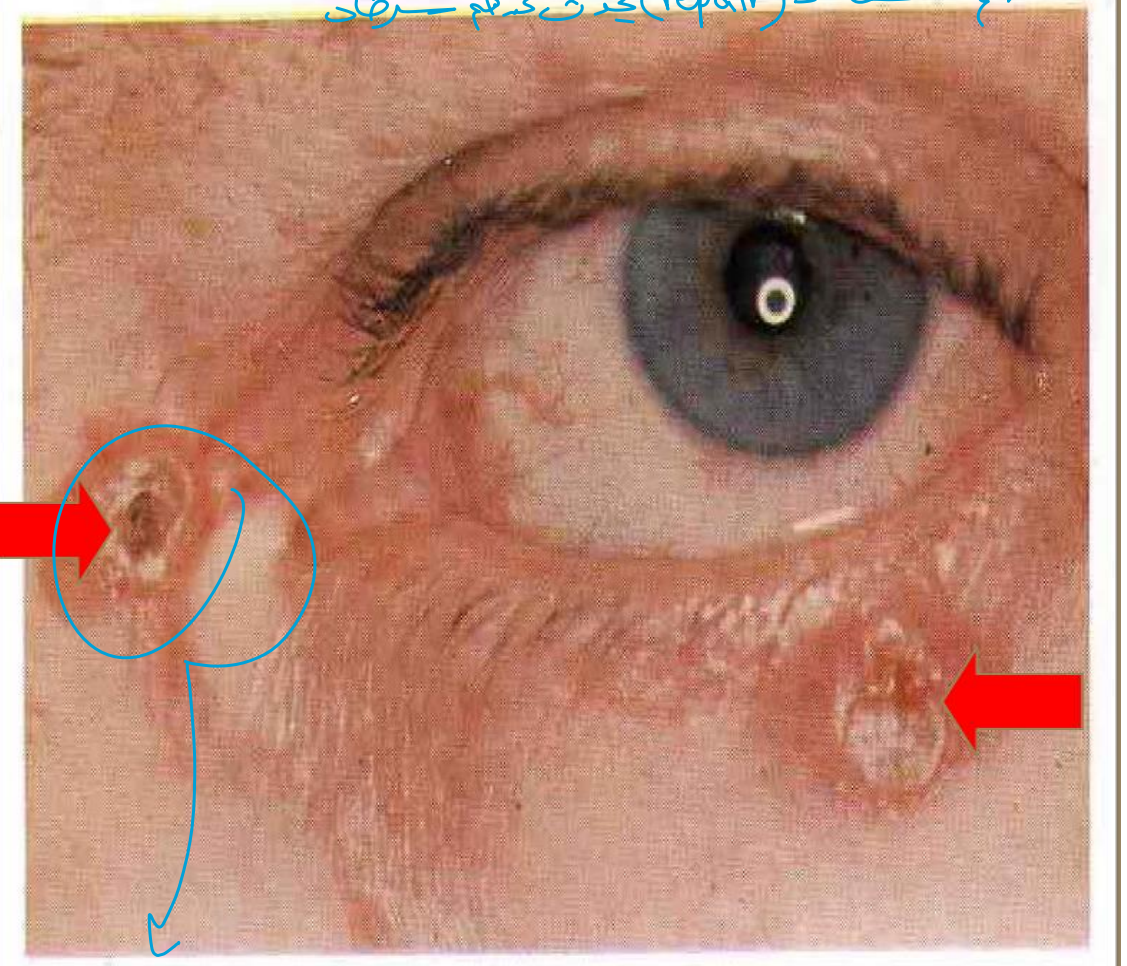
مفردات أو عيب في الجين
Autosomal recessive syndrome

A child with XERODERMA PIGMENTOSUM

, a recessively inherited disease, there are hundreds of pigmented nevi in the skin with squamous cell carcinoma in the lower lip of a young boy.



عمر با یتیم و (انگه ال) فون
defect in the DNA repair UV-light
درد و حساسیت شگوار (repair) می تونه کمه - زیاد



14.23 Basal cell carcinoma ('rodent ulcer')

* سوچے ہی انواع السرطان یکجہر متوالیہ نکتہ مدعا عالمہ معیہ کی کی غیر معروف سے او اچھے الیہ بتل السرطان ← ← بچدنی صیہ ایثار صغیر
Bilateral

C. Familial cancers with no specific phenotype

- Evident familial clustering of cancer, but the role of inherited predisposition is not clear.
- There is a familial predisposition to:
 - CA of COLON
 - CA of BREAST (Not linked to BRCA1 or BRCA2)
 - CA of OVARY

- Younger age groups

- Multiple or bilateral

right ← } Breast Cancer
left ← }
مثلاً نکتہ اطباء ایثار صغیر Cancer

- Two or more family members are affected.

- The transmission pattern of familial cancers is not clear.

- In general, relatives have a relative risk between 2 & 3

4. Acquired predisposing conditions

Inflammation
drop in the immunity ←

ظروف مسببة

- These are associated with increased risk for CA and most are related to rapid or abnormal cell proliferation due to either:

- **Chronic inflammation**
- **Immunodeficiency states**
- **Precursor lesions**

benign tumor ←

هل كل ورم حميد سيتحول الي حبة malignancy

□ Are benign tumors precancerous?

- In general, the answer is no, but there are exceptions
- It is better to say that each benign tumor is associated with a particular risk, ranging from high to virtually nonexistent.

- For example, large colon villous adenoma can undergo malignant transformation.

However, the leiomyomata of the uterus do not transform into malignancy.

smooth muscle
cancer in uterus

ما قبل الورم

Acquired Preneoplastic Disorders:

↑ Cancer risk & mutations → ↑ also → ↓ LLS proliferation & regeneration → LLS *

(1) Persistent regenerative cell replication:

- e.g.: - Hepatocellular ca in **liver cirrhosis** → high regeneration in hepatocytes → ↑ hepatocellular carcinoma
- SCCa in the margins of a chronic skin fistula like in osteomyelitis; or in a long-unhealed skin wound. → the cause is ① Infections ② long period of regeneration

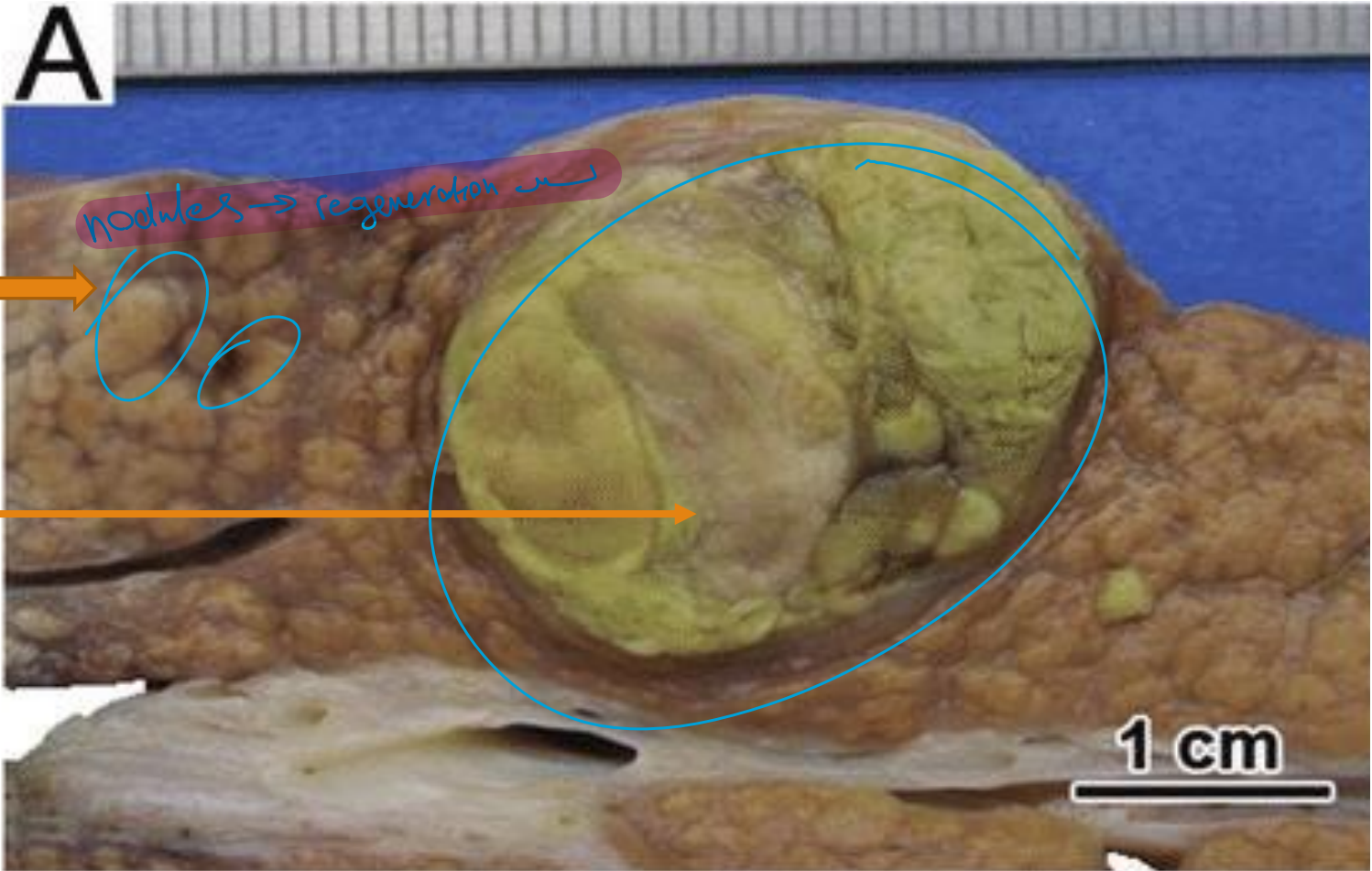
(2) Hyperplastic & dysplastic proliferation

- e.g.: - Endometrial ca in atypical endometrial hyperplasia
- Bronchogenic lung ca in the dysplastic bronchial mucosa of smokers

dysplasia ≠ Cancer
Cancer الـ سرطان

Macronodular cirrhosis

Liver: Large number of hyperplastic nodules, separated from each other by fibrous trabeculae →
Hepatocellular carcinoma



(3) Gastric ca in **chronic atrophic gastritis** ^{→ chronic inflammation}

(4) An incidence (5%) of colorectal cancer in long-standing **chronic ulcerative colitis**. ^{→ chronic inflammatory diseases in colon}

(5) **Leukoplakia** ^{→ mucosal surface} of the oral cavity, vulva, or penis increases the risk of SCCa. _{inf + ulceration}

(6) **Villous adenoma of the colon** has a high risk of transformation to colorectal ca.

(7) **Some benign tumors**, e.g. colonic tubular adenomas, as they enlarge to more than 2 cm, can undergo a malignant transformation in 50% of cases.

(8) **Marjolin's ulcer (squamous cell carcinoma of the skin)** arising in an old burn.

Colon: Papillary (Tubular) adenoma & carcinoma.

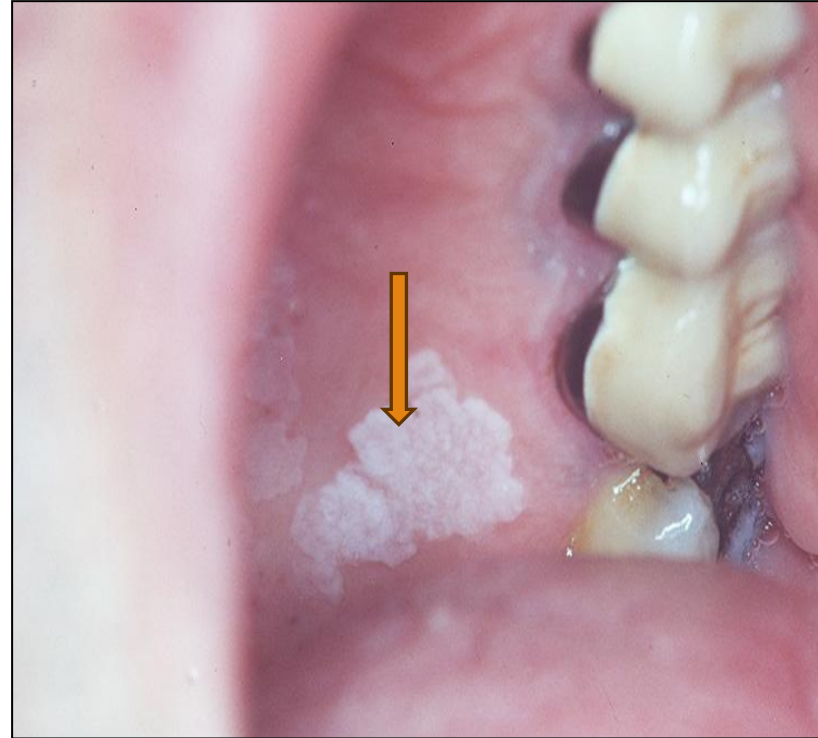
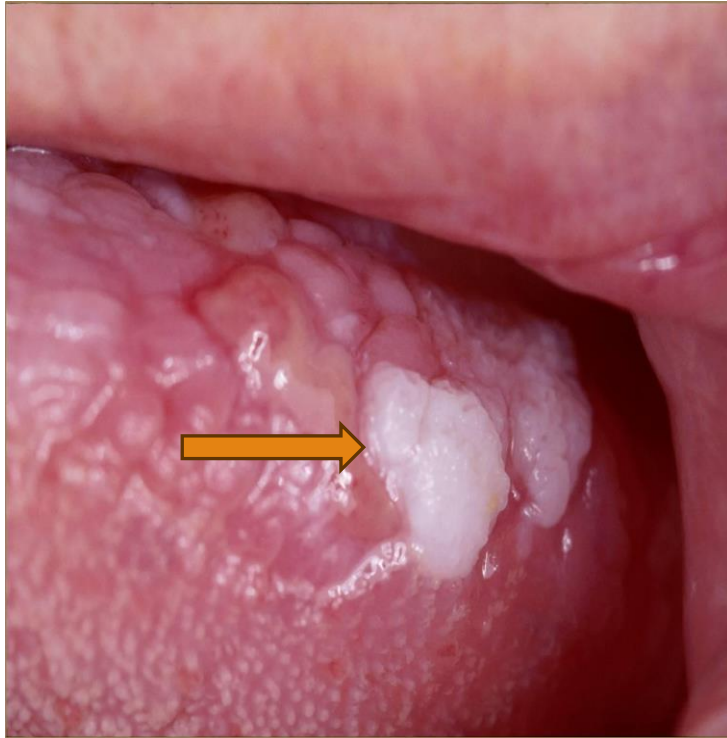
A circumferential ulcerating cancer is present (right center, **red arrow**) in direct continuity with large sessile adenomas to its left (**blue star**), also, there are two small pedunculated polypoidal adenomas (**green arrows**)



Leukoplakia in oral mucosa, white patch of mucosal thickening caused by irritation induced by ill-fitted denture. **A precancerous lesion.**

* Leukoplakia سببته Irritation

Squamous cell carcinoma arises in leukoplakia at the lower lip.



عوامل تؤدي إلى الإصابة بالسرطان (Cancer)

Carcinogenic agents

- 1- Chemical carcinogens
 - 2- Radiant carcinogens
 - 3- Microbial carcinogens, mainly viral
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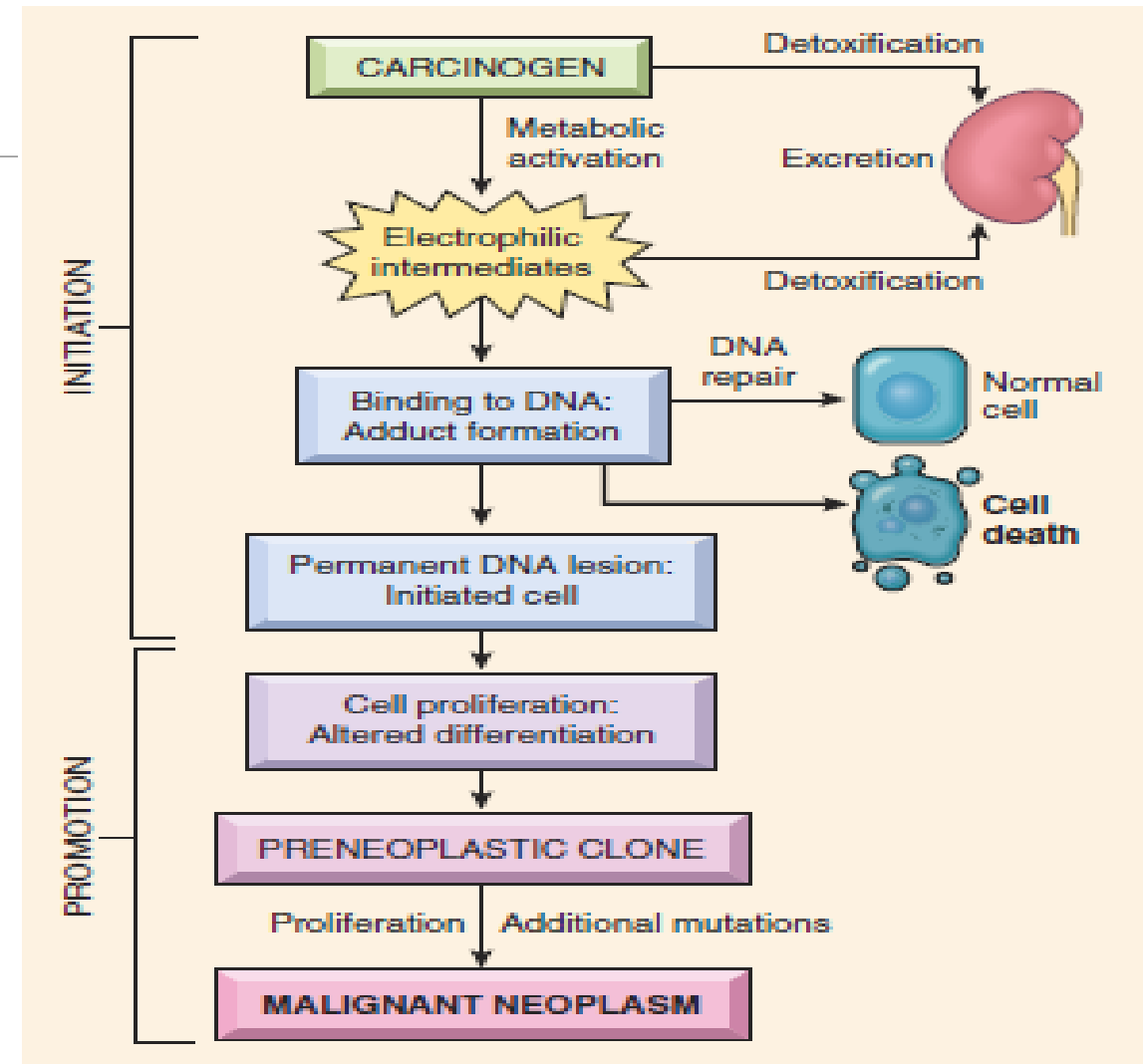
1. Chemical carcinogens:

- Chemical carcinogens are electrophilic and enter nucleus, damage DNA → mutation → Initiated Cell.

❖ Initiator (Mutagen)– A chemical inducing irreversible DNA damage.

❖ Promoter– A chemical augmenting effect of the initiator by promoting cell growth and division.

→ Proliferation



□ Mechanisms of Action of Chemical Carcinogens:

- Chemical carcinogens contain highly reactive electrophile groups (i.e., have electron-deficient atoms) that react with the electron-rich atoms) that combine to DNA, RNA or protein-producing mutations.

- Genes commonly affected are RAS & TP53
 - May be very specific ' Signature Mutation,' e.g. Aflatoxin-induced TP53 mutation.

- **Some strong chemicals act as initiators and promoters.**

Promoters

- Act by stimulating cell **proliferation**.
- Promoters are NOT carcinogenic by themselves
- They have to **FOLLOW** the application of the initiator.

Examples:

- ① HORMONES
- ② PHORBOL ESTERS
- ③ PHENOLS
- ④ DRUGS

❖ Chemical Carcinogens are divided into:

1. Direct-Acting Agents:

- Directly produce damage without prior metabolic conversion to become carcinogenic.
- They are, in general, **weak** carcinogens.

2. Indirect-Acting Agents (most of them):

- **(Procarcinogen)**: Need metabolic conversion in the liver by cytochrome P-450 dependent mono-oxygenases → **ultimate carcinogen**

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important

Major types of chemical carcinogens:

لا يحدث في الكبد Conversion in liver

- 1- Alkylating Agents:** Direct, used in chemotherapy of cancer - may induce **Leukemia**.
- 2- Polycyclic Hydrocarbons:** **Indirect** & very strong - include **benzopyrene** in cigarette smoke
→ **CA Lung**
- 3- Aromatic Amines & Azo dyes:** **Indirect** - **Rubber & Food Industry** e.g. **β -naphthylamine** →
Bladder CA
- 4- Natural plant and microbial products:** includes **Aflatoxin B1** **produced by the fungus**
Aspergillus flavus (a mold that grows on improperly stored grains and nuts). → **Hepatocellular CA**.
- 5- Nitrosamines:** Endogenous or food preservatives cause **Gastric & Colon CA**