

The statistics speak for themselves.

Something has to be done. Too many people are being faced with the devastating diagnosis each year: **brain tumours kill more children and people under the age of forty than any other cancer** and five year survival remains the same as it did thirty years ago.

We need to raise significant amounts to fund research into this dreadful disease if we are to identify the causes, advance treatments and ultimately find a cure for brain tumours.

- Out of the £420million spent on cancer research in the UK, **less than 1% is spent on brain tumour research.**
- **16,000** people each year in the UK are diagnosed with a brain tumour
- Brain tumours are the **biggest cancer killer of UK children**
- **More people under 40** die of a brain tumour than from any other cancer
- Only 12% of males diagnosed with a brain tumour and 15% of females **survive beyond 5 years** (compared with 50% for all cancers)
- **25% of all cancers spread to the brain**
- **33% more children died from a brain tumour** in 2007 than 2001
- **65% more women die from a brain tumour than from cervical cancer**
- Every year there is a **4% increase** in incidence
- The commercialisation of universities and introduction of performance grading to determine funding, along with the merger of larger cancer charities focused on more pervasive cancers, has **dramatically reduced the funds available for brain tumour research**

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