



## Integrated Management of Breast Cancer

Dear Colleagues,

Breast cancer is acknowledged as an international priority in health care. It is currently the most common neoplasm and leading cause of cancer death in women worldwide, with demographic trends indicating a continuous increase in incidence.

Despite these alarming statistics, evolving evidence-based guidelines in leading disciplines as precision testing, imaging, surgery and radiation-medical oncology resulted in a steady improvement of survival rates.

Today, breast cancer patients are treated according refined diagnostic and treatment algorithms, that require the expertise of a wide range of specialists, in order to formulate case-sensitive and patient-centered treatment strategies.

As a result, current evidences confirmed the “Multidisciplinary Breast Unit” model as the only successful environment where dedicated specialists can work in synergy, generating a significant improvement of survival rates and patient’s quality of life.

This special issue will highlight the innovations in the integrated management of breast cancer, their potential advantages and the many open issues that still require proper definition and implementation.

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