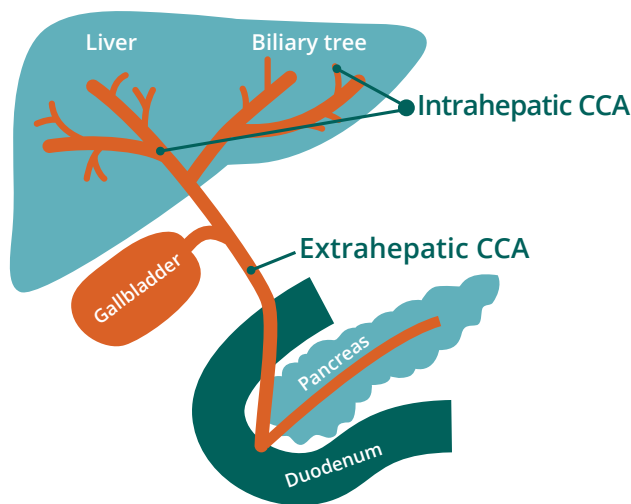


# Cholangiocarcinoma

**Cholangiocarcinoma (CCA)** is a rare cancer that forms in the bile duct – a thin tube that connects the liver to the gallbladder and small intestine. The duct carries digestive fluid, known as bile, which helps the body break down fats.<sup>1</sup>

## CCA is classified by origin within the bile duct

**Intrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma (iCCA)** is inside the liver, and **extrahepatic cholangiocarcinoma (eCCA)** is outside the liver.<sup>1</sup> The location of a CCA tumor can affect how it is treated.



Average age

>65<sup>2</sup>

## Symptoms can include:

Abdominal pain, night sweats, fatigue, jaundice, general discomfort and weakness.<sup>3</sup>

The cells that make up each tumor have their own unique features – or genomic abnormalities.



Research has identified a number of clinically significant genomic alterations in patients with CCA.<sup>4</sup>



FGFR2 fusions or rearrangements can drive iCCA oncogenesis (the process of healthy cells transforming into cancer cells).<sup>5</sup>



FGFR2 fusions or rearrangements are found almost exclusively in people with iCCA, occurring in 10-16% of all iCCA patients.<sup>6-8</sup>

## Limited Options Currently for CCA

- The incidence of CCA varies regionally and ranges between **0.3 – 3.4 per 100,000** in North America and Europe.<sup>3,9,10</sup>
- It is **difficult to diagnose** because of its non-specific symptoms and is often diagnosed late, when the prognosis is poor.<sup>3,11</sup>
- **Surgery (or resection) can be curative**, but many patients are not eligible.<sup>12</sup>
  - Even after surgery, **relapse rates of CCA are high**.<sup>13</sup>
  - For unresectable CCA, **there are limited options beyond first-line chemotherapy**, and patients have a median survival of ~12 months.<sup>14</sup>

## Molecular Profiling



Molecular profiling can help doctors better understand each patient's tumor.

- Molecular profiling is a **detailed study of tumor samples** to see what may be driving the cancer.
- **~50% of patients with CCA have a clinically significant genomic abnormality**, such as an FGFR2 fusion or rearrangement.<sup>4,15</sup>
- FGFR2 fusions or rearrangements are **detectable early in disease progression** through molecular profiling.<sup>16</sup>

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