## Radiation Alone May Be OK For Certain Patients With Node-Positive Breast Cancers.

MedPage Today (6/4, Phend) reports, "Breast cancer patients with a positive but nonpalpable sentinel lymph node may be better off with radiation than with further axillary surgery, the AMAROS trial affirmed." Researchers found that "recurrence rates came out similarly low with either treatment, at 0.5% with completion axillary lymph node dissection and 1.0% with axillary radiotherapy over 5 years," and "wverall survival didn't differ between the groups either." However, lymphedema risk was higher in patients who underwent surgery. The findings were presented at the American Society of Clinical Oncology meeting.