

Gene Dramatically Raises Risk Of Ovarian Cancer.

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DNA repair is important for the prevention of cancer. Recently, a gene that makes a DNA repair protein, RAD51D, was shown to be important in the prevention of ovarian cancer. A comparison of people from families with a history breast/ovarian cancer with those without a history showed that women with a mutation in RAD51D were more than 6 times as likely to develop ovarian cancer. The results are being pursued to develop a test for ovarian cancer and to help in determining treatments for ovarian cancer patients.

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