2004 PANCREATIC CANCER FACTS

In America, one in three women, and one in two men will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime.

Approximately 31,860 people will be diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer this year in the United States and 31,270 people will die.

Pancreatic Cancer has the #1 fatality rate of all cancers.

Pancreatic Cancer is the #4 cancer killer in the United States amongst both men and women.

The 98% mortality rate for pancreatic cancer is the highest of any cancer.

Pancreatic Cancer does not discriminate by age, gender or race and only 4% of patients will survive beyond 5 years.

The average life expectancy after diagnosis with metastatic disease is just 3-6 months.

An estimated 36.5 million dollars was spent on pancreatic cancer research in 2003 of the National Cancer Institute’s (NCI) cancer research budget. This is just a mere 0.8 of 1% of the NCI’s 4.592 billion dollar cancer research budget for 2003.

Despite the especially lethal nature of pancreatic cancer, the research spending per pancreatic cancer patient is only $1145, the lowest of any leading cancer.

No effective early detection methods have been developed, there are minimal treatment options available and very little research is under way due to limited research funding.

It is time to take action against a disease that has been ignored for too long. We must take action now. Because if not now...when?

We have the power to do something about this disease.
You have the power to help us.
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