Roadmap for the Prevention and Treatment of Colorectal Cancer in Europe

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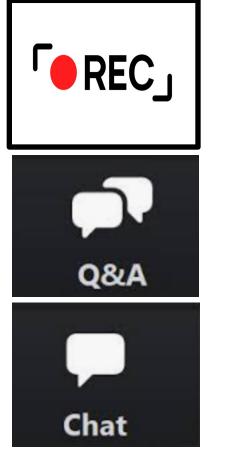
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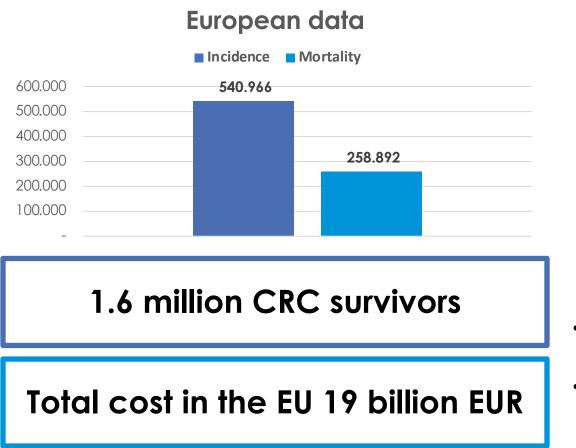
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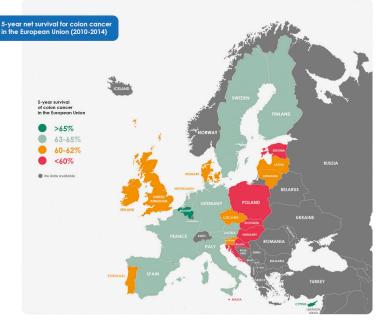
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## Colorectal Cancer (CRC) - Key Facts





- Why are not all patients treated with the same care?
- Why are differences arising within the same country, where all patients can benefit from the same system?

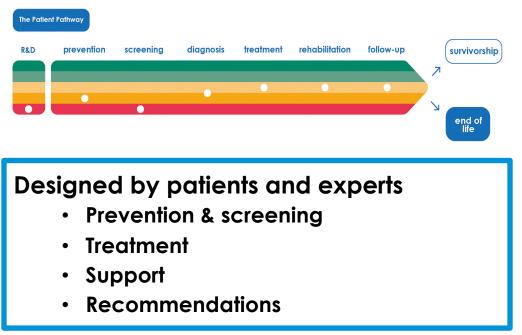


### The Roadmap

- Patients are treated sub-optimally
- Investments are not made to achieve the best possible results
- Tax-payers' money is being wasted

The potential upside of applying best practices everywhere is huge, even without further technological innovation

#### Covers all aspects related to the CRC management



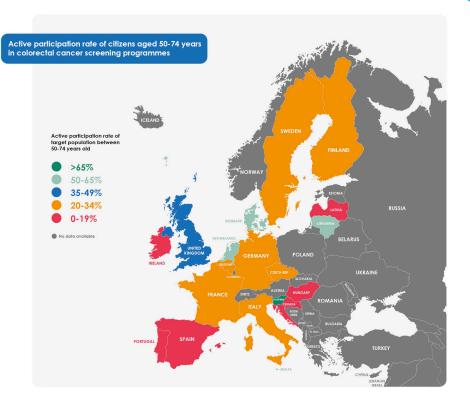


### Prevention & Screening

	Stage I	Stage II	Stage III	Stage IV	
Chance of survival	90%	75%	70%	10%	
Netherlands and Slovenia have 48% of CRC patients diagnosed at stage I					

Only 14% of EU citizens between 50 and 74 year old have the opportunity to participate in a formal populationbased CRC screening programme

> 55% could be prevented





#### CRC Roadmap Recommendations (1)

MS Invest more in prevention and citizen education on lifestyle choices and risk of disease

Significantly increase the CRC screening efforts - they have demonstrated to save lives and money

I can tell you how to go through it together when you feel alone.

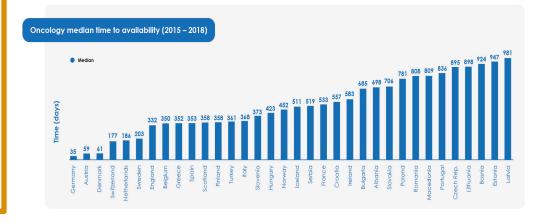
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#### Treatment

- CRC patients have a greater chance of survival if they are operated in hospitals with a high case load
- Shared Decision-Making leads to higher patient satisfaction and less 'decision regrets'
- It is essential that patients are provided with the full picture of their diagnosis, treatment options and longterm consequences of both the disease and the treatment

 It may take many years from the approval by the EMA until the approval for pricing and reimbursement at the national level





### CRC Roadmap Recommendations (2)

MS	No public money should be given to any healthcare stakeholder without the full demonstration of outcomes
MS	Reduce the number of treatment centers to specialised Comprehensive Cancer Networks
MS	Invest in access to new medicines; do not use delaying tactics for fiscal reasons



### CRC Roadmap Recommendations (3)

Н	Apply all the international guidelines for cancer care in a systematic way
Н	Hospitals that do not meet the requirements should associate themselves with a specialised cancer center
н	Hospitals should have systems of Shared Decision-Making so that patients can be fully informed



# Support

- 30-45% of cancer patients and survivors experience high levels of cancer-related distress
- During chemotherapy, weight loss occurs in 40%–92% of patients 65 years and older
- CRC who received individualised nutritional counseling to maintain protein and energy intake experienced less treatment toxicity, better QoL, and lower mortality
- Physically active cancer survivors have a lower risk of cancer recurrence and improved survival compared with those who are inactive
- Only 53% of physicians gave their cancer patients advice on physical activity



### CRC Roadmap Recommendations (4)

Н	All patients should have access to the information on nutrition, physical activity and psychological support
Н	Hospitals should refer patients to dedicated patient organisations immediately after diagnosis
PO	Work with hospitals to create the best possible services for patients after diagnosis



#### CRC Roadmap Recommendations (5)

PO	Become the custodian of the patient journey, advocating from prevention to end of life to improve every step of the way
PO	Capture the collective intelligence of all members to give information and provide insights on how CRC treatment can be improved
MS	Support and fund POs, so that patients can achieve the full support needed throughout the patient journey





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