#### Evidence tables female fertility preservation

## Who should be informed about potential infertility risk?

*Gupta et al.* Assessing information and service needs of young adults with cancer at a single institution: the importance of information on cancer diagnosis, fertility preservation, diet and exercise. Supportive Care in Cancer 2013; 21:2477-2484

| Study design<br>& Main study objective | Participants and relevant<br>characteristics | Relevant results<br>(per outcome)                                | Additional remarks                  |
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| <u>1. Study design</u>                 | 1. Type and number of participants           | <u>1. Outcome(s) definition</u>                                  | <u>1. Strengths</u>                 |
| Single center cross-                   | 243 cancer patients receiving                | Outcome 1: Importance of information on fertility effects        | - The questionnaire used was an     |
| sectional (survey) study               | treatment, or within 5 years of              | from treatment and fertility preservation                        | existing published item, adapted to |
|  | completion of treatment                      | Outcome 2: Importance of information on treatments for           | reflect the study site, and piloted |
| 2. Main study objective                |  | infertility and other options for having children                |                                     |
| To identify the                        | 61.3% male                                   |  | - Participants were representative  |
| information and service                | 40.1% currently receiving cancer             | 2. Results outcome 1 and outcome 2                               | of a wide range of diagnoses        |
| needs of young adults                  | treatment                                    | Desire for information in fertility preservation discussion      | relevant in this age group, and of  |
| with cancer to inform a                |  |  | both on and off treatment groups    |
| program development                    | 2. Age (at diagnosis) of participants        | Survey question: Information about effects of cancer             |                                     |
|  | NR   | treatment on your ability to have children in the future and     | 2. Limitations                      |
| 3. Additional study                    | Age at study: median 28 years (17-           | how to preserve your fertility before starting treatment         | - Single center study (results have |
| characteristics, if                    | 35 years)                                    |  | low external validity)              |
| <u>relevant</u>                        |  | Median 10 (range 1-10); mean (SD) 8.77 (2.23)                    |                                     |
| Survey conducted                       | 3. Number of participants per                | males: mean 8.45 (2.34)  | - Risk of selection bias: no        |
| November 2010                          | diagnosis                                    | females: mean 9.28 (1.94)  | information on how the 243          |
|  | 23(9.5%) brain tumour                        |  | patients were selected              |
| Adapted existing survey                | 19(7.8%) breast, ovarian, cervical           | Survey question: Information on treatment for infertility and    |                                     |
| to use Likert Scale of                 | cancers                                      | other options for having children (i.e. artificial insemination, | - Convenience sample (survey        |
| importance (1-10)                      | 46(18.9%) leukaemia                          | in vitro fertilization, surrogacy, adoption etc)                 | administered to those attending     |
|  | 69(28.4%) lymphoma                           |  | ambulatory care centre of           |
| Study participants were                | 21(8.6%) sarcoma                             | Median: 9 (range 1-10); mean (SD) 7.81 (2.85)                    | Canadian adult tertiary cancer      |
| asked how important it                 | 40(16.5%) testicular cancers                 | males: mean (SD) 7.50 (2.90)                                     | centre)                             |
| was to them                            | 25(10.5%) colon, other cancers               | females: mean (SD) 8.30 (2.72)                                   |                                     |
| to get information on a                |  |  | - No report of ethnicity of         |
| certain resource as part               | 4. Additional participants                   | 3. If applicable, results per additional outcomes                | participants                        |
| of a program                           | characteristics, if relevant                 | - Females rated information on FP methods (p=0.004) and          |                                     |
| for young adult cancer                 | 162 (66.7%) Single/never married             | risk of infertility (p=0.033) as more important than did males   | - Actual questions of survey not    |
| survivors, or have it                  | 68 (28%) Married/common-law                  | - Presence of existing children did not significantly impact on  | included in report                  |

| included in the program                    | 49 (20.3%) Have existing children | importance of information regarding risk to fertility from cancer treatment (p=0.65)  | <ul> <li>Risk of reporting bias (as use of survey)</li> </ul> |
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| Fertility items were 2 out of 18 questions |                                   | <ul> <li>Those who had completed active therapy showed a trend<br/>towards rating receiving information about fertility as more<br/>important than those on active treatment p=0.052</li> </ul> |   |
| Item responses averaged                    |                                   |   |   |
| for entire sample                          |                                   |   |   |

NR: not reported; SD: standard deviation; FP: fertility preservation; SD: standard deviation

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| <b>Yeomanson et al</b> . Di<br>2000                      | scussing fertility preservation at the time | e of cancer diagnoses: dissatisfaction of young females. Ped Blo | od Cancer 2013;60:196-      |  |  |
| Study design   |   |  |                             |  |  |
| & Main study   | Participants and relevant                   | Relevant results   | Additional remarks          |  |  |
| 1 Study design   | 1 Type and number of participants           | 1 Outcome(s) definition  | 1 Strengths                 |  |  |
| Structured and   | 290 current and former cancer               | <u>1. Outcome 1. Recall of FP discussion taking place</u>        | - Large cohorts with        |  |  |
| standardized   | patients attending a cancer trust           | Outcome 2 Timing of FP discussion                                | same data collection        |  |  |
| survey   | conference:                                 | Outcome 3. Satisfaction with FP discussion                       | method allowing             |  |  |
|  | 150 delegates in 2004                       |  | comparisons between         |  |  |
| 2. Main study  | 140 delegates in 2011                       | 2. Results outcome 1   | 2004 and 2011               |  |  |
| objective  | 5   | Boys   |                             |  |  |
| To ascertain if the                                      | Participation rate:                         | 60, 87% (2004) ; 57, 80.3% (2011)                                | - Data collection           |  |  |
| increased level of                                       | In 2004: 150/179 = 84% (69 males; 81        | Girls  | technique by pressing       |  |  |
| academic and   | females)                                    | 50, 61.7% (2004); 45, 65.2% (2011)                               | buttons of handset (non-    |  |  |
| clinical interest in                                     | In 2011: 140/152= 92% (71 males;            |  | embarrassing, non-          |  |  |
| fertility  | 69 females)                                 | 3. Results outcome 2   | threatening)                |  |  |
| preservation has   |   | Before treatment   |                             |  |  |
| led to a change in                                       | Inclusion criteria:                         | Boys 2004 N=38 (63.3%); Boys 2011 N=44()77.2%; Girls             |                             |  |  |
| self-reported  | current or former patient                   | 2004 N=19(38%), Girls 2011 N=31(68.9%)**                         | 2. Limitations              |  |  |
| experiences of   | < 13 years at start of                      | During treatment   |                             |  |  |
| discussions about  | treatment/diagnosis                         | Boys 2004 N=16(26.7%); Boys 2011 N=12(21.1%); Girls 2004         | - Risk of selection bias as |  |  |
| FP or any  | in 2011 sample: not participated in         | N=26(52.0%); Girls 2011 N=8(17.8%)                               | study sample recruited      |  |  |
| improvement in   | 2004  | After treatment:   | from participants on a      |  |  |
| level of satisfaction                                    |   | Boys 2004 N=6(10.0%); Boys 2011 N=1(1.8%); Girls 2004            | conference for former       |  |  |
| of those   |   | N=5(10.0%); Girls 2011 N=6(13.3%)                                | cancer patients and their   |  |  |

| discussions         | 2. Age (at diagnosis) of participants |  | relatives (may impact       |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
|                     | Median age start treatment:           | **Differences between 2004 and 2011 were significant for       | generalizability of         |
|                     | 2004: Boys 16 years (13-22); girls 15 | girls who reported discussion before treatment                 | results)                    |
| 3. Additional study | years (13-21)                         | Chi square 12.27 p=0.002                                       |                             |
| characteristics, if | 2011: Boys 16years (13-22); girls 17  |  | - Risk of reporting bias as |
| <u>relevant</u>     | years (13-22)                         | No differences in timing found for boys between 2004/2011      | use of self-reported        |
| - Two cohorts of    |                                       |  | data, collected             |
| delegates of a      | Median age at study:                  | 3. Results outcome 3   | retrospectively (no check   |
| teenage cancer      | 2004: Boys 18years (14-23); girls     | Satisfaction with content of fertility preservation discussion | with medical records)       |
| trust conference    | 17years (14-23)                       |  |                             |
| for young current   | 2011: Boys 18 years (14-23); girls 19 | 35.8% of male patients and 50% of female patients were         |                             |
| and former cancer   | years (14-23)                         | unsatisfied with the content of fertility preservation         |                             |
| patients (in 2004   |                                       | discussion   |                             |
| and 2011)           | 3. Number of participants per         |  |                             |
|                     | diagnosis                             | There was no significant difference in satisfaction between    |                             |
|                     | 2004 - 2011                           | 2004 and 2011  |                             |
|                     | Leukemia N=42, N=30                   |  |                             |
|                     | Lymphoma N=30, N=39                   | Boys satisfaction with content of FP discussion:               |                             |
|                     | Bone N=26, N=17                       | 36(64.3%) in 2004; 34(64.2%) in 2011                           |                             |
|                     | Brain N=19, N=21                      | Girls satisfaction with content of FP discussion:              |                             |
|                     | Testicular/ovarian N=6, N=8           | 19(40.4%) in 2004; 22(50%) in 2011                             |                             |
|                     | Sarcoma N=19, N=11                    |  |                             |
|                     | Other N=2, N=16                       | 4. If applicable, results per additional outcomes              |                             |
|                     | Unknown N=6, N=2                      | -  |                             |
|                     |                                       |  |                             |
|                     |                                       |  |                             |
|                     | 4. Additional participants            |  |                             |
|                     | characteristics, if relevant          |  |                             |
|                     | - Delegates were invited to           |  |                             |
|                     | respond to each question by pressing  |  |                             |
|                     | the buttons on a remote               |  |                             |
|                     | handset that transmitted their        |  |                             |
|                     | response to a central microcomputer   |  |                             |
|                     | and captured the data in an Excel     |  |                             |
|                     | spreadsheet                           |  |                             |
|                     |                                       |  |                             |
|                     | - Both conferences took place in      |  |                             |
|                     | Nottingham, United Kingdom            |  |                             |
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| Benedict et al. Young<br>Regarding Posttreat             | g Adult Female Cancer Surviv<br>ment Fertility Preservation. C | ors' Unmet Information Needs and Reproductive Concerns Contr<br>Cancer 2016;122(13):2101-9 | ribute to Decisional Conflict       |  |
| Study design   |  |  |                                     |  |
| & Main study   | Participants and relevant                                      | Relevant results   | Additional remarks                  |  |
| objective  | characteristics  | (per outcome)  |                                     |  |
| <u>1. Study design</u>                                   | <u>1. Type and number of</u>                                   | <u>1. Outcome(s) definition:</u>   | <u>1. Strengths:</u>                |  |
| Cross-sectional  | participants:  | Outcome 1. Reasons for not pursuing FP pretreatment  | - First study to examine the        |  |
| (survey)   | 346 YAFC   | Outcome 2. Unmet information needs*  | decisional conflict of young female |  |
|  |  | Outcome 3. Reproductive concerns*  | survivors when prompted to          |  |
| <u>2. Main study</u>                                     | <i>Response rate</i> : 96% (out                                | Outcome 4. Decisional conflict regarding future FP*  | consider posttreatment FP           |  |
| objective:   | of 359 who met eligibility                                     |  |                                     |  |
| To characterized   | criteria)  | *Analysis done in subgroup of patients (N=179): women with                                 | - Large sample size                 |  |
| the posttreatment  |  | uncertain fertility status who had not previously  |                                     |  |
| fertility  | 714 respondents  | undergone/attempted FP and either wanted future children                                   | 2. Limitations:                     |  |
| information needs,                                       | accessed the survey, 359                                       | or were unsure.  |                                     |  |
| reproductive   | (50%) met eligibility  |  | - Internet survey with responses    |  |
| concerns, and  | criteria   | 2. Results outcome 1   | not validated externally            |  |
| decisional conflict                                      |  | Barriers to fertility preservation   |                                     |  |
| regarding future   | 2. Age (at diagnosis) of                                       |  | - Risk of reporting bias as use of  |  |
| options for  | participants:  | 30% of patients did not know about fertility preservation;                                 | survey                              |  |
| posttreatment FP   | Age at diagnosis of whole                                      | 29% of patients were feeling too distressed or overwhelmed;                                |                                     |  |
| among YAFC   | cohort: 23.6 years (birth-                                     | and 27% of patients reported cost as barrier   | - Risk of selection bias as those   |  |
|  | 35)  |  | who participated might be           |  |
| 3. Additional study                                      |  | <u>3. Results outcome 2</u>  | different than those who did not    |  |
| characteristics, if                                      | Age at diagnosis of  | Information needs regarding fertility preservation discussion                              |                                     |  |
| relevant:  | subgroup:  | (from subgroup analysis)   |                                     |  |
| - Internet survey  | 23.4 (birth-34)  |  |                                     |  |
| completed  |  | Female cancer patients reported unmet information needs                                    |                                     |  |
| between February   | 3. Number of participants                                      | regarding fertility risks (58-60%), options to assess and                                  |                                     |  |
| and March 2015   | per diagnosis:   | preserve fertility (51-62%), and options for alternative family                            |                                     |  |
|  | 79(23%) Lymphoma   | building (43%)   |                                     |  |
| - The survey was   | 68(20%) Breast cancer  |  |                                     |  |
| designed by an   | 50(14%) Gynecologic  | <u>4. Results outcome 3</u>  |                                     |  |
| interdisciplinary  | cancer   | • 64% of respondents were concerned they may not be  |                                     |  |
| team with  | 45(13%) Leukemia   | able to have (more) children   |                                     |  |
|  | . ,  | <ul> <li>41% reported it was stressful to think about getting</li> </ul>                   |                                     |  |

| survivors 23(7%)Sarcoma • 59% were worried about passing on a genetic risk for                          |  |
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|   |  |
| 13(4%) Brain cancer   |  |
| 54(16%)Other • 53% of women were concerned their partner or a   |  |
| future partner would be disappointed if they were   |  |
| 4. Additional participants unable to have children  |  |
| <u>characteristics, if</u>  |  |
| relevant: 5. Results outcome 4  |  |
| Gonadotoxic treatment: High levels of decisional conflict:  |  |
| 59(17%) Pelvic radiation • 13% believed they were informed regarding their FP                           |  |
| 285(82%)Chemotherapy options  |  |
| 36(10%)Surgery 74% were unclear about their personal values related to                                  |  |
| 35(10%) Bone marrow the decision  |  |
| transplant 70% believed they did not have enough advice   |  |
| <ul> <li>35% believed they did not have enough support to</li> </ul>                                    |  |
| make a decision   |  |
|   |  |
| 6 Additional outcomes (if applicable)   |  |
| <u>o. Additional outcomes (n'applicable)</u>  |  |
| Creater decisional conflict was accessisted with having   |  |
| Greater decisional connict was associated with having     greater upmet information pands (p. (001) and |  |
| greater uninet mornation needs (p<.001) and   |  |
| reproductive concerns (p<.001)  |  |
| Across all information topics, women who indicated  |  |
| that they had unmet information needs reported higher   |  |
| levels of decisional conflict (p's<0.01)  |  |
|   |  |
| In multiple regression analysis controlling for current   |  |
| age, age at treatment completion, income, relationship  |  |
| status, nulliparity, and prior fertility evaluation:  |  |
| The relation between greater unmet information needs  |  |
| and higher levels of decisional conflict about future FP  |  |
| remained significant p <0.001   |  |
| Greater reproductive concerns were associated with  |  |
| greater conflict at the trend level   |  |
| Having undergone a fertility evaluation after treatment   |  |
| was found to be related to lower decisional conflict  |  |
| Unmet information needs and reproductive concerns   |  |
| accounted for 22% of the variance in decisional conflict  |  |

FP: fertility preservation; YAMC: young adult female cancer survivors; NA: not applicable;

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**Quinn et al.** Fertility Preservation and Adolescent/Young Adult Cancer Patients: Physician Communication Challenges. J Adolesc Health 2009;44(4):394-400

| Study design<br>& Main study objective | Participants and<br>relevant<br>characteristics | Relevant results<br>(per outcome)                              | Additional remarks                                   |
|--|---|--|--|
| 1. Study design                        | 1. Type and number                              | 1. Outcome(s) definition                                       | <u>1. Strengths</u>                                  |
| Cross sectional study                  | of participants                                 | Outcome 1: Healthcare system barriers                          | Provides information on barriers to                  |
| with qualitative                       | 24 Pediatric                                    | Outcome 2: Perception of parent/patient desire for FP          | discussing FP in pediatric oncology,                 |
| semistructured in-depth                | oncologists working                             | information  | implying that new methods of                         |
| interviews                             | in 15 clinics in Florida                        | Outcome 3: Awareness of FP resources                           | communication between all parties                    |
|  | (US)  | Outcome 4: Patient characteristics that may impact FP          | must be examined and utilized                        |
| 2. Main study objective                |   | discussions  |  |
| To examine barriers                    | Response rate: 41%                              | Outcome 5: Issues unique to adolescent patients                | 2. Limitations                                       |
| experienced by                         | participated (59                                |  | <ul> <li>Results cannot be generalized to</li> </ul> |
| physicians in discussing               | asked to participate)                           | 2. Results outcome 1:  | other pediatric hematology/oncology                  |
| cancer-related fertility               |   | - Perceptions that the financial costs of FP were too high     | physicians or other populations                      |
| issues with patients aged              | 2. Age (at diagnosis)                           | for most families (FP not covered by insurance)                |  |
| 12-18yrears                            | of participants                                 | - Combination of lack of resources and lack of training or     | <ul> <li>Authors state that interview may</li> </ul> |
|  | NA  | guidelines for having discussions                              | have limited the amount of in-depth                  |
| 3. Additional study                    |   |  | discussion on any one topic                          |
| characteristics, if                    | <u>3. Number of</u>                             | 3. Results outcome 2:  |  |
| <u>relevant</u>                        | participants per                                | - About half of physicians said the cancer diagnosis is such   | - Risk of selection bias: responders                 |
| - Study used a subset of               | <u>diagnosis</u>                                | a shock that an issue like fertility is often put on the "back | more interested in the topic and                     |
| data from a larger study               | NA  | burner"  | more likely to engage in discussions                 |
| examining knowledge,                   |   | - Other half thought that parents and teens do want this       | about and/or encourage FP might                      |
| attitudes, and behaviors               | 4. Additional                                   | information but are either to embarrassed to discuss it or     | have been participants                               |
| of pediatric oncologists               | participants                                    | have no background on the topic and do not know how to         |  |
|  | characteristics, if                             | begin a discussion   | - Risk of interviewer induced bias                   |
| - All interviews were                  | <u>relevant</u>                                 |  |  |
| tape recorded and                      | NA  | <u>4. Results outcome 3:</u>                                   |  |
| transcribed. The                       |   | - One third of physicians were aware of sperm banking          |  |
| transcripts were read                  |   | facilities   |  |
| through and the content                |   | - Remainder said their facility had no FP resources or they    |  |

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| analyzed                  | were unaware of resources for females (except   |
| through intuitive         | oophoroypexy)   |
| analysis. Key             | <ul> <li>Physicians typically had low levels of knowledge about</li> </ul>  |
| themes were identified    | resources to refer patients to for FP procedures or   |
|                           | consultations   |
| - Author used theoretical | - Few pediatric oncologsist reported that the nationally  |
| saturation, in which each | distributed educational brochure they used was not  |
| new participant           | always relevant to the local level and needed   |
| we recruited refined      | improvement   |
| new theoretical           |   |
| constructs. Midway        | 5. Results outcome 4:   |
| in the data analysis we   | - Most were comfortable in a general sense  |
| ascertained no new        | - However, many experienced barriers related to patient   |
| information               | specific diagnosis or socioeconomic situation (ranged   |
| was emerging; thus, we    | from perceived cultural or religious differences to   |
| perceived we had          | knowing a family could not afford FP)   |
| reached theoretical       |   |
| saturation and made no    | 6. Results outcome 5:   |
| further attempts to       | - All found that it is an important issue to address for  |
| recruit additional        | teens who have reached puberty  |
| physicians                | - Most agreed that these conversations were awkward   |
| . ,                       | because resources were usually limited and there was a  |
|                           | fine line between establishing a sense of trust with the  |
|                           | patient, while not excluding parents  |
|                           | - Conversations about fertility were related to issues of   |
|                           | sexuality, and this was a source of embarrassment for   |
|                           | both the patient and parents  |
|                           |   |
|                           | 4. If applicable, results per additional outcomes   |
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NA: not applicable; FP: fertility preservation

| Who should be counselled about fertility preservation?   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Byrne et al. Early menopause in long-term survivors of cancer during adolescence. Am J Obstet Gynecol 1992;166:788-793 |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up  | Study design     Participants     Treatment     Main outcomes     Additional remarks       Years of follow-up     Years of follow-up     Main outcomes     Additional remarks |  |  |  |  |  |

| 1. Study design       | 1. Type and number of     | 1. Chemotherapy only         | 1. Outcome definitions                                     | 1. Strengths                       |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Multi-center cohort   | participants              | 68 (6.5%)                    | Amenorrhea: woman's report of whether                      | - Study sample                     |
| study                 | From 5 cancer registries  |                              | she was still having menstrual periods                     |                                    |
| (nested case control) | 1048 female CCS ≥21       | 2. Alkylating agents and     |  | 2. Limitations                     |
|                       | years of age at study     | radiotherapy above diaphragm | <u>2. Results</u>  | - Self-reported outcome            |
| 2. Treatment era      | entry; 954 were           | 38 (3.6%)                    | Amenorrhea:  | - Control group not                |
| 1945-1974             | menstruating before       |                              | - 123/954 (12.9%) menopausal after study                   | representative for general         |
|                       | study entry and 94        | 3. Alkylating agents and     | entry  | population                         |
| 3. Follow-up          | became menopausal         | radiotherapy below diaphragm | - 831/954 (87.1%) still menstruating                       |                                    |
| >19 yr after cancer   | before they were eligible | 79 (7.5%)                    |  | <u>3. Risk of bias</u>             |
| diagnosis             | for the cohort            |                              | Age-specific relative risks for amenorrhea                 | A. Selection bias:                 |
|                       |                           | 4. Radiotherapy only         | survivors vs. controls:                                    | Unclear                            |
|                       | 2. Diagnoses              | 261 (24.9%)                  | - All survivors aged 21-25: RR 4.32, 95% CI                | Reason: unclear how many           |
|                       | Female genital cancer     |                              | 2.28-8.17  | patients were included in the      |
|                       | (n=90), Hodgkin's         | 5. Surgery only              | - All survivors aged 26-30: RR 1.61, p>0.05                | original cohort of survivors       |
|                       | disease (n=206), non-     | 493 (47.0%)                  | - All survivors aged 31-40: RR 0.78, p>0.05                |                                    |
|                       | Hodgkin's lymphoma        |                              | - All survivors aged 41+: RR 0.98, p>0.05                  | B. Attrition bias:                 |
|                       | (n=31), soft tissue       | 6. Sterilizing surgery and   | <ul> <li>Alkylating agents alone aged 21-25: RR</li> </ul> | Low risk                           |
|                       | sarcoma (n=115),          | chemotherapy and             | 9.17, 95% Cl 2.67-31.49                                    | Reason: 90% of eligible survivors  |
|                       | leukaemia (n=15), brain   | <u>radiotherapy</u>          | <ul> <li>Radiotherapy below diaphragm and</li> </ul>       | completed follow-up assessment.    |
|                       | or CNS tumour (n=133),    | 25 (2.4%)                    | alkylating agents aged 21-25: RR 27.39,                    | At follow-up, 10% of the survivors |
|                       | bone cancer (n=65),       |                              | 95% CI 12.42-60.35   | and 1% of the controls had died    |
|                       | other (n=393)             | 7. Other treatments          | <ul> <li>Radiotherapy below diaphragm and</li> </ul>       |                                    |
|                       |                           | 84 (8.0%)                    | alkylating agents aged 26-30: RR 4.64,                     | C. Detection bias:                 |
|                       | 3. Age at diagnosis       |                              | p<0.01   | Unclear                            |
|                       | Mean (on average) 13.6    |                              | - Radiotherapy alone aged 21-25: RR 3.66,                  | Reason: unclear if the outcome     |
|                       | yr                        |                              | 95% CI 1.34-9.99   | assessors were blinded for         |
|                       |                           |                              | - Radiotherapy alone aged 26-30: RR 2.41,                  | important determinants related     |
|                       | 4. Age at follow-up       |                              | p<0.05   | to the outcome                     |
|                       | Mean (on average )32.3    |                              | - Radiotherapy alone aged 31-40: RR 0.90,                  |                                    |
|                       | yr                        |                              | p>0.05   | D. Confounding:                    |
|                       |                           |                              | - Radiotherapy alone aged 41+: RR 1.22,                    | High risk                          |
|                       | 5. Controls:              |                              | p>0.05   | Reason: Controls not matched to    |
|                       | 1596 menstruating         |                              | - Aged 0-12 at diagnosis aged 21-30 at                     | cases                              |
|                       | siblings at age 21 yr;    |                              | follow-up: RR 0.62, p>0.05                                 |                                    |
|                       | Mean age at follow-up     |                              | - Aged 13-19 at diagnosis aged 21-30 at                    |                                    |
|                       | 33.0 yr                   |                              | follow-up: RR 2.32, 95% CI 1.63-3.291                      |                                    |

Abbreviations: yr, years; CCS, childhood cancer survivors; CNS, central nervous system.

*Chiarelli et al.* Early menopause and Infertility in Females after Treatment for Childhood Cancer diagnosed in 1964-1988 in Ontario, Canada. Am J Epidemiol 1999;150(3):245-54.

| Study design                     |                          |                                   |   |                                   |
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| Treatment era                    | Participants             | Treatment                         | Main outcomes                               | Additional remarks                |
| Years of follow-up               |                          |                                   |   |                                   |
| <ol> <li>Study design</li> </ol> | 1. Type and Number of    | <u>1. Chemotherapy</u>            | 1. Outcome definitions                      | <u>1. Strengths</u>               |
| Retrospective cohort             | Participants             | Alkylating agents: 150 (20.1%)    | Menopausal status based on Telephone        | -Equal amount of patients in      |
| study                            | 719 from total cohort of | Alkylating agent score: 1-13 low, | questionnaire: "Have you stopped having     | each of the 4 follow up 5 year    |
|                                  | 1,581 female CCS         | 14-21 medium, >22 high risk.      | periods?", "Have you ever used hormonal     | periods.                          |
| 2. Treatment era                 | Excluded: sterilising    |                                   | supplement pills?"                          | -Diagnoses represent common       |
| 1964-1988                        | surgery                  | 2. Radiotherapy to ovaries        |   | pediatric cancer diagnosis.       |
|                                  |                          | Abdominal pelvic radiation: 154   | 2. Results                                  |                                   |
| <u>3. Follow-up</u>              | 2. Diagnoses             | (21.4%)                           | 63 (8.8%) menopausal after treatment at     | 2. Limitations                    |
| Follow-up >5 yr after            | Lymphoma (28.8%),        | Dose: <20 Gy, 20-35 Gy, > 35 Gy   | median age of 24 yr of whom 29 (46%)        | -Subset not representative for    |
| diagnosis:                       | epithelial neoplasm      |                                   | surgical menopause                          | cohort.                           |
| 5-10 yr: 25.2%                   | (17.9%), CNS tumour      | 3. Alkylating agents +            |   | -Based on telephone               |
| 11-15 yr: 24.9%                  | (12.8%), soft-tissue     | radiotherapy to ovaries           | Age-adjusted risk ratios for menopause:     | questionnaire.                    |
| 16-20 yr: 26.3%                  | sarcoma (7.4%), bone     | 71 (9.9%)                         | -Alkylating agents and abdominal-pelvic RT  | -Unclear if patients treated with |
| 21-30 yr: 23.6%                  | tumour (6.5%), renal     |                                   | vs. non-sterilizing surgery:                | BMT included.                     |
|                                  | tumour (6.4%), gonadal   | 4. Non-sterilizing surgery        | RR 2.58 (95% CI 1.14-5.80)                  | -The study has self-selected      |
|                                  | and germ cell (4.0%),    | 162 (22.5%)                       | -Alkylating agents vs. non-sterilizing      | specific treatments which may     |
|                                  | other (5.0%)             |                                   | surgery:                                    | cause infertility but has         |
|                                  |                          | 5. Other treatments               | RR 0.77 (95% CI 0.30-1.97)                  | assumed that radiotherapy to      |
|                                  | 3. Age at diagnosis      | 182 (25.3%)                       | -Abdominal-pelvic RT vs. non-sterilizing    | brain and abdomen and pelvis      |
|                                  | Range 0-19 yr            |                                   | surgery:                                    | gives the same effect and         |
|                                  |                          |                                   | RR 1.62 (95% CI 0.80-3.28)                  | analysed this together.           |
|                                  | 4. Age at follow-up      |                                   | -Other treatments vs. non-sterilizing       | -TBI included with abdominal      |
|                                  | Median 28 yr (range 18-  |                                   | surgery:                                    | pelvic radiation even though      |
|                                  | 49)                      |                                   | RR 0.75 (95% CI 0.34-1.65)                  | most would have a sterilizing     |
|                                  |                          |                                   | -Abdominal-pelvic RT vs. non-sterilizing    | dose.                             |
|                                  | 5. Controls              |                                   | surgery:                                    | -No information on ovarian        |
|                                  | Non-sterilizing surgery  |                                   | <2000 cGy: RR 1.02 (95% CI 0.29- 3.59)      | transposition.                    |
|                                  | group: n=162             |                                   | 2000-3499 cGy: RR 1.36 (95% CI 0.57-        | -No details of non-sterilizing    |
|                                  |                          |                                   | 3.25)                                       | surgical procedures and how       |
|                                  |                          |                                   | ≥3500 cGy: RR 3.27 (95% CI 1.57-6.81)       | similar this patient group was.   |
|                                  |                          |                                   | -Alkylating agent score vs. non-sterilizing |                                   |
|                                  |                          |                                   | surgery:                                    | 3. Risk of bias                   |

|  | 1-13: RR 1.13 (95% Cl 0.41-3.09)  | A. Selection bias                |
|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|  | 14-21: RR 1.90 (95% Cl 0.52-6.92) | High risk                        |
|  | ≥21: RR 3.08 (95% CI 1.15-8.21)   | Reason: the study group          |
|  |                                   | consisted of 719/1581 (45%) of   |
|  |                                   | the original cohort of survivors |
|  |                                   | 5                                |
|  |                                   | B Attrition bias                 |
|  |                                   | Low risk                         |
|  |                                   | Reason: the outcome was          |
|  |                                   | assassed for the whole study     |
|  |                                   | assessed for the whole study     |
|  |                                   | group (n=719)                    |
|  |                                   |                                  |
|  |                                   | <u>C. Detection bias</u>         |
|  |                                   | Unclear                          |
|  |                                   | Reason: Unclear if the outcome   |
|  |                                   | assessors were blinded for       |
|  |                                   | important determinants related   |
|  |                                   | to the outcome.                  |
|  |                                   |                                  |
|  |                                   | D. Confounding                   |
|  |                                   | Low risk                         |
|  |                                   | Reason: Analyses were adjusted   |
|  |                                   | for age                          |
|  |                                   | ioi uge                          |

Abbreviations: Yrs, years; CT, chemotherapy; AA, alkylating agents; RT, radiotherapy; BMT, bone marrow transplantation; TBI, total body irradiation.

| Who should be counselled about fertility preservation?   |                       |  |  |                           |
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| Laverdiere et al. Long-Term Complications in Survivors of Advanced Stage Neuroblastoma. Pediatric Blood Cancer 2005;45:324-332 |                       |  |  |                           |
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up  | Participants          | Treatment                                      | Main outcomes                          | Additional remarks        |
| 1. Study design  | 1. Type and Number of | 1. Chemotherapy                                | 1. Outcome definitions                 | <u>1. Strengths</u>       |
| Retrospective  | <b>Participants</b>   | 63 (100%)                                      | Ovarian failure, not further specified | Relatively large group of |
| single center  | n=63 survivors of     | - cyclophosphamide mean 9.5g                   | Graded based on CTCAEv3; does not talk | advanced NB patients      |
| cohort study   | advanced stage        | (1.5-30.8) n=63                                | about transient vs permanent           |                           |
|  | neuroblastoma         | <ul> <li>doxorubicin mean 258 mg/m2</li> </ul> |  | 2. Limitations            |
| 2. Treatment era   | n=32 (51%) female     | (75-554) n=61                                  | 2. Results                             | -Retrospective            |

| 1991-2001        |                           | - cisplatin mean 514 mg/m2 (123- | - 13/32 (41%) developed ovarian failure  | -End point is not infertility but         |
|------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|--|---|
|                  | 2. Diagnoses              | 1324) n=56                       | - Grade 1-2 moderate, dysfunction was  | ovarian dysfunction.                      |
| 3. Follow-up     | advanced stage NB         | - etoposide mean 1162 mg (153-   | transient: n=6   | -Not clear the diagnostic criteria        |
| Median 7.06 vr   | stage 2 and 4 and 1 visit | 3450) n=54                       | - Grade 3-4 severe. dysfunction was  | used for ovarian dysfunction.             |
| (range 1.9-25.5) | to LTFU                   | - carboplatin mean 948 mg (540-  | persistent: n=7  | -Some ovarian dysfunction was             |
| since diagnosis  |                           | 1496) n=17                       | - mean age at diagnosis: 6.85 years  | transient which is unusual at $> 2$       |
|                  | 3. Age at diagnosis       | 2. Radiotherapy                  | - 13/13 (100%) received  | vears after the completion of             |
|                  | Median age 3.0 years      | 56 (88.9%)                       | cyclophosphamide   | Cancer Rx.                                |
|                  | (range 0.07 - 23.5)       | - abdominal, mean 2174 cGy n=46  | -10/13 (76.9%) received abdominal/pelvic   | -Not clear if permanent ovarian           |
|                  | Mean age 6.85 years       | - chest, mean 1976 cGy n=15      | irradiation  | failure or any ovarian dysfx asso         |
|                  | for patients with         | - cranial, mean 2381 cGy n=15    |  | with cyclo $> 7.4$ gm compared to         |
|                  | ovarian dysfunction       | - spinal mean 2093 cGy $n=6$     | Risk factors for acute ovarian failure   | whom                                      |
|                  |                           | - TBL mean 1075 cGy n=6          | adjusted for age <1 and >1 year stage at   | - Relative short follow up of             |
|                  | 4 Age at follow-up        |                                  | diagnosis MVCN status sites of primary   | natients may underestimate rate           |
|                  | Median follow-up 2.13     | 3. Surgery                       | tumours and survival status:   | of POI                                    |
|                  | vears (range $0-114$ )    | 100% various sites no gonadal    | $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}$ | - "tailored testing" would seem           |
|                  | Median age last clinical  | surgery reported                 | OR = 62 (95% Cl 1 4-67 2)  | to predispose to bias in                  |
|                  | visit 11 62 years (range  | surgery reported                 |  | ascertainment of late effects             |
|                  | 4-30)                     | 4 BMT                            |  | ascertainment of fate effects.            |
|                  | 4 307                     | 35 (55 6%)                       |  | 3 Risk of bias                            |
|                  | 5 Controls (if            |                                  |  | <u>A</u> Soloction bias                   |
|                  | applicable)               | 5 Other treatments               |  | A. Selection blas                         |
|                  | None                      | - Immunotherany 39 (61 9%)       |  | Poscon: the number patients               |
|                  | None                      | - Radioimmunotherapy 19 (30.2%)  |  | originally included in the study is       |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | originally included in the study is       |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | not mentioned.                            |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | R Attrition bias                          |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | <u>B. Attrition bias</u>                  |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | LOW TISK                                  |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | All the included patients were            |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | All the included patients were            |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | assessed.                                 |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | C Detection hiss                          |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | <u>C. Detection blas</u>                  |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | Divided<br>Reason: Unclear if the outcome |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | Reason: Unclear II the outcome            |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | assessors were blinded for                |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | to the outcome                            |
|                  |                           |                                  |  | to the outcome                            |
|                  |                           |                                  |  |   |

|  |  | D. Confounding                     |
|--|--|------------------------------------|
|  |  | Low risk                           |
|  |  | Reason: analysis adjusted for age, |
|  |  | stage at diagnosis, MYCN status,   |
|  |  | sites of primary tumours and       |
|  |  | survival status                    |

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| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                 | Treatment                    | Main outcomes                             | Additional remarks                |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Study design                                     | <u>1. Type and Number of</u> | <u>1. Chemotherapy</u>       | 1. Outcome definitions                    | 1. Strengths                      |
| Multi-center  | Participants                 | Alkylating agents:           | Acute ovarian failure (AOF): patients who | Large study sample                |
| retrospective                                       | 3,390 patients were          | 1,684/3,390 (49.7%)          | reported never menstruating or who had    |                                   |
| cohort study  | eligible from 6,079          |                              | ceased having menses within 5 years       | 2. Limitations                    |
|   | female CCS ≥18 years of      | 2. Radiotherapy              | after their cancer diagnosis (primary or  | Self-reported amenorrhea          |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | age at study entry;          | Abdominal/pelvic             | secondary amenorrhoea).                   |                                   |
| 1970-1986   | diagnoses associated         | radiotherapy:                |   | 3. Risk of bias                   |
|   | with ovarian dysfunction     | 832/3,390 (24.5%)            | <u>2. Results</u>                         | A. Selection bias                 |
| 3. Follow-up  | (e.g. Turner                 |                              | Prevalence AOF: 215/3390 (6.3%)           | High risk                         |
| >5 years after                                      | syndrome), cranial           | Alkylating agents +          |   | Reason: the study group           |
| cancer diagnosis                                    | irradiation above 3000       | abdominal/pelvic             | Risk factors associated with AOF in       | consisted of 3390/6079 (56%) of   |
|   | cGy (known to cause          | radiotherapy :               | multivariable logistic regression         | the original cohort of survivors. |
|   | hypogonadotropic             | 393/3,390 (11.6%)            | analyses:                                 |                                   |
|   | hypogonadism), tumour        |                              | Age at diagnosis 0-12 yr:                 | B. Attrition bias                 |
|   | located in the               | 3. Treatment groups          | - Procarbazine yes vs. no: OR 3.2 (95% Cl | Low risk                          |
|   | hypothalamic pituitary       | Patients with vs without AOF | 1.3-7.3)                                  | Reason: Outcome assessed for all  |
|   | region, history of           | Chemotherapy±surgery only:   | - Cyclophosphamide yes vs. no: OR 1.2     | patients.                         |
|   | bilateral oophorectomy,      | 5.6% <i>vs</i> 30%           | (95% CI 0.7-2.1)                          |                                   |
|   | and incomplete radiation     | RT±surgery only:             | - RT to ovaries 1-99 vs. 0 cGy: OR 3.7    | C. Detection bias                 |
|   | records were excluded.       | 6.5% vs 8.9%                 | (95% CI 1.6-10.2)                         | Unclear                           |
|   |                              | Chemotherapy+ RT±surgery:    | - RT to ovaries 100-999 vs. 0 cGy: OR 9.0 | Reason: unclear if the outcome    |
|   | 2. Diagnoses                 | 87.9% vs 51.1%               | (95% CI 3.4-26.5)                         | assessors were blinded for        |
|   | ALL (n=1032), AML            | Alkylating agents:           | - RT to ovaries 1000-1999 vs. 0 cGy: OR   | important determinants related    |

| (n=99), Hodgkin's dise     | ase 67% <i>vs</i> 48.6%      | 55.3 (95% CI 22.3-157.8)                              | to the outcome                 |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| (n=553), non-Hodgkin       | s Cyclophosphamide           | <ul> <li>RT to ovaries ≥2000 vs. 0 cGy: OR</li> </ul> |                                |
| lymphoma (n=187), so       | ft 55.3% vs 42.1%            | 950.1 (95% CI 352.9-3043.2)                           | D. Confounding                 |
| tissue sarcoma (n=317      | ), Procarbazine:             | Age at diagnosis 13-20 yr:                            | Low risk                       |
| Wilms' tumour (n=364       | ), 24.7% vs 8.7%             | - Procarbazine yes vs. no: OR 2.6 (95% Cl             | Reason: multivariable analyses |
| Neuroblastoma (n=24        | 3), Abdominal/pelvic RT:     | 1.4-4.7)  | performed including alkylating |
| other (n=590)              | 75.3% vs 21.1%               | - Cyclophosphamide yes vs. no: OR 4.9                 | agents and radiotherapy,       |
|                            | Abdominal/pelvic RT+AA:      | (95% CI 2.8-9.2)                                      | stratified by age.             |
| 3. Age at diagnosis        | 52.6% vs 8.8 %               | - RT to ovaries 1-99 vs. 0 Gy: OR 2.9                 |                                |
| Mean 9.8/ 8.3 yr (with     | / RT to ovaries 1–99 cGy:    | (95% Cl 1.2-8.3)                                      |                                |
| without AOF) (Range C      | - 18.6% <i>vs</i> 36.6%      | - RT to ovaries 100-999 vs. 0 cGy: OR                 |                                |
| 20 yr)                     | RT to ovaries 100–999 cGy:   | 17.2 (95% CI 6.8-49.5)                                |                                |
|                            | 17.7% vs 8.2 %               | - RT to ovaries 1000-1999 vs. 0 cGy: OR               |                                |
| <u>4. Age at follow-up</u> | RT to ovaries 1000–1999 cGy: | 90.9 (95% CI 29.1-323.5)                              |                                |
| Mean 32.9/ 29.6 yr (w      | ith 15.8% <i>vs</i> 1.9%     | <ul> <li>RT to ovaries ≥2000 vs. 0 cGy: OR</li> </ul> |                                |
| /without AOF)              | RT to ovaries >2000 cGy:     | 171.2 (95% CI 55.8-609.8)                             |                                |
|                            | 38.1% vs 0.6%                | Significant interactions between age at               |                                |
| 5. Controls (if applicab   | le) BMT:                     | diagnosis and high doses of radiotherapy              |                                |
| No controls.               | 8.8 vs 1.3 %                 | to the ovary (p=0.03 for dose ≥2000cGy)               |                                |
|                            |                              | and between age at diagnosis and                      |                                |
|                            |                              | treatment with cyclophosphamide                       |                                |
|                            |                              | (p=0.0006), with this drug being a                    |                                |
|                            |                              | significant risk factor only for the older            |                                |
|                            |                              | age group.  |                                |
|                            |                              |   |                                |
|                            |                              | Univariate analysis association age at                |                                |
|                            |                              | diagnosis and AOF:                                    |                                |
|                            |                              | ≥12 yr vs. <12 yr: OR 1.8 (95% Cl 1.4-2.4)            |                                |

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| Study design           |                         |                                 |  |  |
|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Treatment era          | Participants            | Treatment                       | Main outcomes  | Additional remarks                         |
| Years of follow-up     |                         |                                 |  |  |
| <u>1. Study design</u> | 1. Type and Number of   | 1. Chemotherapy                 | 1. Outcome definitions                               | <u>1. Strengths</u>                        |
| Retrospective,         | Participants            | Alkylating agents: 1359 (48.2%) | Self-reported: if subjects had not                   | Well-performed large study                 |
| multicentre survey:    | 2,819 CCS were eligible | Alkylating agent score          | experienced a spontaneous menses for >6              |  |
| self-report            | from 6,079 female CCS   | 1: 539 (19.1%)                  | months and other causes, e.g. pregnancy,             | 2. Limitations                             |
|                        | ≥18 years of age at     | 2: 373 (13.2%)                  | use of agents such as injectable                     | <ul> <li>Self-reported outcomes</li> </ul> |
| 2. Treatment era       | study entry             | 3: 293 (10.4%)                  | progesterone and GnRH-a have been                    | <ul> <li>Among non-menopausal</li> </ul>   |
| 1970 – 1989            |                         |                                 | excluded   | women 20% of survivors and                 |
|                        | 2. Diagnoses            | 2. Radiotherapy                 |  | 24% siblings were taking OC                |
| <u>3. Follow-up</u>    | Leukaemia 1,025(36%);   | Radiation to ovaries: 1472      | 2. Results   | (however after exclusion of                |
| >5 years after cancer  | HL 404 (14%); tumours   | (52.2%)                         | Premature menopause (<40yrs):                        | these subjects results were                |
| diagnosis              | of bone 324(11%);       | 1-99 cGy: 1140 (40.4%)          | - N: 126 CCS, 33 control siblings                    | almost identical to entire                 |
|                        | kidney 297(11%); brain  | 100-999 cGy: 258 (9.2%)         | - Cumulative incidence CCS: 15%                      | cohort)                                    |
|                        | 137(5%); sarcomas       | ≥999 cGy: 74 (2.6%)             | - Rate ratio 1.05 (95% Cl 1.04-1.07)                 | 3. Risk of bias                            |
|                        | 271(10%); NBI 154(5%)   |                                 | (p<0.001) compared to siblings                       | A. Selection bias                          |
|                        |                         | 3. Surgery                      | <ul> <li>Surgical premature menopause not</li> </ul> | High risk                                  |
|                        | 3. Age at diagnosis     | Any: 2040 (72.4%)               | significantly different in CCS and siblings (RR      | Reason: the study group                    |
|                        | Median 7 yr (range 0-20 |                                 | 0.8, 95% Cl 0.52-1.23)                               | consisted of 2819/4620 (61%) of            |
|                        | yr)                     | <u>4. BMT</u>                   | - Non-surgical premature menopause: 8% in            | the original cohort of survivors           |
|                        |                         | 32 (1%)                         | CCS, 0.8% in siblings (RR 13.21, 95% CI 3.26-        |  |
|                        | 4. Age at follow-up     |                                 | 53.51, p<0.001)                                      | B. Attrition bias                          |
|                        | Median 29 yr (range 18- |                                 |  | Low risk                                   |
|                        | 50 yr)                  |                                 | Risk-factors non-surgical premature                  | Reason: the outcome was                    |
|                        |                         |                                 | menopause in multivariable Poisson                   | assessed for the whole study               |
|                        | 5. Controls             |                                 | regression analysis:                                 | group                                      |
|                        | N=1,065 siblings        |                                 | - Attained age: RR 1.15, 95% Cl 1.09-1.21,           |  |
|                        | Sibling subset of CCS   |                                 | p< 0.001   | C. Detection bias                          |
|                        | cohort with             |                                 | - RT dose to ovary vs. no RT:                        | Unclear                                    |
|                        | spontaneous             |                                 | RT 1-99 cGy: RR 4.30, 95% Cl 1.20-15.47,             | Reason: Unclear if study                   |
|                        | menstruation            |                                 | p=0.04)  | participants were blinded for              |
|                        | Median age: not         |                                 | RT 100-999 cGy: RR 5.70, 95% CI 1.12-                | important determinants related             |
|                        | reported                |                                 | 28.99, p=0.04  | to the outcome                             |

| RT ≥1000 cGy: RR 109.59, 95% Cl 28.15-         426.70, p<0.001       D. Confounding         - AA score vs. no alkylating agents:       Low risk         AA score 1-2: RR 2.3, 95% Cl 1.08-4 90       Reason: Analyses were additional score and the score additional score and the score additional score additionaddity additing additing additional score additing addit  |      |
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| 426.70, p<0.001     D. Confounding       - AA score vs. no alkylating agents:     Low risk       AA score 1-2: RR 2.3, 95% CI1.08-4 90     Reason: Analyses were adjusted  |      |
| - AA score vs. no alkylating agents: Low risk<br>AA score 1-2: RR 2.3, 95% CI1.08-4 90 Reason: Analyses were adju  |      |
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| A Reason and the second and the seco | sted |
| p=0.03 for age and treatment   |      |
| AA score 3: RR 5.78, 95% Cl 2.9-11.55,   |      |
| p<0.001  |      |
| - HL (minimum ovarian RT):   |      |
| No ovarian RT: RR 9.18, 95% CI 1.52-55.24,   |      |
| p=0.02   |      |
| 1-99 cGy: RR 12.26, 95% Cl 3.41-44.14,   |      |
| p<0.001  |      |
| 100-999 cGv: RR 11.41. 95% CI 2.75-47.26.  |      |
| p<0.001  |      |
| ≥1000 cGy: RR 6.74, 95% CI 0.63-71.74,   |      |
| p=0.11   |      |
| (Age at diagnosis not associated, data not   |      |
| shown)   |      |
|  |      |
| Cumulative incidence of non-surgical   |      |
| premature menopause by age 40 years (see   |      |
| figure below):   |      |
| - AA only: ± 15%   |      |
| - Abdominopelvic RT only: ± 5%   |      |
| - AA + abdominopelvic RT: ± 30%  |      |
|  |      |
| Among CCS without RT to ovaries, HL 9.18-  |      |
| fold higher risk of premature menopause  |      |
| than other types of cancer (95% Cl 1.52-   |      |
| 55.24, p=0.02).  |      |

Abbreviations: FU, follow-up; yrs, years; CCS, childhood cancer survivors; n, number; HL, Hodgkin lymphoma; Nbl, neuroblastoma; AOF, acute ovarian failure; CT, chemotherapy; RT, radiotherapy; SCT, stem cell transplantation; PM, premature menopause; AA, Alkylating agents; GnRH-a, gonadotrophin-releasing hormone analogue.

Laverdiere et al. Long-term outcomes in survivors of neuroblastoma: a report from the Childhood Cancer Survivor Study. J Natl Cancer Inst. 2009;101(16):1131-40.

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants             | Treatment                        | Main outcomes   | Additional remarks               |
|---|--------------------------|----------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | 1. Type and Number of    | <u>1. Chemotherapy</u>           | 1. Outcome definitions  | <u>1. Strengths</u>              |
| CCSS multicenter                                    | Participants             | Only: n=4 (0.4%)                 | Ovarian failure: patients who reported                          | Large cohort, well-described     |
| retrospectively                                     | N=954/1358 5-yr          | + surgery: N=216 (26%)           | never menstruating or who had ceased                            | cohort, well-described design.   |
| ascertained cohort                                  | survivors of             |                                  | having menses within 5 years after their                        |                                  |
| study of CCS  | neuroblastoma            | 2. Radiotherapy                  | cancer diagnosis  | 2. Limitations                   |
| compared with                                       |                          | Only: n=3 (0.3%)                 |   | -Self-reported ovarian failure.  |
| siblings.   | 2. Diagnoses             | + surgery: N=132 (16%)           | 2. Results  | -No further medical information  |
|   | Neuroblastoma            |                                  | Ovarian failure: 13/204 (6.4%) evaluable                        | (lab results, diagnosis) on this |
| 2. Treatment era                                    |                          | <u>3. Surgery</u>                | women   | diagnosis.                       |
| Diagnosed   | 3. Age at diagnosis      | Only: N=200 (24%)                |   | -Unclear definition of 'ovarian  |
| between 1970-                                       | Median 0.9 (range 0-     |                                  | Risk factors for ovarian failure in                             | failure'.                        |
| 1986  | 20.7) yr                 | 4. Other treatments              | univariate analysis:  | -No further information on RT    |
|   |                          | Chemotherapy + radiotherapy +    | - Radiotherapy to ovaries: OR 8.4 (95% Cl                       | doses.                           |
| <u>3. Follow-up</u>                                 | 4. Age at follow-up      | surgery: N=268 (32%)             | 1.1-67.7)   | -Ovarian failure is just stated  |
| >5 yr post-   | Median age at baseline   | Chemotherapy + radiotherapy: n=6 | <ul> <li>Alkylating agent score &gt;3: OR 12 (95% Cl</li> </ul> | briefly.                         |
| diagnosis   | survey: 17.2 (range 5.7- | (0.6%)                           | 2.0-71.0)   |                                  |
|   | 44.2) yr;                | No treatment : n=3 (0.3%)        | - Alkylating agent score 2: OR 2.0 (95% CI                      | 3. Risk of bias                  |
|   | Median age at            |                                  | 1.0-33.2)   | A. Selection bias                |
|   | completion of latest     |                                  | - Cumulative cyclophosphamide dose >5g:                         | High risk                        |
|   | questionnaire: 23.3      |                                  | OR = 7.1 (95% Cl 1.5-34.0)                                      | Reason: the study group          |
|   | (range 5.7-45.2) yr      |                                  | Risk factors for ovarian failure in                             | consisted of 954/1375=69% of     |
|   |                          |                                  | multivariable analysis:   | the original cohort of survivors |
|   | 5. Controls (if          |                                  | <ul> <li>Radiotherapy to ovaries: p&lt;0.05 (no</li> </ul>      |                                  |
|   | applicable)              |                                  | effect measure reported)  | B. Attrition bias                |
|   | N=3,899 siblings         |                                  | - Age at diagnosis, cyclophosphamide                            | Low risk                         |
|   |                          |                                  | exposure, surgery and alkylating agent                          | Reason: 832/954 (87%) available  |
|   |                          |                                  | score were not significant                                      | treatment information from       |
|   |                          |                                  |   | medical records                  |
|   |                          |                                  |   | C. Detection bias                |

|  |  | Unclear<br>Reason: Unclear if the outcome<br>assessors were blinded for<br>important determinants related<br>to the outcome |
|--|--|---|
|  |  | <u>D. Confounding</u><br>Low risk<br>Reason: multivariable analyses<br>performed  |

Abbreviations: CCSS=childhood cancer survivor study, yr(s)=year(s), CCS=childhood cancer survivor, N=number, OR=odds ratio, CI=confidence interval.

# Who should be counselled about fertility preservation?

Gracia et al. Impact of cancer therapies on ovarian reserve. Fertil Steril 2012;97:134-140.

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                 | Treatment                         | Main outcomes  | Additional remarks                                  |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | <u>1. Type and Number of</u> | <u>1. Chemotherapy</u>            | 1. Outcome definitions                                     | <u>1. Strengths</u>                                 |
| Single-center cohort                                | <u>Participants</u>          | Alkylating agents: 63 (88.7%)     | Amenorrhea: woman's report of whether                      | <ul> <li>Prospective enrolment and valid</li> </ul> |
| study   | 71 postmenarchal             |                                   | she was still having menstrual periods                     | comparisons were made with an                       |
|   | female cancer survivors      | 2. Radiotherapy                   |  | unexposed control population of                     |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | 15-39 years of age           | Pelvic radiation (including TBI): | 2. Results   | similar age   |
| Not mentioned                                       |                              | 13 (18.3%)                        | Menstrual characteristics:                                 | - Early follicular phase measures                   |
|   | 2. Diagnoses                 |                                   | - Age at menarche: 12.5 yr survivors vs.                   | - Cancer diagnoses and treatments                   |
| 3. Follow-up  | Hodgkin lymphoma             | <u>3. Surgery</u>                 | 12.4 yr controls ( <i>p</i> =0.67)                         | were validated with medical records                 |
| >1 yr after cancer                                  | (n=15), non-Hodgkin          | Not reported                      | - Regular cycles: 49 (69.0%) survivors vs. 65              | 2. Limitations                                      |
| treatment   | lymphoma (n=9),              |                                   | (91.5%) controls   | - Unclear what proportion of eligible               |
|   | leukaemia (n=23),            | <u>4. BMT</u>                     |  | patients were included in the study                 |
|   | sarcoma (n=10), Wilms'       | 16 (22.5%) of which 10 (14.1%)    | Geometric mean (95% CI) reproductive                       | - Differences in baseline                           |
|   | tumour (n=4), breast         | ТВІ                               | hormone measures survivors vs. controls                    | characteristics of unexposed and                    |
|   | cancer (n=3), other (n=7)    |                                   | adjusted for age, race and BMI:                            | exposed groups (adjusted in analysis)               |
|   |                              |                                   | - FSH (mIU/mL): 11.12 (9.47-13.6) vs. 7.25                 | - The cohort is not representative of               |
|   | 3. Age at diagnosis          |                                   | (6.0-8.8), p=0.001   | the general population of survivors                 |
|   | Median 11 (0.3-29) yr        |                                   | - E <sub>2</sub> (pg/mL): 24.2 (20.9-28.1) vs. 29.4 (24.7- |   |
|   |                              |                                   | 34.9), p=0.084   | 3. Risk of bias                                     |
|   | 4. Age at follow-up          |                                   | - AMH (ng/mL): 0.8 (0.6-1.1) vs. 2.9 (2.1-                 | A. Selection bias                                   |
|   | Mean 25.7 (24.2-27.2) yr     |                                   | 3.9), p<0.001  | Unclear   |

|                         | - AFC: 14.6 (10.8-18.3) vs. 27.2 (23.1-31.4),                  | Reason: Unclear how many patients       |
|-------------------------|--|---|
| <u>5. Controls</u>      | p<0.001  | were included in the original cohort of |
| 67 postmenarchal        |  | survivors.                              |
| controls; Mean age 27.3 | Geometric mean (95% CI) reproductive                           |   |
| (26.1-28.4) yr          | hormone measures survivors treated with                        | B. Attrition bias                       |
|                         | alkylating agent score ≥3 or pelvic radiation                  | Low risk                                |
|                         | or TBI vs. other treatment vs. controls                        | Reason: The outcome was assessed for    |
|                         | adjusted for race and BMI:                                     | the whole study group.                  |
|                         | - FSH (mIU/mL): 10.6 (8.7-12.9) vs. 7.9 (6.6-                  |   |
|                         | 9.5) vs. 6.9 (6.1-7.9), p<0.001                                | C. Detection bias                       |
|                         | - E <sub>2</sub> (pg/mL): 10.6 (18.1-29.1) vs. 24.5 (19.9-     | Unclear                                 |
|                         | 30.3) vs. 31.8 (27.3-37.1). p<0.05                             | Reason: Unclear if the outcome          |
|                         | - AMH (ng/mL): 0.5 (0.3-0.9) vs. 1.9 (1.2-                     | assessors were blinded for important    |
|                         | 3.2) vs. 3.1 (2.2-4.4)   | determinants related to the outcome.    |
|                         |  |   |
|                         | Geometric mean reproductive hormone                            | D. Confounding                          |
|                         | measures survivors treated with pelvic                         | Low risk                                |
|                         | radiation vs. controls adjusted for age race                   | Reason: Analysis adjusted for age race  |
|                         | and BMI.   | and BML Confounding has been            |
|                         | -FSH (mIII/mI): 28 / vs 9 / n<0.001                            | reduced by restricting the study to     |
|                         | $- AMH (ng/ml) \cdot 0.15 vs. 1.24 nc 0.001$                   | nonpregnant nonlactating females not    |
|                         | $- \Delta E C \cdot 2 = 0 \text{ ys} = 17.5 \text{ m} = 0.001$ | using hormones and without other        |
|                         | - Al C. 2.5 V3. 17.5, p=0.001                                  | causes of ovarian dysfunction           |
|                         | Effect alkylating agent score in survivors                     | Evaluation of ovarian recorve was       |
|                         | treated without polyic radiation corrected                     | performed and bermone variability       |
|                         | for age, race and DMU  | was minimized by obtaining early        |
|                         |  | was minimized by obtaining early        |
|                         | - Each unit increase in aikylator score,                       | Tollicular phase measures.              |
|                         | geometric mean FSH values increased by                         |   |
|                         | 0.91 mill/mL (p=0.016) and geometric                           |   |
|                         | mean AIVIH levels decreased by 0.55                            |   |
|                         | ng/mL (p=0.003)  |   |
|                         | - Differences in E <sub>2</sub> and AFC were not               |   |
|                         | significant  |   |

Abbreviations: yr, years; TBI, total body irradiation; BMT, bone marrow transplantation; FSH, follicle-stimulating hormone; E2, oestradiol; AMH, anti-Müllerian hormone; AFC, antral follicle count; BMI, body mass index.

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| <b>Borgmann-Staudt et al.</b> Fertility after allogeneic haematopoietic stem cell transplantation in childhood and adolescence. Bone Marrow Transplantation 2012;47:271-276. |  |   |   |   |
|--|--|---|---|---|
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up  | Participants   | Treatment   | Main outcomes   | Additional remarks  |
| <u>1. Study design</u><br>Multi centre<br>cohort study   | 1. Type and Number of<br>Participants<br>138 paediatric female<br>patients treated with  | <ul> <li><u>1. Chemotherapy</u></li> <li>Busulfan and<br/>cyclophosphamide: 25<br/>(18%)</li> </ul>   | <u>1. Outcome definitions</u><br>Impaired fertility: amenorrhoea, hormone<br>substitution, elevated FSH/LH >15 U/L or<br>low estradiol (<30 pgl/mL)   | <ol> <li><u>Strengths</u></li> <li></li> <li>Limitations</li> </ol>   |
| 2. Treatment era<br>2000-2005  | allogeneic HSCT, aged<br>≥12 yr at time of study   | <ul> <li>Busulfan,<br/>cyclophosphamide and<br/>melphalan: 15 (11%)</li> </ul>  | 2. Results<br>Impaired fertility: 111/133 (83%);  | In 10 of the 111 patients<br>classified as infertile, hormone<br>substitution was the only  |
| 3. Follow-up<br>Median 6 yr from<br>HSCT (range 3-12<br>yr)  | 2. Diagnoses<br>ALL (25%), AML (11%),<br>CML (14%), MDS (12%),<br>SAA (11%), FA (3%), ES<br>(3%), thalassaemia major<br>(3%), NHL (1%), other<br>(18%) | <ul> <li>Cyclophosphamide only:<br/>26 (19%)</li> <li>Etoposide: 31 (23%)</li> <li>Others: 42 (30%)</li> <li><u>2. Radiotherapy</u></li> <li>54 (39%) TBI</li> <li>Median 12.0 (range 2.0-<br/>14.4) Circu</li> </ul> | 9/38 women with information on their<br>menstrual cycle had amenorrhoea, 68<br>were receiving hormone substitution and<br>42 of the women not taking hormone<br>replacement therapy had abnormal values<br>on hormone analysis  | criterion for suspected infertility.<br>It is possible that some of these<br>10 women only used hormone<br>substitution for contraceptive<br>reasons meaning that the<br>infertility rate may be lower than<br>83%. |
|  | 3. Age at HSCT<br>Median 13 (range 4-27)<br>yr<br><u>4. Age at follow-up</u><br>Median 19 (range 12-34)  | <u>3. Surgery</u><br>N/A<br><u>4. BMT</u><br>133 (100%)   | <ul> <li><u>Misk factors for impaired fertility in</u></li> <li><u>multivariable logistic regression analyses:</u></li> <li>Pubertal patients vs pre-pubertal<br/>patients: OR 4.7 (95% Cl 1.5-14.9)</li> <li>TBI vs. no TBI: OR 4.9 (95% Cl 1.2-19.9)</li> <li>Busulfan yes vs. no: OR 47.4 (95% Cl 5.4-<br/>418.1)</li> <li>Ovelophosphamide and etoposide not</li> </ul> | <u>3. Risk of bias</u><br><u>A. Selection bias</u><br>Unclear<br>Reason: total number of patients<br>in the original cohort not<br>mentioned.   |
|  | 5. Controls (if applicable)<br>N/A   |   | significantly associated (no effect<br>measures reported)   | <u>B. Attrition bias</u><br>Low risk<br>Reason: for 133 out of 138<br>(96.4%) patients hormone<br>analysis was performed.<br>However, only for 38 patients<br>details on menstrual cycle were<br>available.         |

C. Detection bias Unclear

|  |  | Reason: Unclear if the outcome<br>assessors were blinded for<br>important determinants related<br>to the outcome.   |
|--|--|---|
|  |  | <u>D. Confounding</u><br>Low risk<br>Reason: Analyses were adjusted<br>for treatment and pubertal stage<br>at HSCT. |

Abbreviations:; ALD = adrenoleukodystrophy; ES = Ewing sarcoma; FA = Fanconi anaemia; FSH = follicle-stimulating hormone; HSCT = haematopoeitic stem cell transplantation; LH = luteinizing hormone; MDS = myelodysplastic syndrome; NHL = non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; SAA = severe aplastic anaemia

| Who should be counselled about fertility preservation? |                                   |  |   |  |  |
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| Thomas-Teinturier e                                    | <b>t al.</b> Age at menopause and | d its influencing factors in a cohort of s       | urvivors of childhood cancer: earlier but rarely    | y premature. Human Reproduction                |  |
| 2013;28:488-495  |                                   |  |   |  |  |
| Study design   |                                   |  |   |  |  |
| Treatment era  | Participants                      | Treatment  | Main outcomes                                       | Additional remarks                             |  |
| Years of follow-up                                     |                                   |  |   |  |  |
| 1. Study design  | 1. Type and Number of             | <u>1. Chemotherapy</u>                           | 1. Outcome definitions                              | <u>1. Strengths</u>                            |  |
| Multi-center (n=5)                                     | Participants                      | - Any alkylating agent: 337 (47.7%)              | Menopause: 12 months of amenorrhea                  | - Detailed therapy data on agents              |  |
| prospective cross-                                     | 706 female CCS                    | - Cyclophosphamide: 284 (40.2%),                 | and reporting menopause                             | and dose                                       |  |
| sectional study  |                                   | median dose 6700 (range 4480-                    |   |  |  |
|  | 2. Diagnoses                      | 10490) mg/m <sup>2</sup>                         | 2. Results  | 2. Limitations                                 |  |
| <u>2. Treatment era</u>                                | Nephroblastoma 213                | - Procarbazine: 51 (7.2%), median                | Menopause:  | <ul> <li>Self-reported outcome data</li> </ul> |  |
| 1945-1985  | (30%), neuroblastoma              | dose 4890 (range 2590-7800)                      | - 97 (13.7%) at median age of 44 yr                 |  |  |
|  | 144 (20.5%), Hodgkin's            | mg/m²  | <ul> <li>62 (8.9%) nonsurgical menopause</li> </ul> | 3. Risk of bias                                |  |
| <u>3. Follow-up</u>                                    | disease 48 (7%), non-             | <ul> <li>Lomustine: 15 (2.1%), median</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>- 35 (5.0%) surgical menopause</li> </ul>  | A. Selection bias:                             |  |
| >5 yr since cancer                                     | Hodgkin's lymphoma                | dose 415 (range 345-535) mg/m <sup>2</sup>       |   | High Risk                                      |  |
| diagnosis  | 58 (8%), brain tumours            | <ul> <li>Mechlorethamine: 40 (5.7%),</li> </ul>  | Premature menopause before age 40:                  | Reason: 706/1522 (46.4%) were                  |  |
|  | 26 (3.5%), soft tissue            | median dose 36 (range 24-61)                     | - 29 (4.1%)   | included in the study.                         |  |

| sarcoma 76 (11%),      | mg/m <sup>2</sup>                               | - 15 (2.1%) nonsurgical premature                                     |                                  |
|------------------------|---|---|----------------------------------|
| leukaemia (ALL, n=5;   | - Ifosfamide: 22 (3.1%), median                 | menopause   | B. Attrition bias:               |
| 5%), bone sarcoma 52   | dose 35610 (range 18100-59590)                  | - 14 (2.0%) surgical premature  | Low risk                         |
| (7.5%), gonadal and    | mg/m <sup>2</sup>                               | menopause   | Reason: the outcome was          |
| germ cell tumours 39   | - Dacarbazine: 18 (2.5%), median                |   | assessed for the whole study     |
| (5.5%), retinoblastoma | dose 2260 (range 1470-2910)                     | Risk factors for nonsurgical menopause in                             | group.                           |
| 18 (2.5%), others 32   | mg/m <sup>2</sup>                               | multivariable analyses adjusted for age at                            |                                  |
| (4.5%)                 | - Carmustine: 14 (2.0%), median                 | diagnosis and pubertal period:  | C. Detection bias                |
|                        | dose 60 (range 52-580) mg/m <sup>2</sup>        | Model 1:  | Unclear                          |
| 3. Age at diagnosis    | - Melphalan: 9 (1.3%), median                   | - Minimal radiation dose to ovaries per                               | Reason: unclear if the outcome   |
| Median 4.0 (range 0-   | dose 350 (range 180-360) mg/m <sup>2</sup>      | Gy: RR 1.1 (95% Cl 1.0-1.6)   | assessors were blinded for       |
| 17) yr                 | - Thiotepa: 1 (0.1%), median dose               | - Procarbazine dose per g/m <sup>2</sup> :                            | important determinants related   |
|                        | 75 mg/m <sup>2</sup>                            | RR 2.5 (95% CI 1.4-5.8)   | to the outcome                   |
| 4. Age at follow-up    | 2. Radiotherapy                                 | - Cyclophosphamide dose per g/m <sup>2</sup> :                        |                                  |
| Median 36 (range 21-   | Radiation to the ovaries:                       | RR 1.3 (95% CI 1.0-2.1)   | D. Confounding                   |
| 66) yr                 | <0.01 Gy: 306 (43.5%)                           | - Melphalan yes vs. no:   | Low risk                         |
|                        | 0.01-<1 Gy: 203 (28.5%)                         | RR 15.2 (95% CI 3.2-52.7)   | Reason: Important prognostic     |
| 5. Controls            | 1-<10 Gy: 155 (22.0%)                           | <ul> <li>Oophorectomy yes vs. no:</li> </ul>                          | factors (i.e. age, co-treatment, |
| None                   | ≥10 Gy: 42 (6.0%)                               | RR 3.7 (95% CI 1.1-11.2)  | ultrasound procedure) were       |
|                        |   | Model 2:  | taken into account               |
|                        | 3. Stem cell transplantation                    | - Minimal radiation dose to ovaries 0.01-                             |                                  |
|                        | Not reported                                    | <1 vs. <0.01 Gy: RR 1.3 (95% Cl 0.6-2.9)                              |                                  |
|                        |   | - Minimal radiation dose to ovaries 1-<10                             |                                  |
|                        | <u>4. Surgery</u>                               | vs. <0.01 Gy: RR 2.3 (95% Cl 1.0-5.1)                                 |                                  |
|                        | <ul> <li>Unilateral oophorectomy: 40</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Minimal radiation dose to ovaries ≥10</li> </ul>             |                                  |
|                        | (5.7%)  | Gy vs. <0.01 Gy: RR 3.8 (95% Cl 1.2-11.6)                             |                                  |
|                        | <ul> <li>Oophorectomy for cancer</li> </ul>     | - Alkylating agents before pubertal period                            |                                  |
|                        | treatment: 28 (4.0%)                            | vs. none: RR 2.8 (95% Cl 1.2-6.5)                                     |                                  |
|                        |   | <ul> <li>Alkylating agents during pubertal period</li> </ul>          |                                  |
|                        |   | vs. none: RR 14.8 (95% Cl 4.2-52.8)                                   |                                  |
|                        |   | - Alkylating agents after menses vs. none:                            |                                  |
|                        |   | RR 7.6 (95% Cl 3.0-19.1)  |                                  |
|                        |   |   |                                  |
|                        |   | Risk factors for nonsurgical premature                                |                                  |
|                        |   | <u>menopause <age 40="" in="" multivariable<="" u="" yr=""></age></u> |                                  |
|                        |   | analysis:   |                                  |
|                        |   | <ul> <li>Age at diagnosis per yr:</li> </ul>                          |                                  |
|                        |   | RR 1.3 (95% Cl 1.04-1.6)  |                                  |
|                        |   | <ul> <li>Melphalan yes vs. no:</li> </ul>                             |                                  |

|  | RR 32.0 (95% CI 2.0-530.0)<br>- Cumulative cyclophosphamide dose per<br>g/m <sup>2</sup> : RR 1.1 (95% CI 1.02-1.3)<br>- Radiation dose to ovaries per Gy:<br>RR 1.1 (95% CI 1.0-1.2) |
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| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                 | Treatment                                      | Main outcomes                                   | Additional remarks                               |
|---|------------------------------|--|---|--|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | <u>1. Type and Number of</u> | 1. Chemotherapy                                | 1. Outcome definitions                          | <u>1. Strengths</u>                              |
| Single center                                       | Participants                 | <ul> <li>Alkylating agents: 109</li> </ul>     | Ovarian Insufficiency: elevated FSH/LH          | Well-performed study                             |
| cohort study  | 109 consecutive female       | (100%)   | >10 U/L and low estradiol levels (<40           |  |
|   | patients <19 years of age    | <ul> <li>Alkylating agents only: 51</li> </ul> | pmol/L). In pre-pubertal females the            | 2. Limitations                                   |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | at HSCT, surviving >2 yr     | (46.8%)  | absence of spontaneous pubertal                 | <ul> <li>64% malignant disease</li> </ul>        |
| 1975-2008   | form HSCT, aged ≥10 yr       | - Cyclophosphamide: 99                         | development after the age of 12 years or        | - Small number of patients in                    |
|   | at time of study             | (90.8%) 20-200mg/kg                            | in pubertal or post-pubertal females the        | subgroups  |
| 3. Follow-up  |                              | <ul> <li>Busulfan: 34 (31.2%) oral</li> </ul>  | absence of menses.                              | <ul> <li>Short follow up/young age of</li> </ul> |
| Median 7.2 years                                    | 2. Diagnoses                 | 8-20mg/kg, IV 16 mg/kg                         |   | cohort   |
| from BMT (at least                                  | i: malignant                 | - Melphalan: 22 (20.2%) 140                    | <u>2. Results</u>                               | <ul> <li>No analysis of other</li> </ul>         |
| >2 years)   | hematological disease:       | mg/m2  | Ovarian insufficiency: 61 (56%) at median       | chemotherapy agents used in                      |
|   | AML, ALL,                    | <ul> <li>Ifosfamide: 2 (1.8%) 2-6</li> </ul>   | age 14.4 yr (range 11.0-25.5)                   | conditioning regimens                            |
|   | myelodysplastic              | g/m2   |   | <ul> <li>Therapy prior to BMT</li> </ul>         |
|   | syndrome                     | <ul> <li>Treosulfan: 8 (7.3%) 42</li> </ul>    | Cumulative incidence ovarian                    | conditioning unknown/not                         |
|   | n=69 (64%)                   | mg/m2  | insufficiency:                                  | described  |
|   | ii: immune                   | - Tiothepa: 3 (2.8%) 8 mg/kg                   | - Pubertal status at time of BMT: post-         | 3. Risk of bias                                  |
|   | deficiency/inborn errors     | - Etoposide: 5 (4.6%)                          | pubertal 79% (n=22), pubertal 67%               | A. Selection bias                                |
|   | of metabolism (IEM):         | 2. Radiotherapy                                | (n=8), pre-pubertal 45% (n=31); <i>p</i> = 0.01 | Low risk   |
|   | SCID, hemophagocytic         | 58 (53.2%) TBI/TAI                             | <ul> <li>Cancer diagnosis: malignant</li> </ul> | Reason: the study group                          |
|   | lymphohistiocytosis,         | 4-12 Gy  | hematological disease 68% (n=47),               | consisted of 109/141 (77%) of the                |
|   | metachromatic                |  | immune deficiency/IEM 33% (n=3),                | original cohort of survivors.                    |
|   | leukodystrophy, and          | <u>3. Surgery</u>                              | benign hematological disease: 39%               |  |

| osteopetrosis               | N/A           | (n=12); <i>p</i> =0.008                                | B. Attrition bias              |
|-----------------------------|---------------|--|--------------------------------|
| n=9 (8%)                    |               | - Treatment: Radiotherapy 57%                          | Low risk                       |
| iii: benign hematological   | <u>4. BMT</u> | (n=33/58), TBI 68% (n=30/44), TAI 21%                  | Reason: the outcome was        |
| disease: bone marrow        | 109 (100%)    | (n=3/14), chemo with busulfan 68%                      | assessed for the whole study   |
| failure/aplastic anemia,    |               | (n=23/34), chemo without busulfan 29%                  | group.                         |
| beta-thalassemia, fanconi   |               | (n=5/17), any chemo only 55%                           |                                |
| anemia, and blackfan        |               | (n=28/51)  | C. Detection bias              |
| diamond anemia              |               | - Age at HSCT: <5 yr 35% (n=11/31), 5-10               | Unclear                        |
| n=31 (28%)                  |               | yr 77% (n=27/35), 15-20 yr 79%                         | Reason: Unclear if the outcome |
|                             |               | (n=11/14); <i>p</i> =0.001                             | assessors were blinded for     |
| 3. Age at diagnosis         |               | Risk factors for ovarian insufficiency in              | important determinants related |
| Median 9.3 (range 0.3-      |               | multivariable Cox regression analyses:                 | to the outcome.                |
| 18.9) yr                    |               | <ul> <li>Pubertal patients vs pre-pubertal</li> </ul>  |                                |
|                             |               | patients: RR 4.42 (95% Cl 1.90-10.27)                  | D. Confounding                 |
| 4. Age at follow-up         |               | - Post-pubertal vs pre-pubertal patients:              | Low risk                       |
| Median 21.4 (range 10.9-    |               | RR 22.08 (95% CI 9.46-51.54)                           | Reason: Analyses were adjusted |
| 45.2) yr                    |               | <ul> <li>Malignant hematological disease vs</li> </ul> | for diagnosis, treatment and   |
|                             |               | benign hematological disease:                          | pubertal stage at HSCT.        |
| 5. Controls (if applicable) |               | RR 1.69 (95% CI 0.87-3.26)                             |                                |
| N/A                         |               | <ul> <li>Immune deficiency/IEM vs benign</li> </ul>    |                                |
|                             |               | hematological disease                                  |                                |
|                             |               | RR 0.80 (95% CI 0.22-2.88)                             |                                |
|                             |               | <ul> <li>TBI/TAI vs chemotherapy only:</li> </ul>      |                                |
|                             |               | RR 0.77 (95% CI 0.44-1.35)                             |                                |
|                             |               | - Chemotherapy with busulfan vs. without               |                                |
|                             |               | busulfan:  |                                |
|                             |               | RR 2.98 (95% Cl 0.99-9.03), p=0.05                     |                                |
|                             |               |  |                                |

Thomas-Teinturier et al. Ovarian reserve after treatment with alkylating agents during childhood. Human Reproduction 2015; 30:1437-1446

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants             | Treatment                              | Main outcomes  | Additional remarks                     |
|---|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| 1. Study design                                     | 1. Type and Number of    | <u>1. Chemotherapy</u>                 | 1. Outcome definitions                                   | <u>1. Strengths</u>                    |
| Multi-center (n=5)                                  | Participants             | Alkylating agents: 108 (100%)          | Altered ovarian function/POF was defined                 | Detailed analyses of ovarian           |
| prospective cross-                                  | 108 female CCS           | - Cyclophosphamide: 71 (67.6%),        | by FSH>15 UI/I at least twice, AMH <3.6                  | reserve markers in a cohort of         |
| sectional study                                     | without an ovarian       | median dose 4.6 g/m <sup>2</sup> [n=12 | pmol/l and amenorrhoea after stopping                    | CCS not treated with brain or          |
|   | tumour, treated with     | $(11.4\%) \ge 10 \text{ g/m}^2$ ]      | oral contraceptives                                      | pelvic or total body radiation         |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | alkylating agents and    | - Ifosfamide: 33 (31.4 %), median      |  | therapy or busulfan/thiotepa           |
| Not reported  | without brain, pelvic or | dose 48 g/m2 [n=20 (19%) 40            | 2. Results   |  |
|   | total body radiation or  | g/m2]                                  | <u>POF:</u> 8 (7.6%)                                     | 2. Limitations                         |
| 3. Follow-up  | busulfan/thiotepa        | - Procarbazine: 23 (21.9%) [20/23      |  | The small percentage of                |
| >3 yr after end of                                  |                          | treated for HL]                        | Ovarian markers in CCS vs controls                       | participating CCS (26% of the          |
| therapy   | 2. Diagnoses             | 2. Radiotherapy                        | <u>(median):</u>   | original cohort, 105/408) does         |
|   | Neuroblastoma            | Subdiaphragmaic radiotherapy: 19       | - FSH: 6.2 (2.1-52.6) vs 5.8 (3.5-11) IU/I,              | not allow conclusions on fertility     |
|   | (n=23;22%), Hodgkin's    | (17.6%), median dose 20 Gy;            | p=0.1  | issues. The impact of risk factors     |
|   | disease (HL, n=21;       | 12/19 treated for HL                   | - AMH: 10.7 (0-98) vs 22 (3.3-47) pmol/l                 | on ovarian reserve surrogates          |
|   | 20%), non-Hodgkin's      |  | p=0.003  | were analyzed, but not the             |
|   | lymphoma (NHL, n=15;     | 3. Autologous stem cell                | - Ovarian surface per ovary: 3.5 (1.1-7.1)               | impact on POF. The control group       |
|   | 14%), soft tissue        | transplantation                        | <i>vs</i> 4.4 (2.1-10.3) cm2, p=0.0004                   | was small and younger.                 |
|   | sarcoma (n=16; 15%),     | 14 (13.3%)                             | FSH levels by cancer treatment and                       |  |
|   | leukaemia (ALL, n=5;     |  | diagnosis vs controls:                                   | <u>3. Risk of bias</u>                 |
|   | 5%), bone sarcoma        | <u>4. Surgery</u>                      | <ul> <li>Significant higher FSH levels in CCS</li> </ul> | A. Selection bias:                     |
|   | (n=16; 15%), other (n=3  | 0 oophorectomy                         | treated with alkylating agents +                         | High Risk                              |
|   | Wilm's tumour and n=1    |  | subdiaphragmatic radiotherapy vs                         | Reason: 105 CCS out of 408 were        |
|   | malignant germ cell      |  | alkylating agents alone: p=0.009                         | enrolled (26% of the original          |
|   | tumour; 4%).             |  | <ul> <li>Significant higher FSH levels in CCS</li> </ul> | cohort fulfilling inclusion criteria). |
|   |                          |  | treated with alkylating agents +                         |  |
|   | 3. Age at diagnosis      |  | subdiaphragmatic radiotherapy vs                         | B. Attrition bias:                     |
|   | Median 9.3 yr (range     |  | controls: p=0.0009                                       | Low risk                               |
|   | 0.04-17.7)               |  | <ul> <li>Significant higher FSH levels in CCS</li> </ul> | Reason: the outcome was                |
|   |                          |  | diagnosed with Hodgkin lymphoma vs                       | assessed for the whole study           |
|   | 4. Pubertal status at    |  | other cancer diagnoses, p<0.02                           | group. 105 were analyzed (n=3          |
|   | <u>treatment</u>         |  | <ul> <li>Significant higher FSH levels in CCS</li> </ul> | excluded: n=1 polycistic               |

| 62% before puberty       | diagnosed with Hodgk      | in lymphoma vs syndrome, n=2 wrong time of        |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| 13% during puberty       | controls, p=0.0001        | assessement)                                      |
| 25% after menarche       | Risk factors for elevated | FSH levels in                                     |
|                          | multivariable analysis:   | C. Detection bias                                 |
| 5. Age at follow-up      | - Age at evaluation (beta | a 0.018, p=0.01) Unclear                          |
| Median 25 yr (range      | - Oral contraceptive use  | (beta 0.140, Reason: unclear if the outcome       |
| 17-40.7)                 | p=0.09)                   | assessors were blinded for                        |
|                          | - Procarbazine dose (be   | ta 0.012, p<0.001) important determinants related |
| <u>6. Controls</u>       | - High-dose alkylating ag | gents (BMT to the outcome                         |
| n=20 healthy             | patients) (beta 0.197,    | p=0.09)   |
| menstruating females     |                           | D. Confounding                                    |
| before OCP (n=7 still on |                           | Low risk  |
| OCP), median age 21.5    |                           | Reason: Important prognostic                      |
| yr (range 15-34)         |                           | factors (i.e. age, co-treatment,                  |
|                          |                           | ultrasound procedure) were                        |
|                          |                           | taken into account                                |

| Who should be counselled about fertility preservation?   |                              |                                     |  |                                 |  |  |
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| Chemaitilly et al. Premature ovarian insufficiency in childhood cancer survivors: A report from the St Jude Lifetime Cohort. J Clin Endocrinol Metab 2017;102:2242-<br>2250. |                              |                                     |  |                                 |  |  |
| Study design   |                              |                                     |  |                                 |  |  |
| Treatment era  | Participants                 | Treatment                           | Main outcomes                                | Additional remarks              |  |  |
| Years of follow-up   |                              |                                     |  |                                 |  |  |
| <u>1. Study design</u>   | <u>1. Type and number of</u> | <u>1. Chemotherapy</u>              | 1. Outcome definitions                       | <u>1. Strengths</u>             |  |  |
| Retrospective cohort   | <u>participants</u>          | Alkylating agents: 542 (58.8%)      | Premature ovarian insufficiency (POI):       | Large well-performed study      |  |  |
| study  | 921 from total cohort of     | Cyclophosphamide                    | persistent amenorrhea with evidence of a     |                                 |  |  |
|  | 1,644 female CCS ≥10 yr      | equivalence dose (CED):             | primary ovarian origin before age 40 yr;     | 2. Limitations                  |  |  |
| 2. Treatment era   | postdiagnosis aged ≥18       | <4000 mg/m <sup>2</sup> : 85 (9.2%) | In amenorrheic women <40 yr old not on       | Difficulties in assessing with  |  |  |
| 1962-2001  | yr at follow-up              | ≥4000- <8000 mg/m²: 166             | sex hormone replacement therapy or oral      | certainty ovarian function in a |  |  |
|  |                              | (18.0%)                             | contraceptive pills, estradiol <17 pg/mL     | subset of patients on sex       |  |  |
| 3. Follow-up   | 2. Diagnoses                 | ≥8000- <12000 mg/m²: 164            | with FSH >30 IU/L was considered indicative  | hormone replacement therapy or  |  |  |
| Median 24.0 (range   | Leukaemia 398 (43.2%),       | (17.8%)                             | of POI; In individuals receiving sex hormone | oral contraceptives             |  |  |
| 10.2-48.1) yr after  | lymphoma 165 (17.9%),        | ≥12000- <20000 mg/m²: 86            | replacement therapy or oral contraceptives,  |                                 |  |  |
| cancer diagnosis   | CNS tumour 52 (5.7%),        | (9.3%)                              | the diagnosis of POI was based solely on     | 3. Risk of bias                 |  |  |
|  | embryonal tumours 178        | ≥20000 mg/m²: 41 (4.5%)             | historical medical information               | A. Selection bias:              |  |  |
|  | (19.3%), bone and soft       |                                     |  | High risk                       |  |  |

| tissue sarcoma 105         | 2. Radiotherapy                | 2. Results                                       | Reason: 921/1644 (65.0%)          |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| (11.4%), carcinomas 12     | Pelvic radiation: 153 (13.3%)  | POI: 100 (10.9%) of whom 31 (31%)                | patients form the original cohort |
| (1.3%), other 11 (1.2%)    | Ovarian radiation: 165 (17.9%) | received sex hormone replacement therapy         | were included in the study.       |
|                            | <100 cGy: 53 (5.8%)            |  |                                   |
| <u>3. Age at diagnosis</u> | 100-999 cGy: 53 (5.8%)         | Risk factors for POI in multivariable Cox        | B. Attrition bias:                |
| 0-18 yr                    | 1000-1999 cGy: 32 (3.5%)       | regression analyses:                             | Low risk                          |
|                            | ≥2000 cGy: 27 (2.9%)           | - Age at cancer diagnosis:                       | Reason: Outcome was assessed      |
| <u>4. Age at follow-up</u> | Hypothalamic/pituitary         | HR 0.97 (95% CI 0.92-1.02)                       | for the whole study group.        |
| Median 31.7 (range         | radiation: 291 (31.6%)         | - Oophoropexy yes vs. no:                        |                                   |
| 19.0-60.6) yr              | <1000 cGy: 0 (0%)              | HR 1.33 (95% CI 0.70-2.53)                       | C. Detection bias:                |
|                            | 1000-1499 cGy: 16 (1.7%)       | - Ovarian radiation dose >999 vs. 0 cGy:         | Unclear                           |
| <u>5. Controls</u>         | 1500-2999 cGy: 219 (23.8%)     | HR 13.85 (95% CI 6.50-29.51)                     | Reason: Unclear if the outcome    |
| None                       | ≥3000 cGy: 56 (6.1%)           | - Ovarian radiation dose ≥1000 vs. 0 cGy:        | assessors were blinded for        |
|                            |                                | HR 132.34 (95% Cl 62.88-278.53)                  | important determinants related    |
|                            | <u>3. Surgery</u>              | - CED <8000 vs. 0 mg/m <sup>2</sup> :            | to the outcome                    |
|                            | Oophoropexy: 58 (6.3%)         | HR 1.55 (95% CI 0.77-3.11)                       |                                   |
|                            |                                | - CED 8000-11999 vs. 0 mg/m <sup>2</sup> :       | D. Confounding:                   |
|                            | <u>4. BMT</u>                  | HR 2.77 (95% CI 1.18-6.51)                       | Low risk                          |
|                            | Not reported                   | - CED 12000-19999 vs. 0 mg/m <sup>2</sup> :      | Reason: Analyses were adjusted    |
|                            |                                | HR 3.90 (95% CI 1.80-8.43)                       | for age, BMI and cancer           |
|                            |                                | - CED ≥20000 vs. 0 mg/m <sup>2</sup> :           | treatment.                        |
|                            |                                | HR 4.13 (95% CI 1.63-1050)                       |                                   |
|                            |                                | - BMI <18.5 vs. ≥18.5-24.9 kg/m²:                |                                   |
|                            |                                | HR 1.52 (95% CI 0.71-3.23)                       |                                   |
|                            |                                | - BMI 25-29.9 vs. ≥18.5-24.9 kg/m <sup>2</sup> : |                                   |
|                            |                                | HR 0.93 (95% CI 0.54-1.61)                       |                                   |
|                            |                                | - BMI ≥30 vs. ≥18.5-24.9 kg/m <sup>2</sup> :     |                                   |
|                            |                                | HR 0.43 (95% CI 0.22-0.86)                       |                                   |
|                            |                                | Risk factors for POI after combining             |                                   |
|                            |                                | treatment modalities in multivariable Cox        |                                   |
|                            |                                | regression analyses:                             |                                   |
|                            |                                | - Age at cancer diagnosis:                       |                                   |
|                            |                                | HR 1.02 (95% CI 0.98-1.06)                       |                                   |
|                            |                                | - Oophoropexy yes vs. no:                        |                                   |
|                            |                                | HR 0.72 (95% CI 0.42-1.23)                       |                                   |
|                            |                                | - Alkylating agents only vs. no alkylating       |                                   |
|                            |                                | agents nor ovarian radiotherapy:                 |                                   |
|                            |                                | HR 2.98 (0.63-14.06)                             |                                   |
|                            |                                | - Ovarian radiation only vs. no alkylating       |                                   |

| agents nor ovarian radiotherapy:                 |
|--|
| HR 71.7 (16.50-311.58)                           |
| - Alkylating agents and ovarian radiation vs.    |
| no alkylating agents nor ovarian                 |
| radiotherapy:                                    |
| HR 95.56 (23.30-391.93)                          |
| - BMI <18.5 vs. ≥18.5-24.9 kg/m <sup>2</sup> :   |
| HR 1.87 (95% CI 0.97-3.59)                       |
| - BMI 25-29.9 vs. ≥18.5-24.9 kg/m <sup>2</sup> : |
| HR 0.92 (95% CI 0.56-1.52)                       |
| - BMI ≥30 vs. ≥18.5-24.9 kg/m²:                  |
| HR 0.36 (95% CI 0.20-0.65)                       |

Abbreviations: BMI, body mass index; BMT, bone marrow transplantation; CCS, childhood cancer survivors; CED, cyclophosphamide equivalence dose; HR, hazard ratio; POI, premature ovarian insufficiency; yr, year.

Who should be counselled about fertility preservation?

*Levine et al.* Nonsurgical premature menopause and reproductive implications in survivors of childhood cancer: A report from the Childhood Cancer Survivor Study. Cancer 2018;124:1044-1052.

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                 | Treatment   | Main outcomes   | Additional remarks                |
|---|------------------------------|---|---|-----------------------------------|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | <u>1. Type and number of</u> | <u>1. Chemotherapy</u>                            | 1. Outcome definitions  | <u>1. Strengths</u>               |
| Retrospective cohort                                | participants                 | <ul> <li>Alkylating agents: 1361</li> </ul>       | Nonsurgical premature menopause:                                    | Large well-performed study.       |
| study   | 2,930 female CCS ≥5 yr       | (46.5%)   | sustained menses cessation occurring for ≥6                         |                                   |
|   | postdiagnosis aged ≥18       | - Procarbazine: 201 (7.2%)                        | months beginning 5 years after the cancer                           | 2. Limitations                    |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | yr at follow-up without      | 0-4000 mg/m <sup>2</sup> : 29 (1.0%)              | diagnosis but before age 40 years that was                          | - NSPM is selfreported            |
| 1970-1986   | surgical premature           | ≥4000 mg/m²: 128 (4.4%)                           | not due to pregnancy, surgery, or                                   | and therefore may be subject to   |
|   | menopause; patients          | <ul> <li>Alkylating agents only: 552</li> </ul>   | medications   | both overreporting                |
| <u>3. Follow-up</u>                                 | with Turner syndrome,        | (18.8%)   |   | and underreporting.               |
| >5 yr from cancer                                   | menstruating ended           |   | 2. Results  | - Cases of NSPM may be masked     |
| diagnosis   | within 5 yr after cancer     | 2. Radiotherapy                                   | Nonsurgical premature menopause                                     | by women who are taking oral      |
|   | diagnosis and CRT >30        | - Ovarian radiation: 1624                         | - 110 (3.8%) at median age 32 (range 16-40)                         | contraceptives.                   |
|   | Gy were excluded             | (55.4%)   | yr  |                                   |
|   |                              | >0-500 cGy: 1496 (51.1%)                          | <ul> <li>Prevalence at age 40 yr survivors vs.</li> </ul>           | <u>3. Risk of bias</u>            |
|   | 2. Diagnoses                 | >500 cGy: 115 (3.9.%)                             | controls: 9.1% vs. 0.9%; OR 10.5 (95% Cl                            | A. Selection bias:                |
|   | Leukaemia 1149 (39.2%),      | <ul> <li>Ovarian radiation only: 792</li> </ul>   | 4.2-26.3)   | High risk                         |
|   | Hodgkin lymphoma 348         | (27.0%)   | <b>Risk factors for nonsurgical premature</b>                       | Reason: 2930/6919 (42.3%)         |
|   | (11.9%), kidney tumours      | <ul> <li>Alkylating agents and ovarian</li> </ul> | menopause in multivariable logistic                                 | patients form the original cohort |
|   | 344 (11.7%), bone            | radiation: 804 (27.4%)                            | regression analysis:  | were included in the study.       |
|   | tumours 311 (10.6%),         | <ul> <li>Procarbazine and ovarian</li> </ul>      | - Minimum ovarian radiation dose >0-500                             |                                   |
|   | neuroblastoma 254            | radiation: 172 (5.9%)                             | cGy vs. 0: OR 2.73 (95% Cl 1.33-5.61)                               | B. Attrition bias:                |
|   | (8.7%), soft tissue          |   | - Minimum ovarian radiation dose >500 cGy                           | Low risk                          |
|   | sarcomas 224 (7.6%),         | 3. Surgery  | vs. 0: OR 8.02 (95% Cl 2.81-22.85)                                  | Reason: Outcome was assessed      |
|   | CNS tumours 157 (5.4%),      | Unilateral oophorectomy: 62                       | - Procarbazine dose <4000 mg/m <sup>2</sup> vs. 0:                  | for the whole study group.        |
|   | non-Hodgkin lymphoma         | (2.1%)  | OR 3.07 (95% CI 0.76-12.43)   |                                   |
|   | 143 (4.9%)                   |   | <ul> <li>Procarbazine dose ≥4000 mg/m<sup>2</sup> vs. 0:</li> </ul> | C. Detection bias:                |
|   |                              | <u>4. BMT</u>                                     | OR 8.96 (95% CI 5.02-16.00)   | Unclear                           |
|   | 3. Age at diagnosis          | 17 (0.6%)   | <ul> <li>Stem cell transplant yes vs. no:</li> </ul>                | Reason: Unclear if the outcome    |
|   | Median 6 (range 0-20) yr     |   | OR 6.35 (95% CI 1.19-33.93)   | assessors were blinded for        |
|   |                              |   | Other risk factors for nonsurgical premature                        | important determinants related    |
|   | 4. Age at follow-up          |   | menopause in univariate logistic regression                         | to the outcome                    |
|   | Median 35 (range 18-58)      |   | analysis (non-significant factors and                               |                                   |
|   | yr                           |   | therefore not included in the multivariable                         | D. Confounding:                   |
|   |                              |   | model):   | Low risk                          |
|   | 5. Controls                  |   | - Cyclophosphamide equivalence dose                                 | Reason: Analyses were adjusted    |
|   | 1399 siblings                |   | <6000 mg/m <sup>2</sup> vs. 0: OR 0.80 (95% Cl 0.32-                | for cancer treatment and age.     |
|   |                              |   | 2.01)   | Other factors considered in the   |

|  | - Cyclophosphamide equivalence dose                  | model were smoking status and |
|--|--|-------------------------------|
|  | ≥6000 mg/m <sup>2</sup> vs. 0: OR 3.47 (95% Cl 2.08- | BMI.                          |
|  | 5.78)  |                               |
|  | - Cyclophosphamide equivalence dose                  |                               |
|  | without procarbazine <6000 mg/m <sup>2</sup> vs. 0:  |                               |
|  | OR 0.71 (95% CI 0.28-1.83)                           |                               |
|  | - Cyclophosphamide equivalence dose                  |                               |
|  | without procarbazine ≥6000 mg/m <sup>2</sup> vs. 0:  |                               |
|  | OR 1.07 (95% CI 0.50-2.28)                           |                               |
|  | - Unilateral oophorectomy yes vs. no: OR             |                               |
|  | 1.52 (95% Cl 0.56-4.07)                              |                               |
|  | - Age at diagnosis 10-14 yr vs. 0-9 yr: OR           |                               |
|  | 1.14 (95% CI 0.63-2.06)                              |                               |
|  | - Age at diagnosis 15-20 yr vs. 0-9 yr: OR           |                               |
|  | 1.98 (95% Cl 1.16-3.38)                              |                               |
|  |  |                               |

Abbreviations: BMI, body mass index; BMT, bone marrow transplantation; CCS, childhood cancer survivors; OR, odds ratio; yr, year.

| Who should be counselled about fertility preservation?  |   |  |  |  |  |
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| Fernandez-Pineda et a<br>report from the St. Jude   | Fernandez-Pineda et al. Impact of ovarian transposition before pelvic irradiation on ovarian function among long-term survivors of childhood Hodgkin lymphoma: A report from the St. Jude Lifetime Cohort Study. Pediatr Blood Cancer 2018;11:e27232. |  |  |  |  |
| Study design     Participants     Treatment     Main outcomes     Additional remarks       Years of follow-up     Vears of follow-up     Main outcomes     Additional remarks |   |  |  |  |  |

| 1. Study design       | 1. Type and Number of       | <u>1. Chemotherapy</u>                            | 1. Outcome definitions   | <u>1. Strengths</u>                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|
| Single-center cohort  | Participants                | Cyclophosphamide equivalence                      | Premature ovarian insufficiency: absence of                    | Large well-performed study.         |
| study                 | 90 female pediatric         | dose:   | menses 5 years post cancer diagnosis or loss                   |                                     |
|                       | Hodgkin lymphoma            | - 0 to ≤8,000 mg/m <sup>2</sup> : 45 (52%)        | of spontaneous menses prior to 40 years of                     | 2. Limitations                      |
| 2. Treatment era      | survivors treated with      | - 8,000 to ≤12,000 mg/m <sup>2</sup> : 18         | age with laboratory or historic evidence of                    |                                     |
| Not mentioned         | pelvic radiation who        | (21%)   | primary (ovarian) origin;                                      |                                     |
|                       | survived >10 yr from        | $-12.000$ to $\leq 20.000$ mg/m <sup>2</sup> : 20 | In the absence of treatment with oral                          | 3. Risk of bias                     |
| 3. Follow-up:         | diagnosis with an           | (23%)   | contraceptive pills or sex-hormone                             | A. Selection bias:                  |
| >10 yr from diagnosis | attained age of ≥18 yr      | $- >20.000 \text{ mg/m}^2 \cdot 4.46\%$           | replacement therapy at the time of study                       | Low risk                            |
|                       |                             | - Median 8818 2 (range 1800 0-                    | participation, individuals <40 years old                       | Reason: 90/127 (70.9%) patients     |
|                       | 2. Diagnoses                | 28980.0 mg/m <sup>2</sup>                         | experiencing amenorrhea for a period > 6                       | form the original cohort were       |
|                       | Hodgkin lymphoma            | 2000.07 mg/m                                      | months and having plasma estradiol levels <                    | included in the study. However,     |
|                       | (100%)                      | Nitrogen mustard: 3 (3 3%)                        | 17 pg/ml coinciding with follicle stimulating                  | the patient and treatment           |
|                       |                             | - Median 18 / (range18 1-36 7)                    | hormone levels $\geq$ 30 IU/l were considered                  | characteristics of the participants |
|                       | 3. Age at diagnosis         | $mg/m^2$  | to have POI  | and non-participants are not        |
|                       | Median 16 (range 4-22)      | 116/11  |  | significantly different.            |
|                       | yr                          | Procarbazine: 37 (11%)                            | 2. Results   |                                     |
|                       |                             | - Modian 4422 2 (rango 857 1                      | Premature ovarian insufficiency: Number of                     | B. Attrition bias:                  |
|                       | 4. Age at follow-up         | = 1000000000000000000000000000000000000           | events not reported  | Low risk                            |
|                       | Median 39 (range 25-60)     | 13033.3/ Ilig/III                                 |  | Reason: Outcome was assessed        |
|                       | yr                          | 2. Dediathereau                                   | Risk factors for premature ovarian                             | for the whole study group.          |
|                       |                             | 2. Radiotierapy                                   | insufficiency in multivariable Cox                             |                                     |
|                       | 5. Controls (if applicable) | $\sim$ 1 500 $\circ$ Cyr 22 (27%)                 | proportional hazard regression analysis:                       | C. Detection bias:                  |
|                       | N/A                         | - ≤1,500 CGy: 32 (37%)                            | - Cyclophosphamide equivalence dose                            | Unclear                             |
|                       |                             | - >1,500 CGY: 55 (63%)                            | 8,001-12,000 vs. ≤8,000 mg/m <sup>2</sup> : HR 3.3             | Reason: Unclear if the outcome      |
|                       |                             | 2. Summer   | (95% CI 0.7-16.0)  | assessors were blinded for          |
|                       |                             | 3. Surgery  | - Cyclophosphamide equivalence dose                            | important determinants related      |
|                       |                             | Oophoropexy: 49 (54%)                             | 12,001-20,000 vs. ≤8,000 mg/m <sup>2</sup> : HR 11.2           | to the outcome                      |
|                       |                             | 4 DMT   | (95% CI 3.4-36.8)  |                                     |
|                       |                             | $\frac{4.0111}{0.000}$                            | - Cyclophosphamide equivalence dose                            | D. Confounding:                     |
|                       |                             | 0 (0%)  | >20,000 vs. ≤8,000 mg/m²: HR 36.9 (95%                         | Low risk                            |
|                       |                             |   | CI 5.2-260.5)  | Reason: Analyses were adjusted      |
|                       |                             |   | <ul> <li>Pelvic radiation dose ≤1,500 vs. &gt;1,500</li> </ul> | for cancer treatment and age at     |
|                       |                             |   | cGy: HR 25.2 (95% Cl 3.1-207.3)                                | diagnosis.                          |
|                       |                             |   | - Ovarian transposition yes vs. no: HR 06                      |                                     |
|                       |                             |   | (95% CI 0.2-1.9)   |                                     |

| Who should | he counselled at | hout fertility pres  | ervation?   |
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*Wallace et al.* The radiosensitivity of the human oocyte. Hum Reprod 2003;18(1):117-121.

| Study design                                   |                              |  |   |                                    |
|--|------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|
| Treatment era                                  | Participants                 | Treatment  | Main outcomes                                 | Additional remarks                 |
| 1 Study dosign                                 | 1 Type and Number of         | 1 Chomothorany:  | 1. Outcome definitions                        | 1 Strongths                        |
| <u>1. Study design</u><br>Retrospective cohort | <u>1. Type and Number of</u> | $\frac{1. \text{ chemiotherapy.}}{1. \text{ chert 1: 8 (100%)}}$ | <u>1. Outcome demitions</u>                   | 1. Strengths                       |
| study  | 27 post-pubertal women       | Cohort 2: 11 (57.9%) vincristine                                 | complete pubertal development, or the         | 2 Limitations                      |
| study  | treated with                 | adriamycin actinomycin D   | onset of a premature menonause before         | - Not based on exact radiation     |
| 2 Treatment era                                | radiotherapy for             |  | are 40 years in association with              | dose received by each overy        |
| Cohort 1. Treatment                            | childhood cancer             | 2 Badiotherany:  | nersistently elevated gonadotrophin levels    | - Small sample n=27                |
| era not reported                               | Two cohorts $(n-27)$ :       | $\frac{2.13400(110102)}{(2000000000000000000000000000000000000$  | (ESH and LH >32 III/I) and low estradio       | - Estimations based on             |
| Scotland                                       |                              | in 8 fractions over 2 days                                       | (1511  and  E17 > 52 10/2)  and 10w estradion | mathematical model                 |
| Cohort 2: treatment                            | 2 Diagnoses                  | Cohort 2: 19 (100%) whole  |   | - Model created from small         |
| 1966-1975 LIK                                  | Cohort 1: leukaemia          | abdominal BT (ovaries in BT                                      | 2 Results                                     | cohorts and has not validated in a |
| 1900 1979, 01                                  | (n=8)                        | field no shielding) 30 Gy 16-26                                  | Ovarian failure cohort 1: 6/8 (75%)           | broader population                 |
| 3 Follow-up                                    | Cohort 2: intra-             | fractions  | Median age 13.2 vr (range 12.5-16.0)          | - Cohort 1 TBL cohort 2            |
| Years of follow-up                             | abdominal tumour             |  |   | abdominal irradiation              |
| not reported                                   | (n=19)                       | 3 Surgery  | Ovarian failure cohort 2: 18/19 (94 7%)       | comparable?                        |
|  | (0)                          | Cohort 1: 0 (0%)   | Median age 12.7 vr (range 9.7-15.9)           |                                    |
|  | 3. Age at diagnosis          | Cohort 2: 19 (100%)  |   | Risk of bias                       |
|  | Cohort 1: Median 11.5        |  | Based on Faddy-Gosden mathematical            | A. Selection bias                  |
|  | vr (4.9-15.1)                | 4. BMT   | model:  | Unclear                            |
|  | Cohort 2: Median 4 vr        | 0 (0%)   | Dose of radiation required to destroy 50%     | Reason: It is not reported how     |
|  | (1.3-13.1)                   |  | of the oocvtes (LD50) = $1.99  \text{Gy}$     | the selection of patients took     |
|  | (                            |  |   | place i.e. from what original      |
|  | 4. Age at follow-up          |  |   | group of patients.                 |
|  | Cohort 1: Median 17.1        |  |   | 5 1 1                              |
|  | (15.4-21.5)                  |  |   | B. Attrition bias                  |
|  | Cohort 2: not mentioned      |  |   | Low risk                           |
|  |                              |  |   | Reason: the outcome was            |
|  | 5. Controls                  |  |   | assessed for the whole study       |
|  | N/A                          |  |   | group.                             |
|  |                              |  |   |                                    |
|  |                              |  |   | C. Detection bias                  |
|  |                              |  |   | Unclear                            |
|  |                              |  |   | Reason: Unclear if the outcome     |

|  |  | assessors were blinded for<br>important determinants related<br>to the outcome.                   |
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|  |  | <u>D. Confounding</u><br>High risk<br>Reason: no adjustment for<br>important confounding factors. |

Abbreviations: UK, United Kingdom; yr(s), year(s); CT, chemotherapy; TBI, total body irradiation; RT, radiotherapy; POI, premature ovarian insufficiency.

## Who should be counselled about fertility preservation?

*Wallace et al.* Predicting age of ovarian failure after radiation to the field that includes the ovaries. Int J Radiation Oncology Biol Phys 2005;62(3):738-744.

| Study design           |                              |                                   |  |                                    |
|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Treatment era          | Participants                 | Treatment                         | Main outcomes                              | Additional remarks                 |
| Years of follow-up     |                              |                                   |  |                                    |
| <u>1. Study design</u> | <u>1. Type and Number of</u> | 1. Chemotherapy:                  | 1. Outcome definitions                     | <u>1. Strengths</u>                |
| Retrospective cohort   | <u>Participants</u>          | Cohort 1: 8 (100%)                | Ovarian failure: failure to undergo or     |                                    |
| study                  | 27 post-pubertal women       | Cohort 2: 11 (57.9%) vincristine, | complete pubertal development, or the      | 2. Limitations                     |
|                        | treated with                 | adriamycin, actinomycin D         | onset of a premature menopause before      | - Not based on exact radiation     |
| 2. Treatment era       | radiotherapy for             |                                   | age 40 years, in association with          | dose received by each ovary.       |
| Cohort 1: Treatment    | childhood cancer             | 2. Radiotherapy:                  | persistently elevated gonadotrophin levels | - Small sample n=27.               |
| era not reported,      | Two cohorts (n=27):          | Cohort 1: 8 (100%) TBI 14.4 Gy    | (FSH and LH >32 IU/L) and low estradiol    | - Estimations based on             |
| Scotland               |                              | in 8 fractions over 2 days        | concentration (<40 pmol/L)                 | mathematical model                 |
| Cohort 2: treatment    | 2. Diagnoses                 | Cohort 2: 19 (100%) whole         |  | - Model created from small         |
| 1966-1975, UK          | Cohort 1: leukaemia          | abdominal RT (ovaries in RT       | 2. Results                                 | cohorts and has not validated in a |
|                        | (n=8)                        | field, no shielding) 30 Gy, 16-26 | Ovarian failure cohort 1: 6/8 (75%)        | broader population.                |
| 3. Follow-up           | Cohort 2: intra-             | fractions                         | Median age 13.2 yr (range 12.5-16.0)       | - Cohort 1 TBI, cohort 2           |
| Years of follow-up     | abdominal tumour             |                                   |  | abdominal irradiation,             |
| not reported.          | (n=19)                       | <u>3. Surgery</u>                 | Ovarian failure cohort 2: 18/19 (94,7%)    | comparable?                        |
|                        |                              | Cohort 1: 0 (0%)                  | Median age 12.7 yr (range 9.7-15.9)        |                                    |

| 3. Age at diagnosis     | Cohort 2: 19 (100%) |   | Risk of bias                   |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Cohort 1: Median 11.5   |                     | Based on Faddy-Gosden mathematical      | A. Selection bias              |
| yr (4.9-15.1)           | <u>4. BMT</u>       | model (estimation):                     | Unclear                        |
| Cohort 2: Median 4 yr   | 0 (0%)              | Effective sterilizing dose (POI occurs  | Reason: It is not reported how |
| (1.3-13.1)              |                     | immediately after treatment in 97.5% of | the selection of patients took |
|                         |                     | patients):                              | place i.e. from what original  |
| 4. Age at follow-up     |                     | At birth: 20.3 Gy                       | group of patients.             |
| Cohort 1: Median 17.1   |                     | At 10 yr: 18.4 Gy;                      |                                |
| (15.4-21.5)             |                     | At 20 yr: 16.5 Gy;                      | B. Attrition bias              |
| Cohort 2: not mentioned |                     | At 30 yr: 14.3 Gy                       | Low risk                       |
|                         |                     |   | Reason: the outcome was        |
| <u>5. Controls</u>      |                     |   | assessed for the whole study   |
| N/A                     |                     |   | group.                         |
|                         |                     |   |                                |
|                         |                     |   | C. Detection bias              |
|                         |                     |   | Unclear                        |
|                         |                     |   | Reason: Unclear if the outcome |
|                         |                     |   | assessors were blinded for     |
|                         |                     |   | important determinants related |
|                         |                     |   | to the outcome.                |
|                         |                     |   |                                |
|                         |                     |   | D. Confounding                 |
|                         |                     |   | High risk                      |
|                         |                     |   | Reason: no adjustment for      |
|                         |                     |   | important confounding factors. |

Abbreviations: UK, United Kingdom; yr(s), year(s); CT, chemotherapy; TBI, total body irradiation; RT, radiotherapy; POI, premature ovarian insufficiency.

| Who should be counselled about fertility preservation?                |                              |                                     |  |                           |  |  |
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| Jadoul et al. Clinical an   | d biologic evaluation of ova | rian function in women treated by l | bone marrow transplantation for various indica | tions during childhood or |  |  |
| adolescence. Fertil Ster  | ril 2011;96(1):126-133.      |                                     |  |                           |  |  |
| Study design  | Study design                 |                                     |  |                           |  |  |
| Treatment era Participants Treatment Main outcomes Additional remarks |                              |                                     |  |                           |  |  |
| Years of follow-up  |                              |                                     |  |                           |  |  |

| 1. Study design     | 1. Type and Number of      | <u>1. Chemotherapy</u>           | 1. Outcome definition                        | <u>1. Strengths</u>               |
|---------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Cross-sectional,    | Participants               | Alkylating agents: 35 (100%)     | Absence of pubertal development or           | Small numbers but hormonal        |
| single-centre study | 35 (of 59 eligible)        | Busulfan + cyclophosphamide      | progression and secondary amenorrhea,        | assessment (AMH)                  |
|                     | females >16 yr who         | + melphalan: 1 (2.9%)            | confirmed by menopausal FSH levels           | Long term follow-up               |
| 2. Treatment era    | underwent BMT at age       | Busulfan + cyclophosphamide:     |  |                                   |
| Treatment era       | <19 yr, in complete        | 9 (25.7%)                        | 2. Results                                   | 2. Limitations                    |
| not reported        | remission for ≥3 yr        | Busulfan + melphalan: 3          | Persistent ovarian function:                 | Missing information:              |
|                     |                            | (8.6%)                           | - 16/35 (45.7%) persistent ovarian function  | Fractionation of TBI not stated.  |
| 3. Follow-up        | 2. Diagnoses               | Cyclophosphamide only: 7         | (but 36% when 10 yr after BMT)               | Single fraction TBI generally has |
| Mean 15.5 (range    | 23 (66%) diagnosed with    | (20.0%)                          | - 85% low AMH levels (<1.2 ug/L)             | greater adverse effect on ovarian |
| 3.3-33.7) yr from   | a malignancy (AML, ALL,    | Melphalan only: 13 (37.1%)       | - Any time after BMT 8/23 (35%) for          | function                          |
| BMT                 | NHL, neuroblastoma,        | Unknown: 2 (5.7%)                | malignancy vs. 8/12 (67%) for benign         | Previous cranial or other         |
|                     | rhabdomyosarcoma,          |                                  | disease (p=0.07)                             | radiation not stated              |
|                     | Hodgkin's lymphoma);       | 2. Radiotherapy                  | - 10 yr after BMT 5/21 (24%) for malignancy  | Fertility preservation procedure  |
|                     | 12 (34%) diagnosed with    | 18 (51.4%) TBI (4-12Gy)          | vs. 7/12 (58.3%) for benign disease          | not stated                        |
|                     | a benign disease           |                                  | (p=0.047)                                    |                                   |
|                     | _                          | 3. Surgery                       |  | 27/35 patients with HRT or OC at  |
|                     | 3. Age at BMT              | 0 (0%)                           | Clinically proven ovarian failure and        | the time of evaluation. Time of   |
|                     | 66% pre-menarcheal         |                                  | hormone measurement:                         | FU at Last FSH values without     |
|                     | at BMT                     | 4. BMT                           | Prevalence POI post-BMT:                     | treatment (retrospective data) is |
|                     | Mean age at BMT            | 19 (54%) allogeneic; 16 (46%)    | - 21/35 (60.0%) ovarian failure 10 yr after  | not reported. Was the ovarian     |
|                     | (range): 9.8 +/-5.2y (1.2- | autologous                       | BMT (immediate 19, subsequently 2)           | function really assessed at the   |
|                     | 19.0)                      |                                  | - 35 (100%) low oestradiol and high FSH 10   | time of evaluation?               |
|                     |                            | All patients with malignancy had | yr after BMT                                 |                                   |
|                     | 4. Age at follow-up        | appropriate previous CT for      | No POI before evaluation (n=14):             | No separate analyses for group    |
|                     | Mean age at study:         | their disease                    | - AMH 0.25-2.83 microg/L (median 0.90)       | with BMT for malignant disease    |
|                     | 25.3+/-7.2y (16.6-46.4)    |                                  | - 5/14 (36%) normal AMH values               | _                                 |
|                     | Mean years of follow up    |                                  | - No significant difference in AMH levels    | Multivariate analyses: only p-    |
|                     | from BMT:                  |                                  | between patients treated for a malignant     | values shown                      |
|                     | 15.5+/-5.5y (3.3-33.7)     |                                  | disease and benign pathology                 |                                   |
|                     |                            |                                  |  | Additional comments:              |
|                     |                            |                                  | Ovarian function by treatment (not           | 3 patients with less than 10y of  |
|                     |                            |                                  | analysed for malignant disease separately)   | FU were considered in the 10y     |
|                     |                            |                                  | - Persistent ovarian function after TBI +    | post BMT analysis.                |
|                     |                            |                                  | alkylating agents: 4/18 (22%) vs. alkylating |                                   |
|                     |                            |                                  | agents only: 12/17 (71%) (p<0.005); this     | 3. Risk of bias                   |
|                     |                            |                                  | remained significant at 10 yr post-BMT       | A. Selection bias                 |
|                     |                            |                                  | (p=0.01)                                     | High risk                         |
|                     |                            |                                  | - Independent negative effect of TBI on      | Reason: the study group           |

| ovarian failure (p=0.014) in logistic<br>regression analysis (no effect measure<br>reported and unclear what factors were<br>included in the regression model)consisted of 35/59 (59%) of the<br>original cohort of survivors- Persistent ovarian function after<br>allotransplant: 9/19 (47%) vs.<br>autotransplant: 7/16 (44%); this remained<br>non-significant at 10 yr post-BMTb. Attrition bias<br>Low risk<br>Reason: the outcome was<br>assessed for the whole study<br>group   |
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| Ovarian function by age and menarcheal<br>statusC. Detection bias<br>Unclear- Ovarian function 10-yr post-BMT in girls<br>aged ≤10 yr at BMT: 10/17 (59%) vs. aged<br>>10 yr 2/16 (13%) (p=0.007)Reason: Unclear if the outcome<br>assessors were blinded for<br>important determinants related<br>to the outcome- 100% girls aged >10 yr at BMT with TBI<br>had irreversible premature ovarian failure<br>vs. 40% girls aged <10 yr at BMT<br>spontaneous pubertyD. Confounding<br>Unclear- Independent protective effect of young<br>age at BMT (p=0.004) in logistic regression<br>analysis (no effect measure reported and<br>unclear what factors were included in the<br>regression model)D. Varian function by age at evaluation and |
| time since BMT:<br>Not significant (no effect measure reported)   |

| Who should be counselled about fertility preservation?  |              |           |               |                    |  |
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| Vatanen et al. Ovarian function after allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell transplantation in childhood and adolescence. Euro Journal of Endocrinology, 2014: 170(2): 211-218 |              |           |               |                    |  |
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up   | Participants | Treatment | Main outcomes | Additional remarks |  |
| 1. Study design   | 1. Type and Number of         | 1. Chemotherapy                           | 1. Outcome definitions                           | <u>1. Strengths</u>               |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Multi-center (2)  | Participants                  | <ul> <li>Alkylating agents: 92</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Absence spontaneous puberty:</li> </ul> | - Extended follow up              |
| cohort study      | 92 female survivors of        | (100%)                                    | increased FSH >25 IU/L and absence of            | - Well documented treatment       |
|                   | allogeneic HSCT, <20          | - Cyclophosphamide: 71                    | breast development                               | exposure                          |
| 2. Treatment era  | years of age at HSCT,         | (77.2%)                                   | - Premature menopause: increased FSH             |                                   |
| 1978-2000         | survived >5 years from        | - Busulfan: 10 (10.9%)                    | >25 IU/L and failure to accomplish               | 2. Limitations                    |
|                   | HSCT and reached              | - Melphalan: 3 (3.3%)                     | pubertal maturation or cessation of              | - Young mean age at follow up     |
| 3. Follow-up      | puberty/sexual maturity       | - Etoposide: 1 (1.1%)                     | menstruation among girls who showed              | - No details of chemo prior to    |
| >5 years after    | or showed ovarian failure     | - Melphalan: 3 (3.3%)                     | some ovarian activity after HSCT                 | BMT – unable to assess insult     |
| HSCT              | by latest follow up visit at  | - Cytarabine: 16 (17.4%)                  | - Ovarian failure: increased FSH >25, no         | prior to conditioning regimen     |
| Mean follow-up    | time of study entry           | 2. Radiotherapy                           | ovarian activity after HSCT                      |                                   |
| time 13 (range 6- |                               | TBI: 71 (77.2%)                           |  | 3. Risk of bias                   |
| 27) yr            | 2. Diagnoses                  | TNI: 1 (1.1%)                             | 2. Results                                       | A. Selection bias                 |
|                   | ALL n=33 (36%)                | CRT: 12 (13.0%)                           | - 54/92 (58.7%) no ovarian function              | Low risk                          |
|                   | AML n=24 (26%)                |   | - Pre-pubertal at HSCT (n=70): 40 (57%)          | Reason: the study group           |
|                   | SAA n=13 (14%)                | 3. Surgery                                | spontaneous onset of puberty, 30 (43%)           | consisted of 92/102 (90%) of the  |
|                   | Others n=22 (24%)             | N/A                                       | spontaneous menses, 14 (20%)                     | original cohort of survivors.     |
|                   | =nonmalignant disorders       |   | subsequently premature menopause at              | _                                 |
|                   | or malignant diseases         | 4. BMT                                    | a mean of $11 \pm 4.4$ yr after HSCT at mean     | B. Attrition bias                 |
|                   | without cytotoxic             | 92 (100%)                                 | age of 17 ± 3.1 yr                               | Low risk                          |
|                   | therapy given before          |   | - Mid-pubertal at HSCT (n=12): 3 (25%)           | Reason: 76/92 (82%) available     |
|                   | HSCT                          | 5. BMT conditioning                       | spontaneous menses; 2 entered                    | information about serum levels    |
|                   |                               | regimen:                                  | premature menopause at 5 and 13 years            | of FSH.                           |
|                   | 3. Age at HSCT                | - sTBI (10-12Gy) +                        | post BMT at ages 18 and 22, respectively         |                                   |
|                   | Mean $9 \pm 4.3$ yr (range 1- | cyclophosphamide                          | - Post-pubertal at HSCT (n=8): 6 (75%)           | C. Detection bias                 |
|                   | 19)                           | (120mg/kg): 29 (32%)                      | resumed spontaneous menses                       | Unclear                           |
|                   |                               | - fTBI (10-12Gy) +                        | - All patients who received only                 | Reason: Unclear if the outcome    |
|                   | 4. Age at follow-up           | cyclophosphamide                          | cyclophosphamide as conditioning had             | assessors were blinded for        |
|                   | Mean 22 ± 6.3 yr (range       | (120mg/kg): 22 (24%)                      | spontaneous menses                               | important determinants related    |
|                   | 9-41)                         | - fTBI (10-12Gy) +                        | - No difference in rates of spontaneous          | to the outcome .                  |
|                   | 5. Controls (if applicable)   | cyclophosphamide                          | puberty/menses among patients who                |                                   |
|                   | N/A                           | (120mg/kg) + etoposide (9                 | received TBI regimen vs. busulfan                | D. Confounding                    |
|                   |                               | mg/m2): 1 (1%)                            | regimen  | Low risk                          |
|                   | <u>6. Other</u>               | - fTBI (10-12Gy) +cytarabine              | - FSH levels significantly higher in patients    | Reason: Multivariable analyses    |
|                   | Remission status for          | (36g/m2): 16 (17%)                        | treated with TBI or busulfan compared            | having no spontaneous menses      |
|                   | leukaemia:                    | - fTBI (10-12Gy) +melphalan               | to cyclophosphamide: 39±35.5 (TBI) vs.           | adjusted for diagnosis and age at |
|                   | CR1 n=28                      | (210mg/m2): 3 (3%)                        | 57±48.3 (busulfan) vs. 7±8.0                     | HSCT.                             |
|                   | CR2-4 n=29                    | - Busulfan (16mg/kg): 2                   | (cyclophosphamide), <i>p</i> <0.01               |                                   |
|                   |                               | (2%)                                      | Risk factors for no spontaneous puberty          |                                   |

| <ul> <li>Busulfan (16mg/kg) +</li> <li>cyclophosphamide</li> <li>(120mg/kg): 8 (9%)</li> <li>Cyclophosphamide only</li> </ul> | or menses in bivariate logistic regression<br>analysis:<br>No spontaneous puberty<br>- Age at HSCT: OR 1.2 (95% CI 1.0-1.4)                           |  |
|---|---|--|
| (200mg/kg): 10 (11%)<br>- Cyclophosphamide<br>(200mg/kg) + TNI: 1 (1%)  | <ul> <li>SAA diagnosis no vs. yes: OR 6.1 (95% 1.3-31.0)</li> </ul>   |  |
|   | <ul> <li>TBI yes vs. no: OR 5.2 (95% CI 1.6-16.5)</li> <li>Leukaemia diagnosis yes vs. no: OR 3.6 (95% CI 1.3-9.7)</li> </ul>                         |  |
|   | <ul> <li>Age at HSCT: OR 1.1 (95% CI 0.99-1.30)</li> <li>FSH: OR 1.03 (95% CI 1.01-1.06)</li> <li>LH: OR 1.00 (05% CI 1.02 1.14)</li> </ul>           |  |
|   | Estrogen substitution at the latest follow-<br>up visit   |  |
|   | <ul> <li>sTBI: OR 4.3 (95% CI 1.3-14.1)</li> <li>SAA diagnosis: OR 0.2 (95% CI 0.1-0.9)</li> <li>Risk factors for no spontaneous menses in</li> </ul> |  |
|   | multivariate stepwise logistic regression<br>analysis:  |  |
|   | <ul> <li>TBI yes vs. no: OR 5.2, 95% CI 1.6-16.5</li> <li>Other factors (see bivariate analyses)<br/>not significantly associated</li> </ul>          |  |

Abbreviations: FU, follow-up; HSCT, hematopoietic stem cell transplantation; AML, acute myeloid leukaemia; ALL, acute lymphoblastic leukaemia; sTBI, single-fraction total body irradiaton; Cy, cyclophosphamide; fTBI, fractioned total body irradiation; TNI, total lymph node irradiation.

| Babayev et al. Evaluation of ovarian and testicular tissue cryopreservation in children undergoing gonadotoxic therapies. J Assist Reprod Genet 2013; 30:3-9 |                              |                                  |   |                                    |
|--|------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up  | Participants                 | Intervention                     | Main outcomes                           | Additional remarks                 |
| <u>1. Study design</u>   | <u>1. Type and Number of</u> | <u>1. Fertility Preservation</u> | 1. Outcome definitions                  | <u>1. Strengths</u>                |
| Prospective  | <u>Participants</u>          | <u>method</u>                    | Complications                           | -                                  |
| observational  | 28 female patients           |                                  | Times: Operation time, anesthesia time, |                                    |
| cohort/case series,  |                              | 28 patients underwent            | discharge time                          |                                    |
| single centre  |                              | laparoscopic ovarian             |   | 2. Limitations                     |
|  | 2. Diagnoses                 | tissue cryopreservation          | 2. Results                              | - No clear inclusion and exclusion |
|  | 21/28 (75%) females with     |                                  | Complications                           | criteria                           |
| 2. Treatment era   | malignant disease (various)  | Transplantation                  | 0/21 Complications (minimal or none     | - Description of operative         |
| NR   |                              | 0/28 ovarian tissue              | blood loss)                             | outcomes and complications only,   |
| 2.5-11   | 3. Age at diagnosis          | transplantations                 | On constinue times                      | no efficacy outcomes assessed at   |
| 3. Follow-up:  | Females: mean $13.9\pm1.5$   |                                  | Operation time                          | follow-up                          |
| tiesus engen of  | years (2.3-20.9)             |                                  | In remaies:                             | - Different numbers reported       |
| tissue cryo-   | 4 Ago at follow up           |                                  | - Mean operative time 2.3±0.4n          | autoomo                            |
| 5 2+0 8 years but  | 4. Age at tonow-up           |                                  | - Mean discharge time 22 2+8 0h         | outcome                            |
| 5.2±0.6 years, but   | NA                           |                                  |   | 2 Risk of bias                     |
| assessed at follow-  | 5 Controls (if applicable)   |                                  | Comparing hundled and unbundled cases   | <u>3. Misk of blas</u>             |
|  | NA                           |                                  | (including females as well as males).   | 1 Selection higs                   |
| up   |                              |                                  | - Mean operative time 2 5+0 5h          | Unclear                            |
|  | 6. Additional study          |                                  | (bundled) and 1.1+0.2h (unbundled)      | Reason: no information on          |
|  | characteristics, if relevant |                                  | - Anesthesia time 4.8±1.2 (bundled) and | original cohort or                 |
|  | 9 males                      |                                  | 1.7±0.3 (unbundled)                     | inclusion/exclusion criteria.      |
|  |                              |                                  | - Discharge time 23.2±8.9h (females)    | Unclear if consecutive.            |
|  | 9/28 (32%) females were      |                                  | and 4.6±0.6h (males)                    |                                    |
|  | prepubertal                  |                                  | Harvested ovarian tissue                | 2. Attrition bias                  |
|  |                              |                                  | No malignant cells                      | Low risk                           |
|  | 7. Chemotherapy              |                                  |   | Reason: outcomes assessed for all  |
|  | 12/24 (50%) had              |                                  |   | patients                           |
|  | chemotherapy before          |                                  |   |                                    |
|  | ovarian tissue harvest       |                                  |   | 3. Detection bias                  |
|  |                              |                                  |   | Reason: unclear if outcome         |
|  | 8. Radiotherapy              |                                  |   | assessors were blinded for         |
|  | NR                           |                                  |   | important determinants related     |

|     |                            |  | to the outcome      |
|-----|----------------------------|--|---------------------|
|     | <u>9. Surgery</u>          |  |                     |
|     | See intervention.          |  | 4. Confounding bias |
|     | In 13/28 (46%) of females, |  | Not applicable      |
| · · | the intervention was       |  |                     |
|     | bundled with a Port-a-Cath |  |                     |
|     | insertion for chemotherapy |  |                     |
|     |                            |  |                     |
|     | 10. Other treatments       |  |                     |
|     | NR                         |  |                     |

Abbreviations: NA: not applicable; NR: not reported; pts: patients

### What female reproductive preservation methods are appropriate to offer in counselling?

*Biasin et al.* Ovarian tissue cryopreservation in girls undergoing haematopoietic stem cell transplant: experience of a single centre. Bone Marrow Transplant 2015;50:1206-1211

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                  | Intervention              | Main outcomes  | Additional remarks                            |
|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------|--|---|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | 1. Type and Number of         | 1. Fertility Preservation | 1. Outcome definitions   | <u>1. Strengths</u>                           |
| Single-centre                                       | <u>Participants</u>           | method                    | Hypogonadism: at least 2 of 3 identifying                      | Outcome definitions well                      |
| cohort study  | 38 female cancer patients     |                           | features:  | reported                                      |
|   | planned to receive HSCT       | 47 patients underwent     | <ul> <li>primary or secondary amenorrhea</li> </ul>            |   |
| 2. Treatment era                                    |                               | laparoscopic ovarian      | <ul> <li>high levels of FSH (&gt;20 UI/mL) with low</li> </ul> | 2. Limitations                                |
| August 2000 -                                       | Original cohort: 47 females   | tissue cryopreservation   | levels of estradiol (<30 pg/mL) or low                         | Limited follow-up time for                    |
| September 2013                                      | planned to receive HSCT       |                           | levels of anti-Mullerian hormone (<0.1                         | transplantation outcomes but                  |
|   |                               | Transplantation           | ng/mL)   | also hypogonadism (evaluable in               |
| 3. Follow-up:                                       | 2. Diagnoses                  | 1/47 autologous           | Live births  | 60%), especially since patients are           |
| Median follow-up                                    | 38/47(80.8%) females with     | orthotopic ovarian        | Complications of intervention                                  | very young at diagnosis                       |
| time: 6.5 (0.3-13.7)                                | malignant disease             | tissue transplantation    |  |   |
| years   |                               |                           | 2. Results   | 3. Risk of bias                               |
|   | 1(2.1%) Diamond-Blackfan      |                           | Live births  | 1. Selection bias                             |
|   | anemia                        |                           | 1/1 (100%) transplanted thalassemia                            | Unclear                                       |
|   | 3(6.4%) Ewing sarcoma         |                           | patient had a healthy live birth                               | Reason: 47/228 patients                       |
|   | 2(4.3%) Immunodeficiency      |                           |  | underwent OTC. Number of                      |
|   | 11(23.4%) Acute myeloblastic  |                           | Pregnancies  | patients and reasons for exclusion            |
|   | leukaemia                     |                           | 1/1 (100%) spontaneous pregnancy                               | unclear                                       |
|   | 14(29.8%) Acute               |                           |  |   |
|   | lymphoblastic leukaemia       |                           | Hypogonadism   | 2. Attrition bias                             |
|   | 5(10.6%) Chronic myeloblastic |                           | 26/28 (93%) evaluable pts developed                            | Low risk                                      |
|   | leukaemia                     |                           | hypergonadotropic hypogonadism at                              | Reason: 28/47 (60%) evaluable                 |
|   | 2(4.3%) Non-Hodgkin           |                           | median of 23.3(1.1-123.4) months after                         | for hypogonadism, owing to:                   |
|   | Lymphoma                      |                           | HSCT   | - death (7 pts)                               |
|   | 2(4.3%) Myelodisplastic       |                           |  | - early age (9 pts)                           |
|   | syndrome                      |                           | Complications  | <ul> <li>loss to follow-up (2 pts)</li> </ul> |
|   | 7(14.9%) Thalassemia          |                           | 0/38 Acute or chronic complications after                      | - continuous treatment with                   |
|   |                               |                           | OTC  | estroprogestinics after transplant            |
|   | 3. Age at diagnosis           |                           |  | (1 patient)                                   |
|   | Median 11.1 (0-17.5) years    |                           | Harvested ovarian tissue                                       | Not assessing hypogonadism in 9               |
|   |                               |                           | Histological examination revealed no                           | patients of early age and 1                   |

| 4. Age at follow-up                 | tumour contamination | patient with continuous hormonal    |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Median age at last follow-up        |                      | treatment is 'fair' and does not    |
| 18.6 (5.5-29.4) years               |                      | give risk of bias. So not including |
|                                     |                      | them: 28/37 -> 76%                  |
| 5. Controls (if applicable)         |                      |                                     |
| -                                   |                      | 3 Detection hias                    |
|                                     |                      | NA                                  |
| 6 Additional study                  |                      | Reason: unclear if outcome          |
| obaractoristics if relevant         |                      | accessors were blinded for          |
| <u>Characteristics, in relevant</u> |                      | assessors were billided for         |
| Median age at time of UTC: 13       |                      | Important determinants related      |
| (2.7-20.3) years                    |                      | to the outcome                      |
|                                     |                      |                                     |
| 24(51%)                             |                      | 4. Confounding bias                 |
| prepubertal patients at             |                      | Not applicable                      |
| intervention                        |                      |                                     |
|                                     |                      |                                     |
| 7. Chemotherapy                     |                      |                                     |
| 36(76.6%) had received              |                      |                                     |
| chemotherapy before                 |                      |                                     |
| intervention                        |                      |                                     |
|                                     |                      |                                     |
| 21(44.7%) busulfan based            |                      |                                     |
| chamatharany (condition             |                      |                                     |
| regimen post intervention           |                      |                                     |
| regimen post intervention)          |                      |                                     |
| 9. Dedictherese                     |                      |                                     |
| 8. Radiotherapy                     |                      |                                     |
| 23(48.9%): total body               |                      |                                     |
| irradiation (12 Gy) (condition      |                      |                                     |
| regimen post intervention)          |                      |                                     |
|                                     |                      |                                     |
| Additional RT after HSCT:           |                      |                                     |
| 1(2.1%) pelvic radiotherapy         |                      |                                     |
| (54 Gy)                             |                      |                                     |
| 1(2.1%) lower limb                  |                      |                                     |
| radiotherapy (54 Gy)                |                      |                                     |
|                                     |                      |                                     |
| 9. Surgery                          |                      |                                     |
| See intervention                    |                      |                                     |
| OTC before HSCT                     |                      |                                     |
|                                     |                      |                                     |

| <u>10. Other treatments</u> |  |  |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| 47 pts (100%) HSCT          |  |  |
| 1(2.1%) imatinib            |  |  |
| 1(2.1%) second HSCT         |  |  |
| All post-intervention       |  |  |

Abbreviations: NA: not applicable; NR: not reported; pts: patients; HSCT: haemopoietic stem cell transplant

| Chambon et al. Cryopreservation of ovarian tissue in pediatric patients undergoing sterilizing chemotherapy. Hum Fert (Camb) 2016;19:23-31 |                                 |                           |   |   |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up  | Participants                    | Intervention              | Main outcomes                             | Additional remarks  |
| <u>1. Study design</u>   | 1. Type and Number of           | 1. Fertility Preservation | 1. Outcome definitions                    | <u>1. Strengths</u>   |
| Retrospective  | <u>Participants</u>             | <u>method</u>             | Ovarian tissue harvest: unclear outcome   | Hormonal assays were performed  |
| single center study  | 28 females with malignant       |                           | definition                                | at a range of times after   |
|  | disease                         | 36 females underwent      |   | treatment   |
| 2. Treatment era   |                                 | laparoscopic ovarian      | Post-treatment hormonal status: clinical  |   |
| Sept 2000 - Sept   | <i>Total cohort:</i> 36 females | tissue cryopreservation   | evaluation and plasma levels of LH, FSH,  | 2. Limitations  |
| 2013   | 2.5                             | :                         | AMH and inhibin-B                         | Unclear description of patient  |
|  | 2. Diagnoses                    | Transplantation           | Complications of intervention             | selection   |
| <u>3. FOIIOW-up:</u>   | 8 (22%) had hon-malignant       | U/36 Ovarian ussue        | Complications of Intervention             | 2 Dick of biog  |
| harvost follow up  | 28 (78%) had malignant          | transplantations          | 2 Posulto                                 | <u>3. RISK OF DIAS</u>  |
| time 36 months (1-   |                                 |                           | 2. Results<br>Harvested ovarian tissue    | 1 Selection higs  |
| 112)   |                                 |                           | - Ovarian tissue harvest: median duration | Linclear  |
| Median post  | 3 Age at diagnosis              |                           | of surgery 40 min $(20 - 60 \text{ min})$ | Beason: unclear what the original   |
| sterilizing  | <20 years old at diagnosis      |                           | - No malignant cells in harvested ovarian | cohort was and if patients were   |
| treatment follow-  | Median age at ovarian tissue    |                           | tissue                                    | excluded and for what reasons   |
| up time 30 months  | harvest: 13 (2-19)years         |                           |   |   |
|  |                                 |                           | Complications                             | 2. Attrition bias   |
|  | 4. Age at follow-up             |                           | 1/36 Post OTC bleeding and delay of CT    | Low risk  |
|  | Mean age FU 17 (5-26) years     |                           | (in patient with sickle cell disease and  | Reason: hormonal status outcome   |
|  |                                 |                           | protein S deficiency)                     | was assessed for 27/36 (75%)  |
|  | 5. Controls (if applicable)     |                           |   | Very variable duration of follow-   |
|  | NA                              |                           | Post-treatment hormonal status available  | up time   |
|  |                                 |                           | for 27 patients:                          |   |
|  | 6. Additional study             |                           | 22/27 (59%) POI                           | 3. Detection bias   |
|  | characteristics, if relevant    |                           | 19/27 (70%) POI in malignant disease      | unclear<br>Desease and the set of th |
|  | -                               |                           | patients                                  | Reason: Unclear if outcome  |
|  | 7 Chemotherany                  |                           | Preanancies                               | important determinants related  |
|  | Post-intervention               |                           | No pregnancies                            | to the outcome  |
|  | - 32/36 (89%) high-dose         |                           |   |   |
|  | chemo-/radiotherapy             |                           |   | 4. Confounding bias   |
|  | followed by auto-HSCT or        |                           |   | Not applicable  |

| allo-HSCT                   |  |  |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| - 4/36 (11%) standard       |  |  |
| chemotherapy including      |  |  |
| alkylating drugs            |  |  |
| 28/36 patients received     |  |  |
| chemotherapy <u>before</u>  |  |  |
| ovarian tissue harvest      |  |  |
|                             |  |  |
| 8. Radiotherapy             |  |  |
| See 7                       |  |  |
|                             |  |  |
| <u>9. Surgery</u>           |  |  |
| See intervention            |  |  |
| OTC at the latest before    |  |  |
| sterilizing chemotherapy    |  |  |
|                             |  |  |
| <u>10. Other treatments</u> |  |  |
| HSCT in 32 pts post-        |  |  |
| intervention                |  |  |

Abbreviations: NR: not reported; HSCT: LH: luteinizing hormone; FSH: follicle-stimulating hormone; AMH: Anti-Mullerian Hormonel POI: premature ovarian insufficency

| Dolmans et al. A review of 15 years of ovarian tissue bank activities. J Assist Reprod Genet 2013; 30:305-314 |                                |                           |   |                                    |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up   | Participants                   | Intervention              | Main outcomes                             | Additional remarks                 |
| 1. Study design   | 1. Type and Number of          | 1. Fertility Preservation | 1. Outcome definitions                    | 1. Strengths                       |
| Retrospective   | Participants                   | <u>method</u>             | Histological evaluation                   | Description of the design and      |
| longitudinal  | 391 female patients with       |                           | Postcryopreservation clinical outcomes    | outcomes of one of the largest     |
| analysis of data  | malignant disease              | 476 female patients       | Complications of intervention             | and most comprehensive existing    |
| from an ovarian   |                                | underwent laparoscopic    |   | ovarian tissue cryobank databases  |
| tissue bank   | Total cohort: 476 female       | ovarian tissue            | <u>2. Results</u>                         |                                    |
|   | patients                       | cryopreservation          | Harvested ovarian tissue                  | 2. Limitations                     |
| 2. Treatment era  |                                |                           | 5/11 Malignant cells after histological   | - The study is retrospective. Data |
| April 1997 -  | 2. Diagnoses                   | Transplantation           | ovarian tissue evaluation (in 3 leukaemia | before 2007 had to be obtained     |
| January 2012  | 85/476 (18%) benign disease    | 11/476 ovarian tissue     | pts; 2 NHL pts)                           | from multiple sources              |
|   | 391/476 (82%) malignant        | transplantations          |   | - No data on ovarian reserve       |
| 3. Follow-up:   | disease:                       |                           | 7/12 positive ovarian tissue at PCR       | status post treatment              |
| NR  | Hodgkins N=85; NHL N=26;       | (7/11 in malignant        | analysis in acute leukaemia patients with | - Unclear if the live births are   |
|   | acute leukaemia N= 39;         | disease patients)         | clear tissue at histology; 4 xenografted  | from malignant disease patients,   |
|   | chronic leukaemia N=6;         |                           | mice developed leukemic masses after 6    | authors refer to other of their    |
|   | ovarian cancer N= 56;          |                           | months                                    | publications                       |
|   | sarcoma N= 41; CNS N= 19;      |                           |   |                                    |
|   | breast cancer N=85             |                           | Live births                               | <u>3. Risk of bias</u>             |
|   |                                |                           | 5/11(45%) transplanted patients had       |                                    |
|   | 3. Age at diagnosis            |                           | healthy live births                       | 1. Selection bias                  |
|   | NR                             |                           |   | Unclear                            |
|   | Mean age at OTC $23.0 \pm 8.5$ |                           | 1/11(9%) transplanted patients had        | Reason: patient selection not      |
|   | years (9 months - 39 years)    |                           | ongoing pregnancy                         | clearly described                  |
|   | 96.2% were < 35 years old      |                           | (Unclear if the live births are from      | 2. Attrition bias                  |
|   | 35.3% aged 15 - 24 years       |                           | malignant disease patients)*              | Low risk                           |
|   | 17.2% aged 9 months - 14       |                           |   | Reason: outcomes assessed for all  |
|   | years                          |                           | Pregnancies                               | patients                           |
|   |                                |                           | 4/6 (66%) spontaneous pregnancies         |                                    |
|   | 4. Age at follow-up            |                           | 2/6 (33%) pregnancies after in vitro      | 3. Detection bias                  |
|   | NR                             |                           | fertilization                             | unclear                            |
|   |                                |                           |   | Reason: unclear if outcome         |
|   | 5. Controls (if applicable)    |                           | Complications                             | assessors were blinded for         |

| None                         | 0/476 Serious complications post-surgery | important determinants related |
|------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
|                              | such as bowel, nerve or vascular injury, | to the outcome                 |
| <u>6. Additional study</u>   | thromboembolism or cardiorespiratory     |                                |
| characteristics, if relevant | distress                                 | 4. Confounding bias            |
| -                            |  | Not applicable                 |
| 7. Chemotherapy              | 13/476 hospitalized for more than 72 h   |                                |
| 93% (N=442) had no           | because they underwent OTC at the same   |                                |
| exposure to gonadotoxic      | time as another surgical procedure       |                                |
| therapy prior to OTC         | (breast surgery in particular)           |                                |
|                              |  |                                |
| 7% had undergone             |  |                                |
| chemotherapy prior to OTC    |  |                                |
|                              |  |                                |
| 8. Radiotnerapy              |  |                                |
| 93% (N=442) had no           |  |                                |
| exposure to gonadotoxic      |  |                                |
| therapy prior to OTC         |  |                                |
| 9 Surgery                    |  |                                |
| <u>Sepintery</u>             |  |                                |
| See intervention             |  |                                |
| 10. Other treatments         |  |                                |
| Cryopreserved embryos        |  |                                |
| were also obtained from 28   |  |                                |
| patients after OTC           |  |                                |

Abbreviations: NA: not applicable; NR: not reported; pts: patients; OTC: ovarian tissue cryopreservation

\* Authors refer to the following studies for more information: *Donnez et al.* Restoration of ovarian function in orthotopically transplanted cryopreserved ovarian tissue: a pilot experience. Reprod Biomed Online 2008;16:694-704; *Donnez et al.* Children born after autotransplantation of cryopreserved ovarian tissue. A review of 13 live births. Ann Med 2011;43:437-50; *Donnez et al.* Live birth after transplantation of frozen-thawed ovarian tissue after bilateral oophorectomy for benign disease. Fertil Steril 2012;98:720-5

| Lima et al. Ovarian tissue collection for cryopreservation in pediatric age: laparoscopic technical tips. J Pediatr Adolesc Gynecol 2014;27:95-7 |  |  |  |   |
|--|--|--|--|---|
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up  | Participants   | Intervention                               | Main outcomes  | Additional remarks  |
| <u>1. Study design</u><br>Single center  | <u>1. Type and Number of</u><br><u>Participants</u>                  | <u>1. Fertility Preservation</u><br>method | <u>1. Outcome definitions</u><br>Ovarian tissue collection                                     | <u>1. Strengths</u><br>11-year treatment era  |
| cohort study   | 48 female patients   | 54 patients underwent                      | Surgical complications   | 2. Limitations  |
| 2 Treatment era  | Total cohort: 54 female  | laparoscopic ovarian                       | 2. Results<br>Overign tissue collection  | -Describes the surgical technique   |
| January 2002 -   |  |  | Mean operative time 40±15 min  | -No information on the quality of   |
| January 2013   | <u>2. Diagnoses</u><br>48/54 (89%) malignant                         | 0/54 ovarian tissue                        | All patients discharged after 48 hours   | -No long-term data on efficacy or   |
| <u>3. Follow-up:</u><br>Patients   | diseases (various)<br>6/54 (11%) non-malignant<br>diseases (various) | transplantations                           | Surgical complications<br>1/54 Intraoperative bleeding requiring<br>red blood cell transfusion | effect on ovarian reserve<br>(particularly notable as the<br>procedure described involves |
| discharged after 48<br>hours (48 hrs)  | 3. Age at diagnosis  |  | 0/54 Postoperative or long-term  | removing 2/3 of each ovary)   |
|  | NR<br>Mean age at ovarian harvest                                    |  | complications; no delay of the oncological   | <u>3. Risk of bias</u>  |
|  | $160.9 \pm 6.9$ months   |  |  | 1. Selection bias   |
|  | <u>4. Age at follow-up</u><br>Same                                   |  |  | Reason: 54/54 selected, looks like<br>a consecutive series                                |
|  | <u>5. Controls (if applicable)</u><br>NA                             |  |  | 2. Attrition bias<br>Low risk<br>Beason: follow-up time 48 hours                          |
|  | <u>6. Additional study</u>   |  |  | 100%  |
|  | 48/54 (89%) Pubertal   |  |  | 3. Detection bias   |
|  | <u>7. Chemotherapy</u><br>22/54 (41%) patients had                   |  |  | Reason: unclear if outcome<br>assessors were blinded for                                  |
|  | started chemotherapy<br>before ovarian tissue<br>harvest             |  |  | important determinants related to the outcome   |

| Chemotherapy type: NR   | 4. Confounding bias |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 9. Dediatherany         | Not applicable      |
| NR                      |                     |
|                         |                     |
| <u>9. Surgery</u>       |                     |
| 4/54 (7%) had undergone |                     |
| intervention            |                     |
|                         |                     |
| 10. Other treatments    |                     |
| -                       |                     |

Abbreviations: NR: not reported; NA: not applicable

| Poirot et al. Feasibility of ovarian tissue cryopreservation for prepubertal females with cancer. Pediatr Blood Cancer 2007;49:74-78 |   |                           |   |                                    |  |
|--|---|---------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up  | Participants                                | Intervention              | Main outcomes                               | Additional remarks                 |  |
| <u>1. Study design</u>   | <u>1. Type and Number of</u>                | 1. Fertility Preservation | <u>1. Outcome definitions</u>               | <u>1. Strengths</u>                |  |
| Single centre  | <u>Participants</u>                         | <u>method</u>             | Feasibility of ovarian tissue               | - Seems to be a consecutive        |  |
| cohort study   | 47 prepubertal female                       |                           | cryopreservation (unclear outcome           | series                             |  |
|  | patients                                    | 47 patients underwent     | definitions)                                | - Homogeneous patient group (all   |  |
|  |   | ovarian tissue            | Complications of intervention               | prepubertal, all had malignant     |  |
| 2. Treatment era   | 2. Diagnoses                                | cryopreservation: 40      |   | disease, all received CT pre-      |  |
| September 2000 –   | All malignant disease:                      | laparoscopic and 7        | 2. Results                                  | harvest)                           |  |
| February 2005  | 20(43%) Metastatic                          | minilaparotomy            | Mean 17.6±6.5 ovarian tissue fragments      | - Relatively large sample size for |  |
|  | neuroblastoma                               | Turneralantation          | cryopreserved per patient (range 7 - 41)    | this type of study                 |  |
| 2 Fellow way   | 6 (13%) Leukaemia                           | Transplantation           | Compliantions                               | 2 Limitations                      |  |
| <u>3. FOIIOW-Up:</u>   | 6 (13%) Rhabdomyosarcoma                    | 0/4/ ovarian tissue       | Complications                               | 2. Limitations                     |  |
| time 20 months   | 4 (9%) EWINg Sarconna                       | transplantations          | delay of the encological treatment          | reported                           |  |
| (range 10 60)  | 3(6%) Wedulloblastonia                      |                           | delay of the oncological treatment          | reported                           |  |
| (Talige 10-60)   | 2(4%) Use $0.5$ $(4%)$ Nephroplastoma       |                           | Harvested ovarian tissue                    | 3 Risk of higs                     |  |
|  | 2(4%) Nephrobiastonia<br>2(4%) Lymphoma     |                           | None of the nationts had visible ovarian    | <u>5. Misk of blas</u>             |  |
|  | 1 (2%) Neuroectodermal                      |                           | tumour components                           | 1 Selection higs                   |  |
|  |   |                           |   | Low risk                           |  |
|  | 1 (2%) Hodgkin's disease                    |                           | Follicle count                              | Reason: 47/49 (96%) of original    |  |
|  | - (-,-, · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |                           | Follicle concentration was evaluated        | group. In one case, the patient    |  |
|  | 3. Age at diagnosis                         |                           | histologically for 46 patients and a strong | herself refused and in the other.  |  |
|  | NR  |                           | inverse correlation was found between       | parents refused OTC for their      |  |
|  | Median age at ovarian tissue                |                           | age and follicular density (P=0.0011)       | daughter. Reasons for refusal      |  |
|  | harvest: 5 years (10 months -               |                           |   | were new technique and             |  |
|  | 15 years)                                   |                           |   | uncertainty.                       |  |
|  |   |                           |   |                                    |  |
|  | 4. Age at follow-up                         |                           |   | 2. Attrition bias                  |  |
|  | NR  |                           |   | Low risk                           |  |
|  |   |                           |   | Reason: 37/47 (79%) follow-up.     |  |
|  | 5. Controls (if applicable)                 |                           |   | However, reported outcomes         |  |
|  | -   |                           |   | assessed for all patients (100%)   |  |
|  | 6. Additional study                         |                           |   |                                    |  |
|  | characteristics, if relevant                |                           |   | 3. Detection bias                  |  |

| unclear                        |
|--------------------------------|
| Reason: unclear if outcome     |
| assessors were blinded for     |
| important determinants related |
| to the outcome                 |
|                                |
| 4. Confounding bias            |
| Not applicable                 |
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Abbreviations: NR: not reported; NA: not applicable

| Rosendahl et al. Evidence of residual disease in cryopreserved ovarian cortex from female patients with leukaemia. Fertil Steril 2010;94:2186-2190 |                                    |                           |  |                                     |  |
|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up  | Participants                       | Intervention              | Main outcomes                          | Additional remarks                  |  |
| <u>1. Study design</u>   | 1. Type and Number of              | 1. Fertility Preservation | 1. Outcome definitions                 | <u>1. Strengths</u>                 |  |
| Retrospective  | <u>Participants</u>                | method                    | Presence of leukemic cells in          | Study covers PCR technique for      |  |
| analysis of data in  | 26 patients with leukaemia         | 37 laparoscopic or        | frozen/thawed ovarian tissue by        | detecting malignant cells in        |  |
| a clinical project   |                                    | minilaparotomy OTC        | histology, immunohistochemistry or PCR | harvested ovarian tissue: in        |  |
|  | Original cohort: 37 patients       |                           |  | situations where genetic markers    |  |
| 2. Treatment era   | diagnosed with leukaemia           | Transplantation           | Complications of intervention          | are demonstrable, PCR increases     |  |
| 10-year period,  |                                    | 0/37 ovarian tissue       |  | detection of leukemic cells, even   |  |
| years not reported   |                                    | transplantations          | 2. Results                             | for patients in complete            |  |
|  | 2. Diagnoses                       |                           | Complications                          | remission, where histology and      |  |
| <u>3. Follow-up:</u>   | 13/26 (50%) ALL                    |                           | NM                                     | IHC does not                        |  |
| Cryopreserved  | 7/26 (27%) AML                     |                           |  |                                     |  |
| ovarian tissue   | 5/26 (19%) CML                     |                           | Harvested ovarian tissue               | 2. Limitations                      |  |
| fragments were   | 1/26 (4%) JMML                     |                           | 0/37 No malignant cells detected by    | -The presence of malignant cells    |  |
| thawed and   |                                    |                           | histology or immunohistochemistry      | does not equate to viability,       |  |
| examined. No   | 3. Age at diagnosis                |                           |  | malignant potential and risk of     |  |
| follow-up time   | NR                                 |                           | 8/37 (22%) patients with PCR technique | reintroduction of disease if        |  |
| reported.  | Median age at time of              |                           | applied (these patients had a specific | transplanted, hence the practical   |  |
|  | ovarian tissue harvest: 16         |                           | chromosomal abnormality that could be  | significance is not clear           |  |
|  | (2-31) years                       |                           | used as a genetic marker for detection | - Not known what number of          |  |
|  | 4 Are at follow we                 |                           | or malignant cells by PCR)             | malignant cells is required to      |  |
|  | 4. Age at follow-up                |                           |  | cause relapse                       |  |
|  | INK                                |                           | 6/8 (75%) evidence of reukernic cells  | - Only in 8/26 patients possible to |  |
|  | 5 Controls (if applicable)         |                           | of ovarian tissue removal              | perform PCK because of the          |  |
|  | <u>S. Controls (In applicable)</u> |                           | of ovalian tissue removal              | Limitations of BCB technique:       |  |
|  | controls used for BCB              |                           |  | - Limitations of PCR technique.     |  |
|  | controls used for PCK              |                           |  | were undetected Also depends        |  |
|  | 6 Additional study                 |                           |  | on the quality of techniques        |  |
|  | characteristics if relevant        |                           |  | nreceding the PCR itself            |  |
|  | Disease status at time of          |                           |  |                                     |  |
|  | cryopreservation:                  |                           |  | 3 Risk of bias                      |  |
|  | 18/26 (69%) complete               |                           |  |                                     |  |
|  | remission                          |                           |  | 1. Selection bias                   |  |

| 4/26 (15%) chronic phase            |  | High risk                         |
|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| 2/26 (7%) active phase              |  | Reason: 26/37 (70%) original      |
| 2/26 (7%) unknown                   |  | cohort. 2 did not respond, 2      |
|                                     |  | declined, 7 were deceased         |
| 8/26 (31%) specific                 |  |                                   |
| chromosomal abnormality             |  | 2. Attrition bias                 |
| detected by PCR:                    |  | Low risk                          |
| 6/8 BCR-ABL                         |  | Reason: outcomes were assessed    |
| 1/8 TEL-AML                         |  | for all 26 patients. However, PCR |
| 1/8 CBFB-MYH11                      |  | possible in only 8 patients.      |
|                                     |  |                                   |
| 7. Chemotherapy                     |  | 3. Detection bias                 |
| Sterilizing chemotherapy            |  | unclear                           |
| and conditioning after              |  | Reason: unclear if outcome        |
| ovarian tissue harvest              |  | assessors were blinded for        |
|                                     |  | important determinants related    |
|                                     |  | to the outcome                    |
| <u>8. Radiotherapy</u>              |  |                                   |
| Not clearly reported,               |  | 4. Confounding bias               |
| possibly as part of                 |  | Not applicable                    |
| conditioning regimen ( <u>after</u> |  |                                   |
| ovarian tissue harvest)             |  |                                   |
|                                     |  |                                   |
| <u>9. Surgery</u>                   |  |                                   |
| See intervention                    |  |                                   |
|                                     |  |                                   |
| <u>10. Other treatments</u>         |  |                                   |
| NR                                  |  |                                   |

Abbreviations: NR: not reported; NA: not applicable; PCR: polymerase chain reaction

*Seshadri et al.* Lack of evidence of disease contamination in ovarian tissue harvested for cryopreservation from patients with Hodgkin lymphoma and analysis of factors predictive of oocyte yield. Br J Cancer 2006;94:1007-1010

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                  | Intervention              | Main outcomes   | Additional remarks                 |
|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | <u>1. Type and Number of</u>  | 1. Fertility Preservation | 1. Outcome definitions                                      | <u>1. Strengths</u>                |
| Retrospective                                       | Participants                  | <u>method</u>             | - Subclinical involvement by HL by                          | Well-reported study                |
| single centre study                                 | 26 female patients with       |                           | morphology/immunohistochemistry                             |                                    |
|   | Hodgkin lymphoma              | 26 laparoscopic ovarian   | - Patient and treatment factors predictive                  |                                    |
| 2. Treatment era                                    |                               | tissue cryopreservation   | of oocyte yield (follicle density was                       | 2. Limitations                     |
| December 1995 -                                     | 24/26 Data regarding          |                           | examined)   | - Data regarding premature         |
| August 2005   | patient's disease status      | Transplantation           | - Complications of intervention                             | ovarian failure in the cohort      |
|   |                               | 0/26 ovarian tissue       |   | following HL treatment was not     |
| 3. Follow-up:                                       | 2. Diagnoses                  | transplantation           | 2. Results  | collated                           |
| NR/NA   | Hodgkin lymphoma              |                           | Complications   | - The point in treatment when this |
|   |                               |                           | NR  | tissue was obtained was left to    |
|   | 3. Age at diagnosis           |                           |   | the discretion of the treating     |
|   | Median age 22 years (13-29)   |                           | Harvested ovarian tissue                                    | physician and the patient          |
|   |                               |                           | 0/26 No evidence of HL involvement by                       | - Single biopsy of an ovary:       |
|   | 4. Age at follow-up           |                           | morphology or immunohistochemistry                          | adequate to exclude HL             |
|   | NR/NA                         |                           | (95% CI for ' true' rate of involvement 0-                  | involvement of the entire ovary?   |
|   |                               |                           | 11%)  | - Also, distribution of follicle   |
|   | 5. Controls (if applicable)   |                           |   | density varies throughout the      |
|   | None                          |                           | Patient and treatment factors predictive                    | ovary                              |
|   |                               |                           | of oocyte yield   | - Immunohistochemistry as          |
|   | 6. Additional study           |                           | range of follicle densities was 45-                         | detection method, sensitive but    |
|   | characteristics, if relevant  |                           | 4512 follicles mm <sup>-3</sup>                             | no PCR                             |
|   | At diagnosis of HL            |                           | 7/26 pts receiving ABVD showed no                           |                                    |
|   | 9 (37%) Stage III or Stage IV |                           | difference in follicle density compared to                  | 3. Risk of bias                    |
|   | disease                       |                           | patients not receiving treatment (14/26)                    |                                    |
|   | At the time of harvest:       |                           | (median=1555 <i>vs</i> 1620 mm <sup>3</sup> <i>p</i> =0.97) | 1. Selection bias                  |
|   | 7/26 (29%) disease below      |                           | *However, it is possible that more cycles                   | Unclear                            |
|   | the diaphragm                 |                           | of chemotherapy could be associated                         | Reason: unclear how the 26         |
|   | 5/7 (71%) intra-abdominal     |                           | with reduced follicle density on harvest                    | patients were selected. Majority   |
|   | disease                       |                           |   | of patients had low risk features  |
|   | 1/7 (14%) bony disease in     |                           | Follicle density measurement showed no                      | (not intra-abdominal disease or B- |
|   | the femur                     |                           | correlation with patient age ( $R^2$ =0.0001,               | symptoms)                          |
|   | 1/7 (14%) exact site(s) of    |                           | <i>P</i> =0.99)   |                                    |

|   | infradiaphragmatic disease<br>at the time of harvest were<br>not recorded<br>B symptoms at diagnosis:<br>9 (37%) Yes<br>15 (63%) No<br>7. Chemotherapy<br>9/24 (38%) received<br>chemotherapy prior to<br>ovarian harvest:<br>- 7/9 ABVD |                               | *However, young patient group with a maximum age of 29 years | <ul> <li>2. Attrition bias</li> <li>Low risk</li> <li>Reason: outcomes assessed for</li> <li>&gt;75% of patient group, no follow-<br/>up needed for study aim</li> <li>3. Detection bias</li> <li>unclear</li> <li>Reason: unclear if outcome</li> <li>assessors were blinded for</li> <li>important determinants related</li> <li>to the outcome</li> </ul> | Abbreviati<br>ons: NR:<br>not<br>reported;<br>NA: not<br>applicable |
|---|--|-------------------------------|--|--|---|
| What female reprod                                  | uctive preservation methods a  | re appropriate to offer in co | unselling?   |  |   |
| Wallace et al. Fertilit                             | varies stration for sicls and you  | ng women with cancer: popu    | lation-based validation of criteria for ovariar              | tissue cryopreservation. Lancet  |   |
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants   | Intervention                  | Main outcomes  | Additional remarks   |   |
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | <u>1. Type and Number of</u>   | 1. Fertility Preservation     | 1. Outcome definitions                                       | <u>1. Strengths</u>  |   |
| Retrospective                                       | Participants   | <u>method</u>                 | POI defined with least 2 of 3 features:                      | - Well-defined outcomes  |   |
| analysis  | 20 female cancer patients  | 20 ovarian tissue             | - Amenorrhea for at least 4 months                           | - Clearly reported study   |   |
| 2 Treatment era                                     | Original cohort:   | cryopreservation: 18          | -1  ow (<150 pmol/l) serum cestradiol                        | 2 Limitations  |   |
| January 1996 - June                                 | 410 female cancer patients   | laparoscopic. 2               | concomitant with raised (>25 $IU/L$ ) FSH                    | Large part of patients not   |   |
| 2012  |  | oophorectomies                |  | available for follow-up  |   |
|   | 34/410 were offered OTC  |                               | Absence of POI confirmed by 1 or more of                     |  |   |
| 3. Follow-up:                                       | (based on the Edinburgh  | (21 consented to OTC but      | 3 features:  | <u>3. Risk of bias</u>   |   |
| Median FU for the                                   | selection criteria):   | in 1/21 procedure failed      | - Premenarcheal, but progressing                             |  |   |
| following groups:                                   | • 20/34 underwent OTC: 4   | due to technical              | normally through puberty                                     | 1. Selection bias  |   |
| Offered and     underwort OTC                       | <12years age at FU, 1  | problems with surgical        | - Regular menses while not taking                            | High risk<br>Rosson: Only 24/410 (8%)  |   |
| with tissue   | contracention -> 14  | effect on the nationt)        | - Normal concentrations of gonadotronins                     | natients of original cohort  |   |
| successfully  | with successful ovarian  |                               | and oestradiol   | matched the selection criteria   |   |
| cryopreserved                                       | tissue stored and for  | Transplantation               |  | and were offered OTC. The  |   |
| and for ovarian                                     | ovarian function   | NR                            | Complications of intervention                                | criteria are fair and are supposed   |   |
| function  | assessment   |                               |  | to only include those at high risk   |   |

| assessment,                         | • 13/34 declined OTC -> 6       |   | 2. Results   | of POI, but authors give little    |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|
| N=14: 6.0 years                     | for ovarian function            |   | Live births  | information on the differences     |
| (IQR 3.5–14.9)                      | assessment                      |   | 1 live birth in a non-transplanted patient         | between the offered and the not-   |
| <ul> <li>Offered OTC but</li> </ul> | 376/410 were <i>not</i> offered |   | (patient with Ewing sarcoma diagnosis              | offered group, such as diagnoses,  |
| declined, N=6:                      | OTC ->141 for ovarian           |   | and POI)*  | age, treatment                     |
| 10.9 years (IQR                     | function assessment             |   |  |                                    |
| 7.4-13.7)                           |                                 |   | Pregnancies  | Attrition bias                     |
| Not-offered OTC.                    | 2. Diagnoses                    |   | 1 spontaneous pregnancy                            | High risk                          |
| N=141 : 10.7                        | Only reported for pts who       |   |  | Reason:                            |
| vears (IQR 6.1-                     | consented to OTC (N=21):        |   | Ovarian function                                   | Offered and underwent OTC: 70%     |
| 13.8)                               | 6 Hodgkin Lymphoma              |   | Offered and underwent OTC with                     | follow-up                          |
|                                     | 6 Sarcoma (various)             |   | tissue successfully cryopreserved:                 | Offered but declined OTC: 46%      |
|                                     | 5 Rhabdomvosarcoma              |   | 6/14 (43%) POI                                     | follow-up                          |
|                                     | 1 Wilms tumour                  |   | • Offered OTC but declined: 1/6(17%)               | Not-offered: 38% follow-up         |
|                                     | 1 Leukaemia                     |   | POI  | Reasons for no follow-up: death,   |
|                                     | 1 Medulloblastoma               |   | <ul> <li>Not-offered OTC: 1/141(1%) POI</li> </ul> | on oral contraceptives, medical    |
|                                     | 1 Ependymoma                    |   |  | records missing. Also, in patients |
|                                     | 1                               |   | Cumulative probability of developing POI           | <12 years POI could not be         |
|                                     | 3. Age at diagnosis             |   | after treatment: significantly higher for          | assessed, which is important as    |
|                                     | <18 years at diagnosis          |   | natients offered OTC vs. those who were            | less risk at POI if treatment at   |
|                                     |                                 |   | not offered OTC (15-year probability 35%           | young age                          |
|                                     | 4. Median age at follow-up      |   | (95% CI 10-53) vs 1% (0-2); n<0.0001; HB           | ,                                  |
|                                     | Offered group (N=20): 16.9      |   | 56.8 (95% CL 6.2-521.6) at 10 years)               | 3. Detection bias                  |
|                                     | vears (IQR 15.5-21.8) at        |   | 50.0 (55% el 0.2 521.0) de 10 yeurs                | Unclear                            |
|                                     | data cut-off                    |   | Complications                                      | Reason: unclear if outcome         |
|                                     |                                 |   | 0/21 Complications of OTC                          | assessors were blinded for         |
|                                     | Not-offered group (N=141):      |   |  | important determinants related     |
|                                     | 17.9 years (IOR 15.6-22.0)      |   |  | to the outcome                     |
|                                     |                                 |   |  |                                    |
|                                     | 5. Controls (if applicable)     |   |  | 4. Confounding bias                |
|                                     | Offered but declined            |   |  | High risk                          |
|                                     | group                           |   |  | Reason: no multivariate analyses   |
|                                     | Not offered group               |   |  | done                               |
|                                     |                                 |   |  |                                    |
|                                     | 6. Additional study             |   |  |                                    |
|                                     | characteristics if relevant     |   |  |                                    |
|                                     | Edinburgh selection criteria    |   |  |                                    |
|                                     | • Age younger than 35           |   |  |                                    |
|                                     | vears                           |   |  |                                    |
| 1                                   | years                           | 1 |  |                                    |

| No previous CT or RT if     aged 15 years or older at     diagnosis, but mild, non-     gonadotoxic     chemotherapy acceptable if     younger than 15 years     • A realistic chance of     surviving for 5 years     • A realistic chance of     surviving for 5 years     • A high risk of POI (>50%)     • Informed consent     · Negative serology results     for HIV, syphilis, and     hepatitis B     • Not pregnant and no     existing children     Z. Chemotherapy     19/21 CT (with or without     RT) after OTC     Z/21 RT before OTC     8. Radiotherapy     See Chemotherapy     See Chemotherapy     See Intervention     10. Other treatments                     |  |      |  | 1          |
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| aged 15 years or older at<br>diagnosis, but mild, non-<br>gonadotoxic<br>chemotherapy acceptable if<br>younger than 15 years<br>• A realistic chance of<br>surviving for 5 years<br>• A high risk of POI (>50%)<br>• Informed consent<br>• Negative serology results<br>for HIV, syphilis, and<br>hepatitis B<br>• Not pregnant and no<br>existing children       •         7. Chemotherapy<br>19/21 CT (with or without<br>RT) after oTC       7. Chemotherapy<br>19/21 CT (with or without<br>RT) after oTC       •         8. Radiotherapy<br>See Chemotherapy       •       •         9. Surgery<br>See Intervention       •       •         10. Other treatments       •       • | <ul> <li>No previous CT or RT if</li> </ul>      |      |  |            |
| diagnosis, but mild, non-<br>gonadotxic<br>chemotherapy acceptable if<br>younger than 15 years<br>• A realistic chance of<br>surviving for 5 years<br>• A high risk of POI (>50%)<br>• Informed consent<br>• Negative serology results<br>for HIV, syphilis, and<br>hepatitis B<br>• Not pregnant and no<br>existing children<br>7. Chemotherapy<br>19/21 CT (with or without<br>RT) after OTC<br>2/21 RT before OTC<br>8. Radiotherapy<br>See Chemotherapy<br>9. Surgery<br>See Intervention<br>10. Other treatments   | aged 15 years or older at                        |      |  |            |
| gonadotoxic       chemotherapy acceptable if         younger than 15 years       - A realistic chance of         surviving for 5 years       - A high risk of PO(1<50%)   | diagnosis, but mild, non-                        |      |  |            |
| chemotherapy acceptable if<br>younger than 15 years<br>A realistic chance of<br>surviving for 5 years<br>A high risk of POI (>50%)<br>Informed consent<br>Negative serology results<br>for HIV, syphilis, and<br>hepatitis B<br>Not pregnant and no<br>existing children<br>7. Chemotherapy<br>19/21 CT (with or without<br>RT) after OTC<br>2/21 RT before OTC<br>8. Radiotherapy<br>See Chemotherapy<br>See Chemotherapy<br>See Intervention<br>10. Other treatments<br>- Abbaeviet   | gonadotoxic                                      |      |  |            |
| younger than 15 years         • A realistic chance of         surviving for 5 years         • A high risk of POI (>50%)         • Informed consent         • Negative serology results         for HIV, syphilis, and         hepatitis B         • Not pregnant and no         existing children         7. Chemotherapy         19/21 CT (with or without<br>RT) after OTC         2/21 RT before OTC         8. Radiotherapy         See Chemotherapy         9. Surgery         See Intervention         10. Other treatments   | chemotherapy acceptabl                           | e if |  |            |
| <ul> <li>A realistic chance of<br/>surviving for 5 years</li> <li>A high risk of POI (&gt;50%)</li> <li>Informed consent</li> <li>Negative serology results<br/>for HIV, syphilis, and<br/>hepatitis B</li> <li>Not pregnant and no<br/>existing children</li> <li>7. Chemotherapy</li> <li>19/21 CT (with or without<br/>RT) after OTC</li> <li>2/21 RT before OTC</li> <li>8. Radiotherapy<br/>See Chemotherapy</li> <li>9. Surgery<br/>See Intervention</li> <li>10. Other treatments</li> </ul>   | younger than 15 years                            |      |  |            |
| surviving for 5 years         • A high risk of POI (>50%)         • Informed consent         • Negative serology results         for HIV, syphilis, and         hepatitis B         • Not pregnant and no         existing children         7. Chemotherapy         19/21 CT (with or without         RT)         after OTC         2/21 RT before OTC         8. Radiotherapy         See Chemotherapy         9. Surgery         See Intervention         10. Other treatments         *  | <ul> <li>A realistic chance of</li> </ul>        |      |  |            |
| <ul> <li>A high risk of POI (&gt;50%)</li> <li>Informed consent</li> <li>Negative serology results</li> <li>for HIV, syphilis, and</li> <li>hepatitis B</li> <li>Not pregnant and no</li> <li>existing children</li> <li>7. Chemotherapy</li> <li>19/21 CT (with or without</li> <li>RT) after OTC</li> <li>2/21 RT before OTC</li> <li>8. Radiotherapy</li> <li>See Chemotherapy</li> <li>9. Surgery</li> <li>See Intervention</li> <li>10. Other treatments</li> </ul>  | surviving for 5 years                            |      |  |            |
| <ul> <li>Informed consent</li> <li>Negative serology results<br/>for HIV, syphilis, and<br/>hepatitis B</li> <li>Not pregnant and no<br/>existing children</li> <li>7. Chemotherapy<br/>19/21 CT (with or without<br/>RT) after OTC<br/>2/21 RT before OTC</li> <li>8. Radiotherapy<br/>See Chemotherapy</li> <li>9. Surgery<br/>See Intervention</li> <li>10. Other treatments</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>A high risk of POI (&gt;50%)</li> </ul> | 6)   |  |            |
| Negative serology results<br>for HIV, syphilis, and<br>hepatitis B     Not pregnant and no<br>existing children <u>7. Chemotherapy</u> 19/21 CT (with or without<br>RT) after OTC     2/21 RT before OTC <u>8. Radiotherapy</u> See Chemotherapy <u>9. Surgery</u> See Intervention <u>10. Other treatments</u>   | <ul> <li>Informed consent</li> </ul>             |      |  |            |
| for HIV, syphilis, and<br>hepatitis B<br>• Not pregnant and no<br>existing children<br>7. Chemotherapy<br>19/21 CT (with or without<br>RT) after OTC<br>2/21 RT before OTC<br>8. Radiotherapy<br>See Chemotherapy<br>9. Surgery<br>See Intervention<br>10. Other treatments<br>-  | <ul> <li>Negative serology result</li> </ul>     | lts  |  |            |
| hepatitis B       Not pregnant and no existing children         7. Chemotherapy         19/21 CT (with or without RT) after OTC         2/21 RT before OTC         8. Radiotherapy         See Chemotherapy         9. Surgery         See Intervention         10. Other treatments         -  | for HIV, syphilis, and                           |      |  |            |
| Not pregnant and no<br>existing children      7. Chemotherapy 19/21 CT (with or without RT) after OTC 2/21 RT before OTC      8. Radiotherapy See Chemotherapy 9. Surgery See Intervention 10. Other treatments   | hepatitis B                                      |      |  |            |
| existing children          7. Chemotherapy         19/21 CT (with or without         RT) after OTC         2/21 RT before OTC         8. Radiotherapy         See Chemotherapy         9. Surgery         See Intervention         10. Other treatments         -   | <ul> <li>Not pregnant and no</li> </ul>          |      |  |            |
| 7. Chemotherapy<br>19/21 CT (with or without<br>RT) after OTC<br>2/21 RT before OTC       8. Radiotherapy<br>See Chemotherapy       9. Surgery<br>See Chemotherapy         9. Surgery<br>See Intervention       10. Other treatments<br>-       4btreviat   | existing children                                |      |  |            |
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| RT) after OTC         2/21 RT before OTC         8. Radiotherapy         See Chemotherapy         9. Surgery         See Intervention         10. Other treatments         -  | 19/21 CT (with or withou                         | it   |  |            |
| 2/21 RT before OTC<br>8. Radiotherapy See Chemotherapy<br>9. Surgery See Intervention<br>10. Other treatments - Abbreviat   | RT) after OTC                                    |      |  |            |
| 8. Radiotherapy         See Chemotherapy         9. Surgery         See Intervention         10. Other treatments         -   | 2/21 RT before OTC                               |      |  |            |
| 8. Radiotherapy         See Chemotherapy         9. Surgery         See Intervention         10. Other treatments         -   |  |      |  |            |
| See Chemotherapy     9. Surgery       9. Surgery     See Intervention       10. Other treatments     -  | <u>8. Radiotherapy</u>                           |      |  |            |
| 9. Surgery<br>See Intervention     10. Other treatments     Abbreviat   | See Chemotherapy                                 |      |  |            |
| 9. Surgery       See Intervention       10. Other treatments       -  |  |      |  |            |
| See Intervention       10. Other treatments     Abbreviat   | <u>9. Surgery</u>                                |      |  |            |
| 10. Other treatments<br>- Abbreviat   | See Intervention                                 |      |  |            |
| 10. Other treatments  |  |      |  |            |
| - Abbreviat   | <u>10. Other treatments</u>                      |      |  |            |
| ALC: I FURT   | -  |      |  | Abbreviati |

ons: POI: premature ovarian insufficiency; pts: patients; OTC: Ovarian tissue cryopreservation; FU: follow-up; CT: chemotherapy; RT: radiotherapy

\*Authors refer to another publication for more information: *Bath LE et al.* Spontaneous conception in a young woman who had ovarian cortical tissue cryopreserved before chemotherapy and radiotherapy for a Ewing's sarcoma of the pelvis: case report. Hum Reprod 2004; 19: 2569–72

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| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                   | Intervention                     | Main outcomes                                | Additional remarks         |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | <u>1. Type and Number of</u>   | <u>1. Fertility Preservation</u> | <u>1. Outcome definitions</u>                | <u>1. Strengths</u>        |
| Case series in                                      | Participants                   | method                           | 1. Complications of intervention (tissue     | - Experience in Oslo with  |
| Institution (Osio                                   | 164 patients underwent         | 164 patients OTC (mostly         | narvesting and transplantation)              |                            |
| University  | ovarian cryopreservation       | in four women                    | 2. Live births                               | - Follow-up of 11 years    |
| nospital)   | 6 patients requested           |                                  | 1 Complications of tissue harvesting         |                            |
| 2 Treatment era                                     | autotransplantation 2          | lapai oscopy)                    | 1/6 nations with contamination of            |                            |
| lanuary 2004 –                                      | underwent                      | Transplantation                  | leukemic cells in cryonreserved tissue       | 2 Limitations              |
| December 2014                                       | autotransplantation            | 2 patients with                  | (diagnosed with acute lymphatic leukaemia    | - Small sample size        |
|   |                                | autotransplantation              | at 22 years)                                 |                            |
| 3. Follow-up:                                       | 2. Diagnoses                   | ·                                | , ,  |                            |
| 11 years  | Breast cancer 40%              |                                  | <u>2. Live births</u>                        |                            |
| 15 patients died                                    | Lymphoma 25%                   |                                  | 1 spontaneous pregnancy in a non-            | 3. Risk of bias            |
| during observation                                  | Sarcoma 15%                    |                                  | transplanted patient (breast cancer,         | 1. Selection bias          |
| period  | Other malignant or benign      |                                  | unknown age at diagnosis)                    | Low risk                   |
|   | conditions 20%                 |                                  |  | Reason: all girls who had  |
|   |                                |                                  | 1/2 spontaneous pregnancy with 1 healthy     | OTC in the treatment era   |
|   | 3. Age at diagnosis            |                                  | live birth (induction 1 week before for      | were included              |
|   | NR                             |                                  | intrauterine growth restriction) in a        |                            |
|   |                                |                                  | transplanted patient (I-cell lymphoma        | 2. Attrition bias          |
|   | - Patients with systematic     |                                  | diagnosis at 24 years)                       | Reason: IOW FISK           |
|   | voars                          |                                  | 1/2 transplanted patient delivered 1 healthy | 149(164-15, 90%) patients  |
|   | Patients with localized tumour |                                  | live hirth (HL diagnosis at 22 years)        |                            |
|   | or non-malignant disease       |                                  |  | 3 Detection bias           |
|   | upper age limit of 35 years    |                                  |  | unclear                    |
|   | 4. Age at follow-up            |                                  |  | Reason: unclear if outcome |
|   | NR                             |                                  |  | assessors were blinded for |
|   |                                |                                  |  | important determinants     |
|   | 5. Controls (if applicable)    |                                  |  | related to the outcome     |
|   | NA                             |                                  |  |                            |
|   |                                |                                  |  | 4. Confounding bias        |
|   | 6. Additional study            |                                  |  | Not applicable             |

| characteristics, if relevant |  |  |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| -                            |  |  |
|                              |  |  |
| 7. Chemotherapy              |  |  |
| - Patient with T-cell        |  |  |
| lymphoma:                    |  |  |
| Cyclophosphamide,            |  |  |
| doxorubicin, vincristine,    |  |  |
| etoposide                    |  |  |
| Relapse: high-dose           |  |  |
| chemotherapy with stem cell  |  |  |
| support (HMAS)               |  |  |
|                              |  |  |
| - Patient with HL:           |  |  |
| HMAS and irradiation of      |  |  |
| supradiaphragmatic lymph     |  |  |
| nodes                        |  |  |
|                              |  |  |
| <u>8. Radiotherapy</u>       |  |  |
| See above                    |  |  |
|                              |  |  |
| <u>9. Surgery</u>            |  |  |
| -                            |  |  |
|                              |  |  |
| 10. Other treatments         |  |  |
| -                            |  |  |

NR: no reported; NA: not applicable; HL: Hodgkin Lymphoma

# What female reproductive preservation methods are appropriate to offer in counselling?

**Dolmans et al.** Evaluation of minimal disseminated disease in cryopreserved ovarian tissue from bone and soft tissue sarcoma patients. Hum Reprod 2016;31:2292-302

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                                   | Intervention              | Main outcomes                            | Additional remarks                 |
|---|--|---------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | <u>1. Type and Number of</u>                   | 1. Fertility Preservation | 1. Outcome definitions                   | <u>1. Strengths</u>                |
| Observational                                       | Participants                                   | <u>method</u>             | Presence of specific markers in primary  | Various sensitive detection        |
| study, case series?                                 | 48 sarcoma patients                            |                           | tumoural tissue)                         | methods applied                    |
|   |  | 48 Ovarian tissue         |  |                                    |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | 2. Diagnoses                                   | cryopreservation          | Presence of minimal disseminated disease | 2. Limitations                     |
| NR  | All sarcoma:                                   |                           | in frozen-thawed ovarian tissue          | - Study is not clearly reported,   |
|   | 28/48 (58%) bone sarcoma                       | Transplantation           |  | difficult to read                  |
| 3. Follow-up:                                       | 20/48 (42%) soft tissue                        | NM                        | Complications of intervention            | - Only the tissue samples that had |
| No follow-up  | sarcoma  |                           |  | molecular markers could be         |
| (36 still alive, 12                                 |  |                           | 2. Results                               | analyzed (54%)                     |
| died)   | Diagnoses of pts whose                         |                           | Complications                            |                                    |
|   | ovarian tissue could be                        |                           | NM                                       | 3. Risk of bias                    |
|   | analyzed (n=26)                                |                           |  |                                    |
|   | - Ewing sarcoma family of                      |                           | Harvested ovarian tissue                 | 1. Selection bias                  |
|   | tumours (n=14)                                 |                           | 26/48 (54%) patients with ovarian tissue | Low risk                           |
|   | <ul> <li>Soft tissue sarcoma (n=12)</li> </ul> |                           | analyzed with disease-specific markers   | Reason: 48 sarcoma patients had    |
|   |  |                           | (26 IHC, 19 qPCR)                        | tissue stored and of all patients  |
|   | 3. Age at diagnosis                            |                           |  | (100%) tissue could be thawed      |
|   | NR   |                           | 0/26 minimal disseminated disease        | and examined                       |
|   | Mean age at OTC: 16.3 years                    |                           | detected                                 |                                    |
|   | ±SD 7.27                                       |                           |  | 2. Attrition bias                  |
|   |  |                           | 22/48(46%) patients could not have       | High risk                          |
|   | 4. Age at follow-up                            |                           | ovarian tissue analyzed:                 | Reason: ovarian tissue of only     |
|   | NA, no follow-up                               |                           | 20/22 absence of specific markers in     | 26/48 (54%) pts could be analyzed  |
|   |  |                           | their primary tumoural tissue            | for presence of malignant cells    |
|   | 5. Controls (if applicable)                    |                           | 1/22 1 Li-Fraumeni syndrome              |                                    |
|   | NA   |                           | 1/22 both reasons above                  | 3. Detection bias                  |
|   |  |                           |  | unclear                            |
|   | 6. Additional study                            |                           |  | Reason: unclear if outcome         |
|   | characteristics, if relevant                   |                           |  | assessors were blinded for         |
|   | Testing:                                       |                           |  | important determinants related     |

| - FISH or                     |  | to the outcome      |
|-------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| immunohistochemistry (IHC)    |  |                     |
| to detect specific markers in |  | 4. Confounding bias |
| primary tumoural tissue       |  | Not applicable      |
| - IHC and/or quantitative     |  |                     |
| PCR (qPCR) to detect MDD      |  |                     |
| in frozen-thawed ovarian      |  |                     |
| issue                         |  |                     |
|                               |  |                     |
| 7. Chemotherapy               |  |                     |
| 2/26 patients had             |  |                     |
| undergone chemotherapy        |  |                     |
| prior to intervention         |  |                     |
| 9. Dedictherenu               |  |                     |
| 8. Radiotherapy               |  |                     |
| INK                           |  |                     |
|                               |  |                     |
| See intervention              |  |                     |
|                               |  |                     |
| 10. Other treatments          |  |                     |
| NR                            |  |                     |

Abbreviations: NR: not reported; MDD: Minimal disseminated disease; PCR: polymerase chain reaction; IHC: immunohistochemistry; qPCR: real-time quantitative RT-PCR

| What female reproductive preservation methods are appropriate to offer in counselling?  |  |                     |   |                                     |  |  |
|---|--|---------------------|---|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| Jensen et al. Cryopreservation of ovarian tissue for fertility preservation in a large cohort of young girls: focus on pubertal development. Hum Reprod 2017;32:154-164 |  |                     |   |                                     |  |  |
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up   | p Participants Intervention Main outcomes Additional remarks |                     |   |                                     |  |  |
| 1. Study design   | <u>1. Type and Number of</u>                                 | <u>1. Fertility</u> | 1. Outcome definitions                                | <u>1. Strengths</u>                 |  |  |
| Retrospective   | Participants   | <b>Preservation</b> | <ul> <li>Subgroup 1: incidence of POI was</li> </ul>  | Relatively large patient sample for |  |  |
| cohort study  | 140 females with childhood                                   | <u>method</u>       | evaluated   | this type of study                  |  |  |
| (multi-centre)  | cancer diagnosis   |                     | POI definition: FSH >20 IU/L at age of <u>&gt;</u> 12 |                                     |  |  |

|                  |                                      | 140 laparoscopic    | yrs, no signs of puberty development or  | 2. Limitations                                      |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--|---|
| 2. Treatment era | Original cohort: 176 females who     | oophorectomy OTC    | menarche                                 | - Longer follow-up of this cohort is                |
| NR               | underwent OTC                        |                     |  | needed to obtain a more accurate                    |
| OTC between      |                                      | Transplantation     | - Subgroup 2: association between        | estimation of who will develop                      |
| March 2000 -     | 2. Diagnoses                         | Unclear             | treatment and requirement for medical    | POI later on in life                                |
| August 2015      | 140/176(79%) childhood cancer        |                     | puberty induction was examined           | - Some information is missing                       |
| -                | diagnosis:                           | Two subgroups:      |  | because of retrospective design                     |
| 3. Follow-up:    | 67(38%) Malignant tumours            | - Subgroup 1:       | 2. Results                               | E.g. no information on cancer                       |
| NR               | 42 (24%) Malignant                   | 60/176 had OTC      | Live births                              | treatment in subgroup 1, only                       |
|                  | haematological diseases              | after 12 years old, | 2 healthy live births (from AML and HL   | subgroup 2. Therefore not                           |
|                  | 31 (18%) Lymphomas                   | alive at study      | patients)                                | possible to evaluate whether the                    |
|                  | Other:                               |                     |  | girls from subgroup 1 who                           |
|                  | 26 (15%) Benign diseases             | - Subgroup 2:       | 1 induced abortion (from HL patient)     | developed POI had higher doses                      |
|                  | 8(5%) Sex chromosome anomalies       | 32/176 had OTC      |  | of treatment compared to the                        |
|                  | 2 (1%) Kidney diseases               | before 12 years old | POI incidence in subgroup 1              | other girls who did not develop                     |
|                  |                                      | (premenarcheal),    | 27/60 (45%) regular natural menstrual    | POI   |
|                  | 3. Age at diagnosis                  | above 14 years old  | cycles                                   |   |
|                  | NR                                   | at study            |  | 3. Risk of bias                                     |
|                  | Age <18 years at OTC                 |                     | 26/60 (43%) hormone replacement          | 1. Selection bias                                   |
|                  | Total cohort: mean age at OTC        |                     | therapy (17/26 (65%) patients with       | Low risk  |
|                  | 11.3 years (0.6–17.11)               |                     | malignant diseases)                      | Reason: all girls who had OTC in                    |
|                  |                                      |                     |  | the treatment era were included                     |
|                  | <u>4. Age at follow-up</u>           |                     | 7/60 (17%) unknown (6 could not be       |   |
|                  | Subgroup 1: mean age 21.1 years      |                     | assessed as oral contraception           | 2. Attrition bias                                   |
|                  | Subgroup 2: mean age 17.6 years      |                     | continuously since CT; 1 no information  | High risk   |
|                  |                                      |                     | obtained)                                | Reason:   |
|                  | 5. Controls (if applicable)          |                     |  | POI could be assessed in 85/176                     |
|                  | NA                                   |                     | Risk of reintroducing malignant cells*   | patients (48%)                                      |
|                  |                                      |                     | All the women who had ovarian tissue     | Reasons for no assessment:                          |
|                  | 6. Additional study characteristics, |                     | transplanted did not show                | - 38 girls died                                     |
|                  | <u>if relevant</u>                   |                     | an increased risk of relapse compared to | <ul> <li>46 girls still &lt;12 years old</li> </ul> |
|                  | -                                    |                     | the women who did not have OTC           | - 6 girls oral contraception                        |
|                  | 7. Chemotherapy and 8.               |                     |  | - 1 girl no information                             |
|                  | Radiotherapy                         |                     | Treatment and requirement for puberty    | Even without taking into account                    |
|                  | Subgroup 2 (n=32)                    |                     | induction in subgroup 2                  | the 46 young girls plus 6 girls with                |
|                  | - Group 1) 12/32 received high       |                     | 23/32 (72%) medical puberty induction    | oral contraception, the attrition is                |
|                  | dose CT and either TBI prior to      |                     | 9/32 (28%) developed a spontaneous       | 85/124 (69%)  |
|                  | SCT or irradiation to the pelvis,    |                     | puberty (4 received high dose alkylating |   |
|                  | abdomen or spinal axis               |                     | agents, 5 conventional CT)               | 3. Detection bias                                   |

|           | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |                                  |        |                                |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|
| -         | Group 2) 11/32 received high          |                                  |        | unclear                        |
| do        | ose alkylating agents, 2/32           | Treatment groups within subgro   | oup 2: | Reason: unclear if outcome     |
| re        | eceived lower doses. All prior to     | Group 1: 10/12 puberty induction | on     | assessors were blinded for     |
| SC        | CT, no irradiation                    | Group 2: 11/13 puberty induction | on     | important determinants related |
| - (       | Group 3) 6/32 received                | Group 3: 1/6 puberty induction   |        | to the outcome                 |
| al        | Ikylating agents as part of           | Group 4: 1/1 puberty induction   |        |                                |
| CC        | onventional CT                        |                                  |        | 4. Confounding bias            |
| - (       | Group 4) 1/32 no gonadotoxic          |                                  |        | Not applicable                 |
| tr        | reatment                              |                                  |        |                                |
| Ті        | iming of gonadotoxic therapy          |                                  |        |                                |
| (b        | pefore or after OTC): NR              |                                  |        |                                |
| 9.        | Surgery                               |                                  |        |                                |
| N         | IR                                    |                                  |        |                                |
|           |                                       |                                  |        |                                |
| <u>10</u> | 0. Other treatments                   |                                  |        |                                |
| Ν         | IR                                    |                                  |        |                                |

Abbreviations: NR: not reported; NA; not applicable; OTC: ovarian tissue transplantation

\*Authors refer to another study for further information: Jensen et al. Outcomes of transplantations of cryopreserved ovarian tissue to 41 women in Denmark. Hum Reprod 2015;30:2838-2845

Jadoul et al. Efficacy of ovarian tissue cryopreservation for fertility preservation: lessons learned from 545 cases. Hum Reprod. 2017;32:1046-1054

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                  | Intervention               | Main outcomes                                  | Additional remarks            |
|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | 1. Type and Number of         | 1. Fertility Preservation  | 1. Outcome definitions                         | <u>1. Strengths</u>           |
| Case series in                                      | Participants                  | method                     | 1. Ovarian function after OTC                  | Relatively large patient      |
| single institution                                  | 397 (73%) females with        | 545 patients OTC           | 2. Complications after OTC                     | sample for this type of study |
| and prospective                                     | malignant disease             | (majority laparoscopic     | 3. Live births                                 |                               |
| questionnaire                                       |                               | OTC)                       | 4. Pregnancies                                 | 2. Limitations                |
|   | 157 (29%) females with        |                            |  | Questionnaire was used to     |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | malignant disease below 18    | Transplantation            | 2. Results                                     | assess ovarian function,      |
| NR  | years                         | 21/545(3.9%) patients      | 1. Ovarian function after OTC                  | complications of OTC,         |
| OTC between April                                   |                               | had autotransplantation of | 92/143 (64%) patients with evaluable           | pregnancies and outcome of    |
| 1997-December                                       | Total cohort: 545 females who | their ovarian cortex*      | clinical ovarian function:                     | pregnancy                     |
| 2013  | underwent OTC                 |                            | 31.5% (n=29) were menopausal                   |                               |
|   |                               | *Unknown age at            | 68.5% (n=63) had functional ovaries            |                               |
| 3. Follow-up:                                       | Responders from               | diagnosis or OTC for these |  | 3. Risk of bias               |
| NR  | questionnaire:                | patients                   | 2. Complications of OTC                        |                               |
| Mean follow-up                                      | 143/451(31.7%)                |                            | 5/140 patients with minor complications        | 1. Selection bias             |
| time in surviving                                   | (deceased patients (n = 54)   | 19/21 (90.4%) Malignant    | (raised temperature, labial hematoma,          | Low risk                      |
| patients: 7.6 ± 3.5                                 | and those with no further     | indications for OTC:       | urinary infection, bowel irritation and        | Reason: all identified        |
| years (at time of                                   | postal address (n = 40) were  | 14(58%) hematological      | psychological distress)                        | patients had OTC              |
| questionnaires                                      | excluded from questionnaire)  | diseases                   |  |                               |
| sent)   |                               | 2 (8%) gynecological       | 1/140 patient with major complication          | 2. Attrition bias             |
|   | 2. Diagnoses                  | malignancies               | (patient had second laparoscopy for intra-     | Low risk                      |
|   |                               | 1 (4%) breast cancer       | abdominal hemorrhage due to ovarian            | Reason:                       |
|   | In total cohort:              | 1 (4%) rectal cancer       | biopsy)  | POI could be assessed in      |
|   | 127(23%) Lymphomas            | 1 (4%) neurological cancer |  | 92(64%) of the 143            |
|   | 50(9%) Leukaemia              |                            | Questionnaire reported                         | questionnaire responders      |
|   | 94(17%) Breast cancer         | 5(21%) Non-malignant       |  | and live births was assessed  |
|   | 51(9%) Sarcoma                | indications:               | 3. Live births                                 | by medical records and        |
|   | 33(6%) Gynecology             | 3 (12%) benign ovarian     | 7 transplanted patients had 10 healthy live    | questionnaire                 |
|   | malignancies                  | pathologies                | births (1 patient delivered two live births; 1 |                               |
|   | 26(5%) Neurological           | 2 (8%) systemic conditions | patient delivered three live births)           |                               |
|   | malignancies                  |                            |  | 3. Detection bias             |

| 16(3%) Gastrointestinal        | (In 3 patients that came  | (Unclear age at diagnosis of the       | Unclear                    |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| malignancies                   | back for reimplantation,  | transplanted patients)                 | Reason: unclear if outcome |
|                                | transplantation was not   |  | assessors were blinded for |
| Other:                         | performed because of      | 4. Pregnancies                         | important determinants     |
| 11(2%) Systemic diseases       | possible risk of grafting |  | related to the outcome     |
| requiring CT                   | leukemic cells)           | From questionnaire (140 patients):     |                            |
| 14(3%) Benign hematologic      |                           |  |                            |
| pathologies diseases requiring |                           | 25 pregnancies (natural conception) in | 4. Confounding bias        |
| BM transplantation             |                           | patients with malignant disease        | Not applicable             |
| 95(17%) Benign and             |                           |  |                            |
| borderline ovarian             |                           | 4 pregnancies obtained non-naturally:  |                            |
| pathologies                    |                           |  |                            |
| 19(3%) Other (Turner           |                           | 1 pregnancy with oocyte donation       |                            |
| Syndrome family history of     |                           |  |                            |
| early menopause,               |                           | 2 pregnancies with transfer of embryos |                            |
| Galactosemia)                  |                           | frozen before gonadotoxic therapy      |                            |
| 9(2%) Other                    |                           |  |                            |
|                                |                           | 1 pregnancy after ovarian cortex       |                            |
| 3. Age at diagnosis            |                           | autotransplantation                    |                            |
| NR                             |                           |  |                            |
| Mean age at OTC (total         |                           |  |                            |
| cohort): 22.3 ± 8.8 years (6   |                           |  |                            |
| months -39 years)              |                           |  |                            |
| 157(29%) below 18 years at     |                           |  |                            |
|                                |                           |  |                            |
| 15% prepubertal at OTC         |                           |  |                            |
| 15/5 prepader tar at ore       |                           |  |                            |
| 4. Age at follow-up            |                           |  |                            |
| NR                             |                           |  |                            |
| Age at questionnaire           |                           |  |                            |
| (responders from               |                           |  |                            |
| questionnaire, n=451): 29.5 ±  |                           |  |                            |
| 9.5 years                      |                           |  |                            |
| E. Controls (if anyline b)     |                           |  |                            |
| 5. Controls (if applicable)    |                           |  |                            |
| NA                             |                           |  |                            |
| 6. Additional study            |                           |  |                            |

| characteristics, if relevant |  |  |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| Between January 2003 and     |  |  |
| December 2015, 24/545        |  |  |
| patients (4.4%) had          |  |  |
| autotransplantation of       |  |  |
| ovarian cortex               |  |  |
|                              |  |  |
| 7. Chemotherapy and 8.       |  |  |
| Radiotherapy                 |  |  |
| NR                           |  |  |
|                              |  |  |
| 9. Surgery                   |  |  |
| NR                           |  |  |
|                              |  |  |
| 10. Other treatments         |  |  |
| NR                           |  |  |

Abbreviations: NR: not reported; NA; not applicable; OTC: ovarian tissue transplantation; BM: bone marrow

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Silber et al. Cryopreservation and transplantation of ovarian tissue: results from one center in the USA. J Assist Reprod Genet. 2018;35:2205-2213

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                 | Intervention              | Main outcomes  | Additional remarks           |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------------|--|------------------------------|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | 1. Type and Number of        | 1. Fertility Preservation | 1. Outcome definitions                                   | <u>1. Strengths</u>          |
| Retrospective                                       | Participants                 | <u>method</u>             | 1. Ovarian function after OTC determined                 | -                            |
| cohort study  | 108 females who underwent    | 108 patients OTC by using | by return of FSH to normal levels and                    |                              |
|   | OTC; 66 females had a        | minilaparotomy;           | regular menstrual cycling                                | 2. Limitations               |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | malignant diagnosis          | 19 of cancer patients     | 2. Live births   | -                            |
| OTC between   |                              | underwent slow freeze     | 3. Complications   |                              |
| 1997-2017   | 2. Diagnoses                 | prior to September 2007,  |  | <u>3. Risk of bias</u>       |
|   | Hodgkin disease (18.5%),     | and 47 subsequent         | 1. Ovarian function after OTC                            | 1. Selection bias            |
| 3. Follow-up:                                       | breast cancer (12.0%),       | cases underwent           | <ul> <li>- 13/13 (100%) had return of ovarian</li> </ul> | Low risk                     |
| NR  | leukaemia (6.5%), non-       | vitrification of their    | function from 4-5 months after                           | Reason: all identified       |
|   | Hodgkin lymphoma (4.6%),     | ovarian tissue            | transplantation  | patients had OTC             |
|   | other tumours (19.4%), non-  |                           | - 8/13 (61.5%) grafts were still functioning             |                              |
|   | malignant disease (39.0%)    | Transplantation           | from 28-62 months after surgery                          | 2. Attrition bias            |
|   |                              | 13/108 (12.0%) patients   | - 5/13 (38.5%) grafts ceased functioning                 | Low risk                     |
|   | 3. Age at diagnosis          | had ovarian cortex        | from 22-51 months  | Reason:                      |
|   | NR                           | transplantation;          |  | Outcome was assessed for     |
|   | Median age at OTC: 24 years  | 10 (76.9%) were younger   | 2. Live births   | all patients that underwent  |
|   | (range 6-35)                 | than age 25 years at time | Among females with a malignant diagnosis                 | transplantation of           |
|   |                              | of freezing;              | before age 25 years:                                     | cryopreserved ovarian tissue |
|   | 4. Age at follow-up          | 8 (61.5%) had a malignant | 5/8 (62.5%) women had 9 live births from                 |                              |
|   | Range 25-36 years            | diagnosis                 | spontaneous pregnancies                                  | 3. Detection bias            |
|   |                              |                           |  | Unclear                      |
|   | 5. Controls (if applicable)  |                           | 3. Complications   | Reason: unclear if outcome   |
|   | NA                           |                           | - 3/13 (23.1%) of transplants were in                    | assessors were blinded for   |
|   |                              |                           | leukaemia survivors without evidence of                  | important determinants       |
|   | 6. Additional study          |                           | cancer recurrence  | related to the outcome       |
|   | characteristics, if relevant |                           | - No evidence for cancer recurrence in                   |                              |
|   | NR                           |                           | other patients   | 4. Confounding bias          |
|   |                              |                           |  | Not applicable               |

| 7. Chemotherapy and 8.      |  |  |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Radiotherapy                |  |  |
| NR                          |  |  |
|                             |  |  |
| <u>9. Surgery</u>           |  |  |
| NR                          |  |  |
|                             |  |  |
| <u>10. Other treatments</u> |  |  |
| NR                          |  |  |

Abbreviations: NR: not reported; NA; not applicable; OTC: ovarian tissue transplantation

#### What female reproductive preservation methods are appropriate to offer in counselling?

*Poirot et al.* Ovarian tissue cryopreservation for fertility preservation in 418 girls and adolescents up to 15 years of age facing highly gonadotoxic treatment. Twenty years of experience at a single center. Acta Obstet Gynecol Scand. 2019:98;630-637

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                 | Intervention                | Main outcomes                               | Additional remarks            |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 1. Study design                                     | 1. Type and Number of        | 1. Fertility Preservation   | 1. Outcome definitions                      | 1. Strengths                  |
| Retrospective                                       | Participants                 | method                      | 1. Ovarian function after OTC               | Large patient sample          |
| cohort study  | 418 females who underwent    | 418 patients OTC            |   |                               |
|   | OTC below 15 years of age    | (majority laparoscopic      | 1. Ovarian function after OTC               | 2. Limitations                |
| 2. Treatment era                                    |                              | OTC)                        | Case 1:                                     | -                             |
| OTC between April                                   | 2. Diagnoses                 | In majority an entire ovary | Non-cancer patient 10 years old at the time |                               |
| 1998-December                                       | hematological disease        | was removed                 | of OTC. The grafting of three fragments of  | 3. Risk of bias               |
| 2018  | (23.2%), solid tumours       |                             | ovarian cortex subcutaneously allowed a     | 1. Selection bias             |
|   | (51.7%), non-malignant       | Transplantation             | spontaneous induction of puberty            | Low risk                      |
| 3. Follow-up:                                       | disease (25.1%)              | 3/418 (0.7%) patients       |   | Reason: all identified        |
| NR  |                              | had ovarian cortex          | Case 2:                                     | patients had OTC              |
|   | 3. Age at diagnosis          | transplantation             | Neuroblastoma patient 12 years old at time  |                               |
|   | NR                           |                             | of OTC. Currently there has been no         | 2. Attrition bias             |
|   | Median age at OTC: 6.9 years |                             | recovery of ovarian function. A second      | Low risk                      |
|   | (range 0.3-15)               |                             | transplant is scheduled.                    | Reason:                       |
|   |                              |                             |   | Outcome was assessed for      |
|   | 66.5% below 10 years at OTC  |                             | Case 3:                                     | all 3 patients that underwent |

| 35.9% below 5 years at OTC   | Sickle cell disease patient 11.2 years old at | transplantation of           |
|------------------------------|---|------------------------------|
|                              | time of OTC with a child wish. Ovarian        | cryopreserved ovarian tissue |
| 4. Age at follow-up          | cortex transplant performed in February       |                              |
| NR                           | 2019.   | 3. Detection bias            |
|                              |   | Unclear                      |
| 5. Controls (if applicable)  |   | Reason: unclear if outcome   |
| NA                           |   | assessors were blinded for   |
|                              |   | important determinants       |
| 6. Additional study          |   | related to the outcome       |
| characteristics, if relevant |   |                              |
| NR                           |   | 4. Confounding bias          |
|                              |   | Not applicable               |
| 7. Chemotherapy and 8.       |   |                              |
| Radiotherapy                 |   |                              |
| NR                           |   |                              |
|                              |   |                              |
| <u>9. Surgery</u>            |   |                              |
| INK                          |   |                              |
| 10. Other treatments         |   |                              |
|                              |   |                              |
|                              |   |                              |

Abbreviations: NR: not reported; NA; not applicable; OTC: ovarian tissue transplantation

Rowell et al. Laparoscopic unilateral oophorectomy for ovarian tissue cryopreservation in children. J Pediatr Surg. 2019;54:543-549

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                    | Intervention              | Main outcomes  | Additional remarks                              |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--|---|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | 1. Type and Number of           | 1. Fertility Preservation | 1. Outcome definitions   | <u>1. Strengths</u>                             |
| Retrospective                                       | Participants                    | method                    | Complications  | -   |
| cohort study  | 64 females who underwent        | 64 patients OTC           |  |   |
|   | OTC below 23 years of age       | (majority laparasopic     | 2. Results   | 2. Limitations                                  |
| 2. Treatment era                                    |                                 | unilateral oophorectomy)  | Complications  | -   |
| OTC between   | 2. Diagnoses                    |                           | <ul> <li>No intraoperative complications related</li> </ul>            |   |
| January 2011-                                       | Malignant disease (82.8%),      | Transplantation           | to the laparoscopic oophorectomy                                       | 3. Risk of bias                                 |
| December 2017                                       | benign hematological disorder   | None                      | occurred   | 1. Selection bias                               |
|   | requiring stem cell transplant  |                           | <ul> <li>Median estimated blood loss of patients</li> </ul>            | Low risk  |
| 3. Follow-up:                                       | (9.4%), disorder of sex         |                           | undergoing OTC, without primary mass                                   | Reason: all identified                          |
| NR  | development (7.8%)              |                           | excision: 3 ml   | patients had OTC                                |
| 41 (64.1%) patients                                 |                                 |                           | - For patients who underwent laparoscopy,                              |   |
| are ≥1 yr from time                                 | 3. Age at diagnosis             |                           | 39 (66%) had their OTC performed as                                    | 2. Attrition bias                               |
| of OTC  | NR                              |                           | same-day surgery, while 18 (30%) were                                  | Low risk  |
|   | Median age at OTC: 12 years     |                           | observational admissions (< 24 h)                                      | Reason: outcome was                             |
|   | (range 0.4-23)                  |                           | <ul> <li>No reported 30-day postoperative<br/>complications</li> </ul> | assessed for all patients that<br>underwent OTC |
|   | 48% premenarchal                |                           | - Median time from operation to initiation                             |   |
|   |                                 |                           | of medical therapy: 6 days with no                                     | 3. Detection bias                               |
|   | <u>4. Age at follow-up</u>      |                           | unanticipated delays in treatment                                      | Unclear   |
|   | Median 12 years (inter          |                           | initiation   | Reason: unclear if outcome                      |
|   | quartile range 7-15)            |                           | - 57/59 patients with a cancer or                                      | assessors were blinded for                      |
|   |                                 |                           | hematologic diagnosis had normal                                       | important determinants                          |
|   | 5. Controls (if applicable)     |                           | ovarian tissue with identifiable follicles on                          | related to the outcome                          |
|   | NA                              |                           | pathologic evaluation, regardless of their                             |   |
|   |                                 |                           | treatment history; 1 neuroblastoma                                     | 4. Confounding bias                             |
|   | 6. Additional study             |                           | patient had infiltrated B-lymphoblastic                                | Not applicable                                  |
|   | characteristics, if relevant    |                           | lymphoma/leukaemia; 1 acute  |   |
|   | Light patients underwent OTC    |                           | lymphoblastic leukaemia patient who                                    |   |
|   | at the time of disease relapse  |                           | received multiple rounds of non-                                       |   |
|   | rather than at the time of      |                           | gonadotoxic chemotherapy prior to OTC                                  |   |
|   | initial diagnosis. They did not |                           | was noted to have rare follicles on                                    |   |
|   | qualify for OTC initially       |                           | histologic examination   |   |

| but became candidates for FP |  |  |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| at the time of relapse owing |  |  |
| to their cumulative          |  |  |
| gonadotoxic therapy or need  |  |  |
| for SCT.                     |  |  |
|                              |  |  |
| 7. Chemotherapy and 8.       |  |  |
| <u>Radiotherapy</u>          |  |  |
| NR                           |  |  |
|                              |  |  |
| 9. Surgery                   |  |  |
| NR                           |  |  |
|                              |  |  |
| <u>10. Other treatments</u>  |  |  |
| NR                           |  |  |

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#### What female reproductive preservation methods are appropriate to offer in counselling?

*Longhi et al.* Effect of oral contraceptive on ovarian function in young females undergoing neoadjuvant chemotherapy treatment for osteosarcoma. Oncol Rep 2003; 10:151-155

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                    | Intervention              | Main outcomes                             | Additional remarks                   |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| <ol> <li>Study design</li> </ol>                    | <u>1. Type and Number of</u>    | 1. Fertility Preservation | 1. Outcome definitions                    | <u>1. Strengths</u>                  |
| Single centre                                       | Participants                    | <u>method</u>             | Age of menarche                           |                                      |
| retrospective                                       | Study group: 31 female          |                           | Amenorrhea during or post-CT              |                                      |
| cohort study with                                   | patients                        | Study group: Oral         | Early menopause                           | 2. Limitations                       |
| historical control                                  | Control group: 90 female        | contraceptives            | Desire for pregnancy                      | - Historical control group, were     |
| group   | patients                        | (desogestrel 0.150 mg     | Pregnancies                               | re-interviewed in 2001               |
|   |                                 | + etinilestradiol 0.020   |   | - Limited follow-up time study       |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | 2. Diagnoses                    | mg) given continuously    | 2. Results                                | group                                |
| Group 1: 1997 –                                     | Osteosarcoma                    | during neo-adjuvant       | Menarche:                                 | - Different CT protocols in study    |
| 2000  |                                 | chemotherapy              | Study group:                              | and control group, which differ      |
| Group 2: 1974 –                                     | 3. Age at diagnosis             | (duration about 36        | 2/7 prepubertals menarche at 13.5 yrs     | significantly in the alkylant dosage |
| 1995  | Study group: mean age 19.4      | weeks)                    | and 14 yrs; of these, 1 irregular         |                                      |
|   | years (4-40). 4 patients aged   |                           | menstruation                              | 3. Risk of bias                      |
| <u>3. Follow-up:</u>                                | >35 years.                      | 5/24 postpubertal pts     | Control group:                            | 1. Selection bias                    |
| Group 1: Mean                                       | Control group: mean age 16.8    | had no oral               | 22/22 prepubertals menarche at mean       | High risk                            |
| follow-up time                                      | years (7-43). 3 patients aged   | contraceptives: 3 pts     | age 13 yrs (11-16); 8/22 irregular cycles | Reason: No statistical evaluation    |
| post-   | >35 years.                      | refused and 2 pts         |   | of similarity/difference between     |
| chemotherapy  |                                 | stopped it early due to   | Permanent amenorrhea post CT              | study and control groups in terms    |
| 29.4 months (9-43)                                  | 4. Age at follow-up             | thrombophlebitis          | Study group: 3/24 (13%)                   | of age, length of follow-up,         |
| Group 2: no   | Study group: mean age at time   |                           | Control group: 3/71 (4%)                  | ifosfamide dose etc. Also, how       |
| information, these                                  | of interview in 2001 23.6 years | 3 patients from the       |   | patient inclusion had taken place    |
| patients were                                       | (8-42)                          | study group who           | Pregnancy:                                | is not described                     |
| treated within a                                    | Control group: mean age at      | refused OC were           | Study group:                              |                                      |
| time span of 22                                     | time of interview in 2001 27.8  | considered in the         | 0/24 desired pregnancies                  | 2. Attrition bias                    |
| years   | years (15-52)                   | control group             | 2/24 (8%) voluntary abortions             | Low risk                             |
|   |                                 |                           |   | Reason: outcomes assessed for        |
|   | 5. Controls (if applicable)     | Control group: no oral    | Control group:                            | almost all patients. (However,       |
|   | See above                       | contraceptives            | 24/31 (77%) pregnant females delivered    | mean follow up only 29.4 months      |
|   |                                 |                           | 24 healthy live births                    | (range 9-43) in study group so       |
|   | 6. Additional study             |                           | 4/31 (13%) voluntary abortions            | seems inadequate for results)        |
|   | characteristics, if relevant    |                           | 3/31 (9.7%) spontaneous abortions         |                                      |
|   | Study group: 24/31              |                           |   | 3. Detection bias                    |
| postpubertal 7/31             | 2/90 (2%) failed pregnancies (1/90     |                                    |
|-------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| prepubertal                   | gynaecological problem unrelated to CT | Unclear                            |
| prepabertar                   | 1/90 failed to become pregnant)        | Beason: unclear if outcome         |
| Control group: 68/90          |  | assessors were blinded for         |
| postpubortal 22/00            |  | important determinants related     |
| postpubertal, 22/90           |  | to the outcome                     |
| prepubertal                   |  | to the outcome                     |
| 7. Chemotherapy               |  | 4. Confounding bias                |
| Study group: IOR 6 protocol.  |  | High risk                          |
| High-dose ifosfamide,         |  | Reason: CT protocols differ        |
| methotrexate, adriamycin,     |  | significantly in study and control |
| cisplatinum                   |  | groups, no multivariate analysis   |
| Control group: IOR 1-IOR 5    |  |                                    |
| protocol. IOR 1 and IO 2 did  |  |                                    |
| not employ alkylants so 31/90 |  |                                    |
| pts who were on these         |  |                                    |
| protocols did not receive     |  |                                    |
| alkylants                     |  |                                    |
| unyiunto                      |  |                                    |
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| -                             |  |                                    |
|                               |  |                                    |
| 9 Surgery                     |  |                                    |
| NR                            |  |                                    |
|                               |  |                                    |
| 10 Other treatments           |  |                                    |
|                               |  |                                    |
| INIA                          |  |                                    |

Abbreviations: NR: not reported; NA: not applicable; OC: oral contraceptive; pts: patients

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Pereyra et al. Use of GnRH analogs for functional protection of the ovary and preservation of fertility during cancer treatment in adolescents: a preliminary report. Gynecol Oncol 2001;81:391-397

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                 | Intervention              | Main outcomes                           | Additional remarks                             |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------------|---|--|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | 1. Type and Number of        | 1. Fertility Preservation | 1. Outcome definitions                  | <u>1. Strengths</u>                            |
| Prospective single                                  | Participants                 | <u>method</u>             | Menarche, menstrual regularity, and     | -  |
| centre study, with                                  | Study group                  | GnRH analog during        | pregnancy: lab tests, gynaecological    |  |
| retrospective                                       | 12 postmenarchal patients:   | chemotherapy in Group     | echography and bone densitometry 30     | 2. Limitations                                 |
| controls. Addition                                  |                              | B only                    | days after the last GnRH injection      | - 22 patients were studied in                  |
| of a retrospective                                  | Original cohort: 21 patients | (3.75 mg im depot         |   | study group but only 12 included,              |
| premenarchal  |                              | monthly until 30 days     | 2. Results                              | reasons for exclusion of the 9                 |
| "control group"                                     | Control groups               | after chemotherapy)       | Menstrual disorders                     | patients unclear                               |
|   | Control group 1:             |                           |   | - Small sample sizes                           |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | premenarchal patients (n=5)  |                           | - Study group:                          | - Use of historic controls                     |
| NR  | previously treated with CT   |                           | 0/12 (0%) amenorrhea                    | <ul> <li>Heterogenous diagnoses and</li> </ul> |
|   |                              |                           |   | treatments                                     |
| 3. Follow-up:                                       | Control group 2:             |                           | - Control group 1:                      | <ul> <li>Only descriptive results</li> </ul>   |
| Study group   | postmenarchal patients       |                           | 1/5 (20%) oligomenorrhea                | <ul> <li>Unclearly reported</li> </ul>         |
| followed up to 5                                    | (n=4) previously treated CT  |                           | - Control group 2:                      | - Can control group 1 be                       |
| years (mean or                                      | and BMT                      |                           | 4/4 (100%) hypergonadotrophic           | considered control group as this is            |
| range NR)   |                              |                           | hypoestrogenic amenorrhea               | a premenarchal group and the                   |
|   | 2. Diagnoses                 |                           | 4/4 hormone replacement therapy         | study group is postmenarchal?                  |
| Control groups                                      | Study group                  |                           |   |  |
| were historical                                     | Subgroup 1: 4 Hodgkin        |                           | Live births                             | 3. Risk of bias                                |
| controls.   | Lymphoma; 1 Non-Hodgkin      |                           | -Study group - Subgroup 1:              |  |
|   | lymphoma                     |                           | 2/2 (100%) pregnant females delivered 3 | 1. Selection bias                              |
| Control group 1                                     | Subgroup 2: 7 Hodgkin        |                           | healthy live births                     | High risk                                      |
| was followed for                                    |                              |                           |   | Reason: only 12/22 of studied                  |
| 18 years  | Control group 1              |                           | -Control group 1:                       | patients were included in                      |
|   | 2 Lymphoma, 1 Thymoma, 2     |                           | 3/3 (100%) pregnant females delivered 5 | intervention group, unclear how                |
| Control group 2                                     | ALL                          |                           | healthy live births                     |  |
| was followed for 6                                  | Control group 2              |                           | -Control group 2:                       | 2. Attrition bias                              |
| years   | 3 Hodgkin; 1 AML             |                           | No pregnancies                          | High risk                                      |
|   |                              |                           |   | Reason: follow-up data unclear or              |
|   | 3. Age at diagnosis          |                           | Pregnancies                             | not available                                  |
|   | Study group                  |                           | Study group – subgroup 1:               |  |
|   |                              |                           | 3/3 (100%) spontaneous pregnancies (1   |  |

| 14.7 – 20 years old   | 1  | patient had 2 pregnancies)          | 3. Detection bias                |
|---|--|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Subgroup 1: 14.7-1  | 18 years   |                                     | Unclear                          |
| old   |  | Control group 1:                    | Reason: unclear if outcome       |
| Subgroup 2: 15-20   | years old  | 4/5 spontaneous pregnancies         | assessors were blinded for       |
|   |  | 1/5 ovulation induction             | important determinants related   |
| Control group 1   |  | (2 patients had 2 pregnancies each) | to the outcome                   |
| 3 – 7.5 years old   |  |                                     |                                  |
| Control group 2   |  |                                     | 4. Confounding bias              |
| 15.9 – 20 years old   | 1  |                                     | High risk                        |
|   |  |                                     | Reason: Only descriptive results |
| 4. Age at follow-up   | <u>)</u>   |                                     |                                  |
| NR  |  |                                     |                                  |
|   |  |                                     |                                  |
| 5. Controls (if appl  | icable)  |                                     |                                  |
| Control group 2 we  | ere  |                                     |                                  |
| historical controls   |  |                                     |                                  |
|   |  |                                     |                                  |
| <u>6. Additional study</u>  | <u>/</u>   |                                     |                                  |
| <u>characteristics, if re</u>   | <u>elevant</u>   |                                     |                                  |
| -   |  |                                     |                                  |
|   |  |                                     |                                  |
| 7. Chemotherapy   |  |                                     |                                  |
| Heterogeneous tre   | eatment  |                                     |                                  |
| protocols, not all p  | patients   |                                     |                                  |
| received BMI  |  |                                     |                                  |
| - Subgroup 1 (n=5)  | treated  |                                     |                                  |
| with CI before BM   |  |                                     |                                  |
| - Subgroup 2 (n=7)  | treated  |                                     |                                  |
| with Crahu  | in   |                                     |                                  |
| supradiation but no   |  |                                     |                                  |
|   | BIVII  |                                     |                                  |
| 8 Badiotherany  |  |                                     |                                  |
| <u>Sunradianbragmat</u>   | ic   |                                     |                                  |
| irradiation in Grou   | n B2 with  |                                     |                                  |
| gonad protection (  | during   |                                     |                                  |
| chemotherany?)  |  |                                     |                                  |
| - Subgroun 1 (n=5)  | treated  |                                     |                                  |
| with CT before BM   | IT   |                                     |                                  |
| 4. Age at follow-up<br>NR         5. Controls (if appli<br>Control group 2 we<br>historical controls         6. Additional study<br>characteristics, if re-         7. Chemotherapy<br>Heterogeneous tree<br>protocols, not all p<br>received BMT         - Subgroup 1 (n=5)<br>with CT before BM         - Subgroup 2 (n=7)<br>with CT and<br>supradiaphragmat<br>irradiation but not         8. Radiotherapy<br>Supradiaphragmat<br>irradiation in Grou<br>gonad protection (<br>chemotherapy?)         - Subgroup 1 (n=5)<br>with CT before BM | 2<br>icable)<br>ere<br>2<br>elevant<br>eatment<br>batients<br>1 treated<br>1T<br>treated<br>ic<br>BMT<br>ic<br>p B2 with<br>(during<br>1 treated<br>1T |                                     |                                  |

| - Subgroup 2 (n=7) treated<br>with CT and<br>supradiaphragmatic<br>irradiation but no BMT |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <u>9. Surgery</u><br>NR   |  |  |
| <u>10. Other treatments</u><br>NR   |  |  |

Abbreviations: NR: not reported; NA: not applicable; CT: chemotherapy; GnRH: gonadotropin releasing hormone; im: intramuscular; BMT: bone marrow transplantation

## What female reproductive preservation methods are appropriate to offer in counselling?

*Meli et al.* Triptorelin for Fertility Preservation in Adolescents Treated With Chemotherapy for Cancer. J Pediatr Hematol Oncol. 2018 May;40(4):269-276

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                 | Intervention              | Main outcomes   | Additional remarks                              |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | 1. Type and Number of        | 1. Fertility Preservation | 1. Outcome definitions                                  | 1. Strengths                                    |
| Retrospective                                       | Participants                 | <u>method</u>             | - Premature ovarian failure: persistent                 | - Long follow-up                                |
| cohort study  | 36                           | Monthly depot             | hypergonadotropic amenorrhea (FSH                       | <ul> <li>Young population including</li> </ul>  |
|   |                              | intramuscular injection   | >40 U/L on at least 2 determinations)                   | peripubertal patients                           |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | 2. Diagnoses                 | of 3.75 mg GnRH-a         | and low estradiol (E2) levels;                          |   |
| 2000-2015   | Leukaemia (33.3%), Hodgkin   | (Decapeptyl) or a triple  | <ul> <li>Cyclic ovarian function: regular</li> </ul>    | 2. Limitations                                  |
|   | lymphoma (47.2%), non-       | dose of GnRH-a (11.25     | spontaneous menstrual cycles, normal                    | <ul> <li>Heterogeneous small patient</li> </ul> |
| 3. Follow-up:                                       | Hodgkin lymphoma (8.3%),     | mg) every 3 months        | gonadotropin and E2 levels, ovulatory                   | population                                      |
| Median 5 years                                      | other tumour (11.1%)         |                           | progesterone, and visualization of                      | <ul> <li>No control group included</li> </ul>   |
| (range 1-17) since                                  |                              | Decapeptyl administered   | ovarian follicles or corpora lutea and/or               |   |
| end of treatment                                    | 3. Age at diagnosis          | for 3 to 12 months        | spontaneous conception                                  | 3. Risk of bias                                 |
|   | Median 14 years (range 10-   | (median 8 mo) according   | - Live births   |   |
|   | 18)                          | to duration of            | - Complications   | 1. Selection bias                               |
|   |                              | chemotherapy              |   | Unclear   |
|   | 4. Age at follow-up          |                           | 2. Results  | Reason: unclear how many                        |
|   | Median 20 years (range 14-   |                           | Menstrual cycles in 1 <sup>st</sup> year after therapy: | patients were included in the                   |
|   | 32)                          |                           | - 24 (66%) had regular menstrual cycles                 | original cohort                                 |
|   |                              |                           | - 7 (19%) had oligomenorrhea                            |   |
|   | 5. Controls (if applicable)  |                           | - 5 (14%) had amenorrhea                                | 2. Attrition bias                               |
|   | NA                           |                           | <ul> <li>Median time of 3 months elapsed</li> </ul>     | Low risk  |
|   |                              |                           | between end of treatment with                           | Reason: follow-up available for all             |
|   | 6. Additional study          |                           | Decapeptyl and restart of the menstrual                 | included patients.                              |
|   | characteristics, if relevant |                           | cycle   |   |
|   | Before the diagnosis of      |                           |   | 3. Detection bias                               |
|   | cancer, 89 had a normal      |                           | Menstrual cycles/sexual hormone levels at               | Unclear   |
|   | menstrual cycle, whereas     |                           | last follow-up:   | Reason: unclear if outcome                      |
|   | 11% had oligomenorrhea       |                           | - 29 (81%) had regular menstrual cycles                 | assessors were blinded for                      |
|   | 7. Chemotherapy              |                           | - 3 (8%) had oligomenorrhea                             | important determinants related                  |
|   | 100% treated with alkylating |                           | - 4 (11%) had amenorrhea                                | to the outcome                                  |

| agents                      | - In 4/9 (44%) treated with HSCT and      |                                  |
|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
|                             | high-doses of alkylating agents ovarian   | 4. Confounding bias              |
| 8. Radiotherapy             | function was not preserved                | High risk                        |
| 2.8% TBI                    |   | Reason: Only descriptive results |
| 0% ovarian irradiation      | Live births                               |                                  |
|                             | - Five patients (2 with ALL, 1 with HL, 1 |                                  |
| <u>9. Surgery</u>           | with Ewing sarcoma, and 1 with            |                                  |
| NR                          | rhabdomyosarcoma) reported a total of     |                                  |
|                             | 8 pregnancies resulting in 8 healthy live |                                  |
| <u>10. Other treatments</u> | births                                    |                                  |
| 25.0% HSCT and high-dose    | - No miscarriages were reported           |                                  |
| alkylating agents           |   |                                  |
|                             | Complications:                            |                                  |
|                             | No late effects occurred                  |                                  |

Abbreviations: NR: not reported; NA: not applicable; GnRH: gonadotropin releasing hormone

| What female reproductive preservation methods are appropriate to offer in counselling? |                                   |                                |   |                                   |
|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| <i>Morice et al</i> . Fertility  | y results after ovarian transposi | tion for pelvic malignancies t | reated by external radiation or brachytherapy | y. Hum Reprod 1998; 13:660-663    |
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up                                    | Participants                      | Intervention                   | Main outcomes                                 | Additional remarks                |
| 1. Study design  | <u>1. Type and Number of</u>      | 1. Fertility Preservation      | 1. Outcome definitions                        | <u>1. Strengths</u>               |
| retrospective  | Participants                      | <u>method</u>                  | Ovarian function considered normal when       | Reproductive outcome assessed     |
| analysis of a  | 37 female patients with           |                                | FSH concentration was <10 mIU/mI,             | using both ovarian function       |
| consecutive case   | pelvic malignancies               | Ovarian transposition          | oestradiol >50 pg/ml and when follicles       | (ultrasound + hormonal) and       |
| series   |                                   | (either by laparotomy          | were present on the ultrasound scan           | number of pregnancies/live        |
|  |                                   | (n=24), or by laparoscopy      |   | births.                           |
| 2. Treatment era   | 2. Diagnoses                      | (n=13, since 1993)             | Fertility: number of pregnancies, their       |                                   |
| Dec 1974 - Aug   | Group 1 (n=27): clear cell        |                                | evolution and the outcome of newborns         | 2. Limitations                    |
| 1994   | adenocarcinoma of the             | When the ovaries were          |   | - Little information on follow-up |
|  | vagina and/or cervix              | macroscopically normal         | 2. Results                                    | - Menstrual disorders and         |
| 3. Follow-up:  |                                   | both ovaries were              | Menstrual disorders                           | pregnancies reported, but not     |
| Minimum of 2   | Group 2 (n=10): ovarian           | transposed. For patients       | Group 1: 9/27 (33.3%)                         | results of hormones or ultrasound |
| years after  | pure dysgerminoma (9),            | with an ovarian                | - 5 (18.5%) amenorrhea                        |                                   |

| complete  | para-uterine soft tissue     | dysgerminoma,             | - 4 (14.8%) oligomenorrhea (unusual long              | 3. Risk of bias                     |
|-----------|------------------------------|---------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| remission | sarcoma (1)                  | transposition of the non- | interval between menstrual periods                    |                                     |
|           |                              | affected ovary was        | >50days)  | 1. Selection bias                   |
|           | 3. Age at diagnosis          | performed                 |   | High risk                           |
|           | Mean age at time of          |                           | Group 2: 1/10 (10%)                                   | Reason: consecutive series.         |
|           | treatment 20.7 years (SEM    |                           | - 1 oligomenorrhea with normal biological             | However, 37/79 (47%) included,      |
|           | 2.8) (7-32)                  |                           | tests (gonadotrophin and oestradiol                   | with limited information on those   |
|           |                              |                           | levels); menstrual cycles normalized a few            | excluded (7 lost to FU, 14 died, 11 |
|           | 4. Age at follow-up          |                           | months after end of irradiation                       | hysterectomy at later stage, 10     |
|           | NR                           |                           |   | follow-up < 2 years)                |
|           |                              |                           | Pregnancies   |                                     |
|           | 5. Controls (if applicable)  |                           | 18 pregnancies:                                       | 2. Attrition bias                   |
|           | NA                           |                           | 16 (88%) spontaneous                                  | low risk                            |
|           |                              |                           | 2 (11%) after IVF                                     | Reason: the results that are        |
|           | 6. Additional study          |                           | 12 (67%) with abdominal ovary                         | reported (menstrual disorders +     |
|           | characteristics, if relevant |                           | 4 (22%) with repositioned ovary                       | pregnancies) seem to be assessed    |
|           | Patients in group 1 were     |                           | 5/18 (28%) pregnant females had                       | in all included patients. However,  |
|           | treated for clear cell       |                           | miscarriages  | results of hormonal assays and      |
|           | adenocarcinoma, following    |                           |   | ultrasound are missing. FU after a  |
|           | exposure to                  |                           | Median time between end of tumour                     | minimum of 2 years of CR, which     |
|           | diethylstilboestrol (DES) in |                           | treatment and first pregnancy was 4.3                 | seems good, but no further info     |
|           | 60%                          |                           | years (SEM 0.8) (2-7 years)                           | on FU.                              |
|           | 7. Chemotherapy              |                           | Pregnancy rate  | 3. Detection bias                   |
|           | NA                           |                           | 12/37(32%) pregnant patients:                         | unclear                             |
|           |                              |                           | - 4/27 (15%) group 1                                  | Reason: unclear if outcome          |
|           | 8. Radiotherapy + 9. Surgery |                           | - 8/10(80%) group 2                                   | assessors were blinded for          |
|           | Group 1: combined radio-     |                           | <ul> <li>No significant difference between</li> </ul> | important determinants related      |
|           | surgical therapy:            |                           | laparoscopy or laparotomy (25% (3/13)                 | to the outcome                      |
|           | Complete exploration,        |                           | versus 37% (9/24), respectively)                      |                                     |
|           | transposition of both        |                           |   | 4. Confounding bias                 |
|           | ovaries, pelvic              |                           | Live births   | Not applicable                      |
|           | lymphadenectomy.             |                           | 13/18 (72%) pregnant females delivered                |                                     |
|           | - 20/27 brachytherapy alone  |                           | 15 live births (no fetal malformations                |                                     |
|           | (60 Gy)                      |                           | related to maternal history)                          |                                     |
|           | - 7/27 external irradiation  |                           |   |                                     |
|           | (45 Gy) and brachytherapy    |                           |   |                                     |
|           | (15 Gy)                      |                           |   |                                     |
|           |                              |                           |   |                                     |

| Group 2: combined radio-       |  |  |
|--------------------------------|--|--|
| surgical therapy:              |  |  |
| - Pure ovarian                 |  |  |
| dysgerminoma: unilateral       |  |  |
| adnexectomy, transposition     |  |  |
| of contralateral ovary,        |  |  |
| peritoneal biopsies. Only      |  |  |
| external irradiation (25 or 35 |  |  |
| Gy)                            |  |  |
|                                |  |  |
| Mean ovarian dose in group     |  |  |
| 1: 2.2 Gy (0.54-10)            |  |  |
| Mean ovarian dose in group     |  |  |
| 2: 1.9 Gy (0.5-3.4)            |  |  |
|                                |  |  |
| 10. Other treatments           |  |  |
| NR                             |  |  |

Abbreviations: NM, not mentioned; SEM: standard error of mean; FU: follow-up; CR: complete remission

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*Fernandez-Pineda et al.* Impact of ovarian transposition before pelvic irradiation on ovarian function among long-term survivors of childhood Hodgkin lymphoma: A report from the St. Jude Lifetime Cohort Study. Pediatr Blood Cancer. 2018 11:e27232

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                       | Intervention               | Main outcomes                                     | Additional remarks                             |
|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|--|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | <u>1. Type and Number of</u>       | 1. Fertility Preservation  | 1. Outcome definitions                            | <u>1. Strengths</u>                            |
| Cohort study (St                                    | Participants                       | <u>method</u>              | 1. POI after OT                                   | - Long follow-up                               |
| Jude Lifetime                                       | 90 Hodgkin's Lymphoma              | 49 patients with OT before | 2. POI after pelvic radiation                     | <ul> <li>Assessment of effect of OT</li> </ul> |
| Cohort Study,                                       | female cancer survivors            | pelvic radiotherapy:       | 3. POI after alkylating agent                     | as fertility preservation                      |
| SJLIFE)   |                                    |                            | 4. Pregnancy and live births                      | method in relation to                          |
|   | Total cohort: 127 eligible         | 48(98%) Open surgical      |   | gonadotoxic treatment with                     |
|   | females with Hodgkin's             | technique; 1(2%)           | <u>1. POI after OT</u>                            | information on doses                           |
|   | Lymphoma, 90 (71%)                 | Laparoscopic               | Hazard ratio (95% CI) for POI                     |  |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | participated in SJLIFE             |                            | OT yes vs. no:                                    |  |
| NR  |                                    | Controls:                  | HR 0.6 (0.2-1.9) (in model adjusting for age      | 2. Limitations                                 |
| Questionnaire                                       | 2. Diagnoses                       | 41 patients without OT     | at diagnosis);                                    | <ul> <li>Questionnaire data for</li> </ul>     |
| pertaining to                                       | Hodgkin's Lymphoma                 |                            | HR 1.1 (0.5-2.7) (subanalysis in survivors        | pregnancy and live births                      |
| reproductive  |                                    |                            | who received lower CED <12,000 mg/m <sup>2</sup>  | outcome  |
| health before June                                  | 3. Age at diagnosis                |                            | and in model adjusting for age at diagnosis)      |  |
| 2015  | Patients with OT:                  |                            |   |  |
|   | Median 15(4-19) years              |                            | 2. POI after pelvic radiation                     |  |
| <u>3. Follow-up:</u>                                |                                    |                            | Hazard ratio (95% CI) for POI                     |  |
| NR  | 4. Age at follow-up                |                            | Pelvic radiotherapy dose, >1,500 vs $\leq$ 1,500: | 3. Risk of bias                                |
|   | Patients with OT:                  |                            | HR 25.2 (3.1-207.3) (in model adjusting for       |  |
|   | Age at questionnaire: 38(25-       |                            | age at diagnosis);                                | 1. Selection bias                              |
|   | 51) years                          |                            | HR 17.8 (2.3-136.5) (subanalysis in survivors     | Low risk                                       |
|   | Controls (if analisable)           |                            | who received lower CED <12,000 mg/m <sup>2</sup>  | Reason: 90/127 (70.9%)                         |
|   | <u>5. Controis (II applicable)</u> |                            | and in model adjusting for age at diagnosis)      | patients from the original                     |
|   | Age at diagnosis                   |                            | 2. DOL often elludeting egent                     | conort were included in the                    |
|   | Wedian 16(6-22) years              |                            | <u>3. POI after alkylating agent</u>              | and treatment                                  |
|   | Age at questionnaire: 39(26-       |                            | Alkylating agent CED mg/m <sup>2</sup> >20 000 vs | characteristics of the                         |
|   | 60) years                          |                            | <8000.  | participants and non-                          |
|   |                                    |                            | HR 36.9 (5.2-260.5) (in model adjusting for       | participants are not                           |
|   | 6. Additional study                |                            | age at diagnosis):                                | significantly different.                       |
|   | characteristics, if relevant       |                            | Alkylating agent CED, $mg/m^2$ , 12,001-20.000    |  |
|   | Defined as:                        |                            | vs. ≤8000:  | 2. Attrition bias                              |

| POI defined as absence of        | HR 11.2 (3.4-36.8) (in model adjusting for             | Low risk                       |
|----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| menses 5 years post cancer       | age at diagnosis);                                     | Reason: follow-up data         |
| diagnosis or loss of             | Alkylating agent CED, mg/m <sup>2</sup> , 8,001-12,000 | available for all patients     |
| spontaneous menses prior to      | vs. ≤8000:   |                                |
| 40 years of age with             | HR 3.3 (0.7-16.0) (in model adjusting for age          | 3. Detection bias              |
| laboratory or historic           | at diagnosis);   | Unclear                        |
| evidence of primary (ovarian)    |  | Reason: unclear if outcome     |
| origin                           | 4. Pregnancy and live births                           | assessors were blinded for     |
|                                  | 30/49(61%) survivors with at least one                 | important determinants         |
| In the absence of treatment      | pregnancy  | related to the outcome         |
| with oral contraceptive pills or |  |                                |
| sex-hormone replacement          | 27/30(90%) pregnant females delivered a                | 4. Confounding bias            |
| therapy (HRT) at the time of     | live birth at least once                               | Low (for POI, pelvis           |
| SJLIFE participation,            |  | radiation and alkylating       |
| individuals <40 years old        | No difference between probability of a first           | agents outcome)                |
| experiencing amenorrhea for      | pregnancy or live birth before age 40                  | High (for probability of first |
| a period > 6 months and          | between OT group vs. non-OT group                      | pregnancy and live births)     |
| having plasma estradiol levels   |  | , , ,                          |
| < 17 pg/ml coinciding with       |  | Reason: no multivariate        |
| follicle stimulating hormone     |  | analysis for probability of    |
| levels ≥ 30 IU/I were            |  | first pregnancy and live       |
| considered to have POI           |  | births; multivariable analysis |
|                                  |  | done adjusting for age at      |
| 7. Chemotherapy                  |  | diagnosis for rest of          |
| Patients with OT                 |  | outcomes                       |
| Alkylating agents CED:           |  |                                |
| 0 to ≤8,000: 19 (40%)            |  |                                |
| 8,000 to ≤12,000: 12 (25%)       |  |                                |
| 12,000 to ≤20,000: 13 (27%)      |  |                                |
| >20,000: 4(8.3%)                 |  |                                |
| Median (range) 10151.7           |  |                                |
| (1806.2–28980.0)                 |  |                                |
|                                  |  |                                |
| Controls:                        |  |                                |
| Alkylating agents CED:           |  |                                |
| 0 to ≤8,000: 26 (67%)            |  |                                |
| 8,000 to ≤12,000: 6 (15%)        |  |                                |
| 12,000 to ≤20,000: 7 (18%)       |  |                                |
| >20,000: 0                       |  |                                |

| Median (range) 7434.6<br>(1800.0–16486.8)  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| 8. Radiotherapy<br>Pelvic radiation dose for<br>patients with OT:<br>≤1,500: 9(18%)<br>>1,500: 40(82%) |  |  |
| Controls:<br>≤1,500: 23(61%)<br>>1,500: 15(40%)  |  |  |
| <u>9. Surgery</u><br>-<br><u>10. Other treatments</u><br>-   |  |  |

POI: premature ovarian insufficiency; OT: ovarian transposition; CED: cyclophosphamide equivalent dose

## What female reproductive preservation methods are appropriate to offer in counselling?

Vernaeve et al. Endometrial receptivity after oocyte donation in recipients with a history of chemotherapy and/or radiotherapy. Hum Reprod 2007;22:2863-7

| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up | Participants                       | Intervention            | Main outcomes  | Additional remarks               |
|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| <u>1. Study design</u>                              | <u>1. Type and Number of</u>       | <u>1. Fertility</u>     | <u>1. Outcome definitions</u>                                      | <u>1. Strengths</u>              |
| Retrospective                                       | <u>Participants</u>                | Preservation method     | <ul> <li><u>Pregnancy</u>: each pregnancy with at</li> </ul>       | Comparison was made with the     |
| matched controlled                                  | 33 female cancer survivors         |                         | least one intrauterine sac revealed by                             | general population of oocyte     |
| analysis  | (various diagnoses)                | OD cycle with fresh     | ultrasonography 5 weeks after                                      | recipients matched for the main  |
|   |                                    | embryo transfer         | transfer   | confounding factors              |
| 2. Treatment era                                    | Controls: 33 females without       | (after ICSI); in total: | <ul> <li><u>Implantation rate</u>: ratio of gestational</li> </ul> |                                  |
| January 2000 -                                      | history of cancer therapy          | 50 OD cycles (some      | sacs to the number of embryos                                      | 2. Limitations                   |
| November 2005                                       |                                    | patients repeated the   | transferred  | Small number of patients studied |
|   | 2. Diagnoses                       | OD procedure)           | <ul> <li><u>Ongoing pregnancy</u>: a viable</li> </ul>             |                                  |
| <u>3. Follow-up:</u>                                | Hodgkin's lymphoma (n = 12,        |                         | pregnancy confirmed on an  | 3. Risk of bias                  |
| NR  | 36.4%)                             | OD according to the     | ultrasound scan performed at the                                   |                                  |
|   | Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (n =        | Spanish Act on          | 12th week  | 1. Selection bias                |
|   | 3, 9.1%)                           | Reproduction            | <ul> <li>Pregnancy rates were defined per</li> </ul>               | Unclear                          |
|   | Leukaemia (n = 7, 21.2%)           | Donation                | embryo transfer  | Reason: no information on        |
|   | Ovarian cancer (n = 6, 18.2%)      |                         |  | original conort or on now the 33 |
|   | Ewing s sarcoma ( $n = 2, 6.1\%$ ) | Anonymous and           | 2. Results   | patients were included           |
|   | Breast cancer ( $n = 1, 3.0\%$ )   | altruistic, donors      |  | 2 Attrition bias                 |
|   | 2 0%                               | ageu 10- 55 years.      | Pregnancy outcomes cancer survivors vs.                            | 2. Attrition blus                |
|   | Histicoutosis X (n = 1, 2, 0%)     |                         | controls   | Roscon: outcomes assessed for    |
|   | Thistiocytosis X (II – 1, 3.0%)    | workup performed        |  | >75% of nationt group            |
|   | 3 Age at diagnosis                 | including karvotype     | Pregnancies after OD:<br>10/22 (57 C)() vs. 12/22 (20 4)(); m. 0.1 |                                  |
|   | Mean age at diagnosis 21.0         | including karyotype     | 19/33 (57.6%) VS. 13/33 (39.4%); p=0.1                             | 3 Detection higs                 |
|   | vears (95% CI 17 3–24 7)           |                         | Ongoing programsias after OD:                                      | unclear                          |
|   |                                    |                         | 15/22 (AE 49/) vc 0/22 (27.29/) v = 0.1                            | Reason: unclear if outcome       |
|   | 4 Age at follow-up                 |                         | 15/55 (45.4%) VS. 9/55 (27.5%), P-0.1                              | assessors were blinded for       |
|   | Mean age 33.1 vrs (95% CI 30 9-    |                         | Delivery rate:   | important determinants related   |
|   | 35.3)                              |                         | 15/33 (15.1%) cancer survivors delivered                           | to the outcome                   |
|   | · · ·                              |                         | 18 habies vs. $9/33$ (27.3%) controls                              |                                  |
|   | 5. Controls (if applicable)        |                         | delivered 10 babies $n=0.1$  | 4. Confoundina bias              |
|   | Matching was performed to the      |                         |  | Low risk                         |

| chronologically closest patient                            |  | Reason: patients were compared    |
|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| without a history of cancer                                | Complications in study group:            | with other recipients matched for |
| therapy (control group)                                    | 3/15 (20%) premature delivery (<37       | the main confounding factors.     |
| according to:  | weeks)                                   | General characteristics of the    |
| - number of days of hormonal                               | 1/15 (7%) placental hemorrhage with      | study and control group were      |
| stimulation before embryo                                  | stillborn child                          | similar, except that the patients |
| replacement (+5 days);                                     | 1/15 (7%) Pre-eclampsia                  | were significantly younger and    |
| -number of replaced embryos;                               |  | had fewer previous deliveries     |
| -day of embryo replacement                                 | Complications in control group:          | than the controls.                |
| (day 2 or day 3);  | 1/9 (11%) premature delivery (<37 weeks) |                                   |
| -origin of sperm (ejaculated or                            |  |                                   |
| testicular)  |  |                                   |
| Repeated OD cycles were not                                |  |                                   |
| used for matching  |  |                                   |
|  |  |                                   |
| No matching was performed on                               |  |                                   |
| the basis of age, as in the study                          |  |                                   |
| centre they have found no                                  |  |                                   |
| correlation between recipient's                            |  |                                   |
| age and OD outcome   |  |                                   |
| 6 Additional study   |  |                                   |
| <u>o. Additional study</u><br>characteristics, if relevant |  |                                   |
| $\frac{characteristics, if relevant}{29/33}$ (88%) POF     |  |                                   |
| 23/33 (88%) FOT  |  |                                   |
| Mean age of onset of the                                   |  |                                   |
| menopause was 23.9 years                                   |  |                                   |
| (95% Cl 19.7 – 28.0)                                       |  |                                   |
| 7 Chamatharapy and   |  |                                   |
| 8 Radiotherapy   |  |                                   |
| 23/32 nts (70%) CT and PT                                  |  |                                   |
| 9/33 nts (20%) CT only                                     |  |                                   |
| 1/33 nts (3%) RT only                                      |  |                                   |
|  |  |                                   |
| Concerning the 24 pts (31                                  |  |                                   |
| cycles) who received RT, the                               |  |                                   |
| localization was:  |  |                                   |

| <ul> <li>pelvic in 8 pts (11 cycles)</li> <li>TBR in 7 pts (10 cycles)</li> <li>supradiaphragmatic in 9 pts<br/>(10 cycles)</li> </ul> |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| <u>9. Surgery</u><br>-   |  |  |
| <u>10. Other treatments</u>  |  |  |

Abbreviations: NM: not mentioned; OD: Oocyte donation; ICSI: Intracytoplasmic sperm injection

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|--|----------------------------|----------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| <i>Marklund et al.</i> Pregnancy achieved using donor eggs in cancer survivors with treatment-Induced ovarian failure: obstetric and perinatal outcome. Journal of Women's Health 2018;27:939-945. |                            |                      |  |                                  |
| Study design<br>Treatment era<br>Years of follow-up  | Participants               | Intervention         | Main outcomes                            | Additional remarks               |
| 1. Study design  | 1. Type and Number of      | <u>1. Fertility</u>  | 1. Outcome definitions                   | <u>1. Strengths</u>              |
| Prospective cohort   | Participants               | Preservation method  | Pregnancy                                | Comparison was made with         |
| study  | 31 female cancer survivors | Donor eggs to        | Obstetric and perinatal complications    | females without a cancer         |
|  | (various diagnoses) with   | achieve pregnancy    |  | diagnosis                        |
| 2. Treatment era   | iatrogenic infertility     |                      | 2. Results                               |                                  |
| 2003-2015  |                            | Cancer survivors     | Pregnancy outcomes cancer survivors vs.  | 2. Limitations                   |
|  | 2. Diagnoses               | underwent 102 egg    | controls                                 | Small number of patients studied |
| 3. Follow-up:  | Leukaemia (n=13)           | donor treatment      | • Cancer survivors: 25 pregnancies in 20 |                                  |
| Mean 14.9 (range   | Hodgkin/non-Hodgkin        | cycles (52 with      | females                                  | 3. Risk of bias                  |
| 2-34) year   | lymphoma (n=5)             | fresh embryos and 50 | Controls: 244 pregnancies in 212         |                                  |
|  | Ovarian tumour (n=6)       | with cryopreserved   | females                                  | 1. Selection bias                |
|  | Wilms tumour (n=3)         | embryos)             |  | Low risk                         |
|  | Other (n=4)                |                      | Odds ratios (95% CI) for obstetric and   | Reason: All cases of iatrogenic  |

| 3. Age at diagnosis<br>Mean 20.2 (range 3-38) yearperinatal outcomes in cancer survivors vs.<br>controls adjusted for BMI and material<br>age at first antenatal visit<br>• Preeclampsia: 2.79 (1.07-7.34)<br>• Hypertensive disorders of pregnancy:<br>1.80 (0.69-4.69)infertility due to antineoplastic<br>treatment, regardless of the type<br>and stage of cancer at the<br>moment of diagnosis and the<br>interval between the cancer<br>diagnosis and the donor egg<br>treatment5. Controls<br>2121 females without history of<br>cancer therapy who underwent<br>treatment with donor eggs• Hemorrhage (>1000 mL): 1.22 (0.34-<br>4.38)• Attrition bias<br>Low risk<br>Reason: outcomes assessed for<br>>75% of patient group6. Additional study<br>characteristics, if relevant<br>row<br>Not reported• APGAR <7: 2.40 (0.24-24.46)• APGAR <7: 2.40 (0.24-24.46)8. Radiotherapy to ovaries<br>15 (48.4%)9. Surgery<br>-• APGAR <7: 2.40 (0.24-24.46)• Confounding bias<br>Low risk<br>Reason: analyses were adjusted<br>for BMI and age.9. Surgery<br>-•••••10. Other treatments•••••10. Other treatments•••••10. Other treatments••••• |  |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|
|   | 3. Age at diagnosis         Mean 20.2 (range 3-38) year         4. Age at follow-up         Mean 35.1 (range 24-45) yr at         egg donor treatment         5. Controls         212 females without history of         cancer therapy who underwent         treatment with donor eggs         6. Additional study         characteristics, if relevant         -         7. Chemotherapy         Not reported         8. Radiotherapy to ovaries         15 (48.4%)         9. Surgery         - | <ul> <li>perinatal outcomes in cancer survivors vs.<br/>controls adjusted for BMI and maternal<br/>age at first antenatal visit</li> <li>Preeclampsia: 2.79 (1.07-7.34)</li> <li>Hypertensive disorders of pregnancy:<br/>1.80 (0.69-4.69)</li> <li>Preterm premature rupture of<br/>membranes: 3.85 (0.96-15.42)</li> <li>Hemorrhage (&gt;1000 mL): 1.22 (0.34-<br/>4.38)</li> <li>Small for gestational age: 2.12 (0.24-<br/>18.68)</li> <li>Neonatal intensive care unit: 1.14<br/>(0.36-3.61)</li> <li>Very preterm birth: 17.39 (3.99-75.79)</li> <li>Moderate preterm birth: 2.92 (0.88-<br/>9.66)</li> <li>APGAR &lt;7: 2.40 (0.24-24.46)</li> </ul> | infertility due to antineoplastic<br>treatment, regardless of the type<br>and stage of cancer at the<br>moment of diagnosis and the<br>interval between the cancer<br>diagnosis and the donor egg<br>treatment, were included.<br>2. Attrition bias<br>Low risk<br>Reason: outcomes assessed for<br>>75% of patient group<br>3. Detection bias<br>unclear<br>Reason: unclear if outcome<br>assessors were blinded for<br>important determinants related<br>to the outcome<br>4. Confounding bias<br>Low risk<br>Reason: analyses were adjusted<br>for BMI and age. |
|   |  |   |  |