

depression and this is being studied.

To answer Dr Cantwell's other points. The extent of disease is shown in table 1 of our paper. Routine marrow biopsies were not done because it would be cruel and even if done and negative would not exclude marrow metastases at other sites. It is difficult to see how undiagnosed marrow metastases would fail to cause marrow depression after

multiple cycles of monoagent VP-16-213 yet would do so after a single cycle of the same drug when combined with modest doses of other cytotoxics.

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