Lung Cancer Facts 2018

Lung cancer is the second most common cancer type for both men and women. In 2018, more than 234,000 people in the U.S. are expected to be diagnosed with lung cancer.

Lung cancer remains the largest cancer killer in the United States, killing more than breast, prostate and colorectal cancers, combined, every year. Lung cancer kills nearly 160,000 people every year, that is 433 Americans per day.

And, the poor survival rate for lung cancer is a direct result of the lack of funding for lung cancer research.
Despite the fact that lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths in the United States it remains the most under-funded and under-researched cancer.

Contrary to common thought, smoking is only one cause of lung cancer:

![Image showing percentage of smokers and non-smokers]

65% of new lung cancer cases are in former smokers and those who have never smoked.

But, lung cancer researchers are finding new reasons for hope. The discovery of Targeted Therapies and Immunotherapies are giving lung cancer patients new options for treatments and, with the guidelines set up by the National Lung Screening Trial, many at risk patients are being screened annually for lung cancer, increasing the possibility of finding more lung cancers at earlier stages, when treatment options and prognosis are the most hopeful.

Research, like the grants funded by Lung Cancer Foundation of America, is the key to this new hope for lung cancer patients.

Please help! Make your donation to lung cancer research today!