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CYTOGENETICS

FISH for HER2/neu - Paraffin Block (Paraffin embedded tissue blocks)

CYTOGENETICS LAB REF NO: FS 924/25

FISH (Fluorescent in Situ Hybridization) for HER2/Neu (ERBB2) gene.

SPECIMEN TYPE: Paraffin Block.

CLINICAL HISTORY/INDICATIONS: Not available,

IMMUNOHISTOCHEMISTRY REPORT: Not available,

BLOCK/SLIDE USED FOR HER2/Neu BY FISH: Block no:10832E/25

Impression : The Specimen processed and analyzed FISH for Her2neu is negative with amplification ratio of 1.59 with (Group-5)

Results Table

S.no	Results	No. of cells	No. of signal	Copy number
1	Total number of HER2 signals (Red)	40	140	3.50
2	Total number of CEP17 signals (Green)	40	88	2.20
3	Her 2 neu copy number	3.50		
4	HER2neu/CEP17 Ratio	1.59		

Interphase/Nuclear in situhybridization [ISCN 2024]

Sr. No	Result (ISCN2024)	No of Cells	Her2:CEP17 Ratio	Result
1	nuc ish (D17Z1×2,ERBB2×2~4)	40	1.59	negative

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Her2/neu Ratio	Her2/neu Copy number	IHC score	Group	Result
$\geq 2$	$\geq 4$	-	1	Positive
$\geq 2$	$< 4$	3+	2	Positive
$\geq 2$	$< 4$	2+	2	Negative
$< 2$	$\geq 6$	2+ and 3+	3	Positive
$< 2$	$\geq 4$ & $\geq 6$	3+	4	Positive
$< 2$	$\geq 4$ & $\geq 6$	2+	4	Negative
$< 2$	$< 4$	-	5	Negative

**PROBES UTILIZED:**

**Probe Details:** Wuhan ERBB2 (HER2/NEU) amp probe detects amplifications in the long arm of chromosome 17. The orange labeled probe is designed to hybridize to the ERBB2 (HER2/NEU) locus at 17q12. A green labeled probe hybridizes to the 17-centromere region and functions as a control probe.

**Note:** Tumor area is marked by Pathologist

**Additional work up process :**

FIHC testing for HER2 should be performed using sections from the same tissue sample used for FISH and the slides from both FISH and IHC be reviewed together to guide the selection of areas to score by FISH.

**Group2 comment for negative**

Evidence is limited on the efficacy of HER2-targeted therapy in the small subset of cases with HER2/CEP17 ratio  $\geq 2.0$  and an average HER2 copy number  $< 4.0$ /cell. In the first generation of adjuvant trastuzumab trials, patients in this subgroup who were randomized to the trastuzumab arm did not appear to derive an improvement in disease free or overall survival, but there were too few such cases to draw definitive conclusions. IHC expression for HER2 should be used to complement ISH and define HER2 status. If IHC result is not 3+ positive, it is recommended that the specimen be considered HER2 negative because of the low HER2 copy number by ISH and lack of protein overexpression.

**Group4 comment for negative**

It is uncertain whether patients with  $\geq 4.0$  and  $< 6.0$  average HER2 signals/cell and HER2/CEP17 ratio  $< 2.0$  benefit from HER2 targeted therapy in the absence of protein overexpression (IHC 3+). If the specimen test result is close to the ISH ratio threshold for positive, there is a higher likelihood that repeat testing will result in different results by chance alone. Therefore, when IHC results are not 3+ positive, it is recommended that the sample be considered HER2 negative without additional testing on the same specimen.

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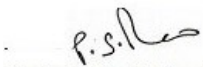
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