

Day 4,742 — an Email From My Radiation Oncologist

My radiation oncologist and I discuss PSA tests and prostate cancer.

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I emailed the radiation oncologist yesterday and his response at 6:13 a.m. Saturday ??? was about what I expected:

- He agreed with another PSA test and recommended doing it in six weeks (mid-December).
- Reminded me that the current PSA of 0.21 ng/mL is still below the starting point of 0.36 ng/mL at the beginning of radiation, so in his eyes, this is technically not progression, but...
- He also agreed that the “trajectory means we need to keep a closer eye on it.”

I emailed the urologist to request another PSA test before our appointment on 14 December before I received the response from the RO, and I’m awaiting the urologist’s response. I’ll forward the RO’s recommendation to reinforce my request.

I’m hoping I can get the PSA done on Friday, 8 December or Monday, 11 December in time to have the results for my 14 December appointment. That would be close enough to the RO’s mid-December recommendation. (Why does this crap always seem to happen just before the holidays???)

More to come.

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