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 Subject: RE: [PATHO-L] Ventana ER/PR cutoff?

All patients and nearly all oncologists will treat if ANY immunoreactivity is identified. I say patients because, as you know, most seek info. about their disease and I have been quite impressed by some of the knowledge they acquire. If a patient learns of any positivity greater than 0 then they typically demand of their oncologist, treatment.

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From: patho-l-bounces@mailman.srv.ualberta.ca on behalf of Peter Benson
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 Subject: [PATHO-L] Ventana ER/PR cutoff?

We do our ER/PR in house, with a Ventana automated immunostainer. We have been using a "positive" cutoff of 10% cells showing nuclear staining, but recently heard about some groups using lower cutoffs on different staining systems. Ventana says our our cutoff level is up to us.

Can anyone else using the Ventana system provide feedback re: the cutoff level you use, and why? Anyone "score" these?

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