# Clinical and Experimental Radiobiology Course

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# **Tutorial 7**

- Lecture 19: Clinical approaches to target hypoxia
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Which of the following is the <u>least</u> invasive method to select patients with hypoxic tumors for a new clinical trial of hypoxia-targeted treatment?

- A. Oxygen electrode measurements
- **B.** Biopsies to assess HIF or HIF-related genes (CAIX)
- C. Biopsies following administration of pimonidazole
- D. Biopsies to evaluate a multi-gene signature of hypoxia

#### E. FAZA PET imaging





Which of the following targets tumor hypoxia by mimicking the radiosensitizing properties of oxygen?

A. Nimorazole

- **B.** Tirapazamine
- C. Sorafenib
- D. Nicotinamide
- E. TH-302 (Evofosfamide)





Reference: L19 slide 9 Clinical and Experimental Radiobiology Course 2025

Hypoxic cell cytotoxin:

- A. Act primarily by inhibiting mitochondrial metabolism leading to cell death
- B. Kill only hypoxic cells
- C. Are routinely used in clinical practice of head and neck patients
- D. Are bioreductive pro-drugs that are activated and become cytotoxic under hypoxic conditions
- E. Are useful in all patients with cancer regardless of the amount of hypoxia





#### **Discussion:**

What are barriers to widespread clinical

implementation of hypoxia-targeting therapies?





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