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Natural killers: Using the body's tiny, tiny, tiny cancer-fighters. A study by Harpreet Chillar, Ph.D., the associate professor of Biological Sciences, says the number of natural killers that can detect and destroy cancer cells in the body is one of the best predictors of cancer survival. A new study confirms Chillar's findings, showing that people with higher numbers of these killers are more likely to live longer and have a better chance of beating cancer.

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