## MANAGEMENT OF ADNEXAL MASSES



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## **Definition**

Ovary, tuba, broad ligament

Usually originates from the ovary

## Symptomatology

Symptomatic

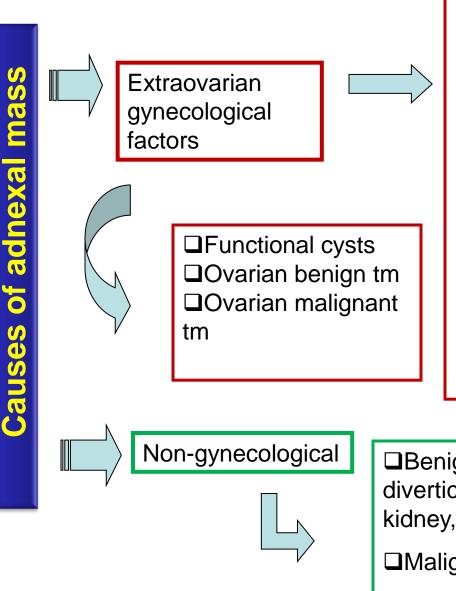
Acute abdomen

**Pelvic pain** 

Dispareunia

Nonspecific complaints (compression sign, hormonal signs due to functional mass, urinary system or gastrointestinal system signs)

□ Asymptomatic



## ⊐Benign

Ectopic pregnancy

Endometrioma

Hydrosalpinx

Leiomyoma

Tubaovarian abcess

Paraovarian cyst/tumor

## Malignant

Endometrial carcinoma

Tubal carcinoma

Benign (Appendicitis, bladder-urethral diverticula, nerve sheath tumor, pelvic kidney, peritoneal cyst)

Malignant (Metastatic tm -GIS, breast-, Retroperitoneal sarcomas)  In USA, approximately 5-10% of women undergo surgery for "suspicious ovarian mass"

Ovarian cancer detected in 13-21%

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Holcomb K, 2011
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Of those diagnosed with adnexal masses
 In premenopausal period, 4-24%, and
 In postmenopausal period, 39-63% were malignant

Rossi A. 2011

## Importance

## MALIGNANT

Surgery

- Gynecologic Oncologist
- •Laparotomy
- Midline incision



Follow-up
Gynecologist
Laparoscopy / Mini Laparotomy



## **Adnexal masses**

## **Premenopausal period**

The upper limit of normal for ovarian volume is 20 cm<sup>3</sup>

□Most of them are benign (functional cysts are the most common)

Cystic teratoma are the most common form of neoplastic adnexal masses

□Other factors

(Ectopic pregnancy, PID, hydrosalpinx, pelvic kidney, intraligamentous myoma)

Ovarian tumors

□<20 years old, the most common **Germ cell tumor** 

□>20 yeras old, the most common Epithelial tumor

**Contribution of the tumor markers is limited** 

# Adnexal masses Postmenopausal period

□ The upper limit of normal for ovarian volume is 10 cm<sup>3</sup>

□ Incidence of asymptomatic ovarian cyst is 18%

□ 70% of them spontaneously regress

□ Unilocular cysts and cysts <10 cm risk of malignancy is 0.1%

□ Tumor markers are more useful in this period

Modessit SC, 2003

McDonalds JM, 2006

Suspicious Adnexal Mass: Diagnosis and Management

The best diagnostic method?

The best treatment method?



Anamnesis

Physical and gynecological examination

Tm markers

Imaging methods





# Examination findings

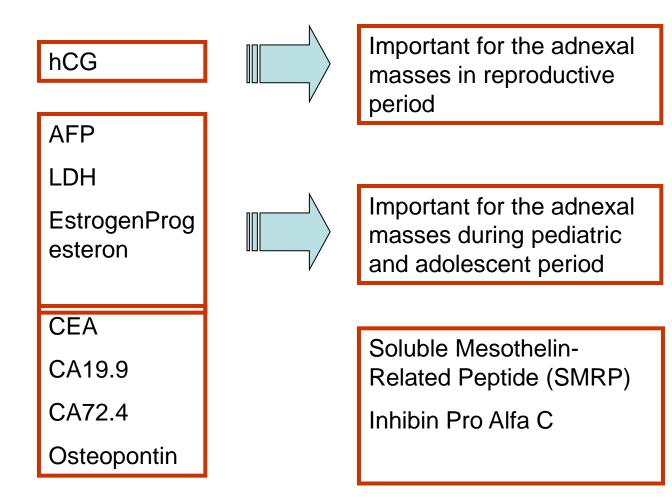
#### The lowest sensitivity 60%



Clinical finding	Benign	Malignant
Unilateral	***	*
Bilateral	*	***
Cystic	***	*
Solid	*	***
Mobile	***	**
Fixed	*	***
Irregular	*	***
Smooth	***	*
Ascites	*	***
Nodularity in Dougla	S	***
Rapid growth		***

## **Tumor markers**

# CA125 Human Epididymis Protein 4 (HE4)



## Tumor markers Summary

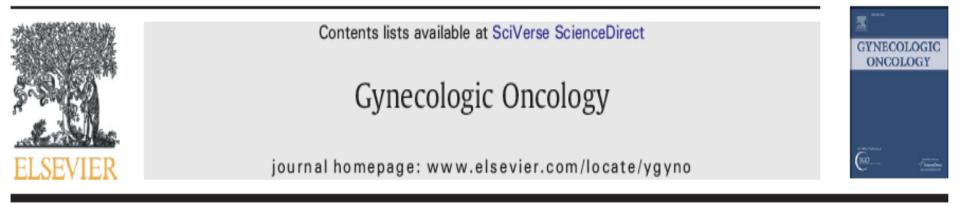
- CA125 is still the most common marker used in the diagnosis of adnexal masses
- HE4 is more reliable in the differentiation of benign/malignant in premenopausal period
- There is no additional advantage of using CA125 and HE4 together

 CA125 and HE 4 cannot be used as a screening test in ovarian cancers due to their low sensitivity Imaging Methods

Sonography
Tomography
MRI
PET-CT

# SUMMARY Imaging Methods

- The primary imaging method in evaluation and follow-up of adnexal masses is ultrasonography
- CT and MRI are not the primary imaging methods in adnexal masses
- MRI, could be used as the second choice if the US findings are not diagnostic or if the diagnosis is suspicious
- CT, could be used if it is thought that there is metastasis or before and after primary cytoreductive surgery



Review

Preoperative identification of a suspicious adnexal mass: A systematic review and meta-analysis  $\stackrel{\leftrightarrow}{\Rightarrow}$ 

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# Preoperative identification of a suspicious adnexal mass: A systematic review and meta-analysis $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$

#### Ultrasonographical Morphology

Sassone Scoring system Lerner Scoring system DePriest Scoring system Ferrazzi Scoring system Finkler Scoring system

#### **Doppler Sonography**

2D Power Doppler 3D Power Doppler Resistance Index Pulsatility Index Peak Systolic Velocity Combined Morphology and Doppler 3D Ultrasonography and Doppler

#### **Enlarged Scoring Systems**

Risk of Malignancy Index (RMI) 1-2-3 Artificial Neural Network (ANN) 1-2 Logistic Regression Models (LRM) 1-2

Although it has been widely used in USA after FDA approval; as there is no sufficient study comparing HE4 and other methods, evaluation of these tumor markers are not included to the metaanalysis

Dodge et al. Gynecol Oncol, 2012

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# Preoperative identification of a suspicious adnexal mass: A systematic review and meta-analysis $\stackrel{\sim}{\approx}$

Methods	Sensitivity (95% CI)	Specificity (95% CI)		
2D ultrasonography 85.3% (95% Cl, 69.0–93.8%)		87.4% (95% CI, 75.0–94.1%)		
3D ultrasonography	93.5% (95% Cl, 74.1–98.6%)	91.5% (95% Cl, 80.0–96.6%)		
Sassone Scoring System (	cutoff 9) 88.6% (95% CI, 81.3–93.3%)	77.5% (95% CI, 70.0–83.6%)		
Lerner Scoring System	90% (95% CI, 87–98%)	63% (95% CI, 40–81%)		
DePriest Scoring System	91% (95% CI, 85–97%)	69% (95% CI, 60–78%)		
Ferrazzi Scoring System	85.2% (95% CI, 76.4–91.1%)	85.9% (95% CI, 71.9–93.5%)		
Finkler Scoring System	83.5% (95% CI, 73.1–90.4%)	78.2% (95% CI, 59.0-89.9%)		
RMI (cutoff 200)	79.2% (95% CI, 73.6–83.9%)	91.7% (95% CI, 87.2–94.6%)		
RMI 2 (cutoff 200)	79% (95% CI, 71–87%)	81% (95% CI, 72–90%)		
Tailor's Model	60% (95% CI, 20–100%)	93% (95% CI, 82–100%)		
RI	77.2% (95% CI, 68.7–83.9%)	89.8% (95% CI, 85.6–92.8%)		
PI	80.6% (95% CI, 74.9–85.2%)	79.9% (95% CI, 69.8–87.2%)		
PSV	80.0% (95% CI, 67.7–88.5%)	84.2% (95% CI, 69.3–92.7%)		
Visualization	88% (80–92%)	78% (95% Cl, 65–87%)		
MRI	91.9% (95% ĆI, 88.8–94.1%)	88.4% (95% CI, 83.7–91.9%)		
СТ	87.2% (95% CI, 74.2–94.1%)	84.0% (95% CI, 66.6–93.3%)		
PET	67% (95% CI, 52–79%)	79% (95% CI, 70–85%)		
CA-125	78.7% (95% CI, 75.3–81.7%)	77.9% (95)		

Dodge et al. Gynecol Oncol, 2012

Preoperative identification of a suspicious adnexal mass: A systematic review and meta-analysis <sup>☆</sup>

□Sensitivity and specificity of 3D Ultrasonography is higher than 2D Ultrasonography

□Sensitivity and specificity of morphological scoring systems is in accepted levels, however the superiority of each system to the other has not been demonstrated

The superiority of doppler evaluation alone to simple ultrasonographical evaluation has not been demonstrated

□Although statistical difference has not been demonstrated, MRI provides better results according to CT

CA 125 measurement is less reliable according to the other assessment methods

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# Suspicious Adnexal Masses: Diagnosis

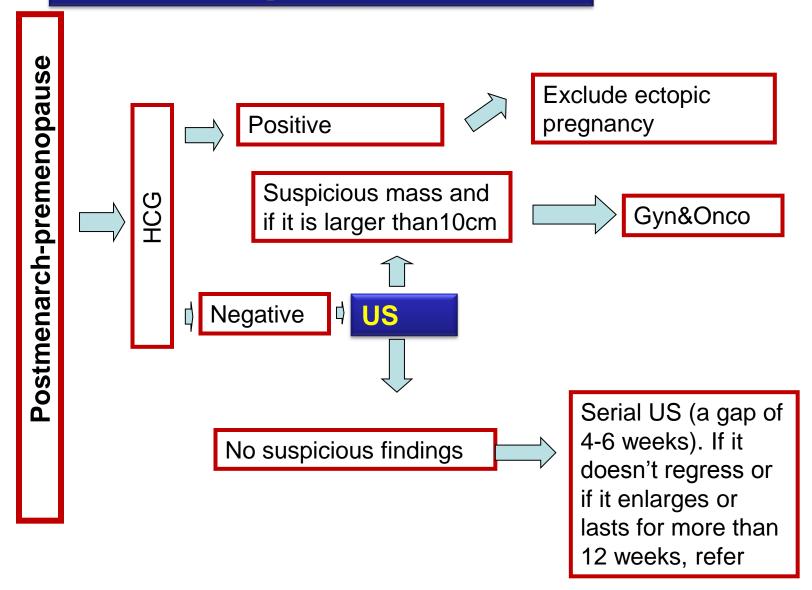
- Tumor markers are not sufficient alone
- US and tumor markers should be used together



## **Premenopausal period**

**Postmenopausal period** 

## **Premenopausal Period**



# Adnexal Masses Postmenopausal Period

- 2,763 postmenopausal women
- Incidence of asymptomatic ovarian cyst is 18%
- Unilocular <10 cm ovarian cyst
- Follow-up with TVS in 6-month intervals (6.5 years)

#### Result;

- Spontaneous resolution 70%
- Ovarian cancer absent (6.5 years)

Modesitt SC, 2003, Obstet Gynecol (Level II-1)

 <10 cm, simple unilocular cysts could be followed up with TVS without any intervention in appropriate intervals in postmenopausal and premenopausal periods as they are thought to be benign

ACOG 2007

Management of Asymptomatic Ovarian and Other Adnexal Cysts Imaged at US: Society of Radiologists in Ultrasound Consensus Conference Statement<sup>1</sup>

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The Society of Radiologists in Ultrasound convened a panel of specialists from gynecology, radiology, and pathology to arrive at a consensus regarding the management of ovarian and other adnexal cysts imaged sonographically in asymptomatic women. The panel met in Chicago, Ill, on October 27–28, 2009, and drafted this consensus statement. The recommendations in this statement are based on analysis of current literature and common practice strategies, and are thought to represent a reasonable approach to asymptomatic ovarian and other adnexal cysts imaged at ultrasonography.

Radiology, 2010

Normal Appearance	Follow-up*	Comments
Normal ovary appearance:         Reproductive age         Follicles         • Thin and smooth walls         • Round or oval         • Anechoic         • Size ≤ 3 cm         • No blood flow	Not needed	Developing follicles and dominant follicle ≤ 3 cm are normal findings
Normal ovary appearance: Reproductive age Corpus luteum • Diffusely thick wall • Peripheral blood flow • Size $\leq 3$ cm • +/- internal echoes • +/- crenulated appearance	Not needed	Corpus luteum ≤ 3 cm is a normal finding

Normal Appearance	Normal Appearance		Comments
Normal ovary appearance: Postmenopausal • Small • Homogenous		Not needed	Normal postmenopausal ovary is atrophic without follicles
Clinically inconsequential: Postmenopausal Simple cyst ≤ 1 cm • Thin wall • Anechoic • No flow		Not needed	Small simple cysts are common; cysts ≤ 1 cm are considered clinically unimportant

#### Cysts with benign characteristics

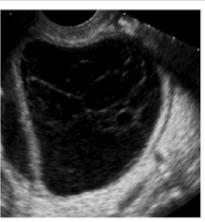
Simple cysts (includes ovarian and extraovarian cysts)

- Round or oval
- Anechoic
- Smooth, thin walls
- No solid component or septation
- Posterior acoustic enhancement
- No internal flow

#### Hemorrhagic cyst

- Reticular pattern of internal echoes
- +/- Solid appearing area with concave margins
- No internal flow





#### Follow-up\* Comments Reproductive age: Simple cysts, regardless of age $\leq$ 5 cm: Not needed of patient, are almost certainly $> 5 \& \le 7$ cm: Yearly benign Postmenopausal (PM): For cysts $\leq$ 3 cm in women $> 1 \& \le 7 \text{ cm}$ : Yearly\*\* of reproductive age, it is at discretion of interpreting Any age: > 7 cm: Further imaging (e.g., physician whether to describe MRI) or surgical evaluation them in imaging report Reproductive age: Use Doppler to ensure no solid $\leq$ 5 cm: Not needed elements > 5 cm: 6-12 week follow-up to ensure For cysts $\leq$ 3 cm in women resolution of reproductive age, it is at 0-5 year Early PM: the discretion of interpreting Any size: Follow-up to ensure resolution physician whether to describe

them in imaging report

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Late PM: Consider surgical evaluation

Cysts with benign characteristics	Follow-up*
<ul> <li>Endometrioma</li> <li>Homogeneous low level internal echoes</li> <li>No solid component</li> <li>+/- Tiny echogenic foci in wall</li> </ul>	Any age: Initial follow-up 6-12 weeks, then if not surgically removed, follow-up yearly
Dermoid <ul> <li>Focal or diffuse hyperechoic component</li> <li>Hyperechoic lines and dots</li> <li>Area of acoustic shadowing</li> <li>No internal flow</li> </ul>	Any age: If not surgically removed, follow-up yearly to ensure stability
<ul> <li>Hydrosalpinx</li> <li>Tubular shaped cystic mass</li> <li>+/- Short round projections "beads on a string"</li> <li>+/- Waist sign (i.e. indentations on opposite sides).</li> <li>+/- Seen separate from the ovary</li> </ul>	Any age: As clinically indicated
<ul> <li>Peritoneal inclusion cyst</li> <li>Follow the contour of adjacent pelvic organs</li> <li>Ovary at the edge of the mass or suspended within the mass</li> <li>+/- Septations</li> </ul>	Any age: As clinically indicated

Cysts with indeterminate, but	probably benign, characteristics	Follow-up*	Comments
Findings suggestive of, but not classic for, hemorrhagic cyst, endometrioma or dermoid		Reproductive age: 6-12 week follow-up to ensure resolution. If the lesion is unchanged, then hemorrhagic cyst is unlikely, and continued follow-up with either ultrasound or MRI should then be considered. If these studies do not confirm an endometrioma or dermoid, then surgical evaluation should be considered. Postmenopausal: Consider surgical evaluation	
Thin-walled cvst with single thin septation or focal calcification in the wall of a cyst		Follow-up based on size and menopausal status, same as simple cyst described above	
Multiple thin septations (< 3 mm)		Consider surgical evaluation	Multiple septations suggest a neoplasm, but if thin, the neoplasm is likely benign
Nodule (non-hyperechoic) without flow		Consider surgical evaluation or MRI	Solid nodule suggests neoplasm, but if no flow (and not echogenic as would be seen in dermoid) this is likely a benign lesion such as a cystadenofibroma

Cysts with characteristics wor	risome for malignancy	Follow-up*	Comments
Thick (> 3 mm) irregular septations		Any age: Consider surgical evaluation	
Nodule with blood flow		Any age: Consider surgical evaluation	

Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Faculty of Medicine, Gaziantep University: Approach to Adnexal Masses

- Menopause / Premenopause
- TVS (morphological diagnostic criteria)
- CA-125
- Presence of ascites

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#### Serum CA-125 is a good predictor of benign disease in patients with postmenopausal ovarian cysts.

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#### Abstract

AIM: To determine whether serum CA-125 levels, in addition to tumor size and ultrasonographic findings can help in differentiating benign ovarian cysts from malignant disease.

METHODS: All postmenopausal women who had undergone explorative laporatomy for a preoperative diagnosis of an adnexal cyst between January 1999 and February 2006 were included if serum CA-125 levels were below 50 IU/ml.

**RESULTS:** Ninety-three patients with ovarian cysts and serum CA-125 levels lower than 50 IU/ml were included. Seventy-five (80%) of the patients (53 unilocular, 22 multilocular) had ovarian cysts < 13 cm. Of 18 patients with ovarian cysts > 13 cm, seven had unilocular and 11 had multilocular cysts. All the patients (n = 77) with a serum CA-125 level < 35 IU/ml had benign histopathology regardless of the tumor size or ultrasonic features. Among 16 patients with CA-125 levels between 35 and 50 IU/ml, two with unilocular cysts > 13 cm and nine with multilocular cysts (3 < 13 cm, 6 > 13 cm) had borderline histopathology.

CONCLUSION: We concluded that when unilocular ovarian cyst size is < 13 cm and serum CA-125 levels are below 35 IU/ml in a postmenopausal woman, the possibility of a benign etiology is most likely.

## Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Faculty of Medicine, Gaziantep University (1999-2006)

- Postmenopausal ovarian cyst
- > 50 years old, 93 cases

□ Tumor size Morphological evaluation
Unilocular
Multilocular □ Tumor markers (CA 125) < 35 IU/ml 35-50 IU/ml

>13 cm <13 cm

 $\checkmark$  In 77 patients with CA 125 < 35 IU/ml, all cases were found to be **benign**, independent from the size and morphological structure of the tumor

 $\checkmark$  All unilocular lesions <13 cm in size were **benign** 

✓ In 16 patients with CA 125 between 35 - 50IU /ml, 11 were **borderline** 

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Table	Tumor	size,	ultrasonographic	findings	ana
pathological	l results.			,	

Tumor size	umor size Serum CA-125 Diagnosis of Patholi					N	p value
		Benign	%	Border	ine H		
< 13 cm	≤ 35 IU/ml	69	100	0	0	69	0.000
< to cm	35-50 IU/ml	· 3	50	3	50	6	0.000
> 13 cm	≤ 35 IU/ml	8	100	0	0	8	0.001
	35-50 TU/ml	2	20	8	80	10	
Total		82 ·	88.2	11	11.8	93	

TableComparison of tumor size, serum CA-125 levelsand pathological results.

Tumor size	Ultrasonographic	Pathological diagnosis				Ν	p value
	- · · •	Benign	%	Borderlin	ne %		
	Unilocular	53	100	0	0	53	0.023
< 13 cm	Multilocular	19	86.4	3	13.6	22	U.VAU
10	Unilocular	5	71.4	2	28.6	7	0.278
> 13 cm	Multilocular	5	45.5	6	54.5	11	Q14-7-0
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# Do high levels of CA 19-9 in women with mature cystic teratomas of the ovary warrant further evaluation?

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#### Summary

*Purpose:* To evaluate the serum levels of tumor markers (particularly CA 19-9) in patients with ovarian mature cystic teratomas (MCT) with respect to age, size, bilaterality, menopause, presence of adhesions, complications and the postoperative levels. *Methods:* We evaluated clinical characteristics and tumor markers of 157 patients with MCT of the ovary operated at our clinic. *Results:* CA19-9 was the only tumor marker with a mean serum level ( $46.95 \pm 101.11$  U/ml) above the cut-off value and the elevated rate was 33.1%. Tumor size, presence of adhesions and CA 125 levels were significantly higher in patients with elevated CA 19-9. Bilaterality rate was 10.8%. The most common complication was torsion (6.4%). *Conclusion:* We suggest that elevated levels of CA 19-9 may be expected in MCTs of the ovary and that they will probably be decreased postoperatively. Therefore, postponing evaluation of other possible sources of CA 19-9 elevation in asymptomatic and young patients is more common sense.

Key words: Tumor markers; CA 19-9; Mature cystic teratoma; Ovary; Adhesion.

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Do high levels of CA 19-9 in women with mature cystic teratomas of the ovary warrant further evaluation?

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□Suspicion of dermoid cyst (US)

□157 cases

**T**umor markers (CA 125-19.1%, CA 19-9 -33.1%, CA 15-3 -18.9%,

CEA -15.4%, AFP - 4%)

□In the group with high CA 19-9 (33.1%)

-Tumor size

-Presence of adhesion

-Increase in CA 125 level

was found to be significantly higher

✓ High levels of CA 19-9 can be expected in dermoid cysts, especially in young patients

✓ Tumor markers become normal in postoperative period

 $\checkmark$  There is no need for examination of other foci such as gastrointestinal system in young patients with dermoid cysts and high CA 19-9 levels if there is no other clinical sign

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Review

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The sensitivity and specificity of frozen diagnosis of adnexal masses is 89.2% and 97.9%, respectively

Systematic lymphadenectomy and surgical staging prolong survival (early-stage ovarian cancer)

□Fertility protective approach (Borderline tumor and Stage I, Grade I ovarian cancers)

Appropriate surgical staging could be done with LT or LS.

The risk of intraoperative rupture of capsule is more common in patients undergoing LS than LT

## The effect of intraoperative rupture of capsule on survival

Poor prognostic

Paulsen T. Et al.

Vergote I et al.

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Bakkum-Gamez JN et al.

Not prognostic

Dembo AJ etal.

Sevelda P et.al.

Sjövall K. et. All.

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□is contraversial. There is no ideal prospective randomized study.

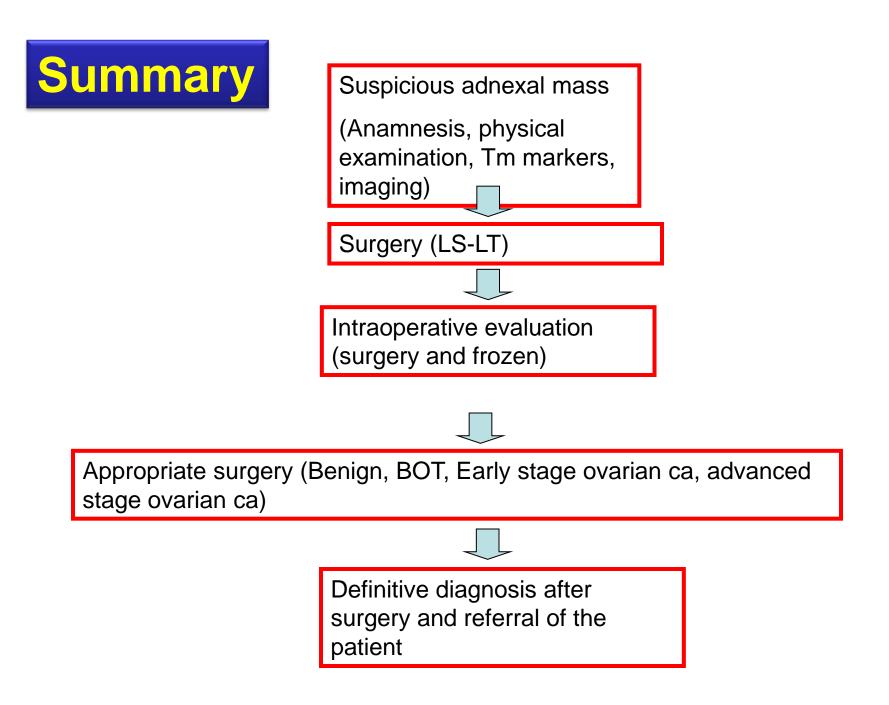
## For resurgery

## (definitive diagnosis is malignant) when should the patient be operated?

## □Appropriate surgery within 1-3 weeks

## Adnexal Mass: Management

- Follow-up:
  - $\leq$  7 cm unilocular simple ovarian cysts  $\leq$  5 cm complex cysts (CA125 Normal)
- Surgery:
- Intraoperative frozen (gold standard)
- Fertility sparing surgery
- Radical surgery







#### ENYGO ACTIVITIES in 2013

ENYGO Sessions at ESGO18, 2013 followed by Tree planting and the ENYGO party ENYGO workshop on Radiology (CT and USS) in gynaecological oncology Teaching the Teachers Workshops Cadaveric Workshop in Surgical Anatomy and Advanced Laparoscopic surgery ENYGO Elections, newsletters, surveys, and more



