



BREAST CENTRES NETWORK

Synergy among Breast Units

Hospital da Mulher Maria Luzia dos Santos - Salvador, Bahia, Brazil

General Information

Image: Hospital da Mulher Maria Luzia dos Santos

New breast cancer cases treated per year 500

Breast multidisciplinarity team members 47

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

Clinical Director: André Dias, MD

The Hospital da Mulher Maria Luzia dos Santos is a reference centre in treating female pathologies and is located in the city of Salvador, Bahia, Brazil. The unit offers FREE care to patients in the 417 municipalities of Bahia, being public and maintained exclusively with resources from the state government of Bahia. Since opening in 2017, it has performed over 1 million doctor's appointments and over 60,000 surgeries. In 2019, Hospital da Mulher received the Dr Pinotti award, national recognition for excellence in the treatment provided to the population. The Department of Breast Surgery performs the most sophisticated procedures in the speciality and promotes education, being a centre for new specialists and scientific production. Currently, the offer of vacancies in the Ministry of Education, offer of hospitality, offer of specialists in mastology. The service is always focused on the future and is already preparing to provide a specialization program at an international level for foreigners.

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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	5
✓ Mammograms per year	10000
✓ 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) ☑ Obs: MRI IS OUTSIDE. Available work-up imaging equipment ✓ Computer Tomography ✓ Ultrasound ✓ Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) ☐ PET/CT scan ☑ Obs: MRI IS OUTSIDE 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
\square Vacuum assisted biopsy

Breast Surgery

✓ New operated cases per year (benign and maligna	int) 1700
✓ Dedicated Breast Surgeons	30
☑ Surgeons with more than 50 surgeries per year	8
✓ Breast Surgery beds	15
☑ Breast Nurse specialists	1
☑ Outpatient surgery	
✓ Intra-operative evaluation of sentinel node	
☑ Reconstruction performed by Breast Surgeons	
☑ Clinical Research	

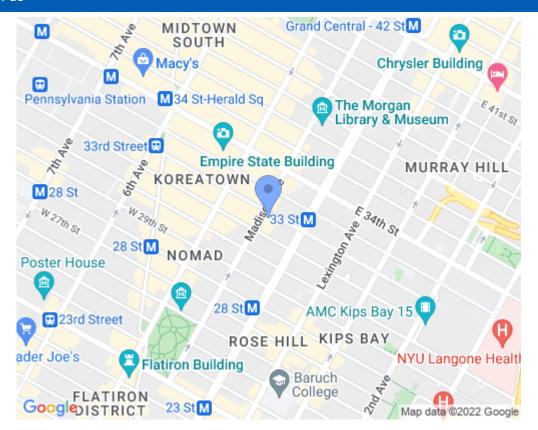
Primary technique for staging the axilla Axillary lymph node dissection Sentinel lymph node biopsy: Blue dye technique Radio-tracer technique Blue dye + Radio-tracer Axillary sampling

Reconstructive/Plastic Surgery		
▼ Reconstructive/Plastic surgeons ▼ 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 5	Other special studies available	
Available studies	☑ Fluorescence in-situ Hybridization for HER-2 gene (FISH)	
✓ Cytology	Oncotype Dx (21-gene assay)	
✓ Haematoxylin & eosin section (H&E)	MammaPrint (70-gene microarray)	
☑ Surgical specimen	Prediction Analysis of Microarray 50-gene set (PAM 50)	
✓ Sentinel node		
☑ Core biopsy	Parameters included in the final pathology report	
✓ Frozen section (FS)	☑ Pathology stage (pT and pN)	
☑ Surgical specimen	☑ Tumour size (invasive component in mm)	
☑ Sentinel node	☑ Histologic type	
☑ Immunohistochemistry stain (IHC)	☑ Tumor grade	
Estrogen receptors	✓ ER/PR receptor status	
✓ Progesterone receptors	☑ HER-2/neu receptor status	
☑ HER-2	Peritumoural/Lymphovascular invasion	
☑ Ki-67	☑ Margin status	
Medical Oncology		
☑ Dedicated Breast Medical Oncologists 5		
☑ 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
	\square Targeted brachytherapy (MammoSite, SAVI applicator, other devices)
	\square Intra-operative RT (IORT)
Multidisciplinary 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
Cases discussed at MDM/16	Radiotherapy
✓ Preoperative cases	Genetic Counselling
Postoperative cases	☐ Breast Nurse Service
	Psycho-oncology
Further 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
	Gynaecologist
✓ Prosthesis service	_
M Physiotherapy	Genetic Testing available
☑ Lymph-oedema treatment	Surveillance program for high-risk women
	Data Management
	☐ Database used for clinical information
	☐ Data manager available

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From the subway station "Aeroporto" to the station "Iguatemi". Upon arriving at the "Iguatemi" station, the visitor must leave this station and head for the bus connection to "Largo de Roma" located in the lower city.

By train:

No trains to Women' hospital.

By bus or sub-way/underground:

There is no subway to Hospital da Mulher, however the route from any location in the city can be done, by identifying the bus line that has the following destination: Largo de Roma na "Cidade Baixa".

By car:

Easy access. The Hospital da Mulher can be reached using the following address in spatial orientation applications (GPS): "Rua Barão de Cotegipe, 1135" ou "Largo de Roma" in the city of Salvador, Bahia, Brazil.

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