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Prevention of breast cancer complications

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The continuous and systematic education of nurses and of healthy female population from the domain of the oncological healthy protection takes an important place in the preventive program of malignant disease of breast-cancer. The performed researching gave different results about the grade of motivation, information about breast-cancer as well an estimate of knowledge level, of self importance control of breast with the aim of the prevention of potential disease complication. By undertaken activities of education the wrong and many prejudices are eliminated with individuals, in families and also in the whole social community.

Hercept test is semiquantitative immunohistochemical method for determining HER-2 (c-erbB-2) protein on the surface of the tumor cells. The test is performed with prepared kit (DAKO), containing necessary agents for immunohistochemical painting. The method can be performed on histological cuts from the tissue paraffin blocks and cytological smears. The aim of the paper was to present the Hercept test use in the Institute of Oncology and Radiology of Serbia, pathology laboratory. Some problems in technical preparation of tissue cuts for the immunohistochemical staining were pointed out, as well as certain discrepancies in the quality of staining. Our first experience was based on the Hercept test, performed on the tissue cuts from the breast cancer tissue paraffin blocks and on the cytological preparations, obtained with the kit for test performing (DAKO).