

**Question for written answer E-002039/2018**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Bladder cancer within the EU

The overall estimated new cases of bladder cancer within the EU will rise to 141 000 per year in 2020, up from 131 000 in 2015. In 2015, the incidence of diagnosed bladder cancer per 100 000 people in my constituency was 28.4 for males and 8.6 for females. Bladder cancer has the ninth highest cancer mortality rate in the European Union, accounting for nearly 43 000 deaths in 2015.

Against this background, the Commission is asked to answer the following:

1. Does it have a strategy to reduce the rates of bladder cancer mortality?
2. What is it currently doing to raise awareness about bladder cancer?
3. Does it have any strategy to improve the early detection of bladder cancer?