

Vantenna system

Date

October 2003

Swish General - one of the 1st  
in Canada

January 2004

Purchased - staff training

March 2004 / April 2004

Fully

we opted for  
Vantenna rather  
than Datto because

Vantenna system

- print barcode label
- everything is ~~barcode~~  
correlated to slides
- totally automated
- heats slide underneath  
10x greater sensitivity

Went back - pulled all cases  
October 2001 - recut and  
retested.

- as well as particular

~~Individual  
lab tests~~

They followed the manual  
the test has  
this up

① Datto's recommendations

- compared to what we  
did

② Data's of where there are  
different

- Pattern  
for rate

- rate of twenty by  
year

③ Individual lab tve rate &  
lab Datto tests

- depending on diagnosis  
rates for <sup>infected</sup> tubercular and ductal ca are tve

lab

④ Test all samples for  
living patients

⑤ Need a meeting to inform  
oncologists in the clinic  
proper

⑥ ✓ to Dr. Ejeckam  
- memo

Dr W  
Doe  
Terry  
re.

Date

June 19, 2003 Memo

Dr Eeckhaem spoke to Terry  
and Barry

- a senior tech left in April

- isn't enough work to have  
3 people dedicated to immuno  
scans

OSIS  
+ve.

#3 - before the memo they  
were doing routine work  
as well.

- after  
memo  
they  
were  
limited  
to grossing  
staining

- volumes have been  
going up.

Senior tech left in April.

- senior tech came over from  
St. Clare's for 6 weeks to  
be orientated

- proficiency testing in pathology

- can we be 100% sure  
that the Ventana works  
- no.

PD - infiltrating lobular carcinoma  
very unusual to be -ve  
Oncologist

50-80% should be +ve  
2002 - 50% +ve

⊛ Sunnybrook is 75% +ve

May 1997

- got the Dako system

10 out of  
25  
+ve  
2nd group

Date

- ① Identify the affected people
- assign resources to Bev
  - find all the breast cases for a year
  - testing of all -ve
  - testing of liver pts

② Meet w. surgeons and oncologists

③

③ Tell the public.

- 2-300 people

④ Assess current testing

- cross-referencing to another lab

⑤ Assess our standards and quality of service

external consultant to be brought in.

Radio Noon

- interview

- interview

(\*) - News Release.

Meeting.

Paul Gardiner

Alison Kewen

Al Felix

Karen Lewis

Jay McCarthy

Susan Bunnell

Deborah Thomas

Dr Williams

~~John~~

\* 1997 - March 2004.

They just tested where  
lobular cancer - and got  
100%

to confirm that it would  
be

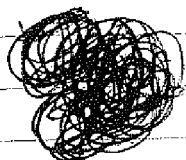
Published in Pathology journal

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40-50 +ve  
-ve but were now strongly +ve

ford said - there was a  
problem with the system  
but it was fixed.

- Met on May 17<sup>th</sup> → Dr. McCarthy  
Kerry Lacey

 - Took 25 patients next Friday  
2002. Breast Ca - were  
were

- He at of 25.

in the process of going through  
33 more - sampling 2002  
(2001/2002)

④ About at least 12.

- premenopausal -

postmenopausal

metastatic → got chemo 3 yrs vs  
hormonal therapy

became metastatic →

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Treatment would have been  
very different

\*\*\* Controls are saying that  
apposed to be done every  
day - and documented.  
- were way done.

(Controls on a separate side  
vs. the te

Who is responsible for the  
patient?

- oncologists
- surgeons.

~~separate side~~  
would say

2004

if they still have

Date

Plan

- Ht/Lt
- Results

Guideline to how we deal  
in the treatment

↳ Kara Lanning  
Jay McArthur

\*<sup>①</sup> Form it at

\*\*\* June 13 → send them in and  
get them retested.

Resumes.

- SW  
Nursing

PPL

Cancer Register  
1997 -  
List of live ps.

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I.T.

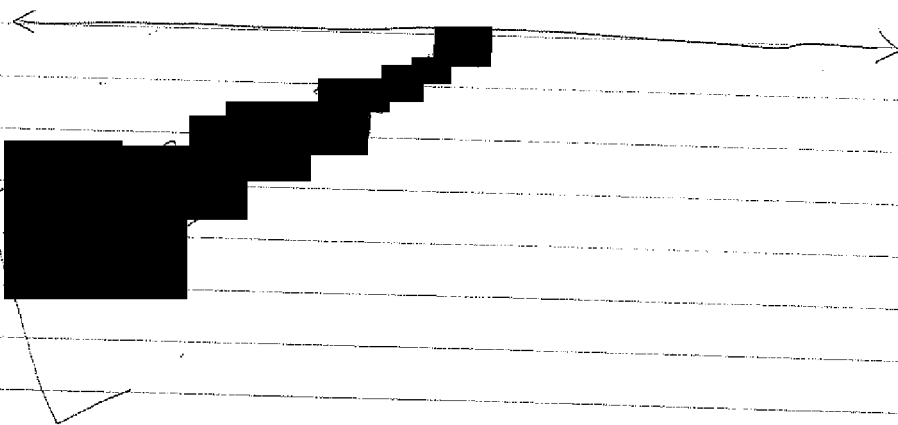
Names

MAR #

Surgical #

Status

Cancer  
Registry



1330

Date

① Den - Identify the patients.

1 1/2 hrs.

Tony will find out what the  
timelines are

② Den to go to colleagues re:  
why they have

3 contacts were done every day  
and documents

4. Den look

- was there a change  
in sensitivity that affect  
results.

- are our findings consistent  
with their findings.

\* changes over time.

Q51 5. HOT Line coordination

6. Media Release. (Susan)

7. <sup>me</sup> HIROC & other sites.

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July 20

Dr Williams

- Sunday afternoon
- \* - Dawn - media release.
- \*

Q1 - notifying patients

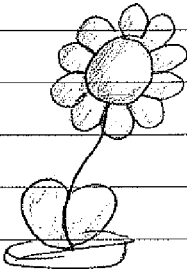
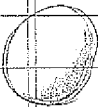
if there is a problem  $\bar{c}$   
what we did

by making an exposure  
will we create a  
- can't expect HROCC  
to pay for it.

- someone else  
is going act

Date

2:30 Dr Williams  
-Dan



Handwritten scribbles or marks.

Kara laing.

↳ 9 am.

Kanter will give us  
statistics from sites

McGill  
Rural Vic

Date

Susan B  
 Kara Lains.  
 Dr W  
 George T.  
 Don C.  
 Alan K.  
 Paul Gardiner  
 Terry Gulliver  
 Deborah Thomas  
 Me  
 Don.

- Different labs are defining  
+vity differently

Airidge (US) 1%

|    | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | Ventana |
|----|------|------|------|------|---------|
| US | 62%  | 77   | 68   | 83   | 90      |

- Mt Sinai 68-80 (Ben Carter)  
75 average

- Ben Carter

- reviewing all -ve's.

- 41 out of 59

remaining 21 or 23 done  
next week.

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④ High conversion rate is the issue.

⑤ There seems to be acceptability with the level of +ivity with the old system.

Oncologists have been treating above 10% as positive.

- all those that they have pulled already have been on tamoxifen.

2002 cases have been sent to Mt. Sinai to confirm results.

⑥ How much of the true negative are converting to +ve.

- Paper

\* feedback from Mt Sinai before we tell anyone else.

|                | Previous |    | Current |    |
|----------------|----------|----|---------|----|
|                | ER       | PR | ER      | PR |
| dental/labular |          |    |         |    |

poorly differentiated H622

- now it's telling us that they are exposed +ve.

They are  
now saying  
GL -ve  
PR +ve

Date

- ① Add more centers
  - rate
  - conversion rate
- ② Is this an elusive problem?
  - have others dealt with it
  - or have they ignored it?
- ③ Accuracy of the new test.

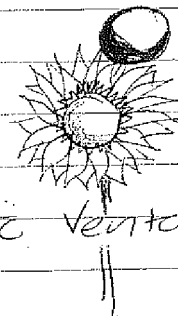
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- ① Send samples at of 2002  
-ve that have converted  
-using Vantana

- ② Info from Vantana

- ③ # converted from 2002  
# from current year } i. Vantana  
(-ve +ve)  
banded



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①

Capital Health  
~~Capital Health~~ Services

2)  
Josephine  
Mgr. Lab

ERIPK done - have  
various since 2000

Data prior to 2000

Do not look at activity rates

Do not audit

Do not retest

They do current testing

- when they bring

new equipment they

run them side/side

few weeks to see if

issues

Date

② (Calgary Lab Service)  
Tina Leman  
MGR

ER/PR done  
currently Varian for  
3 yrs  
used Biogenie Optima

Pathologists look at today  
note

- does not know of  
any issues but if  
there were she would  
have

- they do not go back  
and retest

- when new one came  
on they retested - but  
no issues

(Pathologist on H/L until Aug 8<sup>th</sup>)

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③

Capital Health

Education

Dept. ~~but~~ ~~not~~ ~~Pathology~~  
 Cross Cancer Institute  
 (all Alberta)

International  
 Cancer  
 Research

Mr. Laith Dabbagah

Uses ER - Vantana  
 PR - Dako

(more cost effective)  
 resulting is the same

1995

- eyeball activity rates  
 - but read

before 1995 - manually.

Retesting

- they did have a pt that  
 came back

"fairly common in the  
 type of cancer that they  
 have changes"

Date

Benchmark XT

- very sensitive
- very controlled

} much higher  
so  
you can  
get more  
positivity  
rate.

CRP

- had ↑ positives - so they  
went back and did retesting  
- through review.

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- McGill - Univ.

- London Lab Ser

Cathy Cruttenley.

- Vancouver Hesp

- Kingston

- Regina

Dr Alpert

- HSC - Winnipeg

Msgr felt that talk to  
pathologist (new)

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|      |         |    |
|------|---------|----|
| Dr W | Suzanne | Mo |
| Dr K | Deborah |    |
| Dr C | Dan     |    |
| Dr G | Tony    |    |

- review of data from '99
- to 2004
- 73% average.

### Since Sunday

- Montreal General
- will start cases.
- turnaround should be quick if they start the slides (2 - 2 1/2 wks)
- Montreal doesn't monitor their rates or capacity

### Halifax

- no info

### Sigon - Ketching

- no info on twenty rates

0577

1. Key:

- Direct communication.
- Keep in the process of reviewing and check, but no info on travel or condition rates.

Dance - building

## Consider any Data automated system

Wanted as many don't have  
a good handle on this

- Various laws use different methodologies - use different definitions etc. (sleeping grant!).

What's next

- ① Dr. slides testing  
② MH. stain

51. Leone/Halifax/Moncton

- no idea re truly vs conversion
- are getting better with routes.

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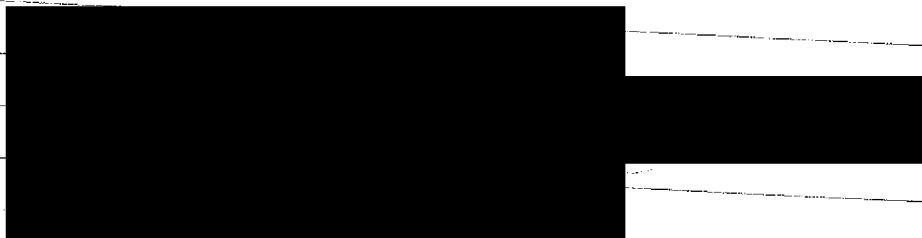
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Open - do end of July  
84% +ve  
16% -ve  
no weak  
+ves

As soon as we get new  
info we'll meet again.

2006

(8) Avalon  
unknown # Grand Falls) sending in  
samples



Date Aug 2, 2005

Dr. W.

Dr. C.

Terry

Me.

Dr. W. spoke to Dr. ~~W~~ Kwan

- do critical ptz first

- get Venturian asap.

-

{ - technical expert

will be bringing

comparing controls

- reviewing all p/p

- releasing blocks

back from Mt

Smail

- get . &amp; slides

Date

Lab Review  
ER/PR

1. Maintenance - done since (ventilator?)

2. who will provide data -  
for the exercises  
- documentation

NCLS  
guidelines

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ER/PR

- 20 pts

73/327

- Pathologist knew about a conversion in 2000

73 → 91-2000-2001

Tamoxifen

- lit review.

- efficacy

5 yrs.

Andre Picard article

→

Sve/Gudy

Plan - letters to oncologist/surgeon

- public notice.

ER/PR

142 results out of 327  
35 conversions

- 7.8% tests have changed

March  
of 100% good

|                                                 |                                                |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| St. Anthony<br>Ground Cells<br>Grade<br>Carbide | have sent in<br>blocks<br>- will be sent<br>to |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|

Results to date

327 (HCCST)

142 { 35 - conversion (25%)  
          ↓  
          →

22% soft conversions

Date

We sent off all EP -ve

\* 1997 - 1999

- there were pre-menopausal  
so they wouldn't have  
gotten testosterone at that  
time - wasn't part of  
the protocol at the time

↳ All ~~related~~

① Determine the actual  
surgeon/urologist

② Sent to physician

③ Notify quality people

Sue

Judy

Sherry

Emma

Ju

Glennys.

Database.

④ Database

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ER/PR Teleconference

Dr Williams reviewed the  
situation as it stands.

Breast Ca Journal

to Editor.

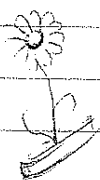
Date Oct 11 2015

Dave Dymond  
Lisa Gennaro (Western contact)  
Dr. Williams  
Rae Pughin  
George Tilley  
Me

(Michael John @  
Librarian)

For given medical document and  
filing cabinet.

Currently there are 20 results  
E B connections - 22 of  
these belong to one radiologist  
surgery



☑ Contact every couple of days  
- every Friday

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~~Abstrakan washup~~

Dr Paul Neil just called the  
lady in charge of the Cancer  
Registry to ask for all the  
names of patients from 1997 -  
1999 as they (western) has no records

Quality  
Date Review

### ER/PR Panel.

- Goal is to act as a tumor board.
- HCCSJ chart
- NCRIF chart.
- lab results

### Recommendations.

- will eventually go to chart person.

Each person will be officially typed.

- #1 - record.
- ② #2 - to identify the physician.

Any patient we consider a conversion.  
that the MRP has received  
the report.

T of R.

- ① - what we think should be done with the patient
- ② EH has to get info to the MRP.
- ③ who's responsible to order the Tamoxifen  
"the med"

Covering letter with a preamble that if they are not comfortable an option is that the person ~~who~~ could be referred.  
(wording on letter).

If

42 out of 327.

Dear (MRP) ← to be determined

[ detailed information

[ generic paragraph  
"if not contraindicated"

Ⓢ because there is no N.A. research this  
is what it is based on.

Kara to draft

1 sheet  
for each  
patient :-

Name  
MRP #  
G.P.  
Surgeon  
Oncologist

Date

letter - take at ER/PR  
- add

Plan ~~the~~ Telephones call.

① all patients ~~with the~~  
retested 2 no results back

② all patients  
retested - neg / neg

③ all patients  
converted - not need by  
physician

~~the~~ script  
- who can call  
- where

Nancy  
Me  
Deanne  
Janet

Page:

Date

Leather H.

2487 tests -

Retest

750

(850)

retests  
327

170 back

158 relocate.

58% - St. John's

52% will be from here.

[ 41 - 21 treatment impacts.

6.4%[ 162 people  
impacted.

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Aug 2, 2005

Dr W. spoke to Dr Kwan

- do critical patients first
- get Ventana up and running asap.
  - technical experts will be doing company controls
  - reviewing all policies and procedures
  - retesting blocks back from Mt Sinai
- use like large numbers when citing
- monitor results continually with outside lab
- check in other sites re: how labs report (mentoring)
- need to consult in all pathologists re: feedback on reporting
  - (Dan has already done this - asking them about how they felt about it and to refer it anything they feel uncomfortable)
- send out info to patients whose test results changed
- schedule extra clinics for analgesia and compensation.

11 cases > cut  
10/11 1 ER -ve what was the  
PR is more of an issue  
There is an issue & we  
overstating

- The slides what go to Montreal for v re staining and interpretation.
  - also in-house pathologists will be asked to review this for QA.
- All Mt Sinai reports to come back to St Clare's - so results can be correlated
  - all the demographic results have to go with the slide)
  - the Mt Sinai info re: test results will have to be put in Meditech as an addendum

2002

Dako

Ventana

Mt. Sinai

1<sup>st</sup> batch

16/25

2<sup>nd</sup> batch

25/32

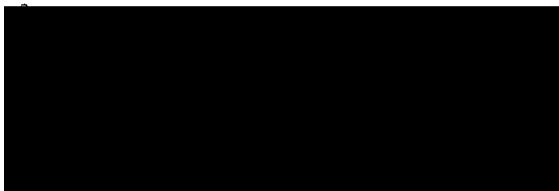
Mt. Sinai

- doing the new cases

- retesting

Ventana

- someone coming here.



grossing.

Specimens are cut  
signed off.

Brought to grossing

Described

Put in ( ) - 300/might

takes 11 hrs

getting over

300 c. Openwork

and St. Charles.

(4)

New Machine

Tissue - Tec Press.

- can do units in  
20 minutes.

TNM fact

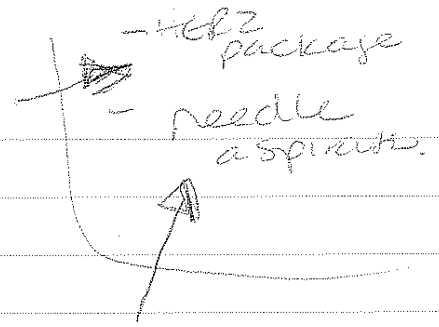
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Ken

Les

Mary Butler

Dako  
1:25  
1:30



- Met in the pathology lab.
- Process was reviewed from receipt of samples in lab
  - samples are in formalin
    - ⊗ (kept for 24 hrs - not standard)
  - samples are grossed and put in processor.
    - ⊗ 300 / night - volume is currently more - these slides have increased to over 400 / day and are left
    - ⊗ new processor is in place that will run slides quickly this will change the work practices of the entire lab
      - is there any QA re: machine set-up?
- samples are blocked and cut
- H&E staining are done
  - staining is automated.
  - pathologists are the QA process
    - ⊗ inconsistencies on if they have issues
      - what happens if we has an issue?
      - concerns come forward if there is difficulty reading

- when feedback is sought they discuss issue with other pathologists.

### Immunohistochemistry.

#### Staffing

- 3 senior techs
- when manager is off - senior tech is responsible for lab payroll etc.
- have to fill in - in other areas

#### pathologists

- no proactive contact

#### QA

pathologists resp for controls  
however techs have to select and ask re: controls.

- only positive
- use book as guide
- no consistent feedback

- what happens when I complain and rest don't.

- Need a voice

Dr Gardner  
Dr Williams  
Dr Cook  
Dr Lanning

August 5

① Ventana technical expert in

② Mt. Sinai

- all Ventana's 2004-2005
- all negatives

~~March 31<sup>st</sup> 2003~~

all patients being seen in the clinic that are negative

(all pts  $\bar{c}$  metastatic disease and all those  $\bar{c}$  lobular cancer)

May 1997 until now

~~March 31, 2003~~ and ~~March 31, 2003~~ before

- Retest all negatives (below 10%)
- Retest all tubulars  
mucinous  
infiltrating lobular.

to be  
done by  
Mt. Sinai

Dr Bannergill -

Chief Tech, Mt. Sinai

Mid September  
review.

ii tests

notified by their physician following then  
for other cancer - appointment made -  
to discuss the results

Reports will have to come to a central area. Determine.

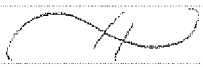
① Cancer Centre pts



②. if not - who is following them.



orphane patients.



Mary Butler

Original 16 - 2 → Dr. Luan  
 2 → Dr. Borne  
 10 → informed

Dr. D. Cook

- Split off 11 cases
- Mt Sinai results show areas of minor and major disagreement

EE

1 case went positive back as negative

most were EE +ve {  
     PR  
     5 major disagreements  
     2 cases 55% +ve came back as negative  
     100% +ve came back as 50%

①

- \* Hold on ER/PR regarding  
 - we now can use them as verified controls.

Mt. Sinai

- Council of American Pathologists
- Involved in UK program

② Calibrate the system

Blocks back by Thursday.

Results showed be done by Sunday.

Results from Mt. Sinai

one was negative in 2002  
retested determined to be +ve  
was not notified

Mt Sinai confirmed they are negative.

- We won't be reporting anything from our lab.

- correlating i Mt. Sinai

- Mt. Sinai reports will be released only

- We can correlate our results.

- When this is Emergency

Public Release

- 70-80%

- only one parameter

2003 Requesting.

- 11 g tested

- 4 converted

Machine  
- set this up? } parallel  
testing

June 29  
2022 } not a +ve  
report  
↓  
Not } 30 pathologists  
10 oncologists

Tumor Board ———→ Minutes??

Turnaround Time.

- ① Retest 10 from original
- ② Develop plan to retest
- ③ Identify urgent
- ④ Reports will not be released until verification.

⑤



- Ventures documented
  - verified by pathologists
- Knowledge of pathologists
  - were they aware they were verifying
- Other sites doing QC on lab decks verify controls work
- Paperwork Pathology Techs)
  - inconsistency in grossing.
  - in QC activities

Cases that were retested.

|                       |           |           |            |
|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| original              | 2         | 2         | -          |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> batch | 25        | 16        | converted. |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> batch | 33        | 25        | converted. |
|                       | <u>60</u> | <u>41</u> |            |

2002. col negative

- Is there any way we can get data by cancer type?

25. mixture of requests by oncologists

|           |      |     |
|-----------|------|-----|
| 3700-02   | 1 L  | -ve |
| 7385-02   | 1 L  | -ve |
| 99        | 1 DC | -ve |
| 5473      | 1 DC | -ve |
| 508300-02 |      | -ve |
|           |      | -ve |

|      |    |        |       |            |                          |
|------|----|--------|-------|------------|--------------------------|
| 1999 | 10 | 5 true | -ve's | converted. | 1 <sup>st</sup><br>batch |
|      | 9  | 4      | "     | "          |                          |
| 2000 | 1  | 1      | "     | "          |                          |

① Start at 2004 and go back.

Determine search procedure >

-histo tech ER/PR.

-pathologist(?).

get rid of waves.

~~CH~~

② is control determination within the scope of practice of lab technologists.

Clanville → no longer using us??  
why?

inter - 1 hr

auto - optimal fixation.

↳