

Ανδρας ηλικίας 60 ετών υποβάλλεται σε τακτικό ετήσιο έλεγχο του PSA από την ηλικία των 50 ετών.

Τα προηγούμενα χρόνια η τιμή του PSA κυμάνθηκε από 0,75 μέχρι 1,35 ng/ml. Η πρόσφατη μέτρηση (χωρίς κάποια ιδιαίτερα ενοχλήματα από το κατώτερο ουροποιητικό) έδειξε 3,3 ng/ml. Το μέγεθος του προστάτη του ήταν 45 ml (διακοιλιακό υπερηχογράφημα) και η δακτυλική εξέταση ανέδειξε συμμετρικό, ομαλό, χωρίς ψηλαφητές σκληρίες και με ψηλαφητή την σπερματική αύλακα προστάτη. Στον πατέρα του (90 ετών εν ζωή) διεγνώσθη προ 2ετίας αδενοκαρκίνωμα προστάτη μετά από μέτρηση του PSA (8,5 ng/ml).

Ο θεράπων ιατρός συνέστησε βιοψία προστάτου, η οποία και πραγματοποιήθηκε (12 τεμαχίδια).

1. Η βιοψία ήταν αρνητική για κακοήθεια με παρουσία στοιχείων φλεγμονής
2. Η βιοψία ήταν αρνητική για κακοήθεια αλλά υπήρχαν εστίες χαμηλόβαθμης ενδοεπιθηλιακής νεοπλασίας (low grade PIN)
3. Η βιοψία ήταν αρνητική για κακοήθεια αλλά υπήρχαν πολλαπλές εστίες υψηλόβαθμης ενδοεπιθηλιακής νεοπλασίας (high grade PIN)
4. Η βιοψία ήταν αρνητική για κακοήθεια αλλά υπήρχε μία εστία άτυπης υπερπλασίας (ASAP: Atypical small acinar proliferation of the prostate)

1. Πότε θα γίνει επανέλεγχος;
2. Χρειάζεται αγωγή με αντιβιοτικά;
3. Θα αξιολογηθεί η αναλογία free/total PSA την επόμενη φορά;
4. Θα αξιολογήσετε την PSA velocity;
5. Θα αξιολογήσετε το PSA doubling time;
6. Θα χρησιμοποιήσετε το PCA3;
7. Θα χρησιμοποιήσετε νομογράμματα/υπολογιστές κινδύνου;
8. Θα ζητήσετε επιπλέον απεικονιστικά στοιχεία;
9. Τι τεχνική θα χρησιμοποιηθεί στην επαναληπτική βιοψία;

Πότε θα γίνει επανέλεγχος σε ασθενή με αρνητική βιοψία χωρίς συνοδά ύποπτα στοιχεία;

Interval Cancers in Prostate Cancer Screening: Comparing 2- and 4-Year Screening Intervals in the European Randomized Study of Screening for Prostate Cancer, Gothenburg and Rotterdam

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Characteristic	Interval cancers, n (%)		Screen-detected cancers, n (%)	
	Rotterdam (N = 57)	Gothenburg (N = 31)	Rotterdam (N = 1061)	Gothenburg (N = 521)
T-stage				
T1a or b	8 (14.0)	6 (16.1)	0	0
T1c	30 (52.6)	14 (46.2)	536 (50.5)	388 (74.5)
T2	14 (24.6)	12 (38.7)	432 (40.7)	117 (22.5)
T3-4	5 (8.8)	0	93 (8.8)	14 (2.7)
Unknown	0	0	0	1 (0.2)
M-stage				
M0	46 (79.0)	20 (64.5)	949 (89.4)	366 (70.2)
M1	2 (3.5)	4 (12.9)	2 (0.2)	0
MX	10 (17.5)	7 (22.6)	110 (10.4)	155 (29.8)
Gleason score				
2-6	34 (59.6)	22 (71.0)	798 (75.2)	420 (80.6)
7	12 (21.1)	6 (19.4)	209 (19.7)	89 (17.1)
8-10	3 (5.3)	2 (6.5)	48 (4.5)	12 (2.3)
Unclassified	8 (14.0)	1 (3.2)	6 (0.6)	0
PSA, ng/mL				
<3.0	6 (10.5)	0	136 (12.8)	0
3.0-10.0	28 (49.1)	24 (77.4)	793 (74.7)	456 (87.3)
>10.0-20.0	6 (10.5)	4 (12.9)	88 (8.3)	44 (8.4)
>20.0-100.0	10 (17.5)	3 (9.7)	43 (4.1)	19 (3.6)
>100.0	2 (3.5)	0	1 (0.09)	3 (0.6)
Missing	5 (8.8)	0	0	0

* Numbers in parentheses are percentages of total number of interval cancers (clinically diagnosed prostate cancer between two screening visits) per center (N = 57 for Rotterdam and N = 31 for Gothenburg) and percentages of total numbers of screen-detected prostate cancers per center (N = 1061 for Rotterdam and N = 521 for Gothenburg). Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding error. T = tumor and M = metastasis staging according to Hugosson et al. (10).

Conclusion

The rate of interval cancer, especially aggressive interval cancer, was low in this study. The 2-year screening interval had higher detection rates than the 4-year interval but did not lead to lower rates of interval and aggressive interval prostate cancers.

The optimal timing of a repeat biopsy procedure is not known and depends among other factors on the outcome of the initial biopsy (e.g. presence of ASAP) and the estimated risk of prostate cancer depending on e.g. rising PSA levels and/or suspicious DRE. The later the repeat biopsy is done, the higher the detection rate

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Optimising repeat prostate biopsy decisions
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When serial prostate biopsy is recommended: most cancers detected are clinically insignificant

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We recommend routine delayed interval biopsy every 2–3 years after HGPIN detection in young healthy men, based on studies showing significant cancer diagnosis at these intervals [18]. For patients with ASAP, we recommend repeat biopsy within 6 months. For patients with initial completely normal or benign biopsy findings, the time for further biopsy was tailored according to the risk indicators encountered with each individual case, based on clinical decisions with the staff physician. As noted, for many

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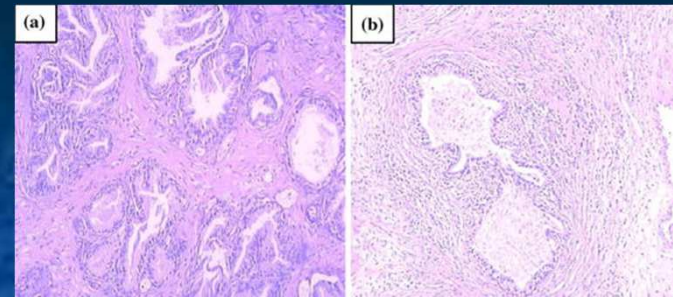
What is the best time interval between repeat biopsies?

There is no consensus or clear recommendations regarding the optimum repeat PBx scheduling. However, it has been suggested that PCa detection might be influenced by the interval between biopsies.^{10,19} This can be attributed by giving adequate time for premalignant lesions to progress into overt adenocarcinoma.

In absence of guidelines regarding the best intervals between biopsies, it seems reasonable that the optimal interval should be tailored according to the risk indicators encountered in each individual case. After a negative PBx session, we usually wait 1 year, unless ASAP was detected.

Χρειάζεται αγωγή με αντιβιοτικά;

(type IV asymptomatic
inflammatory prostatitis)



Prostate Specific Antigen Decrease and Prostate Cancer Diagnosis: Antibiotic Versus Placebo Prospective Randomized Clinical Trial

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CONCLUSIONS

There was no statistical difference in the decrease in PSA in patients with type IV prostatitis after antibiotics or placebo (59.2% vs 53.1%). There was also no significant difference with respect to patients who had a decrease in PSA and diagnosis of prostate cancer after treatment with antibiotic or placebo (31% vs 26.9%). Thus, this study shows that antimicrobial therapy was no more effective than placebo in reducing PSA, and that the proportion of patients with cancer was similar in both groups (at least a third). More studies and larger samples should be conducted to confirm our data.

Does an inflammatory pattern at primary biopsy suggest a lower risk for prostate cancer at repeated saturation prostate biopsy?

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Abstract

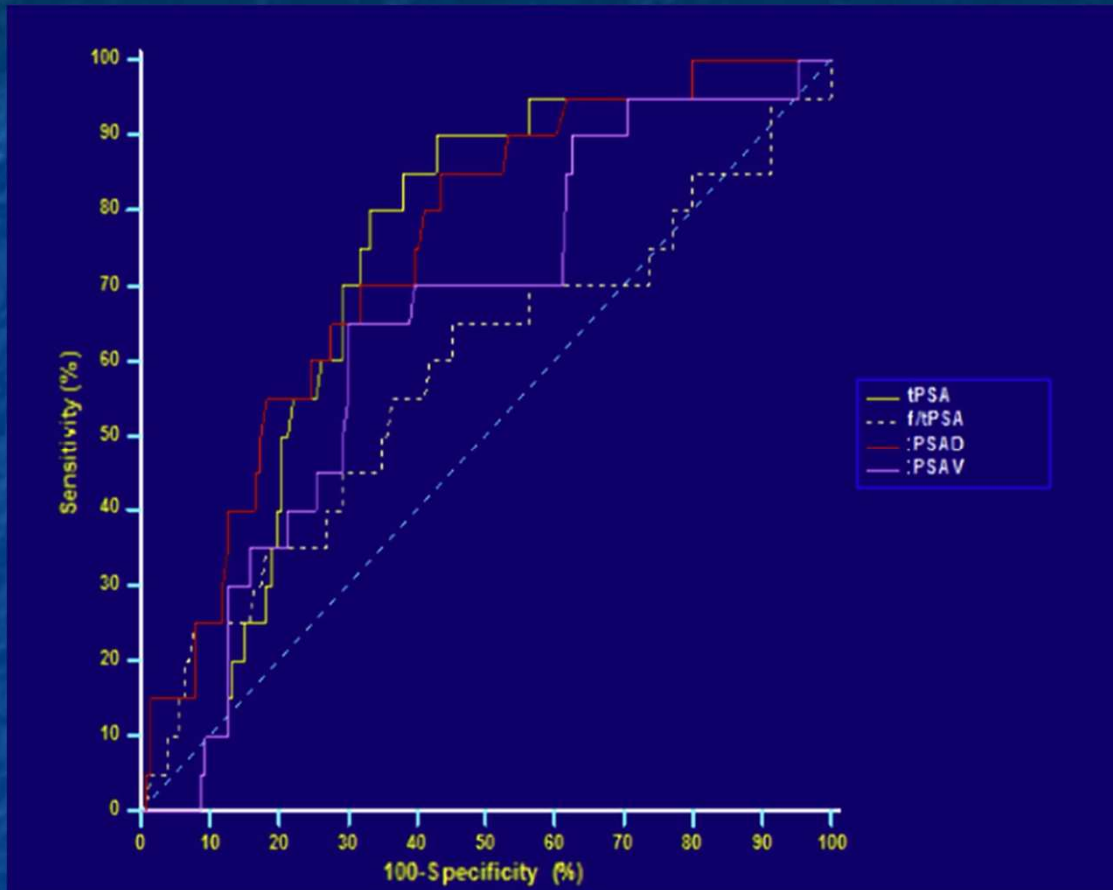
INTRODUCTION: To evaluate if an inflammatory pattern at primary biopsy is associated with a lower risk for cancer in men submitted to repeated saturation prostate biopsy (SPBx).

METHODS: From January 2005 to January 2010, 320 patients, after a negative primary extended biopsy (median 18 cores), underwent SPBx by transperineal approach performing 27 cores (median). 210 (65.6%) patients had a normal parenchyma and 110 had an inflammatory pattern (34.4%) at primary biopsy (none of them complained of symptoms suggesting a diagnosis of acute prostatitis at the time of biopsy). Moreover, median prostate-specific antigen and abnormal digital rectal examination was equal to 7.3 ng/ml and 3.6% versus 8.2 ng/ml and 3.8%, respectively.

RESULTS: Prostate cancer (PCa) was found in 66 (20.5%) of 320 patients. Of these, 42 (63.6%) and 24 (36.4%; $p = 0.007$) had a histological diagnosis of chronic prostatitis and normal parenchyma at primary biopsy, respectively.

CONCLUSIONS: An inflammatory pattern at primary biopsy is not associated with a decrease in PCa incidence at repeated SPBx; therefore, only an accurate clinical evaluation including more parameters (i.e. urinary PCA3) could hopefully select men who need to undergo rebiopsy in the presence of persistent suspicion of cancer.

F/T PSA, PSA velocity, PSA density



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PSA density as a better predictor of prostate cancer than percent-free PSA in a repeat biopsy

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A comparative performance analysis of total prostate-specific antigen, percentage free prostate-specific antigen, prostate-specific antigen velocity and urinary prostate cancer gene 3 in the first, second and third repeat prostate biopsy

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In conclusion, the present findings demonstrate a strong influence of the number of previous repeat biopsy sessions on the performance of established and novel biopsy risk factors.

Total PSA was not a significant risk factor in the overall, first second or \geq third repeat biopsy session.

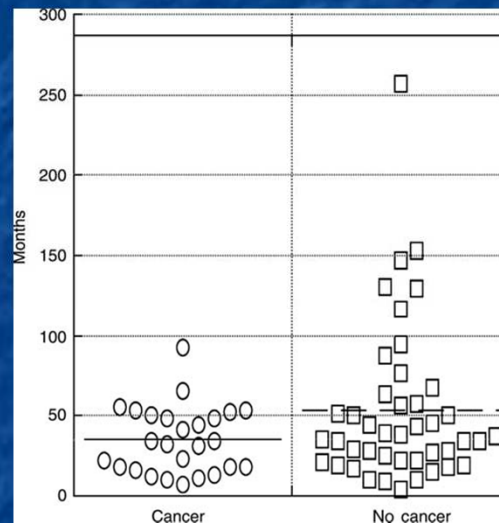
PSAV 's diagnostic potential was reserved to patients at second and \geq third repeat biopsy.

By contrast, %fPSA represented a reliable predictor of PCa across the entire repeat biopsy setting, outperforming tPSA, PSAV and PCA3 at second and \geq third repeat biopsies.

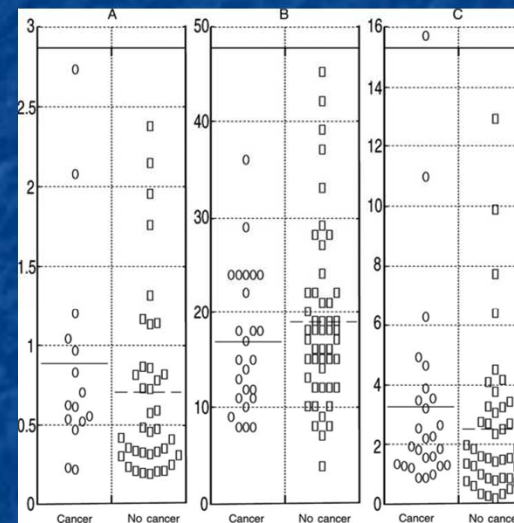
Finally, PCA3 was highly informative at first repeat biopsy and would have avoided up to 73% of unnecessary biopsies compared with tPSA. However, in contrast to previous studies, this advantage dissipated at second and \geq third repeat biopsies.

PSA Doubling Time as a Predictive Factor on Repeat Biopsy for Detection of Prostate Cancer

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PSA doubling time



PSA transition zone density (ng/ml/volume of transition zone), %Free/tPSA and PSA velocity (ng/ml/year).

Methods: Seventy-seven cases with negative initial prostate biopsy received a repeat biopsy and factors for the detection of cancer were examined.

Results: PSA doubling time distinguished a part of cancer cases. Its sensitivity of 30, 50 and 70 months was 36.6%, 30.4% and 10%, respectively. Cancer case did not show PSA doubling time of >100 months in general. Values of PSA transition zone density, %Free/total PSA and PSA velocity were similar between cancer and no cancer cases.

Conclusions: PSA doubling time was one of the predictive factors for the detection of prostate cancer and was valuable for avoiding unnecessary repeat biopsy in some cases.

Table 2 Different nomograms to predict prostate cancer on repeat prostate biopsy

Reference	Prediction form	Patient no.	Median no. previous biopsies	Risk factors	No. cores range (mean)	PCA detection (%)	Accuracy
Repeat PBx							
Lopez <i>et al.</i> ⁶⁶	Nomogram development and internal validation	343	2.92	Age, RH of PCA, DRE, PSA, PSA slope, months from initial PBx, No. of previous -ve cores, HSPIN and/or ASAP	6-22 (9.15)	20%	0.70
Yankel <i>et al.</i> ⁶⁷	External validation of Lopez Corona <i>et al.</i>	230	2.56		6-12	33.9%	0.71
Walz <i>et al.</i> ⁷⁷	External validation of Lopez Corona <i>et al.</i>	115	2.48		20.0-32.0 (24.5)	44.3%	0.72
Chun <i>et al.</i> ¹⁰⁰	External validation of Lopez Corona <i>et al.</i>	721	1.5		10-24 (11)	30%	0.76
Beneccchi <i>et al.</i> ¹⁰¹	Nomogram development and internal validation	590	1	Age, RH of PCA, DRE, PSA, PSA slope, months from initial PBx, No. of previous -ve cores, HSPIN and/or ASAP	12-24 (12)	31%	0.856
Rochester <i>et al.</i> ⁶⁸	Nomogram development and external validation	419	NA		≥10	31%	0.696
Moussa <i>et al.</i> ⁹⁹	Probability nomogram development and external validation	68	1	Age, PSA, %tPSA, PSAD, PSATZ, PV, TZV, No. previous PBx, No. -ve cores	8-34 (20)	31.6%	0.72
Mixed: initial and repeat		87	1		8-26 (20)	58.3%	0.62
Stephan <i>et al.</i> ⁶⁸	Probability nomogram development and external validation	23	NA	Age, DRE, PSA, %tPSA, No. previous -ve biopsies, sampling density	8-12	39.1%	0.747
Chun <i>et al.</i> ¹⁰⁰	Probability nomogram development and external validation	408	NA	DRE, %tPSA, PSAD, PSA slope, previous HSPIN	10-35 (15)	41.1%	0.70-0.73
Auprich <i>et al.</i> ¹⁰⁴	Probability nomogram development and external validation	470	NA	Age, PSA, %tPSA, PSAV, DRE, previous HSPIN, PV	≥10		0.73-0.75
	Artificial neural network and internal validation	393		Age, RH of PCA, BMI, DRE findings, PSA level, PSA slope, total PV, months from initial -ve PBx, months from previous -ve PBx, No. of previous -ve cores and HSPIN or ASAP			
	Set of probability nomogram development and external validation	809					
	External validation to Chun <i>et al.</i>	621					

ASAP, atypical small acinar proliferation; BMI, body mass index; DRE, digital rectal examination; FH, family history; %tPSA, percent free prostate-specific antigen; HSPIN, high grade prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia; PCA, prostate cancer; PCa3, prostate cancer antigen 3; PSA, prostate-specific antigen; -ve, negative; PSAD, PSA density; PSATZ, PSA density of transitional zone; PSAV, PSA velocity; PV, prostate volume; TZV, transitional zone volume.

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Probability of potential LOW RISK Prostate Cancer: **2.1%**

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² A prostate cancer with a clinical stage > T2b or Gleason score \geq 7 or PSA > 10.0 ng/ml

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Modern imaging studies (including multiparametric MRI, multiparametric TRUS, or an MR/US fusion technique) might have an even more relevant role in visualising clinically significant cancers to facilitate precise sampling from a suspicious area in the repeat prostate biopsy setting

Contemporary Role of Systematic Prostate Biopsies: Indications, Techniques, and Implications for Patient Care

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Value of Targeted Prostate Biopsy Using Magnetic Resonance-Ultrasound Fusion in Men with Prior Negative Biopsy and Elevated Prostate-specific Antigen

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Background: Conventional biopsy fails to detect the presence of some prostate cancers (PCas). Men with a prior negative biopsy but persistently elevated prostate-specific antigen (PSA) pose a diagnostic dilemma, as some harbor elusive cancer.

Objective: To determine whether use of magnetic resonance-ultrasound (MR-US) fusion biopsy results in improved detection of PCa compared to repeat conventional biopsy.

Design, setting, and participants: In a consecutive-case series, 105 subjects with prior negative biopsy and elevated PSA values underwent multiparametric magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) and fusion biopsy in an outpatient setting.

Intervention: Suspicious areas on multiparametric MRI were delineated and graded by a radiologist; MR-US fusion biopsy was performed by a urologist using the Artemis device; targeted and systematic biopsies were obtained regardless of MRI result.

Outcome measurements and statistical analysis: Detection rates of all PCa and clinically significant PCa (Gleason $\geq 3 + 4$ or Gleason 6 with maximal cancer core length ≥ 4 mm) were determined. The yield of targeted biopsy was compared to systematic biopsy. The ability of an MRI grading system to predict clinically significant cancer was investigated. Stepwise multivariate logistic regression analysis was performed to determine predictors of significant cancer on biopsy.

Results and limitations: Fusion biopsy revealed PCa in 36 of 105 men (34%; 95% confidence interval [CI], 25–45). Seventy-two percent of men with PCa had clinically significant disease; 21 of 23 men (91%) with PCa on targeted biopsy had significant cancer compared to 15 of 28 (54%) with systematic biopsy. Degree of suspicion on MRI was the most powerful predictor of significant cancer on multivariate analysis. Twelve of 14 (86%) subjects with a highly suspicious MRI target were diagnosed with clinically significant cancer.

Conclusions: MR-US fusion biopsy provides improved detection of PCa in men with prior negative biopsies and elevated PSA values. Most cancers found were clinically significant.

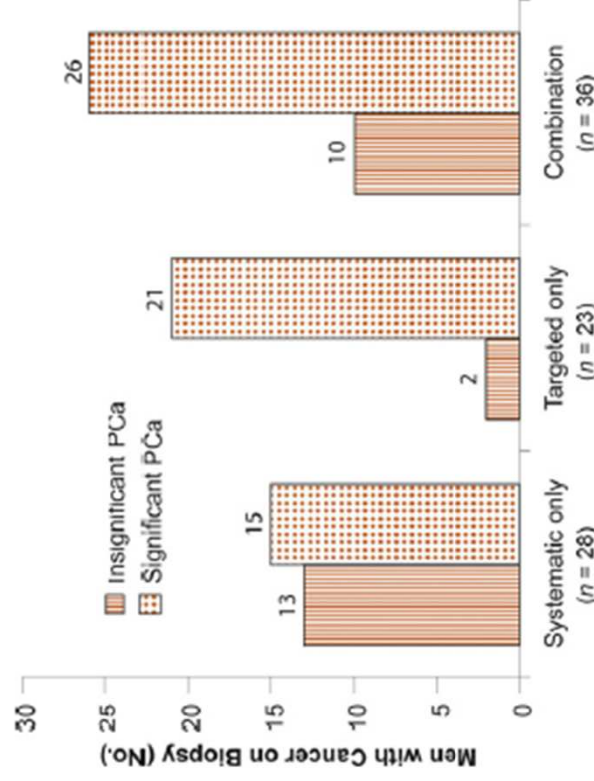


Fig. 3 – This per-patient analysis shows the number of subjects diagnosed with significant cancers (dotted) and insignificant cancers (hatched) depending on biopsy method. Clinically significant cancer was based on definition 2 (Gleason >6 or ≥ 4 mm maximal core length). PCa = prostate cancer.

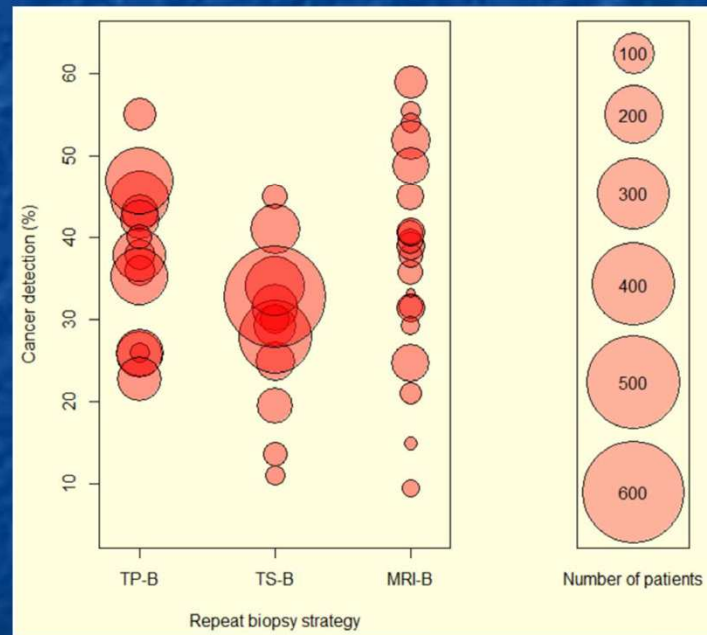
Repeat Prostate Biopsy Strategies after Initial Negative Biopsy: Meta-Regression Comparing Cancer Detection of Transperineal, Transrectal Saturation and MRI Guided Biopsy

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Conclusions: In the re-biopsy setting, it is unclear which strategy offers the highest cancer detection rate. MRI-B may potentially detect more prostate cancers than other modalities and can achieve this with fewer biopsy cores. However, well-designed prospective studies with standardised outcome measures are needed to accurately compare modalities and define an optimum re-biopsy approach.

Τι τεχνική θα χρησιμοποιηθεί στην επαναληπτική βιοψία;

extended biopsy (EPBx; 10-12 cores) saturation biopsy (SPBx; 20 cores)

EAU Guidelines: Most studies of repeat prostate biopsy following extended initial prostate biopsy indicate that up to 30% of patients have cancers that were not previously identified.

Campos-Fernandes J-L, Bastien L, Nicolaiew N, et al. Prostate cancer detection rate in patients with repeated extended 21- sample needle biopsy. Eur Urol 2009;55:600-9.

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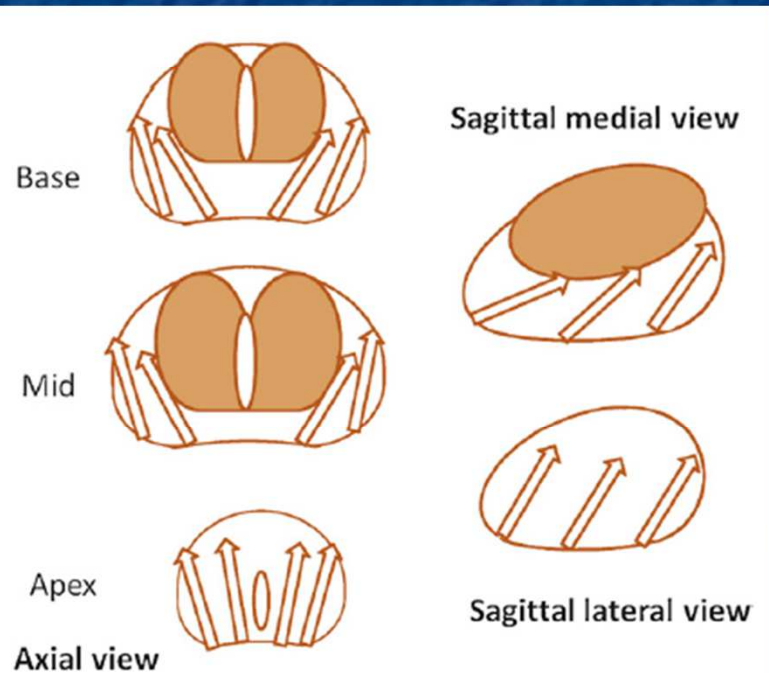


Fig. 1 - Recommended scheme for initial prostate biopsy. A lateral and medial sextant pattern with 12 cores (extended) covers the entire peripheral zone (PZ) of the prostate to maximise diagnosis of the most frequent cancer located in the PZ.

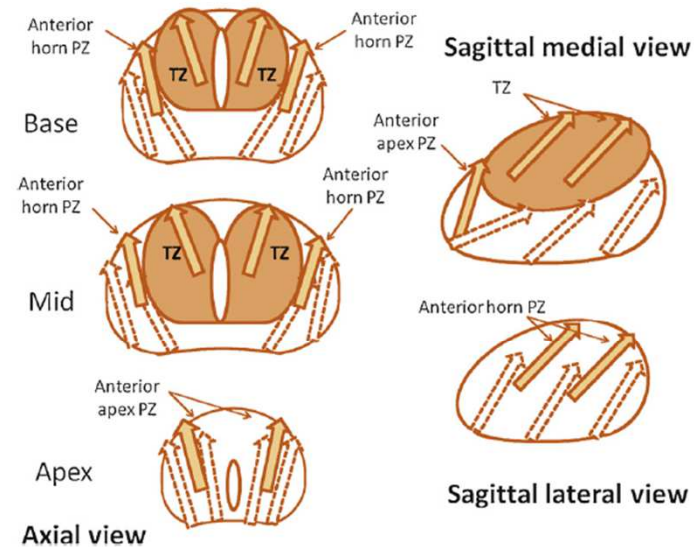


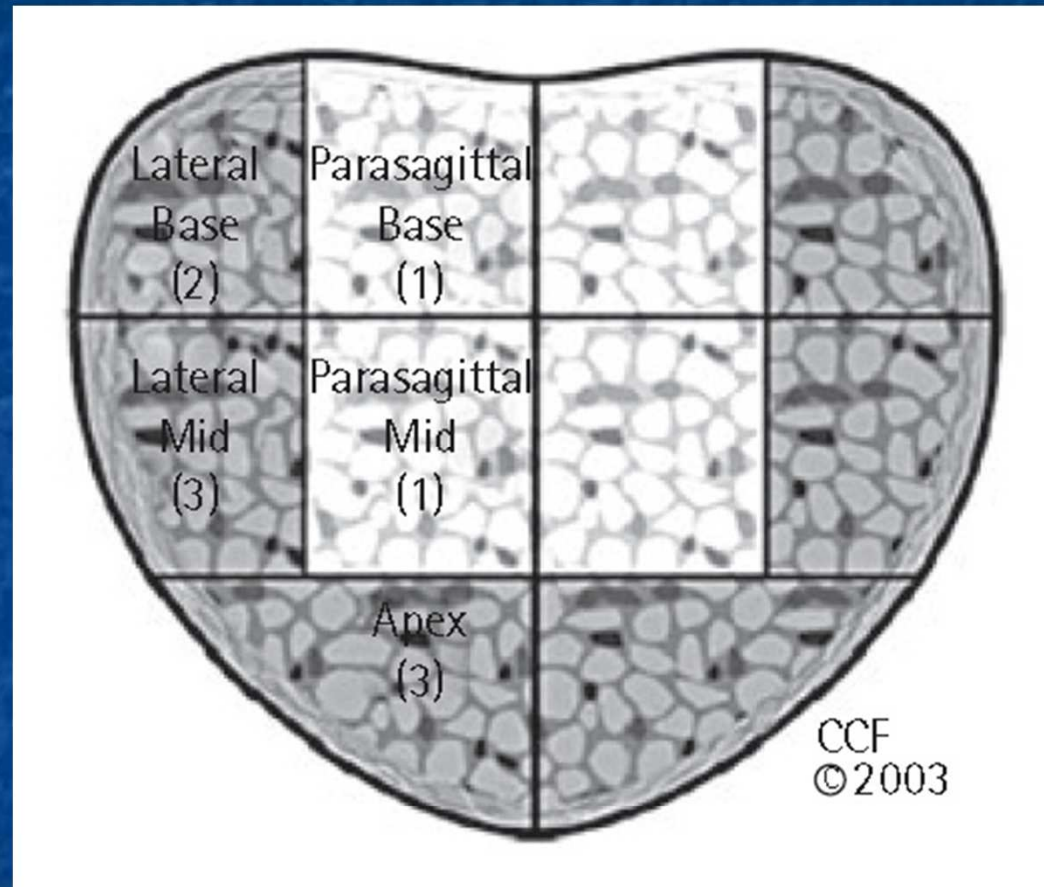
Fig. 2 - Recommended scheme for repeat prostate biopsy. The anterior apex peripheral zone (PZ), anterior horn PZ, and anterior transition zone are the recommended locations in which significant cancers likely missed on initial biopsy (dotted arrows) are potentially located. These anterior biopsies (yellow arrows) require the technique of needle placement into the middle of the prostate before firing the biopsy gun, with consideration of the advanced needle length of 22 mm (typically, including the proximal 17-mm part of the tissue sampling area and the distal 5-mm part, where the tissue is not sampled).
PZ = peripheral zone; TZ = transitional zone.

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Transperineal template-guided prostate biopsy for patients with persistently elevated PSA and multiple prior negative biopsies

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Abstract

Objective: To evaluate the use of transperineal template-guided prostate biopsy for patients with persistently elevated PSA despite multiple negative prior biopsies.

Materials and methods: A retrospective review was performed of patients with at least two prior prostate biopsies who underwent transperineal template-guided biopsy. Electronic medical records were reviewed to obtain relevant clinical, laboratory, and pathologic data.

Results: A total of 34 patients underwent transperineal template-guided biopsy. Patients had a mean of 3.7 ± 1.6 (range 2–8) prior biopsies, including prior negative transurethral resection (TUR) biopsy in 6 (17.6%) patients. Prostate cancer was detected in 17 (50%) of the 34 patients. Of these, 14 (82.4%) patients had cancer in the anterior prostate, 9 (52.9%) patients had cancer in the apical prostate, and 16 (94.1%) patients had cancer in either the anterior or apical prostate. Gleason score was 3+3 in 9 (52.9%) patients and 3+4 or greater in 7 (47.1%) patients. The mean number of positive cores was 4.5 ± 3.0 (range 1–11). Of the 17 patients with a diagnosis of cancer, 7 underwent radical prostatectomy, 7 underwent radiation therapy, 1 elected active surveillance, and 1 was deciding between surgery and radiation therapy; 1 patient received palliative chemotherapy for synchronous metastatic pancreatic carcinoma. Patients in whom cancer was detected had significantly smaller prostate volume, higher PSA, higher PSA density, and greater PSA velocity.

Conclusions: Transperineal template-guided prostate biopsy is an effective technique for detecting cancer in patients with persistently elevated PSA despite multiple negative biopsies. It improves sampling of the anterior and apical prostate, and should be included as part of the diagnostic algorithm to reduce extensive repeat biopsy. © 2012 Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

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6.4.5 *Diagnostic transurethral resection of the prostate (TURP)*

The use of diagnostic TURP instead of repeat biopsies is a poor tool for cancer detection (38) (LE: 2a).

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Detection of prostate cancer by TURP or open surgery in patients with previously negative transrectal prostate biopsies.

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Abstract

OBJECTIVES: To evaluate retrospectively the effectiveness of transurethral resection of the prostate (TURP) in diagnosing prostate cancer in patients with obstructive voiding symptoms and a history of negative transrectal prostate biopsy but elevated prostate-specific antigen (PSA) and/or abnormal digital rectal examination (DRE).

METHODS: In 1189 consecutive patients undergoing TURP or open prostatectomy between 1994 and 2000 for obstructive voiding symptoms, we identified 445 patients (37.4%) with at least one previous set of transrectal prostate biopsies because of an elevated PSA level and/or abnormal DRE findings. The probability to detect prostate cancer by TURP (n = 423; 95%) or open surgery (n = 22; 5%) was investigated overall, as well as related to patient age, PSA level, DRE findings, number of previous biopsies, time from biopsy to surgery, and weight of resected tissue.

RESULTS: The mean number of preoperative negative biopsies per patient was 1.6 (range 1 to 8). The mean patient age was 69 years (range 48 to 89). The median PSA level and resection weight was 8.64 ng/mL and 32 g, respectively. Ninety-seven patients (21.8%) had abnormal DRE findings. Overall, prostate cancer was detected in 35 patients (7.9%). The cancer incidence was 5.5% (19 of 348) in patients with a normal DRE compared with 16.5% (16 of 97) in patients with an abnormal DRE (P <0.001; Fisher's exact test). The cancer rate was also related to age; other subgroups showed no statistically significant differences regarding cancer incidence.

CONCLUSIONS: In patients with previously negative biopsies, the diagnostic yield of TURP is low. Therefore, TURP for diagnostic purposes only cannot be recommended. However, in patients with an abnormal DRE and obstructive symptoms, surgery should be preferred over alternative treatment options.

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TURP in patients with biopsy-proven prostate cancer: sensitivity for cancer detection.

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Abstract

OBJECTIVES: Recent laser techniques for the treatment of benign prostatic obstruction result in a significant amount of vaporization. Therefore, less tissue is retrieved for histologic evaluation. This might be an argument in favor of monopolar transurethral resection of the prostate (TURP). The aim of this retrospective study was to determine the ability to detect prostate cancer (PCa) in the TURP specimen of patients with biopsy-proven PCa and to gain information about the value of the TURP specimen during benign prostatic obstruction treatment.

METHODS: The charts of 154 patients with biopsy-proven PCa who had undergone standard TURP before high-intensity focused ultrasound therapy were retrospectively reviewed. The pre- and postoperative characteristics and histologic features were analyzed to identify the sensitivity of TURP in terms of PCa detection. Patients with incidentally detected PCa or a history of radiotherapy or chemotherapy were excluded. All patients underwent TURP by an experienced surgeon (>1000 procedures). The histologic features were evaluated and the chips completely analyzed for PCa detection. The Mann-Whitney U test and chi(2) test were used for statistical analysis.

RESULTS: Of the 154 patients, 84 fulfilled the inclusion criteria. The mean patient age was 69.8 years (range 59-82). The mean prostate-specific antigen level was 9.8 ng/dL, the mean prostate volume was 31.7 cm(3), and the average amount of resected tissue was 17.9 g. PCa was detected in 45 of 84 patients (54%). No significant differences between the group with histologic findings positive for PCa and the group with negative findings could be found in any of the recorded parameters.

CONCLUSIONS: Only 54% of the PCa cases were detected by TURP. Therefore, the worth of the obtained tissue sample during TURP seems questionable.

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Comparison of Transrectal Prostate Biopsy Results with Histology of Transurethral Resection of the Prostate in Men Undergoing High-Intensity Focused Ultrasound.

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Abstract

Introduction: The aim of our study was to evaluate the significance of transurethral resection of the prostate (TURP) to detect prostate cancer (PCa). A comparison was performed of the TURP specimens of patients undergoing high-intensity focused ultrasound (HIFU) with the core biopsies. **Materials and Methods:** TURP before undergoing HIFU therapy was performed in 106 patients without neoadjuvant treatment. The resected tissue was subjected to histopathological evaluation and compared to the histological results of transrectal prostate biopsy. **Results:** Cancer was detected in the resected tissue of 69 patients (65%). A positive correlation of the amount of resected tissue and detection of PCa could be demonstrated in a multivariate analysis. **Conclusions:** With a rate of 65% PCa detected by TURP, our data provide evidence that TURP might be suitable to detect PCa in a small group of selected patients with continuously rising PSA levels and several negative biopsies. On the other hand, these data underline/reinforce the necessity to treat the whole gland using modern treatment modalities such as HIFU and cryotherapy.

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While the need for an initial prostate biopsy is determined on the basis of the PSA level and/or a suspicious DRE, the indications for a repeat biopsy according to different organizations are:

EAU: Rising and/or persistently elevated PSA; suspicious DRE; atypical small acinar proliferation (ASAP); and extensive (multiple biopsy sites) prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia. High-grade PIN as an isolated finding is no longer considered an indication for repeat biopsy. In the case PIN is extensive (i.e. in multiple biopsy sites), this could be a reason for early repeat biopsy, because the risk of subsequent prostate cancer is slightly increased.

Heidenreich A, Bellmunt J, Bolla M, et al., European Association of Urology. EAU guidelines on prostate cancer. Part 1: screening, diagnosis, and treatment of clinically localised disease. Eur Urol 2011;59:61-71.

NCCN: ASAP in biopsy: extended pattern repeat biopsy (within 6 mo), with increased sampling of the ASAP site and adjacent areas. HGPIN multifocal (≥ 2 cores): extended pattern biopsy within the first year. Patients with prior negative biopsies, yet persistently rising PSA values should undergo repeat biopsy based on risks and benefits discussion.

NCCN Guideline Version 2012 Prostate Cancer Early Detection; <http://www.nccn.org>

NICE: Men should decide whether to have a rebiopsy following a negative biopsy, having had the risks and benefits explained to them.

National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence, Clinical Guideline 58, Prostate Cancer 2008; <http://www.nice.org>

ITALY: It is recommended that a biopsy be repeated after a prior negative biopsy when the prior sampling is inadequate (<6 cores sampled, no prostatic tissue, and in the case of thin or bad readable cores); PSA persistently >10 ng/ml; PSA velocity >0.75 -1 ng/ml per year; or ASAP or HGPIN at first biopsy.

Systematic Development of Clinical Practice Guidelines for Prostate Biopsies: A 3-Year Italian Project Anticancer Res 2007;27:659-66

Canadian Urological Association: ASAP lesions are cancerous until proven otherwise and should undergo repeat biopsy. Repeat biopsy may no longer be indicated for HGPIN lesions in the era of extended core biopsy, unless the patient has an increase in PSA or change on DRE .

Canadian Urological Association Guidelines 2010 on Prostate Biopsy Methodology. Can Urol Assoc J 2010;4:89-94

When serial prostate biopsy is recommended: most cancers detected are clinically insignificant

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CONCLUSION

- In men with two prior negative prostate biopsies, prostate cancer detection remains low regardless of clinical indication or transrectal biopsy protocol; most cancers identified are clinically insignificant, suggesting the threshold to repeat biopsy after more than one negative session should be very high.

Review Article

**Prostate cancer detection after a negative prostate biopsy:
Lessons learnt in the Cleveland Clinic experience**

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In total, 70% of PCa is detected on initial PBx; therefore, we believe that **optimization of the initial PBx** intuitively reduces the likelihood of facing a “repeat biopsy dilemma”.

6.4.4 Sampling sites and number of cores

On baseline biopsies, the sample sites should be as far posterior and lateral as possible in the peripheral gland. Additional cores should be obtained from suspect areas by DRE/TRUS. These should be chosen on an individual basis.

Sextant biopsy is no longer considered adequate. At a glandular volume of 30–40 mL, at least eight cores should be sampled. The British Prostate Testing for Cancer and Treatment Study has recommended 10 core biopsies (36) (LE: 2a) More than 12 cores are not significantly more conclusive (37) (LE: 1a).