

SEMINAL VESICLE INVASION

Seminal vesicles invaded by prostate cancer are the pathway to metastases.

The following from <http://tinyurl.com/mro3rfx> best describes the most likely and reasonable protocol to be considered:

"Invasion of the seminal vesicle is usually a sign of an aggressive cancer, very different from the "run of the mill" Gleason 6, localized disease usually thought of when referring to prostate cancer. Seminal vesicle involvement is a poor prognostic indicator associated with high rates of recurrence and metastatic spread.

In the PSA era, however, seminal vesicle involvement no longer appears to be the death sentence it was historically thought to be. Aggressive management with adjuvant radiation can delay prostate cancer recurrence and spread. In addition, the prudent use of hormonal therapy to manage metastatic disease can lead to many more years of life. Overall, while certainly a serious condition to deal with, seminal vesicle invasion can still be successfully treated when encountered in men with prostate cancer."