

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO
CONSENT TO BE A RESEARCH SUBJECT

Pre-Operative Gleason Score and PSA and Clinical Stage in Predicting the Risk of Failure in Patients Undergoing Radiation Therapy for Localized Prostate Cancer

A. PURPOSE AND BACKGROUND

Mack Roach III, M.D, from the Department of Radiation Oncology, is conducting a review of your chart to determine the effectiveness of your radiation treatment and whether he can identify factors that may affect outcomes.

You are being asked to participate in this study because you were treated with radiation therapy for prostate cancer at the University of California at San Francisco, San Francisco General Hospital and San Francisco Veterans Administration Medical Center.

B. PROCEDURES

If you agree to be in this study, the following will happen:

1. *Health Information:* In the course of this study, the researchers will gather information about you either directly or by reviewing your medical records. This information will be used to decide if you are eligible for the study. The information also will be used to determine the effectiveness of treatment. Information recorded for study purposes will be stored in research databases for future research. The information to be gathered will include results of physical examinations, diagnostic tests, medical questionnaires, diagnoses, treatments, lab reports, pathology reports and nuclear medicine reports. If you choose not to sign this consent form, the investigator cannot use information from your medical records and you will not participate in this research study.

C. RISKS/DISCOMFORTS

1. *Confidentiality:* Participation in research may involve a loss of privacy, but information about you will be handled as confidentially as possible. The researcher, Dr Mack Roach and his/her research associates and team members will have access to information about you. The UCSF Committee on Human Research and other University of California personnel may also review or receive information about you. Your name will not be used in any published reports about this study. The research team will continue to protect your personally identifiable health information as described in this consent form. The University of California complies with the requirements of HIPAA and its privacy regulations, and with all other applicable laws that protect the confidentiality of your health information.

2. *Keeping Study Records:* Dr Mack Roach will retain your records, including information from your medical records, indefinitely for research purposes. However, your personal health information cannot be used for additional research without additional approval from either you or a review committee

