

Breast Histology Coding Rules – Text
C500-C509
(Excludes lymphoma and leukemia M9590-9989 and Kaposi sarcoma M9140)

SINGLE TUMOR: IN SITU CARCINOMA ONLY

(Single Tumor; all parts are in situ)

Rule H1 Code the histology documented by the physician when the **pathology/cytology** report is **not available**.

Note 1: Priority for using documents to code the histology

- Documentation in the medical record that refers to pathologic or cytologic findings
- Physician's reference to type of cancer (histology) in the medical record

Note 2: Code the specific histology when documented.

Rule H2 Code the histology when only **one histologic type** is identified

Rule H3 Code the more **specific histologic term** when the diagnosis is:

- Carcinoma in situ, NOS (8010) and a specific carcinoma in situ or
- Adenocarcinoma in situ, NOS (8140) and a specific adenocarcinoma in situ or
- Intraductal carcinoma, NOS (8500) and a specific intraductal carcinoma (Table 1)

Note: The specific histology may be identified as type, subtype, predominantly, with features of, major, with ___ differentiation, architecture or pattern. The terms architecture and pattern are subtypes only for in situ cancer.

Rule H4 Code **8501/2** (comedocarcinoma, non-infiltrating) when there is **non-infiltrating comedocarcinoma and any other intraductal carcinoma** (Table 1).

Example: Pathology report reads intraductal carcinoma with comedo and solid features. Code 8501/2 (comedocarcinoma).

Rule H5 Code **8522/2** (intraductal carcinoma and lobular carcinoma in situ) (**Table 3**) when there is a combination of **in situ lobular** (8520) **and intraductal carcinoma** (Table 1).

Rule H6 Code **8523/2** (intraductal carcinoma mixed with other types of in situ carcinoma) (**Table 3**) when there is a combination of intraductal carcinoma and **two** or more specific intraductal types OR there are **two or more specific intraductal carcinomas**..

Rule H7 Code **8524/2** (in situ lobular mixed with other types of in situ carcinoma) (**Table 3**) when there is **in situ lobular** (8520) **and any in situ carcinoma other than intraductal carcinoma** (Table 1).

Note: Change the behavior to 2 (in situ) in accordance with the ICD-O-3 matrix principle (ICD-O-3 Rule F).

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Rule H8 Code **8255/2** (adenocarcinoma in situ with mixed subtypes) (**Table 3**) when there is a **combination** of in situ/non-invasive histologies that **does not include** either **intraductal** carcinoma (Table 1) **or in situ lobular** (8520).
Note: Change the behavior to 2 (in situ) in accordance with the ICD-O-3 matrix principle (ICD-O-3 Rule F).

This is the end of instructions for a Single Tumor: In Situ Carcinoma Only.
Code the histology according to the rule that fits the case.

SINGLE TUMOR: INVASIVE AND IN SITU CARCINOMA

(Single Tumor; in situ and invasive components)

Rule H9 Code the **invasive histology** when both invasive and in situ components are present.
Note 1: Ignore the in situ terms.
Note 2: This is a change from the previous histology coding rules and is different from ICD-O-3 rules. This change was made in collaboration with the ICD-O-3 editors. The consensus was that coding the invasive component of the tumor better explains the likely disease course and survival category. Using these rules, combinations of invasive duct and in situ lobular are coded to invasive duct (8500/3) rather than the combination code for duct and lobular carcinoma (8522/3).

This is the end of instructions for a Single Tumor: Invasive and In Situ Carcinoma.
Code the histology according to the rule that fits the case.

SINGLE TUMOR: INVASIVE CARCINOMA ONLY

(Single Tumor; all parts are invasive)

Rule H10 Code the histology documented by the physician when there is **no pathology/cytology specimen** or the **pathology/cytology** report is **not available**.
Note 1: Priority for using documents to code the histology

- Documentation in the medical record that refers to pathologic or cytologic findings
- Physician's reference to type of cancer (histology) in the medical record
- Mammogram
- PET scan
- Ultrasound

Note 2: Code the specific histology when documented.
Note 3: Code the histology to 8000 (cancer/malignant neoplasm, NOS) or 8010 (carcinoma, NOS) as stated by the physician when nothing more specific is documented.

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Rule H11 Code the histology from a metastatic site when there is **no pathology/cytology specimen from the primary site.**

Note: Code the behavior /3.

Rule H12 Code the most **specific histologic term when** the diagnosis is:

- Carcinoma, NOS (8010) and a more specific carcinoma or
- Adenocarcinoma, NOS (8140) and a more specific adenocarcinoma or
- Duct carcinoma, NOS (8500) and a more specific duct carcinoma (8022, 8035, 8501-8508) or
- Sarcoma, NOS (8800) and a more specific sarcoma

Note: The specific histology may be identified as type, subtype, predominantly, with features of, major, with ___ differentiation. The terms architecture and pattern are subtypes only for in situ cancer.

Rule H13 Code **8530** (inflammatory carcinoma) only when the final diagnosis of the **pathology** report specifically **states inflammatory carcinoma.**

Note: Record dermal lymphatic invasion in Collaborative Staging

Rule H14 Code the histology when only **one histologic type** is identified.

Rule H15 Code the histology with the numerically **higher ICD-O-3 code** when there are **two or more** specific **duct** carcinomas.

Note: Use Table 2 to identify duct carcinomas

Rule H16 Code **8522** (duct and lobular) when there is a combination of **lobular** (8520) **and duct** carcinoma (**Table 3**).

Note: Use Table 2 to identify duct carcinomas

Rule H17 Code **8523** (duct mixed with other types of carcinoma) when there is a combination of **duct and** any **other** carcinoma (**Table 3**).

Note 1: Use Table 2 to identify duct carcinomas

Note 2: Other carcinomas exclude lobular and any duct carcinoma listed on Table 1 or Table 2

Rule H18 Code **8524** (lobular mixed with other types of carcinoma) when the tumor is **lobular** (8520) **and** any **other carcinoma** (**Table 3**).

Note: Other carcinomas exclude lobular and any duct carcinoma listed on Table 1 or Table 2.

Rule H19 Code **8255** (adenocarcinoma with mixed subtypes) (**Table 3**) for multiple **histologies** that **do not include duct or lobular** (8520).

Note: Use Table 2 to identify duct carcinomas

This is the end of instructions for a Single Tumor: Invasive Carcinoma Only.

Code the histology according to the rule that fits the case.

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Rule H20 Code the histology documented by the physician when there is **no pathology/cytology specimen** or the **pathology/cytology** report is **not available**.

Note 1: Priority for using documents to code the histology

- Documentation in the medical record that refers to pathologic or cytologic findings
- Physician's reference to type of cancer (histology) in the medical record
- Mammogram
- PET scan
- Ultrasound

Note 2: Code the specific histology when documented.

Note 3: Code the histology to 8000 (cancer/malignant neoplasm, NOS) or 8010 (carcinoma, NOS) as stated by the physician when nothing more specific is documented.

Rule H21 Code the histology from a metastatic site when there is **no pathology/cytology specimen from the primary site**.

Note: Code the behavior /3.

Rule H22 Code **8530** (inflammatory carcinoma) only when the final diagnosis of the **pathology** report specifically **states inflammatory carcinoma**.

Note: Record dermal lymphatic invasion in Collaborative Staging

Rule H23 Code the histology when only **one histologic type** is identified.

Rule H24 Code **8543/2** (in situ Paget disease and intraductal carcinoma) (**Table 3**) when the **pathology** report **specifically states** that the **Paget disease** is **in situ** and the **underlying tumor** is **intraductal** carcinoma (Table 1).

Note: Change the behavior to 2 (in situ) in accordance with the ICD-O-3 matrix principle (ICD-O-3 Rule F).

Rule H25 Code **8543/3** (Paget disease and intraductal carcinoma) for **Paget disease and intraductal** carcinoma (**Table 3**).

Note 1: ICD-O-3 classifies all mammary Paget disease as a malignant process with a malignant behavior (/3).

Note 2: Includes both invasive Paget disease and Paget disease with behavior not stated.

Note 3: Use Table 1 to identify intraductal carcinomas.

Rule H26 Code **8541/3** (Paget disease and infiltrating duct carcinoma) for **Paget disease and invasive duct** carcinoma. (**Table 3**).

Note 1: ICD-O-3 classifies all mammary Paget disease as a malignant process with a malignant behavior (/3).

Note 2: Includes both invasive Paget disease and Paget disease with behavior not stated.

Note 3: Use Table 2 to identify duct intraductal carcinomas

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Rule H27 Code the invasive histology when **both invasive and in situ** tumors are present.

Note 1: Ignore the in situ terms.

Note 2: This is a change from the previous histology coding rules and is different from ICD-O-3 rules. This change was made in collaboration with the ICD-O-3 editors. The consensus was that coding the invasive component of the tumor better explains the likely disease course and survival category. Using these rules, combinations of invasive lobular and in situ duct carcinoma are coded to invasive lobular (8520/3) rather than the combination code for duct and lobular carcinoma (8522/3).

Rule H28 Code **8522** (duct and lobular) when there is any combination of **lobular** (8520) **and duct** carcinoma. **(Table 3)**.

Note: Use Table 2 to identify duct carcinomas

Rule H29 Code the histology with the **numerically higher** ICD-O-3 code.

This is the end of instructions for Multiple Tumors Abstracted as a Single Primary.

Code the histology according to the rule that fits the case.
