

Curing Cancer

Channel 4, 10pm

Even though the programme's title may be overly optimistic, Brian Woods's compassionate film – part of Channel 4's *Stand Up to Cancer* series – will offer hope to the 900 people in the UK who are diagnosed with cancer every day. At London's University College, drugs are being tested that target tumorous cells. Alongside radiotherapy, chemotherapy and surgery, there are new techniques that are used to freeze, burn or electrocute cancerous cells. (Needles, for example, are guided into tumours using imaging technology, which are then heated with microwaves to burn out the cells.) And every year, breakthroughs are made in the early diagnosis of this loathsome disease.