



BREAST CENTRES NETWORK

Synergy among Breast Units

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General Information



New breast cancer cases treated per year 242

Breast multidisciplinary team members 21

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

Clinical Director: Rita Hils, MD

Our breast unit is a comprehensive breast care center certified by the German Cancer Society (DKG) and the German Society of Senology (DGS) since 2004. In 2006 we have obtained Eusoma initial accreditation. We treat about 900 patients with breast cancer disease including 350 patients with newly diagnosed breast cancer disease per year, while our outpatient diagnostic section sees about 3500 patients per year. Our clinic is fully equipped with technical facilities for minimally invasive breast diagnostic measures. The spectrum of surgery includes ablative and conservative as well as reconstructive interventions. We perform autologous and heterologous reconstructions as well as axillary diagnostic procedures and the sentinel lymph node techniques. Systemic treatment, such as antibody-, endocrine- and chemo-therapy, as well as supportive agents, that are initiated in our interdisciplinary conferences, are administered in our outpatient clinic under the auspices of experienced gynaecological oncologists. Our breast unit is an active center of national and international study groups and an assessment center of the national mammography screening project.

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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** 3
- ✓ **Mammograms per year** 2095
- ✓ **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)
- ✓ PET

Available work-up imaging equipment

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

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)** 267
- ✓ **Dedicated Breast Surgeons** 5
- ✓ **Surgeons with more than 50 surgeries per year** 3
- ✓ **Breast Surgery beds** 34
- ✓ **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** 4

✓ **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

Pathology

✓ **Dedicated Breast Pathologists** 6

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)
- ✓ UPA/PAI1

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

Medical Oncology

✓ **Dedicated Breast Medical Oncologists** 4

✓ **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

Further Services and Facilities

Nuclear Medicine

☒ Lymphoscintigraphy

☒ Bone scan

☒ Positron Emission Tomography (PET)

☒ PET/CT scan

☒ SLN

Rehabilitation

☒ Prosthesis service

☒ Physiotherapy

☒ Lymph-oedema treatment

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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