

## MEMO

**TO:** All Pathologists, Division of Anatomical Pathology  
St. John's Hospitals, Eastern Health  
Dr. Robert Williams, Mr. Barry Dyer, Mr. Terry Gulliver

**FROM:** Dr. Don Cook  
Clinical Chief, Lab Medicine

**DATE:** August 8, 2005

**RE:** ER and PR on Cases from May 1997 to August 9, 2005

1. Cases from May 1997 to March 31, 2004 that are ER negative (except those from patients who are deceased) will be referred to Mount Sinai.
2. The paraffin block that the ER and PR was originally performed on will be forwarded to Mount Sinai for repeat testing.
3. Once the Mount Sinai report has been received at the St. Clare's Site, an addendum will be issued by Dr. Cook or Dr. Carter in the hospital information system.
4. This applies to all cases that are ER negative on the primary breast lesion independent of PR status. ER negative being defined as 10% or less.
5. All ER and PR's performed on the Ventana System from April 1, 2004 to August 9, 2005 will be referred to Mount Sinai as above.

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*Spoke to  
Dr. Leung  
Aug 10, 2005  
Regarding this*

*Jan 2001 onward,  
oncology decision to  
use 10% as  
cut off*

*Patient treated by radiation oncologist  
1999 - 2000 area*

*2001 → 10%  
2000 cut off < 30%  
1999  
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1997*