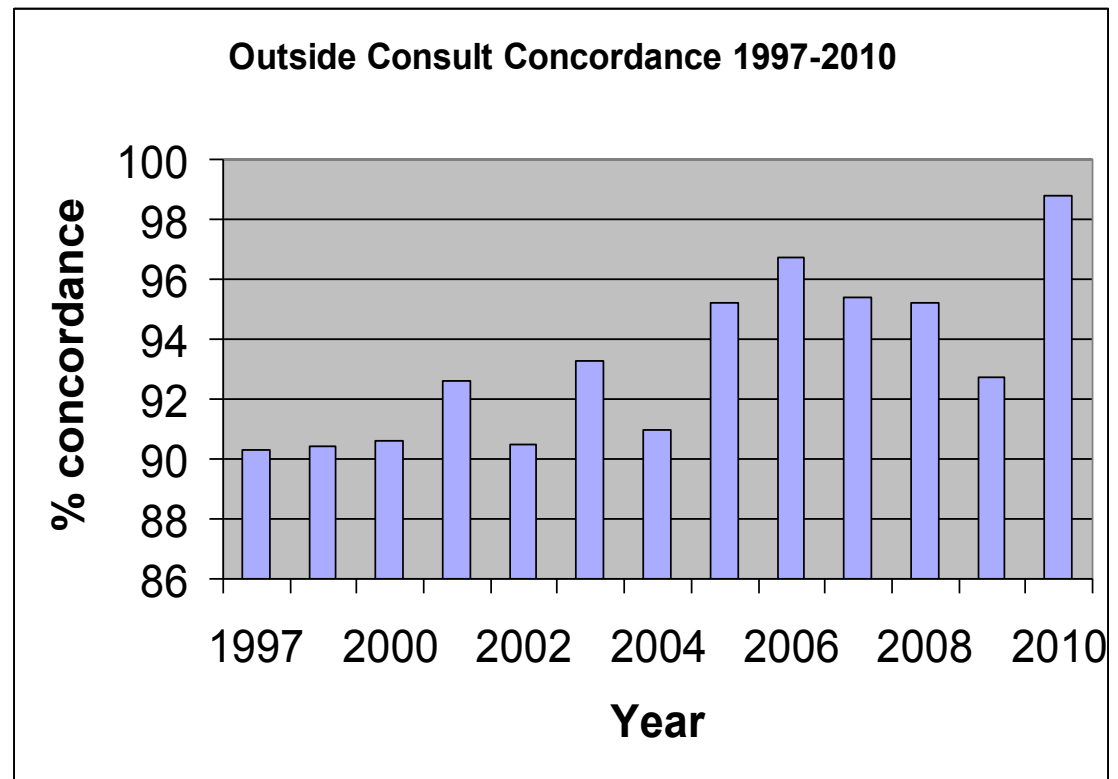


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	N	Major dis	Minor dis	% concordance
1997	31	0	3	90.3
1999	21	0	2	90.4
2000	43	1	3	90.6
2001	148	4	7	92.6
2002	126	5	7	90.5
2003	105	3	5	93.3
2004	111	3	7	91
2005	188	0	9	95.2
2006	120	0	4	96.7
2007	306	1	13	95.4
2008	248	0	12	95.2
2009	219	2	14	92.7
2010	248	0	3	98.8



### Outside consultation concordance, 1997-2010

#### Goal/Benchmark:

Published benchmark of 90.9% diagnostic concordance when slides are reviewed at another institution (Abt, *et al.*, *Arch. Pathol. Lab. Med.* 1995, 119, 514-517).

#### Significance:

Monitoring of diagnostic concordance between our pathology department and outside reviewers is an important measure of our diagnostic accuracy.

#### Action Plan/Follow-up

Consultation reports from other hospitals that have reviewed our slides are examined for agreement with the original diagnosis. If necessary, the consultant's opinion is recorded in an amended report or addendum. The agreement or lack of agreement is recorded, and statistics are monitored monthly. Major diagnostic discrepancies are those where there is a serious difference of pathologic opinion, potentially resulting in a change of treatment. Most discrepancies (see chart) are minor.

In recent years, we have been able to consistently exceed the benchmark. We will continue to monitor and intervene as needed.

