# Update on Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia



#### Introduction

- Epidemiology
- Changes in Terminology
- Evaluation
- Medical Therapy
- Surgical Therapy
- BPH and Sex!



### A Modern View of BPH Clinical, Anatomic, and Pathophysiologic Changes

 BPH = Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia

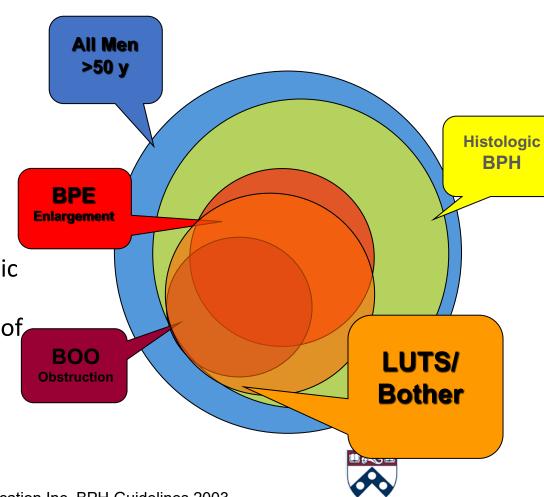
> Histologic: stromoglandular hyperplasia<sup>1</sup>

May be associated with

 Clinical: presence of bothersome LUTS<sup>2</sup>

 Anatomic: enlargement of the gland (BPE = Benign Prostatic Enlargement)<sup>2</sup>

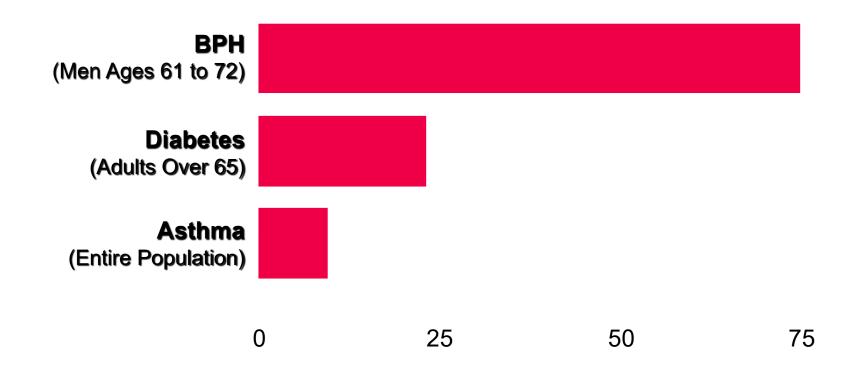
 Pathophysiologic: compression of urethra and compromise of urinary flow (BOO = Bladder Outlet Obstruction)<sup>2</sup>



1. American Urological Association Research and Education Inc. BPH Guidelines 2003.

2. Nordling J et al. In: Chatelain C et al, eds. *Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia*. Plymouth, UK: Health Publication Ltd; 2001:107166.

# Prevalence of BPH Versus Other Common Conditions



Berry SJ, et al. *J Urol*. 1984;132:474-479. CDC. 2003 National Diabetes Fact Sheet.



Available at <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/pubs/estimates.htm">http://www.cdc.gov/diabetes/pubs/estimates.htm</a>. Accessed May 16, 2003. CDC. 1998 Forecasted State-Specific Estimates of Self-Reported Asthma Prevalence. Available at <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/00055803.htm">http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/00055803.htm</a>. Accessed January 8, 2003.

# Prevalence of Symptomatic BPH

Male Medicare patients (>65 y) with LUTS/BPH

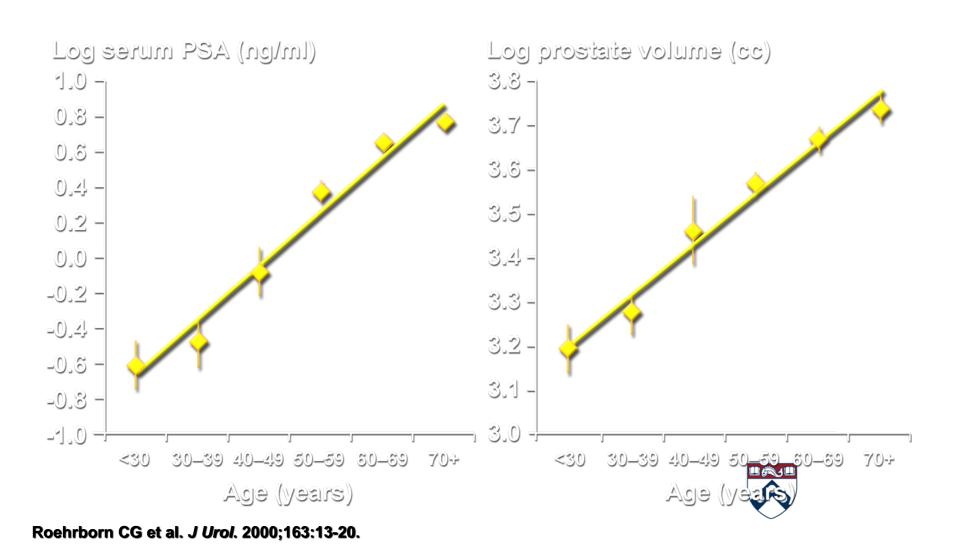


#### PSA... It's not just for cancer

- Serine protease produced by epithelial cells
- Dissolves semen coagulum
- Most bound to antiproteases ACT
- Increased with-
  - Malignancy
  - Hyperplasia
  - Infection/Inflammation

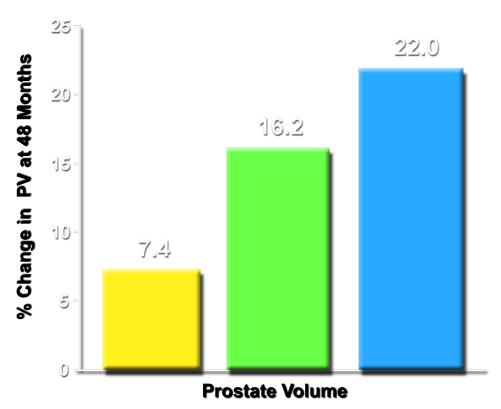


# Serum PSA and Prostate Volume Increases Correlate with Age



# PSA as a Predictor of Future Prostate Growth

Low PSA tertile (0.2 to 1.3 ng/mL)
IVIIddle PSA tertile (1.4 to 3.2 ng/mL)
High PSA tertile (3.3 to 9.9 ng/mL)



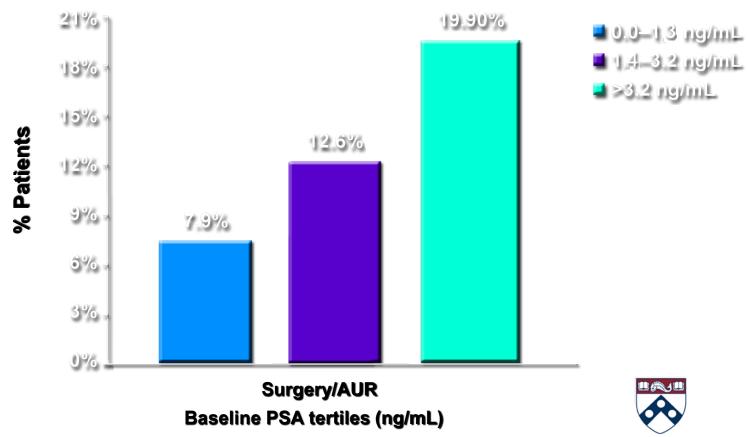
#### **Annualized Growth Rates**

- Low PSA tertile:0.7 mL/year
- Middle PSA tertile:2.1 mL/year
- High PSA tertile:3.3 mL/year

Roehrborn CG et al. J Urol. 2000;163:13-20.

# Incidence of AUR and/or Surgery Over 4 Years by PSA Tertiles

Left untreated 1 in 6 patients with a PSA of >1.4 ng/mL will experience AUR or BPH-related surgery over a 4-year time period



Roehrborn CG et al. *Urology*. 1999;53:473-480.

### What is "BPH"?

- "Prostatism" and "BPH"
- Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia is a histological diagnosis
- New Urological Lexicon



#### Terminology

**BPH**Histologic diagnosis

BPE
Enlargement due
to benign growth

to benign growth (can be without obstruction)

BPO
Urodynamically
proven BOO
(static/dynamic
components)

#### LUTS

- Symptoms attributable to lower urinary tract dysfunction
  - storage (irritative) symptoms
  - emptying (obstructive) symptoms
  - may be associated with BPH, BPE, and BPO, but not exclusive to these

#### Differential Diagnosis

- Urethral stricture
- Neurogenic bladder
- Bladder neck contracture
   Inflammatory prostatitis
- Bladder stones

- Medications
- Urinary tract infection
- Carcinoma of the prostate

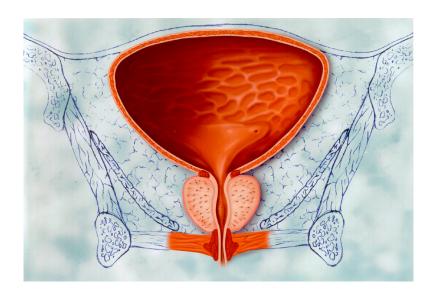
Interstitial cystitis

Carcinoma in situ of the bladder

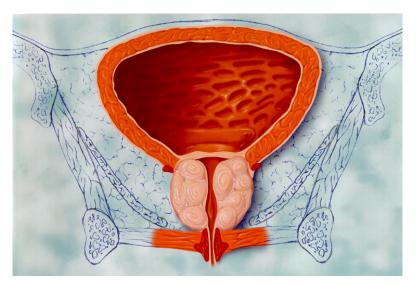


#### Old Paradigm

Small prostate, thin bladder wall



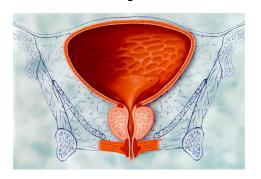
# Enlarged prostate, thick bladder wall



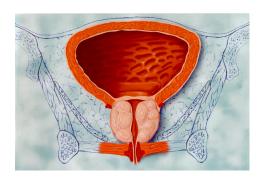


#### Subsequent Paradigm

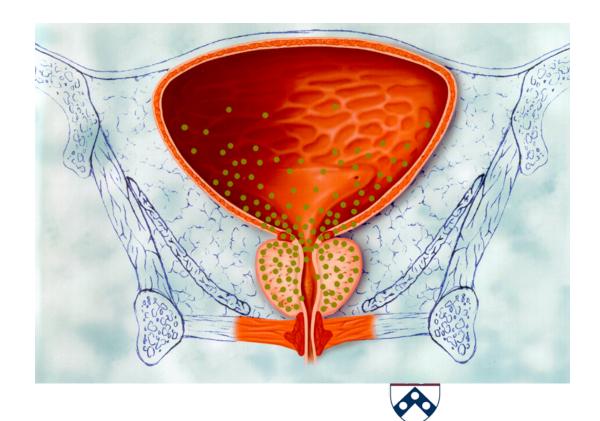
#### **Normal prostate**



**Enlarged prostate** 



#### Small prostate with $\alpha$ -receptors



### Current Paradigm

Normal



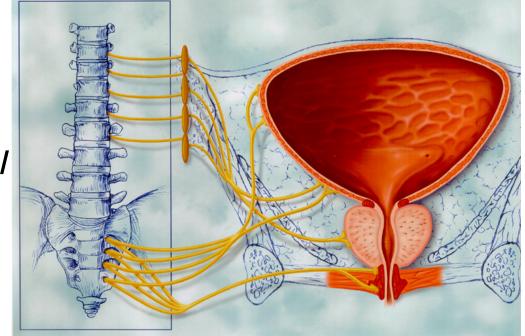
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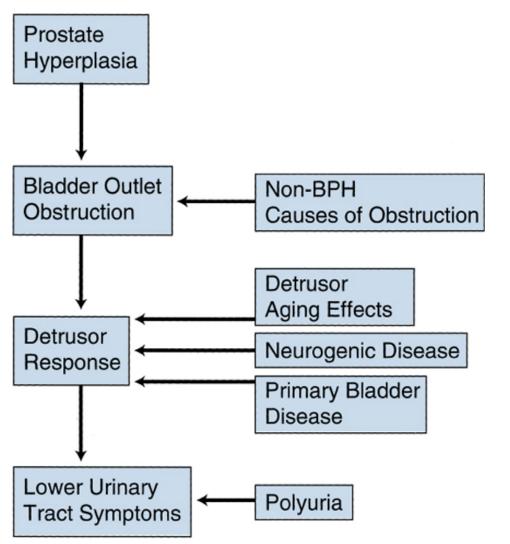


Brain/
Spinal column/
Prostate





### BPH/LUTS Pathophysiology





#### **Initial Evaluation**

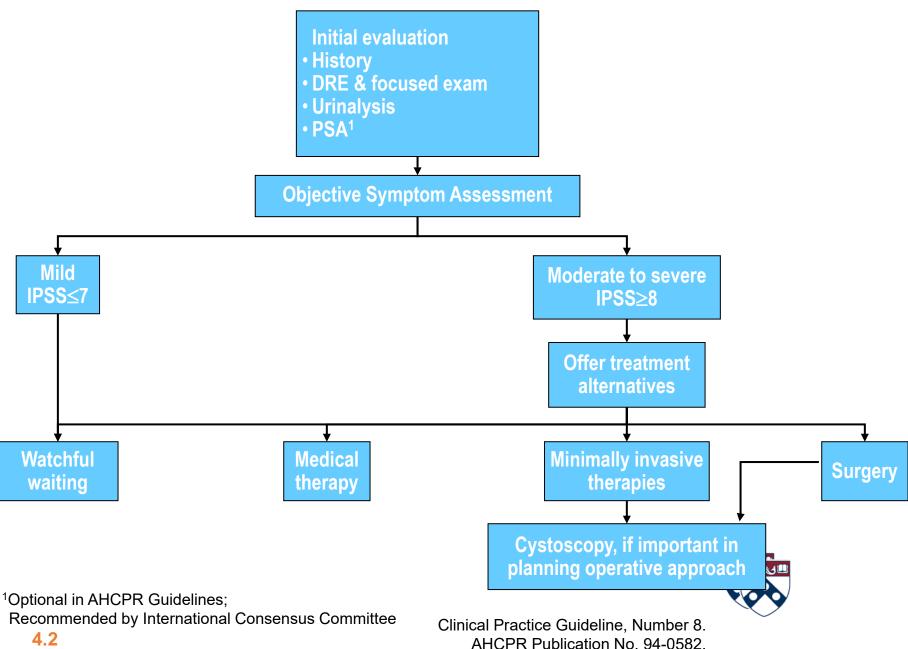
- Detailed medical history
- Physical exam
  - including DRE and neurologic exam
- Urinalysis
- Serum creatinine no longer mandatory
- PSA\*
- Symptom assessment (AUA-SS)

PSA = prostate-specific antigen \*Per physician's clinical judgment

**AUA BPH Guidelines 2003** 

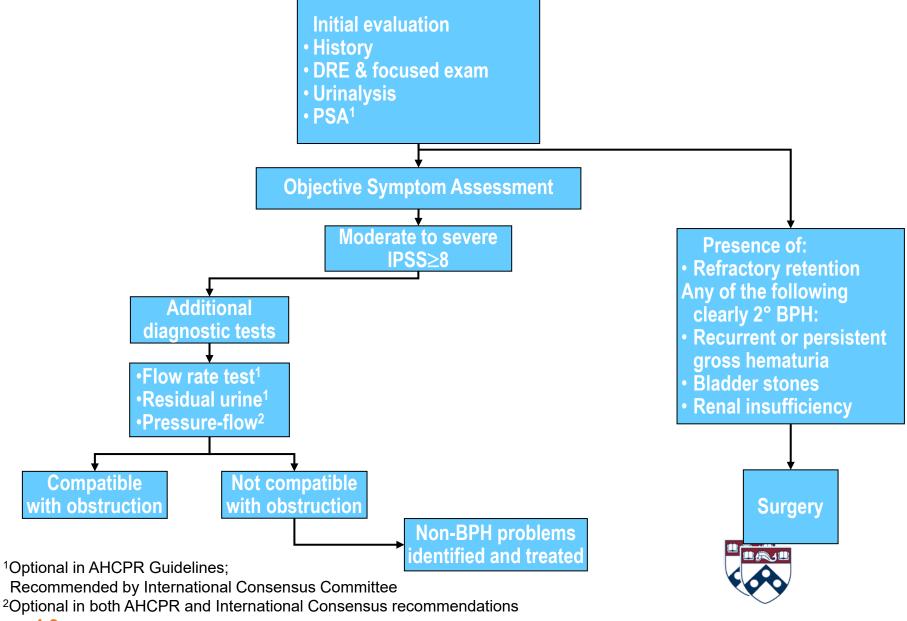


## Evaluation (Part 1)



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## Evaluation (Part 2)



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### Goals of Therapy for BPH

#### **BPH Treatment Success measured by:**

- symptoms (IPSS/AUA)
- ullet bother (bother score) and ullet QOL
- prostate size or arrest further growth
- 1 Increase in peak flow rate / Relieve obstruction
- Prevention of long-term outcomes/complications
- Acceptable adverse events profile



# Medical Treatments for BPH, LUTS, BOO

- $\alpha$ -adrenergic blockers
  - Dynamic component
- 5  $\alpha$ -reductase inhibitors
  - Anatomic component
- Anticholinergic Therapy
  - Storage Sx's



## Role of $\alpha_1$ -Adrenoreceptors

α<sub>1</sub>-ARs and Human LUTS

Prostate
Smooth muscle
contraction
α<sub>1A</sub>

Spinal cord
Lumbosacral

 $\alpha_{1D}$ 

 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Detrusor} \\ \textbf{Instability} \\ \textbf{Irritative} \\ \textbf{symptoms} \\ \alpha_{1D} > \alpha_{1A} \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Vessels} \\ \text{Resistance} \\ \text{vessels} \\ & \alpha_{1\text{A}} \\ \text{Aging effects} \\ & \alpha_{1\text{B}} > \alpha_{1\text{A}} \end{array}$ 

Schwinn DA. BJU Int. 2000;86:11-22.

Jardin A et al. *Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia. 5th International Consultation on Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia*. Paris, France. June 25-28, 2000:459-477. Rudner XL et al. *Circ.* 1999;100:2336-2343.

### Comparison of $\alpha$ -Adrenergic Blockers

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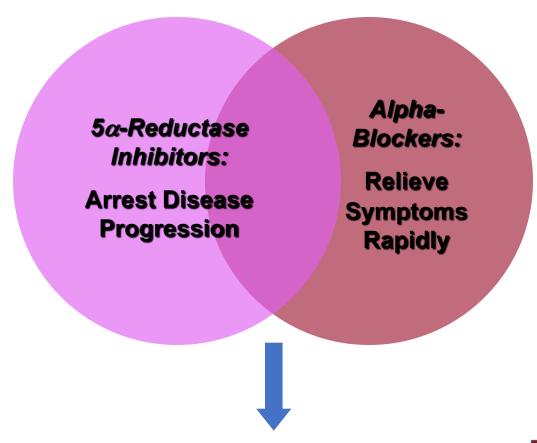
- 1. Hytrin<sup>R</sup> (terazosin hydrochloride) Prescribing information, Abbott Laboratories.
- 2. Cardura<sup>R</sup> (doxazosin mesylate tablets) Prescribing Information, Pfizer Inc.
- 3. Flomax<sup>R</sup> (tamsulosin hydrochloride) Prescribing Information, Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals Inc.
- 4. Uroxatral<sup>R</sup> (alfuzosin HCl extended release tablets) Prescribing Information, Sanofi-Synthelabo Inc.

#### Dihydrotestosterone (DHT) Action

- Testosterone is converted to DHT by two  $5\alpha$ -reductase isoenzymes
- The target for DHT is the androgen receptor
- DHT has approximately 5 times greater affinity for the androgen receptor than testosterone
- The greater affinity makes DHT a more potent androgenic steroid at physiologic concentrations
- The DHT/androgen receptor complex alters gene expression



# Rationale for Combination Therapy



Combination Therapy: Arrest Disease Progression and Rapidly Relieve Symptoms

# Surgical Therapy



# Indications for Surgery

#### **Absolute**

None

#### Relative

- Symptoms
- Pt. Choice
- AUR
- Bleeding
- Bladder Calculus
- UTI
- Renal Insufficiency



# Transurethral Resection of the Prostate (TURP): Overview

#### **Advantages**

- Availability of long-term outcomes data
- Good clinical results
- Treats prostates <150 g</li>
- Low retreatment rate
- Low mortality

#### **Disadvantages**

- Retrograde ejaculation
- Bleeding
- TUR Syndrome
- Catheter time
- Hospital Stay

Borth CS et al. *Urology*. 2001;57:1082-1086. Mebust WK et al. *J Urol*. 1989;141:243-247. Wagner JR et al. *Semin Surg Oncol*. 2000;18:216-228.



#### Alphabet Soup

#### Electrosurgical

**TURP** 

TUVP Laser

Gyrus PVP

TUIP HoLAP

HoLEP

ILC

Open CLAP

Suprapubic VLAP

Retropubic

Perineal

#### Minimally-Invasive

**TUMT** 

TUNA

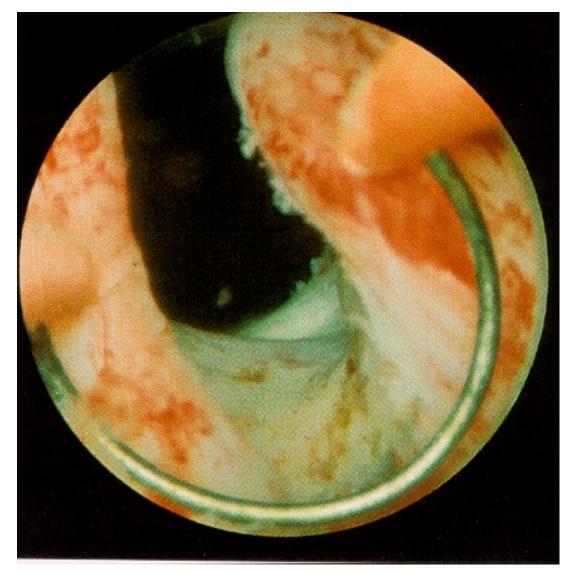
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**TEAP** 

Botox

ILC







#### TURP: Efficacy

- Symptom improvement in 88% of patients
- 82% decrease in AUA Symptom Score
- 125% improvement in peak flow rate (Q<sub>max</sub>)
- Re-op rate approx. 1.5%/yr



### **TURP: Complications**

| Clot Retention     | 16%  |
|--------------------|------|
| Urethral Stricture | 8.4% |
| Transfusions       | 7.0% |
| TUR Syndrome       | 0.9% |
| Incontinence       | 1.3% |



# Sildenafil Citrate Improves LUTS Mulhall et al, 2002

- Men (n=30) presenting with ED and LUTS (IPSS ≥ 10)
- No prior or current alpha-blocker therapy
- Treated with Viagra (standard fashion)
- Sequential assessment of IIEF and IPSS
- Statistically significant improvement in IPSS on Viagra



#### Take-Home Messages

- Aging Population= More BPH
- Not all Male LUTS=BPH
- Not all BPH=LUTS
- Consider Combination Therapy
- Quality of life issues

