

# Multiple primary tumours descriptor

## Identifying and definitional attributes

**Metadata item type:** Property

**METEOR identifier:** 433391

**Registration status:**

- [Health](#), Standard 08/05/2014

**Definition:** Whether the multiple primary tumours in the person with cancer are synchronous or metachronous.

Synchronous primary tumours are detected simultaneously, either preoperatively or in the resected specimen. Metachronous primary tumours are detected after a time interval between detection of the first lesion and detection of a subsequent primary lesion.

**Property group:** [Impairment characteristic](#)

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Cancer Australia

**Reference documents:** Breathnach OS & Skarin AT 2009. Multiple primary lung cancers. Wolters Kluwer Health, UpToDate Inc., Waltham, MA. Viewed 8 March 2011, <http://www.uptodate.com/contents/multiple-primary-lung-cancers>

## Relational attributes

**Data Element Concepts implementing this property:** [Person with cancer—multiple primary tumours descriptor](#)

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