



Lung metastases – survival more than 27 years

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In the fall of 1980, Mrs. E.P. (born early January 1925) developed lung symptoms with bloody expectorate and weight loss. Upon her admission to a Danish hospital in January 1981, kidney cancer of the left side was discovered, and on 26 January 1981, her left kidney was removed. In the kidney was found a tumour measuring 10x10x10 cm, with capsular penetration of the tumour. X-ray examination of the lungs showed numerous small metastases in both lungs.

The patient received no further treatment since, at that time, no other conventional medical treatment was available for kidney cancer with metastases. The patient was admitted to Humlegaarden on 12 March 1981 and stayed until 3 April 1981 throughout which period she was treated with the mistletoe compound Iscador Mali cum Cupro along with homeopathic remedies.

During her stay at Humlegaarden the patient was in excellent wellbeing and x-ray examinations of 26 August 1981 and 21 April 1982 showed no signs of the lung metastases. She continued the treatment with Iscador injections until October-November 1983 during which time she remained well and without recurrence of the metastases.

In the summer of 1992 Mrs. E.P. won a competition in a Danish weekly magazine, Familiejournalen, for writing the best song celebrating the silver wedding anniversary of HM the Queen Margrethe II and Prince Henrik. The magazine presented her with a beautiful silver platter and wrote an article in which they told of her triumph over the arduous kidney cancer with the aid of mistletoe. They could have added: 'and her tremendous creativity.

Already during her stay at Humlegaarden she would be ever writing pieces of poetry and songs, and it is our experience that developing creativity in cancer patients is an important part of the healing process.

30 years after her stay at Humlegaarden, our latest contact with the patient on 24 February 2011 reveals that she, at an age of 86, is in reasonably good health. She has moved to a retirement flat, where unfortunately the environment is not that green, so she has stopped writing poetry and songs, as she no longer finds sufficient inspiration.

In very rare cases there have been so-called spontaneous remissions of lung metastases after a kidney cancer operation, and we cannot say to what extent the spontaneous unknown factor – the mistletoe treatment – her creativity – have contributed to the impressive case story.

Maybe the spontaneous factor is identical with her creativity and joie de vivre. A cancer does not disappear without a cause.