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英国癌症研究机构说,60年代开始盛行的廉价全包旅行假期很可能是导致英国退休人 群皮肤癌发病率"另人担忧的增长"的部分原因。此机构还说,40多年前人们还没有 意识到应该如何保护自己的皮肤。以下是 Sophie Hutchinson 的报道。

The skin cancer **malignant melanoma** is one of the most common cancers in the UK, and kills more than 2,000 people here each year. Figures from the **charity** Cancer Research UK show just how **sharply** cases have risen in the past 40 years.

Back in the mid-70s just 600 pensioners were **diagnosed** with the disease each year, compared to almost 6,000 a year in 2010. And the **rates** were worst for older men who were ten times more likely to be diagnosed with skin cancer than their parents.

Women were five times more likely. Researchers believe the rise in the number of cases with this, the most dangerous skin cancer, is likely to be linked to **the boom** more than 40 years ago in cheap foreign holidays and the fashion for a deep **suntan**.

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Questions

- I. How many people die in the UK of malignant melanoma each year?
- 2. Who is most affected by skin cancer amongst pensioners?
- 3. What became a popular look in the 70s in the UK?
- 4. Which word in the article means 'probable'?

Vocabulary and definitions

malignant melanoma	恶性黑素瘤
charity	慈善机构
sharply	突然地、大幅度得
diagnosed	被诊断(患有)
rates	(发病)几率
the boom	兴起,开始流行
suntan	晒黑

Answers to the questions:

- I. How many people die in the UK of malignant melanoma each year? **Answer: More than 2,000.**
- Who is most affected by skin cancer amongst pensioners?
 Answer: Men, who are ten times more likely to be diagnosed with skin cancer than their parents.
- 3. What became a popular look in the 70s in the UK? **Answer: Having a deep suntan.**
- 4. Which word in the article means 'probable'? **Answer: Likely.**