

# Colorectal Cancer Screening and Advances in Colorectal Cancer Treatment

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1. Summarize options for colorectal cancer screening.
2. Identify differences in colorectal cancer incidence and mortality by sex, race, and ethnicity.
3. Specify American Cancer Society screening recommendations for individuals considered to be at average risk for colorectal cancer.
4. List at least two strategies to eliminate disparities in colorectal cancer screening outcomes.

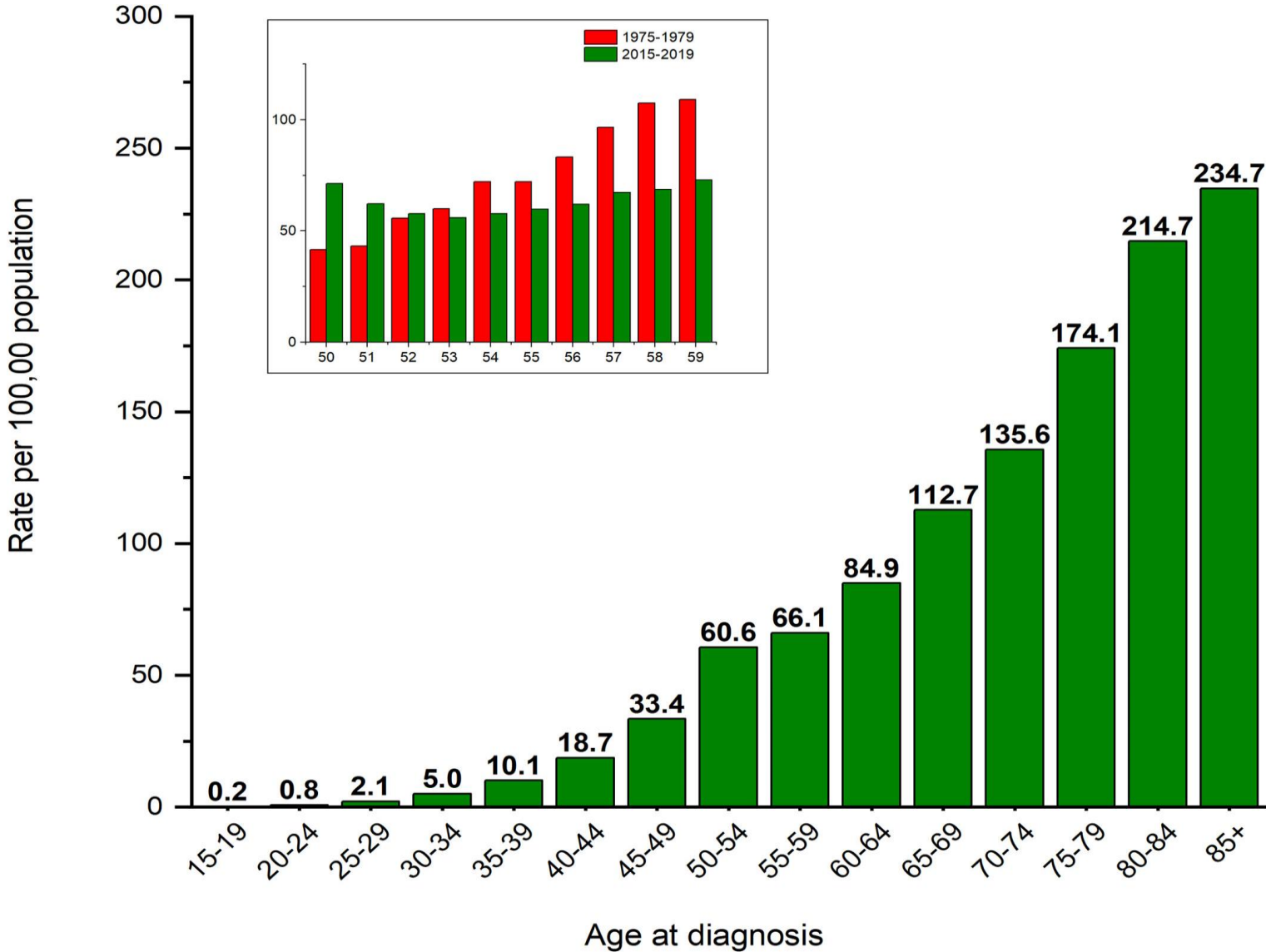
# Agenda

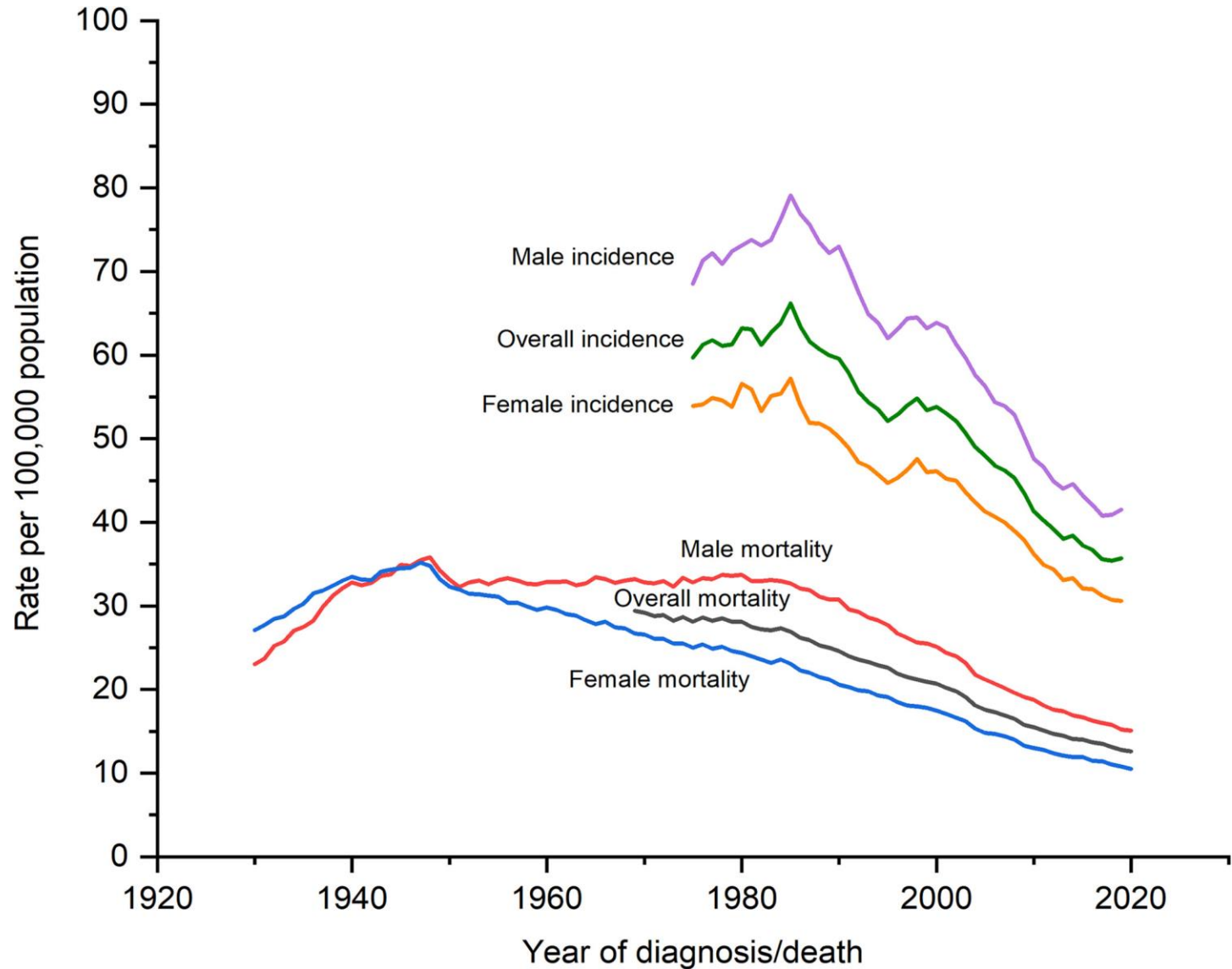
- Colorectal cancer burden
- Age, ethnic, and racial disparities
- Screening – recommendations and options
- Reducing disparities in colorectal cancer screening and outcomes
- Prevention
  
- What's new in treatment
  - Opioid reducing strategies
  - Immunotherapy - checkpoint inhibitors
  - Watch and wait for rectal cancer



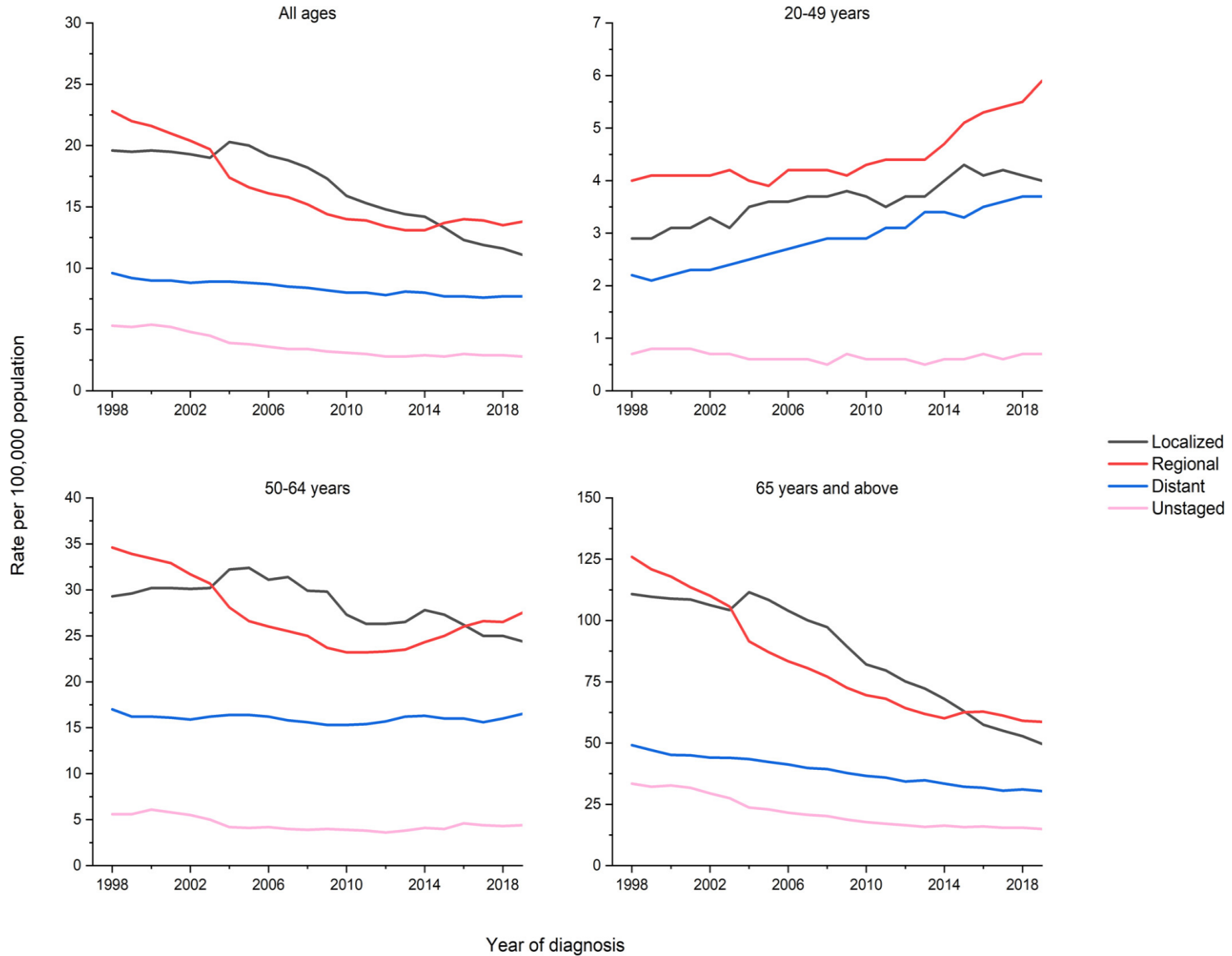
- 3<sup>rd</sup> most common cancer in US
- 2<sup>nd</sup> leading cause of cancer death
- Incidence - 2024
  - Colon cancer - 106,590
  - Rectal cancer - 46,220
- Deaths - 53,010
- Adults born ~1990 have 2X risk of colon cancer and 4X risk of rectal cancer than those born in 1950

# Colorectal Cancer Statistics - 2023

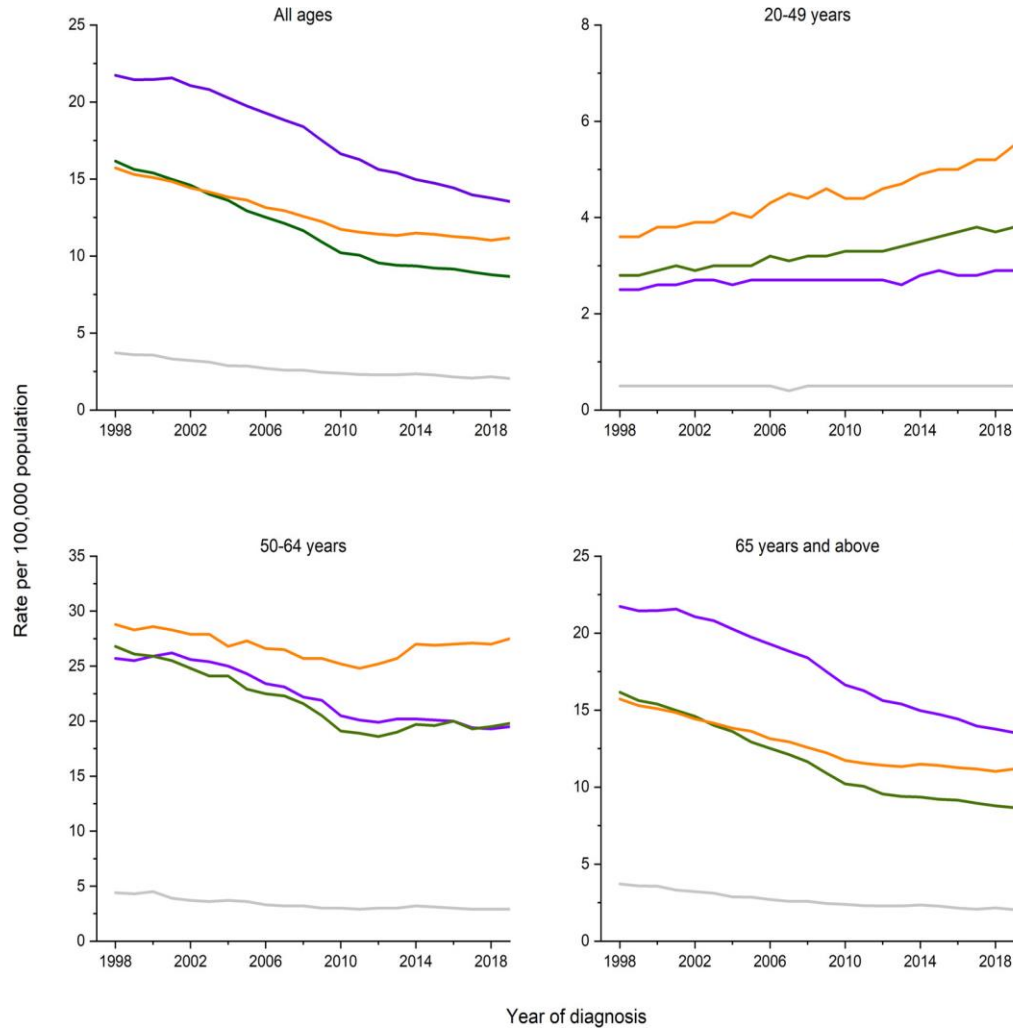




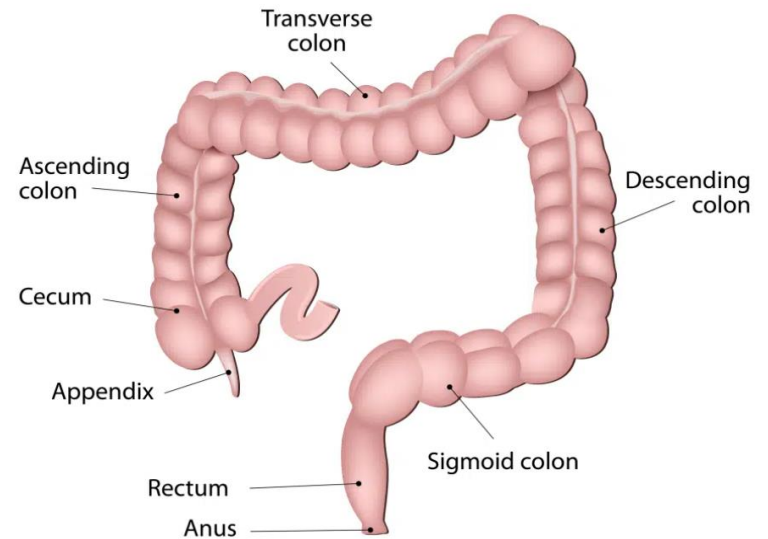
# Trends in CRC by Age and Stage



# Trends in CRC by Age and Subsite

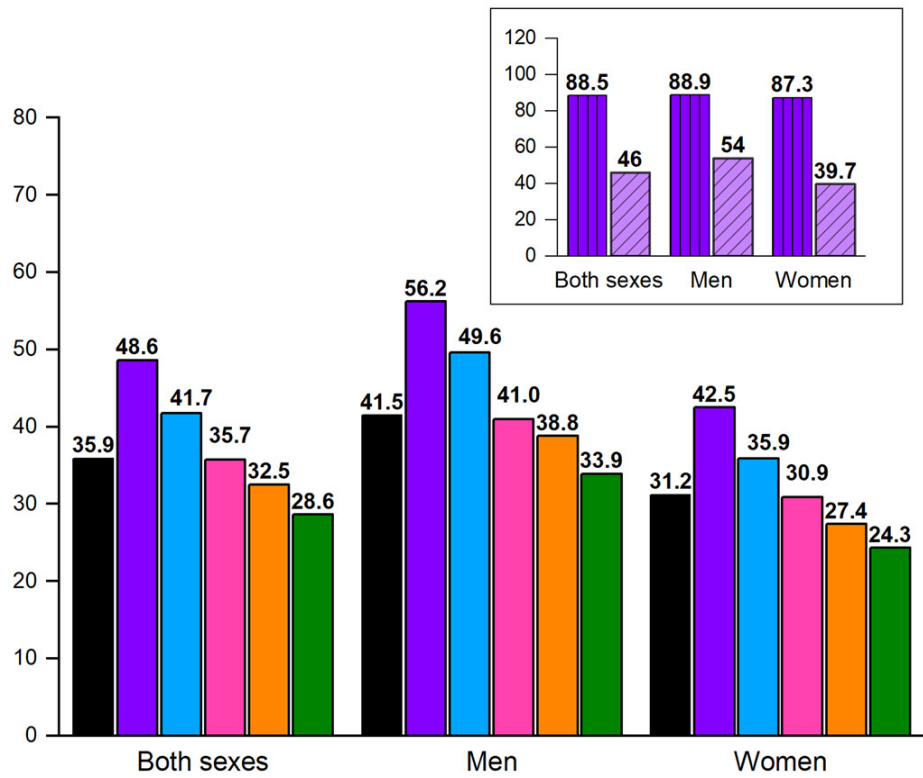


— Proximal colon  
— Distal colon  
— Rectum and Rectosigmoid Junction  
— Large Intestine, NOS

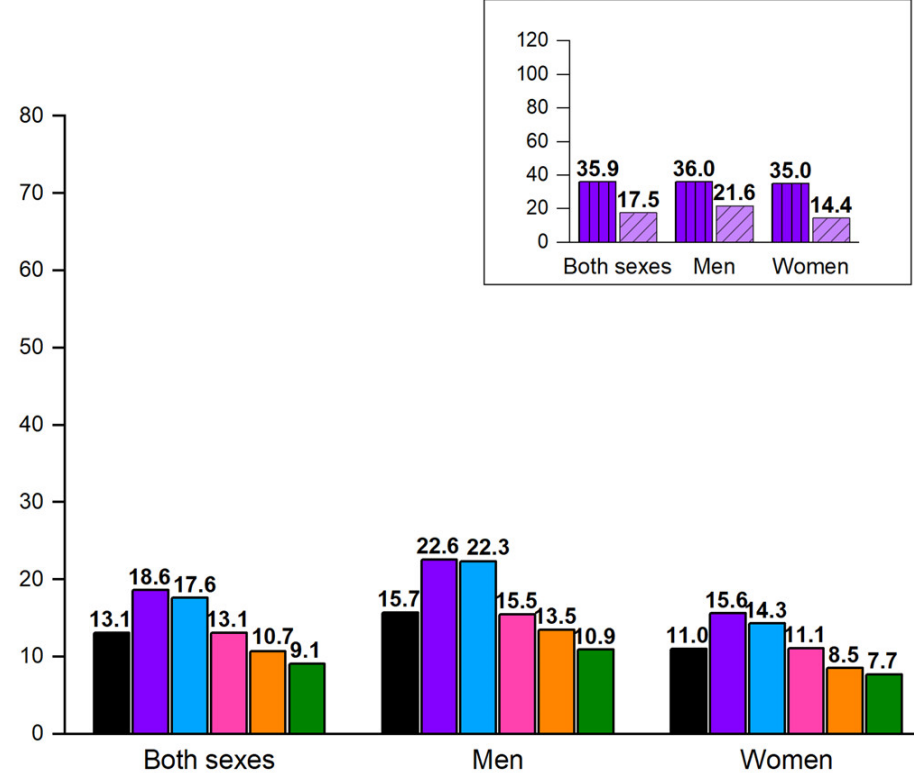


# CRC Incidence and Mortality by Sex, Race, Ethnicity

Incidence



Mortality

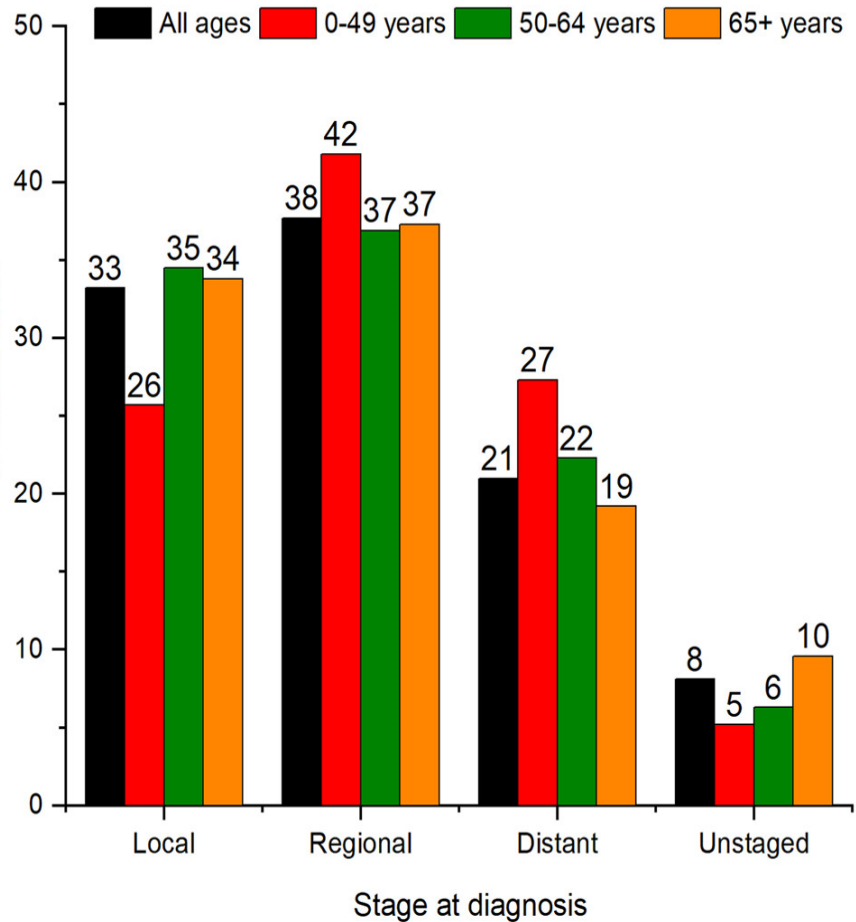


All races and ethnicities
  AI/AN<sup>a</sup>
 NHB
  NHW
  Hispanic
  AAPI

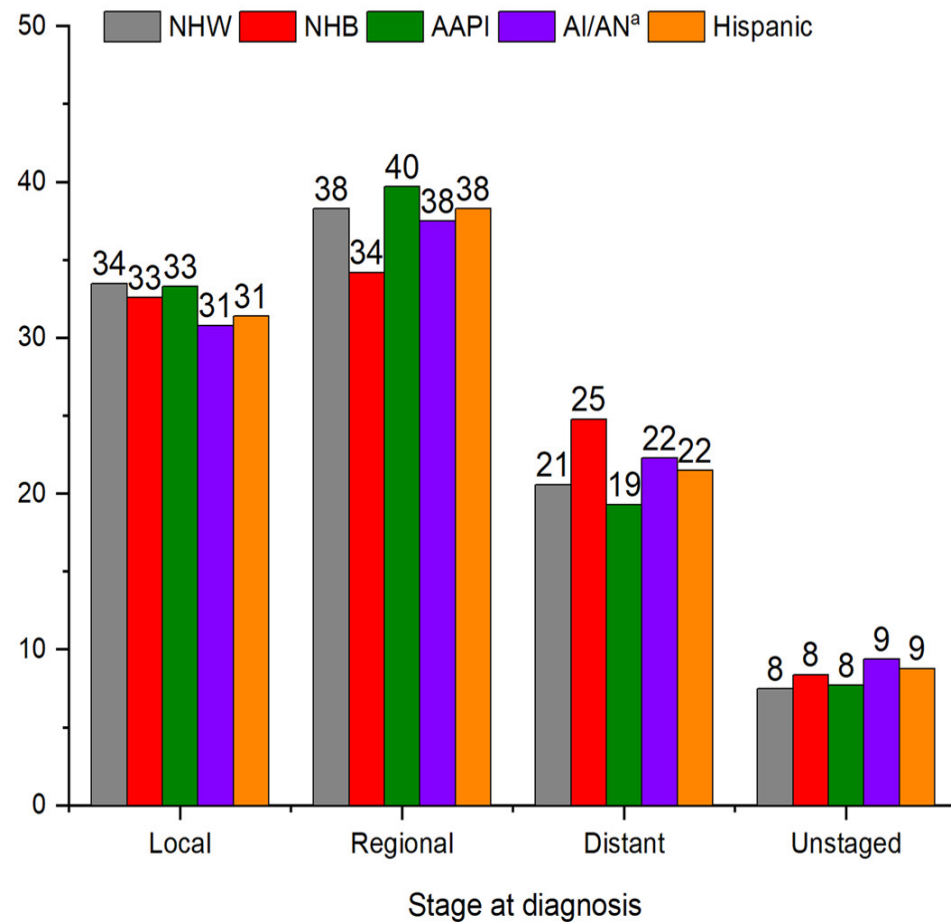
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# CRC Stage Distribution by Age, Race, and Ethnicity (2015-2019)

A. By age



B. By race/ethnicity





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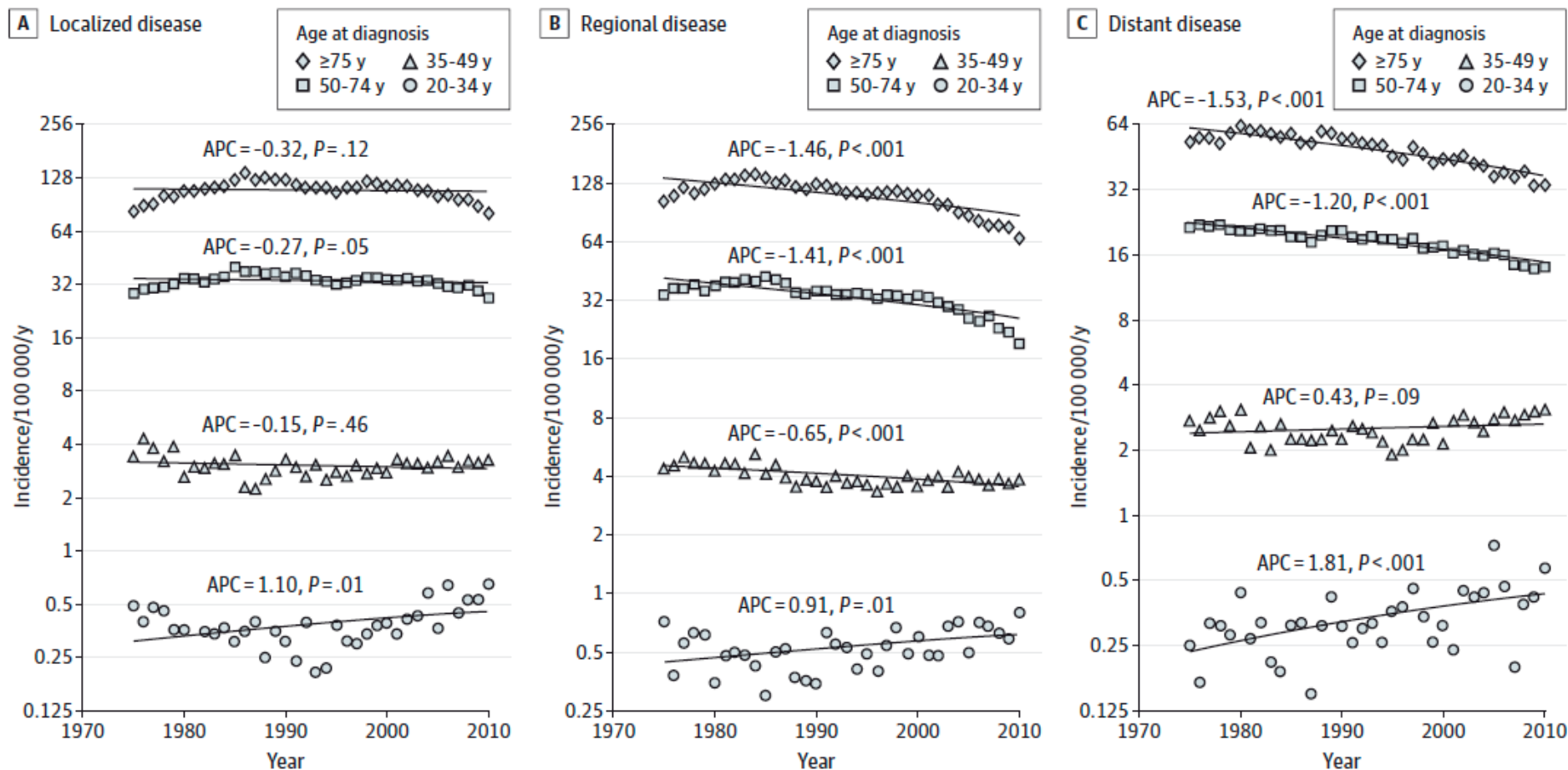
# Increasing Disparities in the Age-Related Incidences of Colon and Rectal Cancers in the United States, 1975-2010

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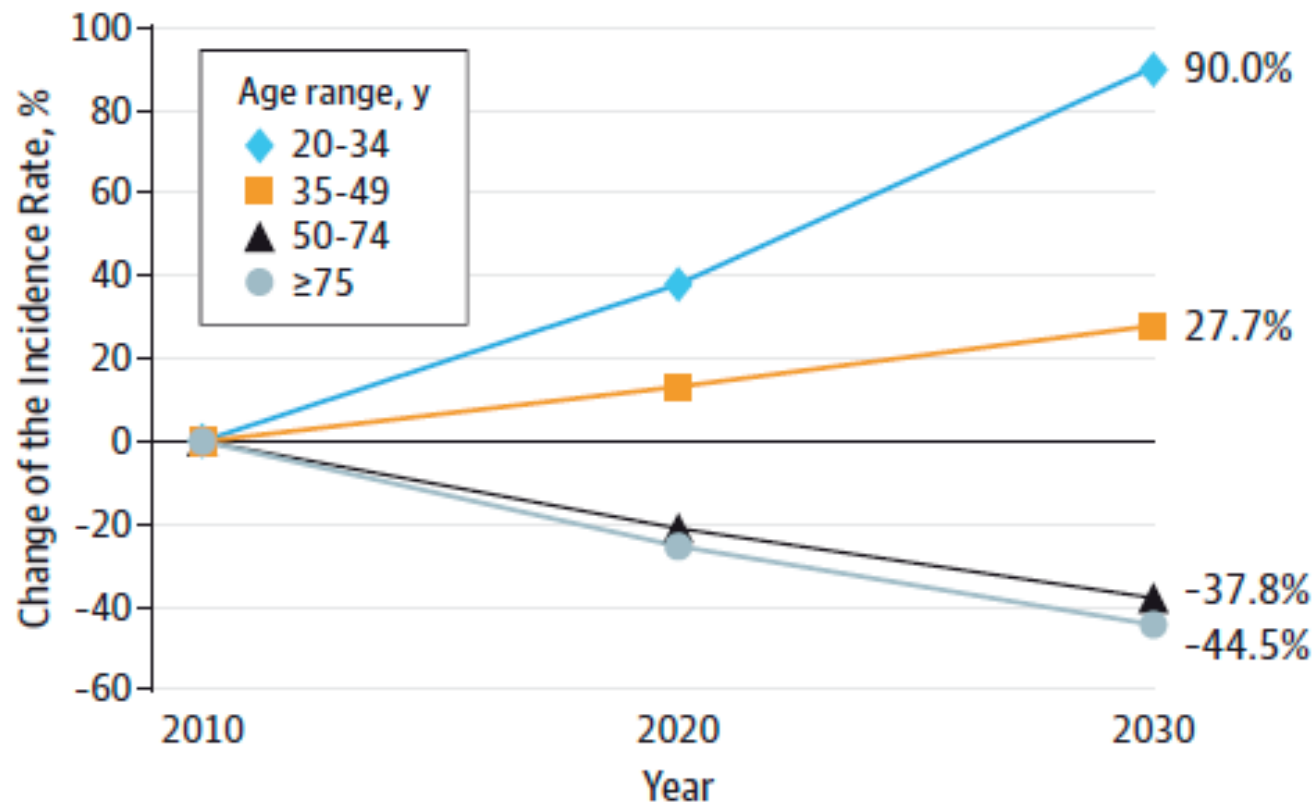
# Increasing Age Disparities in CRC

Figure 1. Annual Incidence Rates of Colon Cancer From 1975 to 2010



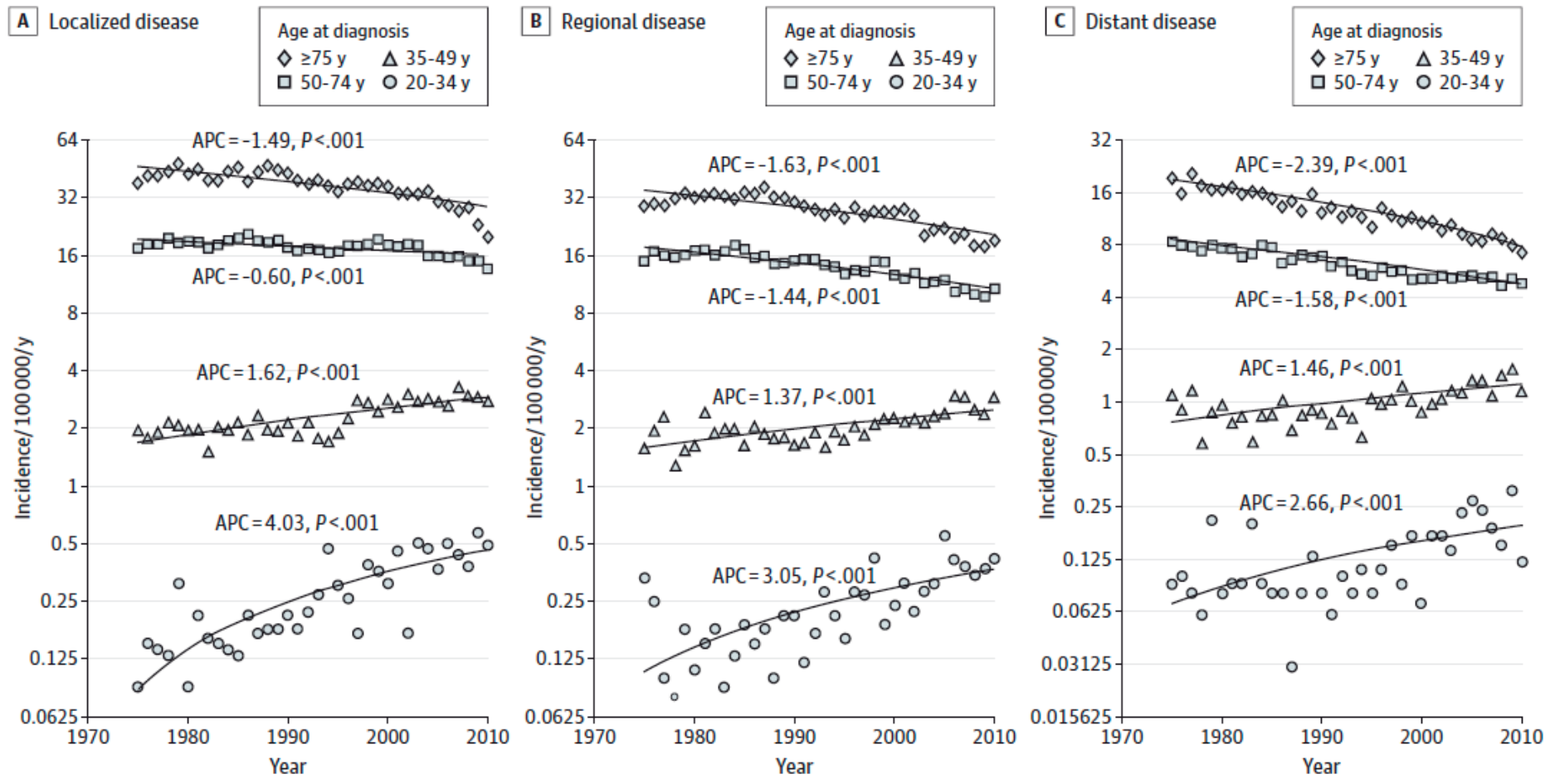
Rates are per 100 000 and age adjusted to the 2000 US standard population for localized disease (A), regional disease (B), and distant disease (C). The trend lines are logarithmic. APC indicates annual percentage change.

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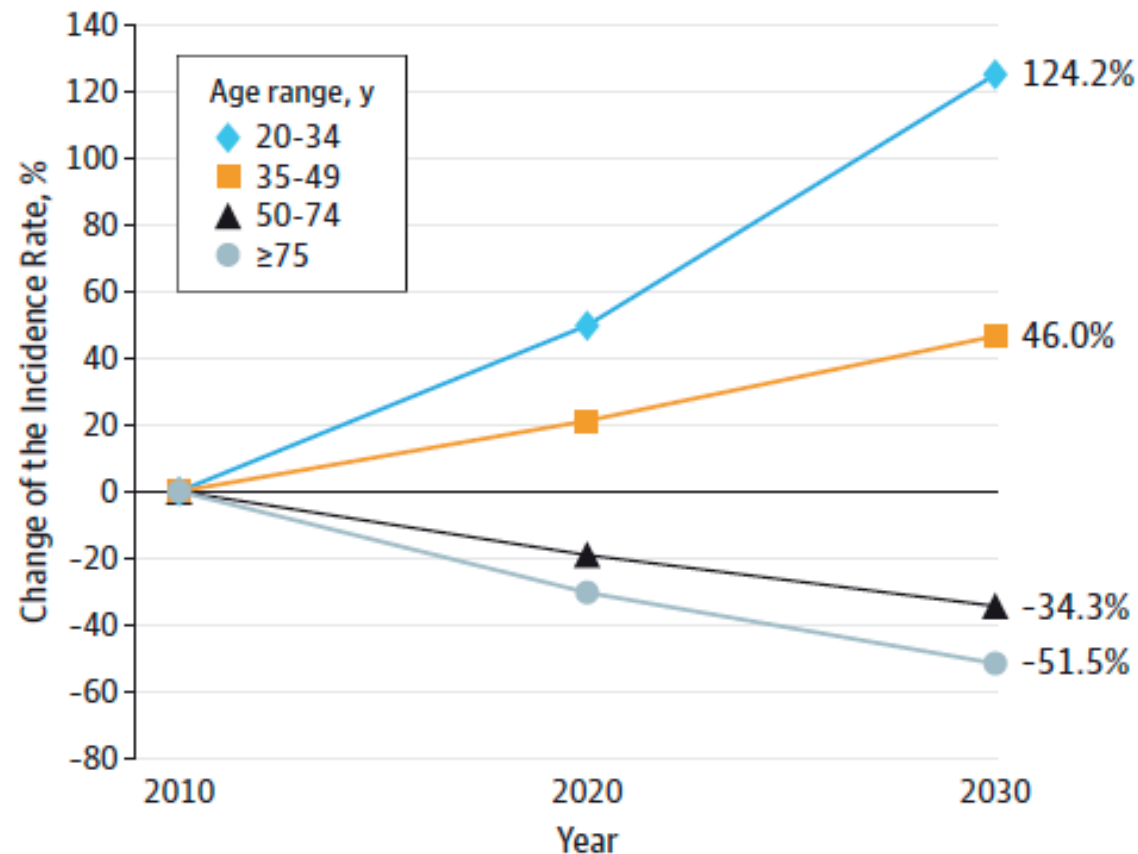
# Increasing Age Disparities in CRC

Figure 3. Annual Incidence Rates of Rectosigmoid and Rectal Cancers From 1975 to 2010



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Figure 4. Annual Percentage Change–Based Predicted Incidence Rates of Rectosigmoid and Rectal Cancers by Age Compared With Incidence Rate in 2010



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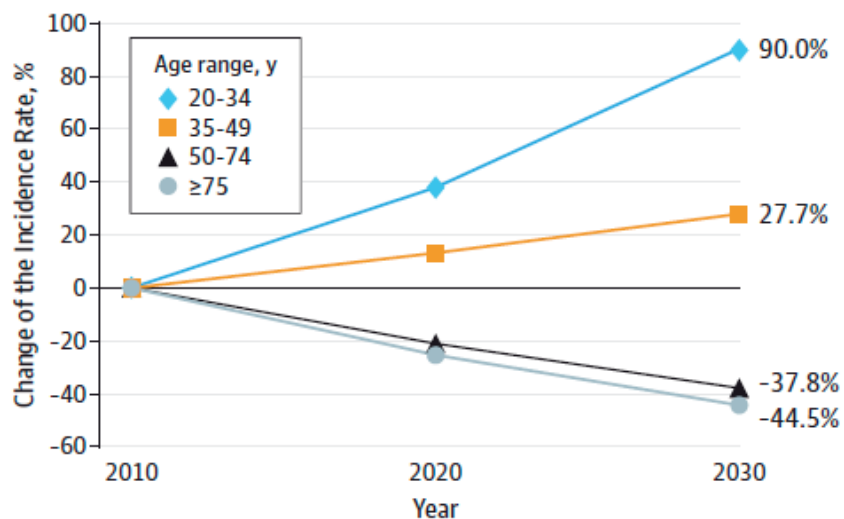
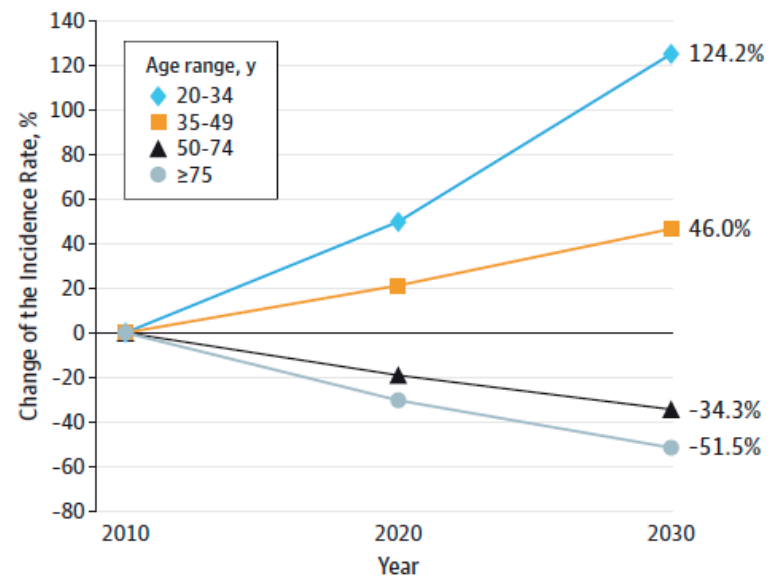
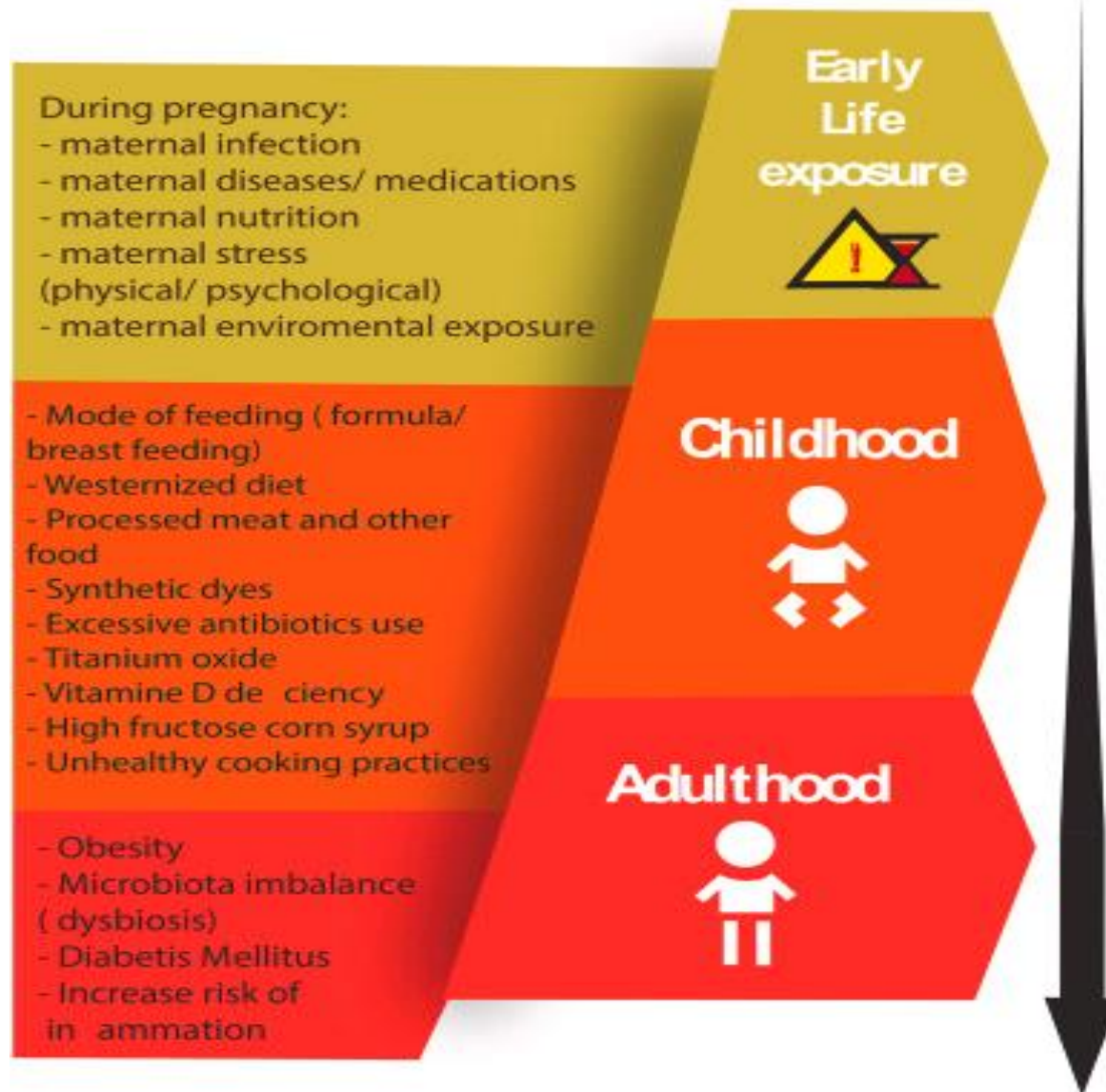


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# Early Onset CRC



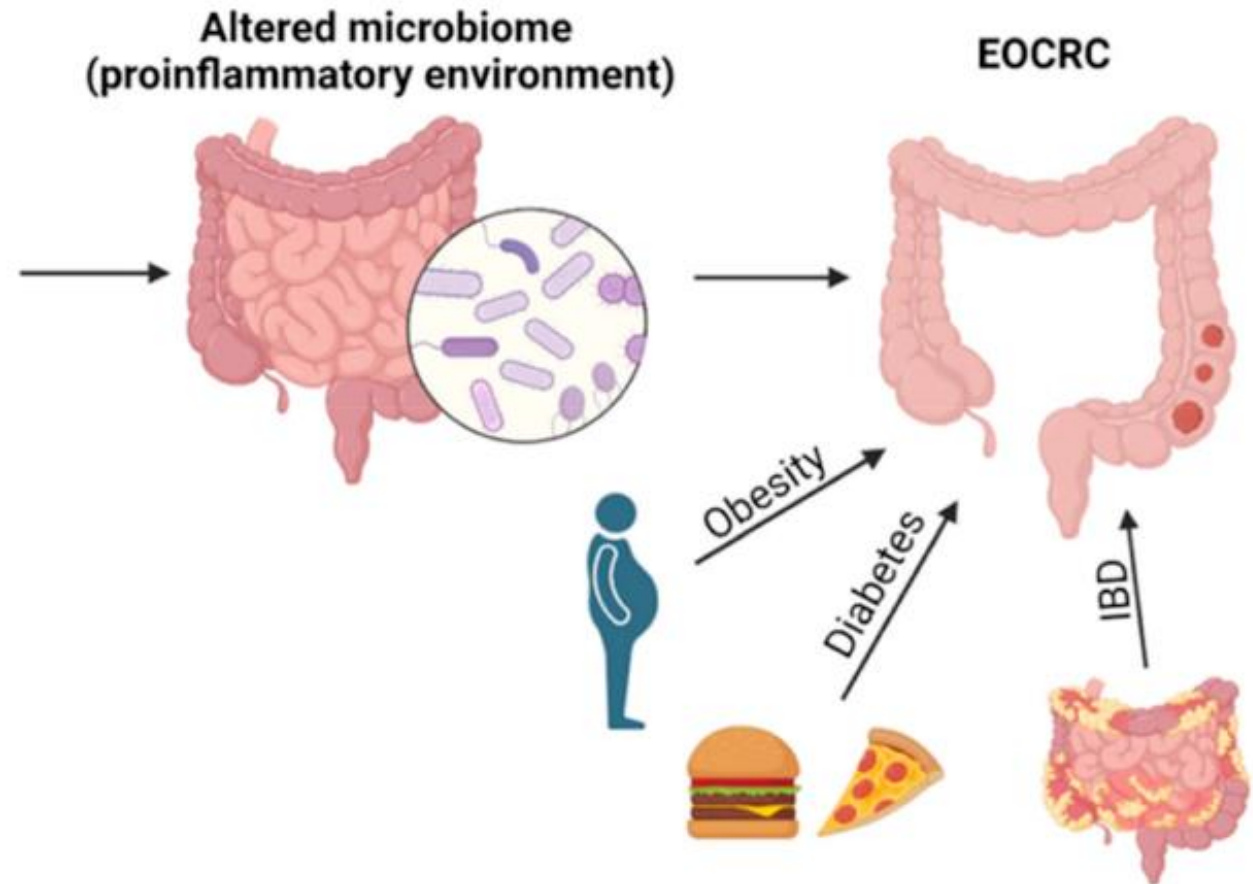
**Accumulative risk factors for EOCRC**



# Early Onset CRC

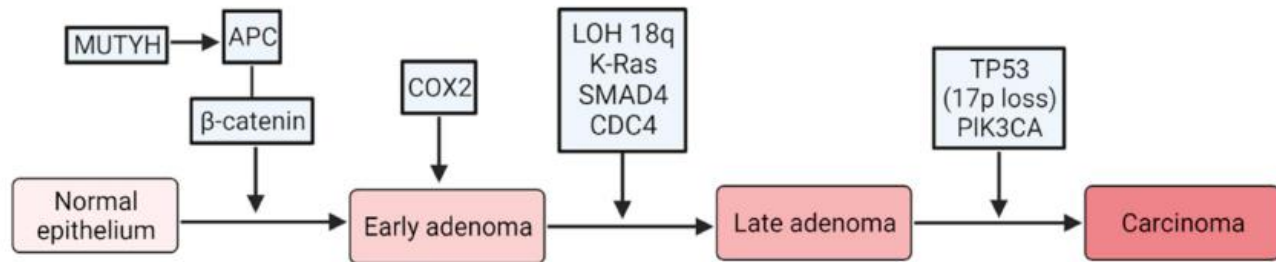
## Risk Factors for EOCRC

- Western diet
- Red and processed meats
- Synthetic dyes
- High-fructose corn syrup
- Smoking & alcohol
- Physical inactivity
- Antibiotic exposure
- Genetic (hereditary cancer syndromes)

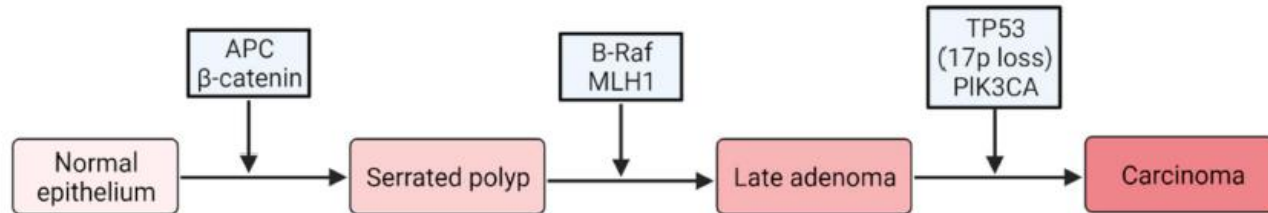


# Molecular Subtypes in CRC

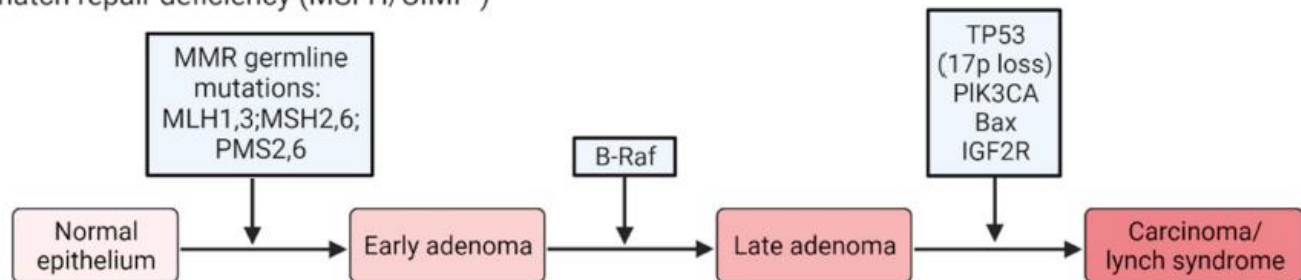
- a Adenoma-carcinoma sequence: 70-90% CRC  
(chromosomal instability pathway (CIN)/CIMP-)



- b Serrated polyp pathway: 10-20% CRC  
(CpG-island methylator (CIMP)/MSS/MSI-H)

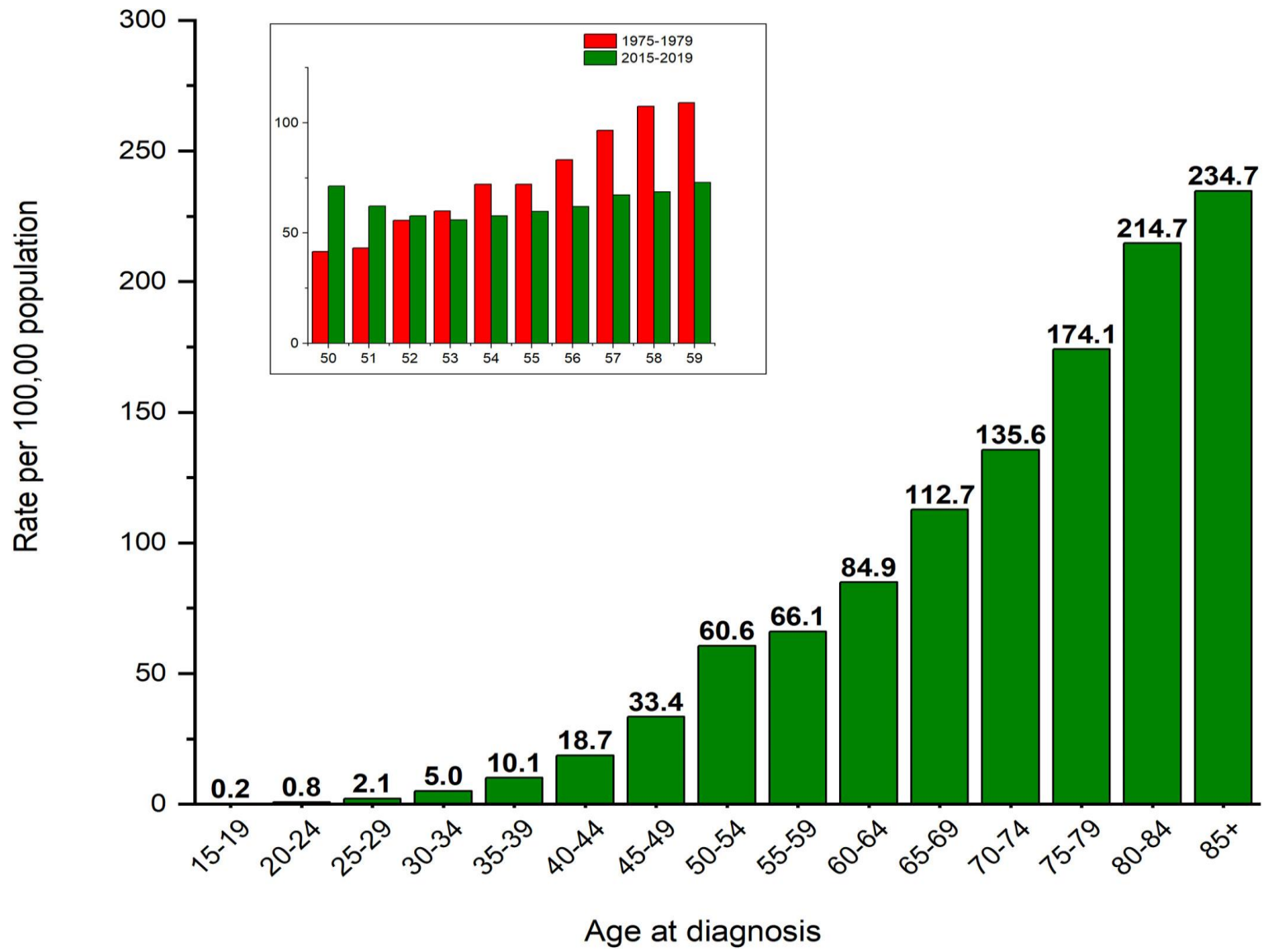


- c Microsatellite instability pathway: 2-7% CRC  
(Mismatch repair deficiency (MSI-H)/CIMP-)





# Colorectal Cancer Statistics - 2023



# Colorectal Cancer Screening for Average-Risk Adults: 2018 Guideline Update From the American Cancer Society

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# People at average risk

- Men and women should start regular screening at **age 45**
- People who are in good health and with a life expectancy of more than 10 years should continue regular colorectal cancer screening through **age 75**
- For people **ages 76 through 85**, the decision to be screened should be based on their preferences, life expectancy, overall health, and prior screening history
- People over **age 85** should no longer get colorectal cancer screening

# Test Options for Colorectal Cancer Screening

## Visual exams:

- Colonoscopy every 10 years, OR
- CT colonography (virtual colonoscopy)\* every 5 years, OR
- Flexible sigmoidoscopy\* every 5 years

\* If a person chooses to be screened with a test other than colonoscopy, any abnormal test result should be followed up with colonoscopy.

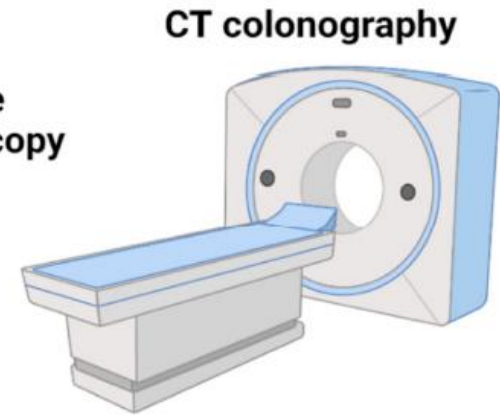
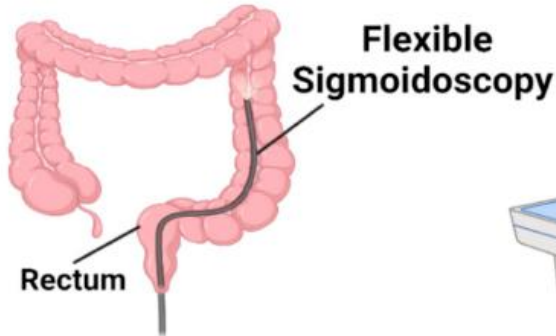
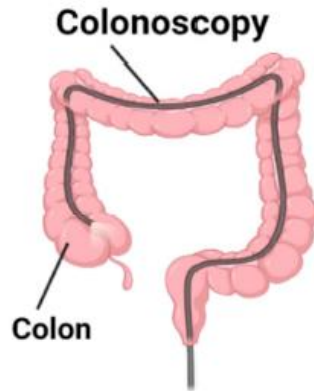
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## Stool-based tests:

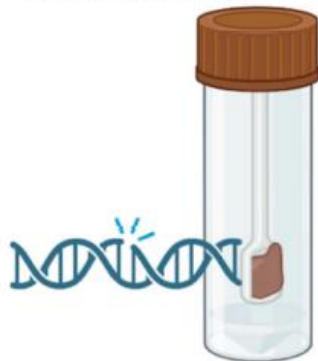
- Highly sensitive fecal immunochemical test (FIT)\* every year, OR
- Highly sensitive guaiac-based fecal occult blood test (gFOBT)\* every year, OR
- Multi-targeted stool DNA test (MT-sDNA)\* every 3 years

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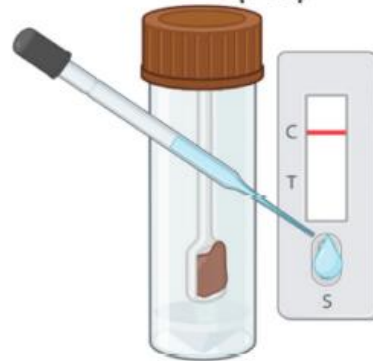
# Screening Options



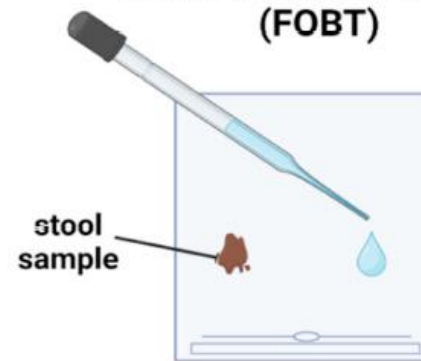
**Stool DNA test**



**Fecal Immunochemical test (FIT)**



**Fecal occult blood test (FOBT)**





# Colorectal Cancer: Screening

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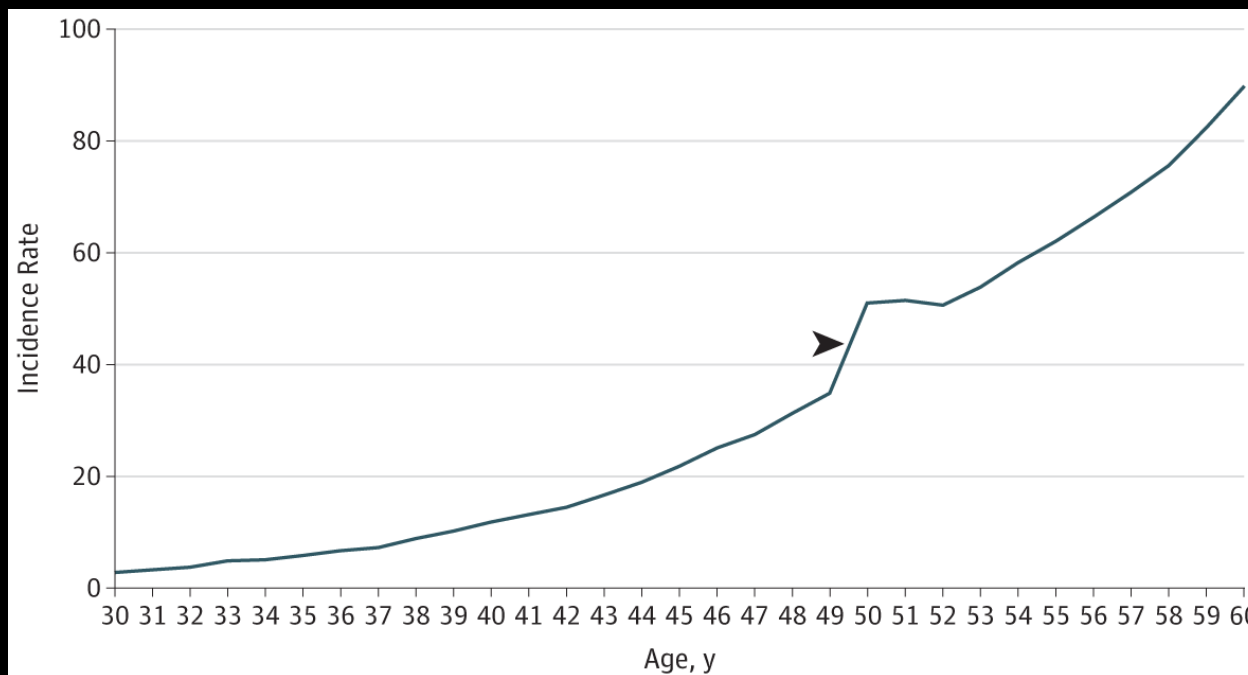
## Recommendation Summary

Population	Recommendation	Grade
Adults aged 50 to 75 years	<p>The USPSTF recommends screening for colorectal cancer in all adults aged 50 to 75 years.</p> <p>See the "Practice Considerations" section and Table 1 for details about screening strategies.</p>	<b>A</b>
Adults aged 45 to 49 years	<p>The USPSTF recommends screening for colorectal cancer in adults aged 45 to 49 years.</p> <p>See the "Practice Considerations" section and Table 1 for details about screening strategies.</p>	<b>B</b>
Adults aged 76 to 85 years	<p>The USPSTF recommends that clinicians selectively offer screening for colorectal cancer in adults aged 76 to 85 years. Evidence indicates that the net benefit of screening all persons in this age group is small. In determining whether this service is appropriate in individual cases, patients and clinicians should consider the patient's overall health, prior screening history, and preferences.</p>	<b>C</b>

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Colorectal Cancer Incidence Rates per 100,000 Population in 1-Year Age Increments in the US Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results 18 Registries Among Patients Aged 30 to 60 Years, 2000-2015  
 Only adenocarcinomas were analyzed. The arrowhead indicates the incidence rate increase from 49 to 50 years of age (46.1% increase: 34.9 [95% CI, 34.1-35.8] to 51.0 [95% CI, 50.0-52.1] per 100,000 population).

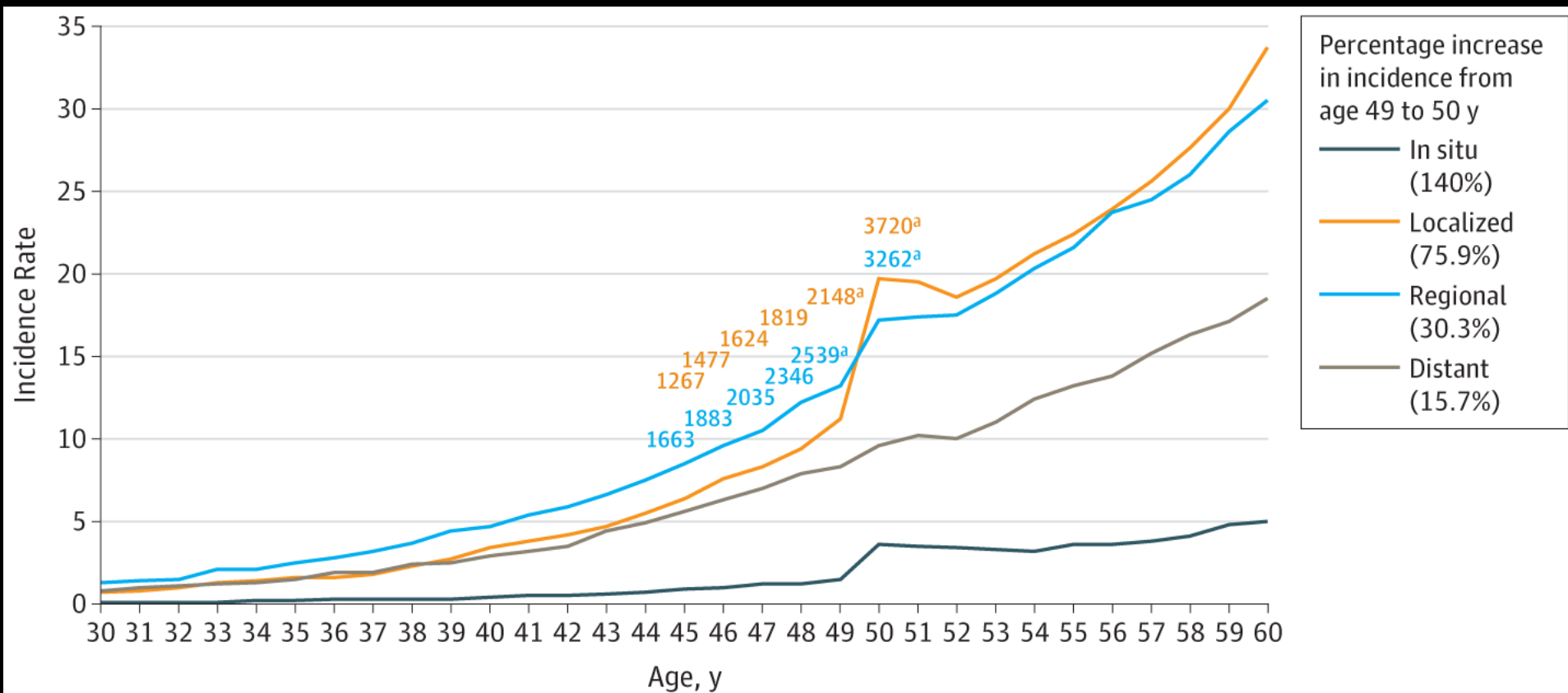




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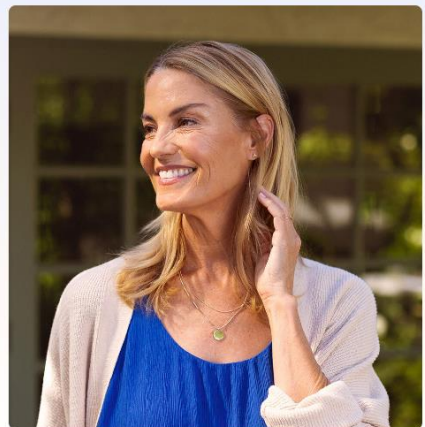
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<sup>‡</sup>Specificity detected for advanced neoplasia defined in ECLIPSE as CRC or advanced adenomas.<sup>1,3</sup>  
<sup>§</sup>Patients had no prior diagnosis of CRC, inflammatory bowel disease, or family history of genetic risk for CRC (eg, Lynch syndrome).<sup>1</sup>  
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### A Cell-free DNA Blood-Based Test for Colorectal Cancer Screening

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# Blood tests for colorectal cancer?

**Table 2. Sensitivity and Specificity of the Cell-free DNA (cfDNA) Blood-Based Test for the Most Advanced Findings on Colonoscopy.\***

Variable	Most Advanced Finding on Colonoscopy <i>no.</i>	cfDNA Blood-Based Test	
		Positive Test <i>no.</i>	Sensitivity (95% CI) %
<b>Colorectal cancer</b>			
Any	65	54	83.1 (72.2–90.3)
Stage I, II, or III*	48	42	87.5 (75.3–94.1)
Advanced precancerous lesions†	1116	147	13.2 (11.3–15.3)
Nonadvanced adenomas, nonneoplastic findings, and negative colonoscopy	6680	698	89.6 (88.8–90.3)
Nonneoplastic findings and negative colonoscopy	4514	457	89.9 (89.0–90.7)

\* Excluded were 10 stage IV and 7 pathologically confirmed, incompletely staged colorectal cancers.

† Advanced precancerous lesions include advanced adenomas and sessile serrated lesions at least 10 mm in the largest dimension.

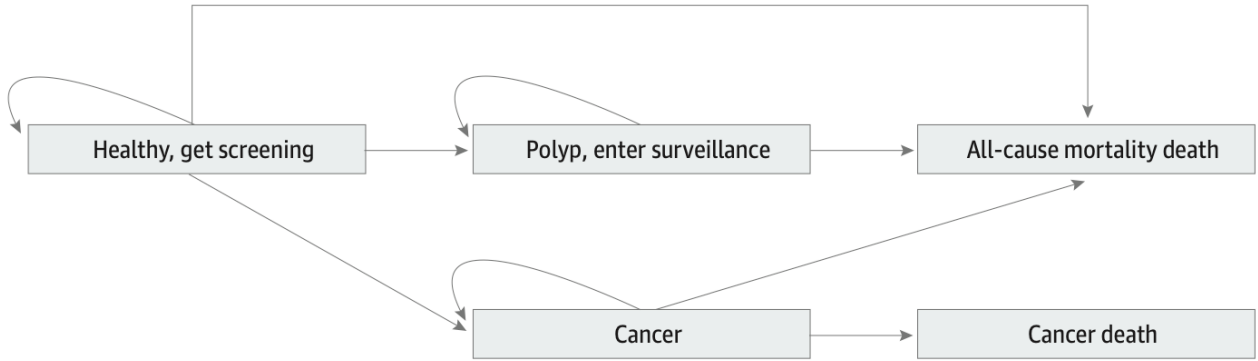


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## Cost-Effectiveness of Liquid Biopsy for Colorectal Cancer Screening in Patients Who Are Unscreened

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Figure 1. Markov Model Schematic



## Discussion

In this study, we used a Markov simulation to analyze the cost-effectiveness of LB, used both as a novel first or second-line screening modality. We present the first analysis that integrates novel LB into paradigms for CRC screening and systematically explores scenarios to determine the cost-effectiveness of LB.

The most cost-effective screening strategy in our base-case model was colonoscopy, with an ICER of \$28 071 per LYG. While C-LB had the highest number of LYG and prevented the most cancers, the cost of LB would have to reduce by 66% (from \$949 to \$324) for the C-LB strategy to become cost-effective in our model. Compared with NH, the cost of LB would have to be reduced by 94% for its ICER to drop below the WTP threshold of \$100 000 per LYG. When compared with stool-based tests, the cost of LB would have to decrease by 43% to 80% to be cost-effective. LB and C-LB had more LYG when polyp detection was introduced, but they did not achieve cost-effectiveness at LB's current price even with perfect performance.



- Most people with early cancer have no symptoms
- Change in stool - shape, color, blood
- Change in bowel habits (persists)
- Abdominal pain, cramping
- Urges to have bowel movements
- Unintentional weight loss

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Cancer  
Research  
Fund



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Cancer  
Research

CUP Continuous  
Update  
Project

Analysing research on cancer  
prevention and survival



Diet, nutrition, physical activity  
and **colorectal cancer**

2017

Revised 2018

# Prevention (AICR)

2017	DIET, NUTRITION, PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND COLORECTAL CANCER		
		DECREASES RISK	INCREASES RISK
STRONG EVIDENCE	Convincing	Physical activity <sup>1,2</sup>	<b>Processed meat<sup>3</sup></b> <b>Alcoholic drinks<sup>4</sup></b> <b>Body fatness<sup>5</sup></b> <b>Adult attained height<sup>6</sup></b>
	Probable	<b>Wholegrains</b> <b>Foods containing dietary fibre<sup>7</sup></b> <b>Dairy products<sup>8</sup></b> <b>Calcium supplements<sup>9</sup></b>	<b>Red meat<sup>10</sup></b>
LIMITED EVIDENCE	Limited – suggestive	Foods containing vitamin C <sup>11</sup> Fish Vitamin D <sup>12</sup> Multivitamin supplements <sup>13</sup>	Low intakes of non-starchy vegetables <sup>14</sup> Low intakes of fruits <sup>14</sup> Foods containing haem iron <sup>15</sup>
	Limited – no conclusion	Cereals (grains) and their products; potatoes; animal fat; poultry; shellfish and other seafood; fatty acid composition; cholesterol; dietary n-3 fatty acid from fish; legumes; garlic; non-dairy sources of calcium; foods containing added sugars; sugar (sucrose); coffee; tea; caffeine; carbohydrate; total fat; starch; glycaemic load; glycaemic index; folate; vitamin A; vitamin B6; vitamin E; selenium; low fat; methionine; beta-carotene; alpha-carotene; lycopene; retinol; energy intake; meal frequency; dietary pattern	
STRONG EVIDENCE	Substantial effect on risk unlikely		

- Age
- Family history of colon cancer
- Personal history
- Alcohol
- Cigarette smoking
- Obesity

- Physical activity
- Aspirin
- Combination hormone replacement therapy
- Polyp removal

- Unclear affects on risk:
  - NSAIDs other than aspirin
  - Calcium
  - Diet
- No affects on risk
  - HRT with estrogen only
  - Statins

- Get screened regularly
- Maintain a healthy weight
- Adopt a physically active lifestyle
- Consume a healthy diet
  - $\geq 5$  daily servings of fruits/vegetables
  - Limit red meat/processed meat
  - Choose whole grains instead of processed
- Limit alcohol consumption



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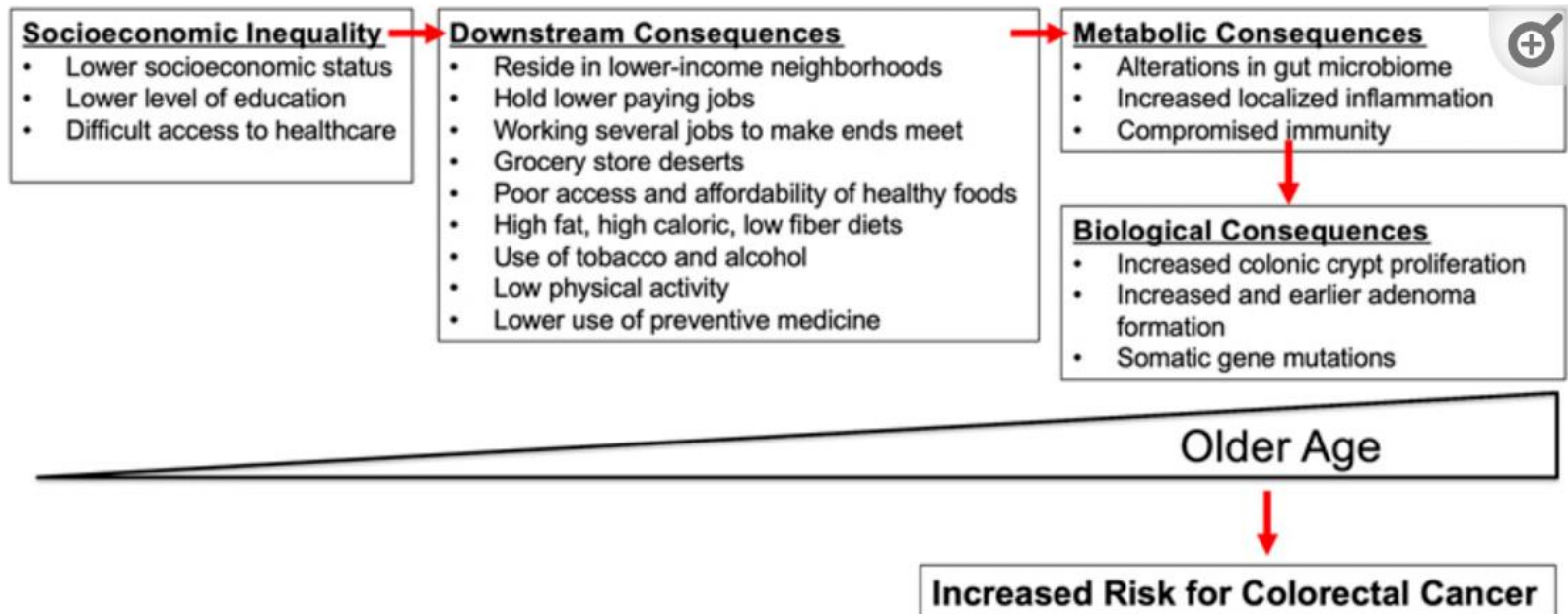
## Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Colorectal Cancer Incidence and Mortality

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# Socioeconomic Disparities for CRC Risk Connections and Consequences





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### Understanding the role of access in Hispanic cancer screening disparities

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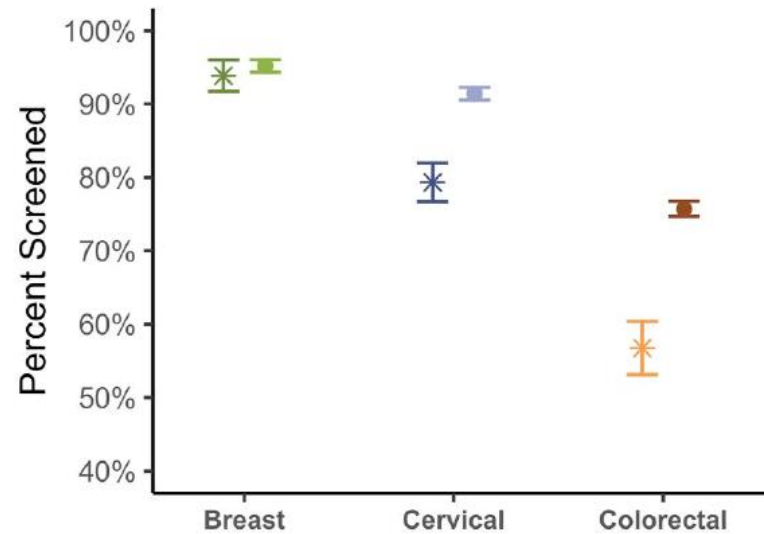
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- Secondary analysis of 2019 National Health Interview Survey
- Sex and age-eligible for:
  - Cervical (n=8316)
  - Breast (n=6025)
  - Colorectal (n=11,313)
- Proportion of ever screened and up to date for each screening type compared

# Cancer Screening Usage by Hispanic Ethnicity

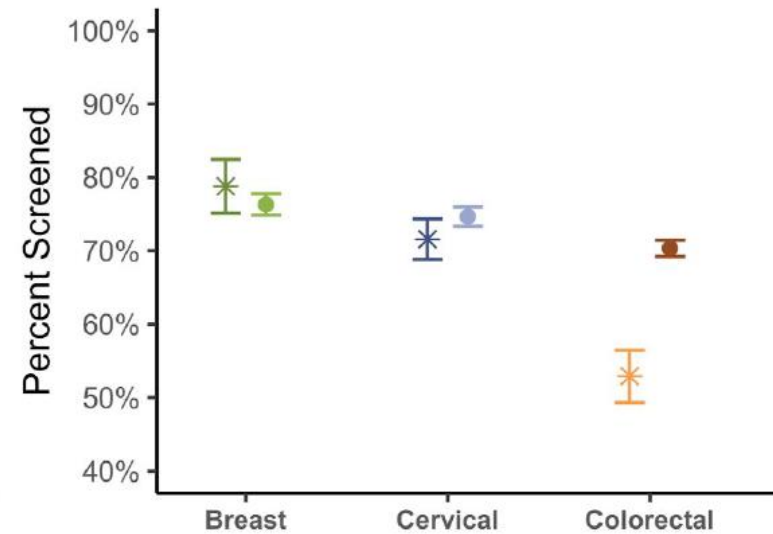
## A. Ever Screened

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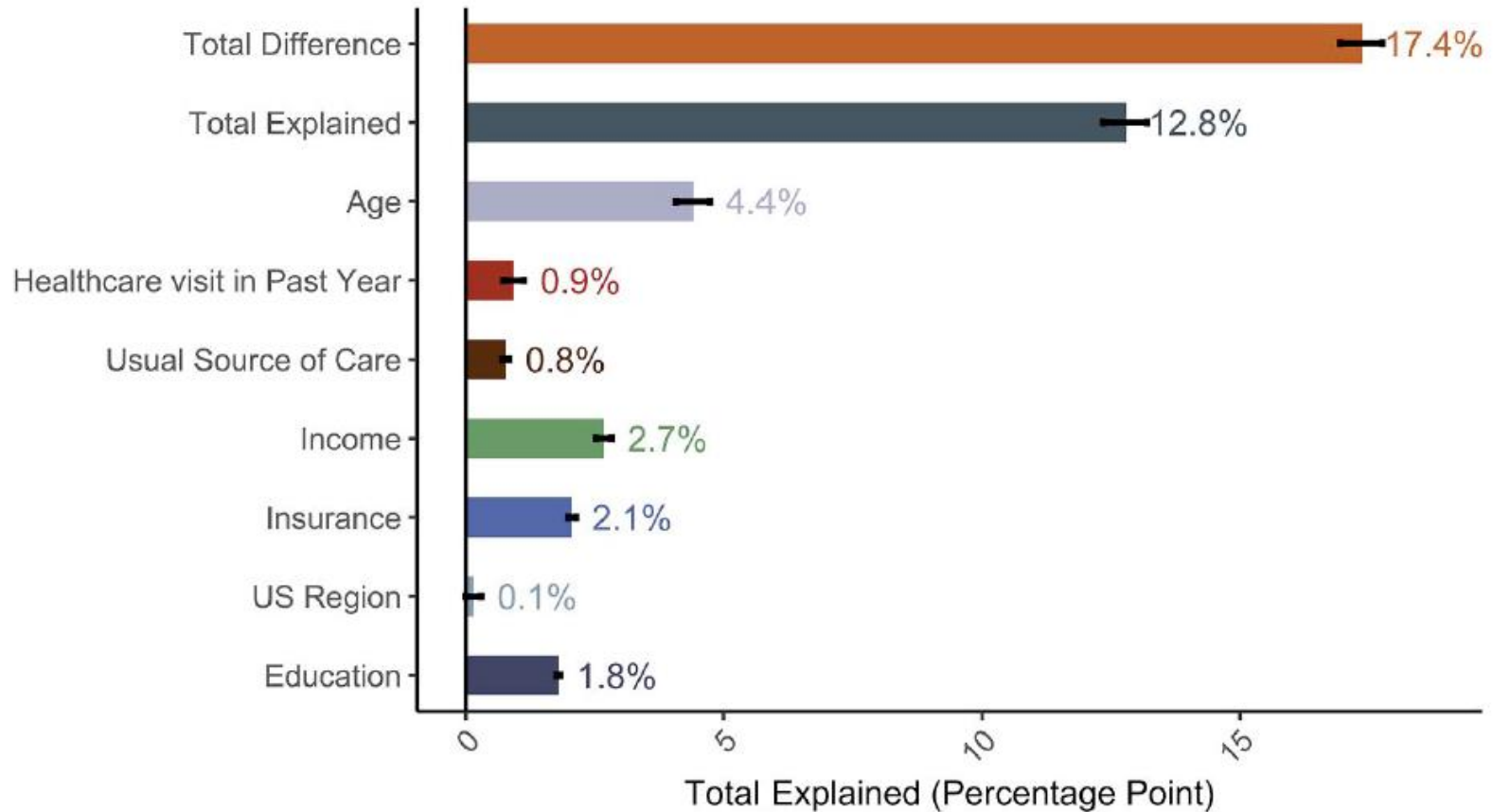


## B. Up To Date

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# Role of access in Hispanic Screening Disparities





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## Framework and Strategies to Eliminate Disparities in Colorectal Cancer Screening Outcomes

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## **BOX 1:**

### **MAJOR STRATIFICATIONS OF DISPARITIES IN COLORECTAL CANCER SCREENING OUTCOMES**

1. Race/ethnicity
2. English proficiency/Language
3. Immigrant status
4. Educational level
5. Income
6. Insurance coverage
7. Occupation
8. Age
9. Sex/Gender
10. Geography (neighborhoods, county, state, rural vs. urban, etc.)
11. Behavioral risk factors (e.g., obesity)

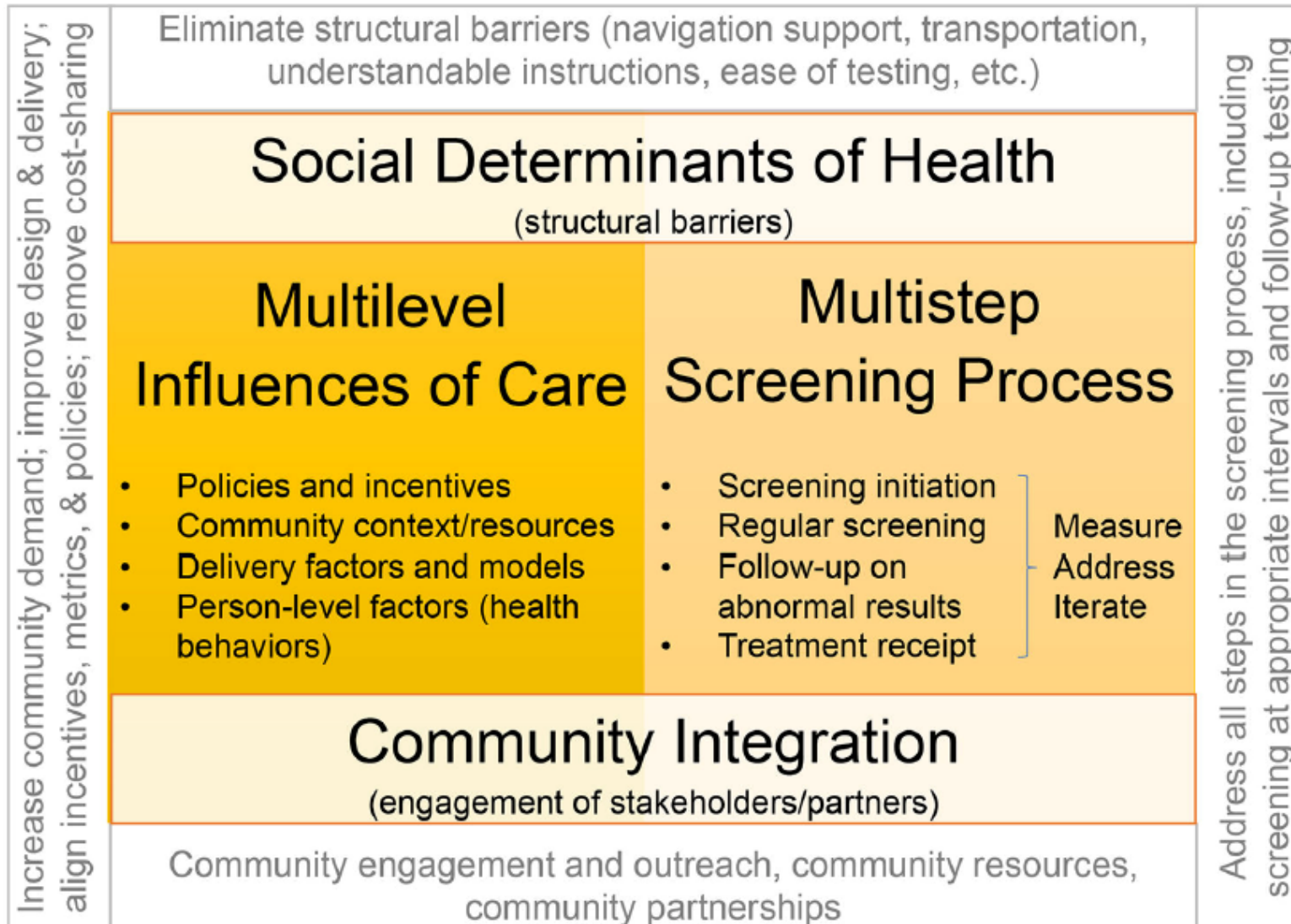
## **BOX 2:**

### **PRINCIPLES OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

1. Have shared goals with the community
2. Understand the community and its history of engagement
3. Build trust and seek commitment from stakeholders
4. Respect diverse perspectives within the community
5. Identify and mobilize community assets
6. Partner with the community
7. Assure community ownership and control of actions
8. Long-term commitment



# Framework/Strategies to Eliminate Disparities in CRC Screening Outcomes





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### Eliminating Racial Disparities in Colorectal Cancer in the Real World: It Took a Village

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# The Delaware Model...

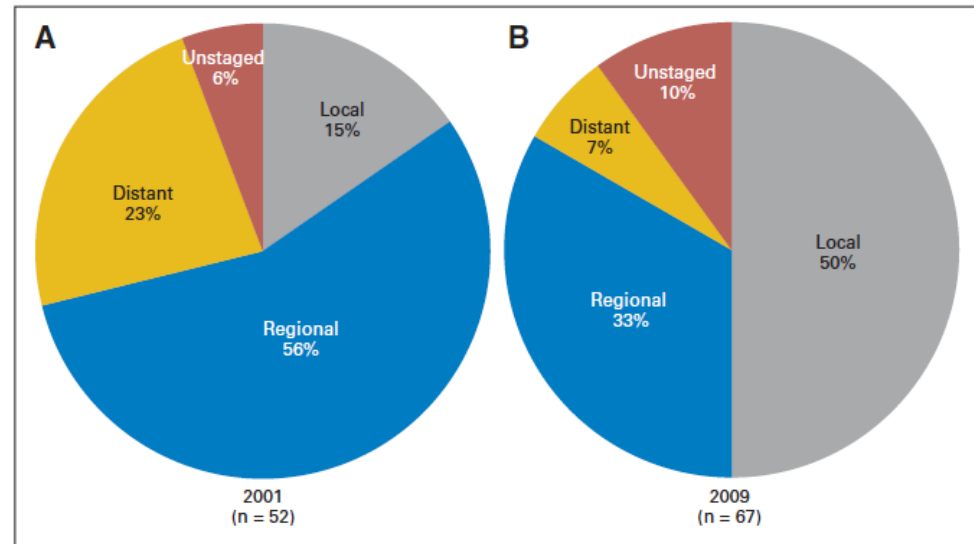


Fig 1. Colorectal cancer by stage of diagnosis among African Americans in Delaware (A) 2001 and (B) 2009.

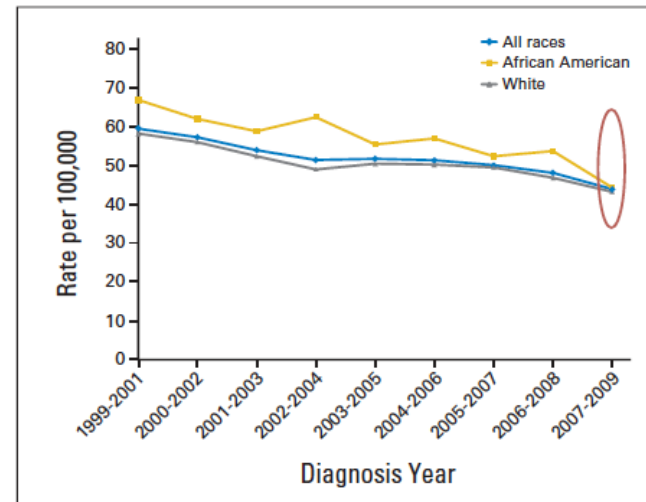


Fig 2. Age-adjusted colorectal cancer incidence rates (rolling 3-year averages) by race in Delaware from 1999 to 2009.

## Trends in CRC Screening, Incidence, and Mortality Rates by Race in Delaware: 2001 and 2009

Trend	2001 <sup>*</sup>		2009		>Change From 2001 to 2009 (%)	
	Black	White	Black	White	Black	White
Ever had screening colonoscopy, %	47.8	58.0	73.5	74.7	54	29
CRC incidence rate per 100,000 <sup>‡</sup>	66.9	58.2	44.3	43.2	-34	-26
Total No. of cases <sup>‡</sup>	205	1,206	235	1,149		
CRC mortality rate per 100,000 <sup>‡</sup>	31.2	19.5	18.0	16.9	-42	-13
Total No. of cases <sup>§</sup>	88	398	75	420		



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## Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Colorectal Cancer Incidence and Mortality

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# Socioeconomic Disparities for CRC Risk Mitigation

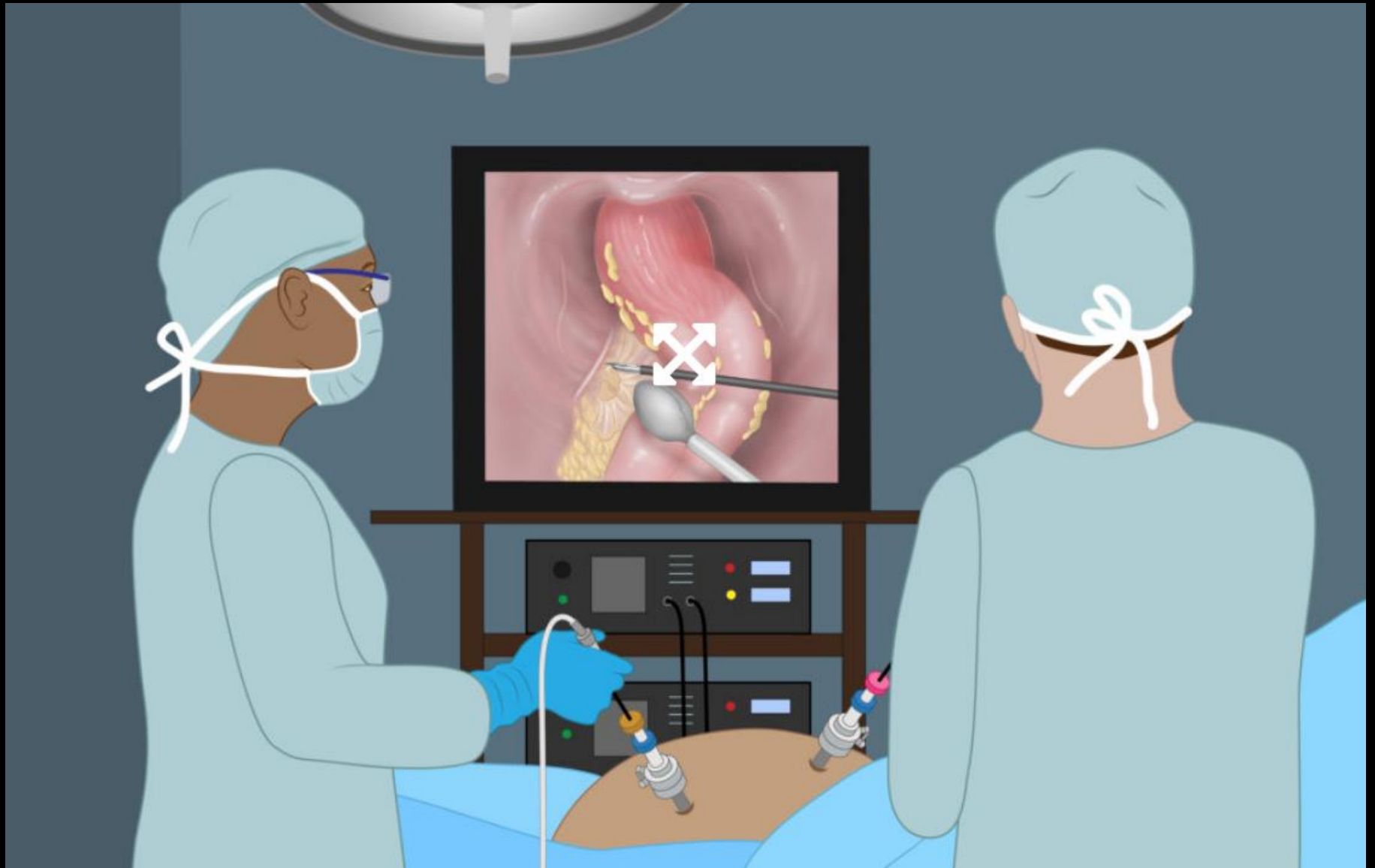
<b>Colonoscopy</b>	<b>Non-invasive Screening</b>
Navigation personnel's racial/ethnic background similar to patient's background; use native language	Telemedicine (phone or video) instructions and advice from virtual assistants
Multifaceted points of communication and execution: (a) provides general education about the procedure, including its importance in reducing cancer risk, (b) ensure prep is picked up and/or delivered, (c) instructions and coaching on prep utilization and completion, (d) arrange transportation to and from colonoscopy site, (e) arrange observer post-procedure with follow-up contact within hours post procedure	Post-navigation follow-up after test evaluation for transmission of results and next steps
Mitigates screening costs through insurance and other means for underinsured patients	Move to colonoscopy navigation if non-invasive test is positive
With healthcare provider, communicates results of colonoscopy and any pathology, and next steps	Persistent community education presence on importance of colorectal cancer screening for racial/ethnic groups

- What's new in treatment
  - Minimally invasive surgery (MIS)
  - Enhanced recovery pathways
    - Shorter hospital stay
    - Opiate reducing strategies
  - Watch and wait for rectal cancer
  - Immunotherapy - checkpoint inhibitors









Randomized Controlled Trial

> [Ann Surg.](#) 2007 Oct;246(4):655-62; discussion 662-4.

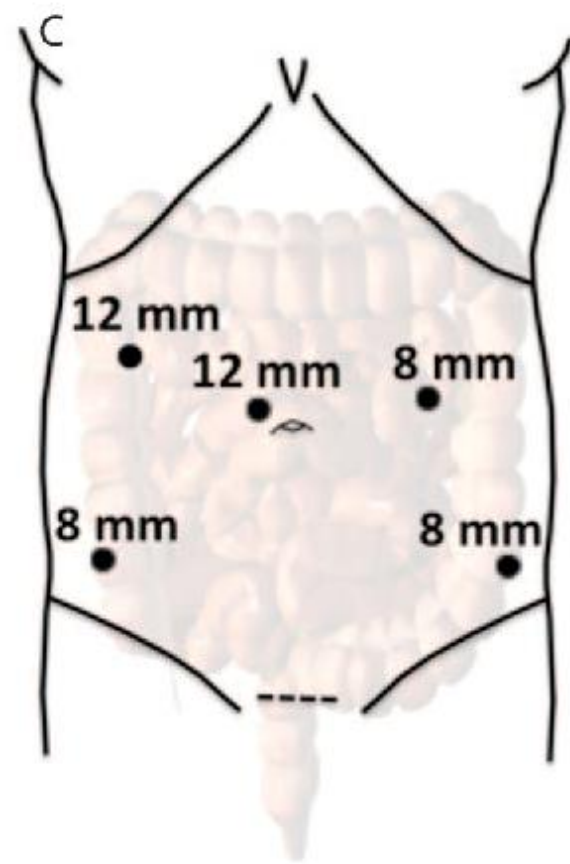
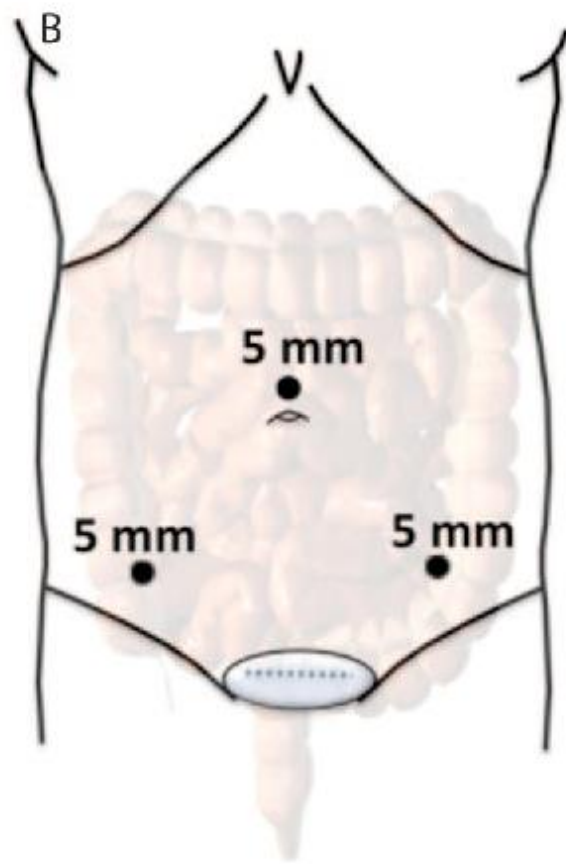
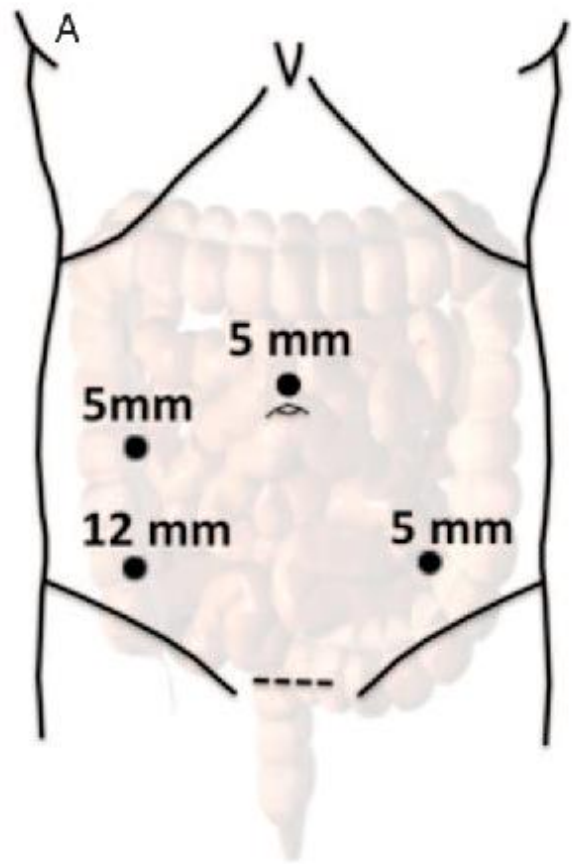
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# Laparoscopic colectomy for cancer is not inferior to open surgery based on 5-year data from the COST Study Group trial

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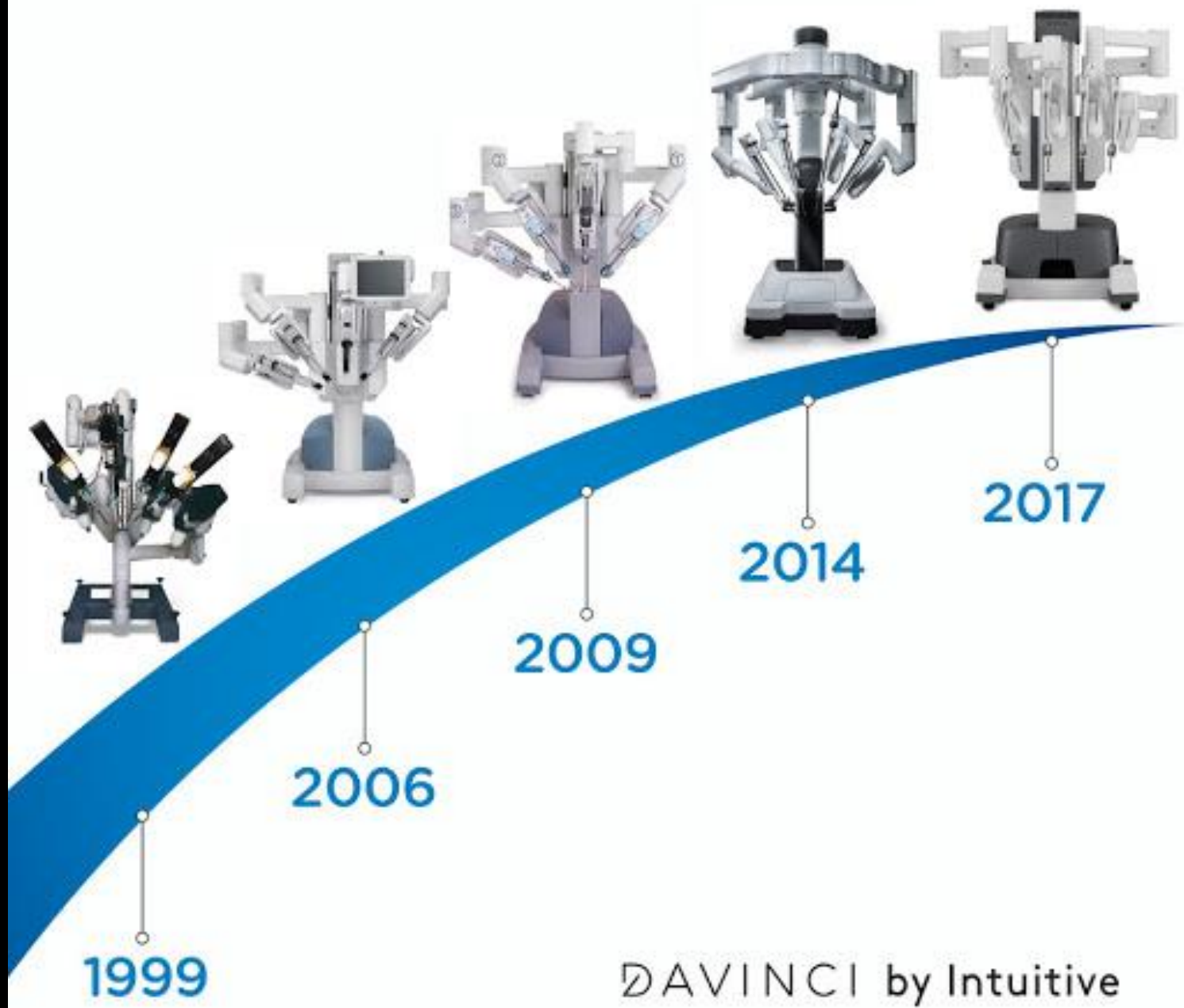




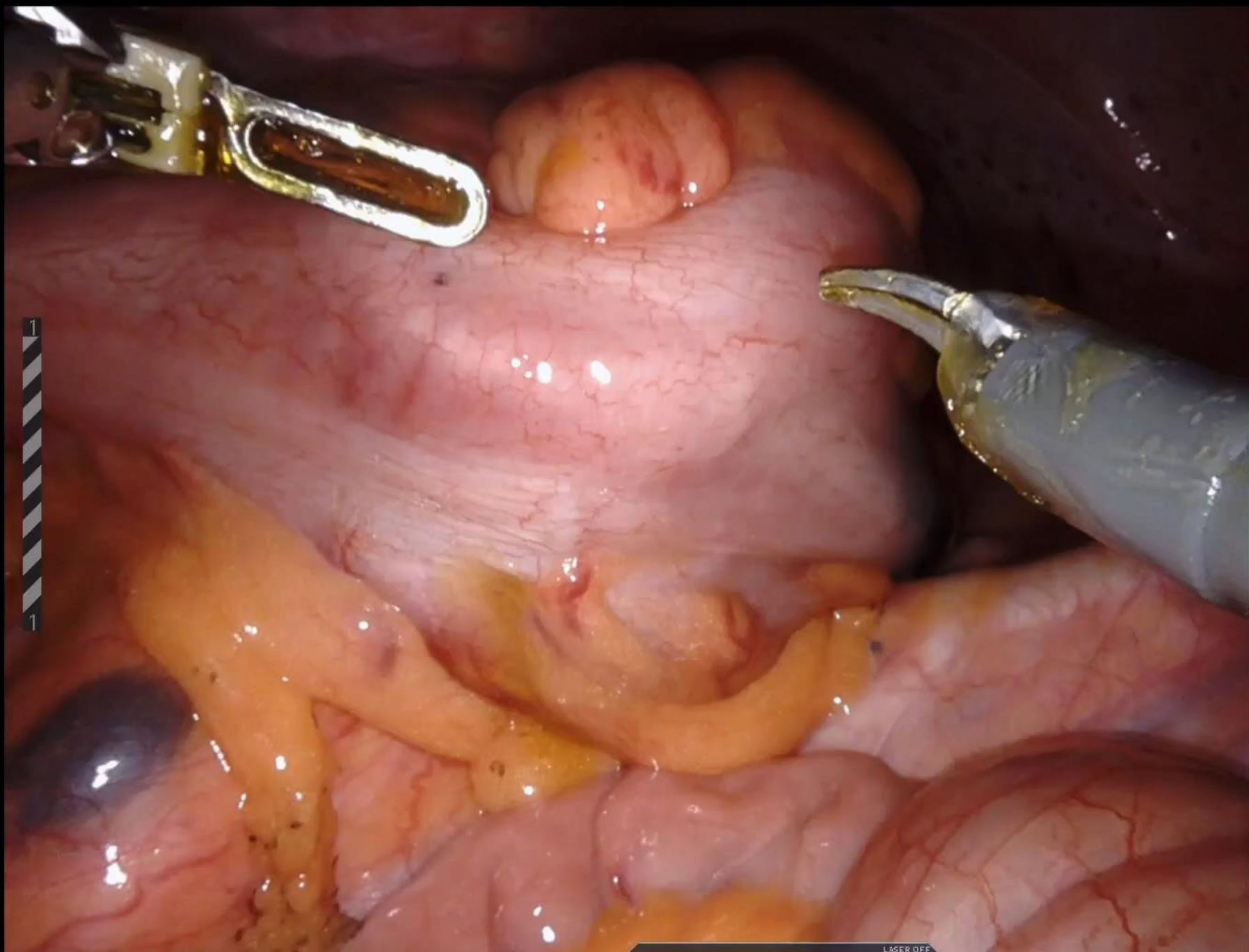












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# Current Surgical Challenges

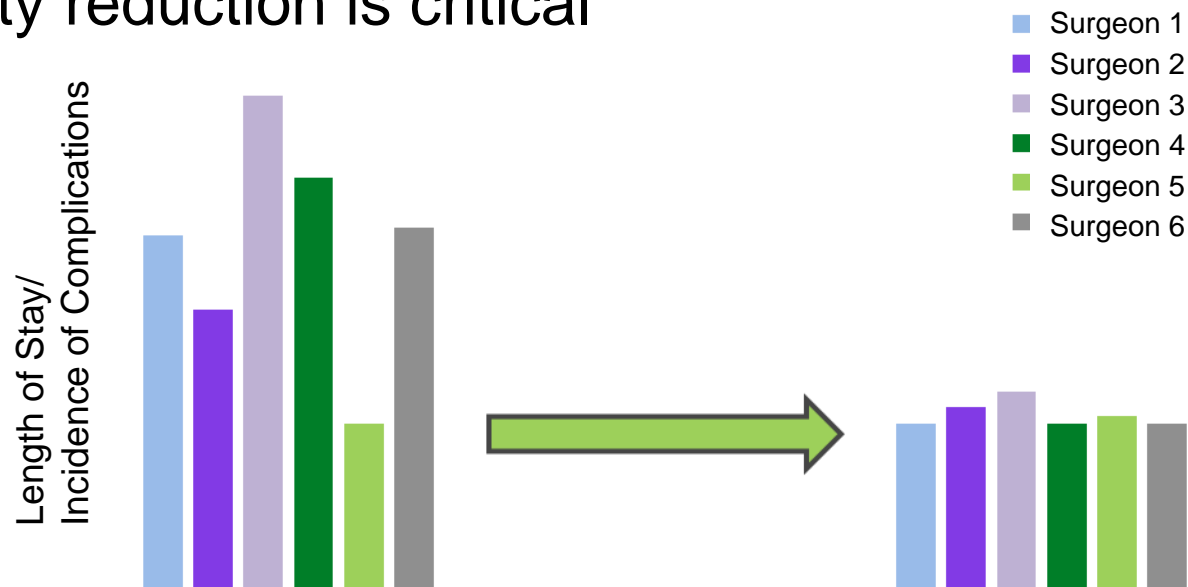
Preoperative

Intraoperative

Postoperative

STANDARDIZED CARE

Variability reduction is critical



Adapted from Cohen ME et al. *Ann Surg.* 2009;250(6):901-907.

# What Is Enhanced Recovery After Surgery?<sup>1,2</sup>

## ERAS protocols are:

- Multidisciplinary care pathways
  - From decision of need for procedure to return to baseline level of function

## ERAS key characteristics:

- Evidence-based, patient-centered care
- Designed to reduce patients' stress response to surgery
- Includes prehabilitation
- Patient involved in his/her own preparation/recovery

## Integrated continuum from:

Home

Preoperative

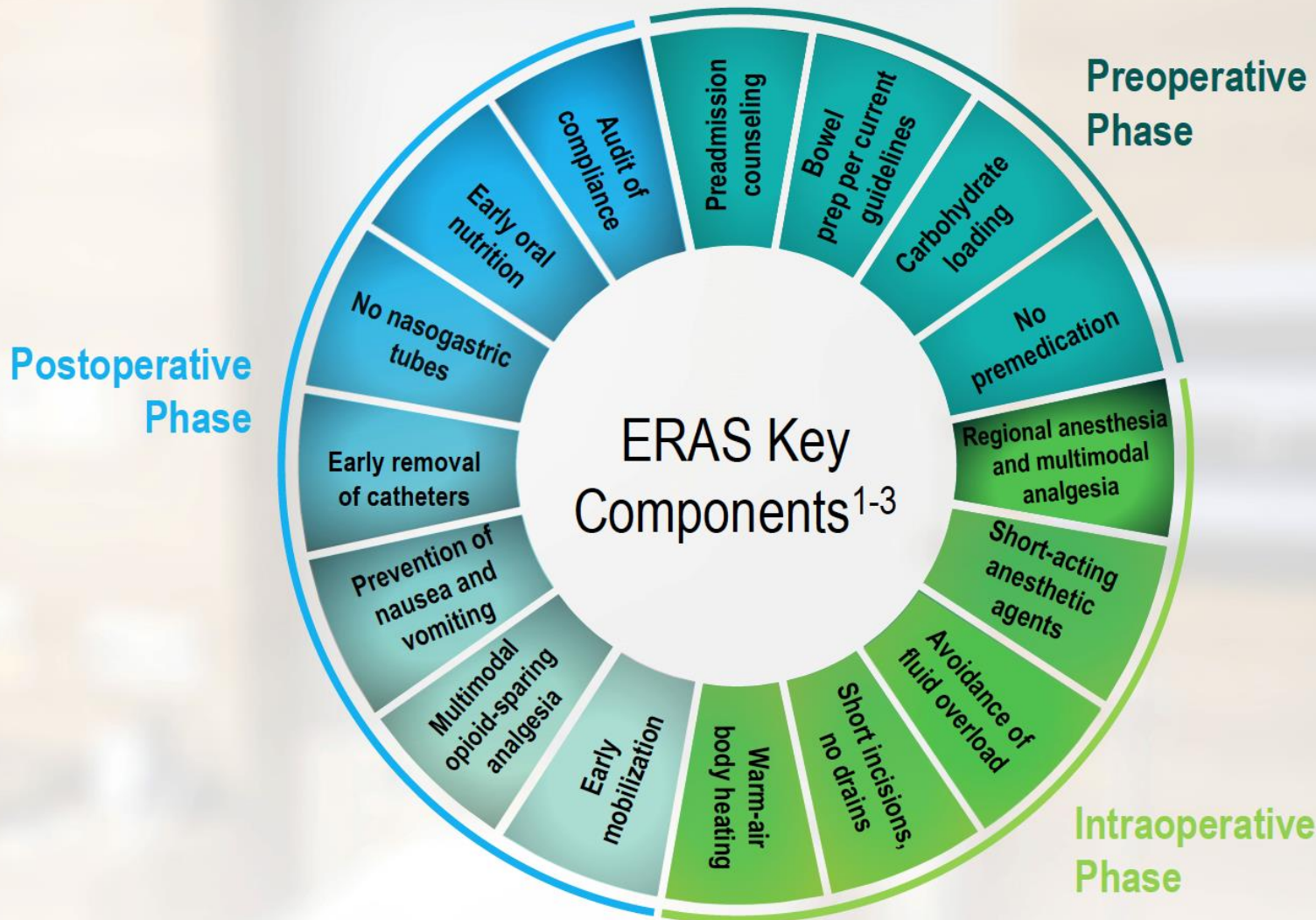
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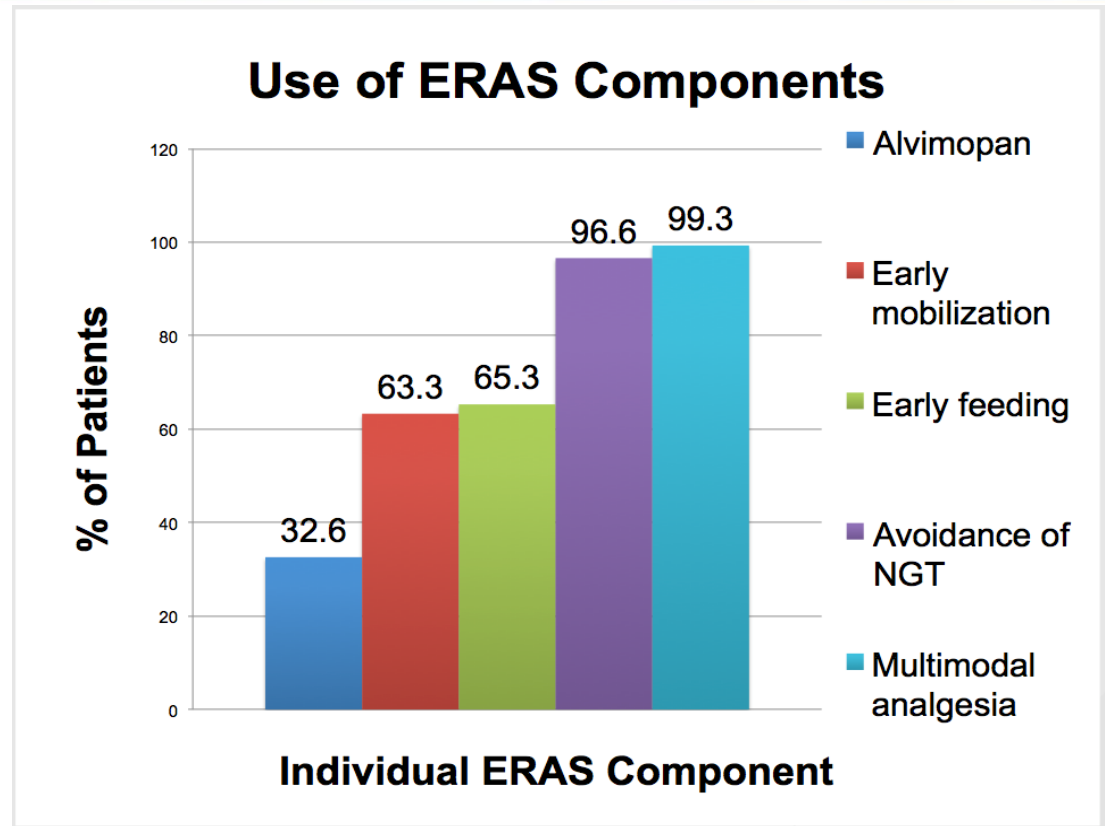




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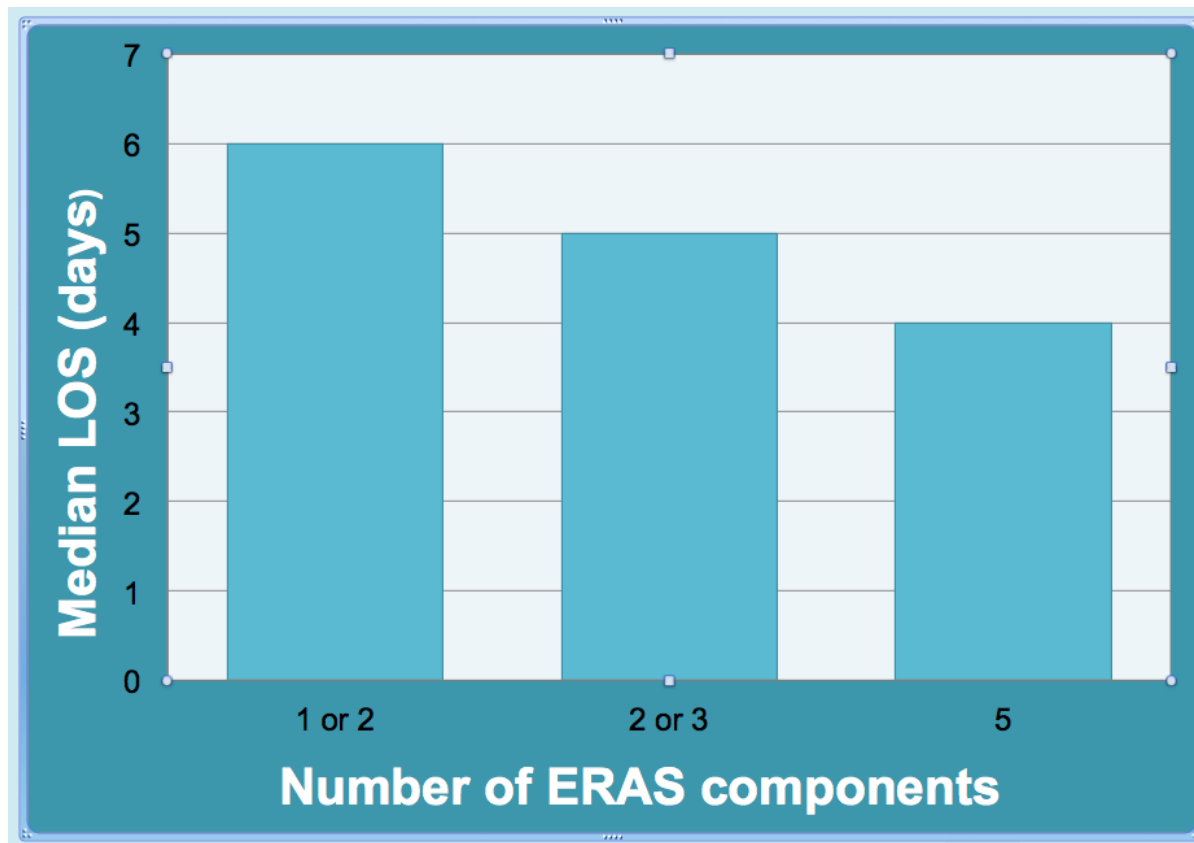
# Audit of ERP adoption

Post EHR (Cerner)  
126 Consecutive patients  
MIS colorectal surgery 3/14-12/15





# Audit of ERP adoption



Cruz JY, et al. *Gastroenterology*, 2017;152(5):S1280.

## Identification of Eligibility Criteria for Ambulatory Colectomy

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# QI - Ambulatory Colectomy?



Patients identified using ICD 9/10 and CPT codes

## Data collected (2017-21):

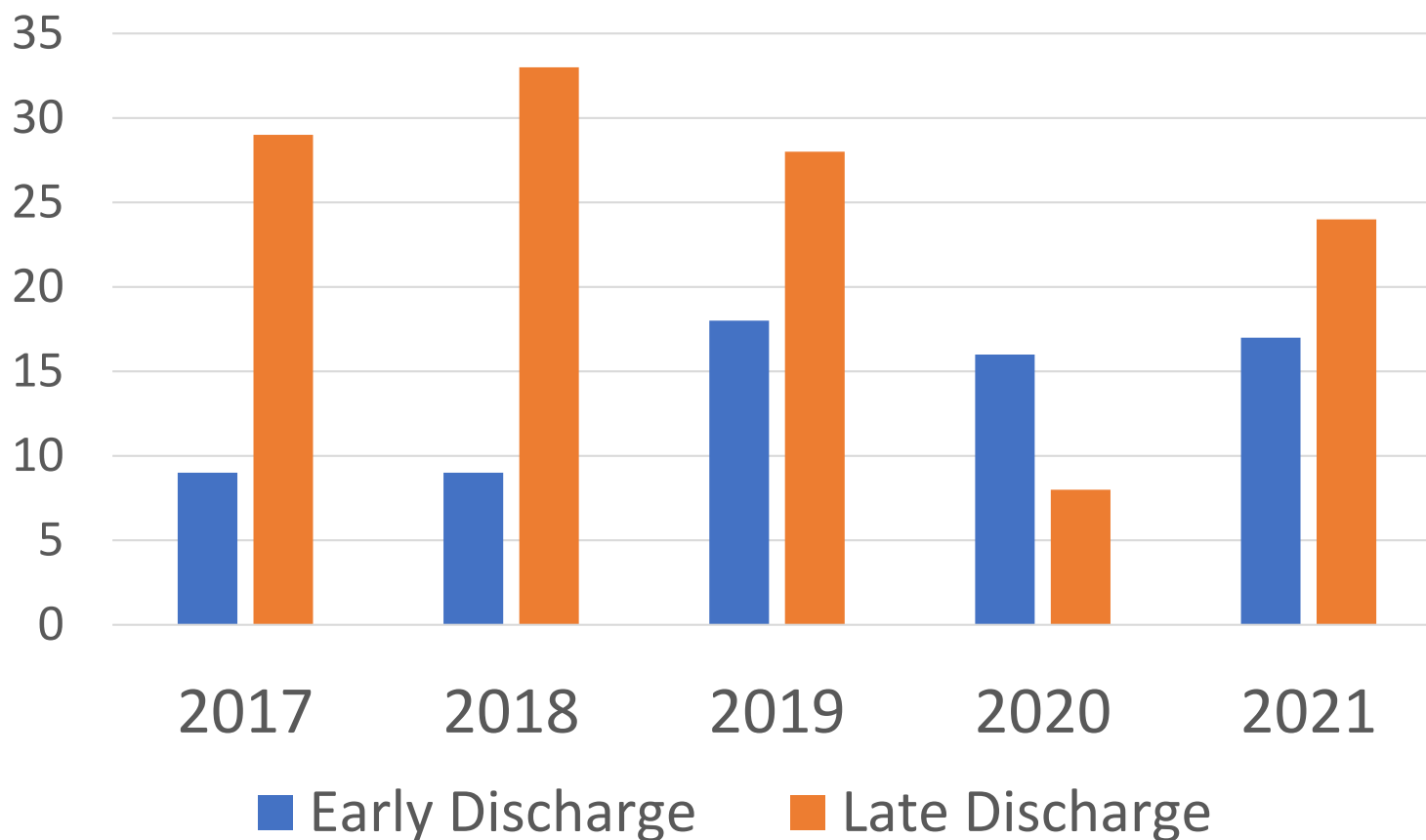
- Demographics
- Disease data
- Procedural data
- Perioperative/Post operative data

Patients were divided into groups based on LOS:

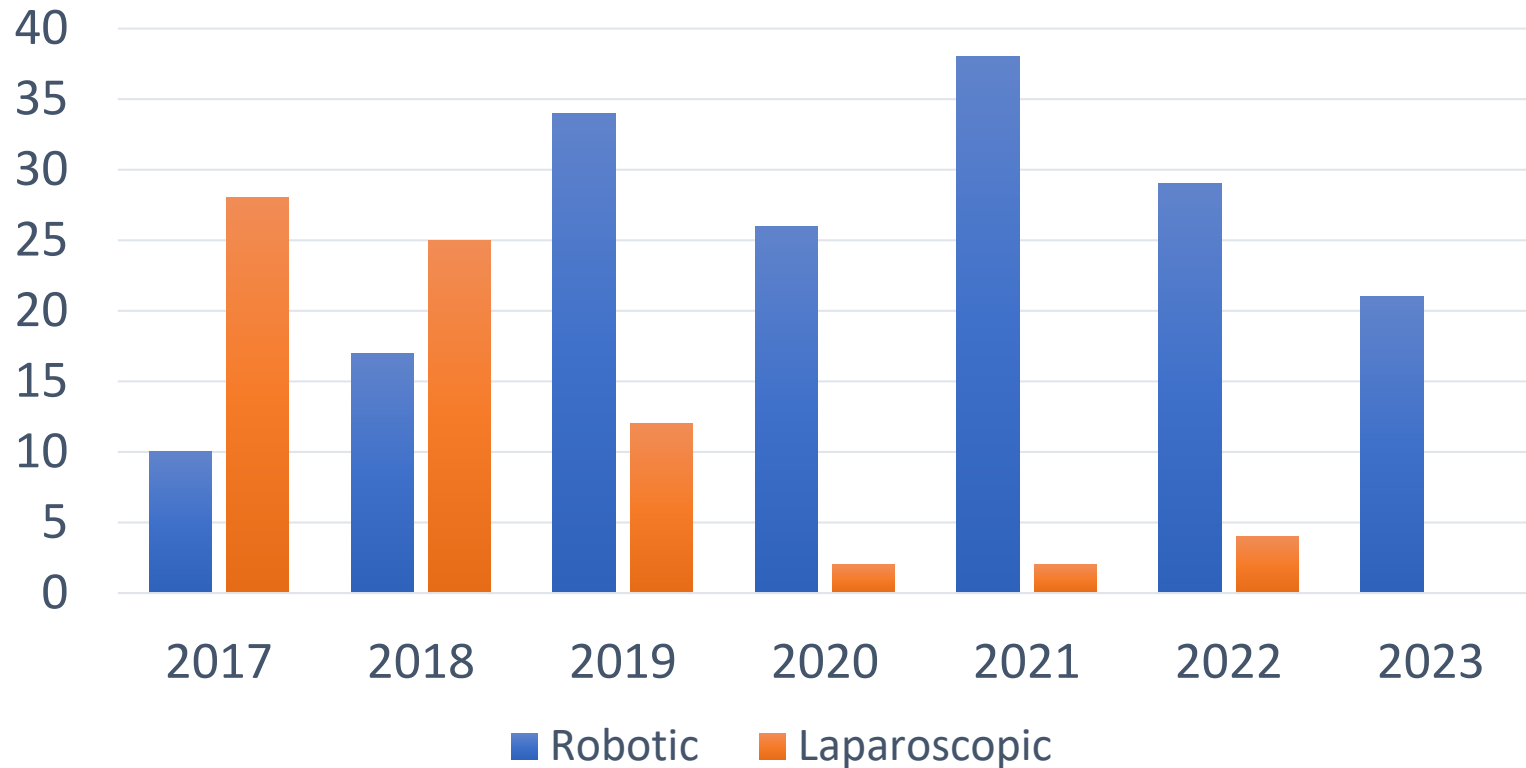
**Early Discharge ( $\leq 2d$ , n=70) vs. Late Discharge ( $>2d$ , n=125)**

Analyses performed on SPSS

# QI - Ambulatory Colectomy?



## Robotic Trend



# Patient Factors

	Early Discharge (70)	Late Discharge (125)	
	<u>Median</u>	<u>Median</u>	<i>p</i>
Age	63	68	<b>0.006</b>
BMI	27	26	0.76
	<u>n (%)</u>	<u>n (%)</u>	
DM	10 (14)	25 (20)	.32
Prior Abdominal/Pelvic Surgery	27 (39)	63 (50)	.11
Steroids	2 (3)	1 (1)	.29
Anticoagulation	4 (6)	11 (9)	.58

# Procedural Variables

	Early Discharge	Late Discharge	<i>p</i>
	n (%)	n (%)	
<b>Robotic</b>	55 (79)	71 (57)	<b>0.002</b>
<b>Extraction Incision</b>			<b>0.004</b>
Pfannenstiel	55 (79)	69 (55)	
Minilap (midline)	12 (17)	50 (40)	
Other	3 (4)	6 (5)	
<b>Anastomosis</b>			<b>0.006</b>
Intracorporeal	55 (79)	74 (59)	
Extracorporeal	15 (21)	51 (41)	
<b>LOA</b>	11 (15)	24 (19)	0.54



# Procedural Variables

	Early Discharge	Late Discharge	
	n (%)	n (%)	<i>p</i>
<b>TAP Block</b>	59 (84)	97 (78)	0.26
<b>Alvimopan</b>	59 (84)	69 (55)	<b>&lt;.001</b>
<b>Physical Therapy</b>	14 (20)	43 (34)	<b>0.03</b>
<b>Complications</b>	2 (3)	13 (10)	0.06
<b>30 Day Readmission</b>	3 (4)	4 (3)	0.68
	Median	Median	<i>p</i>
<b>MME POD 0</b>	16	20	0.19
<b>MME POD 1</b>	18	33	<b>0.02</b>
<b>MME POD 0 + 1</b>	39	55	<b>0.02</b>

# Procedural Variables

	Early Discharge	Late Discharge	
	n (%)	n (%)	<i>p</i>
<b>Side of Resection</b>	18	18	0.33
Left	30 (43)	41 (33)	
Right	39 (56)	83 (66)	
Subtotal	1 (1)	1 (1)	
<b>Surgeon Specialty</b>			<b>0.001</b>
Colorectal	43 (61)	40 (32)	
Surgical Oncology	22 (31)	68 (54)	
Minimally Invasive	1 (1)	7 (6)	
General	4 (6)	10 (8)	
<b>Intraoperative Complication</b>	1 (1)	1 (1)	0.68

## RESEARCH SUMMARY

## PD-1 Blockade in Mismatch Repair–Deficient, Locally Advanced Rectal Cancer

Cercek A et al. DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa2201445

### CLINICAL PROBLEM

Standard treatment for locally advanced rectal cancer includes neoadjuvant chemotherapy and radiation, followed by surgical resection of the rectum. This approach, however, is associated with substantial complications and toxic effects. Research suggests that immune checkpoint blockade alone is highly effective in patients with mismatch repair–deficient metastatic colorectal cancer; whether this strategy is effective in mismatch repair–deficient, locally advanced rectal cancer is unknown.

### CLINICAL TRIAL

**Design:** A prospective, phase 2, single-group study examined the efficacy and safety of neoadjuvant therapy with the programmed death 1 (PD-1) inhibitor dostarlimab in patients with mismatch repair–deficient stage II or III rectal adenocarcinoma.

**Intervention:** Adult patients received intravenous dostarlimab every 3 weeks for 6 months, to be followed by chemoradiotherapy and total mesorectal excision. Patients with a clinical complete response to dostarlimab could forgo chemoradiotherapy and surgery. A key primary end point was overall response to dostarlimab alone or to dostarlimab plus chemoradiotherapy, determined on the basis of rectal magnetic resonance imaging, endoscopic visualization, and digital rectal examination.

### RESULTS

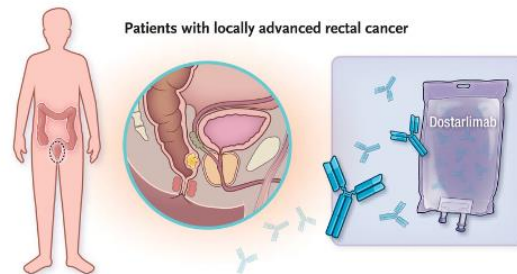
**Efficacy:** 12 of 16 enrolled patients have already completed 6 months of dostarlimab. All 12 had a clinical complete response, with no evidence of tumor on any diagnostic test. During a median follow-up of 12 months, no patient received chemoradiotherapy or underwent surgery, and none had disease progression or recurrence.

**Safety:** No adverse events of grade 3 or higher have occurred. The most common adverse events of grade 1 or 2 included rash or dermatitis, pruritus, fatigue, and nausea.

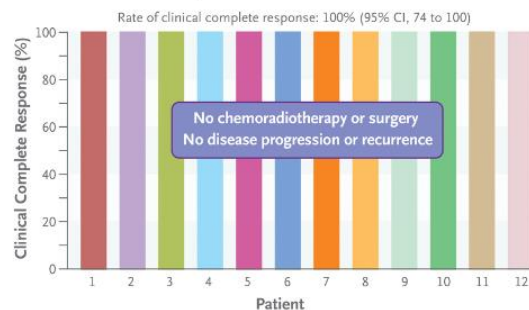
### LIMITATIONS AND REMAINING QUESTIONS

- The study was small and limited to a single institution, and most of the patients were White.
- Longer-term follow-up is needed to evaluate the duration of response.

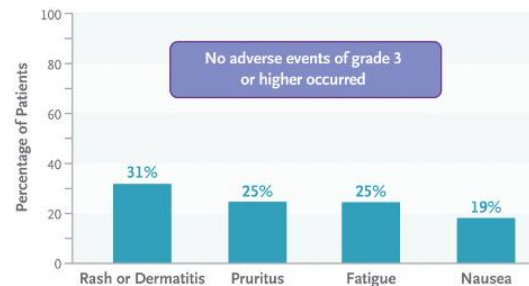
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### Overall Response to Dostarlimab in 12 Patients



### Adverse Events of Grade 1 or 2



### CONCLUSIONS

All patients with mismatch repair–deficient, locally advanced rectal cancer who were treated with the PD-1 inhibitor dostarlimab alone for 6 months had a clinical complete response, although longer follow-up is warranted.

# Immune Checkpoint Inhibitors

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# What's New...Rectal Cancer

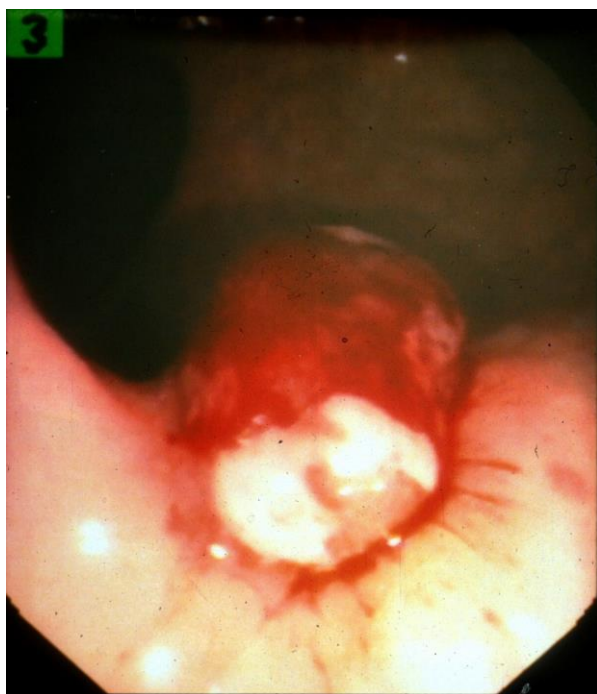
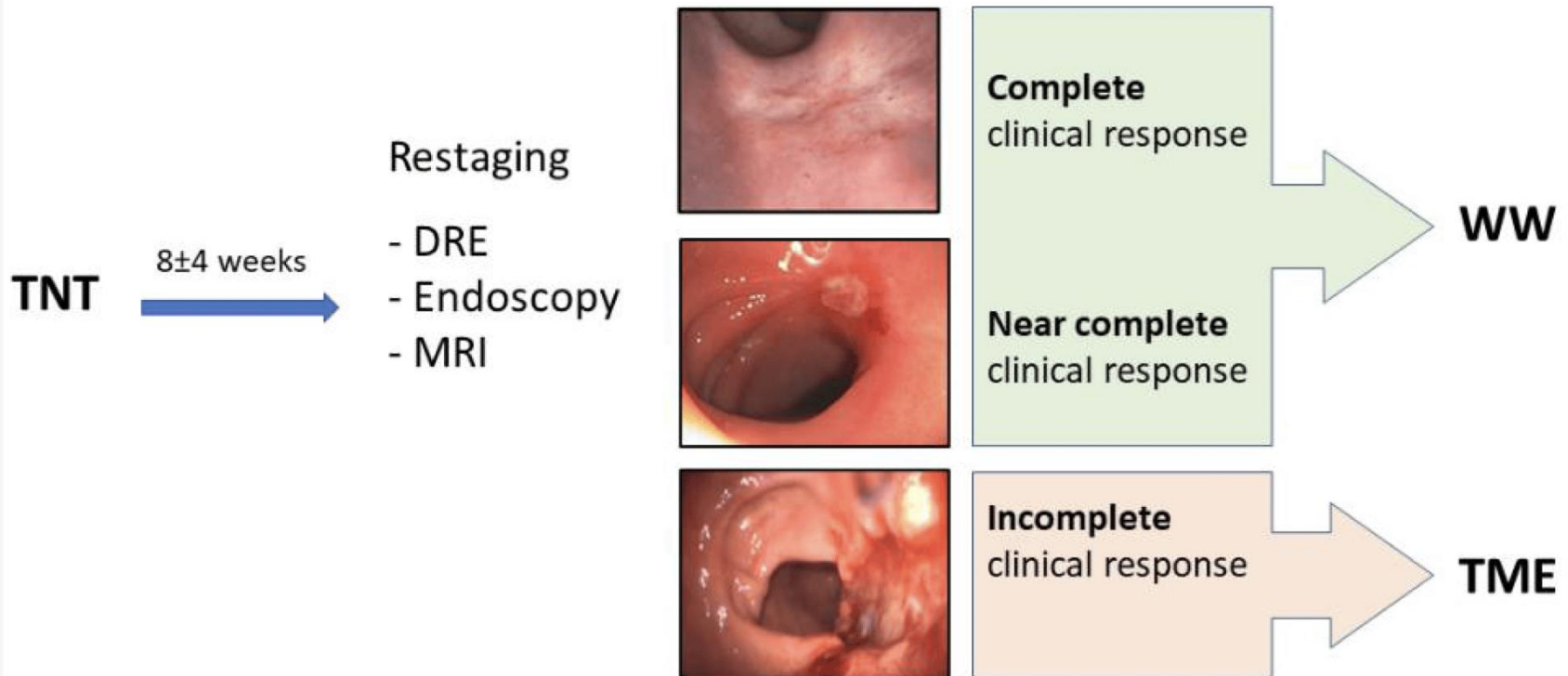




Figure 1. Memorial Sloan Kettering three-tiered response/regression schema.

## OPRA: Three-Tier Clinical Response Assessment Schema





- Common, 2<sup>nd</sup> leading US cause of cancer death
- Screening saves lives, multiple options exist
- Disparities in age, race, ethnicity
- System- and community-wide efforts are needed to address disparities
- Improved outcomes including opioid reduction through MIS and ERPs
- More to come...
  - Outpatient colorectal surgery?
  - Checkpoint inhibitors
  - Watch and wait for rectal cancer

1. What are the 2018 American Cancer Society recommendations for colorectal cancer screening for average-risk adults?
  - a. Begin screening at age 50.
  - b. Continue to screen all individuals after age 85.
  - c. Screen all average-risk individuals age 45 to 75; selectively offer screening up to age 85.
  
2. Which is a true statement regarding colorectal cancer in younger individuals?
  - a. Individuals born in the 1990s have an approximately fourfold greater risk of developing rectal cancer than those born in the 1950s
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3. Which outcomes should be tracked to identify disparities in colorectal cancer screening?

- a. Rates of screening participation, income, and geography.
- b. Follow up for abnormal results.
- c. Incidence of colorectal cancer by age, race, and ethnicity.
- d. All of the above.

4. Which statement is true regarding rectal cancer?

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