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Epidemiological and clinical aspects of quantitative FIT test for CRC screening

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WHO defined criteria for disease screening

Criteria for disease screening

1. the condition screened for should be an important one
2. there should be an acceptable treatment for patients with the disease
3. the facilities for diagnosis and treatment should be available
4. there should be a recognised latent or early symptomatic stage
5. there should be a **suitable test or examination which has few false positives (specificity) and few false negatives (sensitivity)**
6. the test or examination **should be acceptable to the population**
7. the test should be **cheap/cost effective**

Screening - Wilson & Jungen (WHO, 1968)



Laboratory of Gastroenterology of the
Institute of Medical Biochemistry and Laboratory Diagnostics
shows long-standing – 40 years experiences with FOBT analytics

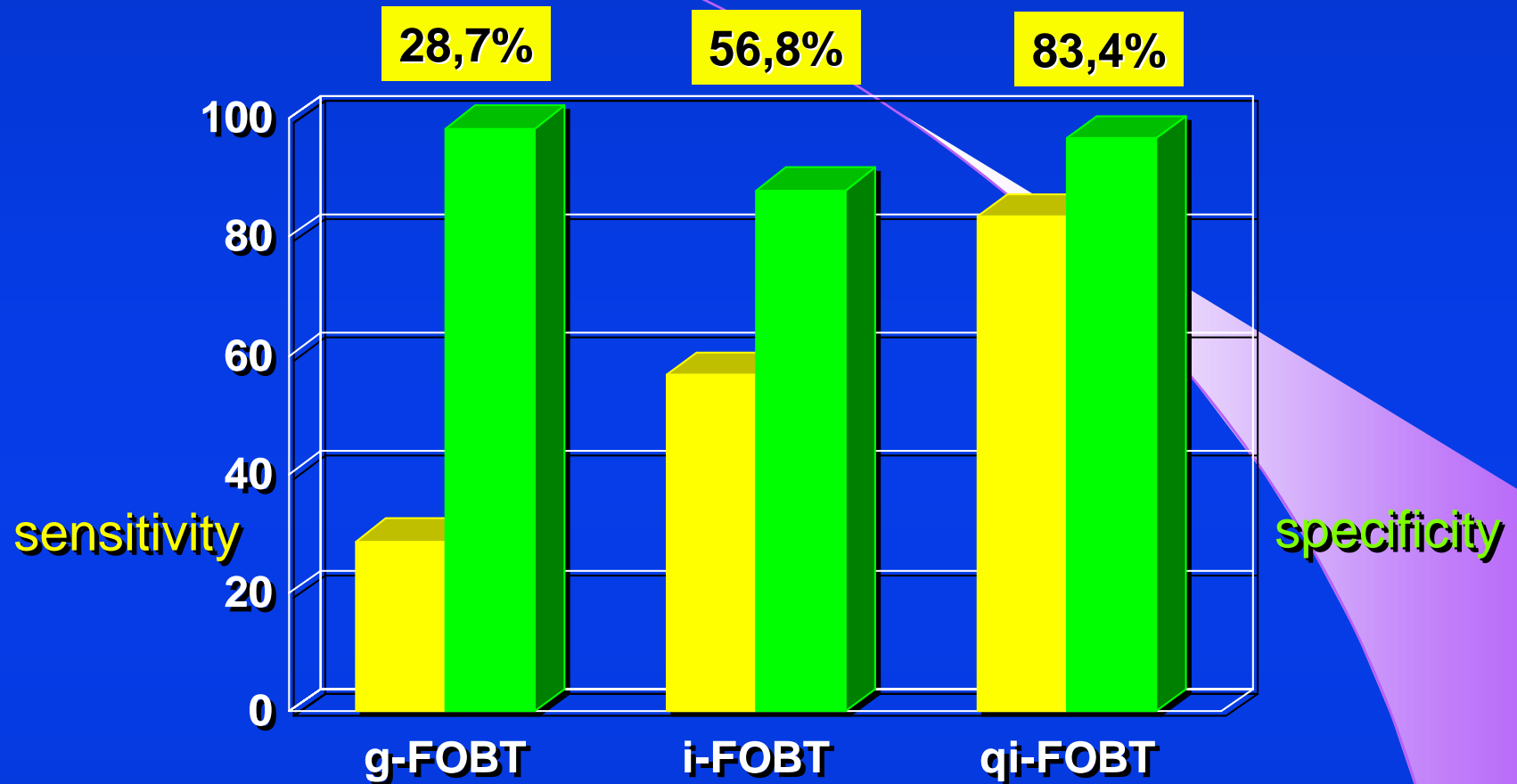
40 years ago

1st GENERATION - GUAIAAC TEST, g-FOBT

Haemoccult exclusively has been
recommended for CRC screening
with highest reproducibility



***Frič, P.: The use of haemoccult test in the early diagnosis of colorectal cancer –
experience from six pilot studies in Czechoslovakia,
in: Haemoccult screening for the early detection of colorectal cancer
Schattauer, Stuttgart 1986, p. 73-74***



Quantitative immunochemical - qiFOBT are **3x more** reliable to guaiac FOBT

Colorectal Cancer Screening and Diagnosis Guidelines Seminar - April 2011
prof. Stephen Halloran - NHS criticized qualitative FOBTs:
No Automation - Operator Variability - Can't adjust positivity



QUANTITATIVE FIT FOR CRC SCREENING

The evidence to date suggests that faecal occult blood testing using FIT will remain the best test for CRC population-based screening for the next decade. Quantitative FIT provides the important opportunity of **incorporating results into a CRC risk algorithm.**

*Benton SC, Seaman HE, Halloran SP. Curr Gastroenterol Rep (2015) 17:7
Faecal Occult Blood Testing for Colorectal Cancer Screening:
the Past or the Future*



qi-FOBT / FIT POCT & LABORATORY ANALYSERS

OC-Sensor Eiken



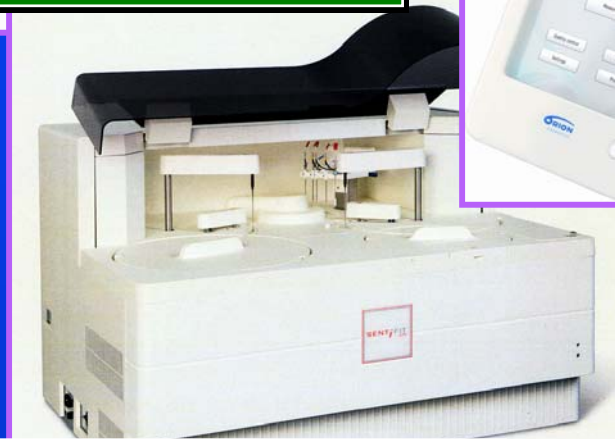
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i-Chroma Boditech



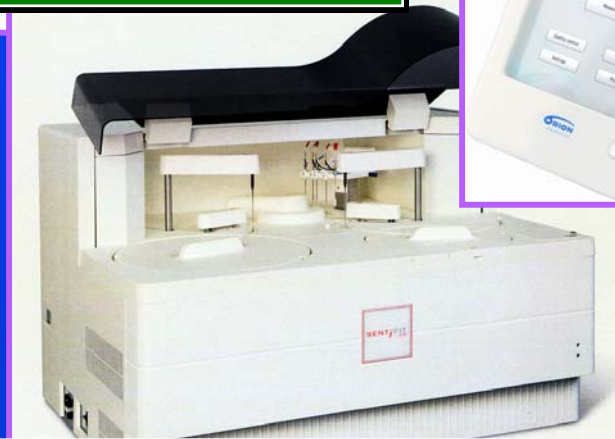
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SmartPlus Eurolyser



SENTi-FIT 270 Sentinel

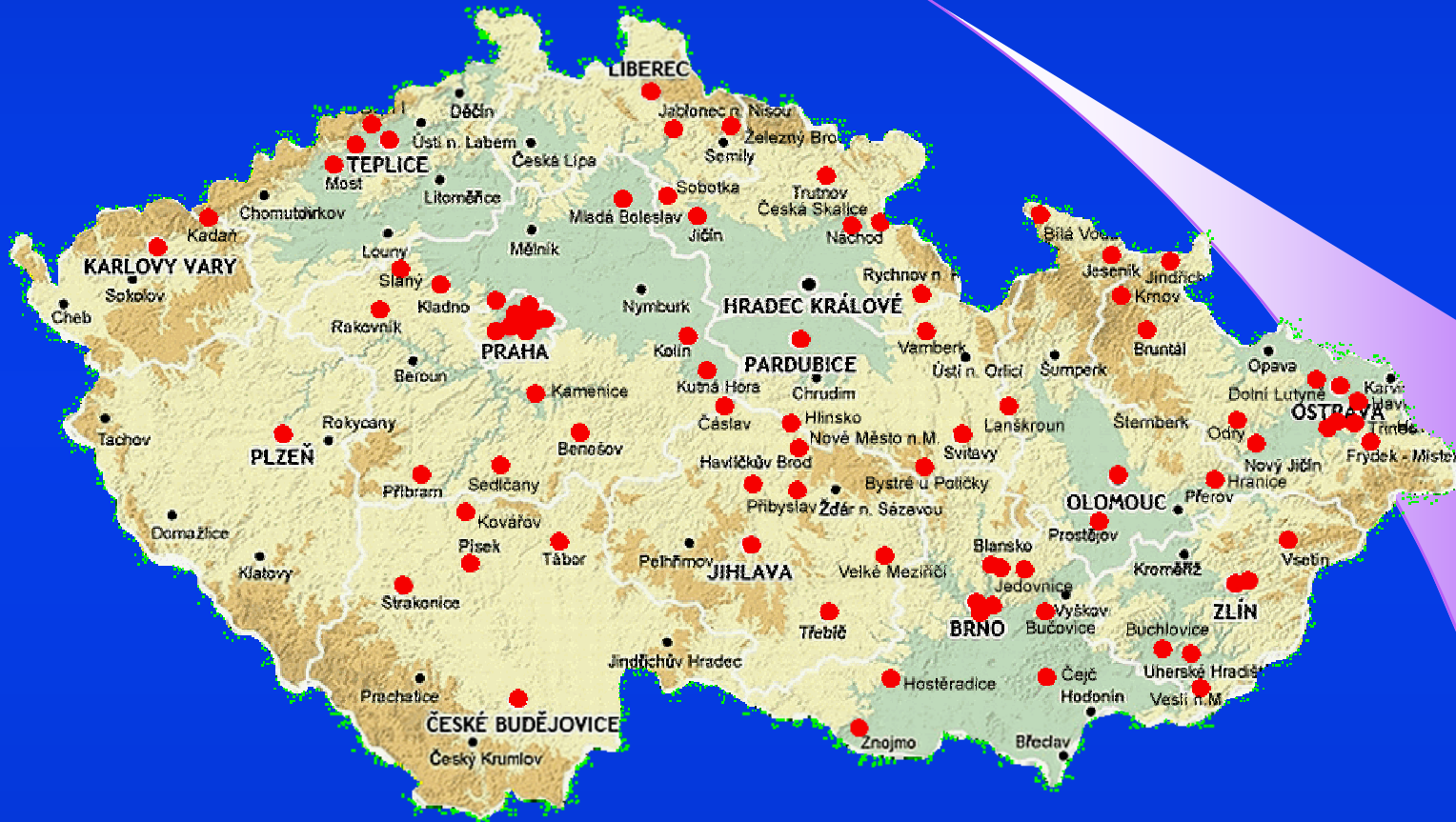


SENTi-FIT mini Sentinel





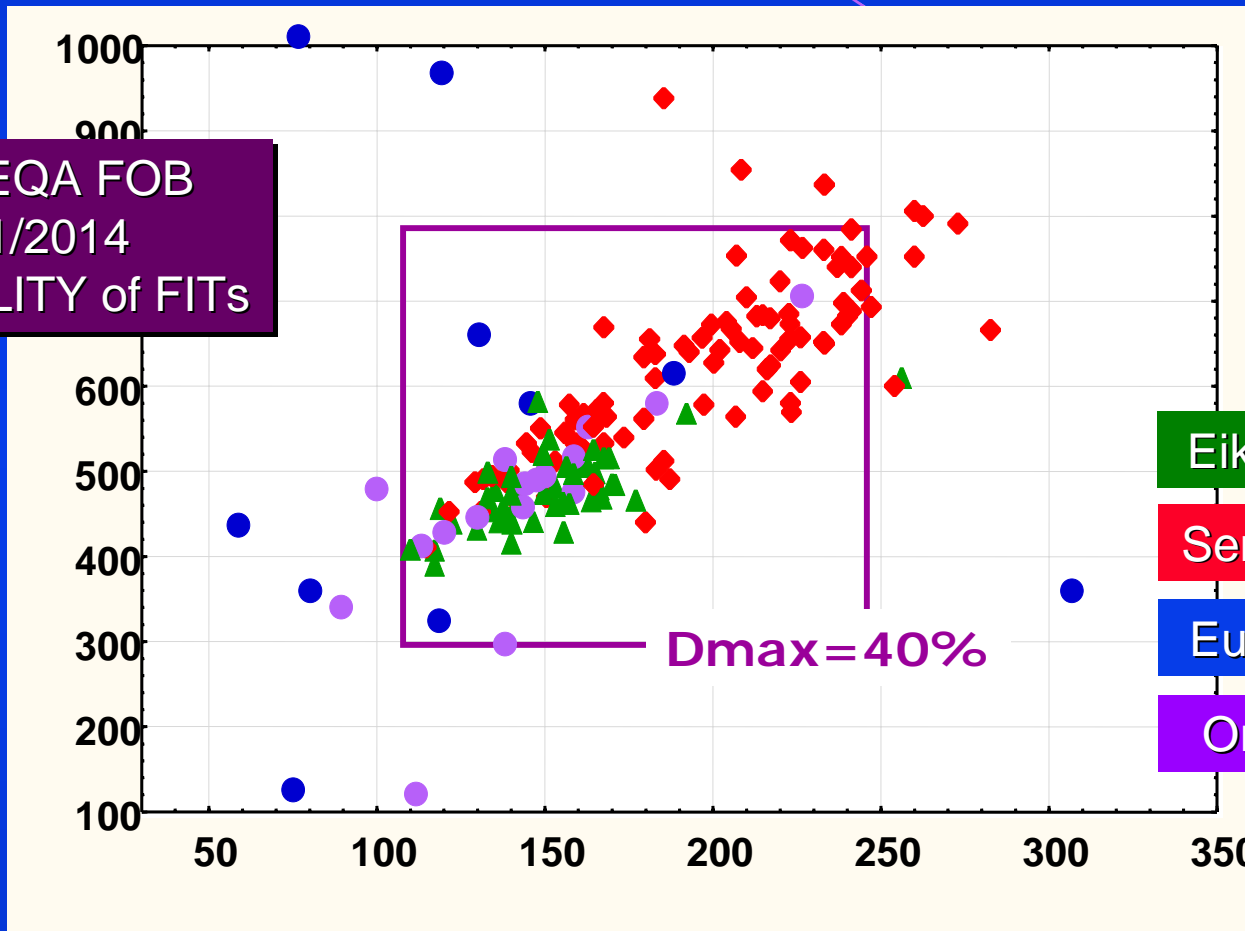
QUANTITATIVE FIT ANALYSERS IN CZECH REPUBLIC



Map of the Czech Republic with 95 marked locations where the quantitative analysis of Hb in stool, controlled with the SEKK external control quality, is available

EXTERNAL CONTROL QUALITY SYSTEM in CR

SEKK EQA FOB
2011/2014
VARIABILITY of FITs



CV - 8.71 %

CV - 17.06 %

CV - 68.15 %

CV - 32.60 %

Eiken OC-Sensor

Sentinel FOBGold

Eurolyser - FOB

Orion QuikRead

Kocna P., Zima T., Budina M., Ichyanagi T.: External Quality Assessment (EQA) for Quantitative Fecal Blood in Stool (FIT). *Biochimica Clinica*, 2013, 37, 423



QUANTITATIVE Hb STOOL ANALYSIS IN PRAGUE

EXPERIENCES IN GENERAL FACULTY HOSPITAL - PRAGUE, 2008 - 2014



Quantitative determination of Hb in stool
Eiken **OC-Sensor micro** analyser
General Faculty Hospital Prague
32 000 tests in distributed in 6 years
Test **recovery - 60.1%**
13271 individuals were tested
107 CRC diagnosed by FIT
EQAS - 100 % success rate
The relative **error of Hb analysis - 4.04 %**



Kocna P., Májek O., Blaha M.: Clinical and epidemiological importance of analyzing laboratory data with the data source I-COP. Sborník Medsoft 2014 - March 25; 110-122 on-line: <http://creativeconnections.cz/medsoft/2014.html>



POSITIVITY OF FIT (OC-SENSOR TEST)

AGE 30 – 50 YEAR (n = 2091)

$\mu\text{g/g}$	n	positivity
10	219	10.47 %
15	178	8.51 %
20	152	7.27 %
> 200	43	2.06 %

AGE 50 – 90 YEAR (n = 13282)

$\mu\text{g/g}$	n	positivity
10	2374	17.87%
15	1954	14.71 %
20	1669	12.57 %
> 200	448	3.37 %

Laboratory information system - OpenLIMS Stapro
18 029 samples of FIT - OC-Sensor method
13271 individuals were tested between 2008 - 2014



POSITIVITY OF FIT (OC-SENSOR TEST)

AGE 50 – 90 YEAR (n = 5273)

$\mu\text{g/g}$	n	positivity
10	510	9.67 %
15	390	7.40 %
20	310	5.88 %
> 200	64	1.21 %

Patients of the Center for
Preventive Care & GPs

AGE 50 – 90 YEAR (n = 7938)

$\mu\text{g/g}$	n	positivity
10	1855	23.37 %
15	1556	19.60 %
20	1351	17.02 %
> 200	382	4.81 %

Patients specialized hospital clinics
outpatient and inpatients

DATA-MINING TOOL I-COP

One health care
different focus
different data sources
?

Czech National
Cancer Registry
(CNCR)

Hospital HIS/LIS
Laboratory
Administrative data



Tumor diagnosis
TNM classification
Clinical stage
Patient referral

Laboratory values
Patient treatment
Hospital processes
Approximated cost

I-COP

analytical and datamining tool



ACCURACY OF QUANTITATIVE FIT A HISTORICAL COHORT STUDY

cut-off 10 $\mu\text{g/g}$

	CRC +	CRC -	Total		%	95% CI
Positive test	41	916	957	FIT Positivity	15.7	14.8-16.6
Negative test	10	5,130	5,140	Sensitivity	80.4	66.9-90.2
Total	51	6,046	6,097	Specificity	84.8	83.9-85.7
				PPV	4.3	3.1-5.8

- 6097 adult patients with their first FIT performed during 2009-2011
- patients without prior CRC, minimal 1 year follow-up through CNCR records
- accuracy characteristics according to cut-off – 2 year follow up
- 2 year follow-up may be incomplete in patients tested in 2011



ACCURACY OF QUANTITATIVE FIT A HISTORICAL COHORT STUDY

cut-off 15 $\mu\text{g/g}$

	CRC +	CRC -	Total		%	95% CI
Positive test	39	755	794	FIT Positivity	13.0	12.2-13.9
Negative test	12	5,291	5,303	Sensitivity	76.5	62.5-87.2
Total	51	6,046	6,097	Specificity	87.5	86.7-88.3
				PPV	4.9	3.5-6.7

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ACCURACY OF QUANTITATIVE FIT A HISTORICAL COHORT STUDY

cut-off 20 $\mu\text{g/g}$

	CRC +	CRC -	Total		%	95% CI
Positive test	38	646	684	FIT Positivity	11.2	10.4-12.0
Negative test	13	5,400	5,413	Sensitivity	74.5	60.4-85.7
Total	51	6,046	6,097	Specificity	89.3	88.5-90.1
				PPV	5.6	4.0-7.5

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ACCURACY OF QUANTITATIVE FIT A HISTORICAL COHORT STUDY

cut-off 30 $\mu\text{g/g}$

	CRC +	CRC -	Total
Positive test	36	515	551
Negative test	15	5,531	5,546
Total	51	6,046	6,097

	%	95% CI
FIT Positivity	9.0	8.3-9.8
Sensitivity	70.6	56.2-82.5
Specificity	91.5	90.7-92.2
PPV	6.5	4.6-8.9

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DETECTED COLORECTAL CANCERS

AGE 50 – 90 YEAR (n = 4145)

$\mu\text{g/g}$	n	FIT +
15	510	9.67 %
> 200	64	1.21 %

Patients of the Center for
Preventive Care & GPs

Detected CRC – 13/83

Detection rate - **2.47/1000** FIT

AGE 50 – 90 YEAR (n = 6561)

$\mu\text{g/g}$	n	FIT +
15	1855	23.37 %
> 200	382	4.81 %

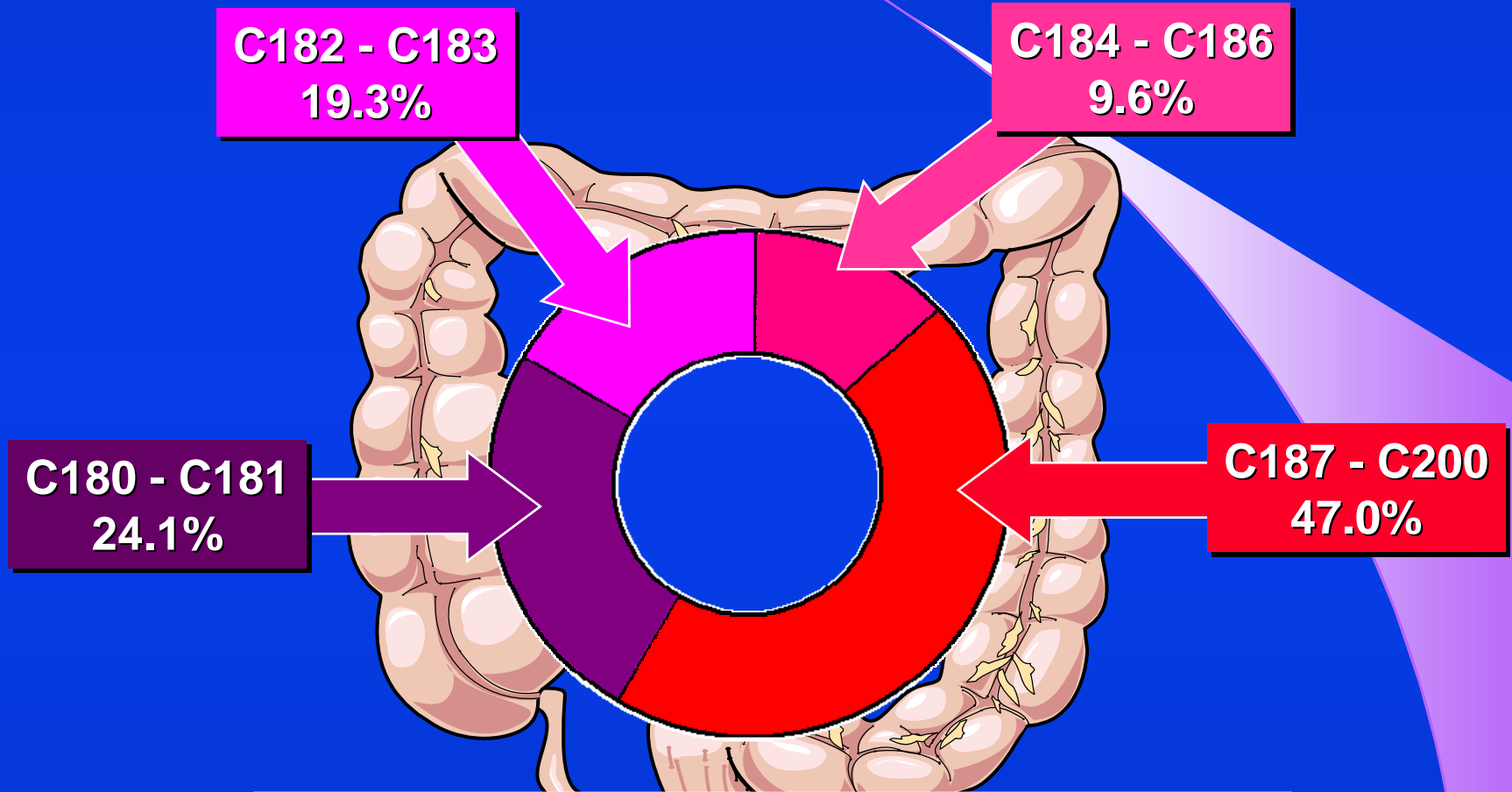
Patients specialized hospital clinics
outpatient and inpatients

Detected CRC – 70/83

Detection rate - **8.81/1000** FIT
3.6x more compare to GPs

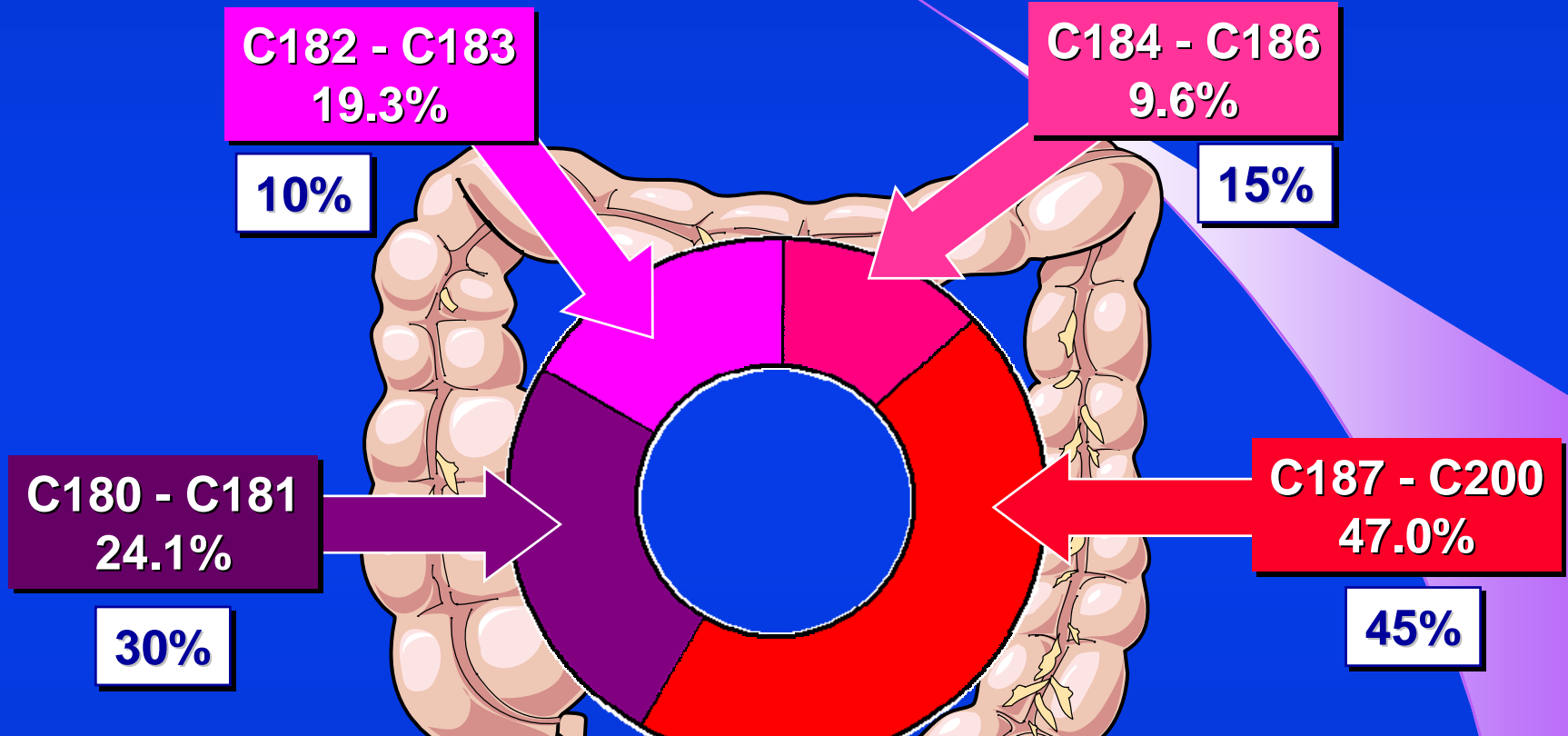
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CRC TUMOR - BOWEL LOCALISATION



The frequency of tumors in different localisations according to ICD-10 codes

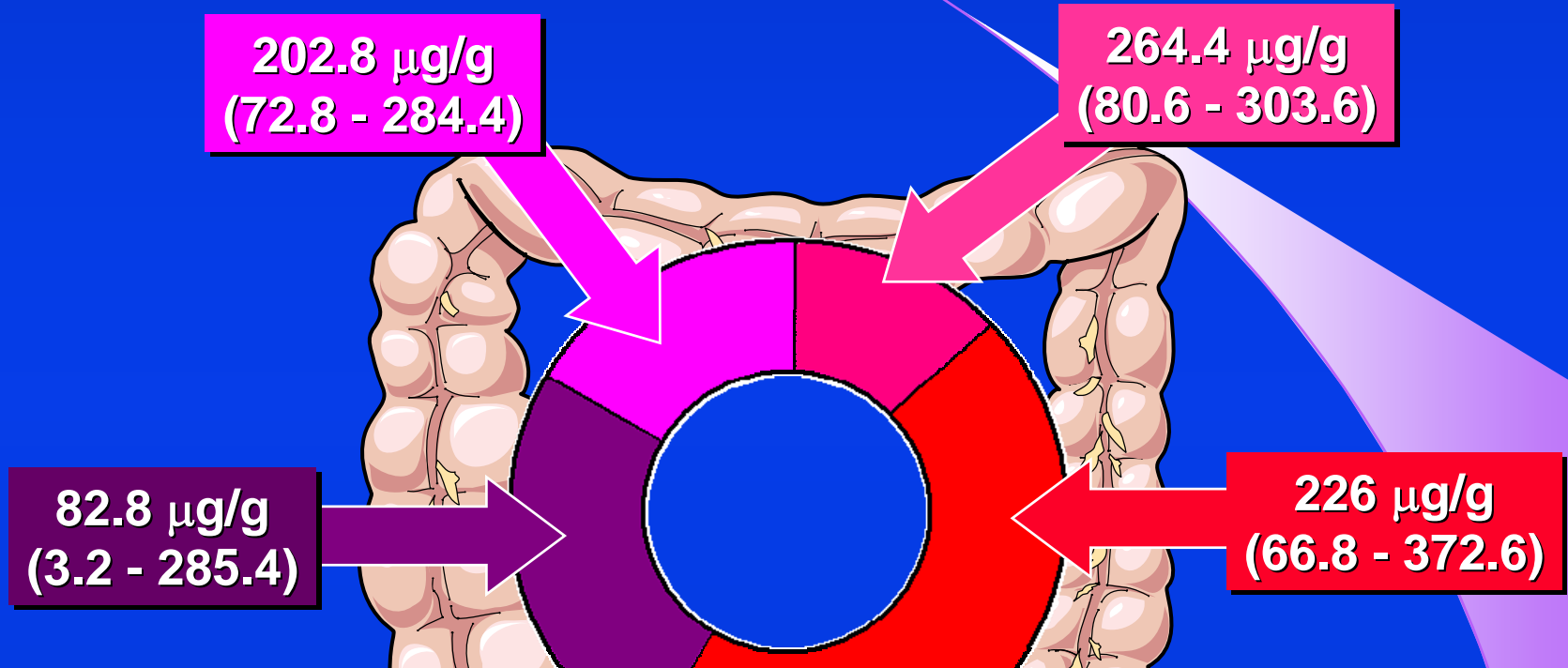
CRC TUMOR - BOWEL LOCALISATION



The frequency of tumors in different localisations corresponding published papers

Johns Hopkins Colon Cancer Center
<http://www.hopkinscoloncancercenter.org>

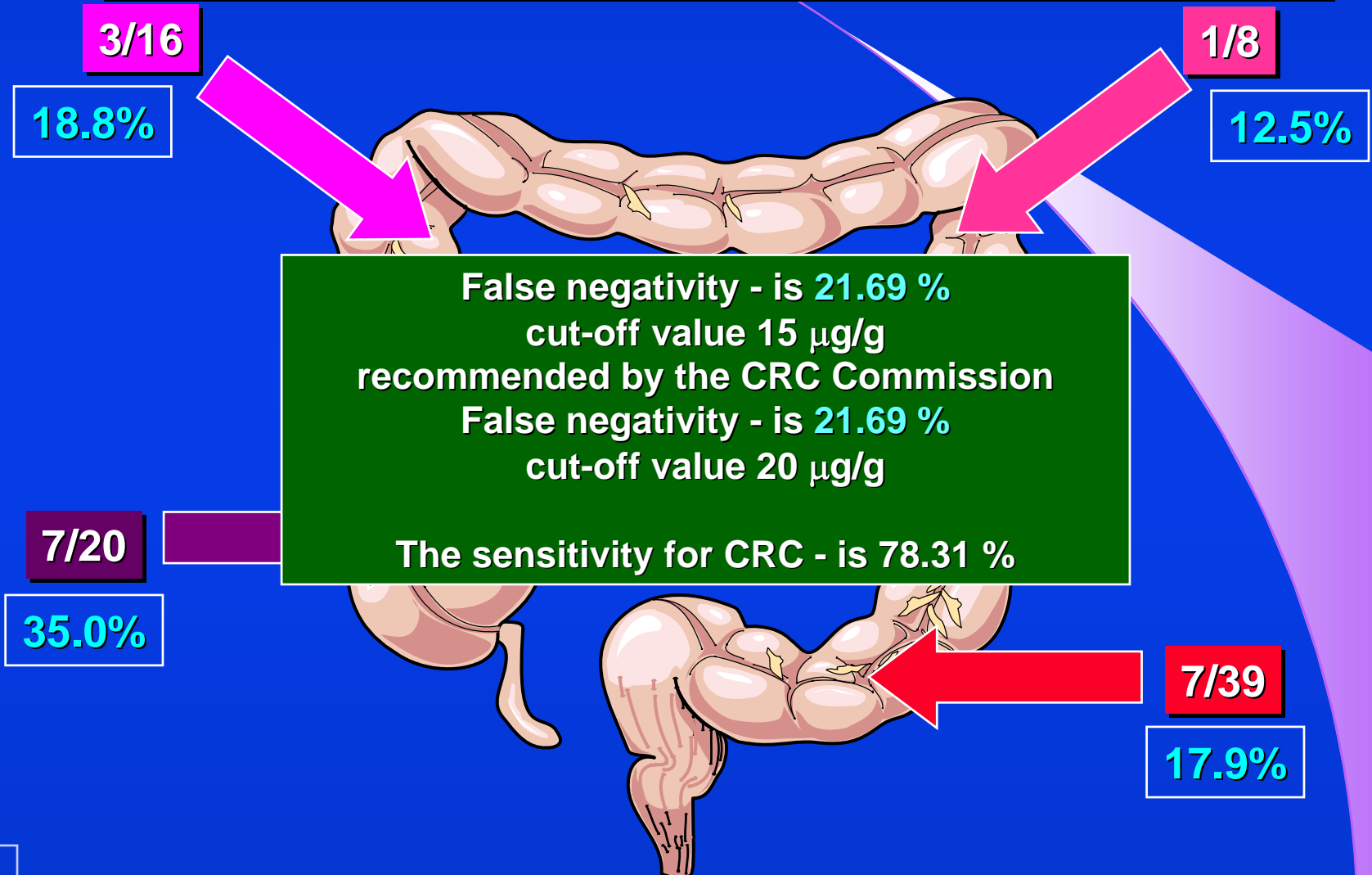
CRC TUMOR - BOWEL LOCALISATION & FIT VALUE



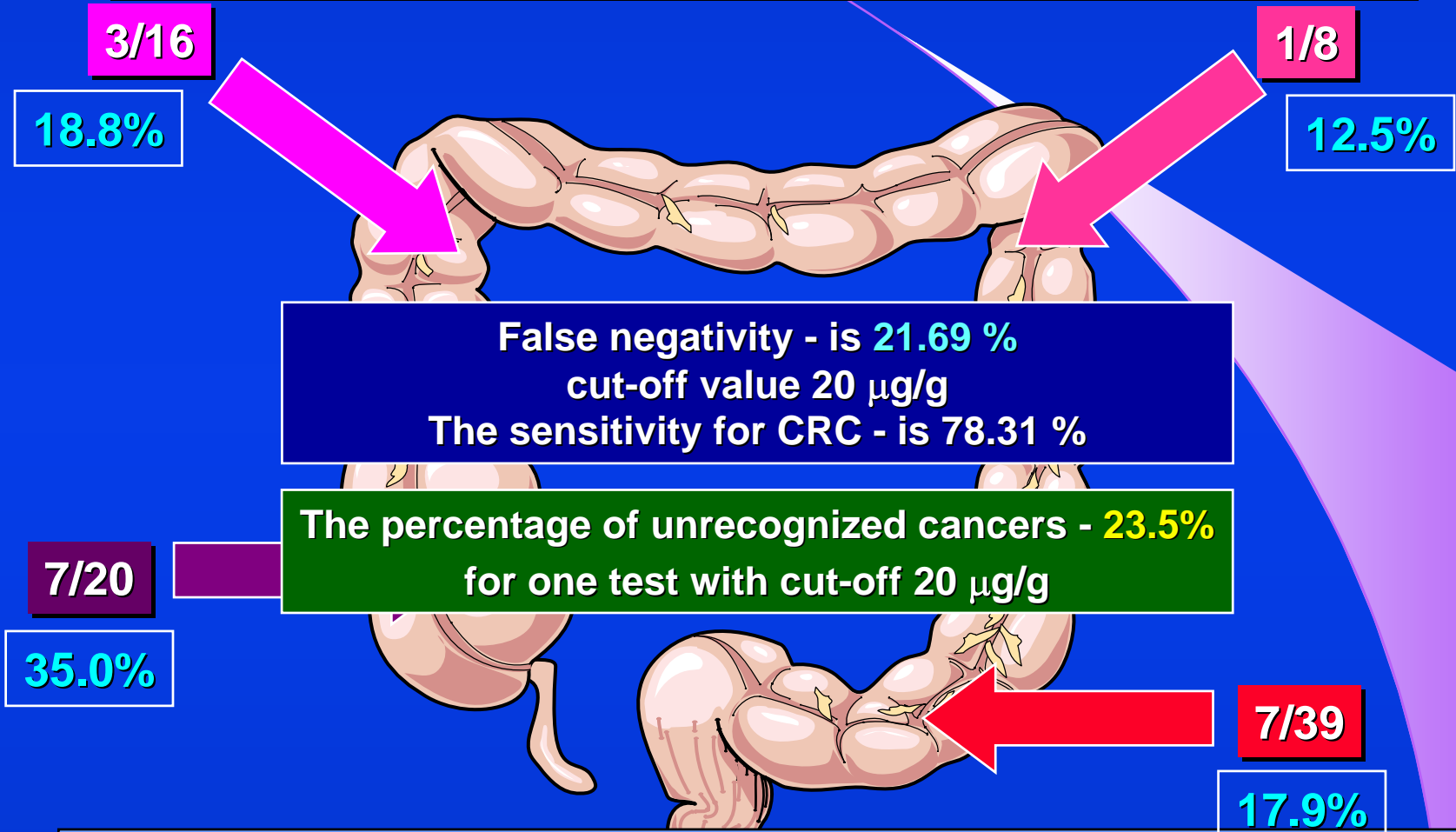
Hb $\mu\text{g/g}$ values
are not significantly different
according to tumor localisation

The OC-Sensor FIT could be used reliably
for CRC screening in any tumor localisation

OC - SENSOR FIT FALSE NEGATIVITY



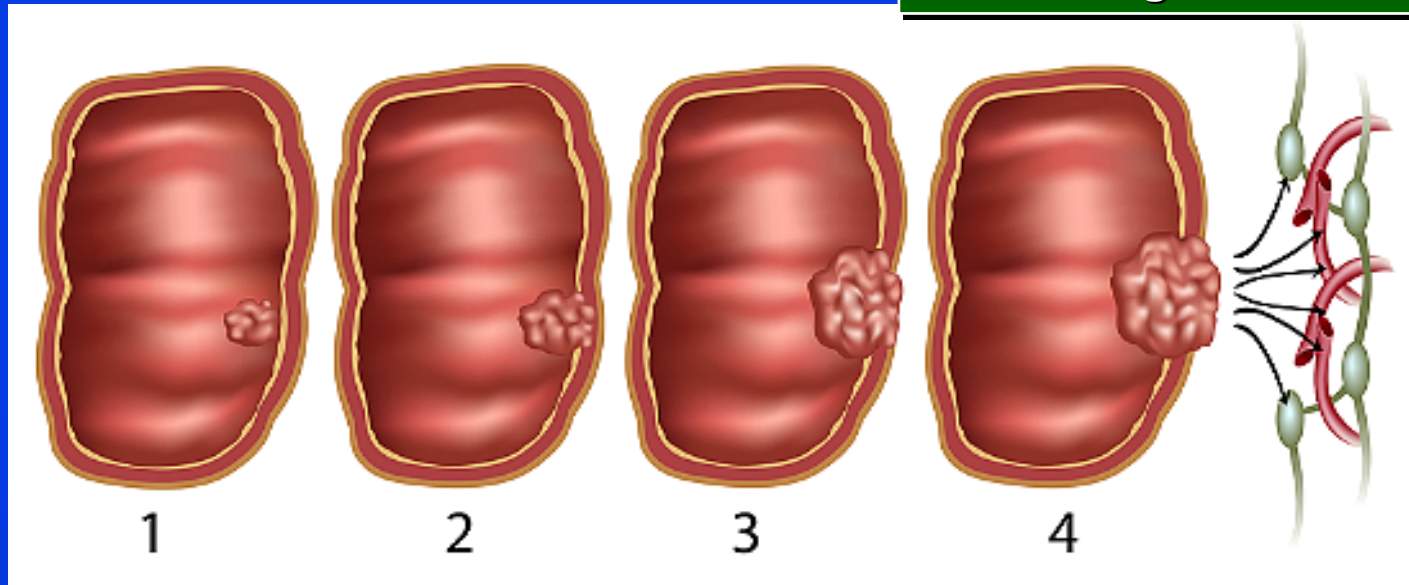
OC - SENSOR FIT FALSE NEGATIVITY



Kelley L, Swan N, Hughes DJ. - *Colorectal Dis.* 2013 Sep; 15(9): e512-21
An analysis of the duplicate testing strategy of an Irish immunochemical FOBT colorectal cancer screening programme

CRC TUMOR STAGE & FIT VALUE

Hb $\mu\text{g/g}$ values
are not significantly different
according to tumor stages



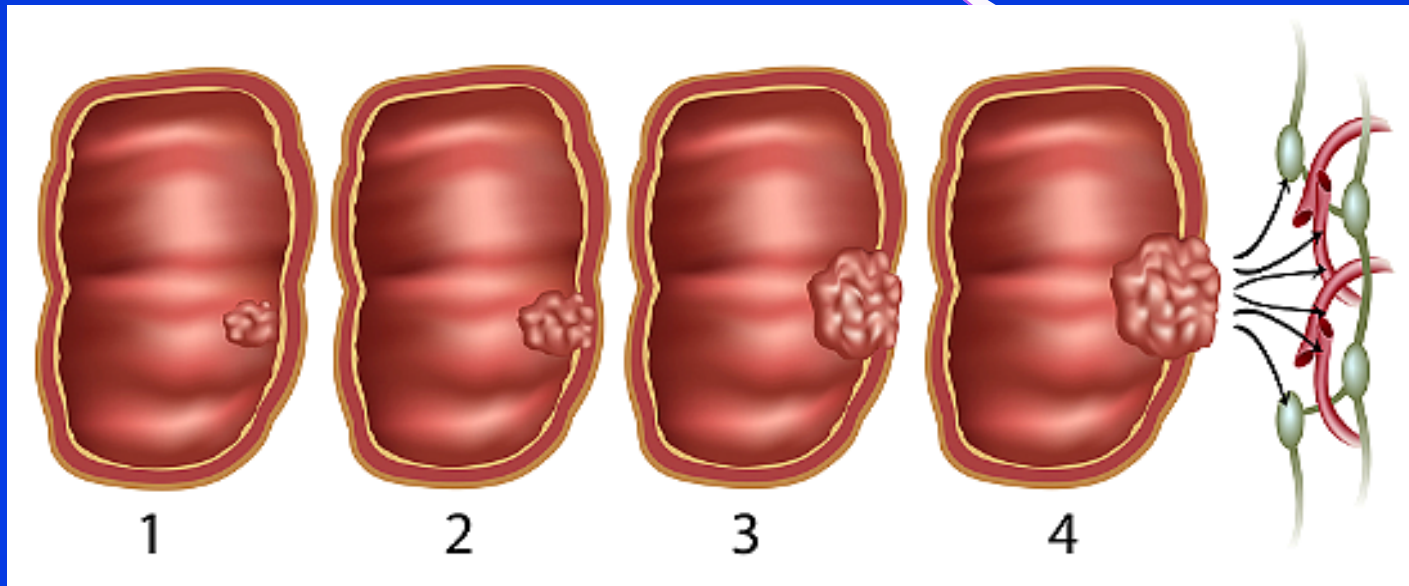
CRC stage I
(n=18)
202.8 $\mu\text{g/g}$
(13.2 - 339.2)

CRC stage II
(n=24)
227.4 $\mu\text{g/g}$
(99.6 - 327.8)

CRC stage III
(n=23)
250.6 $\mu\text{g/g}$
(66.8 - 476.8)

CRC stage IV
(n=18)
53.2 $\mu\text{g/g}$
(1.8 - 237.4)

OC - SENSOR FIT FALSE NEGATIVITY



CRC stage I
(n=18)
5/18

CRC stage II
(n=24)
2/24

CRC stage III
(n=23)
5/23

CRC stage IV
(n=18)
6/18

27.8%

8.3%

21.7%

33.3%



FOBT - THE PAST

20 YEARS WE USED g-FOBT
WITH LOW SENSITIVITY
BUT THE SAME RELIABILITY IN ALL
REGIONS OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

FOBT - THE PRESENT

IN 2013 WE CHANGED TO i-FOBT, FIT
WITH 2-TIMES HIGHER SENSITIVITY
BUT DISTINCTLY INCREASING VARIABILITY
IN REGIONS OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC

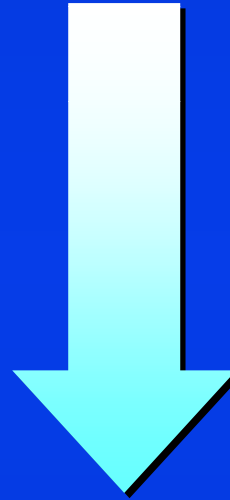
FOBT - THE FUTURE

QUANTITATIVE FIT SHOULD BE USED ONLY
MODIFY THE SCREENING RULES



Automated analysers for qiFOBT are ready to start CRC screening
with qiFOBT optimised for Czech Republic screening
EQAS control system is since January 2012 available

Committee for CRC screening
Ministry of Health
of the Czech Republic



National screening programme in the Czech Republic
should be modified to use quantitative qiFOBT technology

2 years ago

*Quantitative immunochemical qi-FOBT OC-Sensor
Meeting with EC & EP – Prague, January 11, 2012*



EUROPEAN EXPERIENCES WITH FIT

We analysed 180 scientific publications, available on web
Publications focusing on CRC screening by FIT
Publications published in the last 6 years (2008-2014)
The presentation was focused only on studies of European countries

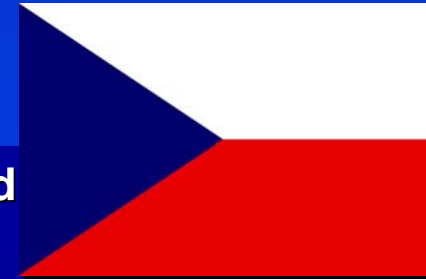


**'EVIDENCE BASED' RECOMMENDATIONS
AND EXPERIENCES ARE NOW AVAILABLE**



Biomedical Papers - 06/2012

**FIT test before colonoscopy - 815 people, two centers (VFN and Comparison of a two-FIT tests and different cut-off values
FIT test - OC-Sensor micro**



Hb cut off - ng/ml	50	75	100	125	150
Sensitivity CRC - FIT 1	88.6% (73.2 -96.7)	85.7% (69.7 - 95.1)	85.7% (69.7 - 95.1)	80.0% (63.1 - 91.5)	80.0% (63.1 - 91.5)
Sensitivity CRC - FIT 2	88.6% (73.2 -96.7)	85.7% (69.7 - 95.1)	85.7% (69.7 - 95.1)	85.7% (69.7 - 95.1)	85.7% (69.7 - 95.1)
Specificity CRC - FIT 1	87.2% (83.6 -90.2)	90.1% (86.8 - 92.8)	91.0% (87.9 - 93.6)	93.0% (90.1 - 95.2)	93.5% (90.6 - 95.6)
Specificity CRC - FIT 2	81.4% (77.3-85.0)	84.7% (80.9 - 88.1)	86.9% (83.3 - 90.0)	89.1% (85.7 - 91.9)	90.1% (86.8 - 92.8)

Recommendation of Czech pilot study - one FIT test with cut-off value 75 ng/ml

*Kovarova JT, Zavoral M, Zima T, Zak A, Kocna P. et al.
Biomed Pap 2012 Jun; 156(2): 143 - 150: Improvements in
colorectal cancer screening programmes - quantitative immunochemical
faecal occult blood testing - how to set the cut-off for a particular population.*



EDUCATION ON IMPORTANCE OF FIT VALUES

Man 66 year (born 1946)

29.4.2009 - FIT: 0 $\mu\text{g/g}$

8.8.2011 - FIT: 271 $\mu\text{g/g}$

NO reaction

11.7.2012 - FIT: 370.8 $\mu\text{g/g}$

14.8.2012 - colonoscopy, sigmoid CRC

6.9.2012 - tumour resection, stage 3

FIT - surgery time: 12.96 months

Two cases with
FIT value 0 $\mu\text{g/g}$ and CRC

Man 72 year (born 1941)

13.5.2010 - FIT: 0 $\mu\text{g/g}$

14.11.2012 - FIT: 148.2 $\mu\text{g/g}$

NO reaction

5.3.2013 - FIT 327.4 $\mu\text{g/g}$

10.4.2013 - colonoscopy, sigmoid CRC

13.5.2013 - tumour resection, stage 3

FIT - surgery time: 5.92 months

FIT_surgery interval (median): 1.42
Range: 0.1 - 45.2 months

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HIGHLIGHT QUANTITATIVE FIT

- ✓ qFIT is 3 times more sensitive and reliable than gFOBT
- ✓ qFIT analysis is based on specific antibody technique
- ✓ qFIT on automatic analyser eliminates subjective evaluation
- ✓ qFIT allows the quantitative analysis
- ✓ qFIT could be possible to optimise selecting screening cut-off
- ✓ qFIT allows comparing the values on a European scale
- ✓ qFIT may be monitor by quality control system EQAS



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION