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## Age-related survival rates of patients with locally advanced uterine cervix cancer in Belarus

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The effect of age on overall observed survival (OOS) of patients with locally advanced uterine cervix cancer (UCC) has not been investigated until now.

*Objective*: estimating 5- and 10-year OOS rates in UCC patients of different age.

*Materials and methods:* The study considered the data of 7379 stage II-IV UCC patients derived from Belarusian Cancer Registry. Stage II UCC was in 4088 women, stage III – in 2716, stage IV – in 575. There were 2225 (30.1%) patients of young age in the cohort, 1445 (19.6%) were 46-54 years old, 2407 (32.6%) were 55-69 years of age, 1306 (17.7%) were 70 or older. The Kaplan-Meier method was used to calculate OOS, the confidence interval was determined by Greenwood's formula.

Results: 5-year OOS for stage II UCC did not reach 60%, and 10-year OOS was lower than 50%. No relation of these rates to patient age was found. 5-year OOS for stage III UCC was 19.0% in patients of 70 years or older, 10-year OOS – 10.0%. In the other age groups the 5-year survival rate was higher (30.0%), 10-year – 21-28.0%. The 5-year survival rate for stage IV UCC varied from 5 to 10%, 10-year – from 1 to 10%. Most of the patients died within the first year of follow-up. The highest OOS rate (10%) was in young women before 45 years of age.

Conclusions: In patients with locally advanced UCC, the age affects OOS only in cases of stages III and IV of the malignant disease.