The Global Interaction of Sociodemographic Status with Prostate Cancer Over 26 Years

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Introduction

- Prostate cancer is a disease of the aging male
 - Average age of diagnosis 65 yrs
- 5-year survival rates in US approach 98%
- Early age of diagnosis + longer survival attributable to screening and diagnostic testing





Introduction

- In high-income countries, prostate cancer is already prevalent and exerting a significant societal burden
 - Morbidity due to disease and treatment
- As life expectancy and access to testing increases in low-income countries, so will prevalence of age-related diseases

Aim: To assess the global interaction of economic status with prostate cancer burden



Methods - Global Burden of Disease (GBD) Database

- GBD is an aggregate of thousands of worldwide registries, surveys, and health systems data from 1990-2017
- Disability-Adjusted Life Years (DALYs) were calculated (years lived with disease + years of life lost) and segregated by SDI quintile
- We trended estimates for DALYs for prostate cancer over 27 years, with subset analyses by sociodemographic (SDI) status





Results: DALYs Attributed to Prostate Cancer



Results: Prostate Cancer DALYs Compared to Other Sources of Urologic Malignancy

DALYs (Disability-Adjusted Life Years), number



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Global, Both sexes, All Ages, Prostate cancer
Global, Both sexes, All Ages, Testicular cancer
Global, Both sexes, All Ages, Kidney cancer
Global, Both sexes, All Ages, Bladder cancer



DALYs (Disability-Adjusted Life Years), rate per 100k

Results: DALYs Attributed to Prostate Cancer, Stratified by SDI as Compared to Tuberculosis



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Limitations

- Variability in standards of data gathering across the planet
- Challenges in diagnostic accuracy
 - Especially in indolent disease processes
- Disease severity and medical claims data are generalized from high-income countries
 - Ultimately underestimating morbidity in low- and middle- income countries



Discussion – Global Trends of Prostate Cancer

- Prostate cancer exerts a burden of disease that is vastly higher in the top quintile of SDI
 - 3 lowest quintiles represent majority of global population
- Contrasting example TB has its highest impact on the lowest SDI levels, but rates are declining
- As lower SDI countries overcome fatal diseases, a similar rise in prostate cancer can be expected



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