## 37 yo F

### **Symptoms**

Fatigue
Restless legs syndrome
Headache
Exercise intolerance
Exertional dyspnea
Weakness

## **Physical Examination**

#### Angular cheilitis



Erythema and fissures are present at the corners of the mouth.

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#### Koilonychia (spoon nail)



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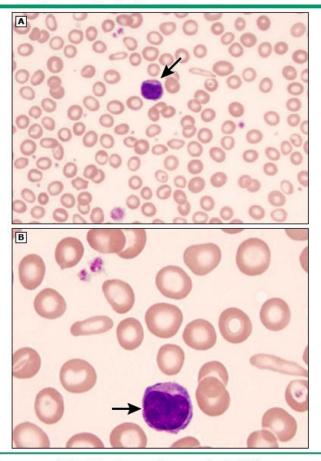
# What should you ask for a detailed Medical History?

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HEMATOKRIT (%)	* 26,4	%	35 - 45	34.9 25.02.2020	38.9 28.08.2019
ORTALAMA ERITROSIT HACMİ (MCV)	* 67,3	fL	81 - 100	78.8 25.02.2020	83.7 28.08.2019
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#### Peripheral blood smear in iron deficiency anemia showing microcytic, hypochromic red blood cells



The same peripheral blood smear from a patient with iron deficiency is shown at two different magnifications. Small (microcytic) red blood cells are shown, many of which have a thin rim of pink hemoglobin (hypochromia). Occasional "pencil"-shaped cells are also present. A small lymphocyte is shown for size comparison (arrow). Normal red blood cells are similar in size to the nucleus of a small lymphocyte (arrow), and central pallor in normal red blood cells should equal approximately one-third of the cell diameter.

Kindly supplied by Dr. German Pihan, Department of Pathology, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Boston, MA.

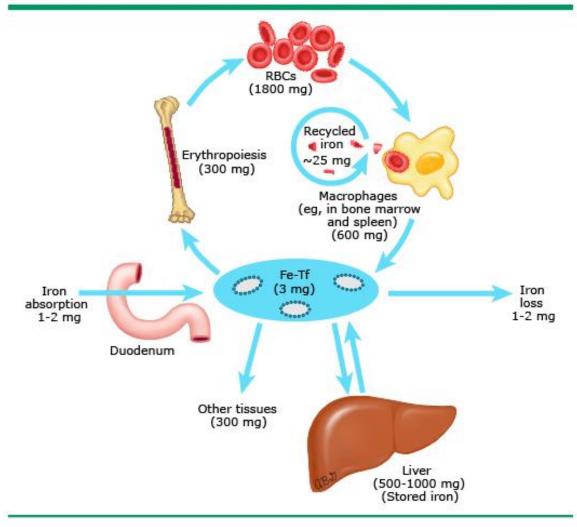
## What is the diagnosis?

# What are the causes of anemia?

#### Causes of anemia in adults

RBC size/	Reticulocyte count		
MCV	Low or normal*	Increased	
Microcytic MCV <80 fL	<ul> <li>Iron deficiency (late)</li> <li>Anemia of chronic disease/inflammation</li> <li>Sideroblastic anemias</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Thalassemia</li> <li>Hemolysis ¶</li> </ul>	
Normocytic MCV 80 to 100 fL	<ul> <li>Bleeding (acute)</li> <li>Iron deficiency (early)</li> <li>Anemia of chronic disease/inflammation</li> <li>Bone marrow suppression (cancer, aplastic anemia, infection)</li> <li>Chronic renal insufficiency</li> <li>Hypothyroidism</li> <li>Hypopituitarism</li> <li>Excess alcohol</li> <li>Copper deficiency/zinc poisoning</li> </ul>	Bleeding (with bone marrow recovery)     Hemolysis      Bone marrow recovery (eg, after infection, vitamin B12 or folate replacement, and/or iron replacement)	
Macrocytic MCV >100 fL	<ul> <li>Vitamin B12 or folate deficiency</li> <li>Excess alcohol</li> <li>Myelodysplastic syndrome</li> <li>Liver disease</li> <li>Hypothyroidism</li> <li>HIV infection</li> <li>Medications that interfere with nuclear maturation (hydroxyurea, methotrexate, some chemotherapy agents)</li> </ul>	Hemolysis ¶     Bone marrow recovery (eg, after infection, vitamin B12 or folate replacement, and/or iron replacement)	

#### Regulation of iron absorption, transport, and homeostasis



Schematic showing iron homeostasis. Refer to UpToDate for details of the regulation of iron absorption, transport, and storage in the body.

RBCs: red blood cells; Fe-Tf: transferrin-bound iron, the major transport form in the body.

## Factors influencing the absorption and bioavailability of dietary iron

#### Absorption of heme iron

Amount of heme iron, especially in meat

Content of calcium in the meal (calcium impairs iron absorption)

#### Absorption of nonheme iron

Iron status

Amount of potentially available nonheme iron

Balance between positive and negative factors

Positive factors

Meat or fish (factors in meat other than heme iron enhance absorption of nonheme iron)

Negative factors

Phytate (in bran, oats, rye fiber)

Polyphenols (in tea, some vegetables and cereals)

Dietary calcium

Soy protein

Refer to UpToDate for additional discussions of approaches to improving iron absorption and use of intravenous iron as an alternative to oral iron.

Adapted from: Hallberg L, Rossander-Hulten L, Burne M. Nutritional anemias. In: Nestle Workshop Series, vol 30, Fomon SJ, Zlotkin S (Eds), Vevey/Raven Press, New York 1992. p.170.



## Iron Deficiency Anemia does not develop suddenly

#### Laboratory findings during the development of iron deficiency

	Normal	Iron deficiency without anemia	Iron deficiency with mild anemia	Severe iron deficiency with severe anemia
Hemoglobin	Normal range*	Normal range*	9 to 12 g/dL (90 to 120 g/L)	6 to 7 g/dL (60 to 70 g/L)
Red blood cell size and appearance	Normal	Normal	Normal or slight hypochromia (slight decrease in MCHC)	Microcytosis (decrease in MCV) and hypochromia (decrease in MCHC)
Serum ferritin	40 to 200 ng/mL (40 to 200 mcg/L; 89.9 to 449 picoM/L)	<40 ng/mL <sup>1</sup> (<40 mcg/L; <89.9 picoM/L)	<20 ng/mL (<20 mcg/L; <45 picoM/L)	<10 ng/mL (<10 mcg/L; <22.5 picoM/L)
Serum iron	60 to 150 mcg/dL (10.7 to 26.7 microM/L)	60 to 150 mcg/dL (10.7 to 26.7 microM/L)	<60 mcg/dL (<10.7 microM/L)	<40 mcg/dL (<7.1 microM/L
Total iron-binding capacity (TIBC; transferrin)	300 to 360 mcg/dL (53.7 to 64.4 microM/L)	300 to 390 mcg/dL (53.7 to 69.8 microM/L)	350 to 400 mcg/dL (62.6 to 71.6 microM/L)	>410 mcg/dL (>73.4 microM/L)
Transferrin saturation (serum iron/TIBC)	20 to 50%	20%	<15%	<10%
Reticulocyte hemoglobin <sup>[1]</sup>	30.6 to 35.4 pg	22.3 to 34.7 pg	14.8 to 34.0 pg	Data not available
Bone marrow iron stain	Adequate iron present	Iron absent	Iron absent	Iron absent
Erythrocyte zinc protoporphyrin, ng/mL RBC	30 to 70	30 to 70	>100	100 to 200

#### Algorithm for evaluating suspected iron deficiency

#### Findings in iron deficiency (selected examples)

#### History:

- Symptoms of anemia such as undue fatigue
- Pica, pagophagia (ice craving)
- Restless legs syndrome
- Celiac disease
- · Heavy menses or prior pregnancies
- GI bleeding or frequent blood donation

#### Examination:

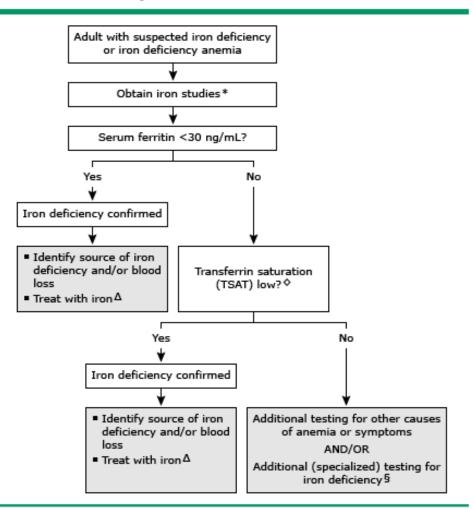
- Pallor, brittle skin
- Fingernail changes (spoon shape, horizontal lines)
- Cheilosis, loss of tongue papillae
- Occult blood in stool ¶

#### CBC:

- Anemia, low RBC count, low reticulocyte count
- Microcytic RBCs (low MCV); may be normocytic
- High platelet count

#### Iron studies panel

- Iron
- Transferrin or TIBC
- Ferritin
- Transferrin saturation (TSAT = iron/TIBC × 100)



## PO versus IV iron therapy

## Gold standart is po iron replacement!!

## Advantages and disadvantages of oral versus IV iron

	Advantages	Disadvantages
Oral iron	<ul> <li>Effective for most patients</li> <li>Extremely low risk of serious adverse events</li> <li>Initial costs very low</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Gastrointestinal side effects are common</li> <li>Compliance may be low</li> <li>May be inadequate for severe or ongoing blood loss</li> <li>May require administration for several months</li> <li>Total costs may be higher</li> </ul>
IV iron	<ul> <li>Effective for most patients</li> <li>More rapid correction of anemia and resolution of symptoms</li> <li>Ability to administer large doses (up to 1000 mg elemental iron) in a single infusion</li> <li>Compliance is assured</li> <li>No gastrointestinal side effects</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Requires monitored intravenous infusion</li> <li>Rare cases of allergic or infusion reactions</li> <li>Requires equipment and personnel to treat allergic or infusion reactions</li> <li>Initial costs may be higher</li> </ul>

Refer to UpToDate content on the management of iron deficiency for further details. Advantages, disadvantages, costs, and burdens for any individual patient may depend on a number of factors.

IV: intravenous.

#### Oral iron products

Drug	Examples of United States trade (brand) names	Elemental iron content (mg iron per mg tablet or per mL liquid)*
Ferrous fumarate	■ Tablets	
(Contains 33% elemental iron per mg of mineral salt)	Various over-the-counter and store-brand products with "iron" in the name	29.5 mg/90 mg
	Ferrimin 150	150 mg elemental iron per tablet
	Ferretts, Ferrocite, Hemocyte	106 mg/324 or 325 mg
Ferrous gluconate	■ Tablets	
(Contains approximately 10 to 14% elemental iron per mg of mineral	Fergon, Ferrotabs	27 mg/240 mg
salt)	Various over-the-counter and store-brand products with "iron" in the name	28 mg/256 mg or 38 mg/324 or 325 mg
Ferric maltol	■ Capsules	
(Contains 30 mg elemental iron complexed with 201.5 mg trimaltol per capsule)	Accrufer (requires a prescription)	30 mg elemental iron per capsule
Ferrous sulfate (Generally contains 20 to 30%	■ Liquids	Multiple concentrations exist; check packaging closely
elemental iron per mg of mineral salt but can vary by manufacturer)	BProtected Pedia, Fer-In-Sol, Fer-Iron	15 mg/1 mL ("drops," "solution")
	FeroSul	44 mg/5 mL ("elixir," "liquid")
	Various over-the-counter and store-brand products with "iron" in the name	60 mg/5 mL ("syrup")
	■ Tablets	
	Feosol original	65 mg/200 mg
	Ferro-Bob, FerrouSul	65 mg/325 mg
Polysaccharide-iron complex	■ Liquids	
(PIC) (Also available as PIC plus folic acid	NovaFerrum	15 mg/1 mL ("drops")
and PIC plus folic acid and vitamin	NovaFerrum 125	125 mg/5 mL ("liquid")
B12)	<ul> <li>Capsules</li> </ul>	
	EZFE 200, Ferrex 150, Ferric-X 150, iFerex 150, Myferon 150, NovaFerrum 50, Nu-Iron 150, PIC 200, Poly-Iron 150	The number in the name is the mg of elemental iron (eg, NovaFerrum 50 contains 50 mg elemental iron per capsule)

#### Intravenous iron products (use in adults)

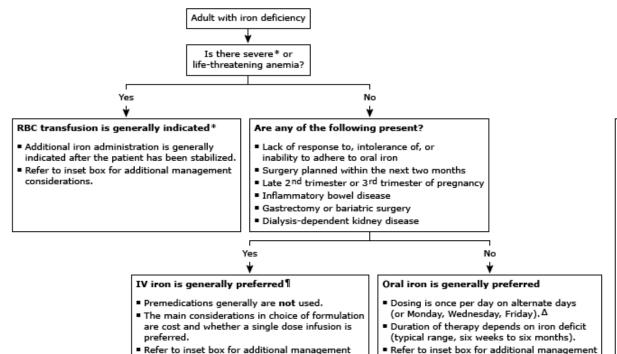
Drug	Trade (brand) name	Concentration of elemental iron	Dosing (adults)	Test dose*	Premedication
Ferric carboxymaltose (FCM)	Injectafer (United States), Ferinject (United Kingdom and other countries)	50 mg/mL	■ Weight ≥50 kg: 1 or 2 doses of 750 mg, given 7 or more days apart -OR- ■ Weight <50 kg: 1 or 2 doses of 15 mg/kg, given 7 or more days apart	Not required	We do not routinely premedicate for any of the IV iron products.      For patients with asthma, multiple drug allergies, or inflammatory arthritis, we ofte give methylprednisolone alone prior to the iron infusion. We do not give diphenhydramine.
Ferric gluconate (FG)	Ferrlecit	12.5 mg/mL	Multiple doses of 125 to 250 mg	Not required, but recommended if the patient has a history of multiple drug allergies	
Ferumoxytol¶	Feraheme (United States), Rienso (United Kingdom and other countries)	30 mg/mL	Single dose of 1020 mg OR- 2 doses of 510 mg, given 3 to 8 days apart	Not required	
Iron dextran, low molecular weight (LMW ID) <sup>Δ</sup>	INFeD (United States), Dexiron (Canada), CosmoFer (United Kingdom and other countries)	50 mg/mL	Single dose of 1000 mg (diluted in 250 mL normal saline) given over 1 hour  OR- doses of 100 mg	Yes, 25 mg (0.5 mL) prior to the first dose	
Ferric derisomaltose (previously called iron isomaltoside)	Monoferric (United States, Canada) Monofer (United Kingdom, other countries)	100 mg/mL	■ Weight ≥50 kg: Single dose of 1000 mg -OR- Up to 3 doses of 500 mg given over 7 days -OR- ■ Weight <50 kg: Single dose of 20	Not required	
Iron sucrose (IS)	Venofer	20 mg/mL	mg/kg  ■ Multiple doses of 100 to 300 mg	Not required, but recommended if the patient has a history of multiple drug allergies	

#### Treatment of iron deficiency (with or without anemia) in adults

considerations.

Refer to UpToDate for drug information and

table that lists IV iron products and dosing.



considerations.

their iron content.

Refer to UpToDate for drug information and

table that lists oral iron products and

#### Additional management considerations

- If anemic, check response to treatment in two or more weeks (interval depends on acuity and ease of testing) and periodically thereafter.
   Refer to UpToDate for expected response.
- If isolated iron deficiency without anemia, check ferritin after a course of treatment.
- Address lack of response with additional testing as appropriate, such as testing for:
- · Other causes of anemia
- · For oral iron, conditions that interfere with absorption
- Ongoing blood loss
- Determine and address cause(s) of iron deficiency, such as:
- Lack of dietary iron (unusual)
- · Conditions that interfere with absorption
- Heavy menstrual bleeding
- Source of gastrointestinal blood loss, especially for adults over 40 to 50 years

# No response to iron therapy

#### Causes for failure to respond to oral iron therapy

#### Coexisting disease interfering with marrow response Infection Inflammatory disorder (eg, rheumatoid arthritis) Concomitant malignancy Coexisting folate and/or vitamin B12 deficiency Bone marrow suppression from another cause Patient is not iron deficient, possible correct diagnoses include Thalassemia Lead poisoning Anemia of (chronic) inflammation Copper deficiency (zinc toxicity) Myelodysplastic syndrome/refractory sideroblastic anemia Patient is not taking the medication Prescription has not been filled Prescription has been filled but patient is no longer taking the medication Medication is being taken but is not being absorbed Rapid intestinal transport bypasses area of maximum absorption Enteric coated product: coating is not dissolving Patient has acquired malabsorption for iron (eg, sprue, atrophic or autoimmune gastritis, H. pylori infection) Medication taken in association with an agent interfering with absorption (eg, antacids, tetracycline, tea) Congenital cause for iron malabsorption (eg, iron-resistant iron deficiency anemia, IRIDA) Continued blood loss or need in excess of iron dose ingested Cause of blood loss treatable (eg, bleeding peptic ulcer) Initiate appropriate treatment Cause of blood loss not treatable (eg, hereditary hemorrhagic telangiectasia [Osler-Weber-Rendu syndrome]) or need cannot be met by oral iron preparation (eg, renal failure or malignancy being treated with erythropoietin) Switch patient to intravenous iron product

Assumes that original diagnosis was iron deficiency anemia with hypochromic microcytic red blood cells, low ferritin, and low transferrin saturation.



## Inherited disorders/IRIDA

**IRIDA due to** *TMPRSS6* **mutation – Iron refractory iron deficiency anemia (IRIDA)** is a **rare inherited disorder in which absorption of oral iron is markedly impaired**. IRIDA is caused by loss-of-function mutations of the <u>TMPRSS6</u>/matriptase 2 gene, which encodes a serine protease that cleaves membrane-bound hemojuvelin .Membrane-bound hemojuvelin promotes hepcidin synthesis and impairs iron absorption in the gut; cleavage of membrane-bound hemojuvelin reduces hepcidin synthesis, increasing iron absorption. Loss of *TMPRSS6* function thus causes iron deficiency due to inappropriately high hepcidin levels, with markedly reduced iron absorption and increased sequestration of iron in macrophages

In published case reports as well as our own experience, patients with IRIDA are not anemic at birth, and the clinical phenotype develops after the neonatal period (eg, after one month of age). Suspicion of IRIDA usually occurs during a pediatric routine evaluation. However, in some patients, the condition is recognized only in adulthood, either because the anemia is mild or because it has been misclassified. Patients present with mild hypochromic, microcytic anemia with very low serum iron levels and low transferrin saturation. Serum ferritin levels are mostly within the normal range or even slightly elevated following treatment with intravenous iron The diagnosis is pursued after elimination of causes of iron deficiency refractory to iron therapy such as celiac disease, *H. pylori* infection, autoimmune gastritis, or anemia of chronic disease/inflammation].

**The diagnosis of IRIDA** is confirmed by demonstrating biallelic mutation in *TMPRSS6*;

**SLC11A2** mutation – Iron deficiency anemia has also been described in individuals with mutations in the <u>SLC11A2</u> gene, which encodes the divalent metal transporter DMT1



## The outcome...

She could not tolerate po iron

She received IV iron therapy

She has still dyspeptic symptoms, epigastric discomfort.

## When need upper GI endoscopy?



- Dysphagia
- Weight loss
- Bleeding
- Anemia
  - Men or postmenauposal women
- Nausea and vomiting
- Family History



**Gastric Cardia Ulcer?** 

## Endoscopic biopsy 2059.21-HE

#### What else for staging of gastric cancer?



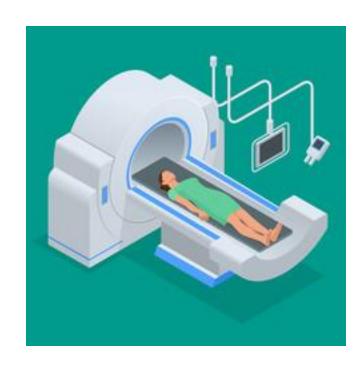


- •Complete blood cell count (CBC) and comprehensive chemistry profile
- •Chest/abdomen/pelvic computed tomography (CT) with oral and intravenous contrast
- •Positron emission tomography (PET) –

  CT evaluation if no evidence of M1 disease is found, and if clinically indicated



## Ascites

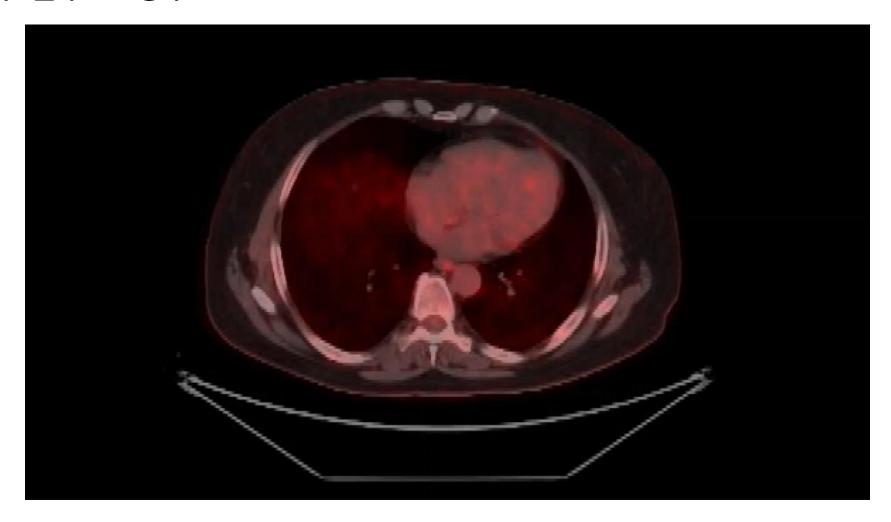


Diffuse peritoneal carinomatosis

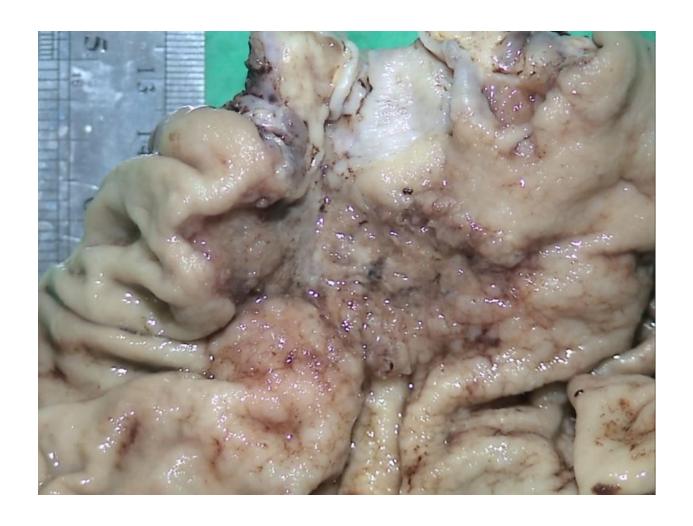
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**Ascites** 

## PET - CT

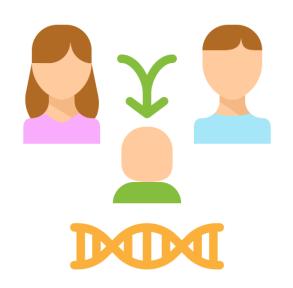


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## Is this Hereditary Cancer?

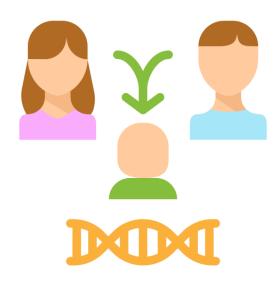
## Is this Hereditary Cancer?



A hereditary cancer syndrome is a genetic predisposition to certain types of cancer, often with onset at an early age, caused by inherited pathogenic variants in one or more genes.

 Most hereditary cancer syndromes exhibit autosomal dominant inheritance

## Possible hereditary cancer syndrome



- Cancer in 2+ relatives
  - Multiple generation
  - Same side of family
- Relatives with known genetic mutations
- Young age or less than 50 years for
  - breast, ovarian, or colon cancer
- Different types of cancer in the same person
  - Include bilateral cancers
- Unusual presentation of a specific type of cancer
  - Breast cancer in a man

Syndrome	Associated gene(s)	Lifetime gastric cancer risk	Other associated cancers	Nonmalignant phenotypic features
HDGC	CDH1; possibly CTNNA1, MAP3K6, and others	67%-70% (males), 56%-83% (females)	Lobular breast carcinoma	Cleft lip/palate in some families
FAP	APC	<1% <sup>8</sup>	Colorectal duodenal/ampullary, thyroid, desmoid tumors, hepatoblastoma, medulloblastoma	Colorectal (and duodenal and gastric) adenomas, gastric fundic gland polyps, osteomas, CHRPE, supernumerary teeth
GAPPS	APC (promoter 1B region)	Undefined, but likely higher than FAP	None known	Fundic gland polyps of the proximal stomac
Lynch syndrome	MLH1, MSH2, MSH6, PMS2, EPCAM	<1% to 13% <sup>a</sup>	Colorectal, endometrial, ovarian, urothelial, pancreatic, small-bowel, and hepatobiliary	Cutaneous sebaceous adenomas and keratoacanthomas
Li-Fraumeni syndrome	TP53	~5%ª	Breast, sarcomas, lung, adrenocortical, brain (choroid plexus), leukemias, colorectal, many others	None
Peutz-Jeghers syndrome	STK11	~29%	Breast, pancreatic, lung, colorectal, small intestine, ovaries, testes	Hyperpigmentation of oral/genital mucosa, lips, fingers; hamartomatous polyps of G tract, especially small bowel
Juvenile polyposis syndrome	BMPR1A, SMAD4	~21%	Colorectal and duodenal cancers	Juvenile polyps of the GI tract

#### Panel 1: 2020 hereditary diffuse gastric cancer (HDGC) genetic testing criteria

CDH1 testing is recommended when one of the following criteria have been met and cancer diagnoses have been confirmed. When a criterion involves two or more cancers, at least one cancer should have confirmed histology. Where possible, other relevant cancers should also be confirmed. Histologically confirmed intestinal-type gastric cancer and non-lobular breast cancer cases should not be used to fulfil testing criteria, because these cancers are not part of HDGC. Individuals who fulfil criteria for genetic testing but are found to be negative for a CDH1 variant should subsequently be considered for CTNNA1 analysis.

#### Family criteria\*

- 1 ≥2 cases of gastric cancer in family regardless of age, with at least one diffuse gastric cancer (DGC)
- 2 ≥1 case of DGC at any age, and ≥1 case of lobular breast cancer at age <70 years, in different family members</p>
- 3 ≥2 cases of lobular breast cancer in family members <50 years of age</p>

#### Individual criteria

- 4 DGC at age <50 years
- 5 DGC at any age in individuals of Māori ethnicity
- 6 DGC at any age in individuals with a personal or family history (first-degree relative) of cleft lip or cleft palate
- 7 History of DGC and lobular breast cancer, both diagnosed at age <70 years</p>
- 8 Bilateral lobular breast cancer, diagnosed at age <70 years
- 9 Gastric in situ signet ring cells or pagetoid spread of signet ring cells in individuals <50 years of age</p>

<sup>\*</sup>Family members must be first-degree or second-degree blood relatives of each other. Where possible, test an affected person. If there are no living affected relatives, consider tissue testing (tumour tissue or healthy tissue) from an affected deceased relative. If these options are not possible, consider indirect testing in unaffected family members.

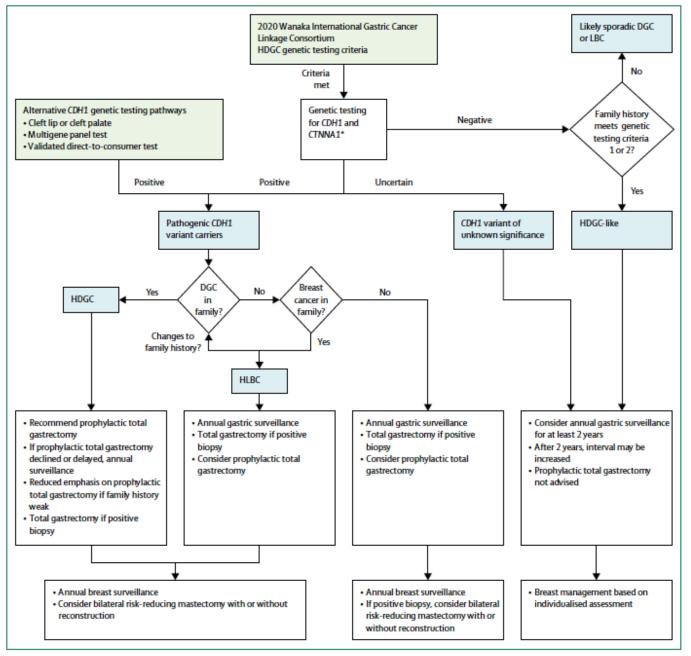
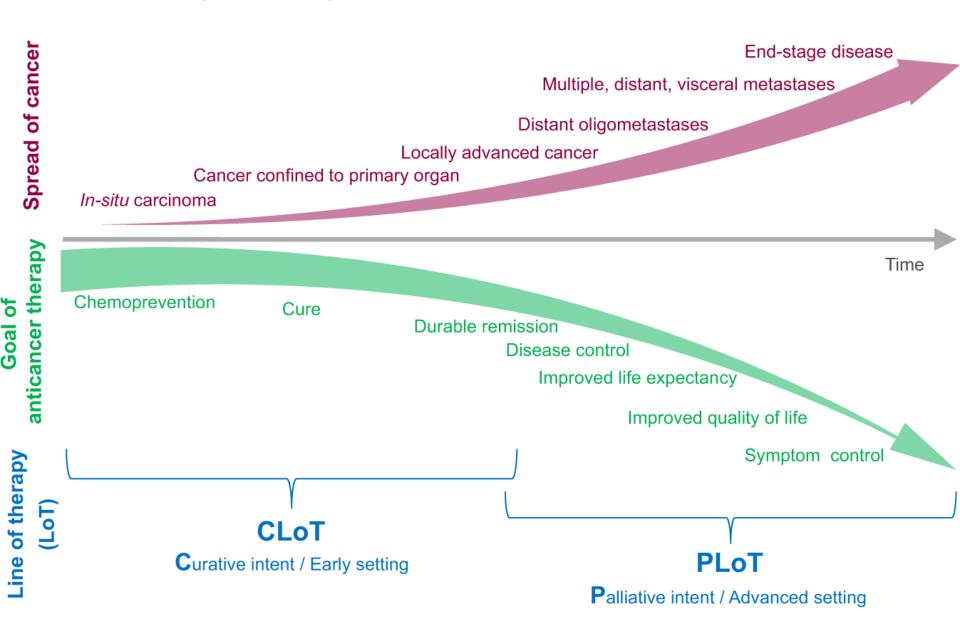


Figure 1: Management of individuals and families who either meet the revised HDGC genetic testing criteria or have had a pathogenic CDH1 variant identified through another route

DGC=diffuse gastric cancer. HDGC=hereditary diffuse gastric cancer. LBC=lobular breast cancer. HLBC=hereditary lobular breast cancer. \*See text for full description of CTNNA1 pathway.

#### **The Goal of Cancer Treatment?**



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