The Italian GBD cancer collaboration and the burden of cancer in Italy

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February 2018 – Joined the GBD Collaboration



- April 2018 First contact with Lorenzo Monasta from the **Italian GBD Initiative**
 - → Workshop Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Rome
- February 2019 Lorenzo organized **various WGs** (cardiovascular, brain, renal, skin diseases, cancer, behavioural risk factors, environmental risk factors,....)

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First aim:

Draft Publication on GBD 2017 cancer data (GBD 2017 Italy Cancer Collaboration)

Types of Collaborator-led GBD Papers

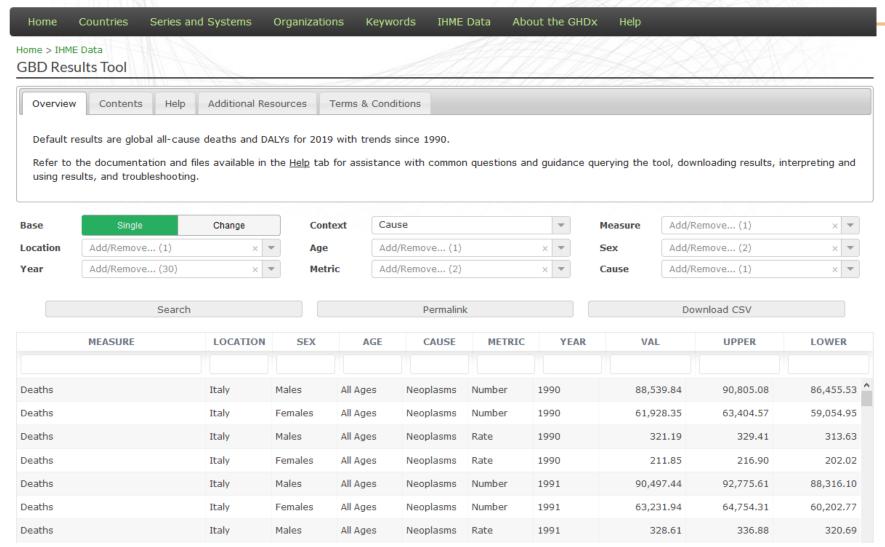
- Type A
- Type B
- Type C
 - Collaborator role: Develop concept and write paper; create tables/figures; serve as corresponding author
 - IHME role: Copy edit draft; circulate draft to collaborators; collate and clean comments; collect author forms; create author and affiliations lists

(GDB Webinar of Types of Collaborator-led GBD Papers - GBD Training: http://www.healthdata.org/gbd/training-workshops)

Draft manuscript preparation:

- Paper organization and draft of study Tables and Figures (all)
- Data extraction and elaboration (E.Traini, L. Monasta)
- First manuscript draft (C.Bos L.Monasta
- Revision (all)

Data on Incidence, Death, Number of years living with disability (YLDs),
Number of years of life lost (YLLs), Disability adjusted life years (DALYs) (raw
numbers, crude rates and age-standardized rates)
for 30 cancer sites and cancer overall, between 1990 and 2017



http://ghdx.healthdata.org/gbd-results-tool

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Draft manuscript sent to GBD-IHME collaborators (Molly R. Nixon, Sofia B Redford, Mohsen Naghavi) for their revision and circulation among GBD-IHME Cancer team

PAPER NATIONAL BURDEN OF CANCER IN ITALY, 1990-2017



National burden of cancer in Italy, 1990–2017: a systematic analysis for the global burden of disease study 2017

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We monitored the burden of cancer in Italy and its trends over the last three decades, providing estimates of cancer incidence, mortality, years of life lost, years lived with disability, and disability-adjusted life-years (DALYs), for cancer overall and 30 cancer sites using data from the Global Burden of Disease study 2017. An overview of mortality trends between 1990 and 2017 was also provided. In 2017, there were 254,336 new cancer cases in men and 214,994 in women, corresponding to an age-standardized incidence rate (ASIR) of 438 and 330/100,000, respectively. Between 1990 and 2017, incident cancer cases, and, to a lesser extent, ASIRs significantly increased overall and for almost all cancer sites, but ASIRs significantly declined for lung and other tobacco-related neoplasms. In 2017, there were 101,659 cancer deaths in men (age-standardized death rate, ASDR, 158.5/100,000) and 78,918 in women (ASDR 93.9/100,000). Cancer deaths significantly increased between 1990 and 2017

January 2020 – Workshop La Sapienza, Rome Evaluation of regional GBD 2019 estimates

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Comparison of Italian GBD cancer estimates with national and regional ones

Cancer mortality – GBD vs ISTAT

	GBD_2019	ISTAT_2017	Diff	Diff (%)
All neoplasms	194,701	180,085	14,616	8.1
Stomach	12892	9407	3485	37.1
Colon and rectum	25059	19407	5652	29.1
Tracheal, bronchus, and lung	37249	33904	3345	9.9
Malignant skin melanoma	2060	2065	- 5	-0.2
Breast	14522	12995	1527	11.8
Cervix	1580	494	1086	219.8
Uterine	1819	2695	-876	-32.5
Prostate	12444	7696	4748	61.7
Bladder	9025	6253	2772	44.3
Other malignant neoplasms	6036	20360	-14324	-70.4
Other neoplasms	2930	9531	-6601	-69.3

Cancer incidence – GBD vs AIRTUM

	GBD_2019	AIRTUM_2019	Diff	Diff (%)
All neoplasms	5,256,617	371,200	4,885,417	1316.1
Stomach	18868	14130	4738	33.5
Colon and rectum	61172	48900	12272	25.1
Tracheal, bronchus, and lung	42411	42690	-279	-0.7
Malignant skin melanoma	12443	12460	-17	-0.1
Breast	53927	53530	397	0.7
Cervical	3925	2630	1295	49.2
Prostate	45899	37200	8699	23.4
Bladder	29249	29580	-331	-1.1

Comparison of national and GBD cancer data



Italy collaborator meeting: GBD 2019 results review

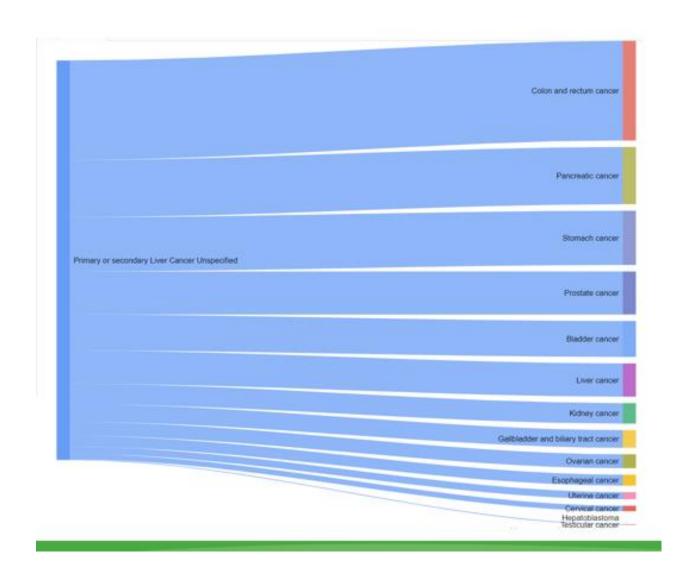
GBD Cancer Team June 5, 2020

- Difference in incidence due to changes in input sources in 2019 (outpatients' data) and inclusion of non-malignant cancers
- Major discrepancies in data due to redistribution of unspecified «garbage» codes (malignant neoplams without specification of cancer sites and unspecified liver cancers)

«Garbage» code redistribution

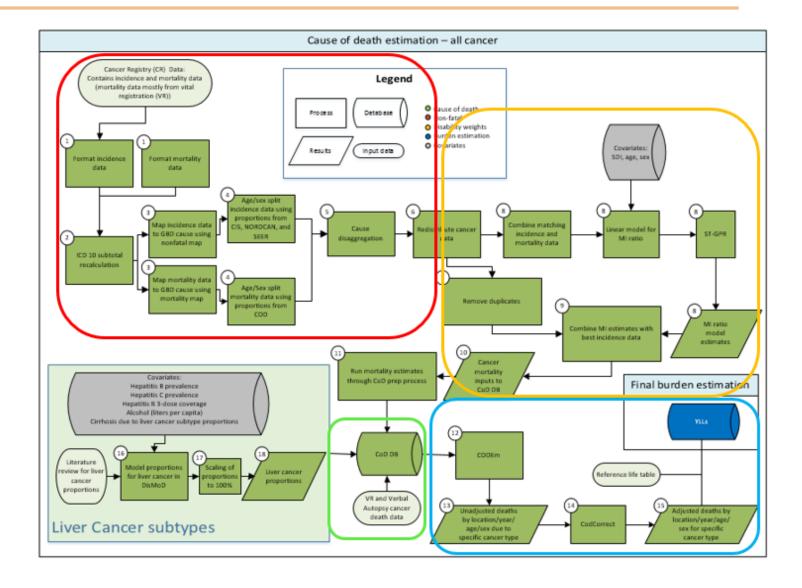
3500 unspecified liver cancers (C22.9)

→ 378 primary liver cancers



Cancer cause of death estimation overview

- Data prep
 - VR & VA
 - o CR
- MIR modeling 3
- COD modeling 4



Thank you!

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