

Europe's Beating Cancer Plan



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Countries

Greece, Italy, Spain, Ukraine

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ELISAH - European Linkage of Initiative from Science to Action in Health

The ELISAH project aims to reduce the burden of breast cancer by acting on modifiable risk factors and involving NGOs and patient groups. This will include the study of environmental pollution, the built environment, exposure to unhealthy nutrition, lack of physical activity, and alcohol and tobacco use.

Studies have shown that your risk for breast cancer is due to a combination of factors. However, there is a gap between the vast number of published results and knowledge about the distribution of risk factors in the population. This project therefore aims to **translate scientific evidence into population health improvement**.

The project will focus on health inequalities, and actions will address both: lifestyle, considered at an individual and social level, and the environment, including both environmental pollution and the built-in environment. This includes tobacco use and vaping devices, physical inactivity, unhealthy diet, overweight and obesity, alcohol-related harm, the risks associated with breast implants, atmospheric pollution, and built environment elements such as green spaces and bicycle lanes.



There will be a special focus on measures aimed at reducing health inequalities in the following vulnerable groups: refugees from Ukraine, Ukraine people living under war conditions, and people living in disadvantaged neighbourhoods and areas.



Project deliverables include:

- A comprehensive picture of national cancer plans, breast cancer rates and risk factors in all EU Member States.
- Identification of inequalities in exposure to risks in Europe, proposals put forward in the scientific literature and actions listed by the Member States.
- Information on the exposure to atmospheric and water pollutants and evaluation of the built environment (e.g., green spaces) where women with a diagnosis of cancer work using the cancer registries of Italy, Greece, Spain and Ukraine.
- Elaboration of JRC ENCR data registries on breast cancer in EU countries.
- Data sharing through the development of a digital platform and a mobile app (BRCApp), a web-based dashboard for researchers.
- Improved capacity of project partner organisations to define the reasons behind health inequalities through analytical research.
- Reduced health inequalities through the introduction of new approaches on national/regional/local levels.

For more info

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Europe's Beating Cancer Plan makes use of the whole range of Commission funding instruments with a total of €4 billion being earmarked for actions addressing cancer. €1.25 billion from the EU4Health programme is being used to support actions and initiatives outlined in the Cancer Plan.

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