

Health effects surveys targeting atomic bomb survivors have revealed that cancer risks increase as exposure doses increase. The latest epidemiological survey on solid cancer risks shows proportionate relationships between doses and risks, i.e., between exposure doses exceeding 100 mSv and the risk of developing solid cancer and between exposure doses exceeding 200 mSv and the risk of death from solid cancer.

However, there is no consensus among researchers concerning a relationship between cancer risks and exposure doses below 100 to 200 mSv. It is expected that studies will be further continued into the future to clarify whether a proportionate relationship can be found between cancer risks and all levels of exposure doses, whether there is any substantial threshold value, or whether any other correlations are found (p.158 of Vol. 1, "Disputes over the LNT Model").

*Source:

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2: K. Ozasa et. al., "Studies of the Mortality of Atomic Bomb Survivors, Report 14, 1950-2003: An Overview of Cancer and Noncancer Diseases," Radiation Research 177, 229-243 (2012)

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