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# **1. Breast Cancer diagnostics**

The media TV, radio and newspapers has been discussing Newfoundland problem of unreliable results for breast cancer diagnostics with adverse patient consequences. Lab is blamed but it is also clear that lab was severely underresourced . Consequence of 'picking on labs' for cost savings. Happens everywhere in Canada. A race to the bottom in costs without understanding patient care consequences.

For this stuff , PLM was reference lab to compare with original Newfoundland results. So far, MSH has received good press .

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