

A FREE online skin cancer screening service, identifies 74 skin cancers in the first 6 months

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LONDON, (13th April 2023) — First Derm, a leader in online dermatology consultations, partnered with The Charles SLBG Foundation in June 2022, to provide FREE online skin cancer screenings in the UK. A just published report on the first six months show that: 2071 users were screened, 80% were between the ages of 20-40 years old, 30% were men, 74 cases of skin cancer were found, and 28 were of possible Malignant Melanoma with a recommendation to see a GP in person urgently for further follow-up.

Skin cancer is the only form of cancer that you can see with your eyes, but many do not act on a suspicious skin lesion before it is too late. Not all healthcare providers have been trained to identify skin cancer. If caught early, its spread and possible death can be avoided.

The Charles SLBG Foundation has teamed up with First Derm to provide their service for the early detection of skin cancer. The foundation was named after Charles, who lost his life aged 24, because of a delayed detection of Malignant Melanoma. Utilising funds raised by The Charles SLBG Foundation, including those donated by many of Charles' friends, the charity will fund the first 5,000 submitted cases using this webpage.

"Charles had cancer at the end of November 2011 when the results of a biopsy, from a mole under his arm, came back as cancerous. Shortly afterwards we found out that it had spread far beyond that mole and was considered a Stage 4 Metastatic Melanoma." You can read the full story here.

The vision of the Charles SLBG Foundation is to offer FREE quick and effective screenings of moles and skin complaints in the hope of detecting skin cancers (especially Malignant Melanoma) at an early stage and to be quickly cured.

"Nearly 3000 people die of malignant melanoma in the UK every year, which could have been prevented with early detection and action. The month of May is Melanoma awareness month and it is important to get the word out to the general public to check any suspicious moles", says Dr Börve, the founder and CEO of First Derm.

About First Derm

First Derm is a clinical research backed teledermatology service and has been operational globally since 2014. Anonymously check any skin concern and get an answer within hours by a board certified dermatologist; to give you peace of mind on the move, or from the comfort of your own home. Securely upload your symptoms and pictures with complete anonymity and data protection. A UK dermatologist will respond within 24 hours with the most likely condition and what next steps to take.

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