



BREAST CENTRES NETWORK

Synergy among Breast Units

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Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza - San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy

General Information



New breast cancer cases treated per year 358

Breast multidisciplinarity team members 20

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

Clinical Director: Roberto Murgo, MD, PhD

The Breast Surgery Unit was established in 2001, but only in November 2009 it obtained its own autonomy (beds and staff). The unit is dedicated to the diagnosis and treatment of all breast diseases. The 'Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza' Hospital, an Institution of Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, was opened on 5th May 1956. The Holy See inherited the Hospital in 1968. In accordance with its Founder's thoughts, the institutional purposes of the Foundation are didactics, medical training and scientific research, as well as care of and assistance for those who suffer.

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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

✓ PET/CT scan

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✓ Nutritional Counselling

✓ Survivorship Groups

☐ Sexual Health Counselling

✓ Supportive and Palliative Care

☐ Integrative Medicine

Radiology

Dedicated Radiologists	6
Mammograms per year	15000
☑ 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) Tomosynthesis Available work-up imaging equipment Computer Tomography Ultrasound Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)

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

Primary technique for localizing

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)	473
✓ Dedicated Breast Surgeons	5
☑ 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

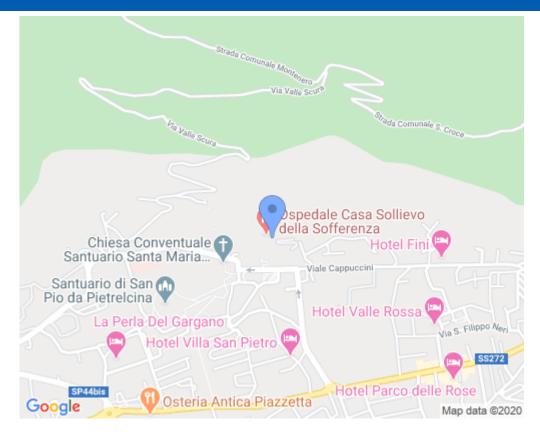
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✓ Pathology stage (pT and pN)		
✓ Tumour size (invasive component in mm)		
☑ Histologic type		
☑ Tumor grade		
✓ ER/PR receptor status		
✓ HER-2/neu receptor status		
Peritumoural/Lymphovascular invasion		
Margin status		

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☑ Dedicated Radiation Oncologists			
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	External beam PBI		
	☑ Interstitial brachytherapy		
	☐ Targeted brachytherapy (MammoSite, SAVI applicator, other devices)		
	☐ Intra-operative RT (IORT)		
lultidisciplinary Meeting (MDM) / Tumour Board ((ТВ)		
Regular MDM/TB for case management discussion	Specialties/services participating in MDM/TB		
Twice a week	✓ Radiology		
✓ Weekly	☑ Breast Surgery		
Every two weeks	☑ Reconstructive/Plastic Surgery		
Other Schedule	✓ Pathology		
Cases discussed at MDM/TB	✓ Medical Oncology		
	☑ Radiotherapy		
Preoperative cases	Genetic Counselling		
Postoperative cases	✓ Breast Nurse Service		
	✓ Psycho-oncology		
urther Services and Facilities			
Nuclear Medicine	Genetic Counselling		
✓ Lymphoscintigraphy	Specialist Providing Genetic Counselling/Risk assessment		
☑ Bone scan	service: ☑ Dedicated Clinical Geneticist		
Positron Emission Tomography (PET)	Medical Oncologist		
☑ PET/CT scan	☐ Breast Surgeon		
Rehabilitation	General Surgeon		
✓ Prosthesis service	Gynaecologist		
✓ Prostnesis service✓ Physiotherapy	✓ Genetic Testing available		
✓ Lymph-oedema treatment	Surveillance program for high-risk women		
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From airport:

Nearest airports: Foggia, Bari, Napoli and Pescara.

By train:

Foggia is an important railway station for Regional, Intercity and Eurostar trains. Once arrived in Foggia take the bus to San Giovanni Rotondo.

By bus or sub-way/underground:

From Foggia: there are buses leaving every hour from the railway station square to San Giovanni Rotondo.

By car:

From Northern Italy: Bologna-Bari highway, exit to Foggia; Roma-Napoli-Canosa highway, exit to Candela, then follow road directions to Foggia. From Southern Italy: Bari-Pescara-Bologna highway, exit to Foggia. From Foggia: take the Foggia-Manfredonia road, exit to San Giovanni Rotondo.

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