

# **Beyond Abdominal, Extra-abdominal and Intra-abdominal Desmoid Tumors**

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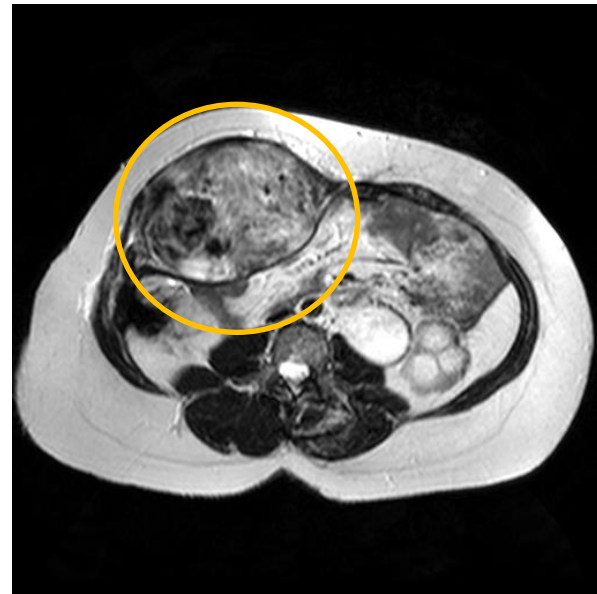
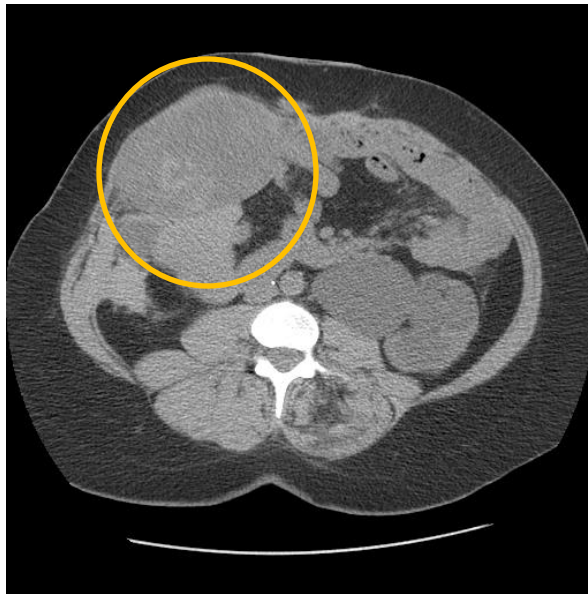
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# Desmoid tumor / Aggressive fibromatosis

- Clonal fibroblastic proliferation
- No metastatic potential
- Share features with MSC
- 2-4 cases/million/yr
- Peak incidence 30-40 yrs of age
- Risk factors
  - APC mutation in germ-line
  - Pregnancy
  - Trauma

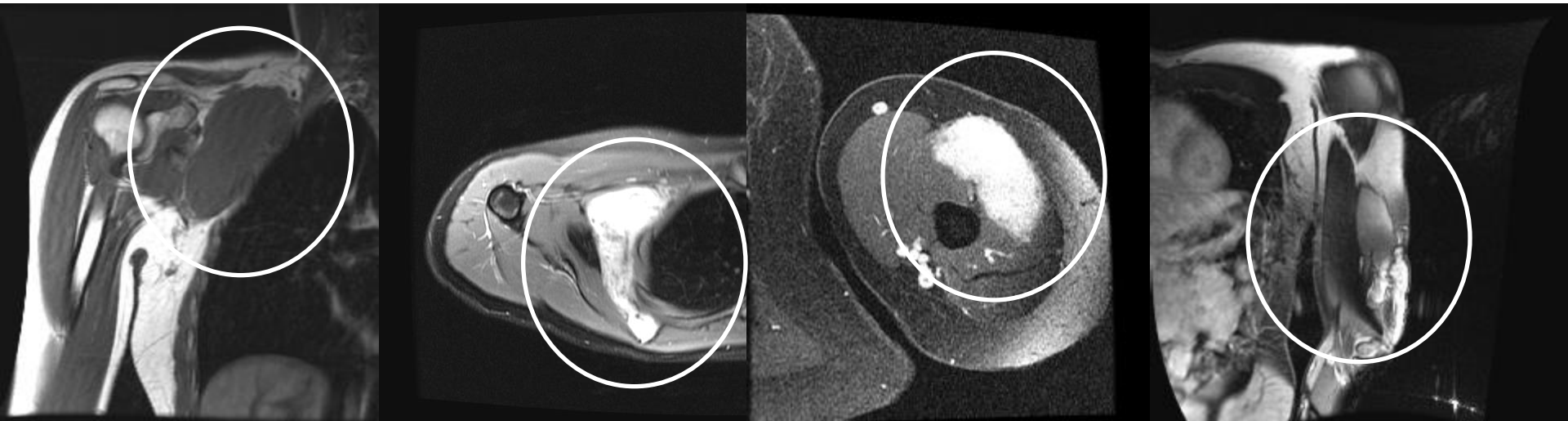
# Desmoid tumor by location

- Abdominal wall
  - Most common in pregnancy
  - Women >> men



# Desmoid tumor by location

- Extra-abdominal
  - Shoulder/limb girdle, chest wall, head/neck
  - Most common location in children



# Desmoid tumor by location

- Intra-abdominal
  - Mesenteric & pelvic involvement
  - More common in Gardner's syndrome



# Desmoid tumor by patient group

- Genotype: APC / Beta-catenin mutation
- Pregnancy-associated
- Age group: childhood/adulthood
- Unifocal/Multifocal

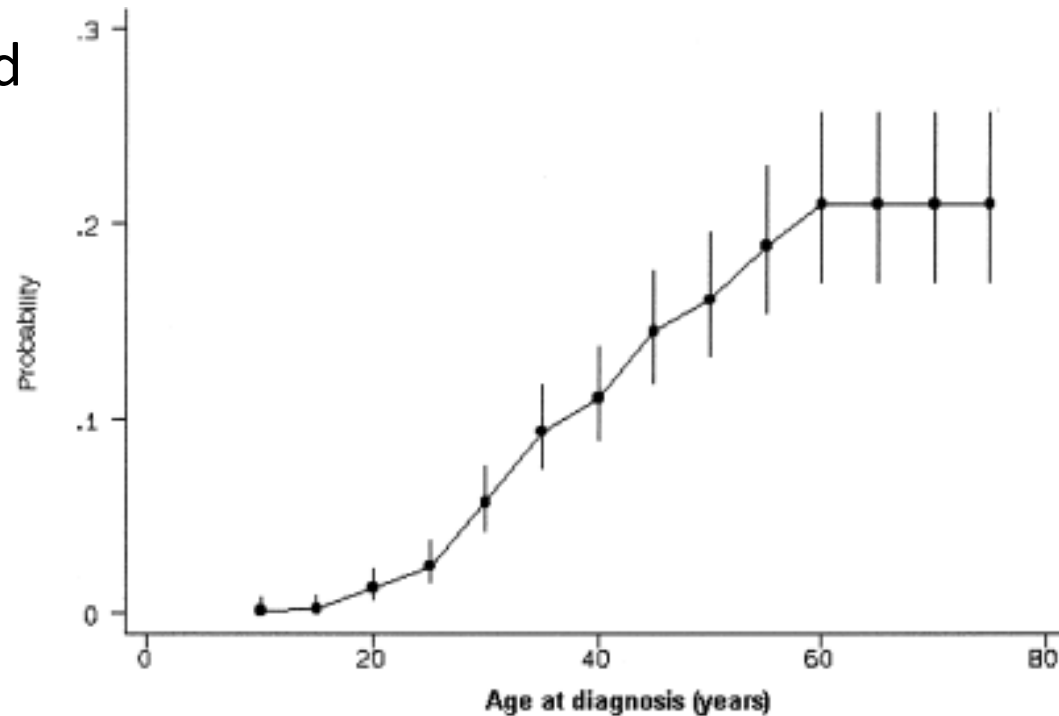
# Familial adenomatous polyposis and DT

- Gardner's syndrome
  - Polyposis coli, desmoid, osteomas, epidermoid cyst, Gardner fibroma, hypertrophy of retinal pigmented epithelium, thyroid cancer
- 10-20% lifetime risk of desmoid
- Desmoid incidence 1000x greater in FAP than non-affected populations
- 5-10% of pts with desmoid have APC mutation
- APC mutation downstream of codon 1400



## Genotype and phenotype factors as determinants of desmoid tumors in patients with familial adenomatous polyposis

- Mutation beyond codon 1444
- Family history of desmoid
- Female
- Osteomas



Cumulative lifetime risk of desmoid

Bertario L et al.  
International Journal of Cancer  
[Volume 95, Issue 2](#), pages 102-107, 27 FEB 2001

# DT in Gardner's syndrome

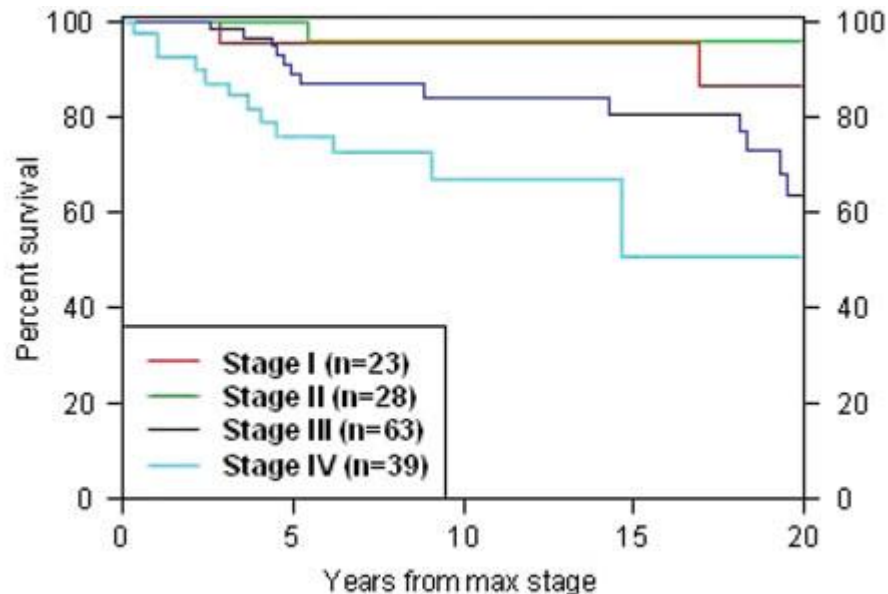
- Location
  - 50% abdominal wall
  - 20-30% mesentery
  - 10-20% extra-abdominal

**A Nation-wide Study Comparing Sporadic and Familial Adenomatous Polyposis-related Desmoid-type Fibromatoses**

Nieuwenhuis, MH et al.  
Int. J. Cancer. 129:256-261, 2011.

**Mortality of Intra-Abdominal Desmoid Tumors in Patients With Familial Adenomatous Polyposis: A Single Center Review of 154 Patients.**

Quintini, Cristiano et al.  
Annals of Surgery. 255(3):511-516, March 2012.



Log rank  $P = 0.0001$

# DT and pregnancy

- Occur during pregnancy and within 6-36 months post-partum
- Median age 30 yrs
- Rectus abdominus most common location (>50%) followed by mesentery
- 10-15% of desmoids
- Infrequently associated with FAP

# DT and pregnancy

- Often treated by resection
  - Recurrence <15%
- High rate (>50%) of growth during pregnancy
- 10-20% spontaneous regression
- Very low risk of mortality
- Subsequent pregnancy safe in majority
- Pregnancy not contraindicated in FAP-associated desmoid

Fiore M et al.

**Desmoid-type fibromatosis and pregnancy: a multi-institutional analysis of recurrence and obstetric risk.**

Ann Surg. 2013

Robinson WA et al.

**Desmoid tumors in pregnant and postpartum women.**

Cancers. 4:184-192. 2012

Church JM and McGannon E.

**Prior pregnancy ameliorates the course of intra-abdominal desmoid tumors in patients with familial adenomatous polyposis.**

Dis Colon Rectum. 43:445-450. 2000.

# DT and pregnancy – 4 institution study

**TABLE 4.** Available Data for Counseling in Women Affected by Sporadic DF

New diagnosis of DF during or shortly after pregnancy	
Risk of relapse after complete resection	13%
Risk of progression with watchful waiting	63%
Spontaneous regression	11%
Risk of failure after any first active treatment (initial or delayed until the time of progression)	10%
Overall managed without resection	52%
Pregnancy after previous diagnosis of DF	
Risk of DF recurrence/progression	42%
DF recurrence/progression safely managed with either active treatment or watchful waiting	94%
Multiple lines of active treatments needed for progression	6%
Spontaneous regression was described after progression as well	7%
Obstetric risk	
Obstetric complications related to DF in both mother and fetus	0%
Intra-abdominal/pelvic DF should be anyway considered at higher risk (few data available)	
Cesarean delivery to be considered in case of macroscopic DF in particular anatomic sites	
Postpartum incisional hernia after previous abdominal wall full-thickness mesh repair is an issue	

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# Abdominal wall DT

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## Spontaneous Regression of Primary Abdominal Wall Desmoid Tumors: More Common than Previously Thought

Sylvie Bonvalot, MD, PhD<sup>1</sup>, Nils Ternès, MS<sup>2</sup>, Marco Fiore, MD<sup>3</sup>, Georgina Bitsakou, MD<sup>1</sup>, Chiara Colombo, MD<sup>3</sup>, Charles Honoré, MD<sup>1</sup>, Andrea Marrari, MD<sup>4</sup>, Axel Le Cesne, MD<sup>5</sup>, Federica Perrone, MD<sup>6</sup>, Ariane Dunant, MS<sup>2</sup>, and Alessandro Gronchi, MD<sup>3</sup>

- 147 patients
- 97% female
- 25% associated with pregnancy
- 28% spontaneous regression
- 16% managed by observation or drug therapy required surgery
- Size >7 cm associated with change in management

# DT in childhood

- Median age 11
- Equal sex distribution
- Location
  - Extremity 50%
  - Head/neck 30%
  - Chest wall/trunk 15%
  - Intra-abdominal 5%
- 5-yr EFS 35-45%
  - 77% R0
  - 30% R1
  - 35% observation

Honeyman, JN et al.

**Desmoid fibromatosis in children and adolescents: a conservative approach to management.**

J Ped. Surg. 48:62-66, 2013.

Meazza, C et al.

**Aggressive fibromatosis in children and adolescents: the Italian experience**

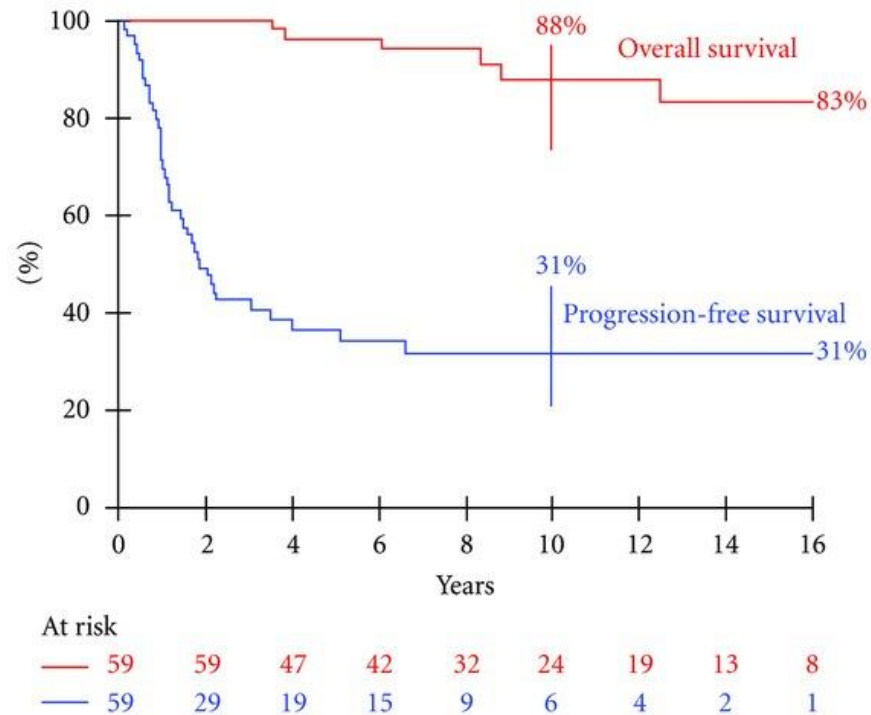
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# Survival in childhood DT



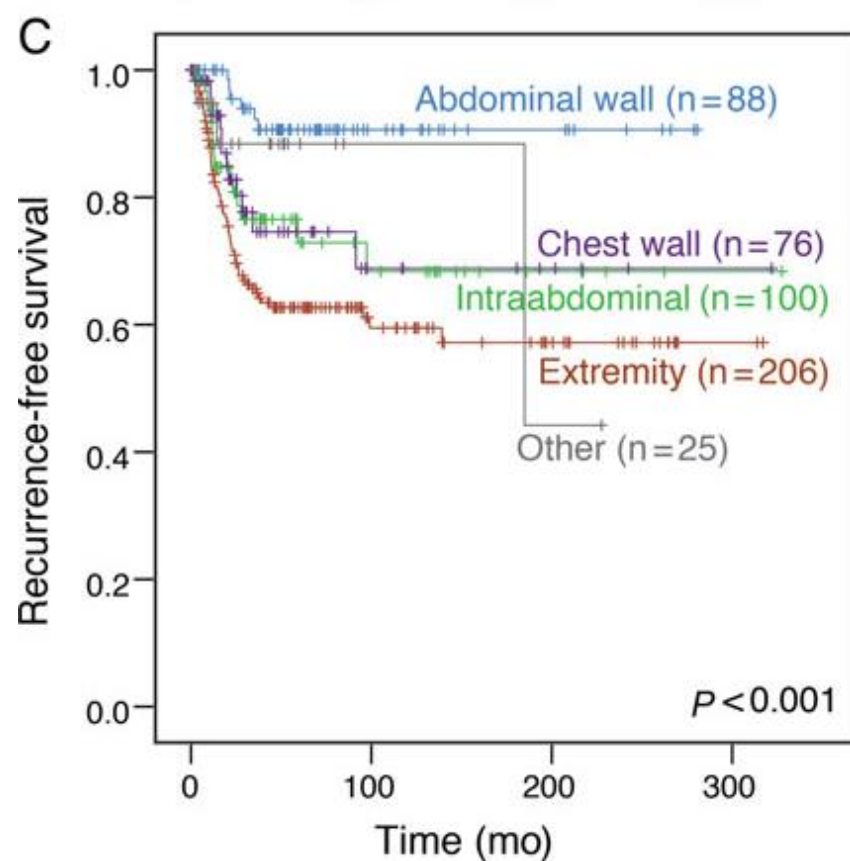
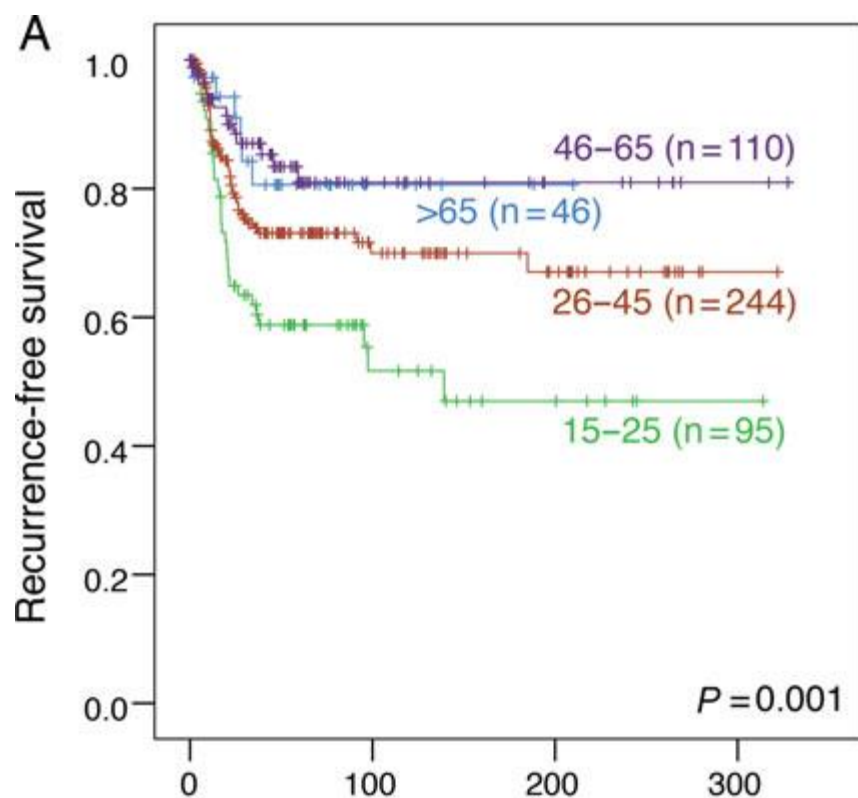
Oudot, C et al.

**Desmoid fibromatosis in pediatric patients: management based on retrospective analysis of 59 patients and a review of the literature.**

Sarcoma. 2012;475202.



# DT recurrence risk



Crago, AM et al.

**A prognostic nomogram for prediction of recurrence in desmoid fibromatosis**

Ann Surg. 258:347-353. 2013.

# Multifocal DT

- 1<sup>st</sup> reported by HM Barber in 1973
- Most often confined to same anatomic region
- May be synchronous or metachronous
- <5% of patients with desmoid
- No identified risk factors for multifocal versus unifocal disease
- No clear difference in management strategy

# Summary

- DT have variable natural history
- Consider context in which DT arises
- Watch and wait strategy is gaining traction
- Spontaneous regression common in pregnancy and abdominal wall DT
- Consider presenting symptoms and long-term impact of intervention in management decisions