Pancreatic Cancers
USA, July 2012

Sally Ride, the first US woman in space and a national hero, died after a 17-month battle against pancreatic cancer on July 23, 2012. Pancreatic cancer is a particularly deadly cancer with only a 6% five year survival rate. This disease affects many people. In 2010 alone, an estimated 43,000 people in the US were diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

Pancreatic cancers have a very low survival rate
Pancreatic cancer has 6% five year survival rate, resistant to chemotherapy
World wide

Safely
Pancreatic cancers have a very low survival rate
This incident
This incident

Frequency
Approximately 43,000 people in the US were diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in 2012

Evidence: Early symptoms can include aches, indigestion or back pain, all symptoms that could be caused by a number of other ailments.

Evidence: Only 8% of cases are diagnosed before the cancer has spread beyond the pancreas.

Evidence: Only 15% of patients have their pancreatic cancer detected in time for surgery.

Evidence: Few symptoms in early stages.

Evidence: Symptoms tend to be vague, nonspecific.

Evidence: No screening tool available for pancreatic cancer.

Evidence: Pancreatic cancers are difficult to treat.

Evidence: Best treatment is usually removal of tumor.

Evidence: Many cases are not caught in time to remove tumor.

Evidence: Usually not detected until later stages.

Evidence: It has usually spread by the time it is diagnosed.

Evidence: Only 6% of cases are diagnosed before the cancer has spread beyond the pancreas.

Evidence: 76% of patients die less than a year after diagnosis, and 94% die within five years.

Evidence: Pancreatic cancers are difficult to treat.

Evidence: Pancreatic cancers have a very low survival rate.

Pancreatic cancers are difficult to treat, particularly deadly
Ongoing

Differences
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Where
Physical Location
World wide

Impact to the Goals
Safety
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What
Problem(s)
Pancreatic cancers are difficult to treat, particularly deadly

When
Date
Ongoing

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Physical Location
World wide

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Why?
Effect
Cause

NOTE: Read the Cause Map from left to right with the phrase “Was Caused By” in place of