

# PATHOLOGY GRAND ROUNDS



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"Decoding Lynch Syndrome and MSI: The Pathologist's Role Constantly Evolving and Consistently Essential"

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# TARGET AUDIENCE

Attending physicians, researchers, house staff, fellows, residents, medical students, nurses.

# NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Tumor DNA microsatellite instability (MSI) first discovered in colorectal carcinoma in 1993 has evolved into an important marker for 1) detection of Lynch Syndrome, and 2) Prediction of response to anti-PD-1 immunotherapy. The significance of these 2 major applications was highlighted by the 2016 NCCN en-

dorsement of universal MSI/MMRd testing in patients with colorectal carcinoma, and the 2017 FDA first ever tissue-agnostic approval for anti-PD-1 therapy across unresectable or metastatic MSI/MMRd solid tumors respectively. As of now, in the clinical application of MSI, and MSIs/MMRds are treated equally. This premise however, has been challenged by the emerging data that are revealing remarkable genetic and phenotypical diversities in tumors with MSI/MMRds. This discussion reviews some of the recent progress, and emphasizes that the important role the pathologists have played in the development of MSI thus far will continue on as the field continues to advance.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this activity, participants will be able

- to achieve a better understanding of:
   The current status of MMRd tumors;
- The genetic & phenotypical diversities of MMRD tumore:
- The pathologist's role evaluating MMRds.

# **DESIGNATION STATEMENT**

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