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# Euro Surgery 2018: The genetics-epigenetics chronologies and hierarchies in colon cancer- Manuel Perucho, Institute Germans Trias I Pujol (IGTP)

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The cancer cell genome accumulates numerous genetic and epigenetic alterations. We showed that a subset of colon cancers (CC) display a mutator phenotype because they harbor hundreds of thousand of somatic mutations simple repeats or microsatellites. Microsatellite instability (MSI) is diagnostic of a distinct molecular pathway for CC as these tumors are very different in genotype and phenotype compared with those without MSI. MSI has become a robust and widely used marker with applications in diagnosis and prognosis of hereditary and non-hereditary CC. Increased DNA hyper methylation was postulated to be the result of a CpG Island methylator phenotype ("CIMP") and underlies the tumorigenesis of some colon cancers when the mismatch repair gene MLH1 is silenced, causing MSI. We showed that the genetic alterations (MSI) supersede the previous epigenetic alterations ("CIMP") in tumor phenotype in colon cancer. The same conclusion is reached when using the recent data from the cancer Genome Atlas (TCGA) consortium. Among the genes frequently hyper methylated are the ADAMTS, encoding extracellular matrix metallopeptidases. Epigenetic silencing of ADAMTS genes in CC takes place in a coordinated manner, not only in cis (linearly linked), but also in trans (in different chromosomes). This is not due to "CIMP" because does not associate with right colon and BRAF mutations, and few of the ADAMTS genes are polycomb repressor complex (PRC) targets, landmarks of the CIMP tumors. We also showed that both hyper methylation and hypo methylation of DNA increase with age of colon cancer (CC) patients. In addition, we showed that hypo methylation (in contrast with hyper methylation) correlates with genomic damage and, in turn, represents a survival biomarker in patients: the greater the hypo methylation the worse the survival, both in gastric cancer and CC. This allowed us to propose a "wear and tear" hypothesis linking aging, gradual demethylation of the genome, genomic instability, and gastrointestinal cancer.

### Introduction:

Colorectal disease (CRC) is one of most common danger on the planet. The event of CRC has expanded consistently in late decades, especially in Eastern Europe, Latin America, and Asia. Most CRC happens irregularly because of hereditary changes and epigenetic adjustments of human genome. These hereditary changes and epigenetic alterations drive the movement from ordinary mucosa toward carcinoma by adjusting flagging pathways that direct practices of malignant growth. Hereditary and epigenetic modifications were initially settled as autonomous instruments adding to colorectal carcinogenesis. Be that as it may, late confirmations show a crosstalk between these components during colorectal carcinogenesis. Hereditary changes empower alteration of a few epigenetic controls while epigenetic adjustments permit genomic flimsiness and mutagenesis. As of late marketed cutting edge sequencing (NGS) have uncovered surprising hereditary changes related with epigenetic modifications in different tumors. These transformations have the capacity to alter cytosine methylation, histone change, and nucleosome association. Meanwhile, epigenetic hushing of DNA crisscross fix (MMR) qualities regularly add to genomic unsteadiness and lead to changes of oncogene or tumor silencer qualities.

#### Genomic Instability of CRC:

Genomic insecurity incorporates different hereditary or genomic changes running from guide transformations toward chromosomal improvement. Cytogenetic investigations have indicated visit genomic precariousness in CRC tests. Genomic insecurity is an unmistakable attributes of CRC carcinogenesis with 2 particular pathways: chromosomal shakiness (CIN) and microsatellite precariousness (MSI). CIN has been found in around 85% of CRC while and the staying 15% of CRC may have MSI.

#### **Epigenomic Iinstability of CRC:**

Epigenomic precariousness characterized as deviant reaction in quality articulation guideline to ecological fluctuations. CpG islands methylation in the advertiser district of explicit quality may adjust chromatin conformational structure and DNA availability of the interpretation mechanical assembly, consequently controlling quality articulation. Hypermethylation of CpG islands typically forestalls articulation of a specific quality, including tumor silencer quality.

#### Grouping by Molecular Subtype:

In view of a few particular atomic substances that have been characterized, organically unmistakable subgroups with their own clinical course have been proposed. Because of late fast advancement of high-throughput sequencing advances, for example, genome-wide affiliation study, entire exome sequencing, entire genome sequencing, and RNA sequencing, we can produce enormous scope sequencing information for hereditary and epigenetic adjustments of CRCs. Highthroughput sequencing informational collections can be coordinated to improve data extraction utilizing refined bioinformatics programming.

# Constraints of Molecular Classification in Clinical Implementation:

Now and then, it is hard to characterize a mix of hereditary markers speaking to a particular subtype of CRC. High throughput strategies give far reaching sub-atomic attributes and permit renaming of CRC. Notwithstanding, highthroughput information from NGS likewise show heterogeneous sub-atomic highlights in any event, for the equivalent CRC test because of tumor heterogeneity. Tumor mass comprises of different cell types with unmistakable subatomic marks. Intratumoural heterogeneity may be because of hereditary variety, stochastic procedures, the microenvironment, and cell/tissue pliancy. Developing confirmations show that tumor heterogeneity gives fuel to protection from current hereditary/epigenetic change guided systems for hostile to disease treatment.

Despite the fact that the quantity of patients qualified for genome-target treatment has expanded after some time, drugs utilized for genome-target treatment have just helped few patients with cutting edge disease. A cross-sectional examination utilizing openly accessible information in United States recommended that less than 16% of patients were qualified for genome-target treatment while less than 7% of patients would profit by genome-focused on malignancy tranquilizes in 2018. Current orders by atomic subtype in CRC can improve CRC result just in a little part of patients. This may be because of conceivably extraordinary grouping marker sets or strategies, inadequate approval studies, and scarcely any confirmations of the cost-adequacy from this still significant expense method. What's more, advancing advancements have created immense measures of sub-atomic organic data which may weaken the importance of current sub-atomic orders.

#### **Conclusion:**

Ongoing high-throughput examinations in regards to far reaching sub-atomic portrayals of CRCs have augmented our comprehension of their genomic and epigenomic scenes which have empowered CRCs to be renamed into naturally and clinically important subtypes. In CRCs, hereditary and epigenetic occasions are not aloof marvel. They collaborate for CRC carcinogenesis, in spite of the fact that methylation occasions are more typical than point transformations. Reconciliation of hereditary and epigenetic change in CRC may typify the potential device for appropriate indicative, prognostic, and restorative methodologies. In addition, the recognizable proof of key atomic highlights or pathways explicit to a certain CRC subtype may speak to potential remedial targets, empowering usage of custom fitted treatments with better patient administration.

Be that as it may, heterogeneity can give seeds to protection from genome-target treatment. Future malignant growth treatment should concentrate on the annihilation of heterogeneity. Sub-atomic trademark investigation of clonal elements from tissue tests acquired from safe site for customary treatment have most encouraging manual for the advancement of treatment methodologies that address tumor heterogeneity. Notwithstanding, tissue samplings at ordinary stretches and from numerous destinations are significant confinements. Hypothetically, noninvasive fluid biopsy inspecting empowers regular and thorough observation. NGS delivers highthroughput data and exhibits magnificent testing execution utilizing low-input DNA. Joining of NGS with fluid biopsy can amplify generally speaking points of interest. NGS-based fluid biopsy may empower negligibly intrusive and complete genomic profiling of CRC that overpowers spatial heterogeneity emerging from tissue biopsy and restrictions in genomic data got from competitor quality portrayal.