# Henry Morris Memorial Trust Project

Comparing treatment given to breast cancer survivors in Spain and England

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In my project I wanted to see how therapies helped patients recuperate

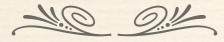


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"The average 5-year survival rate for people with breast cancer is 89%"



My plan was to compare the treatment given to breast cancer survivors in Spain and England



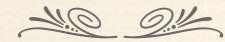
 In Spain I was involved in the exercise classes that were promoted and taught by one of the University of Granada physiotherapists
 In England I had the chance to go to Addenbrooke's hospital







### Travel

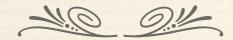


Going to Spain by myself was my first time independently travelling, it let me learn a lot about living by oneself
I also learnt more about the experience of living in both of the countries





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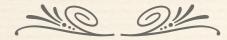


 I learnt about time managment having to walk down to work, or getting a bus
 On the last day I stressed out a bit but managed to control the situation getting everything in order before I came back to the UK





#### Granada



Whilst in Granada I had the opportunity to observe the treatment given to breast cancer survivors

I was in Granada from 3rd-5th of April



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# Spanish treatment

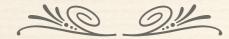
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• In Spain the patients were motivated to do lots of exercise

- The physiotherapist encouraged the patients to carry on with their daily lives
- I was shown a machine used for computergenerated imagery with which they monitored flexibility of patients



# Spanish treatment

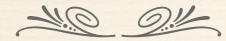


The exercise classes consisted of the women jogging for 15 minutes, then doing mobility activities which helped them stretch and relieve scarring from the radiotherapy





# Cambridge



Whilst in Addenbrooke's I was also able to observe the breast cancer survivors as well as trauma and neurophysiology patients

I was in Cambridge the 10th-11th of July



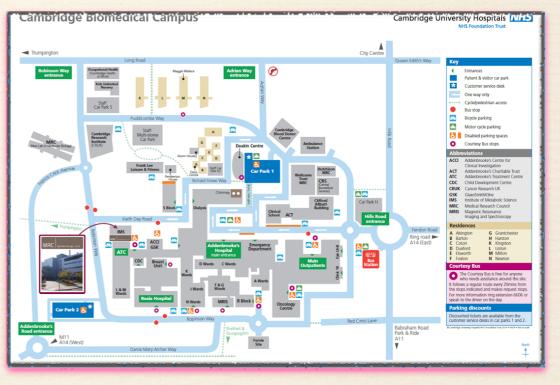
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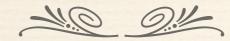


In Cambridge treatment was 1 to 1
The patients were simply treated and then they went home



### British treatment





The treatment was done more formally but there was no personal connection between patient and the physiotherapy team
The patients were given a piece of paper in which they had the necessary exercises for them to complete
The patients were asked to go for weekly checks for two months





## Conclusions

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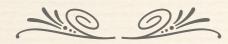
• I feel Spain was better for the patients because there was more personal connection in the post-operative treatment

In Spain the machinery used was also more advanced
 When I told my grandmother, a breast cancer survivor, about this trip and their treatment she said she would have liked to be in a group with other patients





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In Spain there was there was less of a worry about patient protection so I could take as many photos as wanted. In England they were worried about patient protection and I was not even allowed to ask patients permision to take photos for a project



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All in all I believe that I have a greater understanding of physiotherapy and this opportunity has helped me consolidate my idea of studying physiotherapy at university
I am going to use this project as the basis for my sixth form Extended Project Qualification I am very grateful to the Henry Morris Memorial Trust for giving me the opportunity to complete this project

