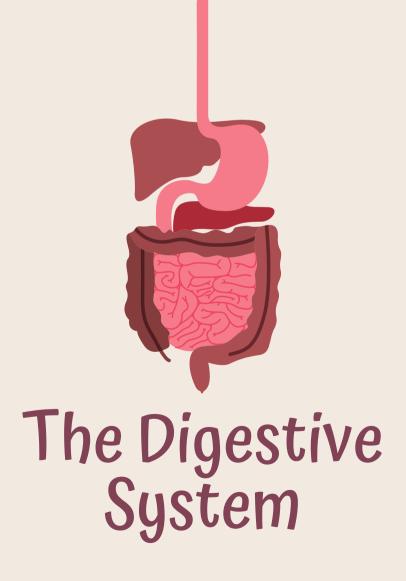




## THE PURPOSE BEHIND THE PASSION

# IT'S ALL IN THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM



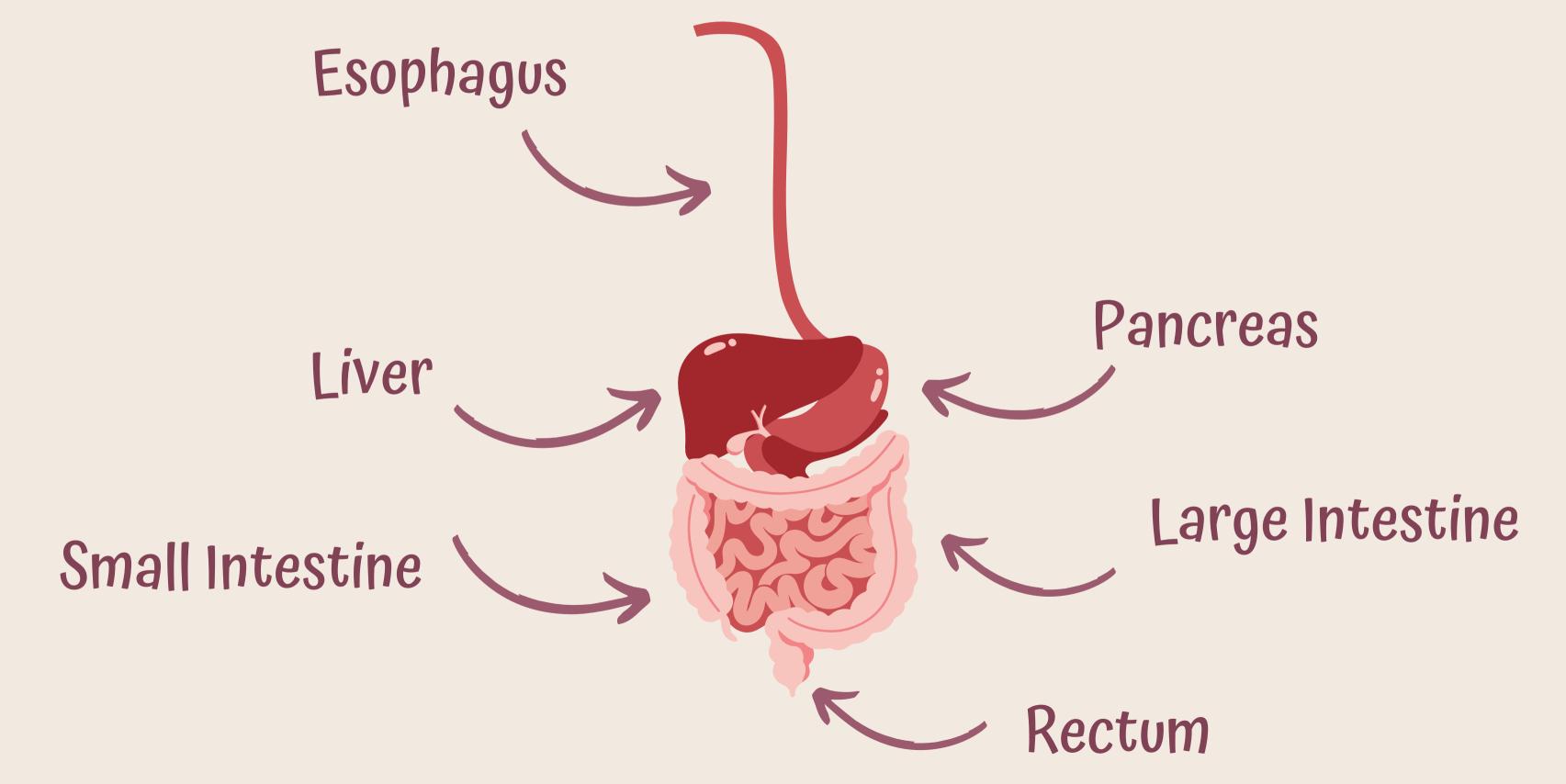


Unregulated Growth of Cells



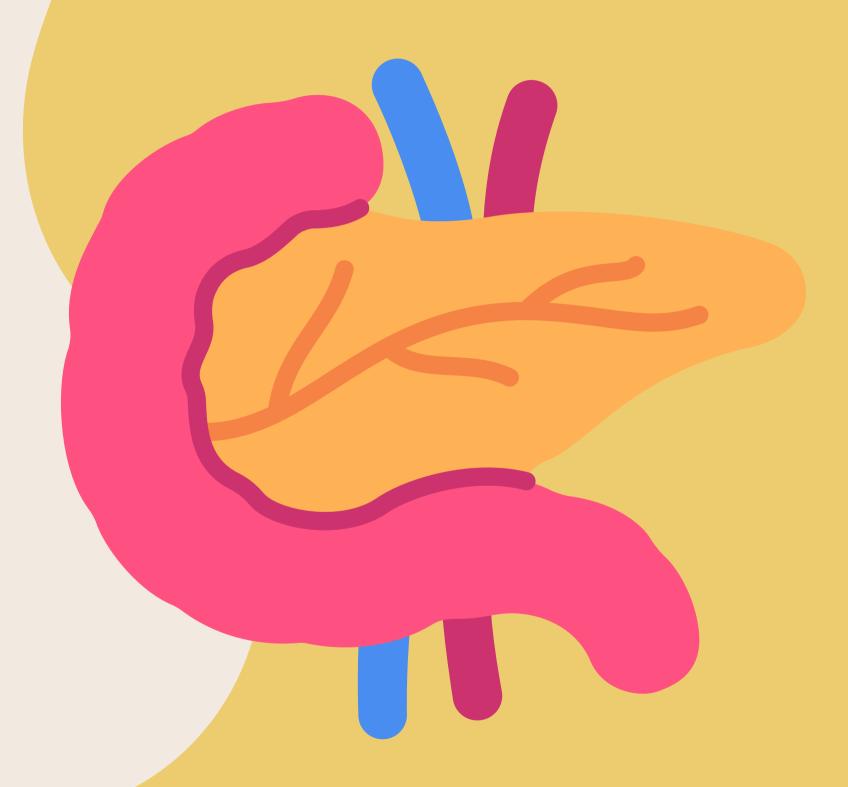
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## ANATOMY OF THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM



## THE PANCREAS

- The pancreas is responsible for the development of pancreatic fluid called enzymes. The enzymes break down sugars, fats, and starches. They also make hormones which are chemical messengers that travel through your blood.
- Enzymes: Lipase, Amylase, and Protease
- Hormones: Insulin, Glucagon, Gastrin and Amylin



## HOW DOES CANCER DEVELOP?



# ABNORMALITY OF THE CELL

## WHAT IS A CELL?

#### Basic unit of life.

 Mutations in genes cause cancer by increasing cell division rates or inhibiting normal controls on the system, such as cell cycle arrest or programmed cell death.

#### Unregulated Cell Growth

 Cancer initiates when a single cell mutates, resulting in a breakdown of the normal regulatory controls that maintain cell division.



## RISK FACTORS

- Family history of pancreatic cancer
- Tobacco use
- Long term type-2 diabetes
- Chronic pancreatitis
- Obesity
- Age

### STATISTICS

#### Mortality Rate

About 49,830
people (25,970
men and 23,860
women) will die of
pancreatic cancer.

#### Diagnosis Rate

About 62,210
people (32,970
men and 29,240
women) will be
diagnosed with
pancreatic cancer.

#### Survival Rate

Pancreatic cancer
accounts for about
3% of all cancers
in the US and
about 7% of all
cancer deaths.

Chemotherapy

Radiation

Targeted Therapy

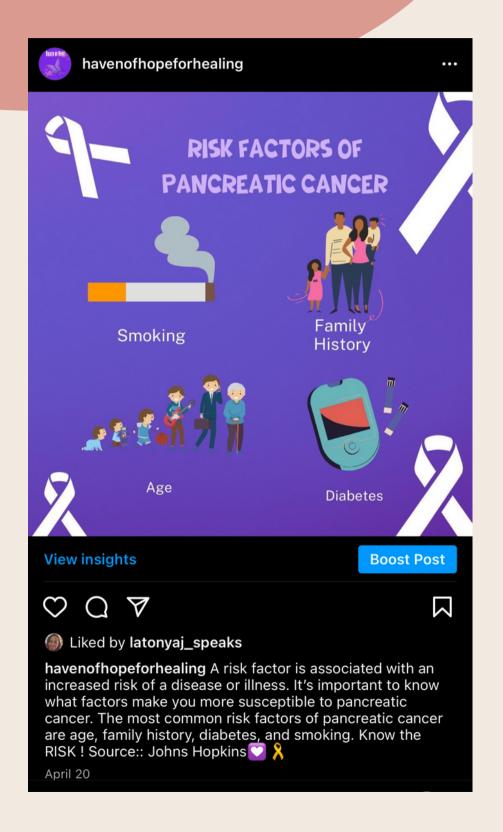


Surgery

Ablative/Embolization Treatments

Immunotherapy

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#### CONCLUSION:

- Raising awareness for pancreatic cancer can help evolve the stigmas and increase success stories surrounding the disease.
- Conversations about family history and developing healthy habits can generate a healthy lifestyle amongst families with the ability to influence generations.

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# THANK YOU FOR LISTENING!

Don't hesitate to ask any questions!



