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Frequency and clinical characteristics of suspected hereditary non-polyposis colorectal cancer

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Background : The current diagnosis of hereditary non-polyposis colorectal cancer (HNPCC) is dependent on a detailed family history based on the Amsterdam criteria proposed by the International Collaborative Group on HNPCC (ICG-HNPCC) in 1990. On recognizing the shortcomings of the ICG-HNPCC criteria, the Korean Hereditary Colorectal Cancer Registry (a subdivision of the Korean Hereditary Tumor Registry) designated the term 'suspected HNPCC' for families who do not fulfill the criteria of the ICG-HNPCC but in whom a genetic basis for colon cancer is strongly suggested. The present study was designed to determine the frequency and define the clinical characteristics of suspected HNPCC.

Methods : We analysed the clinical characteristics of 42 suspected HNPCC patients and their family members and compared these characteristics with that of 1,692 non-hereditary colorectal cancer patients.

Results : The frequency of suspected HNPCC was 2.4% in our study. The mean age of suspected HNPCC patients at the time of diagnosis was 45.1 ± 9.6 years and that of non-hereditary colorectal cancer patients was 57.4 ± 11.9 years. The incidence of synchronous colorectal cancers in HNPCC was 7.1% and that of non-hereditary colorectal cancers was 0.9%. In suspected HNPCC families, 18 patients had extracolonic malignancies and the stomach cancer was the most common (55.5%).

Conclusion : The frequency of suspected HNPCC among total colorectal cancer cases was 2.4% in our study. Tumors in suspected HNPCC differed from non-hereditary colorectal cancers in an early age of onset.(Korean J Med 60:507-513, 2001)

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가^{2),}

가^{3, 4),} 5-15%

(familial adenomatous polyposis, FAP)

(hereditary non-polyposis colorectal cancer, HNPCC)⁵⁾ 가 50 ()

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가^{3, 6),} 0.5-13%

가^{7, 8),}

1990 (Amsterdam criteria for HNPCC)^{9, 10),} 42 가

가 가 . 1,692 가

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가 가

가 Student *t*-test, Chi-square test , $p < 0.05$

1991

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50 , , 1989 6 1998 5 1,734 42

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¹¹⁾ 1993 , 가 , 2.4% 427가 2.02

6가 83 가 가

가 Table 1

Table 1. Comparison of characteristics in suspected HNPCC and non-hereditary colorectal cancer

Characteristics	Group		p - value
	Suspected HNPCC (n=42)	Non-hereditary CRC (n=1,692)	
Age (mean)	45.1 ± 9.6	57.4 ± 11.9	<0.01
Sex ratio (m:f)	1.39:1	1.47:1	0.858
Cancer location			0.339
Rt. colon*	12(32.4%)	353(23.5%)	
Lt. colon†	10(27.0%)	370(24.7%)	
Rectum	15(40.6%)	776(51.8%)	
Synchronous cancers	3(7.1%)	15(0.9%)	<0.01
Metachronous cancers	2(4.8%)	41(2.4%)	0.212
Associated polyps	11(26.2%)	278(16.4%)	0.094
Cell differentiation			0.516
Well	12(31.6%)	425(29.9%)	
Moderate	17(44.7%)	799(56.1%)	
Poor & mucinous	9(23.7%)	181(12.7%)	
Dukes A,B	19(54.3%)	643(44.8%)	0.266

HNPCC; Hereditary Non-Polyposis Colorectal Cancer, CRC; colorectal cancer, *, proximal to splenic flexure, †; splenic flexure to sigmoid colon

Table 2. Revised ICG-HNPCC criteria (Amsterdam criteria II)

There should be at least 3 relatives with an HNPCC-associated cancer (CRC, cancer of endometrium, small bowel, ureter, or renal pelvis)

One should be a first-degree relative of the other 2

At least 2 successive generations should be affected

At least 1 should be diagnosed before age 50

Familial adenomatous polyposis should be excluded in the CRC case(s) if any

Tumors should be verified by pathological examination

ICG-HNPCC; International Collaborative Group on Hereditary Non-Polyposis Colorectal Cancer

(From Vasen HF, Watson P, Mecklin JP, Lynch HT, ICG-HNPCC. *New clinical criteria for hereditary nonpolyposis colorectal cancer (HNPCC, Lynch syndrome) proposed by the International Collaborative Group on HNPCC. Gastroenterology 116:1453-1456, 1999*)

45.1 ± 9.6	57.4 ± 11.9	(32.4%),	12
(p < 0.01),	1.4:1) 10 (27.0%),	15 (40.6%) ,
1.5:1	†		23.5%
	50	51.8%	
	21		42 3 (7.1%)
50.8 ± 7.8		0.9%	
(p < 0.01).			

MSH2 MLH1
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 PMS2 가 5% ²²⁾

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 2 (4.8%)
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 12 (31.6%) ICG- HNPCC criteria, Amsterdam criteria II)
 (Table 2). ³²⁾
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 0.5-13% 가
^{12, 16)}
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 PMS6- ¹⁷⁻¹⁹⁾, 가
 DNA 가 MMR 가 가
 가 ^{20, 21)}
 1996 Liu ²²⁾ MSH2, MLH1, PMS1, PMS2 ³²⁾
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¹²⁾ Han ²⁶⁾ 21 50.8 ± 7.8
Yuan ³³⁾ 31 (p < 0.01). 14:1
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hMSH2 7% 23% 가 32.4% 23.5%
28% ³⁴⁾ 7.1%
가 4.8%
32%
18 , 10
(55.5%) 가
가
: 2.4%
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