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Gender aspects in health care in Austria

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Gender Mainstreaming in Medicine

became compulsory for all EU states in
the Action Plan 2000 and was
subsequently adopted by the Austrian
Government

Promoting Gender Equity in Public Health in Europe

European Institute of Women's Health
Dublin, Ireland - 9th - 12th September 2000



The conference was organised in such a way that the multidisciplinary delegates from across Europe would reach a consensus on recommendations for promoting action in the area of gender equity at an EU and a national level.

A report on the recommendations from the conference has been disseminated as widely as possible and forms part of the ongoing EIWH discussions with EU policy makers and MEPS.

Themes

Heart Disease * Dementia. * Mental Health * Cancer * Aging * Nutrition *
Gender and Adolescents * Osteoporosis * Sexual and Reproductive Health *
Smoking * Occupational Health * Psychosocial Health of Adolescents *
Complimentary Medicine * Health of Mother and Foetus. * Menopause * Health
Promotion

Heart Disease

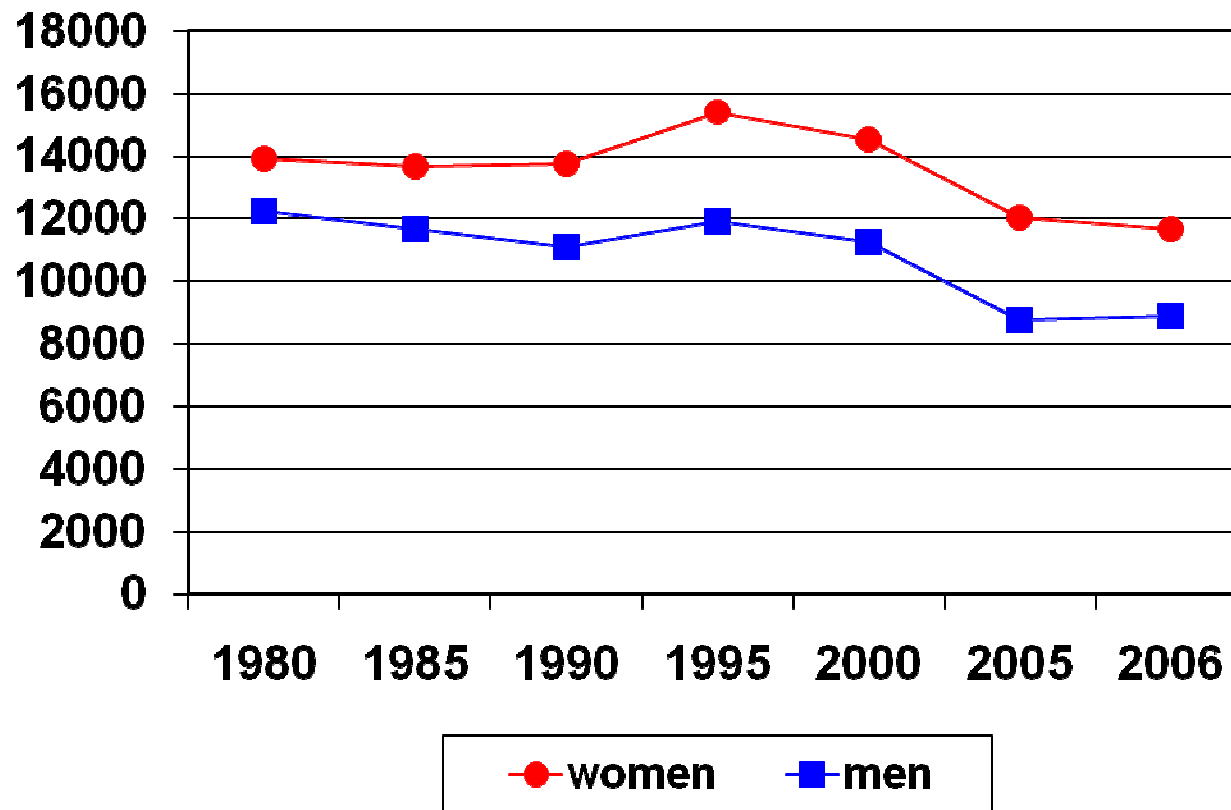


-death is the No. 1 killer

for women and men **around the world**



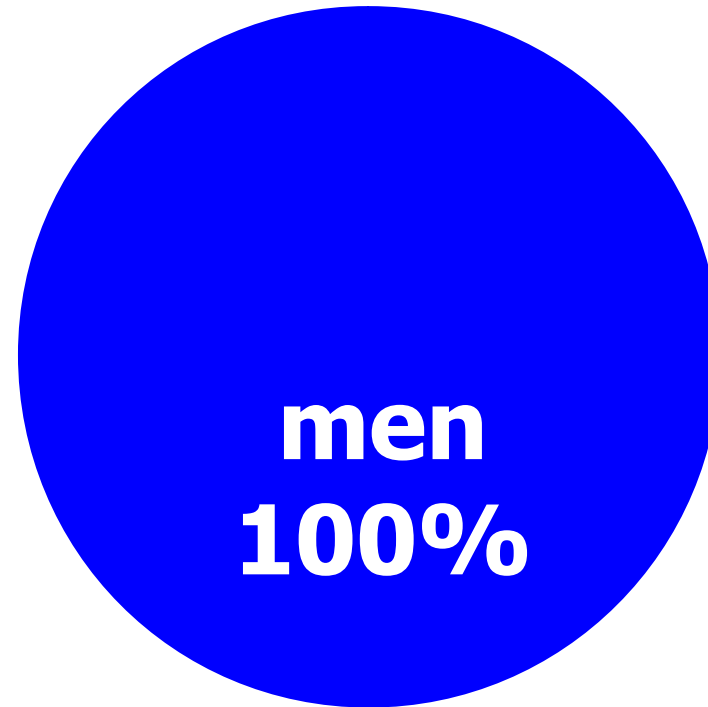
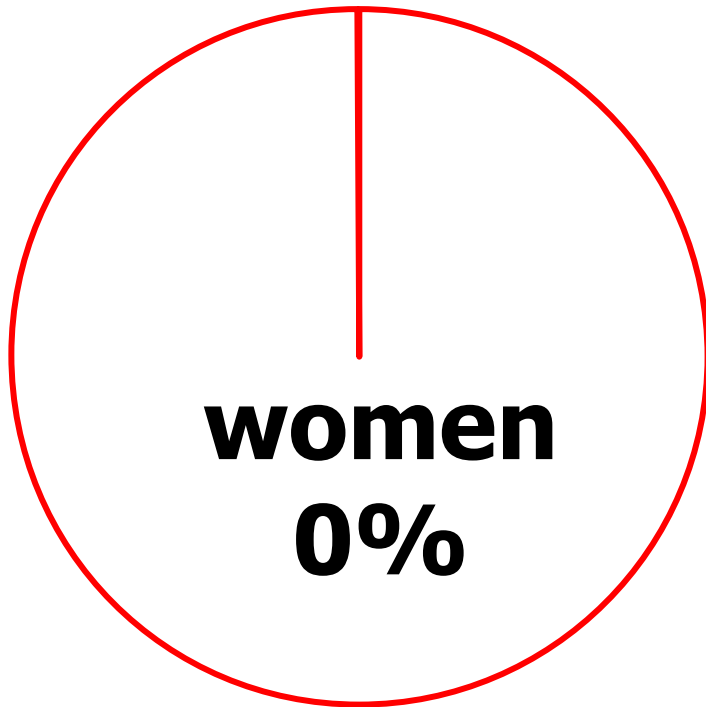
Heart deaths in Austria



Gender Bias?



Patients taken to the emergency room by EMS helicopter because of acute heart complaints



„THE YENTL SYNDROME“



B. Healy

New England Journal of Medicine

Vol. 325, No. 4, 274-276, 1991

„A woman first has to experience a full-scale heart attack like a man before she can get equal medical treatment.“

Awareness

- Heart death is a **male thing!**



source: <http://www.br-online.de/umwelt-gesundheit/thema/herz/index.xml>

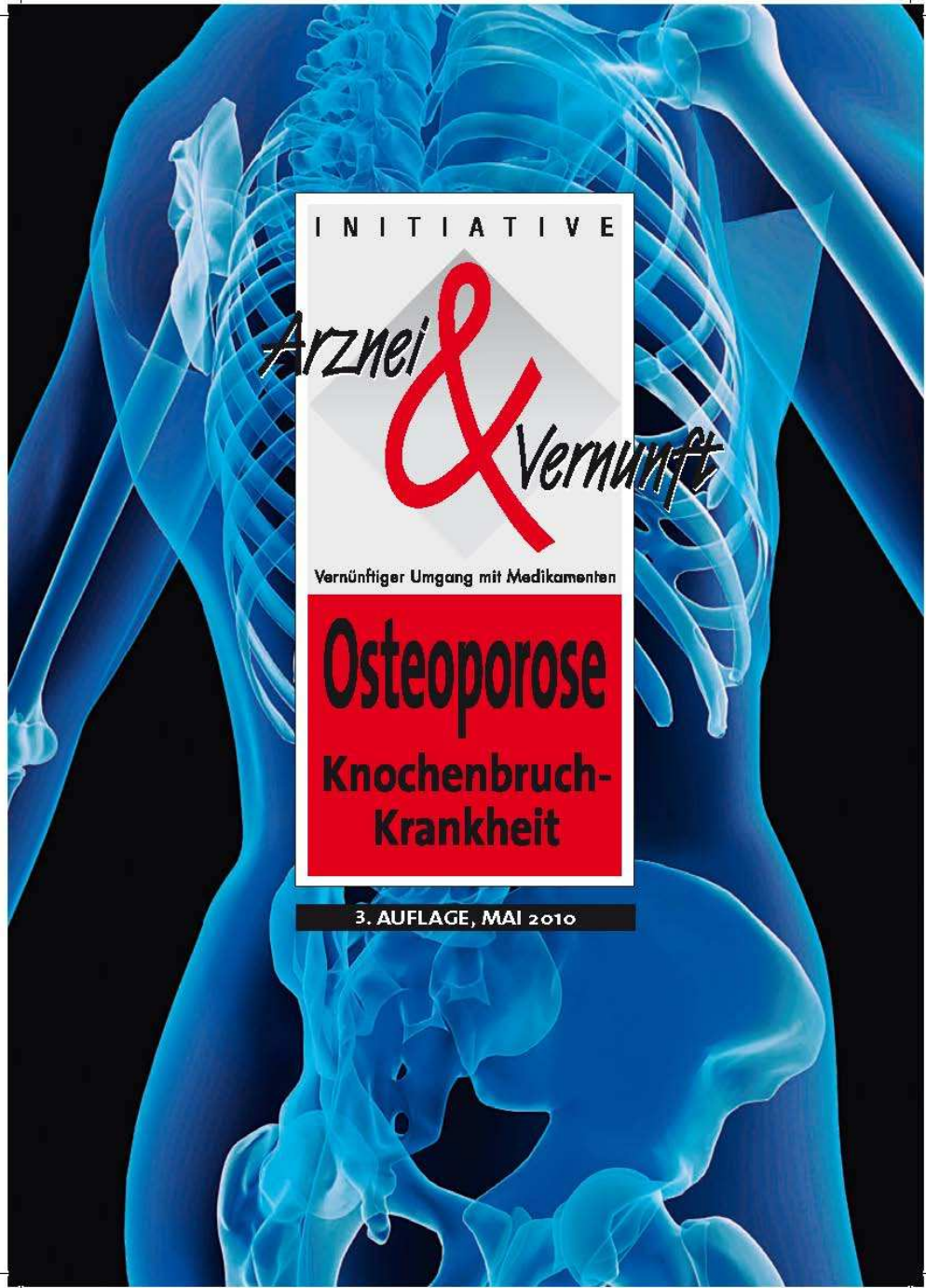
- Breast cancer and Osteoporosis is a **female thing!**

Osteoporosis

Hospital Admissions for Osteoporosis

women/men 2001-2005
source: Statistics Austria

year/sex	admissions
2001	
Men	2145
Women	9054
2002	
Men	2358
Women	10004
2003	
Men	2267
Women	9840
2004	
Men	2285
Women	9362
2005	
Men	2272
Women	8799



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Arznei & Vernunft

Vernünftiger Umgang mit Medikamenten

Osteoporose
Knochenbruch-
Krankheit

3. AUFLAGE, MAI 2010

QUESTION

In 2006 did more **men** die of
(a) testicular cancer or of
(b) breast cancer?

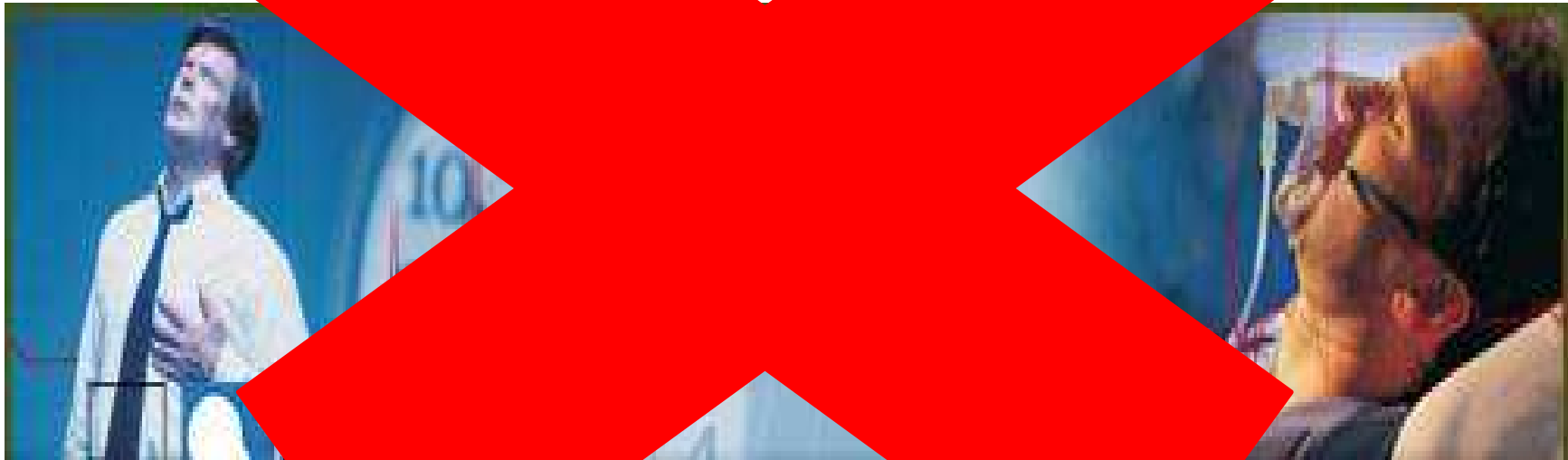
ANSWER

breast cancer deaths in 2006: 24
testicular cancer deaths in 2006: 23

Did you guess right?

Awareness

- Heart disease is a male thing!



- Breast cancer and Osteoporosis is a female thing!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION



 **FRAUEN**
GESUNDHEITS
ZENTRUM