CALGB 49907: Adjuvant Chemotherapy in Elderly Women

Recent patterns of care data suggest that while adjuvant endocrine therapy is commonly utilized in elderly women, chemotherapy is infrequently administered. A major related factor is that relatively few randomized trials of adjuvant chemotherapy have included elderly women, so there is a paucity of data on risks and benefits. This is particularly problematic in higher risk older women with estrogen receptor-negative tumors. An intriguing new trial has just been launched to address this important issue. CALGB 49907 randomizes elderly women with primary breast cancer to either capecitabine or combination chemotherapy. An innovative partnership with the Y-ME National Breast Cancer Organization has been developed to assist in educating patients about the study.

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