

Person with cancer—histopathological grade, primary Gleason grade code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Primary Gleason grade
METEOR identifier:	392014
Registration status:	Health , Standard 14/05/2015
Definition:	The primary Gleason grade assigned to a prostate cancer, as represented by a code.
Context:	Only relevant for people with prostate cancer.
Data Element Concept:	Person with cancer—histopathological grade
Value Domain:	Gleason grade code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code												
Data type:	Number												
Format:	N												
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Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>CODE 1 Grade 1</p> <p>Closely packed small regular glands forming a circumscribed rounded nodule. Not to be used for grading of needle core biopsy specimens.</p> <p>CODE 2 Grade 2</p> <p>Glands more loosely arranged; not quite as uniform; fairly circumscribed but may have minimal infiltration at margins. Rarely, if ever, to be used for grading of needle core biopsy specimens.</p> <p>CODE 3 Grade 3</p> <p>Discrete glandular units/acini with marked variation in size and shape; infiltrates in and amongst benign prostatic tissue.</p> <p>CODE 4 Grade 4</p> <p>Fused micro acinar glands; ill-defined glands with poorly formed lumina; large cribriform irregular glands; hypernephroid.</p> <p>CODE 5 Grade 5</p> <p>Minimal if any glandular differentiation – solid sheets, cords or single cells.</p>
Collection methods:	To be collected from pathology reports.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Cancer Australia
Reference documents:	<p>Humphrey PA 2004. Gleason grading and prognostic factors in carcinoma of the prostate. <i>Modern pathology</i>, 17(3): 292-306</p> <p>Epstein JI, Allsbrook WCJ, Amin MB and Egevad LL 2005. The 2005 International Society of Urological Pathology (ISUP) Consensus Conference on Gleason Grading of Prostatic Carcinoma. <i>American Journal of Surgical Pathology</i> 29(9):1228–1242</p>

Data element attributes

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Guide for use:	<p>Primary Gleason grade (a specific form of histopathological grade) refers to the tumour pattern which occupies the greatest area of tumour in sections from a needle core biopsy or radical prostatectomy specimen. This is assigned by a pathologist.</p> <p>Primary Gleason grades range from 1 to 5 and is an indicator of how likely it is that a tumour will spread. A low Gleason grade means the cancer tissue is similar to normal prostate tissue and the tumour is less likely to spread; a high Gleason grade means the cancer tissue is very different from normal and the tumour is more likely to spread.</p> <p>The primary Gleason grade is used in conjunction with the secondary Gleason grade to form the Gleason score (or sum).</p>
Collection methods:	To be sought from pathology reports or patient medical records.
Comments:	A Gleason grade is a prognostic indicator of prostate cancer which may be used to guide treatment and assess whether appropriate treatment protocols have been used.

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Reference documents: American College of Surgeons 2011. Facility Oncology Registry Data Standards: Revised for 2011. American College of Surgeons: Chicago.

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Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia 2014. Prostate cancer (radical prostatectomy) structured reporting protocol (2nd Ed.). Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia: Sydney.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Is used in the formation of [Person with cancer—histopathological grade, Gleason score code N\[N\]](#)
[Health](#), Standard 14/05/2015

See also [Person with cancer—histopathological grade, secondary Gleason grade code N](#)
[Health](#), Standard 14/05/2015

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Prostate cancer \(clinical\) NBPDS](#)
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