

# PROSTATE CANCER SCREENING

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## Prostate Cancer Screening and the Nurse's Role

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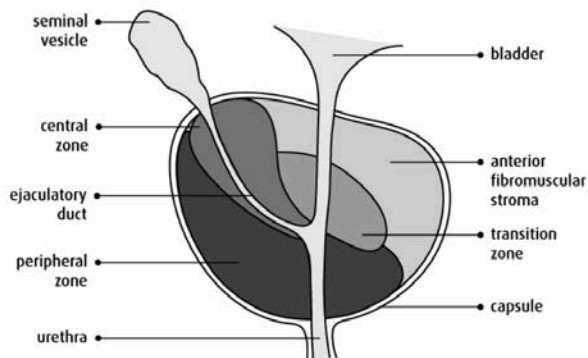


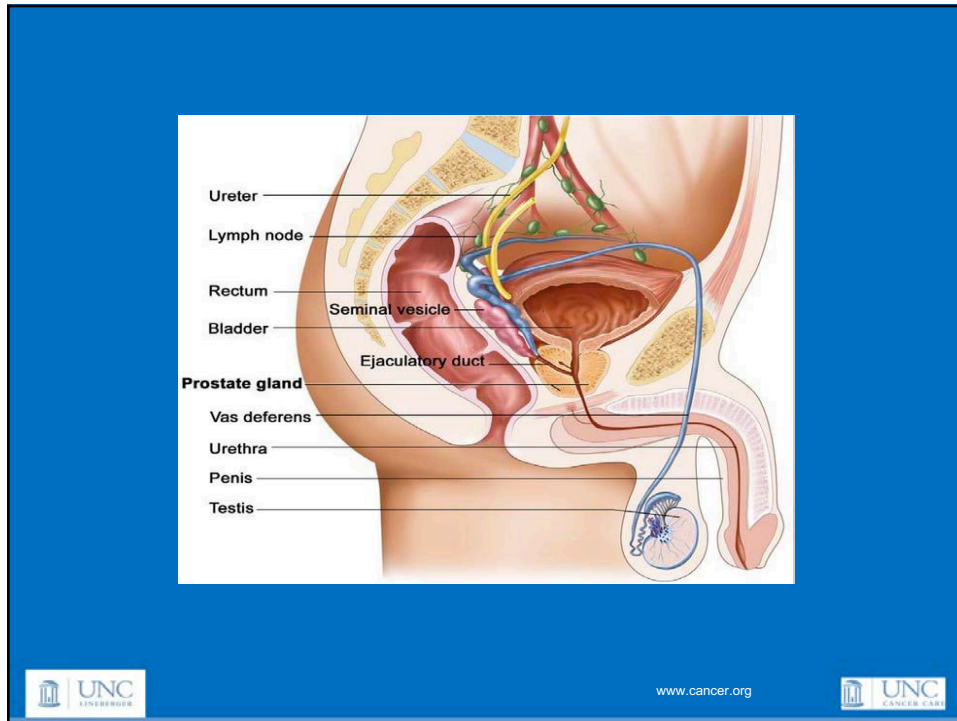
# Physiology

- Partly glandular and muscular organ within lower pelvis
- Accessory reproductive gland
- Aids in motility and nourishment of sperm
- 28-47cc



Zones of the Prostate





## Epidemiology

- Most commonly diagnosed (non cutaneous) malignancy in men
- >2.9 million men living with prostate cancer in the US
- Lifetime risk: 1 in 9 men
- 2nd leading cause of cancer death in men in the US
- 1 in 41 men die of prostate cancer

## Survival Rates

SEER Stage	5 Year Relative Survival Rate
Localized	Nearly 100%
Regional	Nearly 100%
Distant	30%



## Clinical Presentation

- **Usually asymptomatic**
- Lower urinary tract symptoms (LUTS)
- Bone pain
- Bladder Outlet Obstruction /Renal failure



## Risk Factors

- Age
  - 60% dx at  $\geq$  65 years old
- Race
  - AA men highest incidence & mortality
- Family History
  - History of metastatic or lethal adenocarcinomas



## AUA Recommendations

- Recommends against screening <40yo
- Average risk men: Shared decision making to begin screening, beginning at age 55
- High risk men: Individualized decision based on risk factors



## Screening

- Prostate exam called digital rectal exam (DRE)
- Blood test called prostate specific antigen (PSA)
  - Protein produced exclusively by prostate cells
  - PSA density, PSA velocity, free PSA
- New Tools: biomarkers, MRI, targeted biopsy



## Goal of screening

Identify a high-risk prostate cancer that will affect a patient's quality of life that can be successfully treated



## Benefit of Early Detection

Prevent morbidity and mortality associated with metastatic disease



## Harms of Early Detection

- Psychological distress
- Potential complications of biopsy
  - Bleeding, pain, infection
- Overtreatment



## PSA: Screening Smarter

- Artificially high
  - Infection
  - Lab error
  - Inflammation
  - Retention
  - BPH
  - Intercourse
- Artificially low
  - BPH meds: 5-ARI
  - Lab error
  - Chemotherapy



## The Role of the Nurse or APP: Pre-treatment

- Monitoring of elevated PSA
- Monitoring patients on active surveillance
- Managing urinary symptoms
- Counsel patients on risk factors, screening guidelines
- Patient Education:
  - “ Nobody dies from prostate cancer”
  - “I don’t believe in PSA”
- Reinforcing discussions on treatment options, side effect management, post-operative pathway



## The Role of the Nurse or APP: Post-treatment

- Mental and emotional implications
- Managing side effects:
  - Urinary incontinence, ED
  - Make referrals when appropriate
- Surveillance for disease recurrence
- Survivorship Care Plan



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# MRI ULTRASOUND FUSION TARGETED PROSTATE BIOPSY IN PROSTATE CANCER LOCALIZATION AND RISK ASSESSMENT

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## PROBLEMS WITH CURRENT DETECTION PARADIGM

- PSA sensitivity is set by threshold, but specificity is poor at all threshold
- No ability of PSA to distinguish aggressive disease
- Huge number of biopsies
  - Repeat biopsies for men with cancer
  - Repeat biopsies for men without cancer
- Resulting over-detection leading to over-treatment leading to criticism of our field



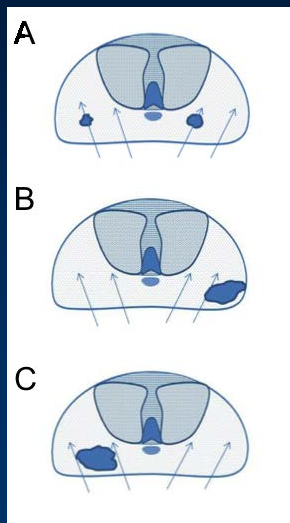
## WHAT IS THE PROBLEM?

- The biomarker
- The response to the biomarker
- The biopsy
- The response to the biopsy

We can probably do better with all of the above.



## CURRENT LIMITATIONS OF PROSTATE BIOPSY



**Clinically insignificant cancers are identified by chance**

**Important cancers are incorrectly risk stratified**

**Clinically significant tumours are missed**

(Bjurlin, et al, J Urol, 2014; adapted from H Ahmed, UCL)



## DEFINITION OF BIOPSY OPTIMIZATION

- Detection of potentially lethal prostate cancer
- Avoidance of “over-detection” of clinically insignificant cancer
- Generation of clinically useful data
  - accurate depiction of risk and cancer location
- Maintenance of cost effectiveness
  - Avoidance of repetitive biopsy
  - Cost effective specimen handling

Taneja, et al, AUA White Paper: Optimization of Prostate Biopsy and Specimen Handling, 2013  
Bjurlin, et al, J Urol, 2013



## OPTIONS FOR IMPROVING THE BIOPSY PARADIGM

- Better candidate selection
  - Biomarkers: PCA3, PHI, 4k score
  - Nomograms: PCPT calculator, Vienna nomogram
- Saturation techniques
  - Overcome sampling error through excessive sampling
- Targeted biopsy/Imaging
  - Use of imaging to guide biopsy
  - Use of imaging to stratify risk



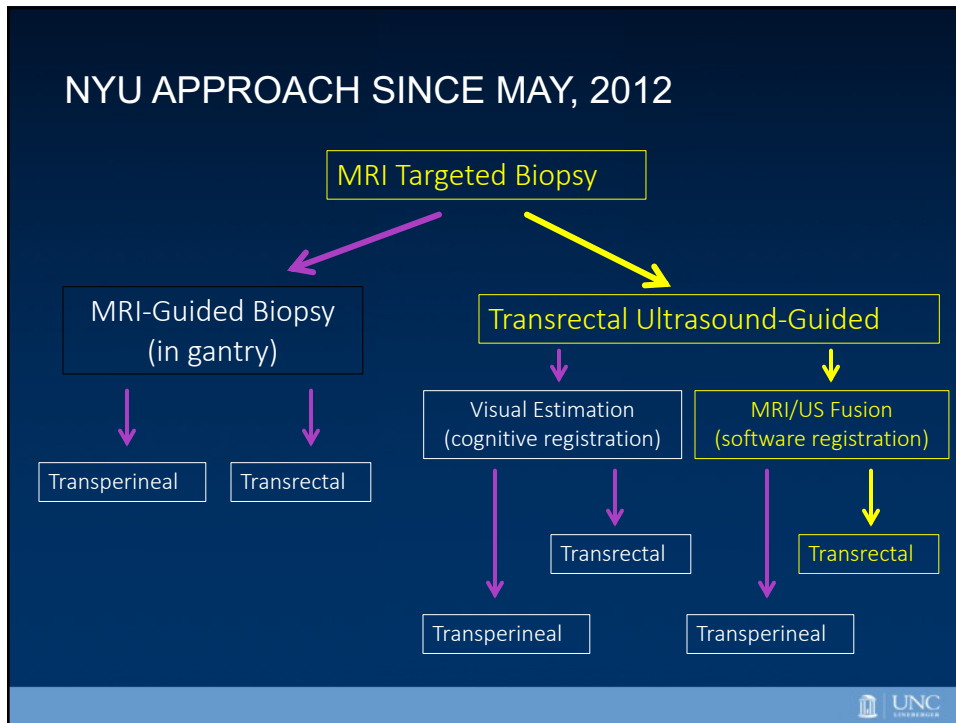
## MRI COULD CORRECT ALL THE LIMITATIONS OF SYSTEMATIC BIOPSY

- Targeting of patients with MR detected abnormality
  - fewer false negatives
    - fewer repeat biopsies
  - more accurate cancer classification
    - greater cancer core length
    - better grade concordance
    - better patient selection for AS/therapy
- No biopsy for MRI normal patients
  - avoidance of over-detection of indolent tumors



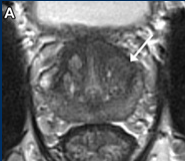
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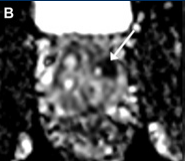
### MULTIPARAMETRIC MRI OF THE PROSTATE

- Pre-biopsy 3T multi-parametric MRI
  - Identify areas of suspicion for sampling
  - Predicts likelihood of prostate cancer through MRI suspicion score (mSS)
  - Selection of patients for biopsy



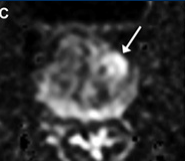
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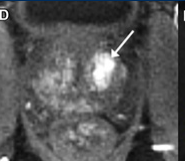
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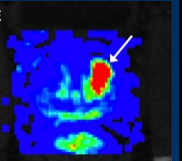
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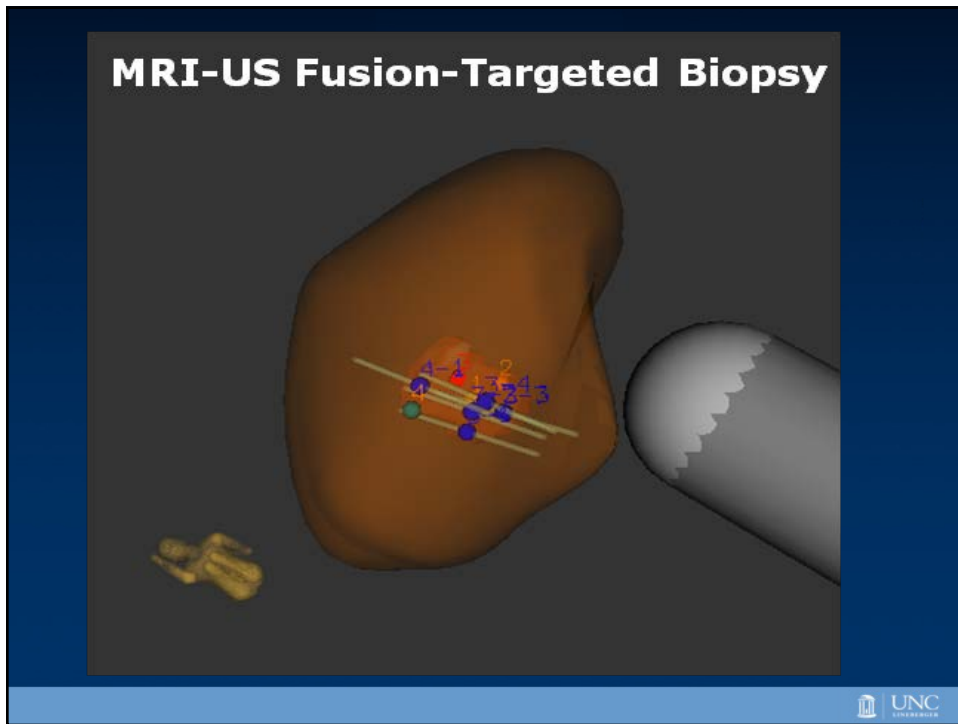
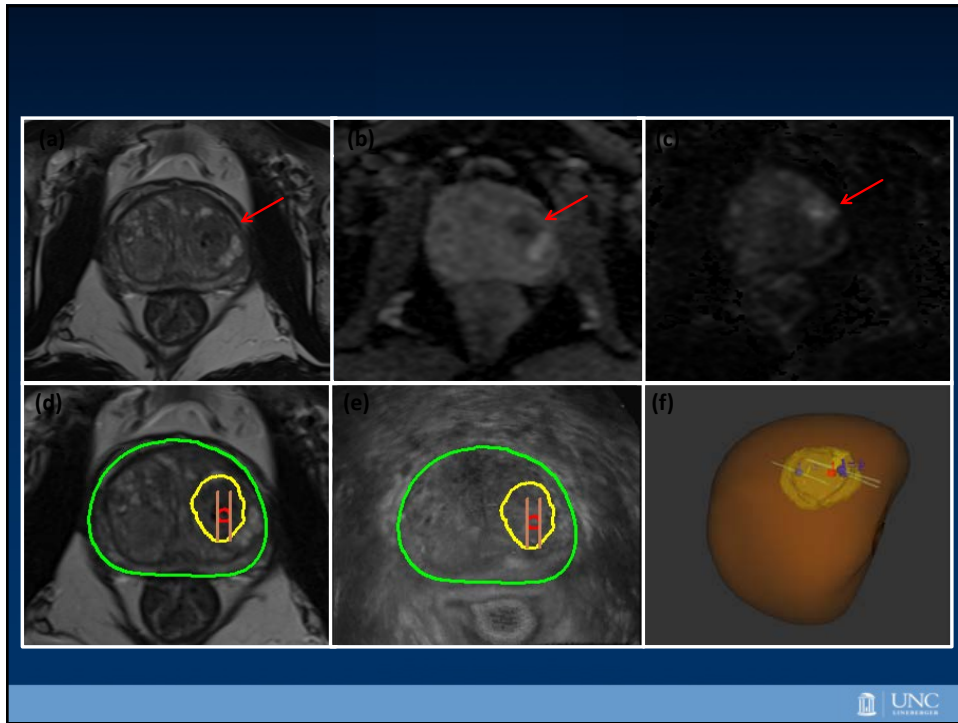
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Perfusion Map

**Bjurlin, et al, J Urol, 2013**



## RATES OF ADHERENCE WITH PRE-BIOPSY MRI

- 1526 patients underwent prostate biopsy at our center by one of 5 urologists between June 1, 2012 and Jan 1, 2016
  - 1509/1526 (98.9%) underwent pre-biopsy MRI
  - 17 biopsied without MRI
    - 8 cardiac pacemaker
    - 3 insurance denial
    - 2 embedded shrapnel
    - 2 claustrophobia
    - 2 physician preference

Rosenkrantz, et al, Urologia Internat 2016



## CLINICAL APPLICATIONS OF PRE-BIOPSY MRI PRIOR TO TARGETED BIOPSY

- Previous negative biopsy
  - Finding missed disease
- Active surveillance/ known cancer
  - Localizing dominant disease
  - Accurate classification of disease risk
- No previous biopsy
  - Goal of finding lethal disease while missing non-lethal disease
  - Reduction of over-detection



## Enrollment

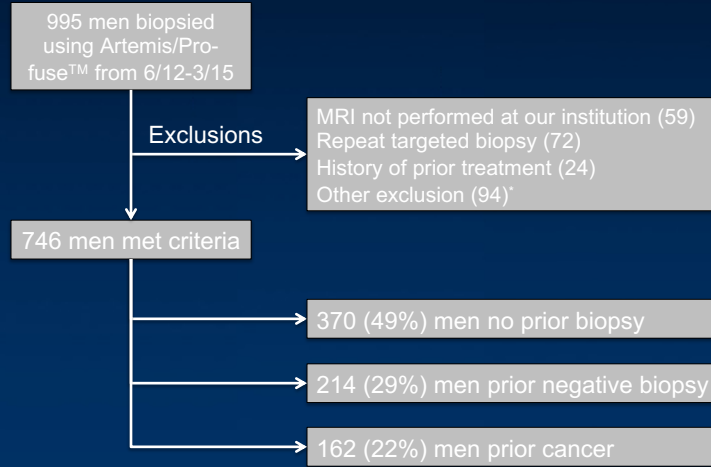
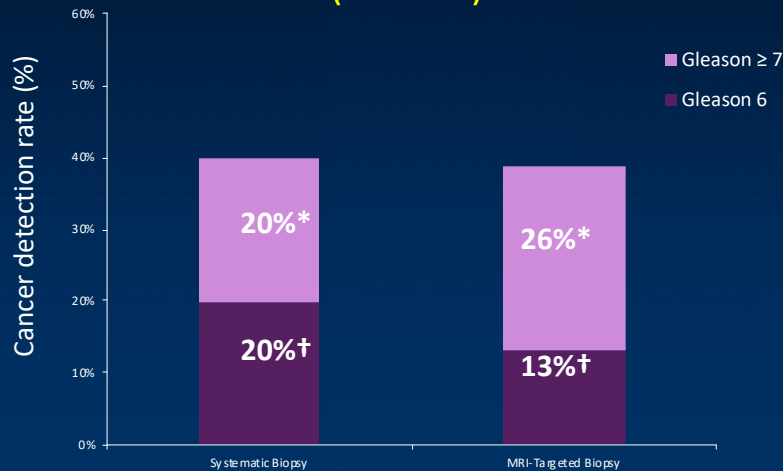


Figure 1 - Study flow diagram  
MRI = magnetic resonance imaging  
\*Exclusion due to non-standard MRI protocol or missing data element

Meng, et al, European Urology, 2016



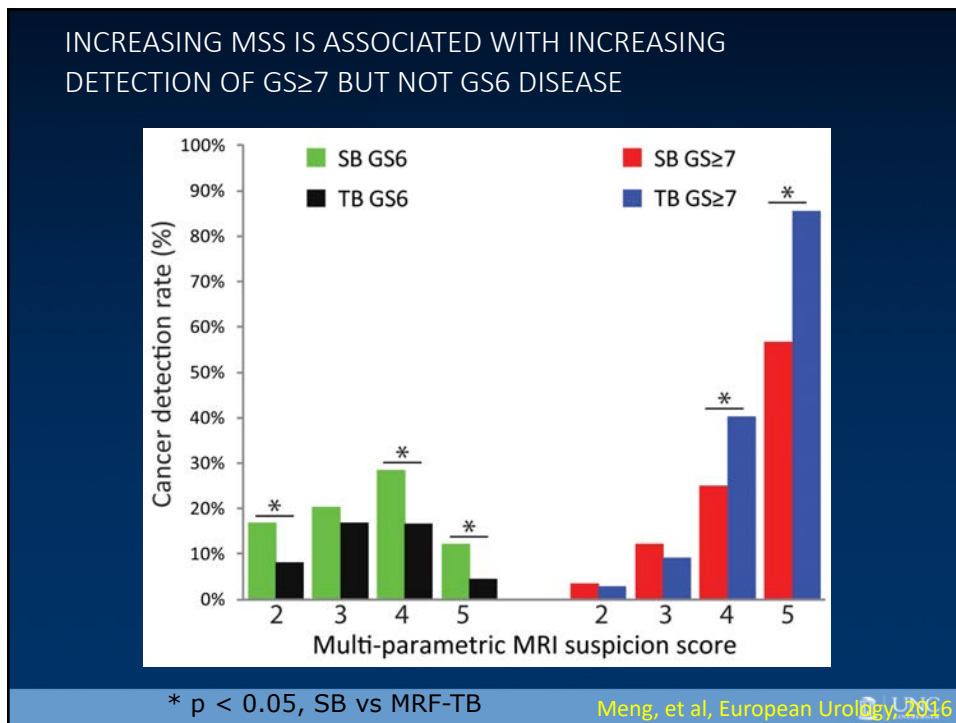
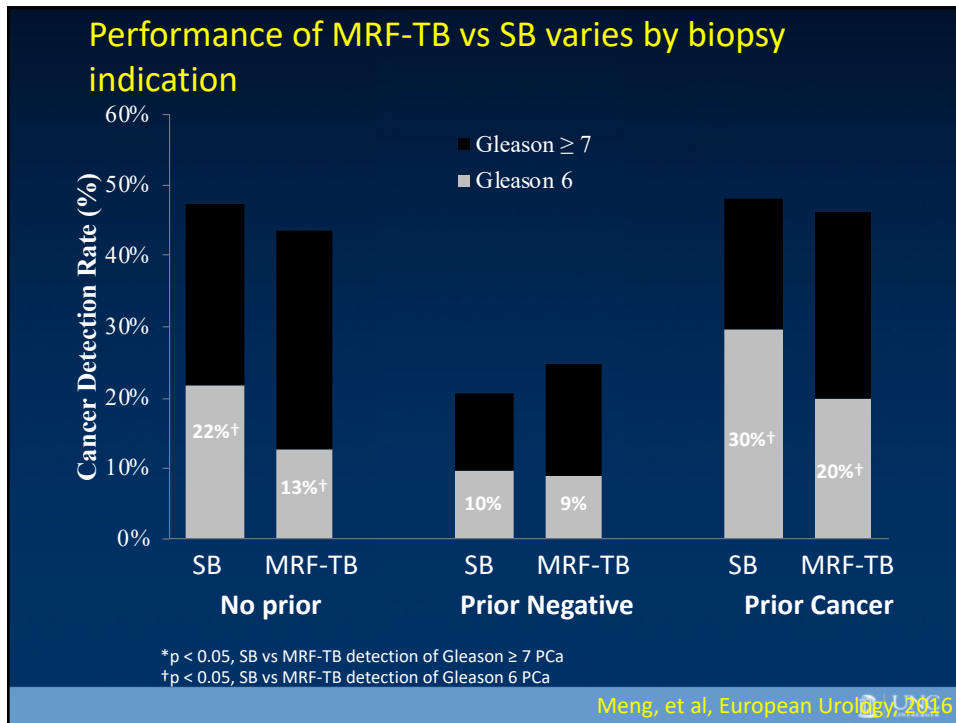
## Systematic vs Targeted biopsy, whole cohort (n = 746)

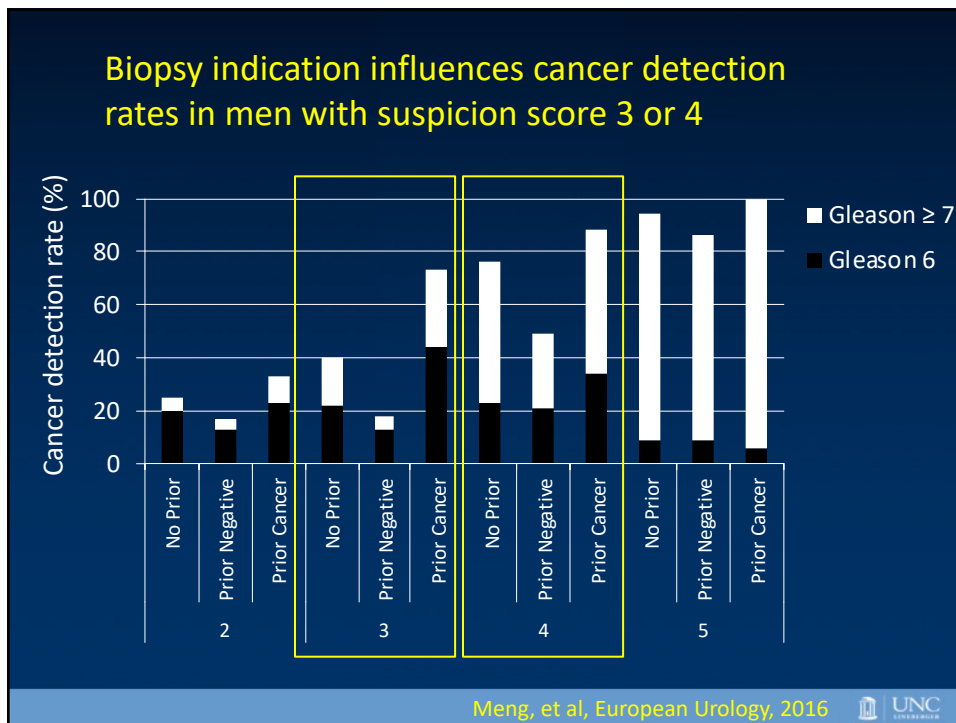
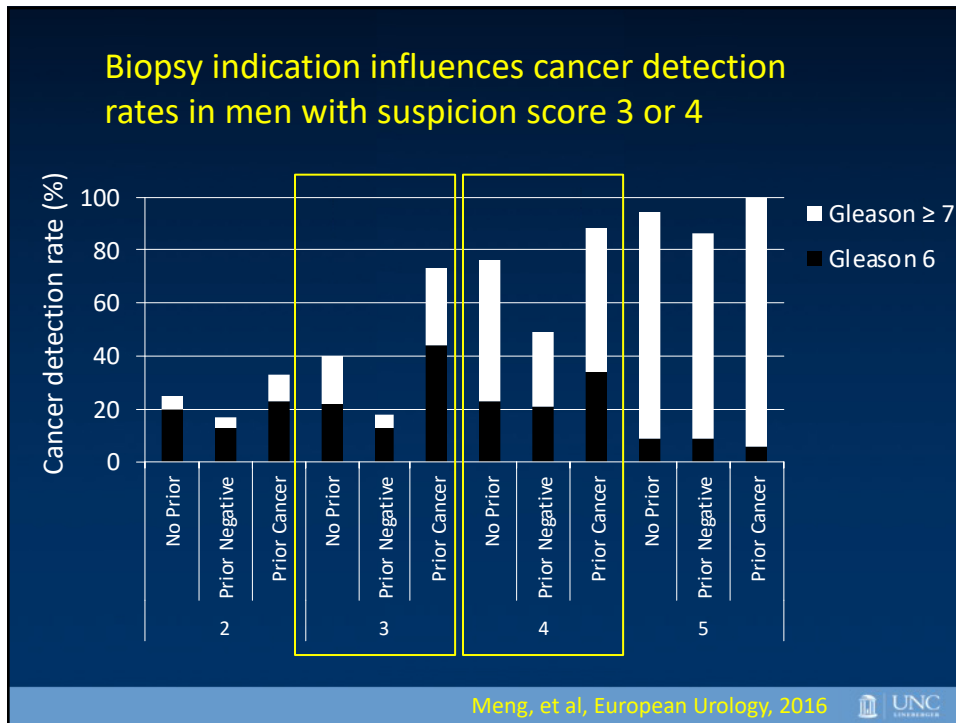


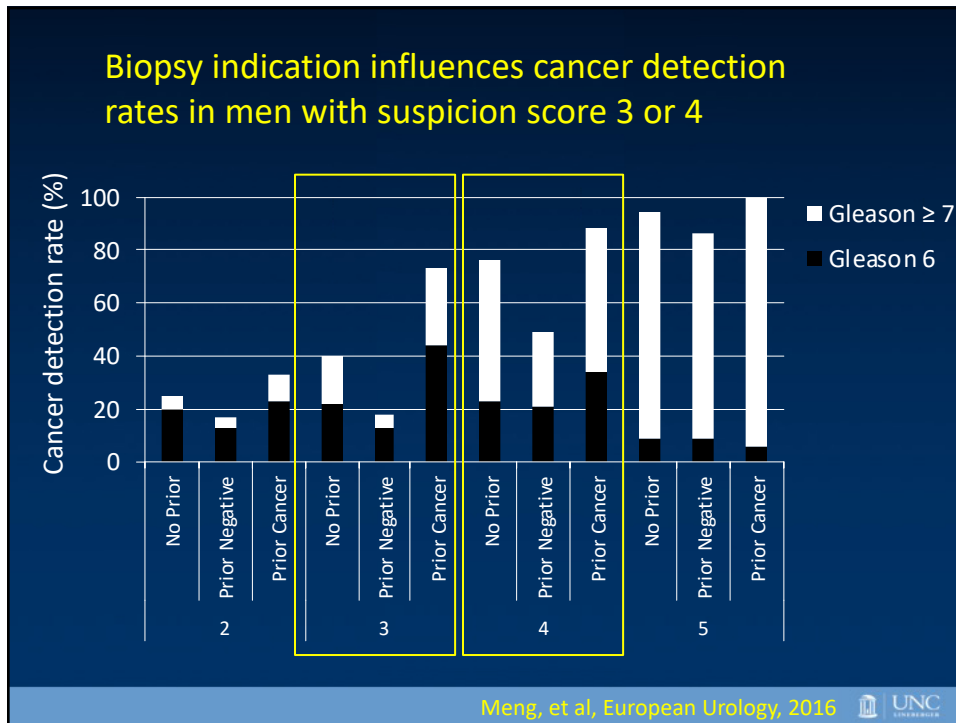
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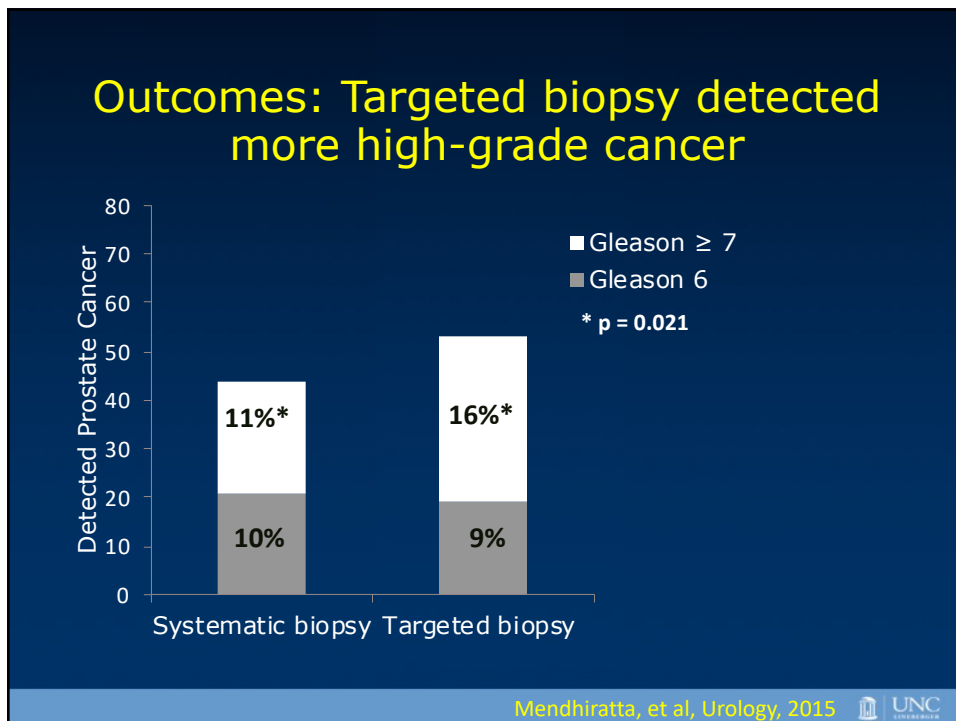
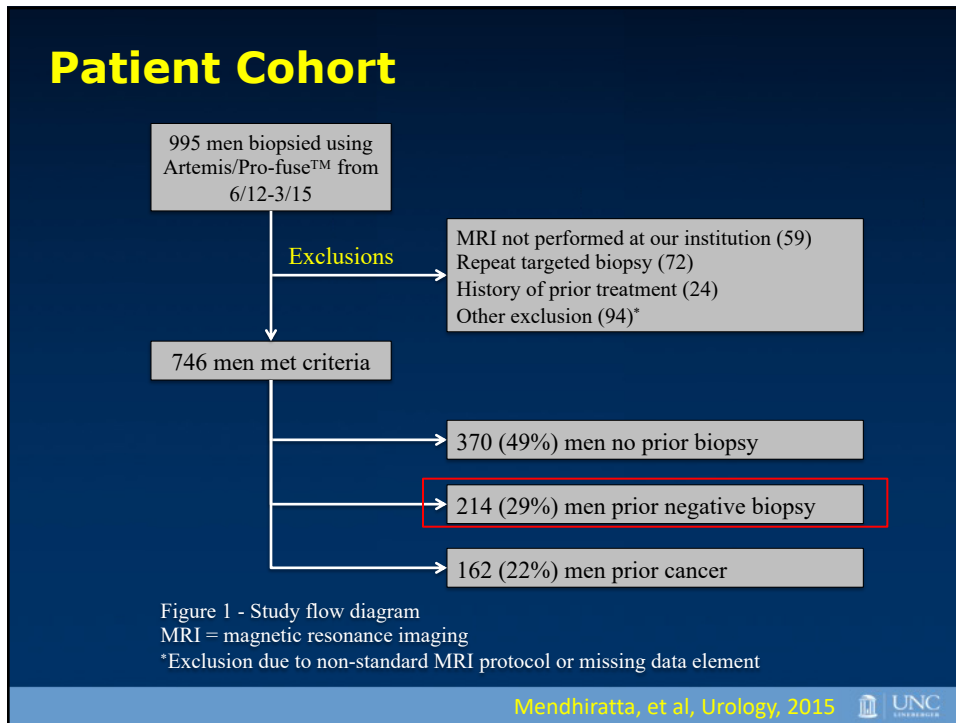


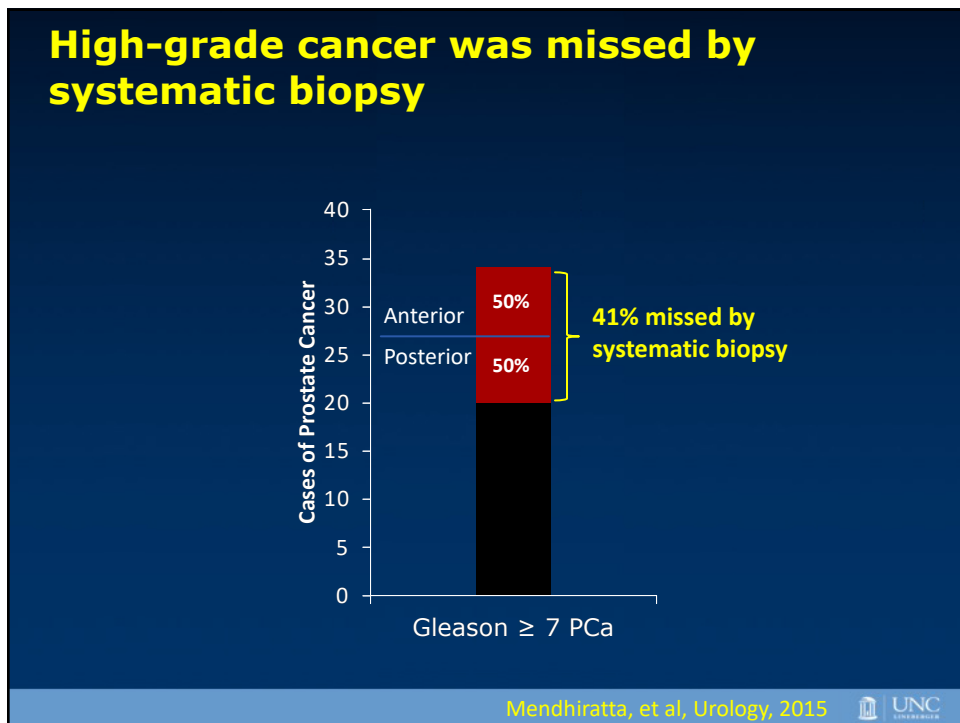
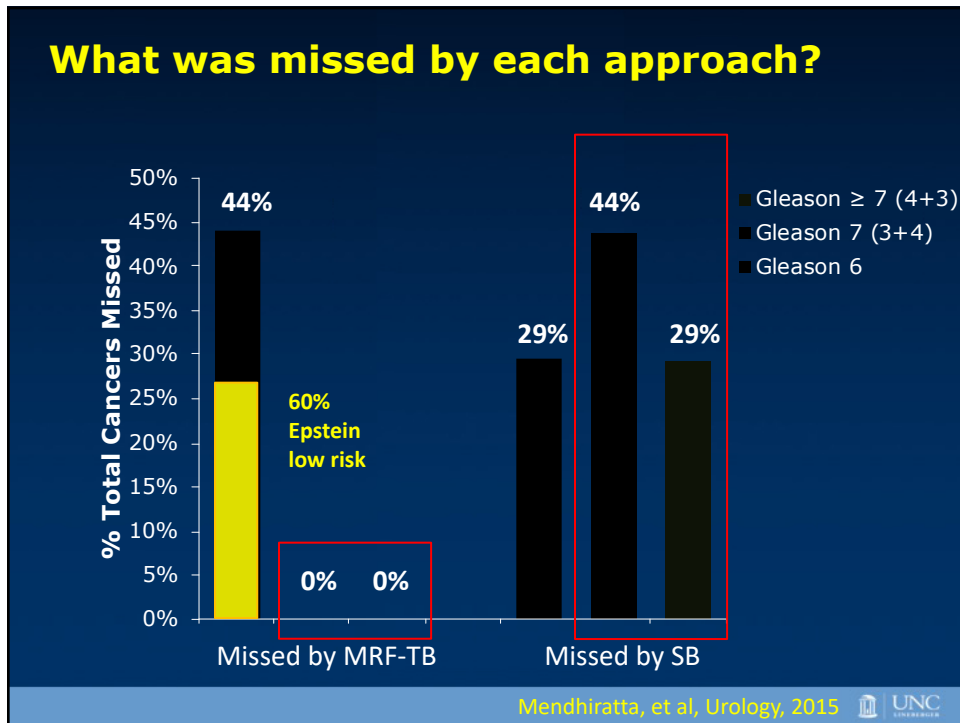


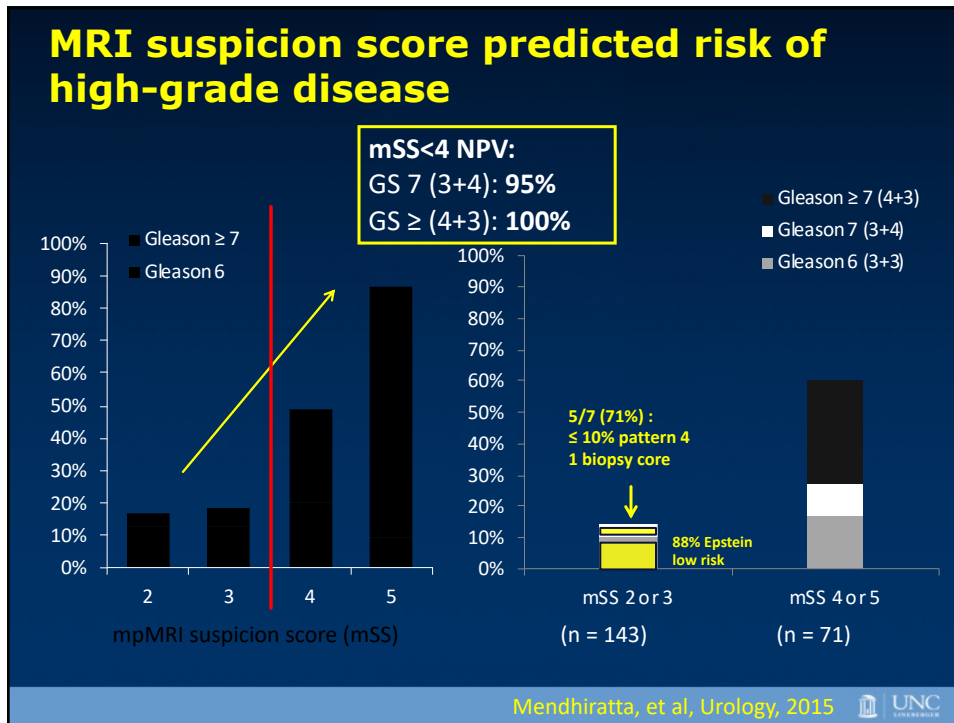




## MEN WITH PREVIOUS NEGATIVE BIOPSY







### WHITE PAPER: PROSTATE MRI AND MRI-TARGETED BIOPSY IN PATIENTS WITH PRIOR NEGATIVE BIOPSY

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## JOINT STATEMENT

- When high quality MRI is available it should be strongly considered in any patient undergoing repeat biopsy
- Other considerations:
  - Results of other biomarkers
  - Cost of the MRI
  - Availability of high quality MRI
    - Proper equipment, properly used
    - Properly interpreted using PI-RADS criteria

Rosenkrantz, et al, J Urology, 2016



## PI-RADS V2

- MRI should be interpreted with PIRADS v2 guidelines
  - Experience by radiologist in interpretation
  - Experience by urologist in performing biopsies
  - Quality Assurance Programs are recommended to monitor targeted biopsy results
- Any MRI lesion interpreted as PI-RADS 3, 4, 5 warrants biopsy with image guidance

Rosenkrantz, et al, J Urology, 2016



## RECOMMENDED METHODS OF TARGETED MRI BIOPSIES

- Acceptable methods
  - TRUS-MRI fusion biopsy
  - In bore MRI targeted biopsy
    - Fusion and in-bore may be valuable for small lesions or lesions in difficult locations
  - Cognitive (visual) targeting
- At least two cores from each MRI target
  - Separately label cores, denoting targeted and non targeted biopsies
- Case specific decision regarding additional systematic sampling

Rosenkrantz, et al, J Urology, 2016



## ARE MR GUIDED BIOPSIES ENOUGH?

- Targeted biopsy only:
  - Only if QA efforts have validated prostate MRI results are consistent with literature
  - Acknowledge 5-15% false negative rate with MR targeted MRI
  - Consider early re-biopsy of PI-RADS 5 lesion that is negative at biopsy

Rosenkrantz, et al, J Urology, 2016



## WHAT IF MRI IS NORMAL OR LOW RISK?

- If lesions are PI-RADS 1 or 2, other markers/clinical factors may indicate a need to repeat systematic biopsy
- If a repeat biopsy is deferred on the basis of the MRI findings:
  - Continued clinical and laboratory followup
  - Consider repeat MRI

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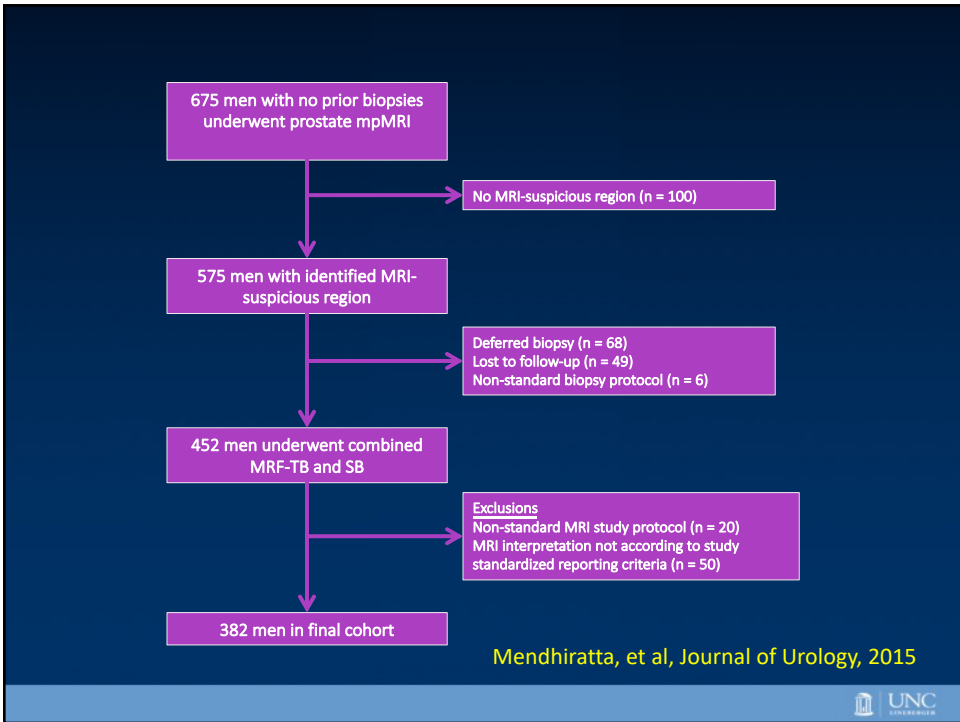
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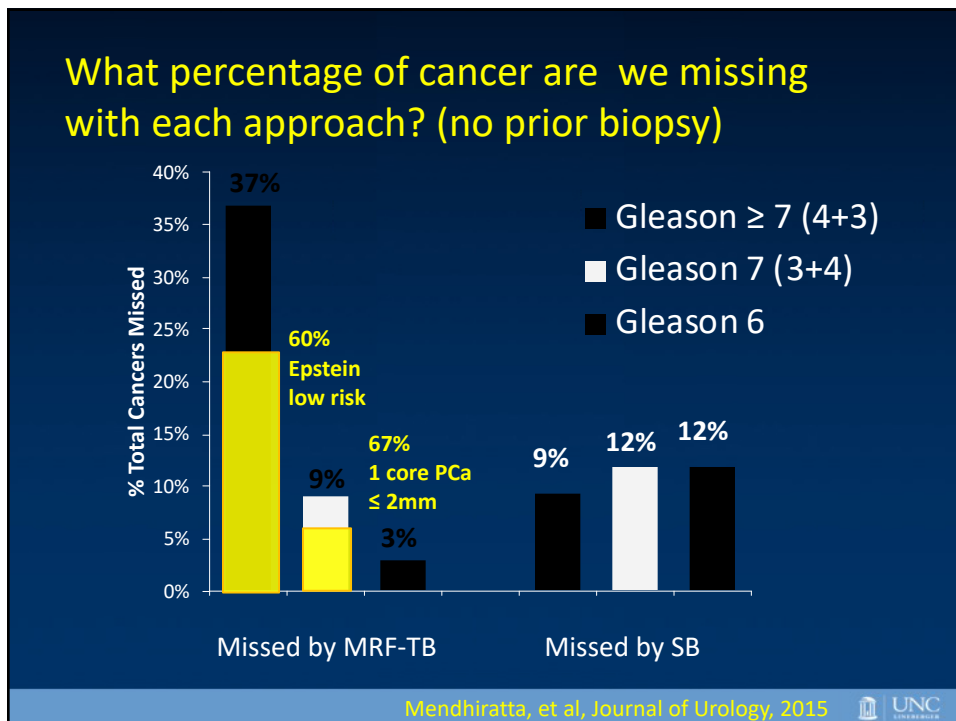
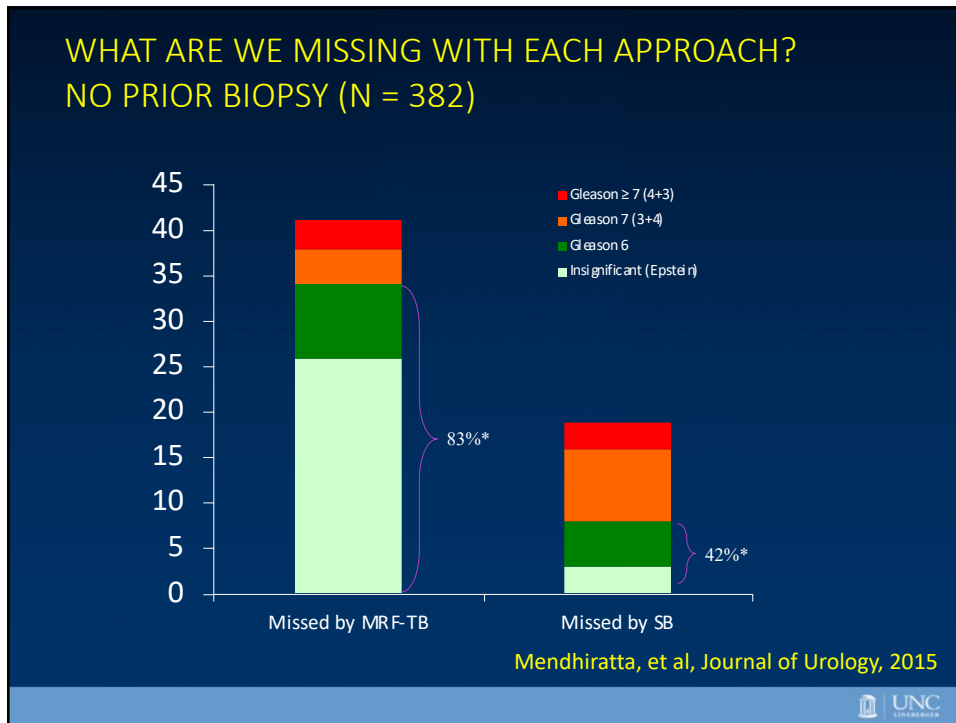
- If considering repeat biopsy after initial negative biopsy, MRI and targeted biopsy may help detect CS disease over standard repeat biopsy
- Strongly consider obtaining prostate MRI in any patient being considered for repeat biopsy when high quality MRI is available; also consider other markers and cost of exam
- Distribute document to AUA website and short version in the Journal of Urology

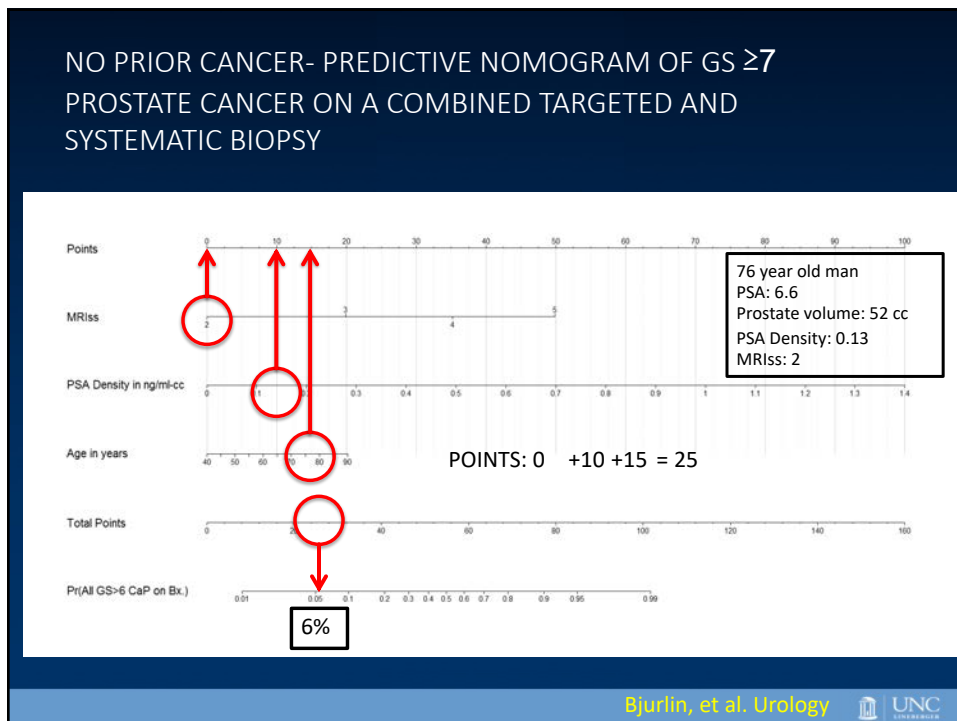
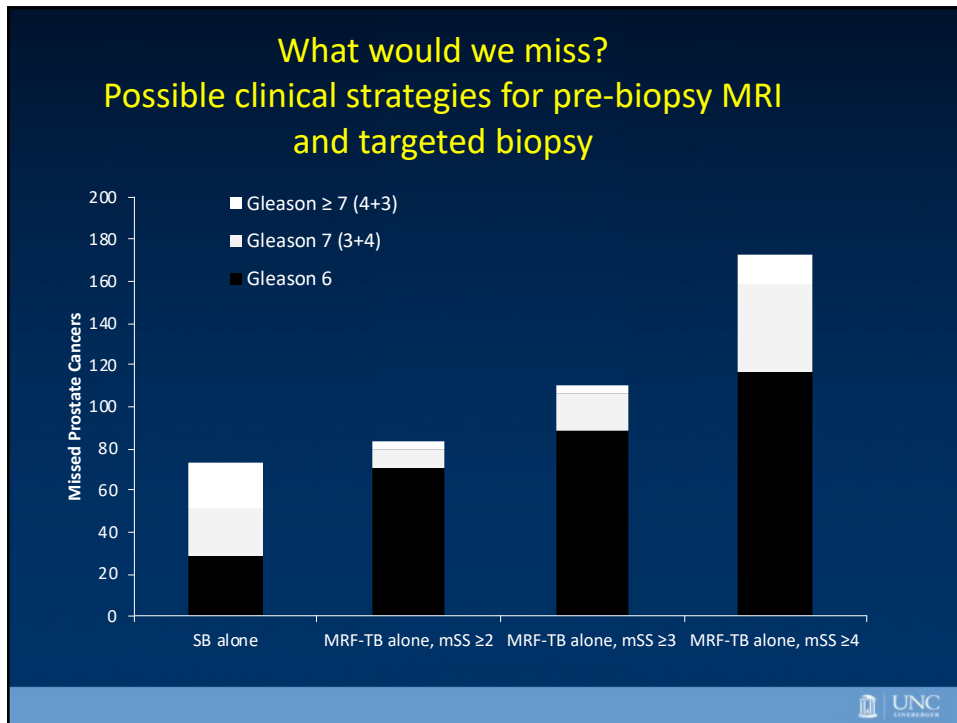
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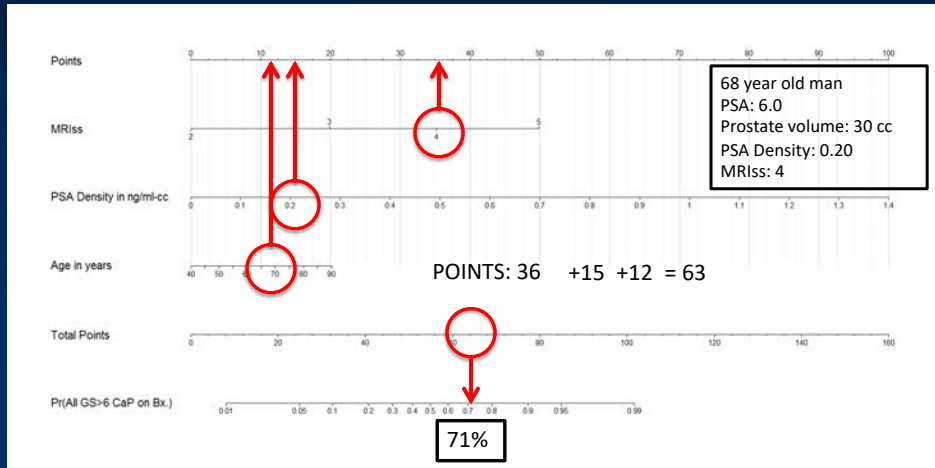
# MEN WITHOUT PREVIOUS BIOPSY





### NO PRIOR CANCER- PREDICTIVE NOMOGRAM OF GS $\geq 7$ PROSTATE CANCER ON A COMBINED TARGETED AND SYSTEMATIC BIOPSY



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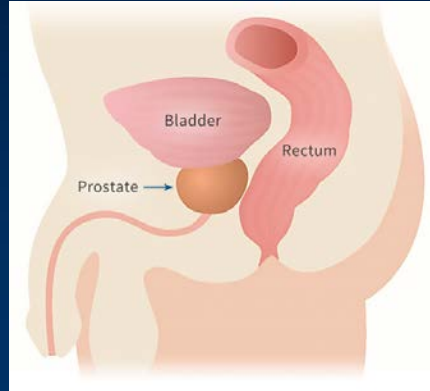


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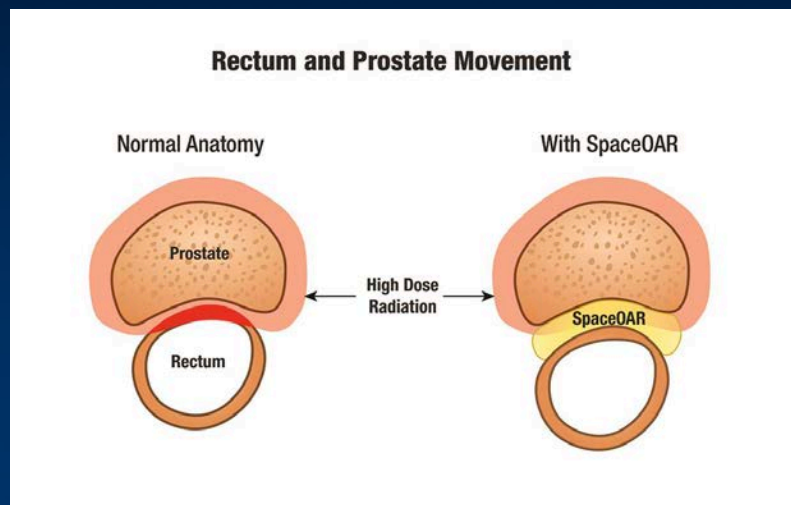


NEW TECHNOLOGY TO PREVENT SIDE EFFECTS OF RADIATION IN THE MANAGEMENT OF PROSTATE CANCER

- Proximity of rectum to prostate: risk for GI toxicity
- Bleeding, frequency, urgency, pain, fistulas



DECREASE RECTAL TOXICITY BY INCREASING SPACE BETWEEN RECTUM AND PROSTATE





## CONCLUSIONS

- MR targeted biopsy offers unique benefits in all biopsy indications:
  - Improved detection of cancer and high grade disease in men with previous negative biopsy
  - Optimized risk stratification of men with history of cancer, reducing need for repeat biopsy
  - Reduction of Gleason 6 cancer detection without reduction of high grade detection in men with no previous biopsy
- MR suspicion score, biopsy indication, and secondary biomarkers may aid in deciding who needs biopsy in each of these groups
- SpaceOAR is new technology to reduce radiation side effects