

If you have been newly diagnosed with ovarian cancer, biomarker tumor testing is important.

These questions may help you talk with your doctor and make informed decisions about treatment and care. Please also see the additional questions to ask your doctor in the resources below.

### Additional Questions to Ask the Doctor



### Additional Resources



For more information about ovarian cancer, please visit [ovarian.org](https://www.ovarian.org).

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## QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR DOCTOR: Biomarker Tumor Testing



Biomarker tumor testing looks at specific characteristics of a tumor like genes and proteins. This helps doctors learn as much as possible about your tumor and how it behaves so they can prescribe the best treatment. The following list of questions is designed to help you have informed and meaningful discussions with your doctor about biomarker tumor testing, making sure you get the best care.

- What is biomarker tumor testing?
- How can biomarker tumor testing help me choose the best treatment?
- What specific biomarkers will you be looking for in my tumor? (HRD, FRa, HER2, etc.)
- How will the results of these tests affect my treatment plan?
- Are there any risks or side effects with biomarker testing?
- What are the potential benefits and limitations of biomarker testing in my situation?
- How accurate are the results of biomarker testing?
- Will these tests help determine if I am eligible for clinical trials?
- How long will it take to get the results from these tests?
- Will my insurance cover the cost of biomarker testing?
- How often should these tests be repeated during my treatment?
- Can I get a copy of the biomarker testing results, and will they be explained to me in a way I can understand?