

# Time trends and characterization of skin cancer incidence and mortality in Germany

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In Germany, cancer is the second leading cause of death and its burden is closely monitored on the national scale by federal cancer registries. In few federal states population-based cancer registration was established much earlier as for example in the Saarland where a registry was already founded in 1970. Generally, the burden of cancer is described by yearly rates of malignant neoplasm without non-melanoma skin cancer.

Non-melanoma skin cancer is a very frequent type of cancer, but rarely leads to death. In Germany as well as internationally, time trends and characterization of non-melanoma skin cancer are hardly available due to incomplete registry data. Since 2007 skin cancer screening exists in Germany and additionally impacts time trends. Based on long-term high-quality data from the population-based cancer registry of the Saarland this project aims analyse overall and subtype-specific incidence and mortality of non-melanoma skin cancer with respect to age, sex, calendar year and birth cohort.

For comparison all results will be contrasted with malignant skin cancer.

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