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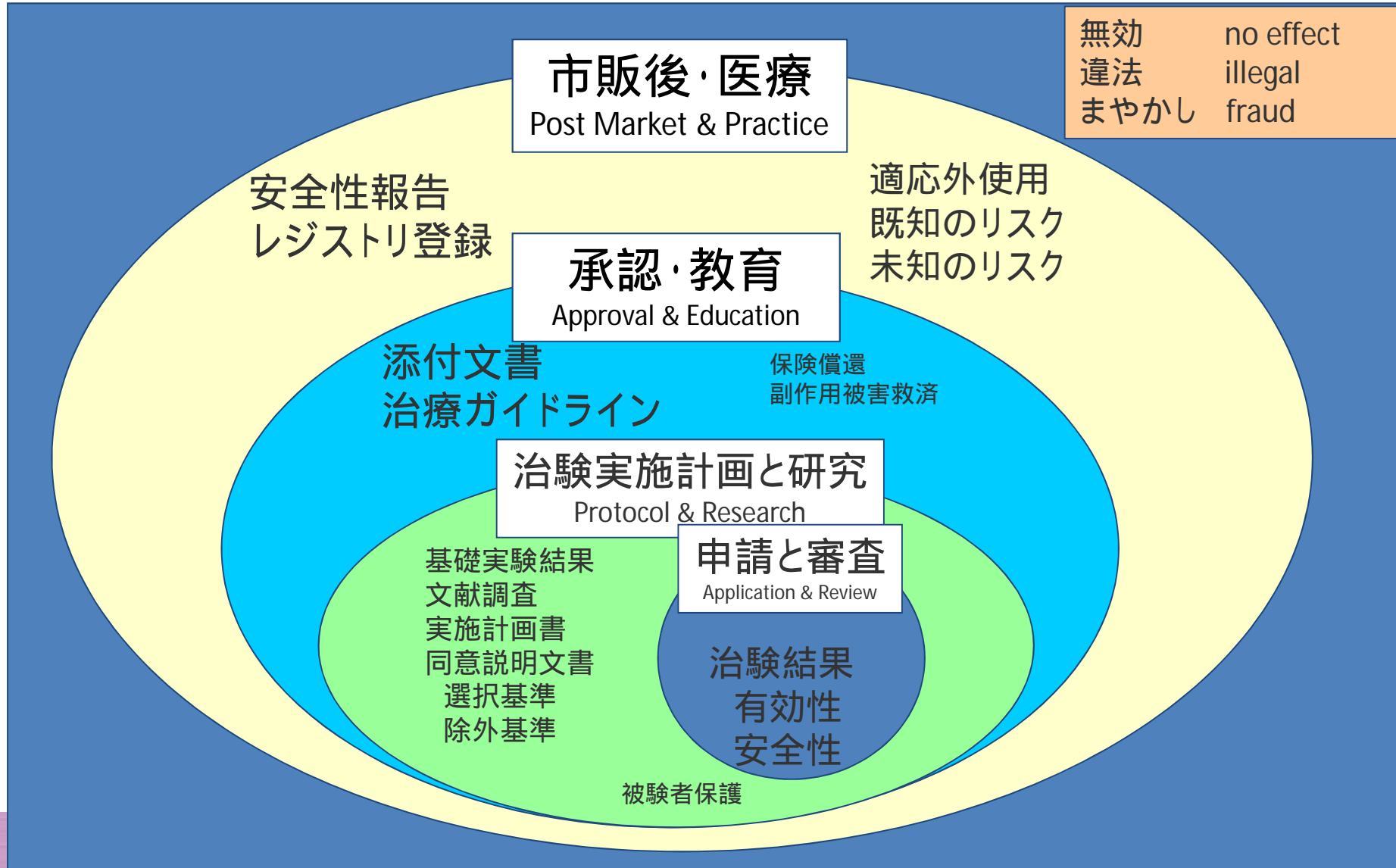
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京大病院にて (1986年)

ある日、循環器内科医が「希少がん」と診断されました

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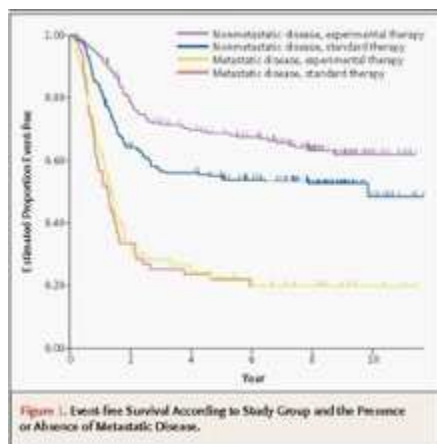
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ちょっと調べてみただけでも、たくさんの
テレビドラマや映画が...でもほとんどが悲劇

約2年間にわたる抗がん剤治療と手術は大変でしたが、 多くの人に助けられ、とりあえず乗り切ることができました

医学部で習った昔の教科書には、とても稀なタイプの病気で患肢を切断しても余命約2年、などととても厳しいことが書いてありました

いろいろな先生に相談したところ、2003年にアメリカの先生達が発表した論文を基に、手術の前後で約2年間にわたり約20回入院して抗がん剤を投与した方が良いということがわかりました



まだまだ日本語の情報は乏しいものの、英語のホームページや最新の医学論文も参考にしつつ、信頼できる情報や相談相手にたどり着きました

客観的な事実を冷静に理解し、主観的な感情を(家族や友人に助けられながら)徐々に受け入れ、長い治療期間をなんとか乗り切ることができました



教育: 医学への敬意
診療: 医療への感謝
研究: 将来への希望

残念ながら、途中で同室になった患者仲間の一部は、同業の医師を含め、治療の甲斐無く、亡くなりました(涙)

でも、自分よりも辛い状況でもそれぞれの立場で前向きに生きる姿から、多くのことを学びました



日常生活を取り戻す過程において、命の大切さ、そして家族や友人のありがたさを改めて痛感しました

とりあえず出来る治療は全て終了、あとは運命に任せるのみですが、少しでも長く、そして良く生きて、恩返しができればと思います

教育の機会を頂いた先人達への敬意、医療を実際に支えて下さる方々への感謝、そして研究を通じて将来を担う皆さんに希望を伝えることができれば嬉しく思います

REVIEW ARTICLE

MEDICAL PROGRESS

Soft-Tissue Sarcomas in Adults

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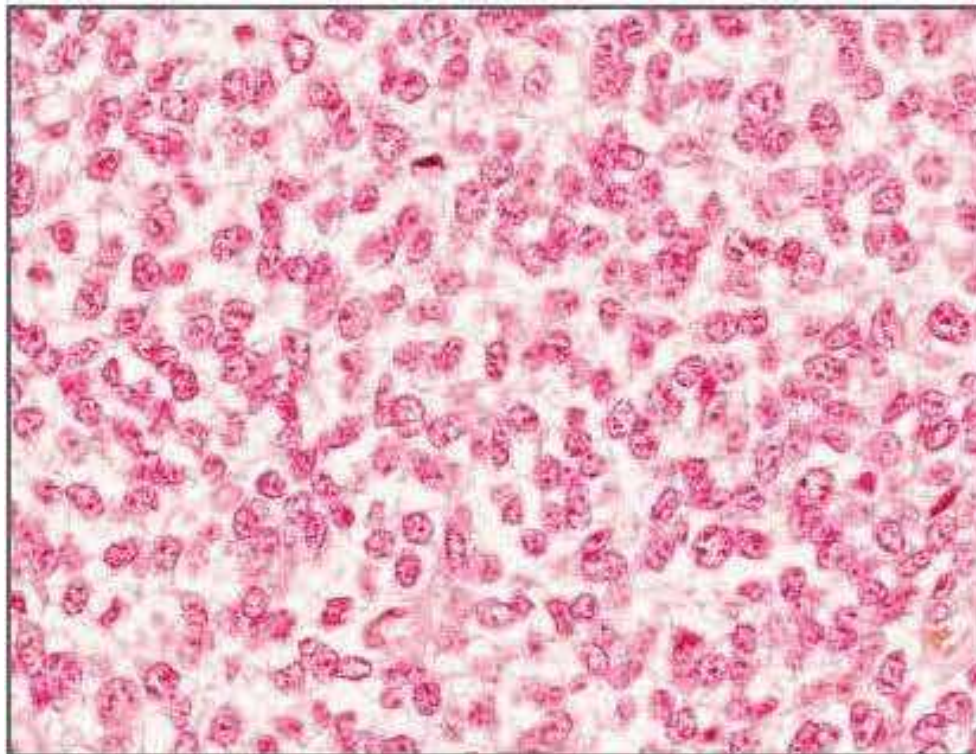


Figure 1. Photomicrograph of Ewing's Sarcoma, a Type of Small Round-Cell Tumor (Hematoxylin and Eosin).

Table 2. Chromosomal Translocations in Soft-Tissue Sarcomas.*

Type of Tumor	Translocation	Genes Involved
Synovial sarcoma	t(X;18)(p11.2;q11.2)	SSX1 or SSX2, SYT
Myxoid or round-cell liposarcoma	t(12;16)(q13;p11)	CHOP, TLS
	t(12;22)(q13;q11-q12)	CHOP, EWS
Ewing's sarcoma or peripheral primitive neuroectodermal tumor	t(11;22)(q24;q12)	FLI1, EWS
	t(21;22)(q22;q12)	ERG, EWS
	t(7;22)(p22;q12)	ETV1, EWS
	t(2;22)(q33;q12)	FEV, EWS
Desmoplastic small round-cell tumor	t(17;22)(q12;q12)	E1AF, EWS
	t(11;22)(p13;q12)	WT1, EWS
	t(2;13)(q35;q14)	PAX3, FKHR
Alveolar rhabdomyosarcoma	t(1;13)(p36;q14)	PAX7, FKHR
	t(9;22)(q21-31;q12.2)	CHN, EWS
Extraskeletal myxoid chondrosarcoma	t(9;17)(q22;q11)	CHN, RBP56
	t(12;22)(q13;q12)	ATF1, EWS
Clear-cell sarcoma	t(X;17)(p11;q25)	TFE3, ASPL
Alveolar soft-part sarcoma	t(17;22)(q22;q13)	COL1A1, PDGFB1
Dermatofibrosarcoma or giant-cell fibroblastoma	t(12;15)(p13;q25)	ETV6, NTRK3
Infantile fibrosarcoma	t(7;16)(q34;p11)	FUS, BBF2H7
Low-grade fibromyxoid sarcoma		

* The translocations should be read, for example, as follows: t(X;18)(p11.2;q11.2) is a translocation between chromosomes X and 18 involving the short arm at region 11.2 and the long arm at region 11.2.

THE EWING FAMILY OF TUMORS — A SUBGROUP OF SMALL-ROUND-CELL TUMORS DEFINED BY SPECIFIC CHIMERIC TRANSCRIPTS

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Bone Tumor Registry



Histology	Total	U/E	L/E	Trunk
Solitary bone cyst	194	68	104	20
Aneurysmal bone cyst	37	6	24	7
Fibrous dysplasia	153	22	92	29
Osteoid osteoma	59	10	41	8
Enchondroma	297	196	76	8
Osteochondroma	293	35	151	33
Giant cell tumor	155	25	109	20
Osteosarcoma	<u>205</u>	19	147	28
Chondrosarcoma	95	22	30	38
Ewing/PNET	<u>27</u>	2	9	14
Chordoma	23	-	-	23
Total	3,137	524	1,235	639

Bone Tumor Registry in Japan (2007)



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EWING'S SARCOMA*

A Study of Fifty Cases Treated at the Massachusetts General Hospital, 1930-1952 Inclusive

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EWING'S sarcoma was first described by James Ewing in 1921.^{1, 2} Since then a voluminous literature regarding this interesting disease has appeared. The pathogenesis, histology, clinical features, and roentgenographic appearance have been extensively studied.³⁻⁹ The purpose of the present investigation is to analyze a group of pa-

Tables 1 and 2 summarize the cases and the results of treatment. Males were slightly predominant in the group — 27 were males, and 23 females.

Table 3 shows the age distribution of the patients at the time of admission to the hospital. The youngest was three and a half years, and the oldest forty-three years of age. Twenty-nine were in the

TABLE 1. *Patients with Ewing's Sarcoma Treated at the Massachusetts General Hospital, 1930-1952.*

CASE No.	SEX	AGE yr.	SYMPTOMS	DURATION	PRIMARY LOCATION	OPERATION	RESULT	PERIOD OF SURVIVAL	REMARKS
Group A (treatment with radical surgery):									
1	M	15	Swelling	3 yr.	Radius	Amputation	Dead with disease	40 mo.	
2	M	16	Pain and swelling	3 wk.	Tibia	Low-thigh amputation	Dead with disease	10 mo.	
3	F	23	Pain and swelling	6 mo.	Tarsal	Amputation	Dead with disease	5 mo.	
4	M	20	Pain and swelling	6 wk.	Fibula	Gritti-Stokes amputation	Dead with disease	19 mo.	
5	M	30	Pain	2 yr.	Tibia	Low-thigh amputation	Living without disease	6 yr.	Lost after 6 yr.
6	M	16	Pain and swelling	3 mo.	Fibula	Low-thigh amputation	Dead with disease	4 mo.	
7	F	14	Swelling	2 yr.	Mandible	Resection, rt. lower jaw	Dead with disease	30 mo.	
8	F	34	Pain	1 yr.	Tibia	Low-thigh amputation	Dead with disease	48 mo.	
9	F	13	Swelling	18 mo.	Fibula	Low-thigh amputation	Dead with disease	28 mo.	
10	M	15	Swelling	3 mo.	Fibula	Low-thigh amputation	Dead with disease	6 mo.	
Group B (radical surgery with postoperative irradiation):									
11	M	19	Pain	3 mo.	Sacrum	Excision + 5000 r	Dead with disease	3 mo.	
12	M	20	Pain and swelling	3 mo.	Fibula	Resection + x-ray	Dead with disease	2 mo.	Tumor dose unknown
13	M	18	Pain	4 mo.	Rib	Rib resection + 5000 r	Dead with disease	5 mo.	Irradiation to lt. side of chest
14	F	40	Pain and swelling	4 mo.	Rib	Rib resection + 4000 r	Dead with disease	6 mo.	Irradiation to lt. side of chest

Prediction of response and prognostic factors for Ewing family of tumors in a low incidence population

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Abstract

Purpose There is some unknown reason Ewing family of tumors (EFTs) is much less common on Asia and Africa than in the Western Caucasian population. This study analyzed the prediction of response and prognostic factors for Ewing family of tumors (EFTs) in an Asian population with a low incidence.

Methods We retrospectively reviewed 94 patients with EFTs between 1978 and 2006. Fifteen patients received local therapy only. Statistical analyses were performed for 79 patients, including those who received systemic chemo-

therapy, to identify factors related to chemotherapy responsiveness, event-free survival, and overall survival.

Results Of the 79 patients whose records were analyzed, the 5-year event-free rate and overall survival (OS) rate were 41 and 54%, respectively. The response rate to first-line chemotherapy was 61% in 70 patients with assessable lesions. A significant predictor of response was existence of a non-pelvic primary tumor ($P = 0.04$). Significant prognostic factors for OS were age, performance status, and metastases at the time of diagnosis ($P < 0.01$, respectively). Fifty-four patients had disease progression or recurrence after first-line treatment. The time to progression was 3.4 months after salvage treatment. Progression during first-line treatment was significantly associated with time to progression after salvage treatment ($P = 0.01$). All patients treated without chemotherapy in first-line treatment were recurred with poor prognosis.

Conclusion A non-pelvic primary tumor was a favorable predictor of responsiveness to chemotherapy. Chemo-resistant patients might less benefit from second line chemotherapy. Chemotherapy in first-line treatment should not be omitted, even if primary tumor was extirpated completely.

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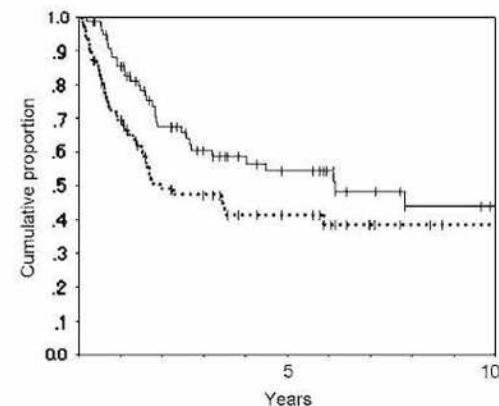


Fig. 1 Kaplan–Meier analysis of event-free survival (dotted line) and overall survival (solid line) in 79 patients who received chemotherapy. The vertical bars indicate censored cases

Patients treated without chemotherapy in first-line treatment

In this study, 15 patients did not receive chemotherapy as part of their first-line treatments. The median age of these patients was 39 years (range 20–53 years). None of these patients had metastasis, and most of the patients (87%) had extra-osseous primary tumors. Two-thirds of the patients had a primary tumor size ≤ 80 mm. Nine patients had pelvic primary tumors, and only two patients had primary tumors in their extremities. A univariate analysis indicated that age, percentage of extra-osseous primary tumor sites, and percentage of pelvic primary tumor sites were significantly different among these 15 patients, compared with the other 79 patients. Two-thirds of these cases were admitted during the last 5 years of the study period. Regrettably, all patients had recurred, 13 patients had developed systemic recurrence and the other had local recurrence. The median time to recurrence was 9.4 months. The most common systemic disease sites was lung ($n = 6$), liver ($n = 5$), bone ($n = 4$),

素晴らしい仲間達に恵まれました しかしながら...



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Rare cancers 1



Rare cancers: a sea of opportunity

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Rare cancers, as a collective, account for around a quarter of all cancer diagnoses and deaths. Historically, they have been divided into two groups: cancers defined by their unusual histogenesis (cell of origin or differentiation state)—including chordomas or adult granulosa cell tumours—and histologically defined subtypes of common cancers. Most tumour types in the first group are still clinically and biologically relevant, and have been disproportionately important as sources of insight into cancer biology. By contrast, most of those in the second group have been shown to have neither defining molecular features nor clinical utility. Omics-based analyses have splintered common cancers into a myriad of molecularly, rather than histologically, defined subsets of common cancers, many of which have immediate clinical relevance. Now, almost all rare cancers are either histomolecular entities, which often have pathognomonic mutations, or molecularly defined subsets of more common cancers. The presence of specific genetic variants provides rationale for the testing of targeted drugs in rare cancers. However, in addition to molecular alterations, it is crucial to consider the contributions of both mutation and cell context in the development, biology, and behaviour of these cancers. Patients with rare cancers are disadvantaged because of the challenge of leading clinical trials in this setting due to poor accrual. However, the number of patients with rare cancers will only increase as more molecular subsets of common cancers are identified, necessitating a shift in the focus of clinical trials and research into these cancer types, which, by epidemiological definitions, will become rare tumours.

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This is the first in a **Series** of three papers about rare cancers

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Oncology trials gear up for high-throughput sequencing

Researchers are starting to use high-throughput genomic technologies to guide patients into trials of experimental cancer therapies, but is our understanding of the cancer genome ready yet?

CANCER GENOMICS

Constructing a 'cancerpaedia'

Many of us have tried to explain our research projects to a friend or relative and ended up summarizing with the unsatisfactory phrase, "well, it's...complicated". That message is all too applicable in the translation of genomic findings in cancer cell lines to clinical therapies, but two recent papers in *Nature* aim to help by constructing encyclopaedias of cell lines and drug interactions.

The two groups of researchers each assembled a panel of hundreds of cancer cell lines and characterized multiple genomic features, gene expression and copy number variation. Each group then conducted a screen with anticancer drugs and used various bioinformatic analyses to correlate drug activity with changes in one or more genes. Barretina *et al.* profiled 24 drugs in 479 cell lines, and Garnett *et al.* profiled 130 drugs on 275–507 lines. The results showed a number of known interactions between gene mutations and drug sensitivities — such as changes in *BRAF* associated with *RAP* inhibitors — but several previously unseen connections emerged immediately.

For example, Barretina *et al.* showed that mutations in *NRAS* in some cell lines lead to sensitivity to MEK-inhibiting drugs through elevating expression of the aryl hydrocarbon receptor (*AHR*) gene. These findings could potentially be applied to the clinic by using expression levels of *AHR* as a biomarker for use of MEK inhibitors instead of *NRAS* mutations.

In addition to single-gene effects, Garnett *et al.* modelled interactions

between drug response and multiple genes or transcripts at the same time. They found that general sensitivity to MEK inhibitors recurrently associated with 67 gene or transcript changes, and subsets of cancer cell lines had distinct patterns of biomarkers that should prove to be fruitful for further mechanistic research. Notably in some cases, transcript levels were markers for drug sensitivity in cell lines without known sensitizing mutations.

An unexpected 'winner' from both efforts is the rare cancer Ewing's sarcoma. Garnett and colleagues found that Ewing's sarcoma cells were very sensitive to poly(ADP-ribose) polymerase (PARP) inhibitors, suggesting that these drugs could be explored as a treatment. Many current PARP inhibitor regimes use the drug with chemotherapy or radiation, but in Ewing's sarcoma cells, the PARP inhibitors were effective killers on their own. Barretina and colleagues found that, of the cell lines tested, Ewing's sarcoma cells were the most sensitive to several chemotherapy drugs. They also found that the expression level of sclafin family member 11 (*SLFN11*), which encodes a cell cycle control protein, is the top predictor of drug response across cell lines and that the Ewing's sarcoma

lines were the cell lines that showed the highest expression of *SLFN11*. The authors suggest that expression levels of this gene might be useful in stratifying patients with Ewing's sarcoma (and other cancers) in ongoing trials of some conventional chemotherapy drugs.

Ultimately, of course, the real winners need to be patients with cancer. Both groups have posted their data sets online, in the hope that the community will treat these results as an open encyclopaedia.

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FURTHER INFORMATION Genomes of Drug Sensitivity in Cancer project: <http://www.genomesofdrug.com> | Cancer Cell Line Encyclopedia: <http://www.celllineencyclopaedia.org/>



Olaparib in Adults With Recurrent/Metastatic Ewing's Sarcoma

This study is not yet open for participant recruitment.

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Sponsor: Massachusetts General Hospital

- ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier: NCT01583543
- Purpose This research study is a Phase II clinical trial to test the efficacy of Olaparib in adult participants with recurrent/metastatic Ewing's Sarcoma following failure of prior chemotherapy.
- Condition Intervention
- Phase Ewing's Sarcoma Drug: [Olaparib](#) [Phase 2](#)
- Study Type: Interventional
- Study Design: Endpoint Classification: Efficacy Study
- Intervention Model: [Single Group Assignment](#)
- Masking: Open Label
- Primary Purpose: Treatment
- Official Title:
Phase II Study of the PARP Inhibitor, Olaparib, in Adult Patients With Recurrent/
Metastatic Ewing's Sarcoma Following Failure of Prior Chemotherapy
- Resource links provided by NLM:
- MedlinePlus related topics: Soft Tissue Sarcoma
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The value of research collaborations and consortia in rare cancers

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Rare cancers are defined by an incidence of less than six per 100 000 people per year. They represent roughly 20% of all human cancers and are associated with worse survival than are so-called frequent tumours, because of delays to accurate diagnosis, inadequate treatments, and fewer opportunities to participate in clinical trials (because of a paucity of dedicated trials from both academic and industrial sponsors). In this Series paper, we discuss how these challenges can be addressed by research consortia and suggest the integration of these consortia with reference networks, which gather multidisciplinary expert centres, for management of rare tumours.

Introduction

Rare diseases are often defined by their prevalence, with a cutoff that varies from 0.5 to 2 per 1000 in the general population. Although this definition could be applied to rare cancers, it is often deemed inaccurate because it does not take into account the often short life expectancies associated with some rare cancers.¹ A frequent disease associated with a short life expectancy, could inadvertently be classed as a rare disease, because

programmes) and reference networks (which organise the optimum management of patients in routine settings) for the management of rare cancers.

Reference networks and diagnostic accuracy

Management of rare cancers poses specific problems, including delays in diagnosis due to poor diagnostic precision, and therapeutic mismanagement.¹⁻³ The experience of the medical team and their awareness of rare

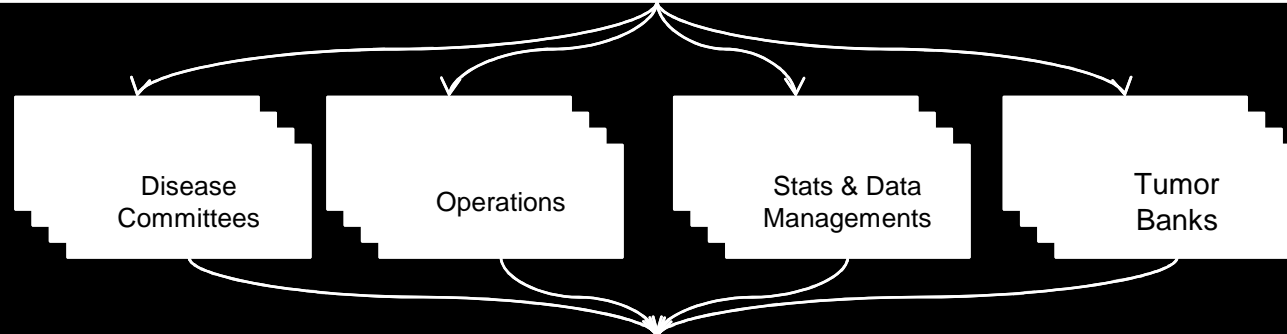
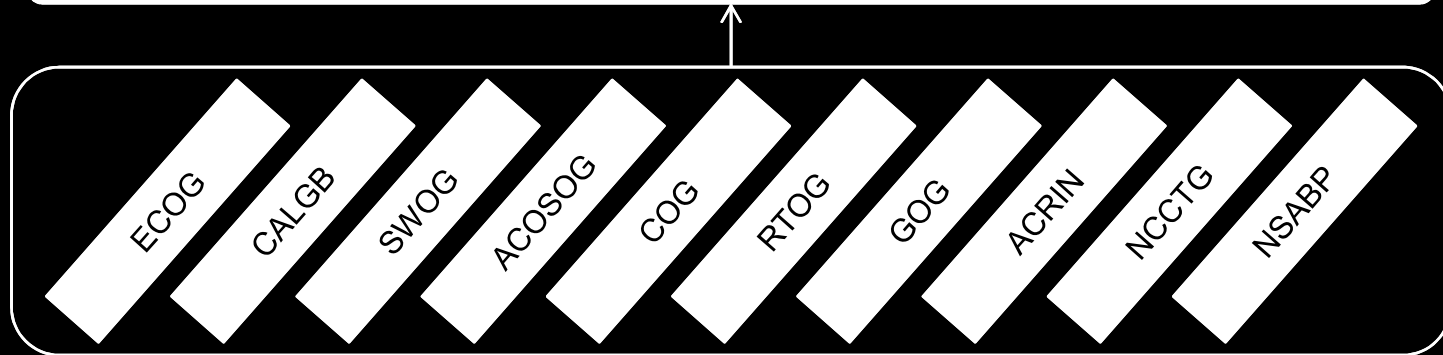
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Fig1. Structure of Programs (Before)

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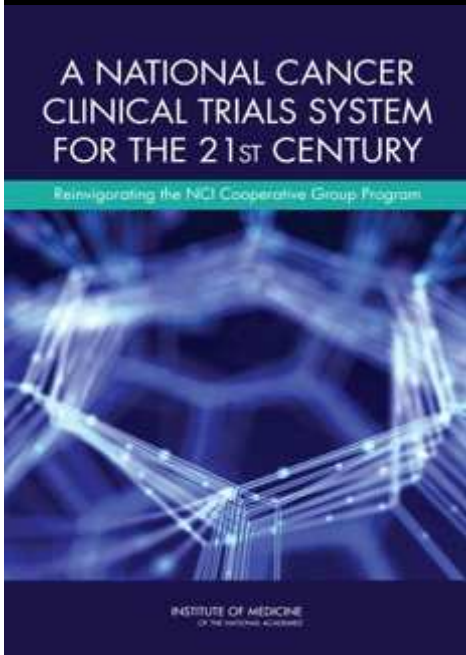
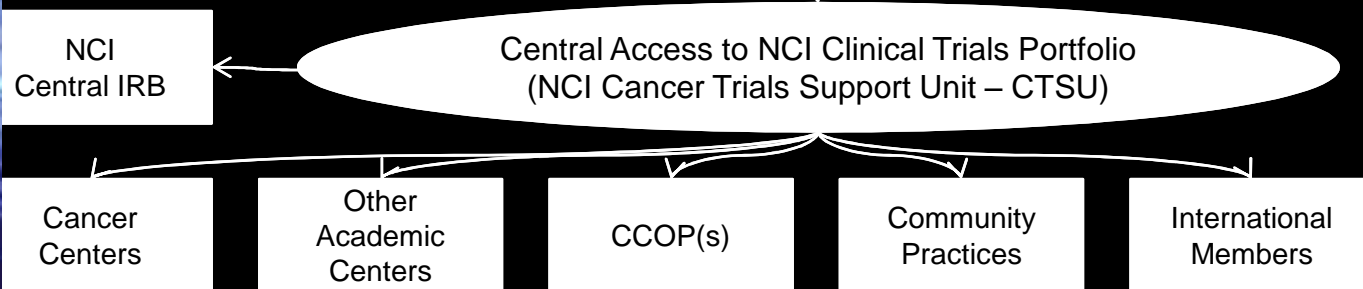
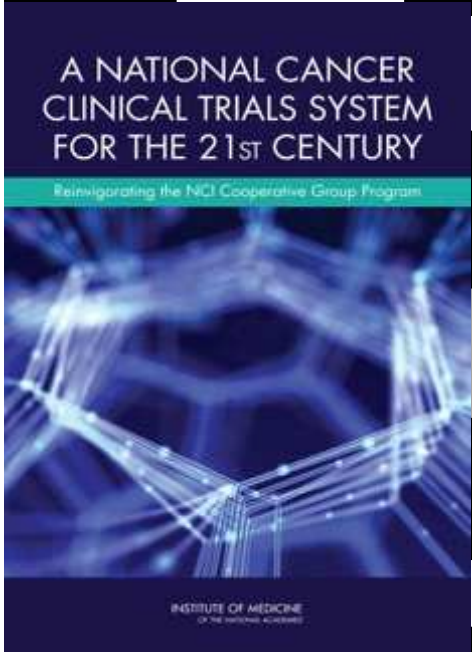
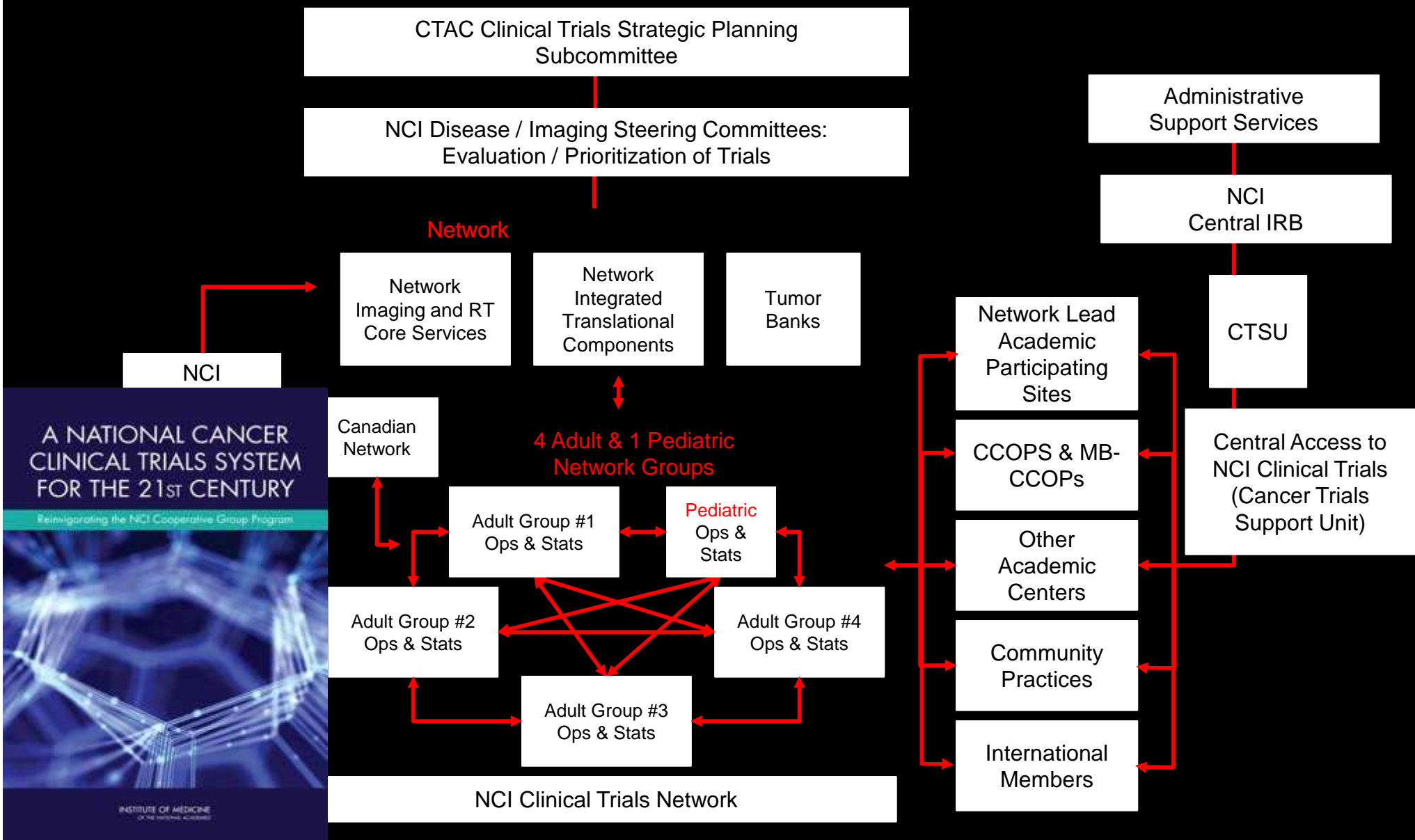


Fig 2. Organizational Structure (New) National Clinical Trials Network



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Research methods to change clinical practice for patients with rare cancers

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Rare cancers are a growing group as a result of reclassification of common cancers by molecular markers. There is therefore an increasing need to identify methods to assess interventions that are sufficiently robust to potentially affect clinical practice in this setting. Methods advocated for clinical trials in rare diseases are not necessarily applicable in rare cancers. This Series paper describes research methods that are relevant for rare cancers in relation to the range of incidence levels. Strategies that maximise recruitment, minimise sample size, or maximise the usefulness of the evidence could enable the application of conventional clinical trial design to rare cancer populations. Alternative designs that address specific challenges for rare cancers with the aim of potentially changing clinical practice include Bayesian designs, uncontrolled n-of-1 trials, and umbrella and basket trials. Pragmatic solutions must be sought to enable some level of evidence-based health care for patients with rare cancers.

Introduction

There are no fixed criteria for the definition of a rare cancer, but a malignant disorder that has an incidence of six or less per 100 000 people per year is commonly classed as rare.¹ Investigation of treatments for rare cancers is important—collectively more than 20% of all

Challenges of conventional trials in rare cancer



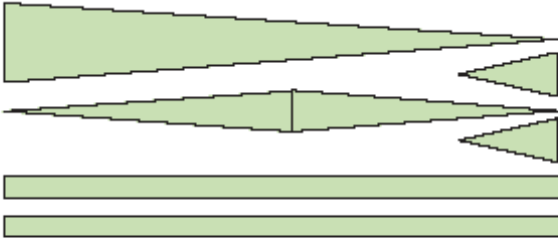
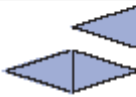
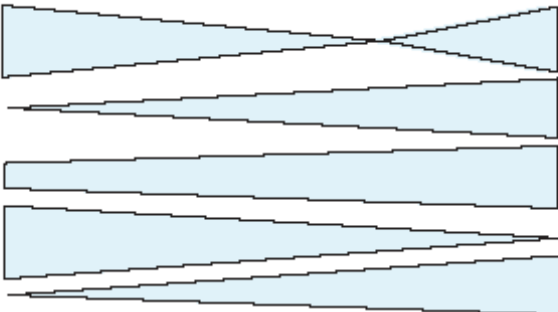
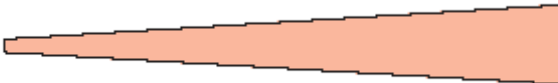
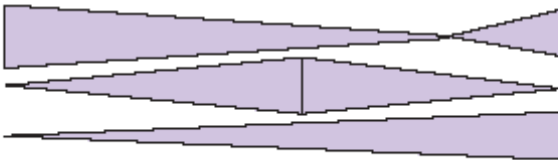
The conventional phase 3 clinical trial design for affecting clinical practice is a hypothesis-testing randomised controlled trial with parallel-group treatment comparisons. Such trials are at the highest level of the hierarchy of evidence for assessing the

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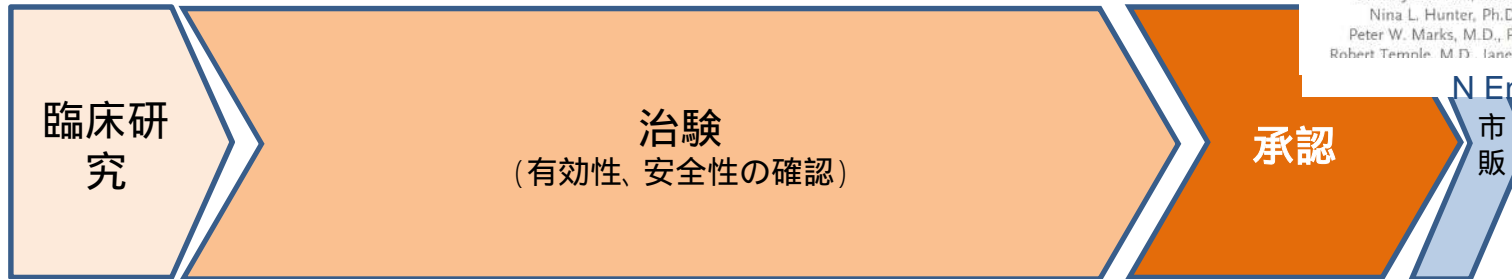
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Cancer incidence	Large population		Extremely rare population
Strength of previous belief of clinical benefit to warrant undertaking study	Moderate (eg, phase 2 evidence of efficacy)		High (eg, clear molecular hypothesis underpinning trial)
Feasibility and suitability of prospective designs	RCT Single-group trials Umbrella trials Enrichment trials		N-of-1 trials Basket trials
Validity of observational studies			Case reports Large databases
Appropriateness of outcome measures	Overall survival or progression-free survival Single primary measure		Biological effect Tumour response Large effect on patient-reported outcome Consistency across basket of measures
Size of treatment effect	Minimum clinically relevant		Large single benefit or multiple small
Legitimacy of statistical basis for design	Hypothesis testing		Descriptive analysis Relaxed or adaptive RCTs Bayesian analysis

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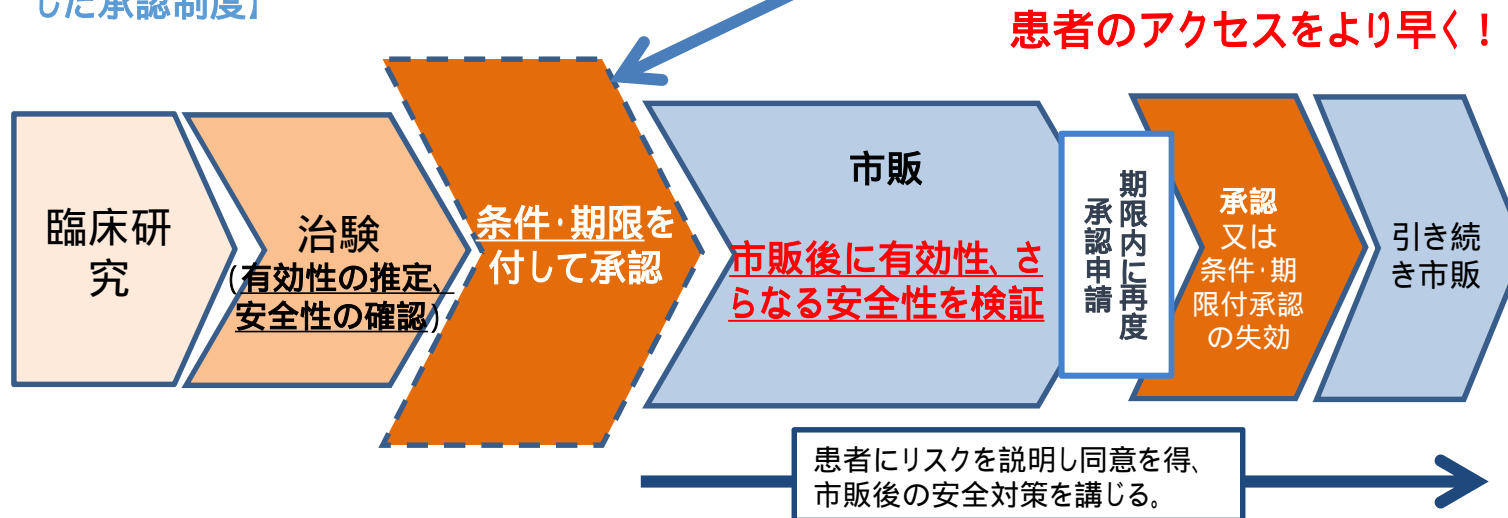
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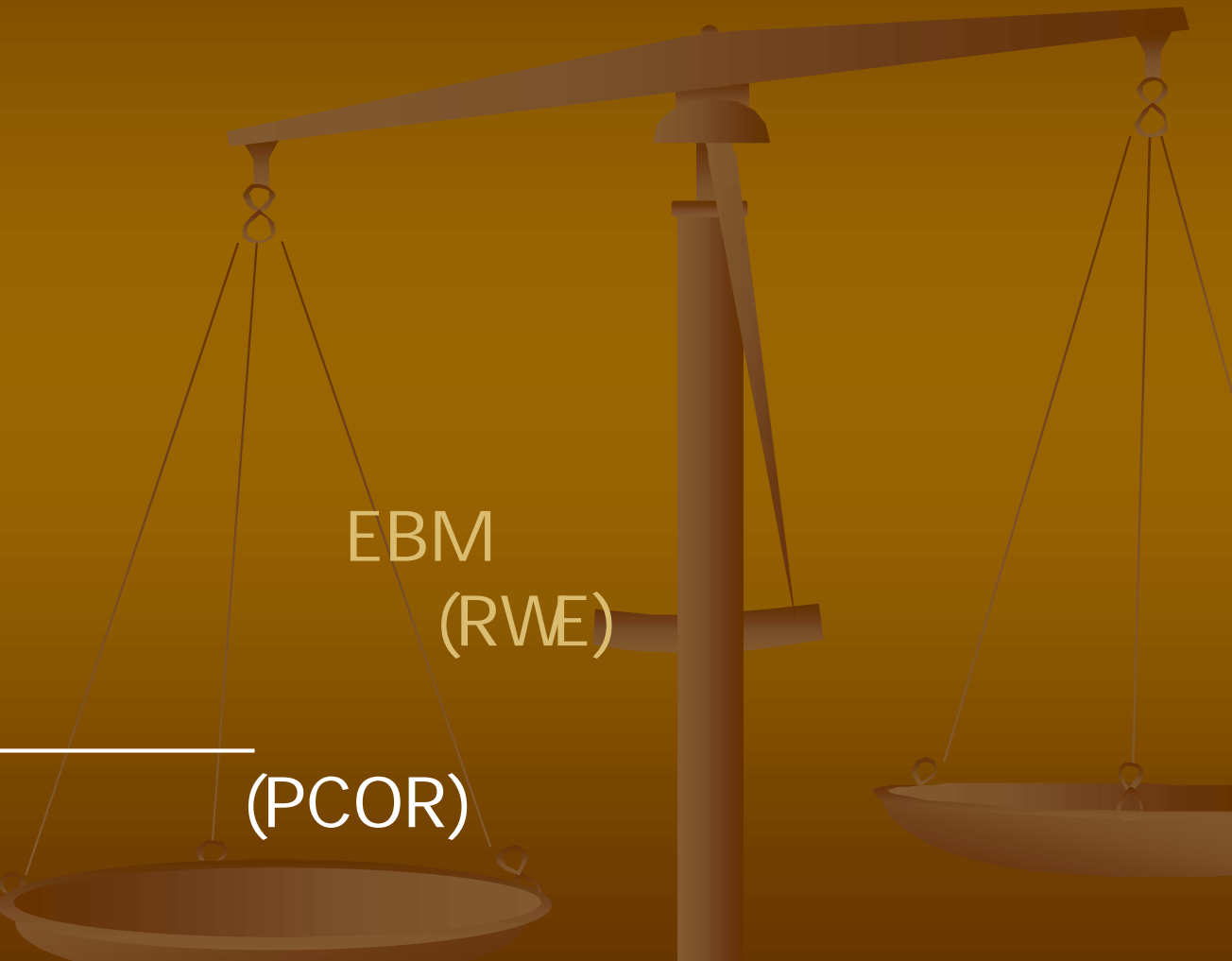
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	Cancer	40
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	Nutritional and Metabolic Disorders	20

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