

# Prostate Cancer

## The Men at Risk

- > Less than **70** years with good health
- > More than **10** year life expectancy  
(most prostate cancers grow slowly, take years to grow dangerous;)
- > Family – Genetic **History** of prostate cancer
- > Black gentlemen
- > Smoking, excess alcohol, environmental exposures
- > Obese gentlemen
- > **Persistent** PSA elevation in men less than 65 years old
- > PSA increases in men on Avodart, Proscar, Testosterone
- > PSA progression faster, higher than expected
- > PSA more than **10** PSAD more than **0.15**
- > Prostate nodule felt on digital rectal exam
- > Men on **Active Surveillance**
- > **Abnormal** Biomarkers and Predictor Tables
- > **Previous** MRI, biopsy or diagnosis of prostate cancer
- > **MRI PI-RADS Score 4, 5**, cancer nodules greater than 0.5 cc

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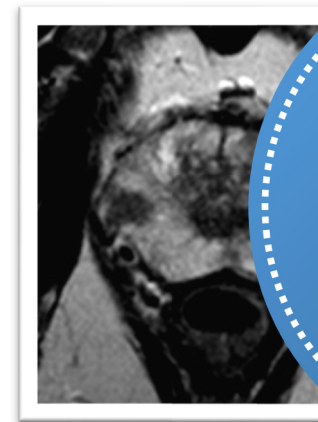
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## Prostate Cancer MRI *Accurate Diagnosis and Treatment*

# Prostate Cancer Risk Assessment



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# Prostate Cancer Risk Assessment

## Selects men for MRI

### History

- Life expectancy, Age
- Major Illnesses
- Family-Genetic History
- Race
- Lower Urinary Tract Symptoms  
Urinary Tract Infections,
- Prostatitis
- 5 alpha reductase inhibitors  
(Avodart, Proscar)
- Testosterone
- Smoking, excess alcohol,  
environmental pollution
- Previous PSAs**  
PSA Progression
- PSA Density
- Previous MRI, biopsy,**  
prostate cancer, surgeries
- Predictor Tables
- Molecular-Genetic Biomarkers
- Metal fragments in the body

### Exam

- Weight, Height
- Obesity
- Testicles
- Digital Rectal Exam

### Laboratory

- PSA
- Molecular-Genetic  
Biomarkers
- Creatinine
- Urinalysis, urine culture

### Imaging

- Trans Rectal Prostate  
Ultrasound (prostate  
volume, PSA density, post  
void residual, middle lobes)

## MRI selects men for biopsy

### Lead-Time Bias

PSA, other Biomarkers, Predictor Tables, prostate MRI and prostate biopsy may create **Lead-Time Bias** (the false improvement in cancer survival resulting from early diagnosis and treatment of non-aggressive, biologically inactive prostate cancers which will never harm patients).

### Pre-Programmed Follow-up

Men at risk of prostate cancer who have a normal MRI and no biopsy or have a suspicious MRI and negative biopsy,

### Active Surveillance

Men with diagnosed untreated non-aggressive cancer monitored in Active Surveillance Programs.