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HEALTH: BREAST BIOPSIES. DR. GEORGE HOLLENBERG, a leading pathologist and founder of ACUPATH LABORATORIES: "The good news is that only 1 percent of mammograms lead to a referral for a biopsy, and 80 percent of those biopsies will not be cancer. However, for the 1.6 million women who must undergo a breast biopsy each year in the U.S., becoming educated about the variety of biopsy procedures, and the benefits and drawbacks of each, can provide peace of mind during the process of testing and diagnosis. A biopsy is the only definitive test to diagnose or rule out cancer. Fortunately, research into more effective, comprehensive and comfortable breast biopsy techniques has expanded dramatically over the past decade, and today, women and their doctors have many choices based on the type, size and location of the site to be tested."