

Opportunities to Advance Subsequent Neoplasm Ascertainment in Survivors of Childhood Cancer

Pilot use of the Virtual Pooled Registry

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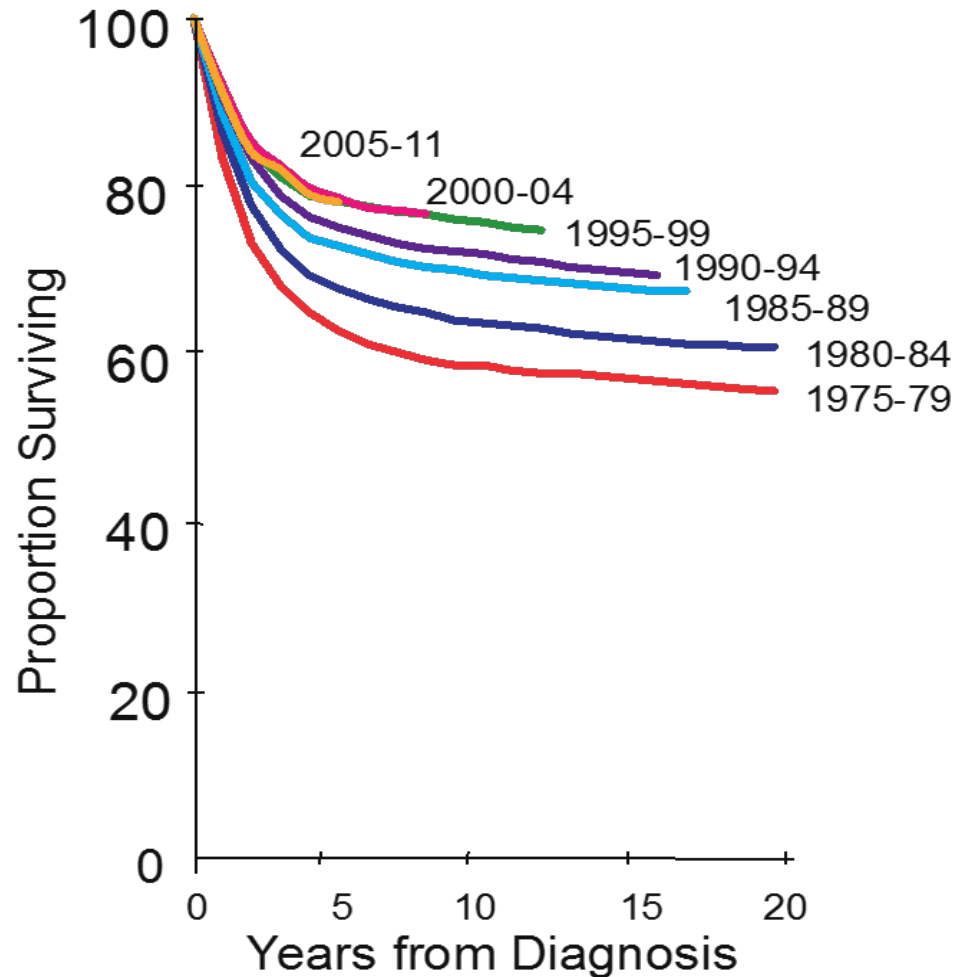
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Childhood Cancer
Survivor Study

An NCI-funded Resource

Cancer Survival, 0-14 Years of Age

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Survivorship Statistics

- >83% of children with a malignancy will achieve five-year survival
- In 2013, estimated 420,000 survivors of childhood cancer in the U.S.
- By 2020, estimated 500,000 survivors
- 1 in 750 in US is a childhood cancer survivor

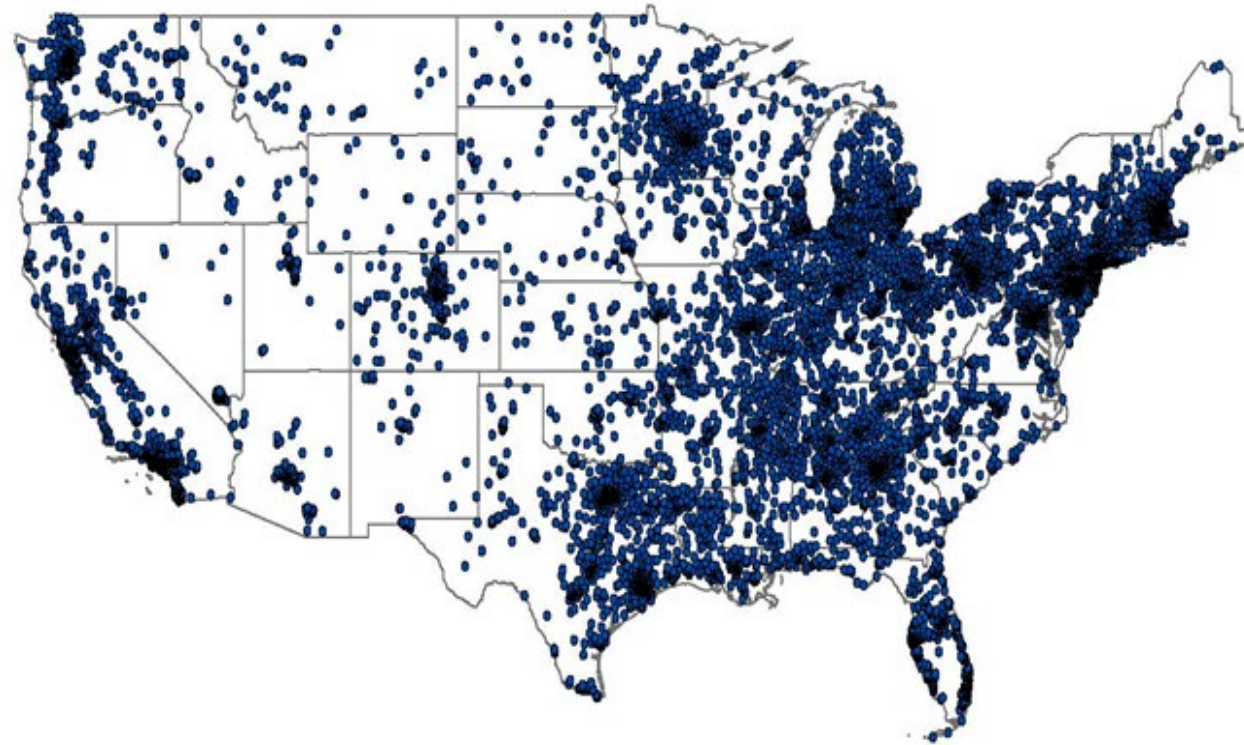
- **Limitations of single institution studies**
 - Sample size
 - Heterogeneity of exposure
- **Lack of extended follow-up of childhood cancer survivors**
 - Incomplete and passive follow-up

Childhood Cancer Survivor Study (U24 CA 55727)

Study Participants

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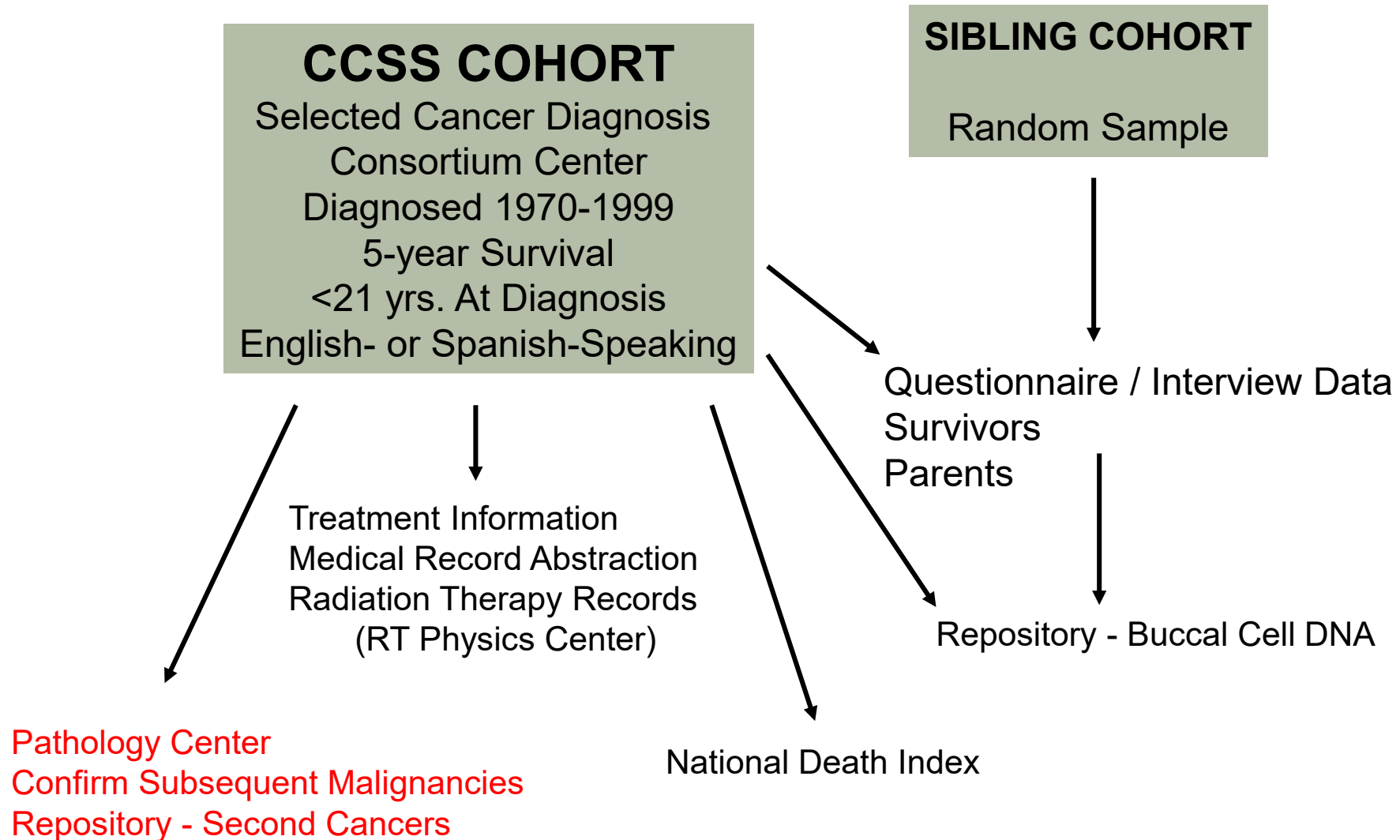
- Funded in 1994
- Retrospective cohort, survivors diagnosed 1970-1999
- 31 contributing centers
- 5-year survival
- Leukemia, lymphoma, CNS, bone, Wilms, NBL, soft-tissue and bone sarcoma
- Detailed treatment data
- Wide range of health outcomes
- 37,593 eligible; 25,664 participating



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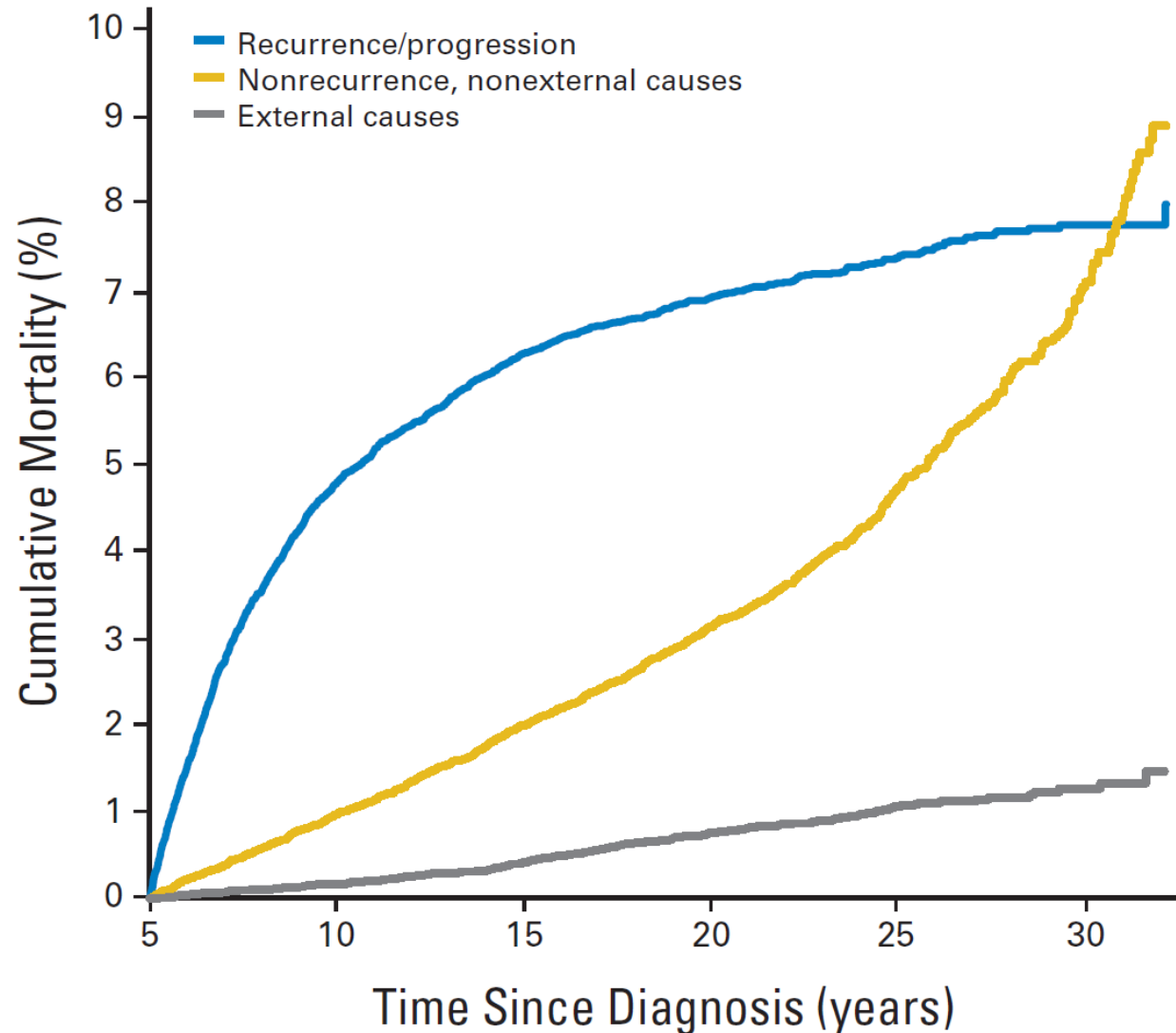
Study Overview

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Cause-specific Late Mortality Among Aging Survivors

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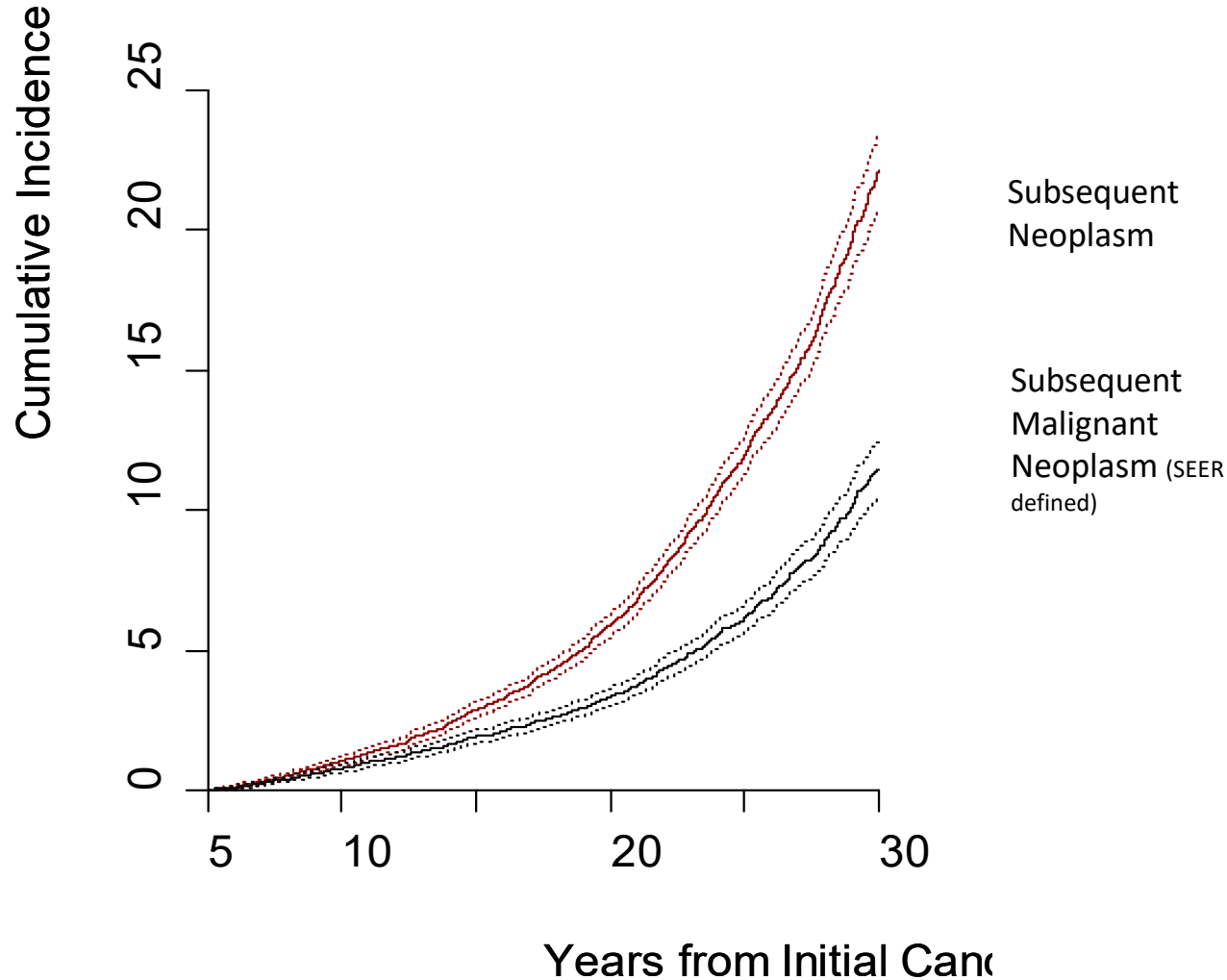
Standardized
Mortality Ratio

SMN = 15.2

Cardiac = 7.0

Subsequent Neoplasms Among 5+ Year Survivors of Childhood Cancer

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N= 14,359 five-years survivors of leukemia, lymphoma, neuroblastoma, CNS, bone, soft-tissue and kidney cancer

- Cumulative incidence of subsequent neoplasm at 30 years = **22%**
- Cumulative incidence of subsequent malignancy at 30 years = **11%**
- Well-established association with radiotherapy

Anthracycline Chemotherapy and Risk for Subsequent Neoplasms

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- Nested case/control, 271 women with subsequent breast cancer
- Odds ratio for breast cancer increased with cumulative anthracycline dose:
 - OR per 100mg/m² = 1.23 (95% CI 1.09-1.3)

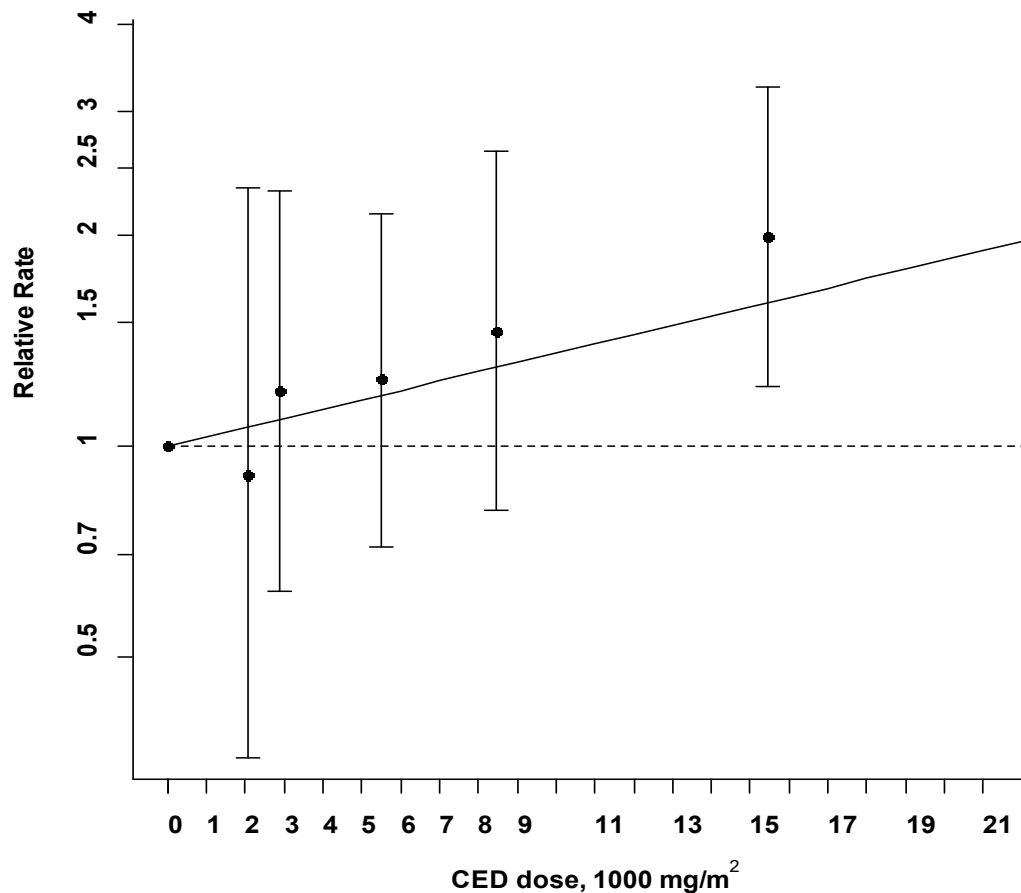
Breast RT Dose	Anthracyclines	
	No	Yes
	OR (95% CI)	OR (95% CI)
0 - <1Gy	1.0	1.0
1 - <10Gy	2.1 (0.9-4.8)	3.7 (1.4-10.3)
10+ Gy	9.6 (4.4-20.7)	19.1 (7.6-48.0)

Anthracycline chemotherapy increases risk for breast cancer.

Chemotherapy and Risk for Subsequent Neoplasms

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Cumulative Alkylating Dose and SMN



- 7,448 treated with chemo only
- Linear dose response for **Alkylators**
- SMN risk associated with high dose (>750 mg/m²) **cisplatin**: RR 2.7, 95% CI 1.1-6.5

There is emerging evidence for novel associations between chemotherapy exposures and SMNs decades later.

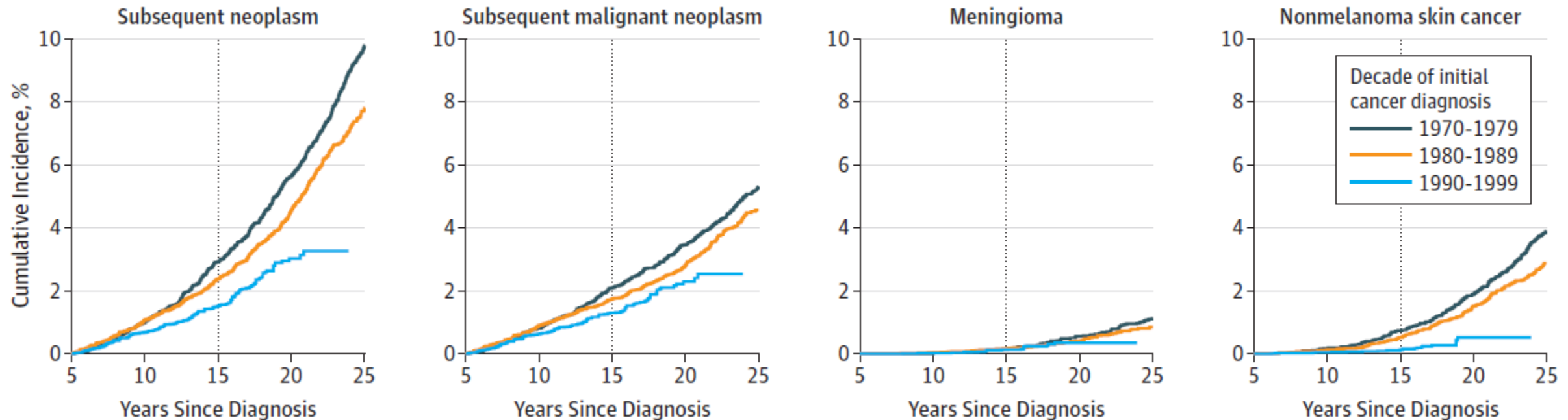
Studies across larger populations and multiple cohorts are needed.

Childhood Cancer Survival: Subsequent Neoplasms

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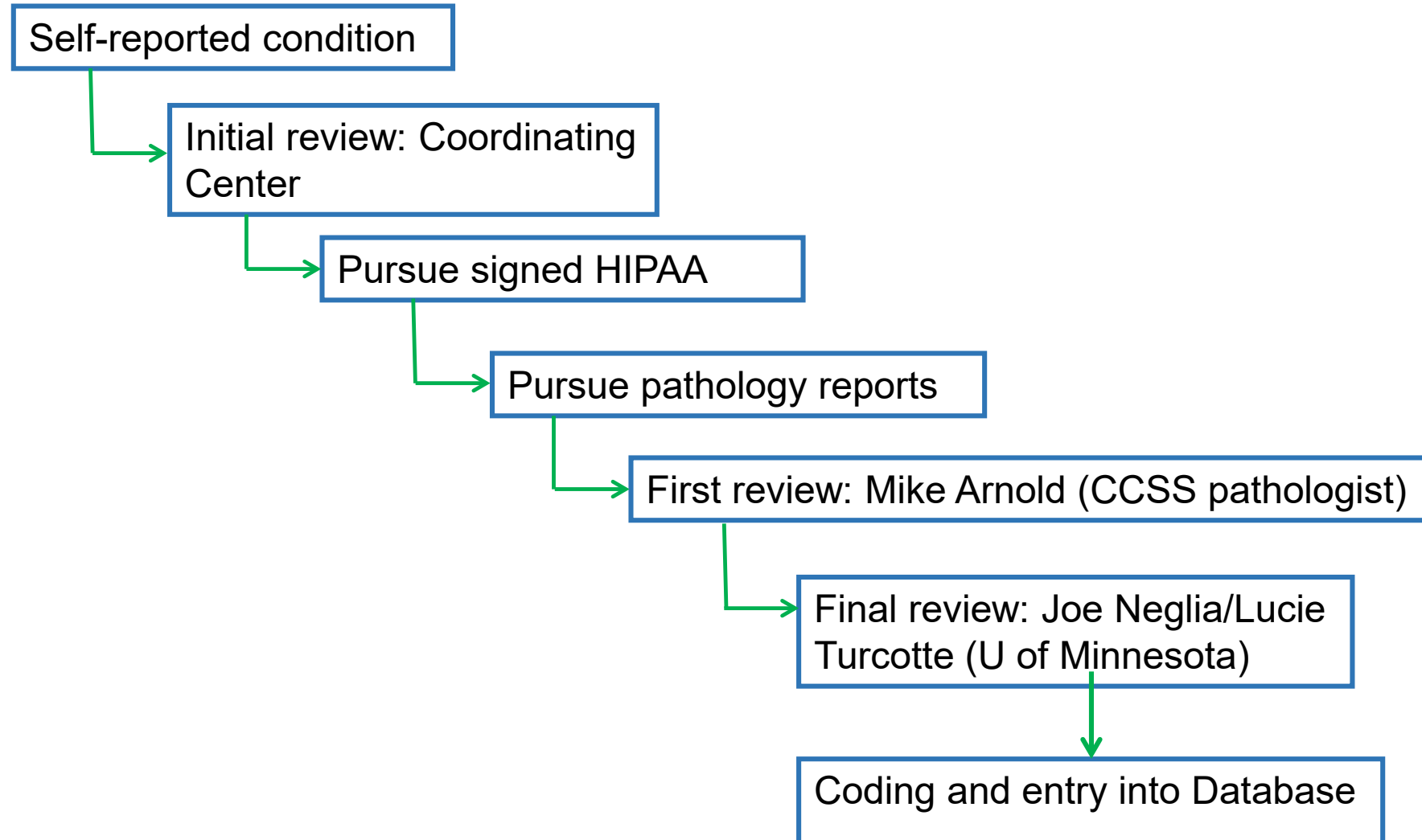
- Reduced risk for SN and SMN for survivors diagnosed in more recent decades

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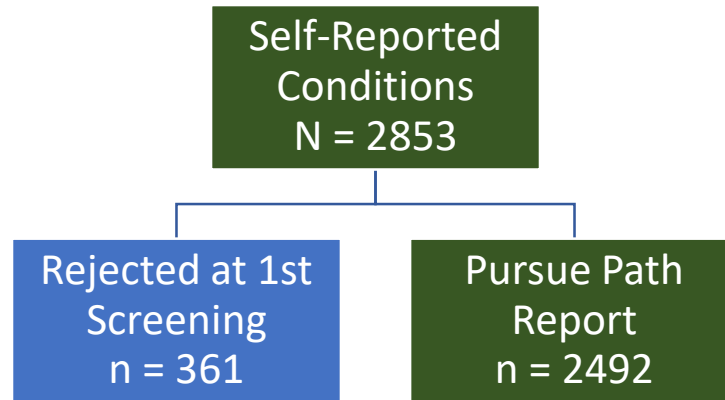
Subsequent Neoplasm Review and Confirmation

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Magnitude of SN Review: Follow-up 6 Survey

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Virtual Pooled Registry

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Funded by NCI SEER and managed by NAACCR

Designed to facilitate minimal risk linkage studies

- One-stop-shopping for linkage application and secure file exchange
- Standard linkage methodology across registries
- Streamlined process to apply for and track registry/IRB requests for release of individual-level data

Minimize burden and cost to researchers and registries/IRBs

Increase ease of access and timely use of high quality and complete registry data

VPR Cancer Linkage System (VPR-CLS)

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Virtual Pooled Registry Cancer Linkage System (VPR-CLS) is a one-stop-shop for researchers with multiple cancer registries, providing a platform for the submission, management, and use of this valuable source of data.

The VPR-CLS is focused on minimal risk linkage studies. In order to utilize the VPR-CLS, the following requirements must be met:

1. Study has (or will have) an existing cohort
2. Study has a current IRB-approval OR is exempt from IRB-approval
3. The IRB-approved protocol includes linkage with cancer registries
4. Study consent form includes linkage with cancer registries OR study has a specific waiver of informed consent to link with registries

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Learn About the VPR-CLS

Sharing datasets with the greater research community.

Active Requests: 22

Phase I successfully completed:

- Test linkage performed by 34 state registries (74.5% of U.S. population)
- Varying coverage through 2016 (23 registries included data from 1995+)
 - 10,440 total high quality matches (not requiring manual review)
 - 6,541 matched with the primary childhood cancer (2 year window)
 - **3,899** matches classified as a subsequent neoplasm

Participating Studies: Childhood Cancer Survivor Study and Transplant Cancer Match Study

Provides requestor with the following:

- Review of Phase I match counts and selection of Phase II registries
- Online completion and submission of Templated IRB/Registry Application (TIRA) to accepting registries
- List of any state-specific forms or additional required documents
- Ability to track the status of application review, approval, DUA completion, and data release
- Information on renewal, publication, and data destruction requirements
- Automated registry and requestor reminders to ensure progress

VPR: Phase II, Ongoing

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Phase 2: Obtain individual-level data on the matched cases

- Each registry has its own requirements for releasing data
- VPR has developed and obtained registry approvals for:

Templated IRB/Registry application (TIRA)

Templated Data Use Agreement (planned)



Avoid need for 50 separate applications

Progress:

- Of 30 selected registries 26 have accepted VPR template, 14 approved study, 10 under review
- CCSS has received data from six registries to date (others in progress)

Coverage: Represents 54% of U.S population, 80% of phase I matches

-adding Texas increases to 62% of U.S. and 89% of match counts

VPR Challenges

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A variety of documents may be required in addition to TIRA, with varying requirements for each registry:

- Legal agreements: data use, confidentiality, data transfer, and PI assurances
- Study materials: protocol, IRB outcome letter, consent form, grant award verification
- Research team credentials: human subjects research training certificates, CVs

A comprehensive library of registry documents and requirements is needed in the VPR portal.

- Many of the applications and agreements direct the researcher to reference other documents or include a checklist of additional required documents

Terms and agreements for the registries have been non-negotiable with very rare exception.

- Administrative management is required to ensure continued compliance with each registry

Strengths of using VPR to ascertain SNs

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- Evaluate all survivors for CCSS (37,593) vs. active participants (25,664)
 - Reduce potential participation bias in longitudinal follow-up
- Avoid use of self-report as primary ascertainment methodology
- Reduction in effort/resources
 - No HIPPA authorization, contact of institutions to obtain report
 - Limited case review

Summary: the VPR may provide an opportunity to improve the validity of subsequent neoplasm ascertainment while reducing time and cost