

# EVERY YEAR A 100 WOMEN DIE OF CERVICAL CANCER IN DENMARK

## HOW COMMON?

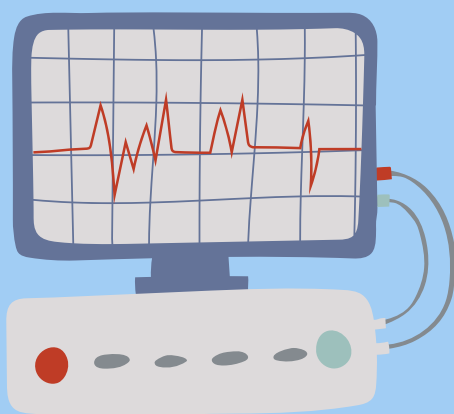


Each year 384 women get diagnosed with cervical cancer.

## BACKGROUND

- Cervical cancer arises from the chronic infection of HPV virus.
- HPV is a common virus that is passed from one person to another during sex. Around eight out of 10 women will become infected with genital HPV at some time in their lives. Most women who have the HPV infection never get cervical cancer
- Cervical cancer is the growth of abnormal cells in the lining of the cervix

## SURVIVAL RATE



When it comes to survival rates, Denmark scores the lowest out of their Nordic neighbours.

While survival rates in northern Europe average 59.6 percent, Denmark's rate is at just 50.9 percent.

## DURABILITY?



58 percent of Danish men and 61 percent of women are alive five years after their cancer diagnoses.

## PROBLEM

"One of the problems in Denmark is that we have spread the research and treatment of cancer out over many different hospitals. And each time a patient moves from one hospital to another, they lose time and information. Thus the risk of mistakes and uncertainty are increased greatly,"

-society head Leif Vestergaard Pedersen told news agency Ritzau (The Local, 2015)

## FUTURE?

in 2020 alone a 140 women died from cervical cancer.

Last week an article published an alternative method which involves MR scans. MR scans are used to guide the implantation of plastic needles with a radioactive source directly into a cancer tumour at the uterine cervix.

