



Introduction to Cancer in Teenagers and Young Adults

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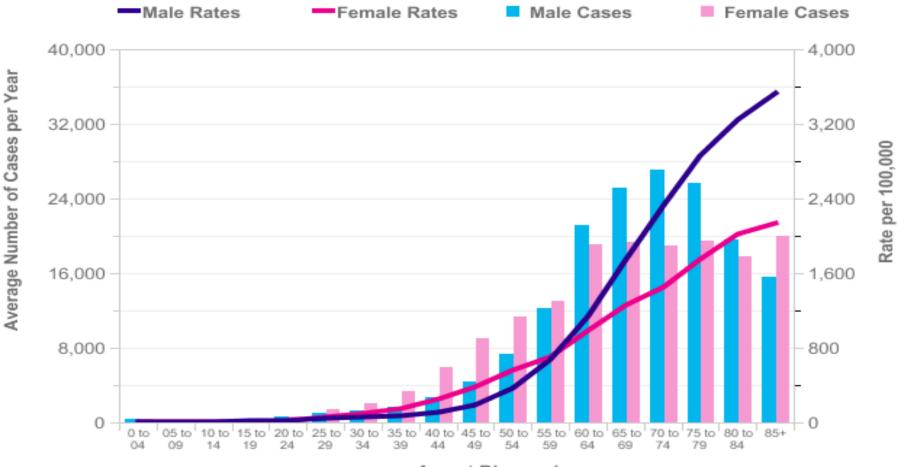
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Who gets cancer? (UK)



Age at Diagnosis

Factors affecting the definition of TYA













Factors affecting the definition of TYA

Age

Developmental stage

Educational threshold

Cancer type

Existing service provision

Country/region	Age range (year)	Terminology	
UK	13-24	Teenagers/Young Adults (TYA)	
Australia	15-24	Adolescents/Young Adults (AYA)	
USA	15-39	Adolescents/Young Adults (AYA)	
Eurocare	15-24	Adolescents/Young Adults (AYA)	
Canada	15-29	Adolescents/Young Adults (AYA)	

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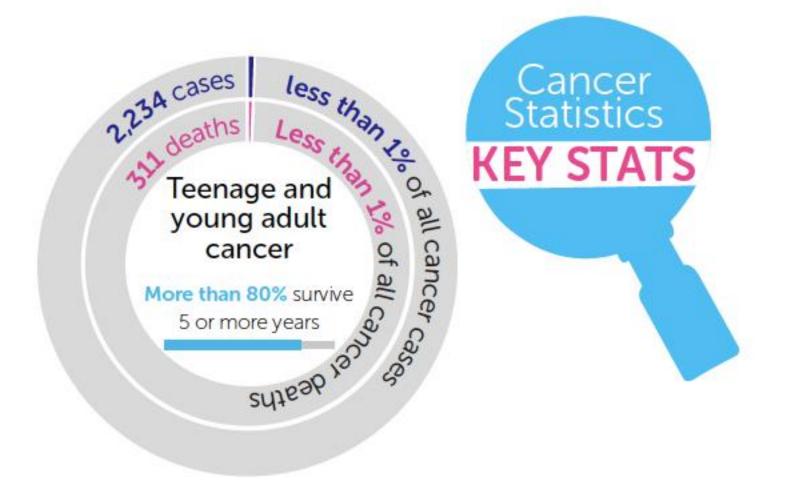
Cancer is the leading cause of death from disease in TYA in the UK

•Accounts for 9% of all deaths in males and 15% in females

•Approximately 300 – 320 TYA die from cancer each year in the UK

•Survival rates are high so life years 'gained' are proportionately large





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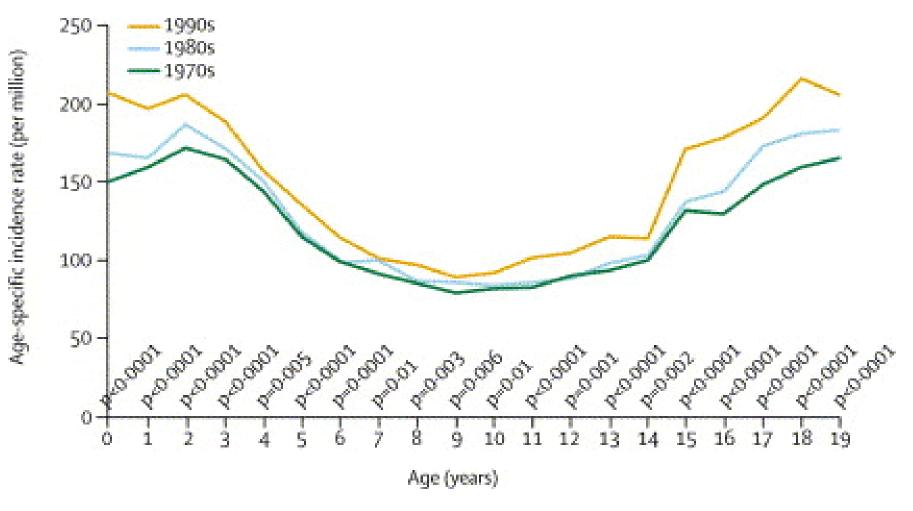
What causes teenage and young adult cancer?

- Excessive exposure to ultraviolet radiation increases risk of melanoma in TYAs.
- Human papillomavirus infection nearly always precedes development of cervical cancer.
- TYAs who have undergone treatment for a previous cancer have a higher risk of developing a second cancer.
- Some TYA cancers are thought to be linked to growth and hormonal factors during puberty.
- Delayed exposure to common infections may be

linked to Hodgkin lymphoma in TYAs.

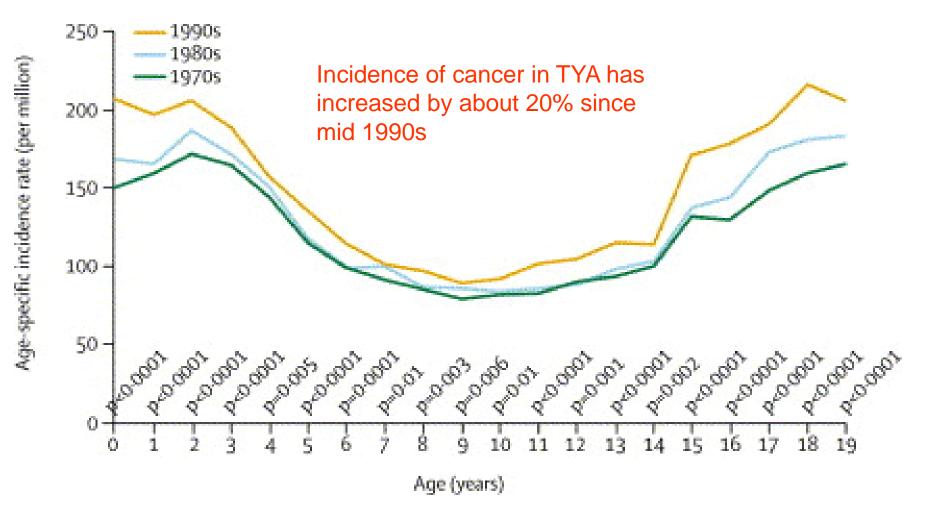
 Some TYA cancers are linked to certain genetic syndromes, such as Li Fraumeni, familial adenomatous polyposis and neurofibromatosis type 1.

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Incidence of cancer (cases per million / year)

Age range (years) 0 - 4 5 - 9 10 - 14 15 - 19 20 - 24 25 - 29	<u>Incidence</u> 206 105 123 203 346 604	Ries LAG, et al SEER Cancer Statistics Review, 1973–1998. National Cancer Institute, 2001 http://seer.cancer.gov/Publications/CSR1973_1998/505.
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Evolving differences in diagnosis: children vs. younger TYA European data (ACCIS study) Stiller et al Eur J Cancer 2006, 42, 2006 - 18

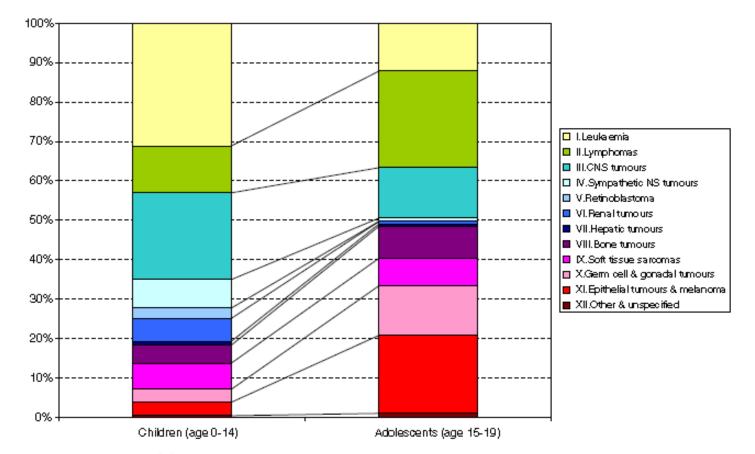
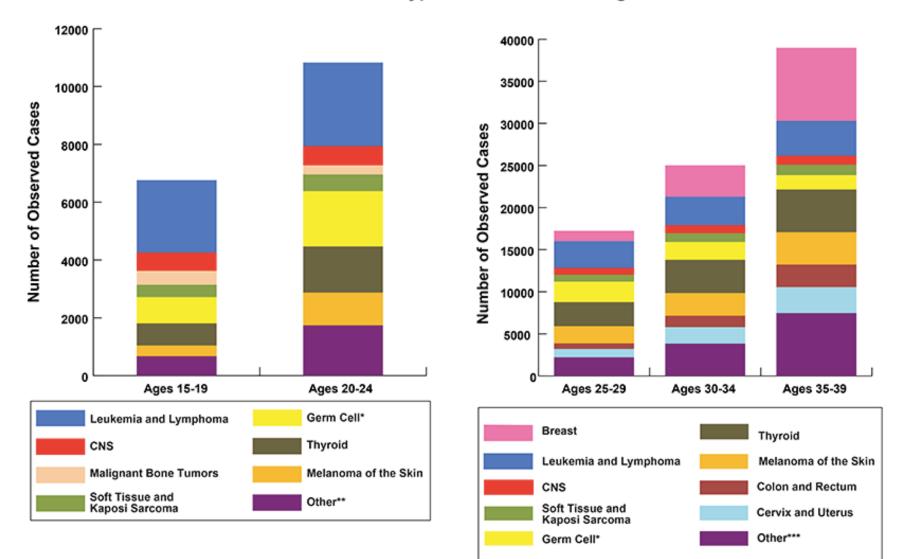
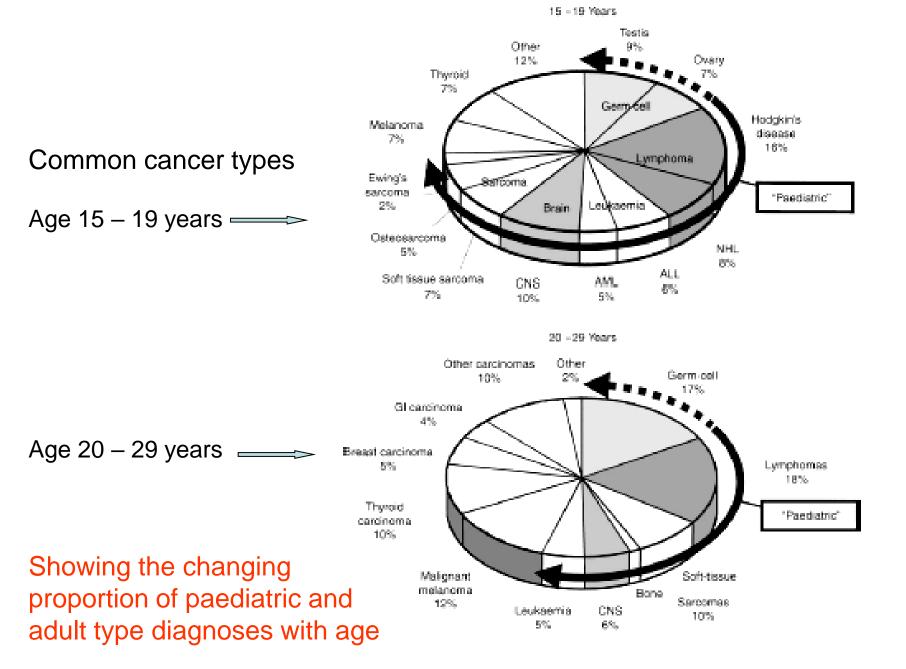


Fig. 2 – Relative frequencies (%) of the 12 diagnostic groups of IGGG among children and adolescents in Europe, 1988–1997. Source: AGCIS.

Common Types of Cancer Affecting AYAs



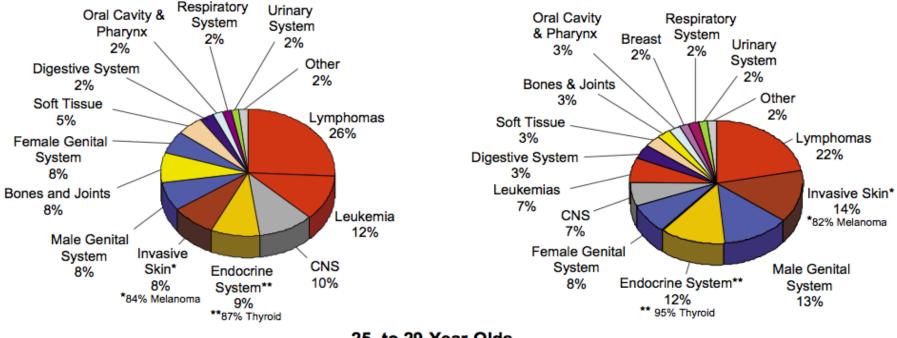
*includes testicular cancer *includes breast, cervical, colon and other less prevalent cancers *** includes malignant bone tumors and other less prevalent cancers



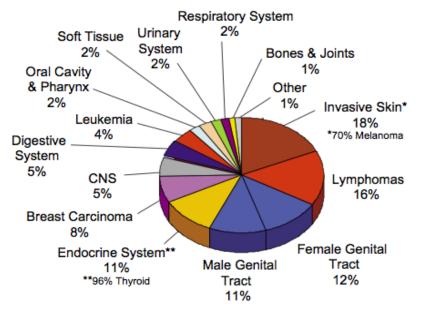
From Albritton, Stock, Paulussen 2004

15- to 19-Year-Olds

20- to 24-Year-Olds



25- to 29-Year-Olds



Major cancer types for TYA services

Lymphoma Leukaemia Germ Cell Sarcoma – bone and soft tissue CNS

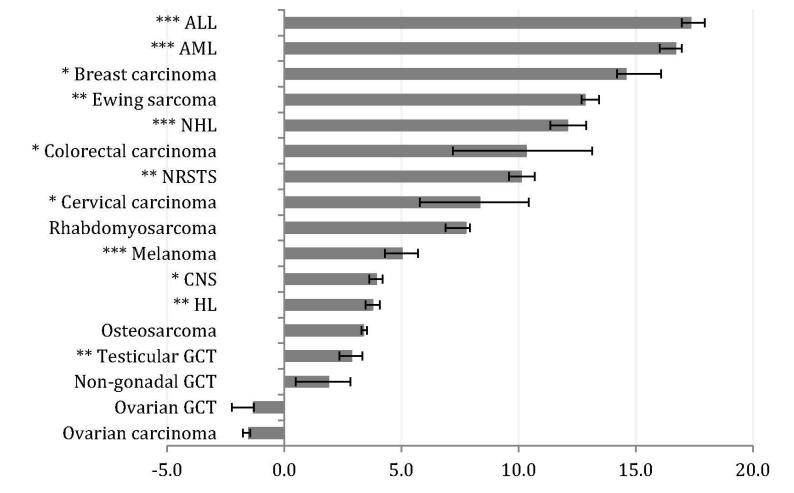
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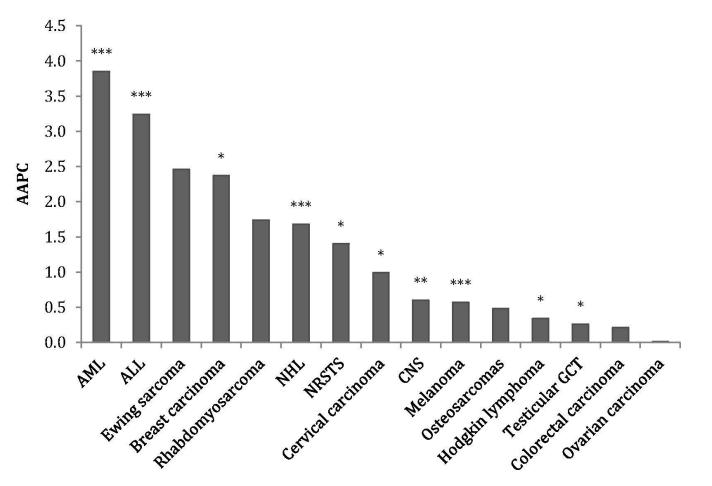
Diagnosis	Period	% Survival	95% CI		P-value
All cancers	1992–1996 1997–2001 2002–2006	75.7 78.6 82.2	74.8 77.7 81.4	76.6 79.5 82.9	<0.001 <0.001

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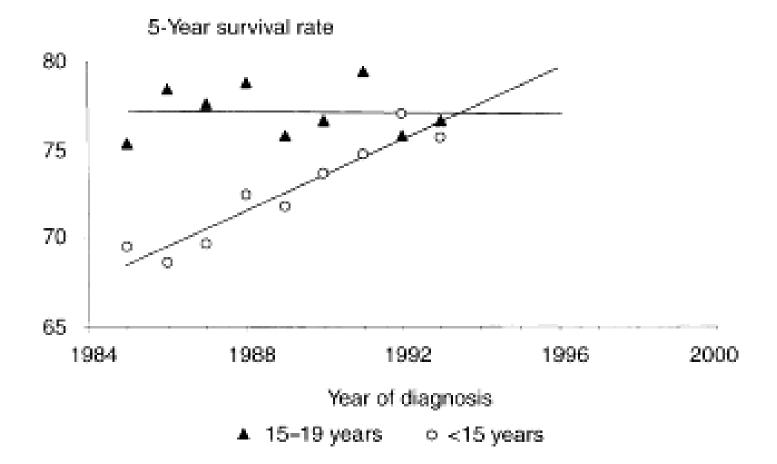


Differences in 5-year survival (%) for all persons between 1992–1996 and 2002–2006

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Annual average percentage change (AAPC) 1992–2006.



Change in 5 year survival rates by era of diagnosis for TYA and paediatric patients

Deficit in survival rates for TYA patients

K. Albritton, W.A. Bleyer | European Journal of Cancer 39 (2003) 2584-2599

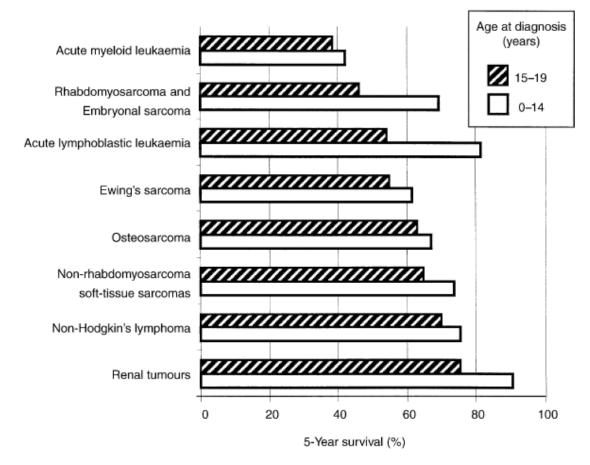


Fig. 4. Gap in survival rates for selected cancers in 15- to 19-year-olds versus < year-olds. Data from the U.S. SEER programme [3].

Relative improvement in survival (year on year) by age at diagnosis Zebrack et al Cancer 2006, 107, 2915 - 23

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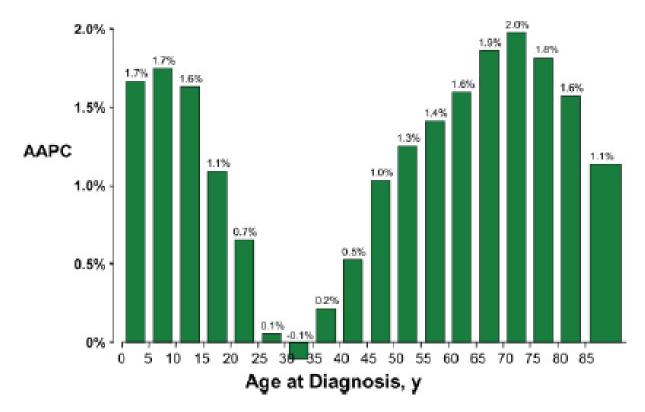
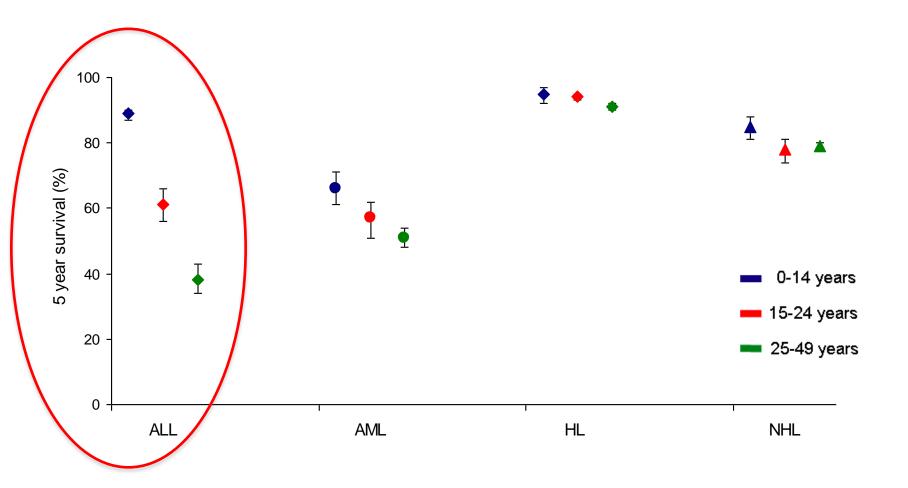


FIGURE 1. Average annual percentage change (AAPC) in 5-year relative survival of patients diagnosed with invasive cancer, 1975 to 1998 (United States statistics from the Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results Program). Relative survival refers to all deaths, regardless of cause. Updated and modified from Hampton T. Cancer treatment's trade-off. JAMA. 2005;294;167–168.²



Five-year survival by diagnosis and age for patients diagnosed in the UK 2001-2005.

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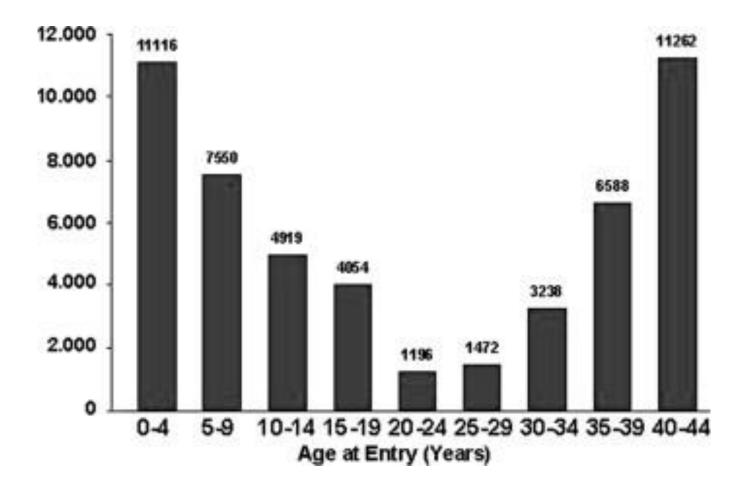
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Disease related factors

Treatment related factors

Patient related factors

Entry of patients age < 45 years onto US National Cooperative Group treatment trials (1997–2003)



(Bleyer A, Budd T, Montello M. Adolescents and young adults with cancer: the scope of the problem and criticality of clinical trials. Cancer. 2006; 107(S7):1645–1655)

Deficit in clinical trial opportunity for TYA patients (USA data)

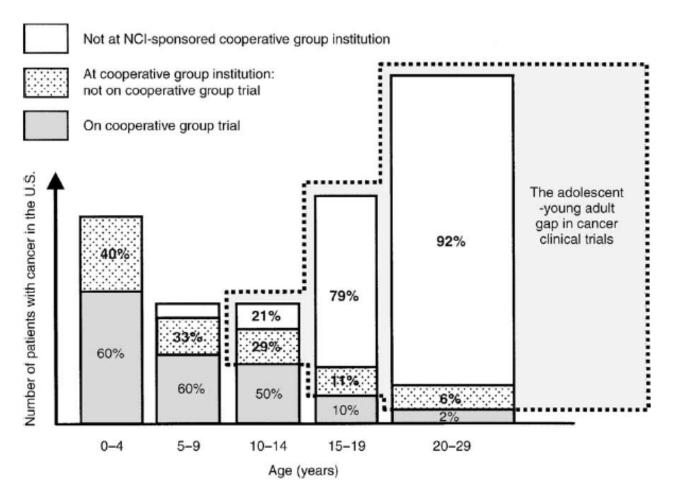
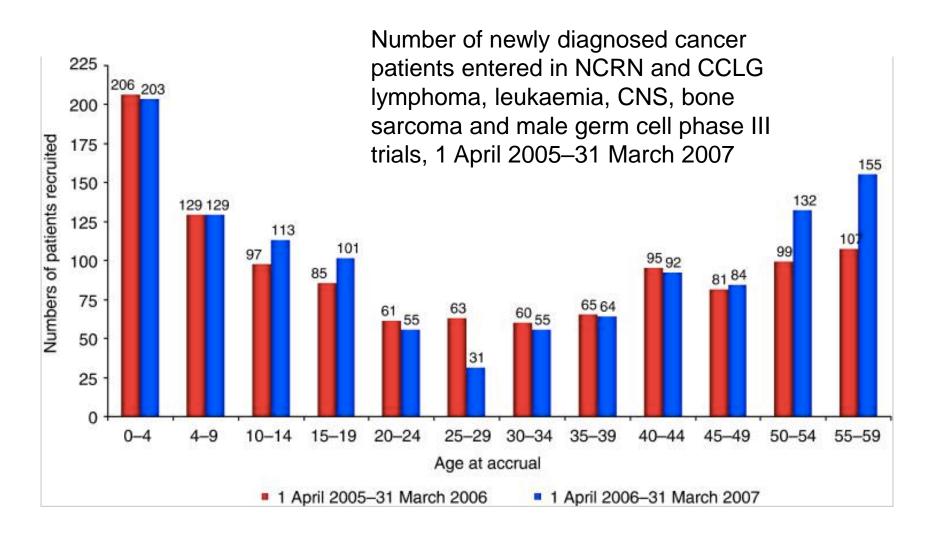
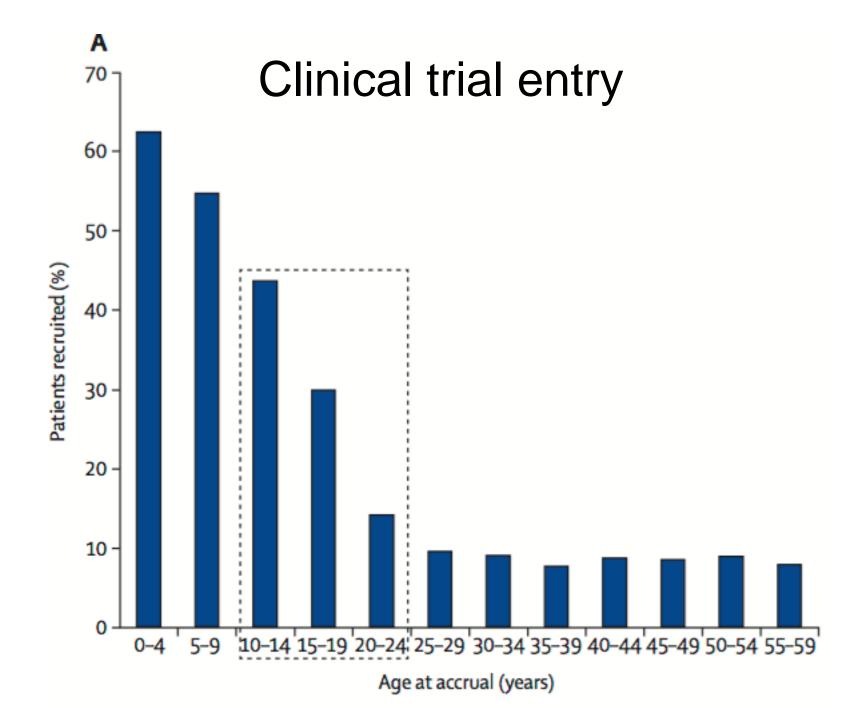


Fig. 5. The "adolescent and young adult gap" in cancer clinical trials [45,46].

From Albritton & Bleyer, Eur J Cancer 2003, 39, 2584 - 2599

Fern et al Br J Cancer 2008

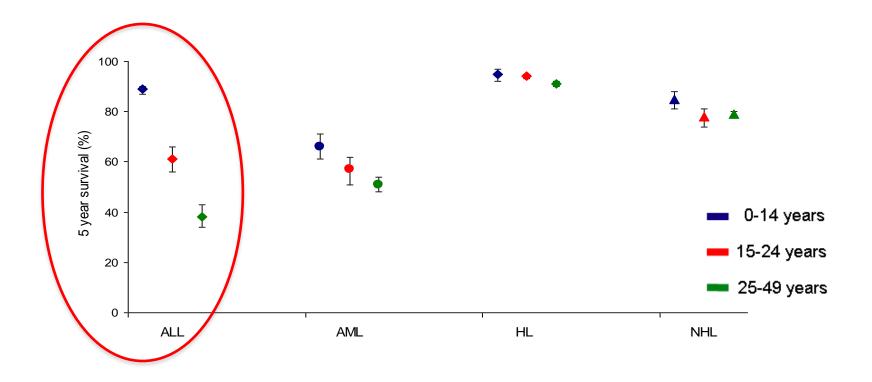




Improving participation in clinical trials

- Awareness
- Available
- Appropriate
- Access
- Acceptable

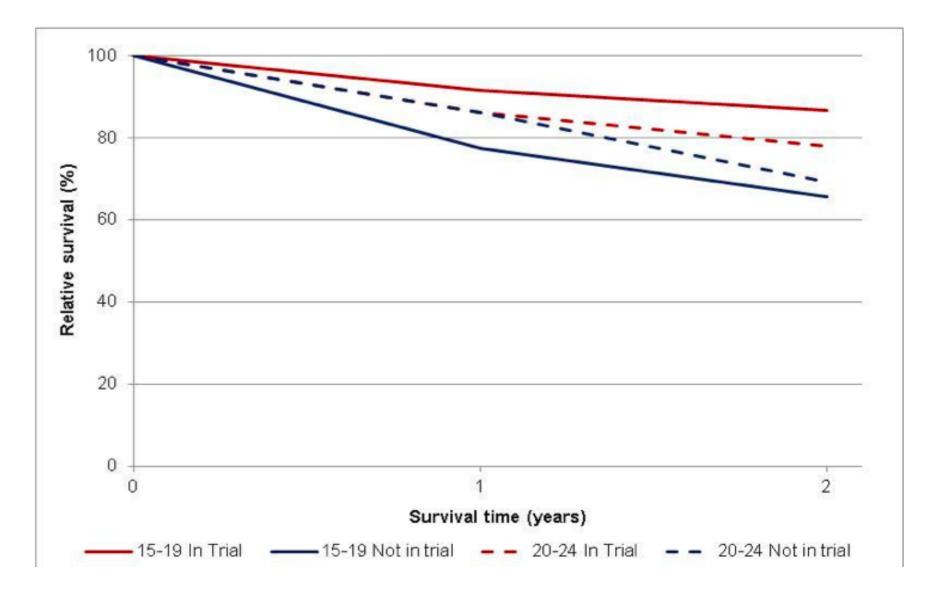
Clinical trial participation and outcomes in TYA in England with acute lymphoblastic leukaemia



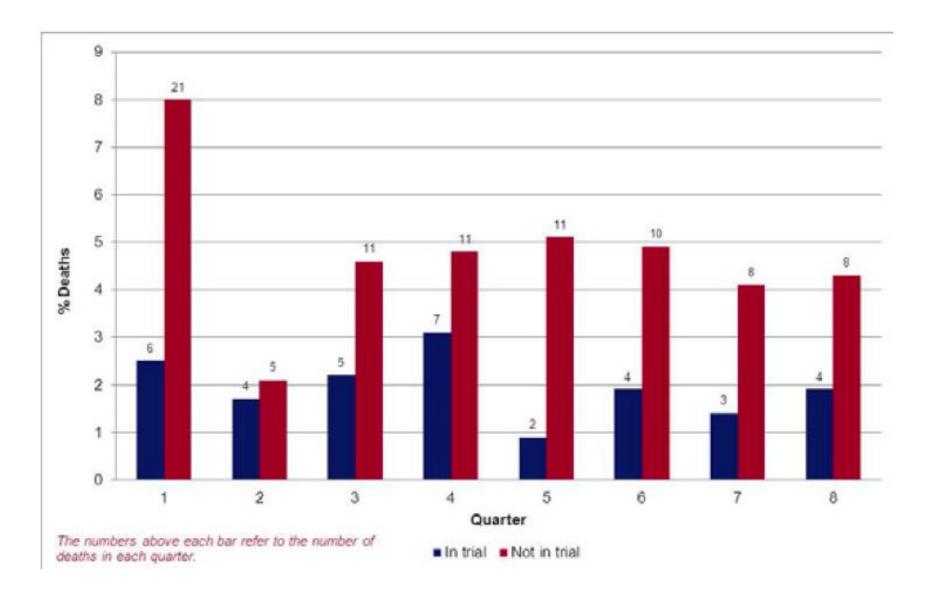
Number and percentage of study population recruited onto UKALL 2003 by year of diagnosis and age group

Year of diagnoses	15–17 years Proportion and percentage in trial		18–19 years Proportion and percentage in trial		20–24 years Proportion and percentage in trial	
2004	19/34	55.9%	0/6	0.0%	0/25	0.0%
2005	26/45	57.8%	0/20	0.0%	0/23	0.0%
2006	18/29	62.1%	9/26	34.6%	0/19	0.0%
2007	20/32	62.5%	8/14	57.1%	4/32	12.5%
2008	23/30	76.7%	16/18	88.9%	8/23	34.8%
2009	24/31	77.4%	13/20	65.0%	10/26	38.5%
2010	19/25	76.0%	8/11	72.7%	14/22	63.6%
2004–10	149/226	65.9%	54/115	47.0%	36/170	21.2%
2008–10	66/86	76.7%	37/49	75.5%	32/71	45.1%

One and two-year survival for 15–19 and 20–24 year olds with ALL diagnosed in 2004–10 by trial status



Number and % of deaths in 15-24 year olds with ALL by trial status for each quarter in the two years following



Trials

Biology

Compliance

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Characteristics of TYA Cancer

- Pathologically, not a 'speciality' in its own right diagnoses are evolving from 'typically' paediatric to 'typically' adult
- Clinical needs cannot be met effectively by either paediatric or adult oncology services acting independently
- Evidence that outcome is less good than it should be
- Incidence of cancer in (children and) young people is slowly increasing



National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence

Guidance on Cancer Services

Improving Outcomes in Children and Young People with Cancer

The Manual



August 2005

Defined services for patients up to age 24 years

"age-appropriate, safe and effective services as locally as possible, not local services as safely as possible".

Developed by the National Collaborating Centre for Cancer

TYA care – IOG core principles

- All 16 24 year olds will be discussed both by a TYA MDT and by the relevant site specific MDT
- All 16 18 year olds will be treated at a designated TYA Primary Treatment Centre (PTC) (with or without shared care in age appropriate facilities)
- All 19 24 year olds will be offered choice of treatment at a TYA PTC

What should the TYA service do....?

What should the TYA service do....?

Add value

Advocate

Facilitate

Communicate

How should it be organised.....?

Age and aspects of care for newly diagnosed CTYA with cancer in the South West

