

Peritoneal cytology (Non-core)

Reason/Evidentiary Support

This data item is not necessary for staging but there is lack of consensus in the literature regarding the prognostic significance of positive peritoneal washings in the absence of other evidence of extrauterine spread. A recommendation is made by FIGO and Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) to record positive peritoneal washings without altering the tumour stage.^{1,2}

References

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- 2 Fadare O, Mariappan MR, Hileeto D, Wang S, McAlpine JN and Rimm DL (2005). Upstaging based solely on positive peritoneal washing does not affect outcome in endometrial cancer. *Mod Pathol* 18:673–680.