



# **BREAST CENTRES NETWORK**

Synergy among Breast Units

## Regina Pacis Clinic - San Cataldo, Italy

#### **General Information**



New breast cancer cases treated per year 150

Breast multidisciplinarity team members 7

Radiologists, surgeons, pathologists, medical oncologists, radiotherapists and nurses

Clinical Director: Giuseppe Virzi, MD

The Breast Unit of Regina Pacis Clinic (San Cataldo, CL) is one of main integrated Breast Units in Sicily (Italy). It has a unique geographical set up: the Breast Unit has its own ward, its own operating theatre and its own clinic inter-connected with its own integrated facilities providing ultrasound, mammography, tomosynthesis and 3 Tesla-MR directly in the Unit. One floor above the clinical facilities there are the Pathology Unit and the Centre of Genetic Oncology. Aims of the Beast Unit: 1.To provide state of the art care for all patients with breast cancer in the middle of Sicily; 2.To advance knowledge and understanding of breast cancer and to improve patient outcomes; 3.To provide not only the best medical care but truly holistic care for all our patients.

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## CERTIFICATION(S) ACCREDITATION(S)

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#### Available services

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- ✓ Breast Surgery
- ☑ Reconstructive/Plastic Surgery
- ✓ Pathology
- ☐ Medical Oncology
- Radiotherapy

#### ☐ Nuclear Medicine

- ✓ Rehabilitation
- ☐ Genetic Counselling
- ✓ Data Management
- ☐ Psycho-oncology
- ☐ Breast Nurses

## Social Workers

- ✓ Nutritional Counselling
- ☐ Survivorship Groups
- Sexual Health Counselling
- ☐ Supportive and Palliative Care
- ✓ Integrative Medicine

### Radiology

☑ Dedicated Radiologists	2
Mammograms per year	1500
✓ Breast radiographers	
✓ Screening program	
✓ Verification for	
non-palpable breast lesions	
on specimen	

on specimen

Axillary US/US-guided FNAB

Clinical Research

#### Available imaging equipment

- Mammography
- ✓ Ultrasound
- ✓ Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
- ✓ Tomosynthesis, Contrast Enhanced Spectral Mammography

# Available work-up imaging equipment

- ✓ Computer Tomography
- ✓ Ultrasound
- ✓ Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
- ☐ PET/CT scan
- ✓ Tomosynthesis, Contrast Enhanced Spectral Mammography

# Primary technique for localizing non-palpable lesions

- ✓ Hook-wire (or needle localization)
- ☐ Charcoal marking/tattooing
- ROLL: radio-guided occult lesion localization

# Available breast tissue sampling equipment

- Stereotactic Biopsy (Mammography quided)
- ☑ Core Biopsy (Tru-cut)
- ✓ Vacuum assisted biopsy
- ☑ Ultrasound-guided biopsy
- Fine-needle aspiration biopsy (FNAB, cytology)
- Core Biopsy
- ✓ Vacuum assisted biopsy
- MRI-guided biopsy
- Core Biopsy
- ✓ Vacuum assisted biopsy

### **Breast Surgery**

✓ New operated cases per year (benign and malignant)	51
☑ Dedicated Breast Surgeons	1
☑ Surgeons with more than 50 surgeries per year	C
☑ Breast Surgery beds	12
☑ Breast Nurse specialists	2
☑ Outpatient surgery	
☑ Intra-operative evaluation of sentinel node	
☑ Reconstruction performed by Breast Surgeons	
☑ Clinical Research	

#### Primary technique for staging the axilla

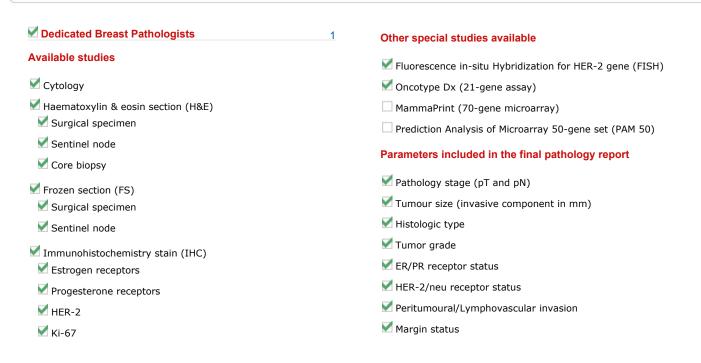
- Axillary lymph node dissection
- ☐ Sentinel lymph node biopsy:
- ☐ Blue dye technique
- Radio-tracer technique
- ☐ Blue dye + Radio-tracer
- ▼ Fluorescence navigation with indocyanine green
- Axillary sampling

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✓ Free-flaps (free TRAM, DIEP, SIEA, gluteal, etc.)

Surgery on the contralateral breast for symmetry

### **Pathology**



#### **Medical Oncology**

This department/service is not available.

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Radiotherapy						
This department/service is not available.						
Multidisciplinary Meeting (MDM) / Tumour Board	(TB)					
Regular MDM/TB for case management discussion	Specialties/services participating in MDM/TB					
☐ Twice a week	<b>☑</b> Radiology					
☑ Weekly	☑ Breast Surgery					
Every two weeks	✓ Reconstructive/Plastic Surgery					
Other Schedule	☑ Pathology					
Cases discussed at MDM/TB	☐ Medical Oncology					
Preoperative cases	Radiotherapy					
<ul><li>✓ Preoperative cases</li><li>✓ Postoperative cases</li></ul>	Genetic Counselling					
Postoperative cases	☐ Breast Nurse Service					
	Psycho-oncology					
Further Services and Facilities						
Nuclear Medicine	Genetic Counselling					
Lymphoscintigraphy	Specialist Providing Genetic Counselling/Risk assessment					
$\square$ Bone scan	service:  ☑ Dedicated Clinical Geneticist					
$\square$ Positron Emission Tomography (PET)	☐ Medical Oncologist					
☐ PET/CT scan	☐ Breast Surgeon					
Rehabilitation	General Surgeon					
☑ Prosthesis service	☐ Gynaecologist					
☑ Physiotherapy	Genetic Testing available					

✓ Lymph-oedema treatment

☐ Surveillance program for high-risk women

☑ Database used for clinical information

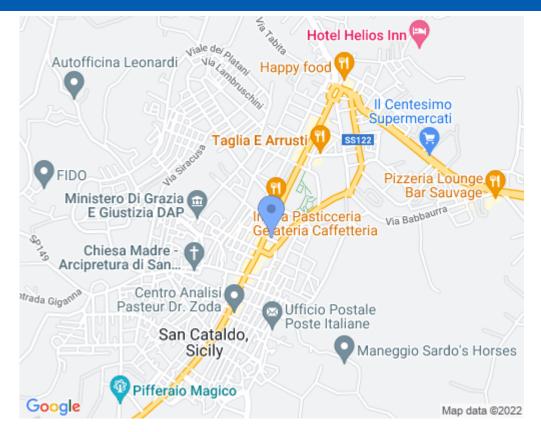
**Data Management** 

☑ Data manager available

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Florio Airport CIY - Comiso, Airport

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#### By bus or sub-way/underground:

Caltanissetta Bus Station San Cataldo (Caltanissetta) Bus Station

#### By car:

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