

Why are Breast Units and Multidisciplinary care indispensable for BC management?

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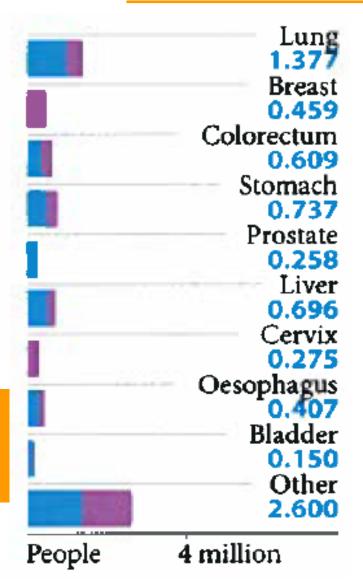
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THE BURDEN OF CANCER IN THE 21st CENTURY

Mortality

Cancer is a leading cause of death worldwide, with 7.6 million deaths (around 13% of all deaths) in 2008. Half of all cancer deaths each year are due to lung, stomach, liver, colorectal and female breast cancers¹.

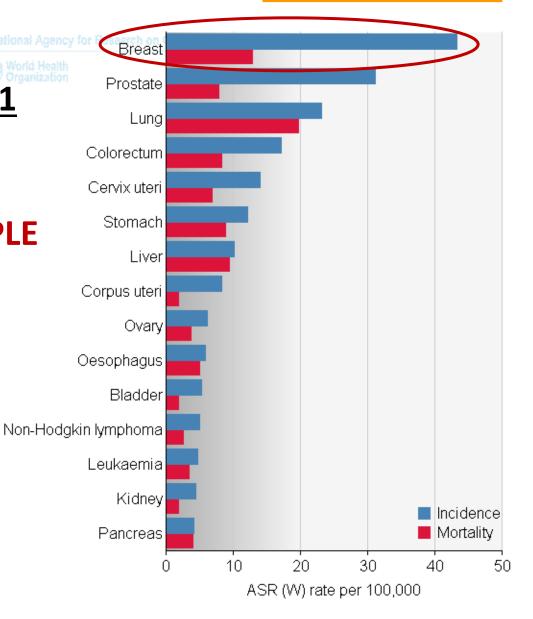
13% of all deaths in 2008: 7.6 million people!



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2030: an estimated 13.1 million deaths/year

Soon, 1 OUT OF 2 PEOPLE WILL GET CANCER IN THEIR LIFETIME



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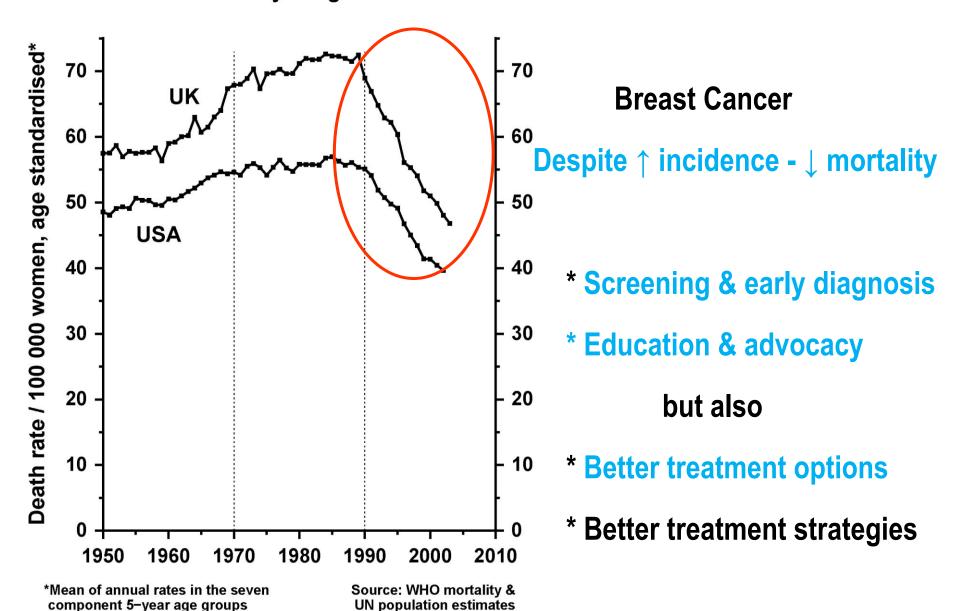
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Most prevalent cancer by country – females



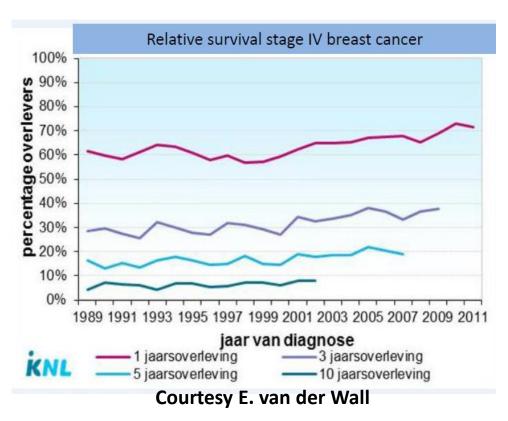
561,334 deaths worldwide in 2015 and an estimated **805,116 by 2030**, representing a 43% increase in absolute number of deaths from BC

EBC OUTCOME EVOLUTION





ABC OUTCOME EVOLUTION



Only 1 out 4 ABC pts are alive at 5 years!

In Europe:

1 diagnosis every 2,5 minutes

1 death every 6,5 minutes

Median OS: 2 to 3 years!



MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM

Indispensable for **EBC**

LABC

MBC

In CLINICAL PRACTICE & RESEARCH



DEFINITION FROM THE UK DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

(in the UK, MDTs are MANDATORY by law)

"A group of people of different health care disciplines which meets together at a given time (whether physically in one place or by video or teleconferencing) to discuss a given patient and who are each able to contribute independently to the diagnostic and treatment decisions about the patient."

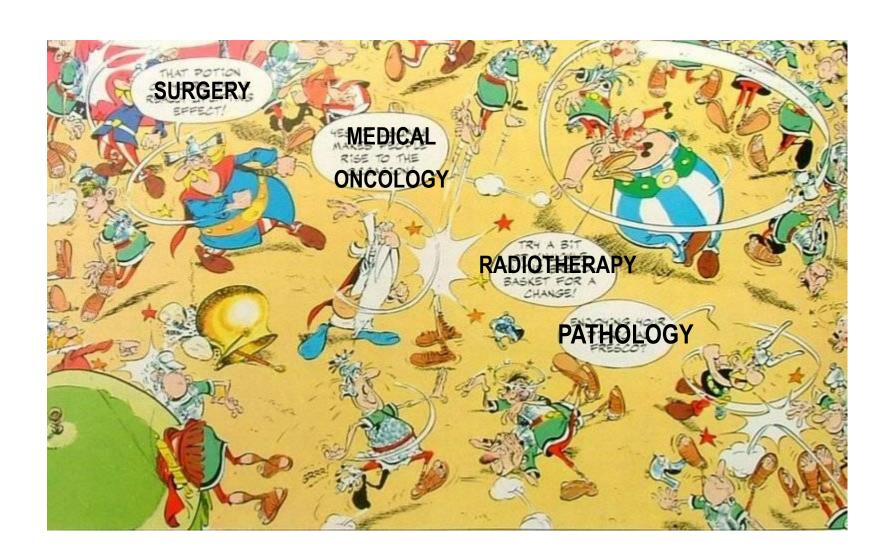
DECISION MAKING TEAM

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What a multidisciplinary meeting should NOT be:



THE EUSOMA BREAST UNITS REQUIREMENTS & CERTIFICATION SYSTEM

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Position Paper

Guidelines on the standards for the training of specialised health professionals dealing with breast cancer

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The requirements of a specialist Breast Centre

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Breast core team member: Radiologist, radiographer, surgeon, reconstructive surgeon, pathologist, medical oncologist, radiation oncologist, breast care nurse and data manager consistently spending at least part of their working time in breast cancer



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The Breast Centre must hold at least weekly a multidisciplinary case management meeting (MDM) to discuss diagnostic preoperative and postoperative cases, as well as any other issue related to breast cancer patients, which requires multidisciplinary discussion. The Breast Centre must discuss at least 90% of all breast cancer cases at MDM.

... the following team members must be present: radiologist, pathologist, medical oncologist, surgeon/oncoplastic surgeon, breast care nurse and radiation oncologist. ... The other team members should be encouraged to attend and, in any case, should be reachable for consultation.

- Many studies have shown the benefits of receiving treatment from a **specialist center**, and evidence continues to accrue from comparative studies of **clinical benefits of an MDT approach**, **including improved survival**.
- •Yet we **lack randomized controlled trials** (very difficult to perform since MDTs are already implemented)

Effects of multidisciplinary team working on breast cancer survival: retrospective, comparative, interventional cohort study of 13 722 women

OPEN ACCESS

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Contemporaneous comparative design (thereby overcoming temporal bias); provided by the introduction of MDT-work in one but not other health boards in a region of Scotland.

Adjusting for case mix (including year of incidence, age at diagnosis, and deprivation), breast cancer mortality was 11% higher in the intervention area compared with other areas in the region, but after MDTs were introduced, mortality was 18% lower than the other areas.

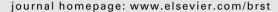
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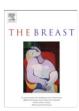
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Original article

Effect of hospital volume on processes of care and 5-year survival after breast cancer: A population-based study on 25 000 women

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< 50 bcp vs > 150 bcp 75% vs 84% survival at 5

years

Conclusion: Survival benefits reported in high-volume hospitals suggest a better application of recommended processes of care, justifying the centralization of breast cancer care in such hospitals.

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ORIGINAL REPORT

Compliance With Consensus Recommendations for Systemic Therapy Is Associated With Improved Survival of Women With Node-Negative Breast Cancer

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ABSTRACT

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The impact of consensus recommendations for systemic therapy on outcome of disease is unclear. We evaluated if compliance with guidelines for systemic adjuvant treatment is associated with improved survival of women with node-negative breast cancer.

Patients and aneurous
The study population included women diagnosed with invasive node-negative breast cancer. in Québec, Canada, in 1988 to 1989, 1991 to 1992, and 1993 to 1994. Information was collected by chart review, linkage with administrative databases, and queries to attending physicians. Guidelines from the 1992 St Gallen conference were used as standard of care. Physicians - Quidelings index that 1992 31 gallett Conference where used as stands Survival was estimated by Kaplan-Meier and Cox proportional hazards analyses.

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Among 1,541 women, 358 died before December 1999. Median follow-up was 6.8 years. Seven-year event-free and overall survivals were 65% and 81%, respectively. Survival was 88%, 84%, and 74% in women at minimal, moderate, or high risk of recurrence. Virtually all women at minimal risk were treated according to the consensus [98.4% of 370]. In comparison, adjusted hazard ratios of death were 1.0 (95% Ct. 0.6 to 1.7) and 2.3 (95% Cl. 1.3 to 4.0) among women at moderate risk treated according to the consensus or women at high risk, adjusted hazard ratios of death

COMPLIANCE WITH GUIDELINES IMPROVES OUTCOMES

Conclusion

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One of the most important recommendations:

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DISCUSS ALL EBC CASES IN A MDT!

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0732-1830004/2218-3686/\$20.00 DOI: 10.1200/JCD.2004.07.018 Practice guidelines are used to improve quality of care, reduce inappropriate interventions, and control costs. 1,2 Although several studies have shown reasonable compliance with consensus recommendations for treatment of breast cancer,3.8 their impact on survival remains unclear. A recent hospital-based investigation in Rhode Island showed higher

consistent with an extensive review of the available evidence that suggests a positive impact of clinical guidelines on both the process and outcome of care for several health conditions, 10 although opposite views have been expressed.11 Overall, however, population-based evaluations of the

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Hebert-Croteau, et al. JCO 2004

• BARRIERS to effective teamwork and poor decision-making: excessive caseload, low attendance at meetings, lack of leadership, poor communication, role ambiguity, and failure to consider patients' holistic needs.

- Existent PROBLEMS:
- a) MDT are not universally present;
- b) most lack national or regional guidelines regarding composition or practice to ensure consistency of provision;
- c) often are **solely "medically" focused** (forgetting nurses, social workers, nutritionists, or palliative care specialists)

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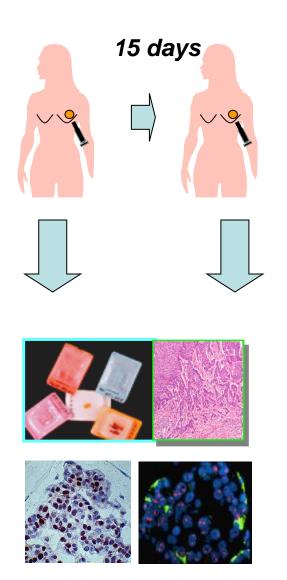
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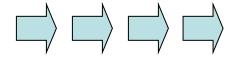
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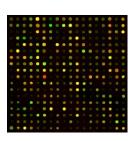


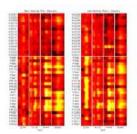
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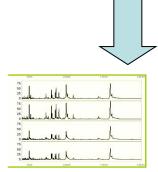


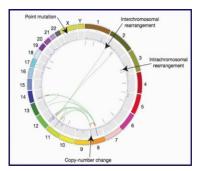
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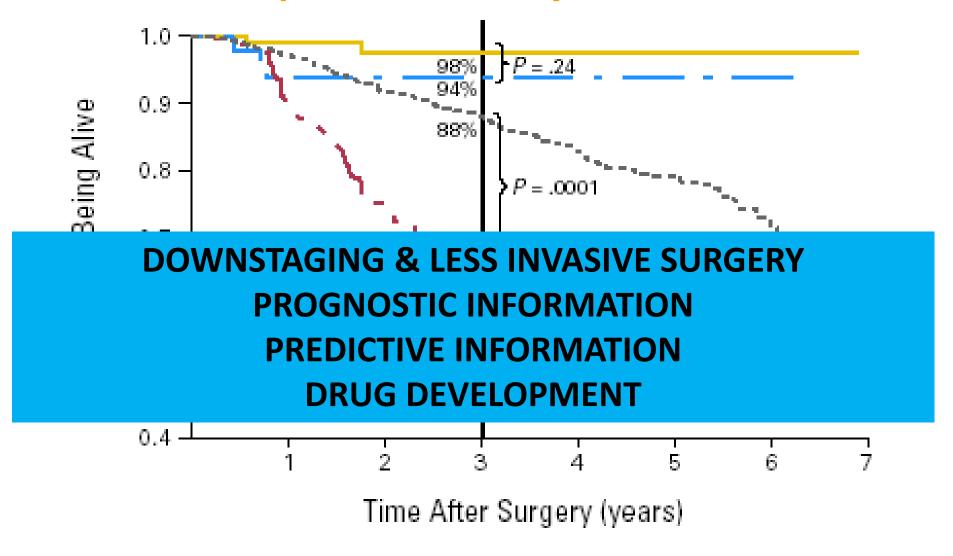








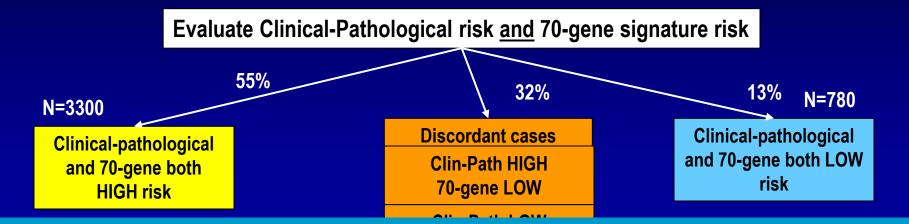
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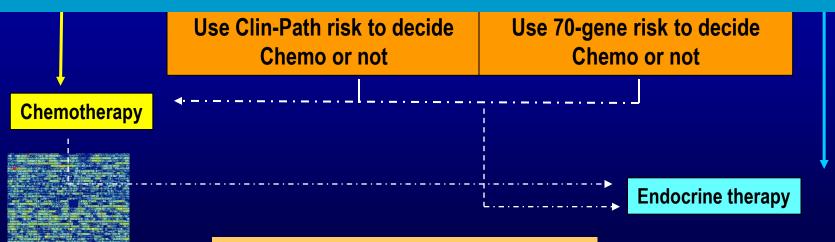


EORTC 10041 BIG 3-04 trial MINDACT TRIAL DESIGN 6,000 Node - & 1-3 N+ women



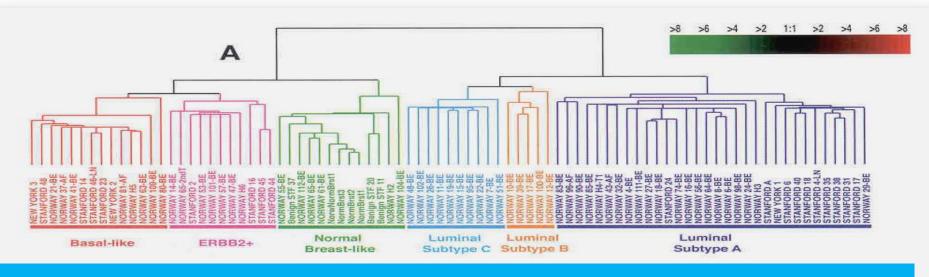


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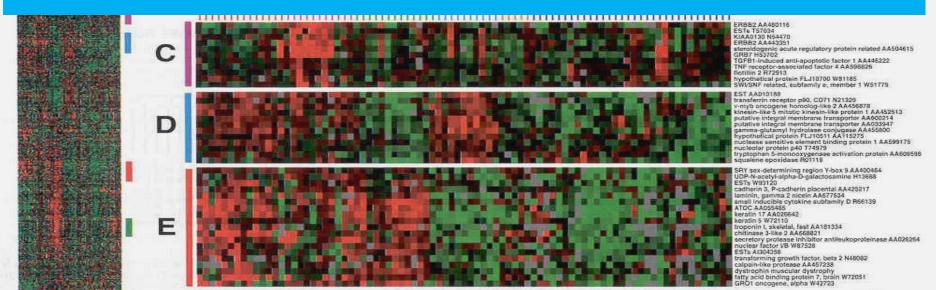


Potential CT sparing in 10-15% pts

MOLECULAR CLASSIFICATION OF BREAST CANCER



THE ROLE OF THE MOLECULAR BIOLOGIST IN THE MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM





MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM Indispensable for LABC





INOPERABLE LABC

Systemic therapy (not surgery or RT) should be the initial treatment.

If LABC remains inoperable after systemic therapy and eventual radiation, "palliative" mastectomy should not be done, unless the surgery is likely to result in an overall improvement in quality of life.

(LoE: Expert opinion) (100%)

A combined treatment modality based on a multidisciplinary approach (systemic therapy, surgery and radiotherapy) is strongly indicated in the vast majority of cases. (LoE: I A) (100%)

ABC2

INFLAMMATORY LABC

For inflammatory LABC, overall treatment recommendations are similar to those for non-inflammatory LABC, with systemic therapy as first treatment. (LoE: I B) (93%)

Mastectomy with axillary dissection is recommended in almost all cases, even when there is good response to primary systemic therapy.

(LoE: I B) (95%)

Immediate reconstruction is generally not recommended in patients with inflammatory LABC (LoE: Expert opinion) (95%)

Loco-regional radiotherapy (chest wall and lymph nodes) is required, even when a pCR is achieved with systemic therapy. (LoE: I B) (98%)



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GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

The management of ABC is complex and, therefore, involvement of all appropriate specialties in a multidisciplinary team (including but not restricted to medical, radiation, surgical oncologists, imaging experts, pathologists, gynecologists, psycho-oncologists, social workers, nurses and palliative care specialists), is crucial (LoE: Expert opinion). (100%)



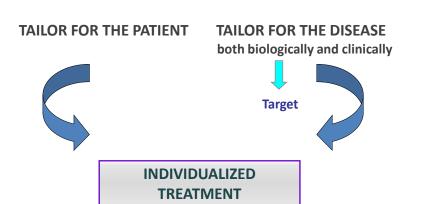
TREATMENT - GENERAL

Treatment choice should take into account at least these factors:

HR & HER-2 status, previous therapies and their toxicities, disease-free interval, tumor burden (defined as number and site of metastases), biological age, performance status, co-morbidities (including organ dysfunctions), menopausal status (for ET),

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INDISPENSABLE PRESENCE OF OTHER HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS (besides physicians) IN THE MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM





SURGERY OF THE PRIMARY

To date, the removal of the primary tumor in patients with de novo stage IV breast cancer has not been associated with prolongation of survival, with the possible exception of the subset of patients with bone only disease.(LoE: 1B)

However, it can be considered in selected patients, particularly to improve quality of life, always taking into account the patient's preferences.

Of note, some studies suggest that surgery is only valuable if performed with the same attention to detail (e.g. complete removal of the disease) as in patients with early stage disease. (LoE: 2 B) (71%)

Additional prospective clinical trials evaluating the value of this approach, the best candidates and best timing are currently ongoing.



A small but very important subset of patients with ABC, for example those with oligo-metastatic disease or low volume metastatic disease that is highly sensitive to systemic therapy, can achieve complete remission and a long survival.

A multimodal approach, including local-regional treatments with curative intent, should be considered for these selected patients.

(LoE: Expert opinion) (91%)

A prospective clinical trial addressing this specific situation is needed.



BRAIN METASTASES

MAIN MESSAGES:

✓ A multi-disciplinary discussion including neurosurgeons, radiation oncologists and medical oncologists is indispensable in determining the optimal treatment for each patient.

✓ The treatment plan can also be a combination of these three available therapeutic approaches (surgery, RT, radiosurgery).

THE SAME FOR BONE, LIVER, CHEST WALL METASTASES,

Optimal COLLABORATION is crucial

TEAM WORK







THE BEST EXPERTISE IN EACH FIELD DECIDING TOGETHER, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PATIENT!

European breast units manifesto



Theme:

Access to <u>specialist</u>, <u>multidisciplinary</u> breast cancer units (or centres or services)





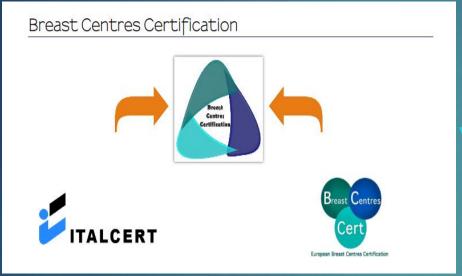
European breast units manifesto



Manifesto – CALL TO ACTION

- The 2016 deadline for all patients in European Union countries to access specialist, multidisciplinary breast cancer units, or centres, will be missed by most countries, despite numerous resolutions and declarations issued since the year 2000 that have called for universal specialist services
- This means that many women, and some men, <u>do not receive optimal</u> <u>breast cancer care in Europe</u>
- We call on <u>policymakers and politicians</u> to ensure, as soon as possible, that <u>all women and men with breast cancer in Europe are treated in a</u> <u>specialist breast unit</u>
- There is still time for a major step forward in 2016

In 2013 started the collaboration with ITALCERT in order to develop a scheme called «Breast Centres Certification» according to EUSOMA requirements



www.breastcentrescertification.com



Certification
procedures in
compliance with the
European Regulation
UNI CEI EN 45011-1999
UNI EN ISO 19011-2003

EUROPEAN COMMISSION GUIDELINES AND ACCREDITATION PROJECT



The European Commission (EC), in response to the Council of the European Union's conclusions on reducing the burden of cancer, initiated a ground-breaking project to develop a European quality assurance (QA) scheme for breast cancer services underpinned by accreditation and referring to high quality, evidence-based quidelines.

•Will still be volunteer-basis

•Will cover all spectrum of cancer services

There is nothing more fulfilling in your job than working with the best team in the world!





European breast units manifesto



To do this, we ask that policymakers and politicians, together with healthcare professionals and patient advocates:

- Promote, in public and professional settings, the evidence that breast units staffed with specialist multidisciplinary teams <u>deliver superior care and quality of life</u> to women and men with breast cancer
- Acknowledge the evidence that treatment in multidisciplinary units leads to overall cost savings as well as <u>higher quality of care</u>
- Audit the current national provision of breast cancer care using <u>accredited auditors</u>
- Implement mandatory reimbursement and care models that mean treatment can only be carried out in specialist breast units
- Introduce a breast unit <u>quality scheme</u> that is <u>certified</u> by accredited bodies
- Join European-wide scientific societies and groups that <u>promote the availability</u> <u>and quality of breast units</u>, and together commit to providing access to such units for all patients

CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE QUALITY INDICATORS

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Position Paper

Quality indicators in breast cancer care

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