

Commentary

Comment on Implosion of Grail's Galleri Cancer Screening Test?

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The Letter to the Editor, stated that a recent prospective clinical trial using the Galleri MultiCancer Detection Test was temporarily put on hold [1]. This may give the impression that the trial will not be continued. However, the NHS website states: After the trial, we will have a much better understanding of how well the Galleri test works in the NHS. If it does work, then it could be used in the NHS in the future (like breast screening or bowel screening, but for many different types of cancer). If the Galleri test does not work well in this setting, then we will still have learned important information about what research needs to be done in the future to improve cancer screening [2].

The letter to the editor [1] contains the sentence: The Grail case has some similarities to the Theranos story, which sent some executives to jail and led to company bankruptcy. This sentence could be misinterpreted as a comparison with Theranos, and such a comparison is not accurate.

References

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