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Gender differences? Gender bias? in Oncology and Hematology

2 Case Studies (F/M)



-death is the No.1-Killer

for all women and men **around the world**

M. Hochleitner

Awareness



Bild: http://www.br-online.de/umwelt_gesundheit/thema/herz/index.xml

- Heart death is a **male thing!**

M. Hochleitner

„THE YENTL SYNDROME“



B. Healy
New England Journal of Medicine
Vol. 325, No. 4, 274-276, 1991

„Once a woman showed that she was just like a man, by having severe coronary artery disease ..., then she was treated as a man would be.“



THIS IS NOT A RED DRESS

这不仅仅是一件红衣服！

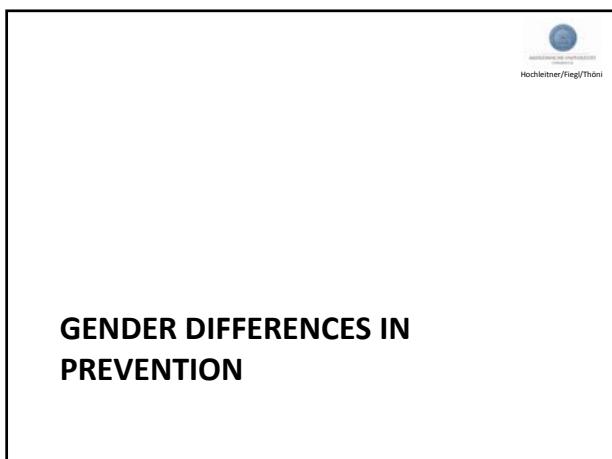
World Heart Federation Go Red for Women



Structure

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1. Gender differences in prevention
2. Gender differences in epidemiology and cancer susceptibility
3. Gender differences in symptomatology and comorbidities
4. Gender difference in pharmakokinetics
5. Gender differences in prognosis and cancer treatment outcome
6. Gender differences in basic science



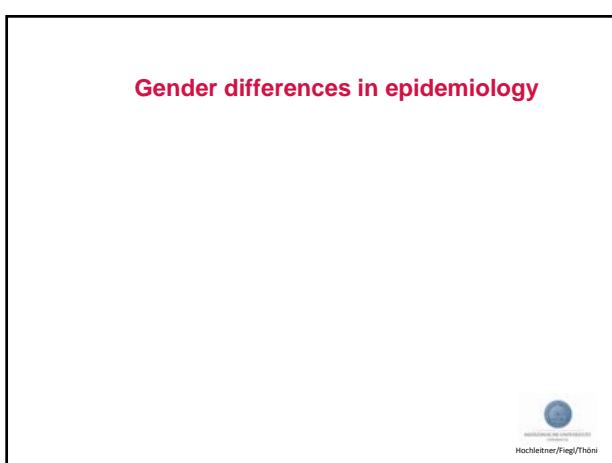
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The best protection is early detection

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Incidence and mortality of the most common cancers worldwide

Cancer Type	Incidence (approx.)	Mortality (approx.)
Lung	1,000,000	800,000
Breast	800,000	500,000
Colorectal	500,000	300,000
Stomach	400,000	200,000
Liver	300,000	150,000
Prostate	200,000	100,000
Gastroesophageal junction	150,000	80,000
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Bladder	100,000	50,000
Non-Hodgkin lymphoma	100,000	50,000
Oral cavity	50,000	20,000
Leukemia	50,000	20,000
Pancreas	50,000	20,000
Dairy	20,000	10,000
Kidney	20,000	10,000

World Cancer Report, WHO, IARC Press, Lyon 2003, p13

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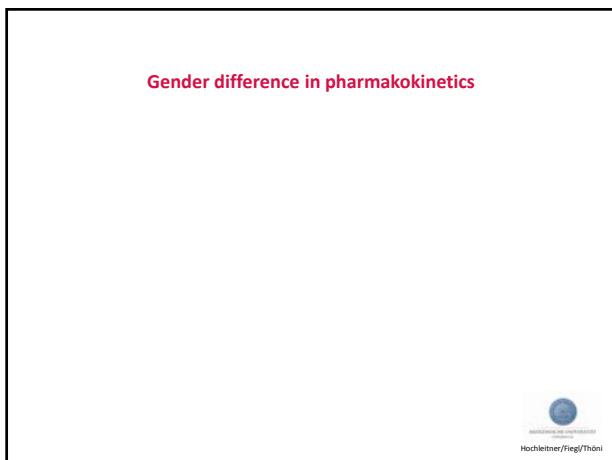
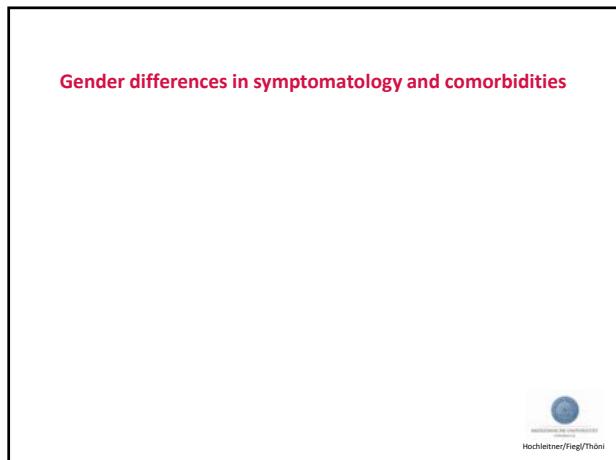
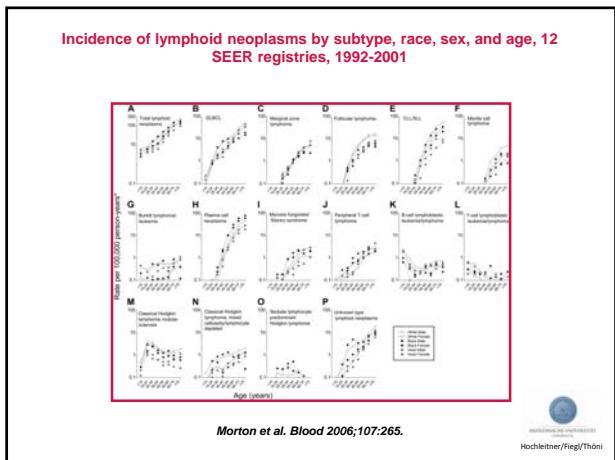
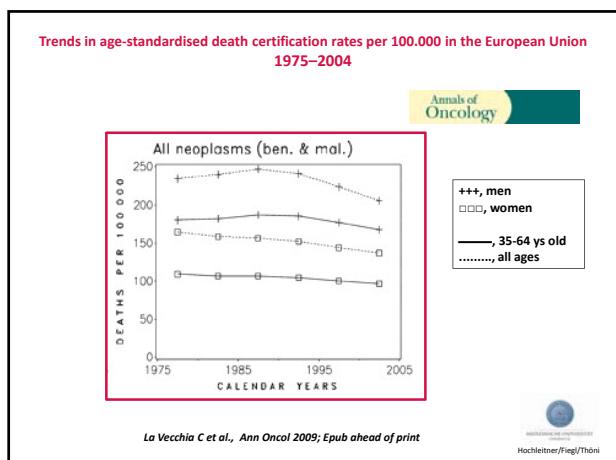
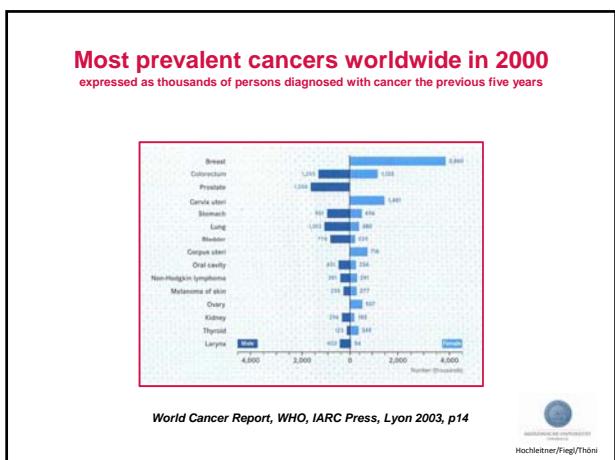


Table 1. Gender differences in pharmacokinetics for cytostatics and novel biologic antitumoral drugs					
Substance	Measure	Outcome	Reference		
5-FU	5-FU clearance	Lower in women	Milano et al., <i>Cancer</i> 1992; 11:71		
5-FU (contin. infusion)	5-FU clearance	No sex difference	Etemeanie et al., <i>Eur J Cancer</i> 1998; 34:92		
5-FU	Toxicity	Sex and age predictors	Jain et al., <i>Cancer</i> 1995; 75:11		
Topotecan PO	Clearance	Lower in women	Looz, <i>Anticancer Drugs</i> 2003; 17:673		
Carboplatin	Dosage based on renal function-dependent formula	Women receive lower doses	Dobey et al., <i>Eur J Cancer</i> 2002; 38:44		
Pemetrexed	Elimination capacity	Lower in women	Sorger, <i>Clin Cancer Res</i> 2006; 12:2150		
5-FU, bolus injection	5-FU clearance	Lower in women	Guzzello M, <i>Ann Oncol</i> 2006;17:1656.		
	Toxicity	Higher in women			
Doxorubicin	Clearance	Higher in men	Dobbs, <i>Cancer Chemother Pharmacol</i> 1995;36:473-6.		
Pegylated doxorubicin	liposomal	Clearance	Higher in men	Le Beck, <i>Cancer Chemother Pharmacol</i> 2011 May 18. [Epub ahead of print]	
Temozolamide	Clearance	No sex difference	Meany, <i>Cancer Chemother Pharmacol</i> 2009;65:137-42.		
Docetaxel, Paclitaxel, Etoposide, Topotecan	Hemato-toxicity: neutropenia	Increased risk in women	Klajf, <i>Clin Cancer Res</i> 2006; 12:5481		
Sunitinib	Clearance	Decreased in women	Haak et al., <i>CCR</i> 2009; 24:97		
Erbitux	Maximum plasma concentration, AUC, terminal elimination half-life	Increased in women	Frohna, <i>J Clin Pharmacol</i> 2006; 46:282		
Oxaliplatin	Clearance	Decreased in women	Basteks, <i>Anticancer Drugs</i> 2003; 14:817		
Cisplatin	Clearance	No sex difference	De Jongh, <i>Cancer Chemother Pharmacol</i> 2004; 54:105-110.		
Cis/Itoposide	Hemato-toxicity	No sex difference	Myia, <i>Cancer Chemother Phar</i> 1998; 42:386		
Capecitabine metabolites	Clearance	Decreased in women	Gieschke, <i>J Pharmacokin Pharmacod</i> 2002; 29:25		
Bevacizumab	Clearance	Decreased in women	Lu, <i>Cancer Chemother Pharmacol</i> 2008; 62: 79		
Paritumumab	Clearance	No sex difference	Yang, <i>Clin Pharmacol Ther</i> 2010; 87:49-70.		
Ramiprilom	Clearance	No sex difference	Olwe, <i>Cancer Chemother Pharmacol</i> 2010;66:1019-49.		

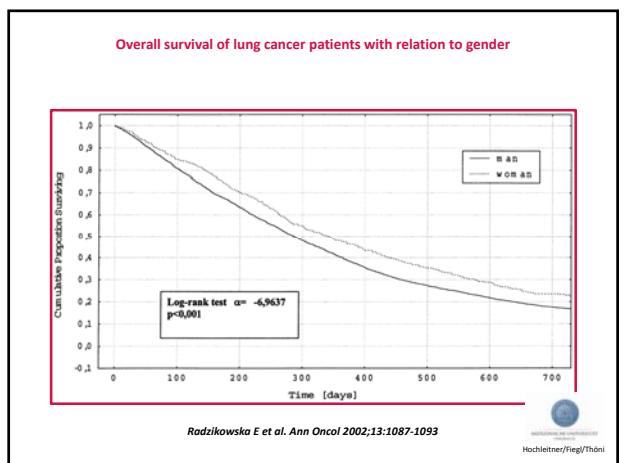


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Gender differences in prognosis and cancer treatment outcome



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Gender differences in basic science

1. Gender differences in mouse models for lung adenocarcinoma
 2. Gender differences in mouse models for liver cancer
 3. Gender differences in Non Melanoma Skin Cancer



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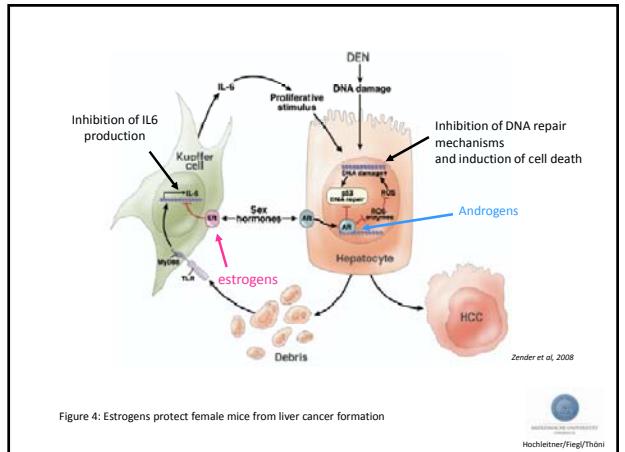


Figure 4: Estrogens protect female mice from liver cancer formation



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Thank you very much

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