

## Current and Upcoming COG Renal Tumor Studies:

AREN 1721, AREN 1921, AREN 2231

Bilateral Wilms Working Group

Rhabdoid Tumor Working Group

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# Renal Tumor Committee

- What are we?
  - A group working on research for children, adolescents and young adults with renal tumors
  - Biology, Protocol Development, and Clinical Trial Conduct
  - Resource for community
- What are we **not**?
  - Judicial panel
  - Clinical guidelines committee (NCCN Wilms Tumor Guidelines Panel)



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# Wilms Tumor (Nephroblastoma)

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# Renal Tumor Committee

- Who are we?
  - Disciplines: Oncology, Surgery, Pathology, Radiology, Radiation Oncology
  - Sub-committees: Biology, Developmental Therapeutics, Young Investigator
  - Family/Patient Advocate

# Renal Tumor Committee

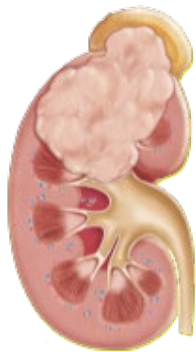
- Structure
  - Chair: Jim Geller
  - Past Chairs: Jeff Dome, Conrad Fernandez
  - Vice-Chairs: Elizabeth Mullen, Nicholas Cost
- Discipline Leads:
  - Pathology – Elizabeth Perlman
  - Radiology – Geetika Khanna
  - Radiation Oncology – John Kalapurakal
  - Surgery – Nicholas Cost

# Renal Tumor Committee Surgeons

- Jennifer Aldrink - Nationwide
- Nicholas Cost – Children’s Colorado
- Andy Davidoff – St. Jude
- Peter Ehrlich – U of Michigan
- Elizabeth Fialkowski - OHSU
- Richard Glick – LIJ/Cohen Children’s
- Ken Gow – Seattle Children’s
- Kathleen Kieran – Seattle Children’s
- Meera Kotagal - Cincinnati
- Marcus Malek – Children’s Pittsburgh
- Andrew Murphy – St. Jude
- Rodrigo Romao - Halifax
- Robert Shamberger – Boston Children’s
- Elisabeth (Lisa) Tracy - Duke

# COG Studies Decoded

- AREN – Indicates it is a renal tumor study
- AREN 0321
  - First two numbers (03) – Year the study was activated
  - Third number (2) – Phase of study (i.e., 1, 2, 3 or B)
  - Last number (1) – Order study rolled out in that year
- Example: AREN 0532 – Activated in 2005, Phase 3 study, 2<sup>nd</sup> study that year
- AREN 03B2
  - B for Biology



# Renal Tumor Committee Studies



**AREN 1721**  
Translocation RCC -  
Does not flow through  
AREN 03B2

**AREN 03B2 BIOLOGY and BANKING STUDY  
(Central Review)**

**FH WT - AREN 2231**

**Anaplastic WT and  
FH WT Relapse  
AREN 1921**

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**Very Low Risk (I)  
Low Risk (I/II)**

**Standard  
Risk (III)**

**High risk  
(IV)**

**Anaplastic  
WT**

**Relapsed  
FHWT**

# Surgical Guidelines/Key Concepts/ Terminology

- Rupture = Preoperative Event
  - Important because of implications for Whole Abdominal Radiation
- Spill = Intraoperative Event
- These decisions made by surgeon (not path or radiology)

# Importance of Sampling LNs

- To get on all current and future Renal Tumor Committee therapeutic studies, patients **MUST** have LNs surgically sampled and available for pathologic review



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# Importance of Sampling LNs

- To determine 4-yr EFS/OS and rate of LN positive disease based on number of LNs sampled (0, 1-5, and >5 LNs) and location of sampling
- To increase LN sampling at the time of nephrectomy by providing a pre-operative surgical checklist (decrease failure to sample LN rate from 14% to 7%)

# AREN 1721

- *“A Randomized Phase 2 Trial of Axitinib/Nivolumab Combination Therapy vs Single Agent ~~Axitinib~~ or Nivolumab for the Treatment of TFE/Translocation Renal Cell Carcinoma Across All Age Groups”*

An Intergroup Study: Coordinated effort via NCTN with adult cooperative groups (ECOG, Alliance, SWOG, etc.)



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# A few notes on RCC. . .

- AREN 0321 – Arm for RCC
  - 68 patients enrolled
  - Surgical resection alone, no adjuvant therapy

## A Prospective Study of Pediatric and Adolescent Renal Cell Carcinoma: A Report From the Children's Oncology Group AREN0321 Study

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# AREN 0321 – RCC outcomes

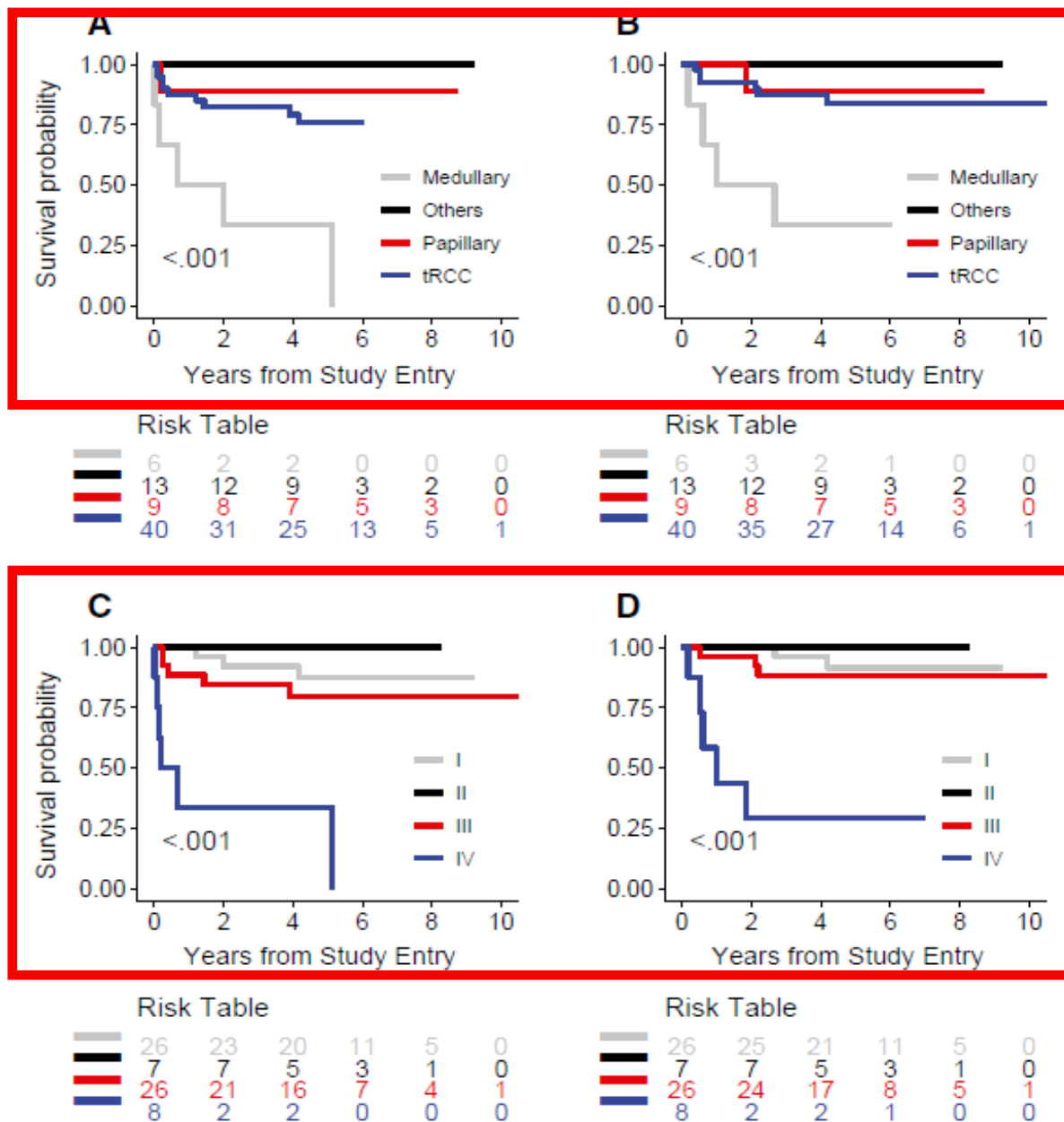
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T1	32 (47.1)
T2	8 (11.8)
T3	23 (33.8)
T4	1 (1.5)
TX	4 (5.9)
N classification	
N0	21 (30.9)
N1	21 (30.9)
NX	26 (38.2)
M classification	
M0	60 (88.2)
M1	8 (11.8)
AJCC stage of disease <sup>b</sup>	
I	26 (38.8)
II	7 (10.4)
III	26 (38.8)
IV	8 (11.9)

*No correlation between T-stage  
and N-stage*

# AREN 0321 – RCC outcomes

Histology	
TFE3 or TFEB translocations	40 (58.8)
Papillary	9 (13.2)
Renal medullary carcinoma	6 (8.8)
Other <sup>c</sup>	13 (19.1)
Resection status	
Complete resection	60 (88.2)
Incomplete resection	8 (11.8)
Surgical type <sup>d</sup>	
Radical nephrectomy	53 (81.5)
Partial nephrectomy	12 (18.5)
Surgical approach <sup>d</sup>	
Open	50 (76.9)
Minimally invasive	15 (23.1)





**FIGURE 1.** Survival outcomes shown by histology and American Joint Committee on Cancer TNM seventh edition stage of disease. (A) Event-free survival (EFS) by histology. (B) Overall survival (OS) by histology. (C) EFS by stage of disease. (D) OS by stage of disease. tRCC indicates translocation-type renal cell carcinoma.

# AREN 0321 – RCC outcomes

**TABLE 4.** Survival Outcomes by Clinical Features

Feature	4-Year EFS (95% CI)	<i>P</i> <sup>a</sup>	4-Year OS (95% CI)	<i>P</i> <sup>a</sup>
Overall	80.2% (69.6%-90.9%)		84.8% (75.2%-94.5%)	
Age, y		.36		.67
≤13	75.7% (59.7%-91.7%)		82.4% (67.9%-96.8%)	
>13	84.8% (71.0%-98.6%)		87.4% (74.7%-100.0%)	
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Complete resection (all)	86.1% (76.3%-95.9%)	<.001	91.4% (83.3%-99.4%)	<.001
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Other	100% (100.0%-100.0%)		100% (100.0%-100.0%)	
NM classification		.32		.45
N1M0	87.5% (68.3%-100.0%)		87.1% (67.6%-100.0%)	
NX	80.6% (64.6%-96.6%)		80.4% (64.4%-96.4%)	
AJCC stage (with complete resection) <sup>b</sup>		.001		.11
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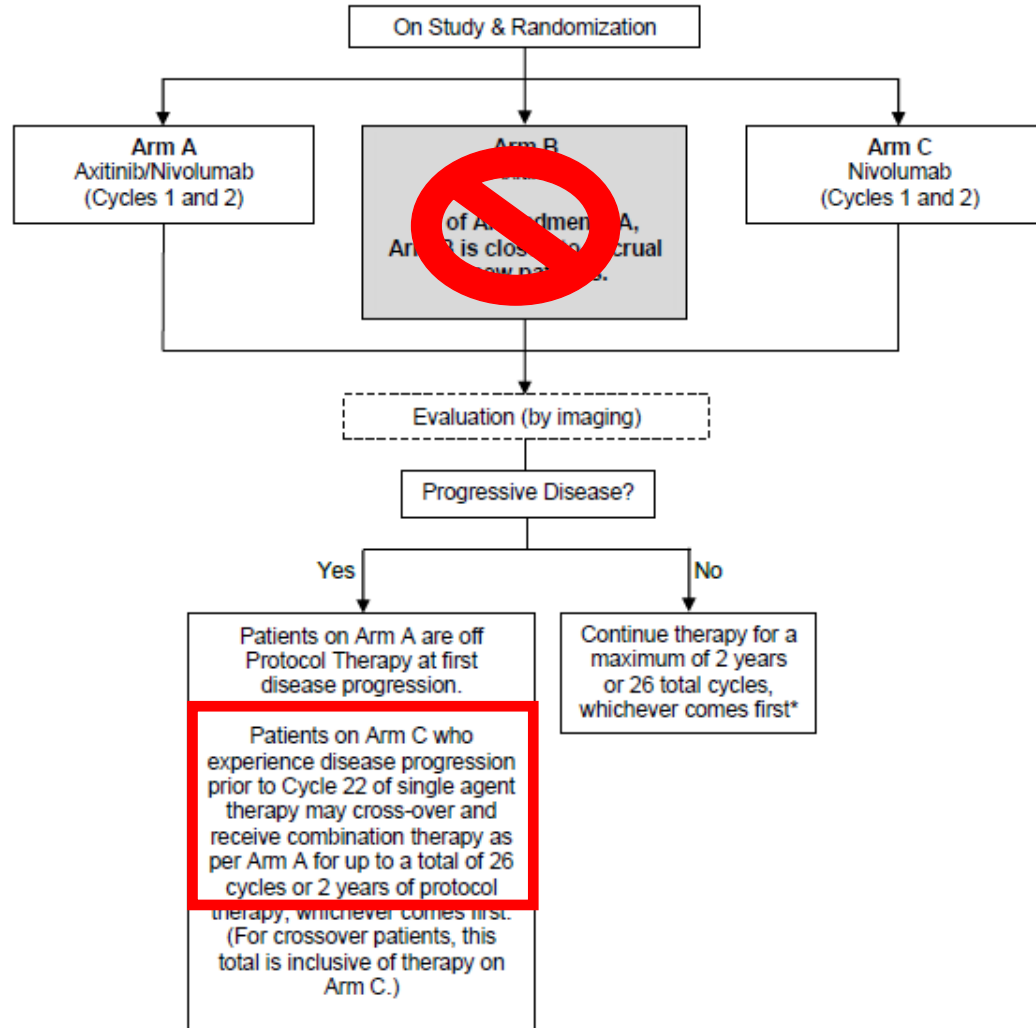
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# AREN 1721

## EXPERIMENTAL DESIGN SCHEMA



# Plea for help with AREN 1721

- Please help us enroll . . . 25 more patients needed!
- Patients of all ages with metastatic TFE+ RCC
  - Collaborate with adult Urologic Oncology and GU Medical Oncology colleagues
- Call me with any questions

# AREN 1921

- Treatment of High-Risk Wilms tumor
  - Anaplastic WT (stages II-IV)
  - Relapsed FH WT
- Surgical Questions
  - To determine EFS/OS for patients with relapsed FHWT who undergo gross total resection during relapse treatment
  - To assess the timing of local control in Anaplastic WT
    - Goal is after week 6
    - If surgery not possible after week 6, they will get RT in week 7

# AREN 2231

- Approved by COG Scientific Council
- FHWT by Risk
  - Very Low Risk (I), Low Risk (I/II), Standard Risk (III), High Risk (IV)
- Very Low Risk – Age <4y, Stage I, no adverse biology
  - Goal - To demonstrate that patients treated by nephrectomy and observation alone will have 4 year EFS >85% and 4 year OS >95%

# AREN 2231

- Low Risk
  - Stage I patients  $\geq 4$  years of age or those with any negative prognostic biomarker (LOH of 1p and 16q, LOH 11p15, or 1q gain)
  - Stage II patients
  - Will trial novel regimen (VIVA = EE4A + VI) in Stage II with negative prognostic biomarker

# AREN 2231

- Standard Risk – Stage III
  - Will include pathways for upfront and delayed nephrectomy
  - Will de-intensify treatment for some patients
    - DD4A to EE4A (no Doxo) for some selected patients
    - Avoid RT for some selected patients
  - Use Gain 1q to stratify treatment
  - Will look at novel Regimen MVI
    - Less gonadotoxic Cyclophosphamide dose (4.4gm) than Reg M and added VI

# AREN 2231

- High Risk – Stage IV
  - Further assess avoiding WLI in those with CR at week 6 (DD4A)
  - Use Gain 1q to stratify treatment
  - Assess Regimen MVI
- Important Surgical Questions
  - To describe the outcome of patients with hepatic metastases
  - To assess feasibility of resection of limited residual pulmonary metastases at week 6 to achieve a Complete Response and thus avoid WLI
    - WLI spared in patients if resected metastases show no viable tumor/necrosis



# Bilateral Working Group

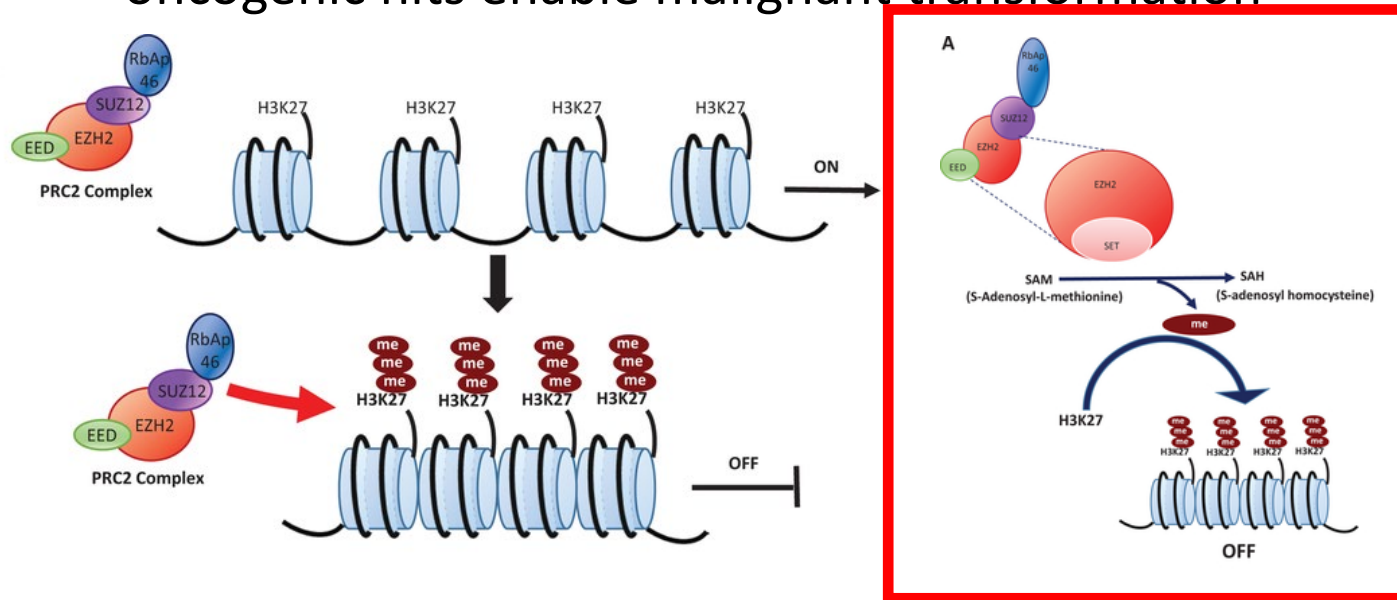
- Goals of increasing rate of bilateral NSS
  - Number of strategies being considered
    - Objective assessment of complexity – Nephrometry
    - Central review of feasibility of NSS
    - Potentially recommend referral to “centers of excellence”

# Rhabdoid Working Group

- All Stage II-IV, non-CNS primary Rhabdoid Tumors
- Kathleen Kieran leading the surgical part of this group
  - Largely, the study is a question of adding a targeted therapy to treatment:
    - Tazemetostat
  - Surgical questions:
    - Questions about timing of resection
    - Emphasizing earlier resection

# Tazemetostat- EZH2 inhibitor

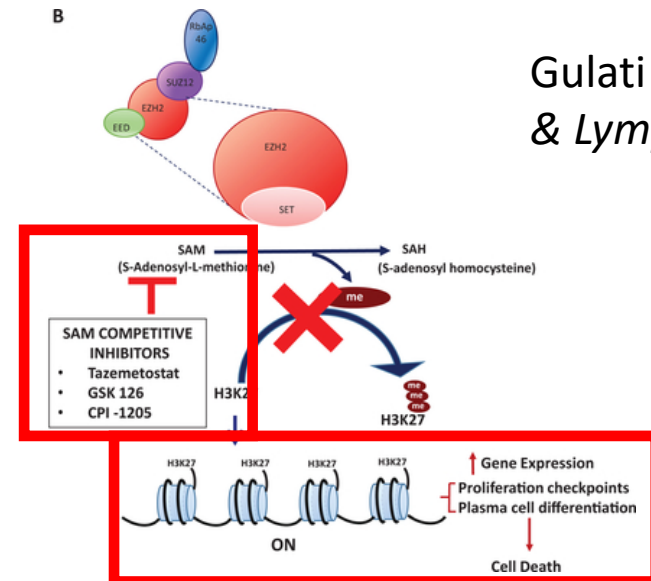
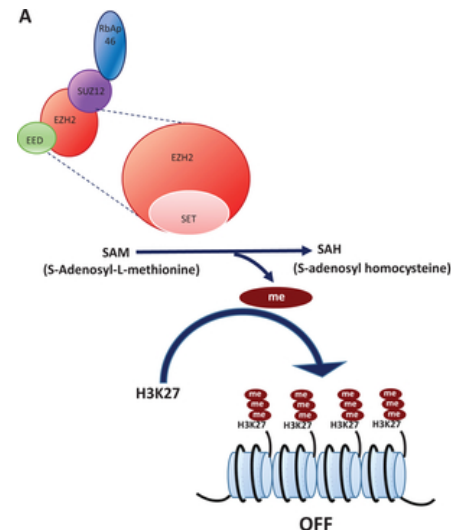
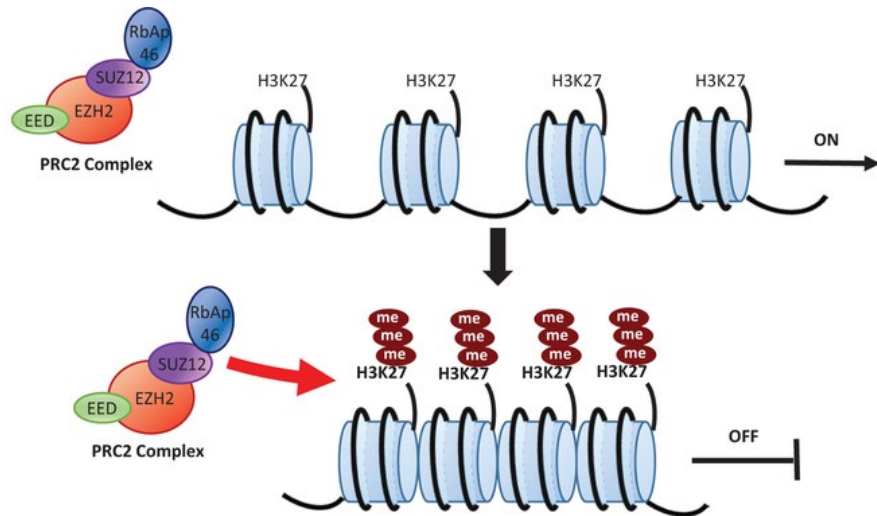
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# Conclusions

- COG Renal Tumor Committee is:
  - Active with old, current and new studies
  - Here to help
  - Please contact us!

# Conclusions

- Thank you!
- Questions? Comments?
- Please reach out!

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