



BREAST CENTRES NETWORK

Synergy among Breast Units

★ Brustkrebszentrum der UMG, University Hospital of the University of Göttingen - Göttingen, Germany

General Information



New breast cancer cases treated per year **184**

Breast multidisciplinary team members **13**

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

Clinical Director: Julia Gallwas, MD

The 'Brustkrebszentrum der Universitätsmedizin Göttingen' treats 150-200 patients with newly diagnosed breast cancer each year. It is a team of experts of different medical disciplines dedicated to give patient-centred care and cure on the best scientific standard. We offer diagnostic and pre- and post-surgery clinics, genetic counselling, psycho-oncological support, follow-up, advanced tumour clinic). Diagnose is given mostly in one day only, and surgery can be performed within one week. We prefer tumorectomy and sentinel-node-biopsy whenever possible but offer breast reconstruction as well. Our multidisciplinary tumour board generates individual treatment plans for each patient; our protocols respect international guidelines and are regularly updated. Adjuvant therapy (Chemotherapy and Radiation) are given in the outpatient section of the Unit. Psycho-oncological and social support are offered. We are a Center in the 'Deutsches Konsortium Familiärer Brust- und Eierstockkrebs'. We take part in multi-centre studies and have a specialised group to do basic research on breast cancer. We organise conferences for cooperating physicians, patients and the public.

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Available services

- ✓ Radiology
- ✓ 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** 5000
- ✓ **Breast radiographers**
- ✓ **Screening program**
- ✓ **Verification for non-palpable breast lesions on specimen**
- ✓ **Axillary US/US-guided FNAB**
- ✓ **Clinical Research**

Available imaging equipment

- ✓ Mammography
- ✓ Ultrasound
- ✓ Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

Available work-up imaging equipment

- ✓ Computer Tomography
- ✓ Ultrasound
- ✓ Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
- ✓ PET/CT scan
- ✓ Scintigraphy

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 guided)
 - ✓ 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)** 152
- ✓ **Dedicated Breast Surgeons** 4
- ✓ **Surgeons with more than 50 surgeries per year** 2
- ✓ **Breast Surgery beds** 10
- ✓ **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
- Axillary sampling

Reconstructive/Plastic Surgery

- Reconstructive/Plastic surgeons** 1
- Immediate Reconstruction available**

Type of breast reconstructive surgery available

- Remodelling after breast-conserving surgery
- Reconstruction after mastectomy:
 - Two-stage reconstruction (tissue expander followed by implant)
 - One-stage reconstruction
 - Autogenous tissue flap
 - Latissimus dorsi flap
 - Transverse rectus abdominis (TRAM)
 - Free-flaps (free TRAM, DIEP, SIEA, gluteal, etc.)
- Surgery on the contralateral breast for symmetry
- Lymph-Vessel- Anastomosis

Pathology

- Dedicated Breast Pathologists** 2

Available studies

- Cytology
- Haematoxylin & eosin section (H&E)
 - Surgical specimen
 - Sentinel node
 - Core biopsy
- Frozen section (FS)
 - Surgical specimen
 - Sentinel node
- Immunohistochemistry stain (IHC)
 - Estrogen receptors
 - Progesterone receptors
 - HER-2
 - Ki-67

Other special studies available

- Fluorescence in-situ Hybridization for HER-2 gene (FISH)
- Oncotype Dx (21-gene assay)
- MammaPrint (70-gene microarray)
- Prediction Analysis of Microarray 50-gene set (PAM 50)
- Whole Genom Arrays (Agilent)

Parameters included in the final pathology report

- Pathology stage (pT and pN)
- Tumour size (invasive component in mm)
- Histologic type
- Tumor grade
- ER/PR receptor status
- HER-2/neu receptor status
- Peritumoural/Lymphovascular invasion
- Margin status
- Ki 67

Medical Oncology

- Dedicated Breast Medical Oncologists** 2
- Outpatient systemic therapy**
- Clinical Research**

Radiotherapy

Dedicated Radiation Oncologists

Clinical Research

Available techniques after breast-conserving surgery (including experimental)

Whole-Breast RT (WBRT)

Partial breast irradiation (PBI):

External beam PBI

Interstitial brachytherapy

Targeted brachytherapy (MammoSite, SAVI applicator, other devices)

Intra-operative RT (IORT)

Multidisciplinary Meeting (MDM) / Tumour Board (TB)

Regular MDM/TB for case management discussion

Twice a week

Weekly

Every two weeks

Other Schedule

Cases discussed at MDM/TB

Preoperative cases

Postoperative cases

Specialties/services participating in MDM/TB

Radiology

Breast Surgery

Reconstructive/Plastic Surgery

Pathology

Medical Oncology

Radiotherapy

Genetic Counselling

Breast Nurse Service

Psycho-oncology

Human genetics

Further Services and Facilities

Nuclear Medicine

Lymphoscintigraphy

Bone scan

Positron Emission Tomography (PET)

PET/CT scan

Rehabilitation

Prosthesis service

Physiotherapy

Lymph-oedema treatment

special clinics for advanced cancer. Rehab.sports-group

Genetic Counselling

Specialist Providing Genetic Counselling/Risk assessment service:

Dedicated Clinical Geneticist

Medical Oncologist

Breast Surgeon

General Surgeon

Gynaecologist

Genetic Testing available

Surveillance program for high-risk women

Data Management

Database used for clinical information

Data manager available

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By train:

Super-express train (ICE) connections to most of the major German cities.

By bus or sub-way/underground:

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Freeway/motorway A7 exit Goettingen NORD. Follow the signs to KLINIKEN.

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