Cervix types classification
Background – the cervix
Background – the cervix
Cervix basic anatomy

- Squamous cells
- SCJ (Squamocolumnar junction)
- Endocervical or columnar cells

Source: BSCCP
Cervix basic anatomy

Source: WHO
Two important areas of the cervix

1. Squamo-columnar junction (SCJ) - 2 different types of epithelial cells meet

2. Transformation Zone (TZ) - area between the original SCJ and the new SCJ
Cervix type

Endocervical Vs ectocervical
Different transformation zone locations = Different Cervix type

Source: The Cervix, Singer et al, 2006
Why is the cervix type important?

- Most cervical cancers begin in the cells in the transformation zone.
- Cervix types 2 and 3 might include hidden lesions and require different treatment.
Examples

Type 1
Examples

Type 2
Examples

Type 3
Examples

Type 2
Examples

Type 1
Examples

Type 2
Examples

Type 3