

Prognostic significance of Serum Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor-C in Early Stage Cervical Cancer

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INTRODUCTION

Early Stage Cervical Cancer



Hysterectomy Radical



Adjuvant Therapy

**Therapeutic
Response**

Recurrence

Prognostic Factors



INTRODUCTION

Prognostic Factors

Clinical –pathological factors

- Stage
- Lesion/Bulky
- Cell type
- Lymphnode met
- Differentiation
- Deep stromal invasion
- Lymph vascular space invasion
- Parametrial invasion

Tumor marker/ Biomolecular marker

- SCC
- MMP, Kapthensin D, Heparanase
E Kadherin, Katenin,
- Indeks DNA,p53, CD4,HPV

VEGF → VEGF- C ?

Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF)



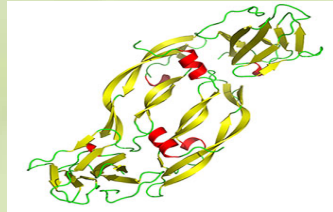
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Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF)

VEGF = VEGF-A = VPF (Vascular Permeability Factor)
heparin binding glycoprotein
supergene PDGF
Kromosom 6p12
Family : VEGF A, VEGF B, **VEGF C**, VEGF D
and VEGF E

Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF)

VEGF



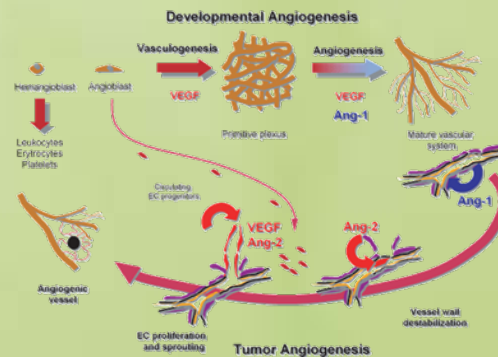
Key Signal



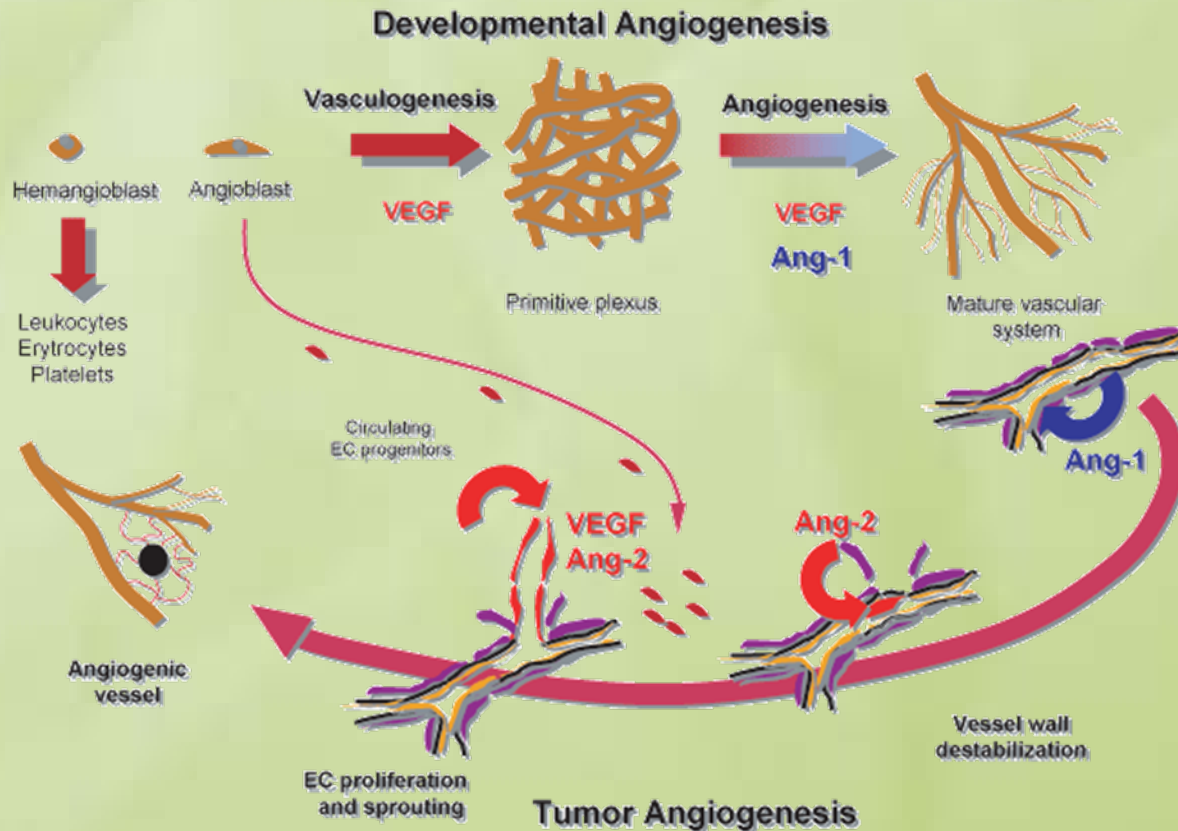
Hypoxic cells (Oxygen - Hungry Cells)



Angiogenesis



DEVELOPMENTAL AND TUMOR ANGIOGENESIS



Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF)

Angiogenesis is tightly regulated
by balanced expression of many factors

Regulators of angiogenesis

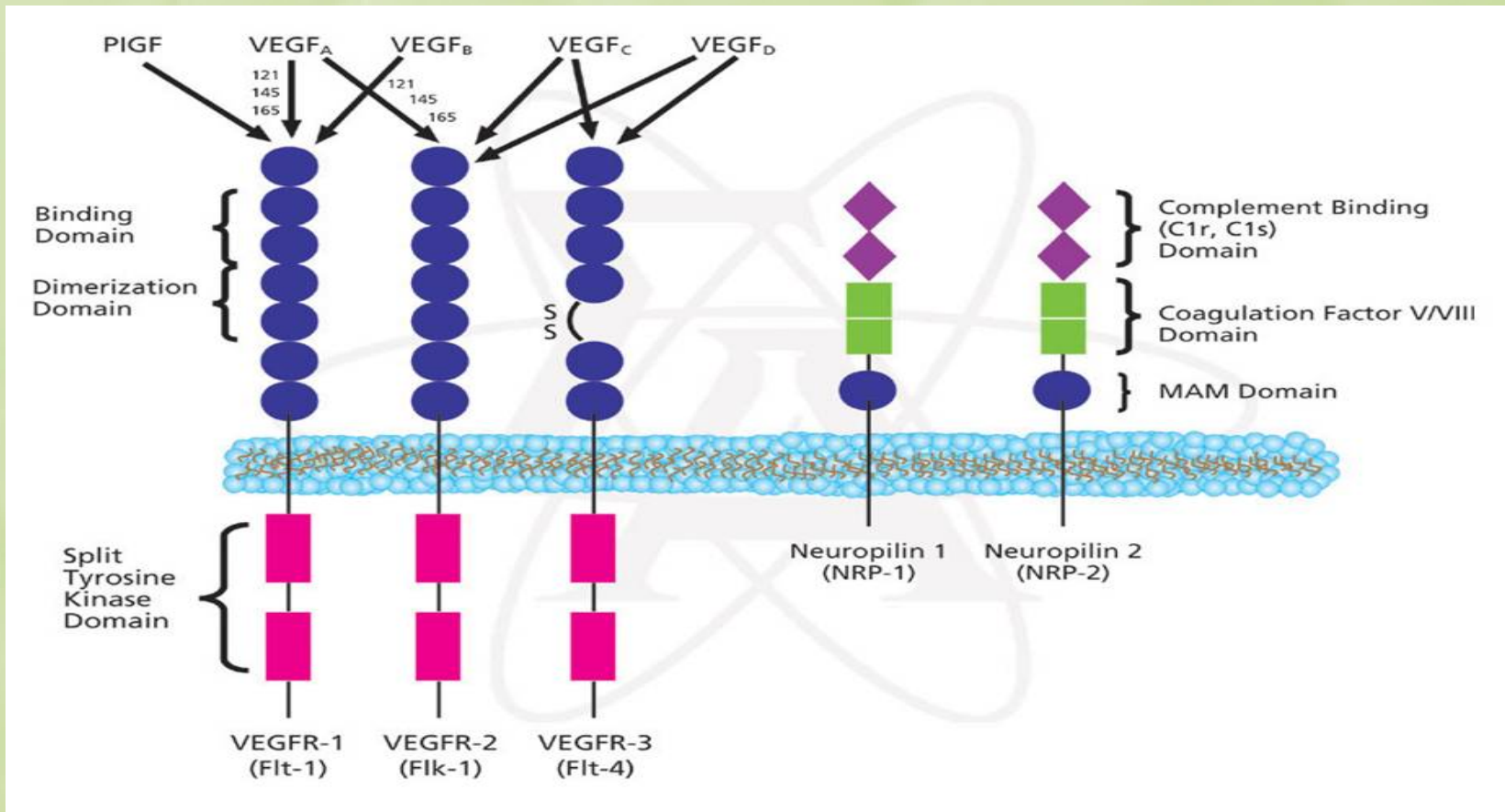
Promoters

- **VEGF**
- **aFGF**
- **bFGF**
- **TGF-a, b**
- **EGF**
- **TNF-a**
- **Angiogenin**
- **IL-8**
- **Ang-1, 2**

Inhibitors

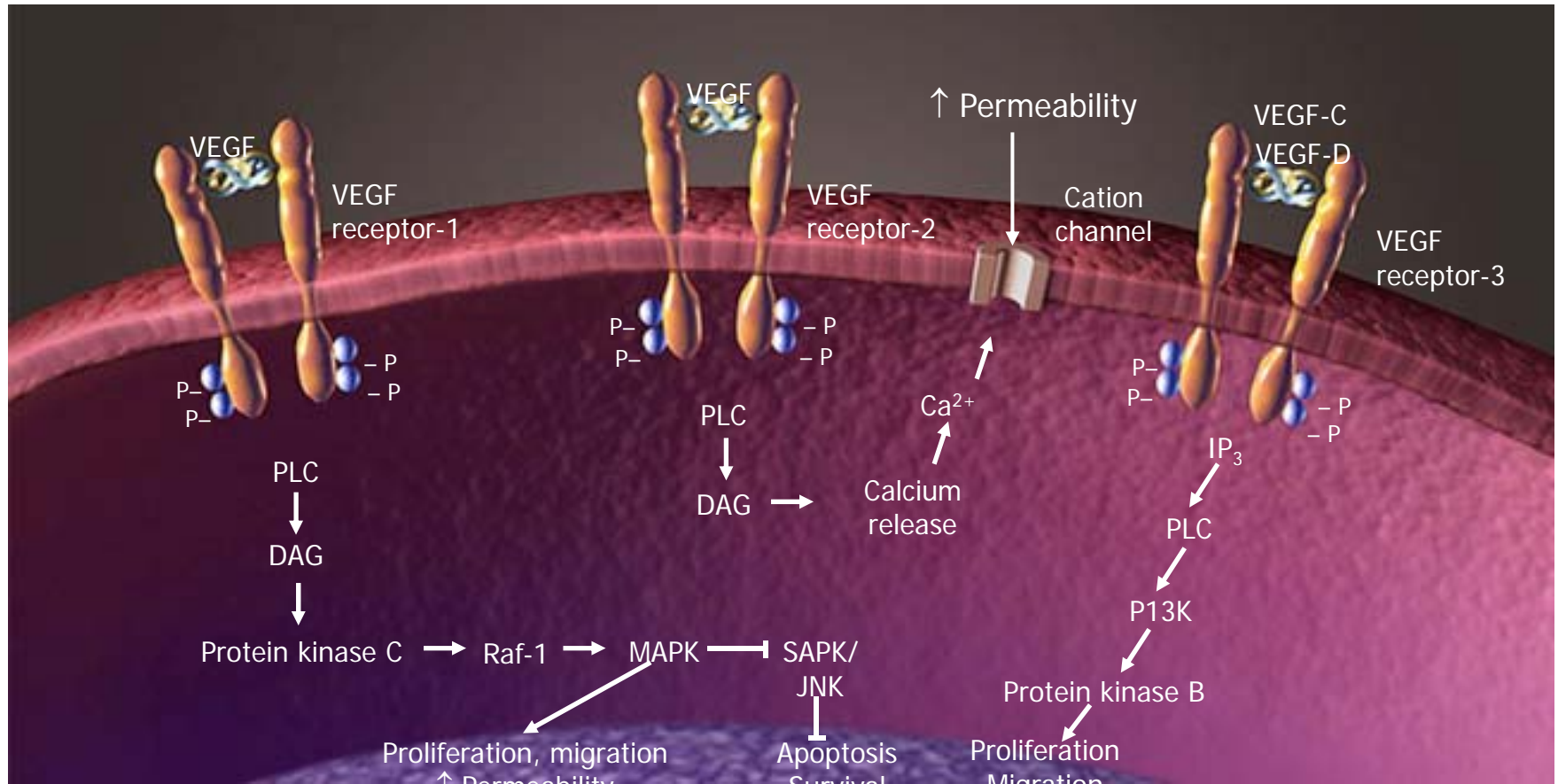
- **Thrombospondin (TSP)**
- **Angiostatin**
- **Endostatin**
- **Vasostatin**
- **Prolactin**
- **Growth hormone**
- **Canstatin**
- **Tumstatin**
- **Interferon-a (IFN-a)**

VEGF Receptors



Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF)

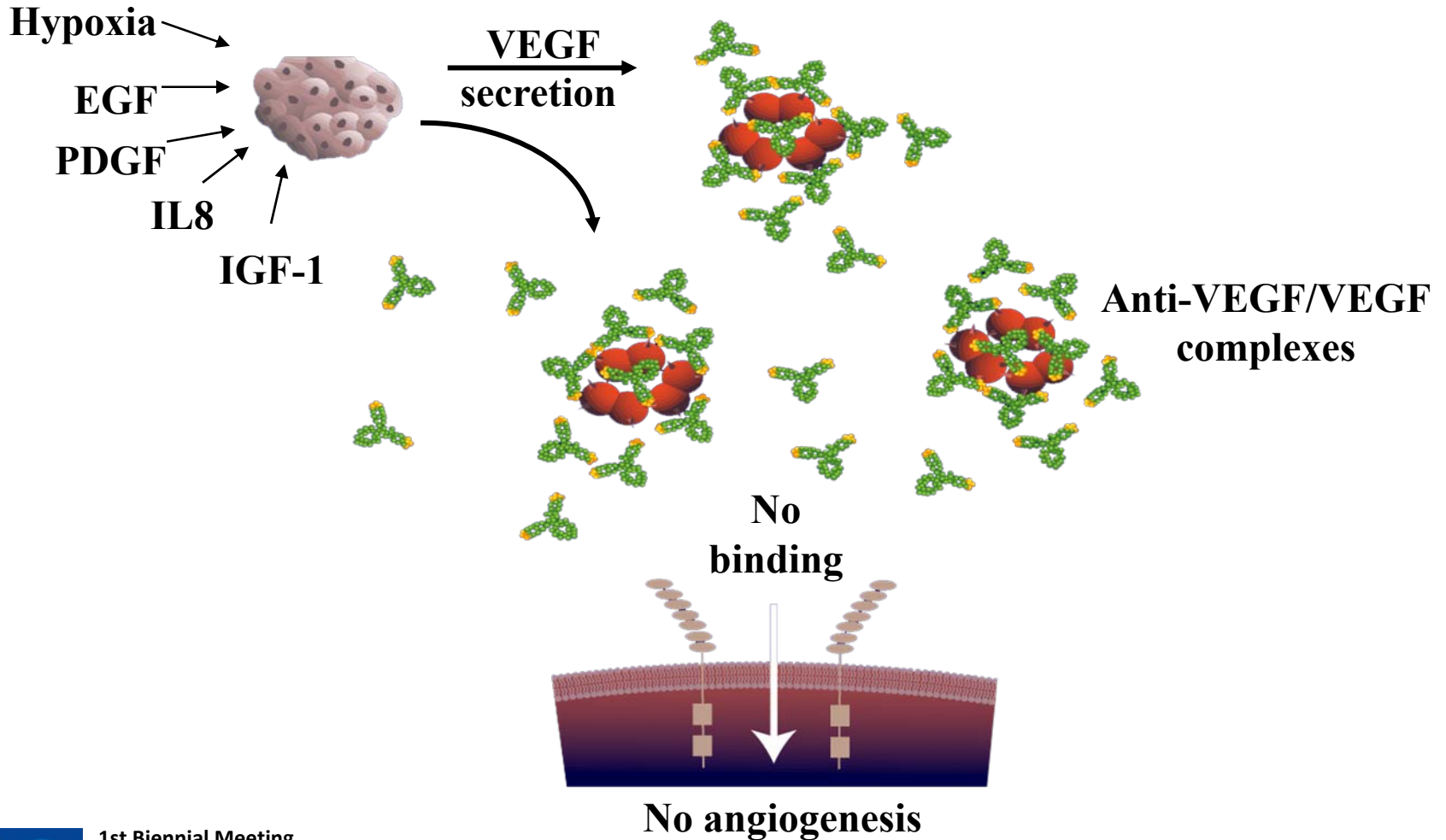
VEGF signal transduction and its effects



VEGF binding to VEGF receptor-2 activates a signalling cascade resulting in cellular effects

Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF)

VEGF is a key target for anticancer therapy



Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor-C (VEGF-C)



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Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor - C (VEGF-C)

VEGF – C : disulphide bonded homodimer

31 kDa

and

21 kDa



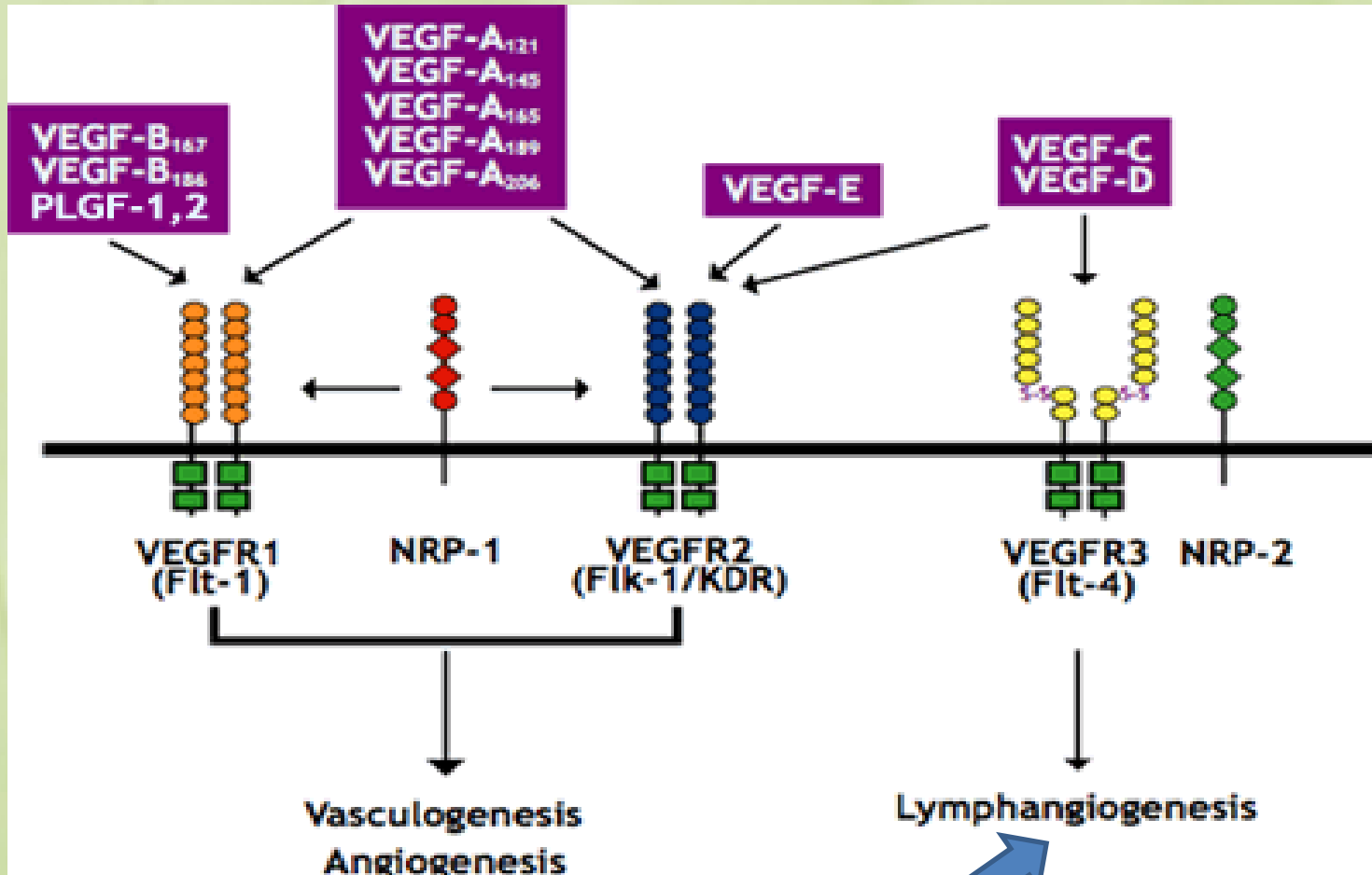
VEGFR2

VEGFR3

VEGF- C → **Sel ENDOTEL :**

Proliferation
Differentiation
Migration
Survival
Permeability

Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor - C (VEGF- C) Signaling



Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor-C (VEGF-C)

VEGF-C → lymphangiogenesis
→ new lymphatics formation

VEGF-C mRNA : significantly higher in tumours exhibiting :

deep stromal invasion
pelvic lymph node metastasis
lymph-vascular space involvement

Multivariate analysis revealed VEGF-C mRNA expression to be the sole **independent factor** influencing pelvic lymph node metastasis

Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor - C (VEGF-C)

Subjects demonstrating VEGF-C mRNA expression displayed significantly **poorer prognoses** than those lacking VEGF-C mRNA expression ($P = 0.049$).

Ekspresion mRNA VEGF- C : 130 X

These findings provide evidence supporting the involvement of VEGF-C expression in the **promotion of lymph node metastasis** in cervical cancer.

Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor - C (VEGF-C)

Mitsushasi,2005

Serum VEGF-C level  FIGO Staging

Mathur SP,2005

Serum VEGF-C level :
Advanced Stage Cervical Cancer



Metastasis

Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor - C (VEGF-C)

Cheng WF,1999

Intratumoral protein VEGF :

- Biopsi
- **VEGF** : lymphnode metastasis



tumor progressivness
metastatic ability

Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor (VEGF)

Sintesis

Hipoxia
Cytokine, Oncogen

HIF - 1 alpha

HRE - gen VEGF

Transkription

mRNA VEGF

Translacion

Protein
VEGF

Sekretion VEGF C
(Serum VEGF-C)

Analysis



RT- PCR
In-situ hybridisation

Intra-tumoral protein
Imunohistokimia

Western blotting
ELISA

THE RESEARCH

Prognostic significance of Serum VEGF-C and LVSI in Early Stage Cervical Cancer

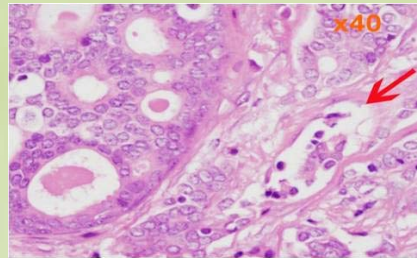


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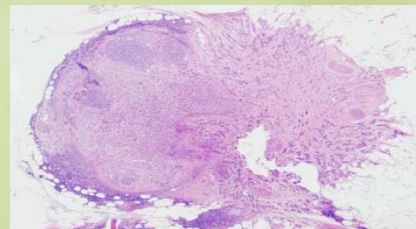
Research Question



CaCx IB – IIA



Lymph Vascular
Space Invasion



Lymph node
Metastases

Is there any correlation : Serum VEGF-C level with
Lymph Vascular Space Invasion
and Lymphnode Metastases



Research Design

Case control Study

January – October 2007

Total : 69 cases

Independent Variable :

Serum VEGF-C level

LVSI

Clinical dan Histopatological Factors

Dependent Variable :

Lymphnode metastases.

Serum VEGF-C level assay :

5 cc blood



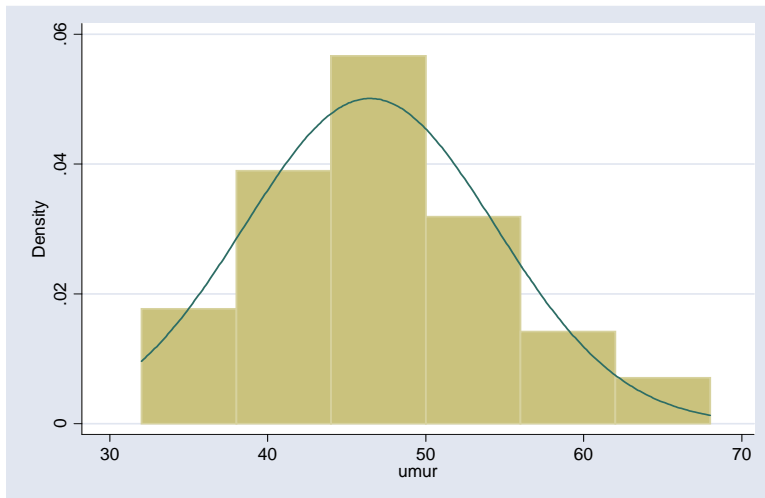
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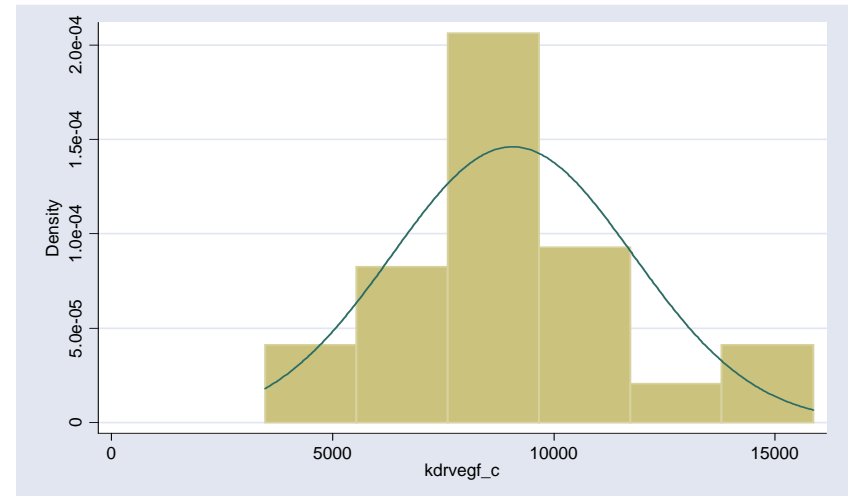
Serum VEGF-C level by ELISA

Study Results

Chi2 dan Shapiro-Wilk Normality Test : Normal Distribution Data



Histogram of age distribution



Histogram Serum VEGF-C level

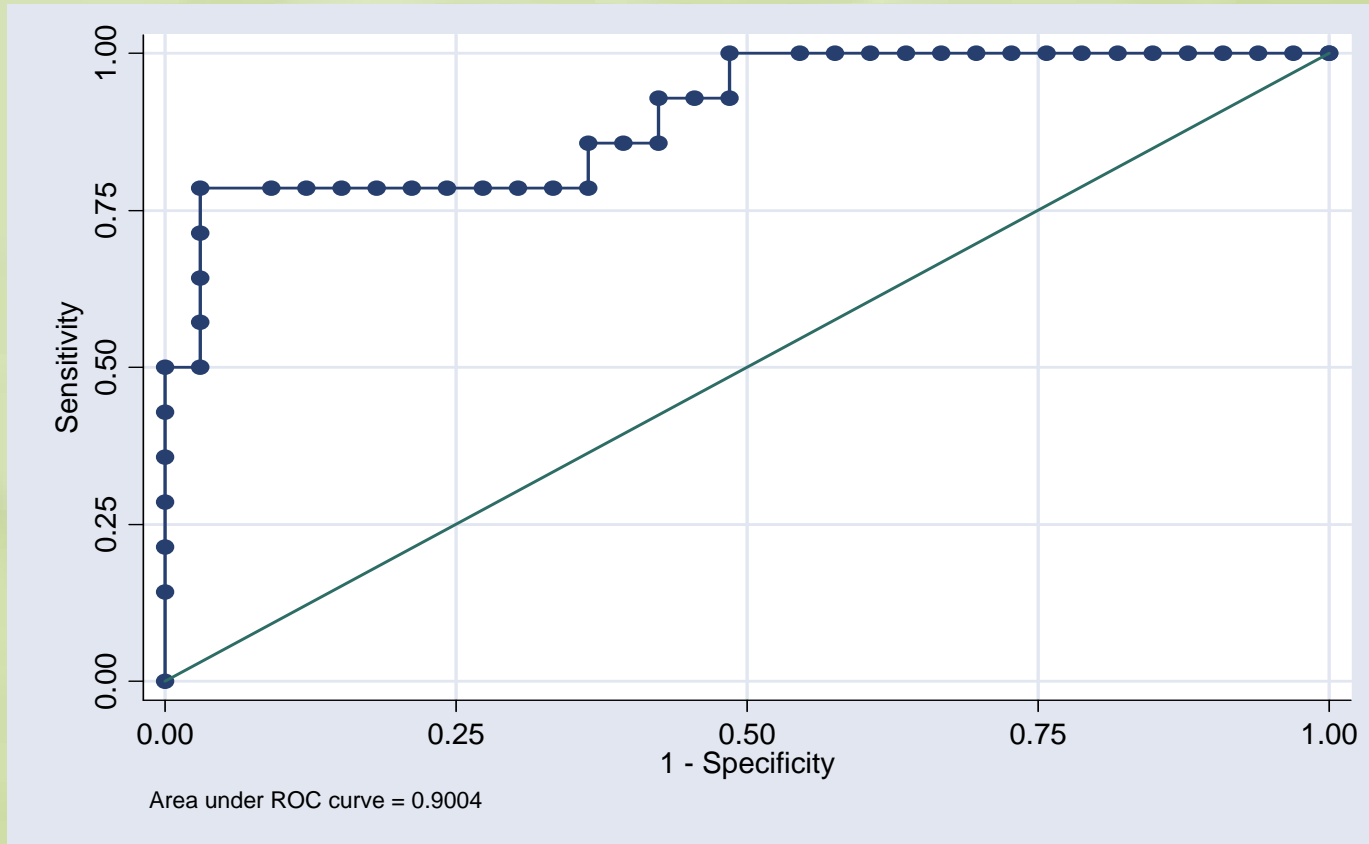
Study Results

Clinical characteristic

Clinical Characteristic	Lymphnode Meta				OR	(95% CI)	P value
	Negatif		Positif				
	n	%	n	%			
Stage							
IB ≤ 4 (IB1)	15	45,45	2	14,29	1		
IB > 4 (IB2)	3	9,09	5	35,71	12,5	(1,60;97,64)	0,016
IIA ≤ 4	13	39,39	4	28,57	2,30	(0,36;14,71)	0,376
IIA > 4	4	6,06	3	21,43	11,25	(1,10;114,36)	0,041
Test for trend (Chi2,Pvalue)	9,23	0,026					
Primary Lesion							
≤ 40 mm	30	90,91	7	50,00	1		
> 40 mm	3	9,09	7	50,00	10	(2,05;48,69)	0,004

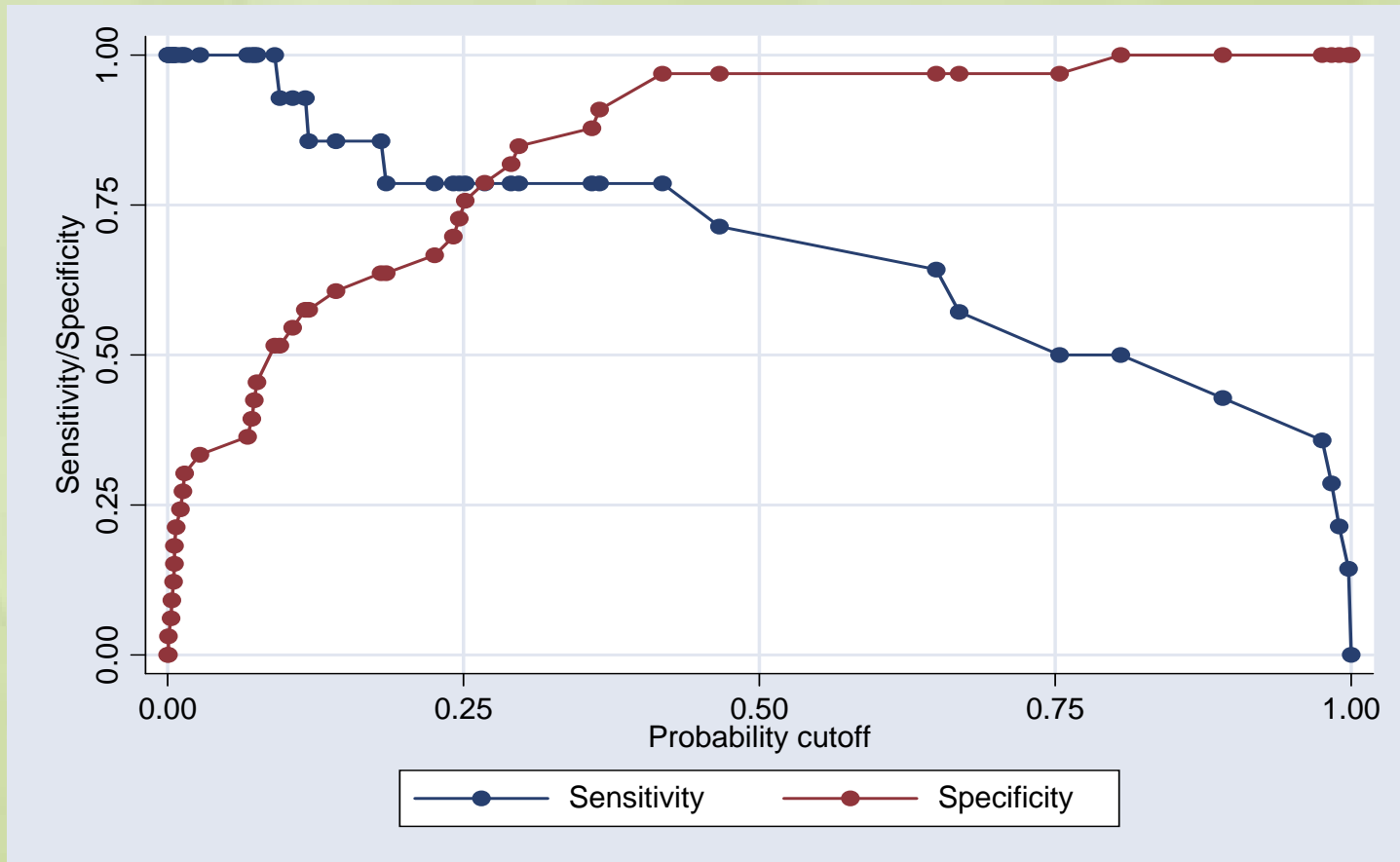
Study Results

ROC Analysis Serum VEGF-C level



Study Results

Cut-off point sensitivity and specificity of Serum VEGF-C



Study Results

Serum VEGF- C :

Cut-off point : 10.066 pg/ml

(78,57% sensitivity and 96,97% specificity)

Ca Colorectal : 533 pg/ml

Ca Paru (NSLC): 1850 pg/ ml

Study Results

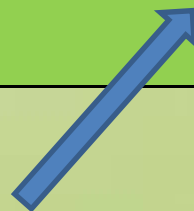
Lymphovascular Space Invasion and Serum VEGF-C

Serum VEGF-C Level	Lymph-vask Spc Invs				OR	(95% CI)	P Value
	Negatif		Positif				
	n	%	n	%			
Kadar VEGF-C							
≤ 10.066,90	20	55,56	1	9,09	1		
> 10.066,90	16	44,44	10	90,91	12,5	(1,44;108,18)	0,022

Study Results

Lymphnode Metastases >< Serum VEGF-C level

Serum VEGF-C level	Lymphnode Metastases				OR (95% CI)	P value
	Negatif		Positif			
	n	%	n	%		
VEGF-C level						
≤ 10.066,90	32	96,97	4	28,57	1	
> 10.066,90	1	3,03	10	71,43	80	0,000
Test for trend (Chi2,Pvalue)	25,65	0,00				



Study Results

Lymph node metastasis patient with serum VEGF-C level >10.066 pg/ml I increase by **OR 80, 95% CI 7,99;800,71 and p=0,000.**

Lymph node metastasis patient with lymph vascular space invasion increase by **OR 20, 95% CI 2,32;171,77 and p=0,006.**

Lymph vascular space invasion increase by **OR 12,5, 95 % CI 1,44;108,18 and p=0,022 in patient with VEGF-C Level > 10.066 pg/ml.**

Study Results

Multivariate Analysis

Variable	Koef	SE	(95% CI RI)	z	P value
SerumVEGF-C	0,00095	0,00034	0,00027;0,0016	27,5	0,006
Primary Lesion	1,59	1,26	0,87 ; 4,06	1,26	0,206
LVSI	3,56	2,23	-0,81 ; 7,94	1,6	0,111
Konstanta	-13,39	4,66	-22,43;-4,16	-2,85	0,004

Study Results

Multivariate analysis :

Serum VEGF-C can be use as **independent prognostic factor on lymph-node metastasis.**

Other Study Results :

Serum VEGF-C Level



On Cervical Cancer after received
NEOADJUVANT CHEMOTHERAPY

Should be use as marker
to evaluate respon therapy ?

Conclusion

Serum VEGF-C is potential bio-marker as prognostic factor to lymph node metastasis in early stage cervical cancer.



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