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ABOUT THE COVER



In this month's cover feature, "UVA and Cutaneous Melanoma Incidences: Spatial Patterns and Communities At Risk," the authors examined the associations

of cutaneous melanoma incidence rates with specific ultraviolet exposure metrics across the U.S. An increasing trend of cutaneous melanoma incidence and mortality rates was observed during the last decade. The ratio of mortality to incidence decreased, however, due to earlier detection and advances in the treatment of cutaneous melanoma. The authors' study identified an excess of cutaneous melanoma incidence in northeast U.S. and a deficit in the southern U.S., a discrepancy that may be due to increased use of tanning beds in northern states.

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