

Reza Alaghehbandan

From: Don MacDonald
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To: Reza Alaghehbandan; Tracy Chislett
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Replying on behalf of Patricia Pilgrim, COO

Don,

In response to your letter of October 9th (attached) and your question regarding cut-off points considered for ER\PR negative breast tumors by pathologists/clinicians in Newfoundland and Labrador over the last 10 years (1997-2005),

If the study is only retrospective and involves period from May 1997 to December 31, 2000, the cut-off was defined as 30% or less. From January 1, 2001, onwards, the cut-off is 10% or less.

For further studies, our Breast Oncology Group will revisit the cut-off point as there are a large number of oncology institutions and labs using 1% as a cut-off criteria.

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