

Why Cancer is So Hard to Cure

Cancer is very hard to **cure** / because it is complicated / and can be different in many ways. // One big reason is that / cancer is not just one disease / but a group of related diseases. // Each type of cancer, / like breast, lung, or prostate cancer, / has its own **unique features**, / making a **universal** cure difficult to develop. //

Another reason is the **genetic** differences / within cancer cells.// As cancer grows, / the cells can change quickly, / leading to a mixed group of cells in one **tumor**.// These differences allow some cells to **resist treatment**, / **survive**, / and keep growing. //

Also, / cancer can spread / to other parts of the body, / making treatment harder. // When cancer cells move from the original site to other organs, / it becomes more challenging / to **target** and **get rid of** all cancerous cells. //

Additionally, / **chemical** and **radiation** treatments / can be very **tough** on the body, / often causing bad **side effects** / and sometimes hurting healthy cells. // Balancing / between killing cancer cells and saving normal cells/ is tricky and hard to do.//

がんを**治療**するのはとても難しい / なぜなら、がんは複雑で / さまざまな点で異なるからだ// 大きな理由のひとつは / がんがただ単にひとつの病気ではなく / 関連する病気のグループであるということだ// それぞれのがんには / 乳がん、肺がん、前立腺がんなど / それぞれ**独特な特徴**を持ち / (それらが) **普遍的な**治療法を開発するのが困難にしている//

もう1つの理由は**遺伝的**多様性である / がん細胞内の// がんが増殖するにつれて/ 細胞は急速に変化し / 一つの**腫瘍**に複数の細胞が混在するようになる// このような違いにより、一部の細胞は治療に**抵抗**し / **生き残り** / 増殖を続けることができる//

さらに / がんは広がる可能性がある / 体の他の部位に / そうすると治療がさらに難しくなる// がん細胞が元の部位から他の臓器に移動すると/ より難しくなる/ すべてのがん細胞を**標的**とし、**取り除く**ことが//

さらに / 化学療法と放射線治療は / 体には非常に**厳しい**もので / しばしば悪い**副作用**を引き起こし / 時には健康な細胞を傷つけることもある。// バランスを取るとは / がん細胞を殺し、正常な細胞を救うことの/ 厄介で難しいことだ。//

Vocabulary and Phrases

cure	治療する
unique	独特の
feature	特徴
universal	普遍的な
genetic	遺伝的 / 遺伝の
tumor	腫瘍 (しゅよう)
resist	:できもの、はれもの 抵抗する

treatment	治療
survive	生き残る
target	標的にする
get rid of	根絶する
tough	厳しい
side effect	副作用

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【Listen & Fill Blank】

Cancer is very hard to _____ because it is complicated and can be different in many ways. One big reason is that _____ is not just one disease but a group of related _____. Each type of cancer, like _____, lung, or prostate cancer, has its own _____, making a _____ cure difficult to develop.

Another reason is the _____ differences within cancer cells. As cancer grows, the cells can change quickly, leading to a _____ group of cells in one _____. These differences allow some cells to _____ **treatment**, _____, and keep growing.

Also, cancer can _____ to other parts of the body, making treatment harder. When cancer cells move from the original site to other organs, it becomes more challenging to _____ and _____ all cancerous cells.

Additionally, _____ and _____ treatments can be very _____ on the body, often causing bad **side effects** and sometimes hurting _____ cells. _____ between killing cancer cells and saving normal cells is _____ and hard to do.

【Q&A / A&Q】

Question 1: What types of cancer are mentioned in the text?

Question 2: Why is it hard to target and remove all cancerous cells?

Question 3: Is it always safe to treat cancer with chemotherapy and radiation?

Ask 1: Cancer についての質問を英語で書いてください。

Ask 2: Cancer treatment についての質問を英語で書いてください。

Ask 3: 本文について知りたいことを英語で書いてください。

Sample Answer 1: Breast, lung and prostate cancers.

Sample Answer 2: Because cancer can metastasize from the original tumor site to other parts of the body.

Sample Answer 3: No. These treatments can be very harsh on the body, often causing bad side effects, and sometimes hurting healthy cells.

Sample Question 1: What is the cause of cancer?
How fast does cancer metastasize?

Sample Question 2: Are there any other cancer treatments?
How does an oncologist (doctor who treats cancer patients) decide which treatment to use?

Sample Question 3: Is it possible to find a universal cure in the future?
How many deaths are caused by cancer every year?