





#### The integrative therapies in oncology

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#### No conflict to declare



#### **Integrative Therapies in Oncology**

Treatments provided alongside the conventional anticancer therapies that, through **psychological support**, **lifestyles** and evidence based **complementary approaches** are aimed at **improving wellbeing**, **reduce side effects and risks of recurrence** 



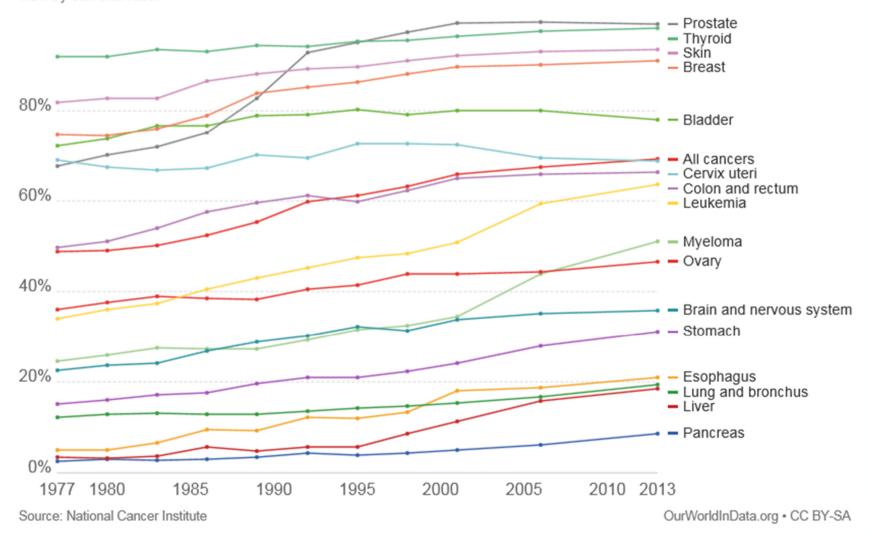
# Why should we need integrative therapies in oncology?



#### Five-year cancer survival rates in the USA, All races, total



Percentage of cancer patients surviving at least five years since diagnosis, by cancer type. This data is available to view by sex and race.



#### The NEW ENGLAND JOURNAL of MEDICINE

#### REVIEW ARTICLE

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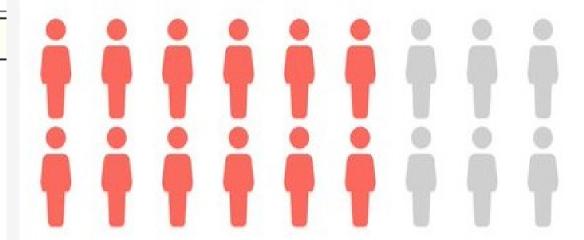
#### Cancer Survivorship

Charles L. Shapiro, M.D.

DVANCES IN CANCER SCREENING AND EARLY DETECTION, IMPR in therapeutics, and supportive care all contribute to decrease mortality. Figure 1 shows the changing demographic charactericancer population from 1975 through 2040. There will be an estimated survivors in 2040, the majority of whom will be in their 60s, 70s, or 8

every health care provider will encounter cancer survivors. This review is primarily intended for primary care physicians, obstetrician—gynecologists, midlevel providers, and subspecialists who have patients who are cancer survivors. The review also serves as a primer for surgeons, radiotherapists, and medical oncologists who may not be familiar with the broad topic of survivorship. At present, the care of cancer survivors is often an afterthought, tends to be fragmentary, and is not well integrated into the mainstream of cancer care. Also, the best models for providing

The number of survivors of cancer is growing worldwide due to ageing populations and improved early detection and treatment



At least two-thirds of survivors have physical, psychological, health information, and supportive care needs that are not recognised or well managed in current care models

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Review

Evidence-based approaches for the management of side-effects of adjuvant endocrine therapy in patients with breast cancer

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TABLE 3. Summary of Recommendations

Integrative Intervention	Type of Recommendation	Quality of Evidence	Level of Obligation	Benefit/Harm	Strength of Recommendation
Al-related joint muscle pain					
Acupuncture/acutherapy	Evidence based	Intermediate	Should	Benefit outweighs harm	Moderate
Breathing exercises Hatha and restorative yoga postures Meditation	Evidence based	Low	Мау	Benefit outweighs harm	Weak
General cancer pain/musculoskeletal pain					
Acupuncture/acutherapy	Evidence based	Intermediate	May	Benefit outweighs harm	Moderate
Reflexology	Evidence based	Intermediate	May	Benefit outweighs harm	Moderate
Massage	Evidence based	Low	May	Benefit outweighs harms	Moderate
Yoga	Evidence based	Low	May	Benefit outweighs harm	Weak
Guided imagery + PMR	Evidence based	Low	May	Not assessable	Weak
CIPN					
Acupuncture/acutherapy	Evidence based/informal consensus	Low	May	Not assessable	Weak
Reflexology	Evidence based	Low	May	Benefit outweighs harm	Weak
Procedural pain					
Hypnosis	Evidence based	Intermediate	May	Benefit outweighs harm	Moderate
Surgical pain					
Acupuncture/acutherapy	Evidence based/informal consensus	Low	May	Benefit outweighs harm	Weak
Music therapy	Evidenced based	Low	May	Benefit outweighs harm	Weak
Pain during palliative care					
Massage	Evidence based	Intermediate	May	Benefit outweighs harms	Moderate

Abbreviations: AI, aromatase inhibitor; CIPN, chemotherapy-induced peripheral neuropathy; PMR, progressive muscle relaxation.



#### NATIONAL CANCER OPINION SURVEY 2018 KEY FINDINGS



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## NATIONAL CANCER OPINION SURVEY

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#### **Alternative Medicine: Widespread Misconceptions**

A surprising number of Americans believe that cancer can be cured solely through alternative therapies

Nearly 4 in 10 Americans



Younger people are most likely to hold this view

47%

21%

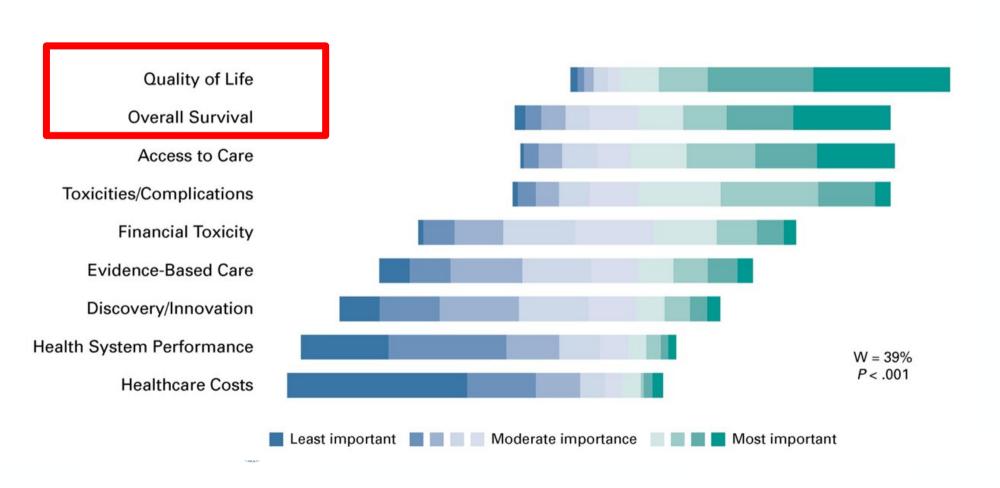
of people ages 18-37 of people ages **72+** 

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38% of caregivers to cancer patients

22% of people who have/had cancer

## **Survival and Quality of life**

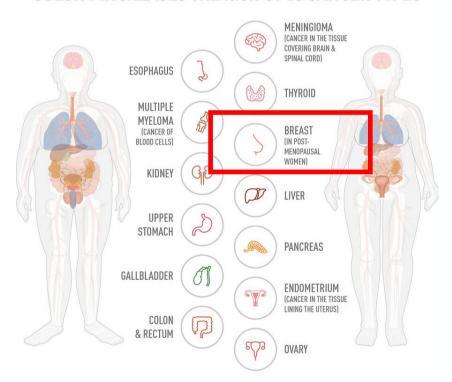


# Why diet and physical activity are key in oncology?



#### **Body weight and cancer**

#### **OBESITY INCREASES THE RISK OF 13 CANCER TYPES**

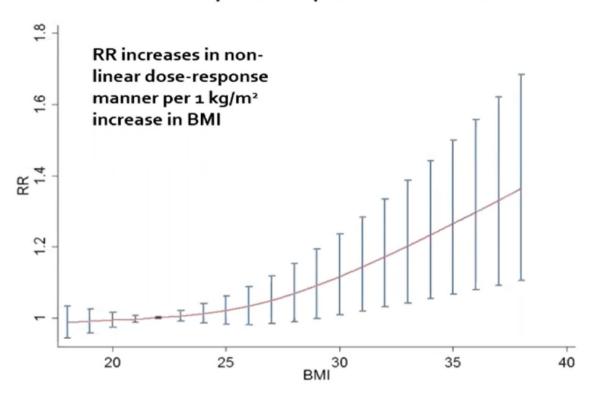


#### OBESITY AFFECTS EVERY ASPECT OF THE CANCER CONTINUUM



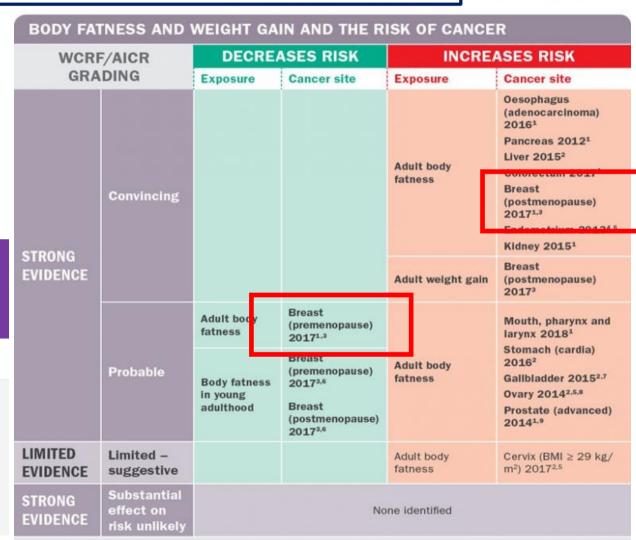
#### **Body weight and breast cancer**

#### Risk of ER+ postmenopausal breast cancer



Xia et al. Scientific Reports 2004 Ewertz et al. JCO 2010

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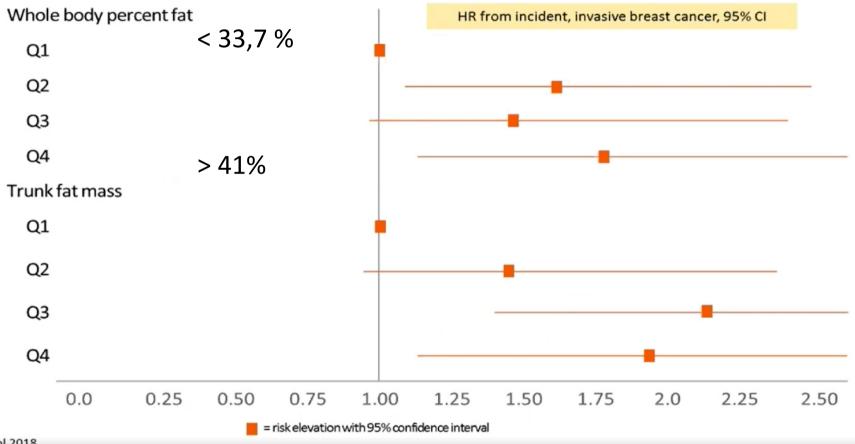




#### **Breast cancer**

How diet, nutrition and physical activity affect breast cancer risk

#### Normal Weight Hyperadiposity and Postmenopausal Breast Ca



Iyengar et al., JAMA Oncol 2018

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#### The effect of physical exercise on anticancer immunity

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Richard J. Simpson & Alejandro Lucia 

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#### Conclusion

There is biological evidence for an immune-stimulating effect of regular physical activity or exercise, notably, by stimulating immune cell mobilization (and, at least potentially, homing into tumours) in the few hours after each acute bout of exercise. As opposed to immunotherapeutic approaches, the beneficial immune effects of exercise are not accompanied by detrimental side effects, and carefully adapting exercise programmes to the individual characteristics of each patient can have a positive impact on health status, even in those with advanced-stage cancer 142. These observations support the recommendation of

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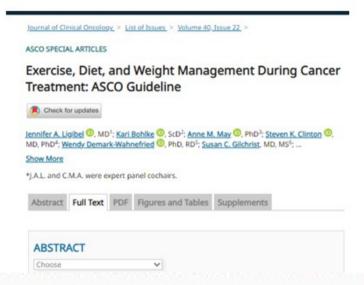
Acta Oncologica, 2015; 54: 635-654



#### REVIEW

Physical activity, risk of death and recurrence in breast cancer survivors: A systematic review and meta-analysis of epidemiological studies

		Hazard Ratio		Hazard Ratio
Study or Subgroup	Weight	IV, Random, 95% CI	Year	IV, Random, 95% CI
Abrahamson et al. 2006	11.1%	0.78 [0.56, 1.08]	2006	-
Irwin et al. 2008	6.5%	0.69 [0.45, 1.06]	2008	-
West-Wright et al. 2009	17.0%	0.78 [0.60, 1.02]	2009	
Emaus et al. 2010	8.7%	0.74 [0.51, 1.07]	2010	
Keegan et al. 2010	18.4%	0.77 [0.60, 0.99]	2010	
Hellman et al. 2010	8.7%	1.00 [0.69, 1.45]	2010	
Irwin et al. 2011	16.2%	0.61 [0.46, 0.80]	2011	
Cleveland et al. 2012	2.6%	0.45 [0.23, 0.89]	2012	
Schmidt et al. 2013	10.6%	0.66 [0.47, 0.92]	2013	
Total (95% CI)	100.0%	0.73 [0.65, 0.82]		•
Heterogeneity: Tau <sup>2</sup> = 0.00	12 15 1			
Test for overall effect: $Z = 5$	0.2 0.5 1 2 5 Favours High PA Favours Low PA			



#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Oncology providers should recommend regular aerobic and resistance exercise during active treatment with curative intent and may recommend preoperative exercise for patients undergoing surgery for lung cancer. Neutropenic diets are

not recommended to example infaction in nationte with cancer during action

The evidence base consisted of 52 systematic reviews (42 for exercise, nine for diet, and one for weight management), and an additional 23 randomized controlled trials. The most commonly studied types of cancer were breast, prostate, lung, and colorectal. Exercise during cancer treatment led to improvements in cardiorespiratory fitness, strength, fatigue, and other patient-reported outcomes. Preoperative exercise in patients with lung cancer led to a reduction in postoperative length of hospital stay and complications.

Neutropenic diets did not decrease risk of infection during cancer treatment.

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FROM FEBRUARY 2019 TO MARCH 2020 we performed a preoperative physical and nutritional screening in



with histologically proven breast cancer waiting for surgery

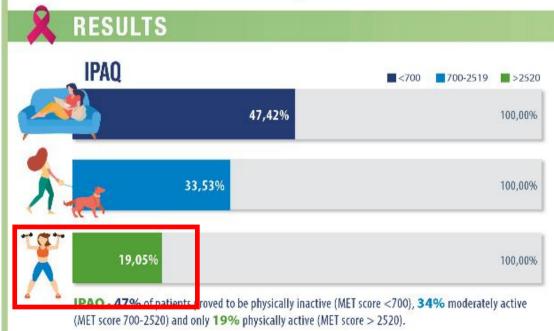


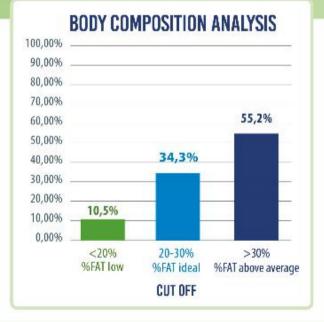






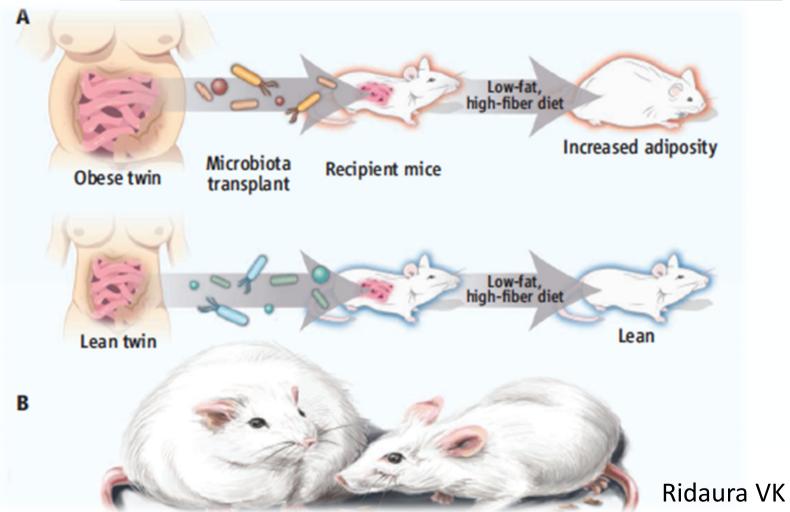






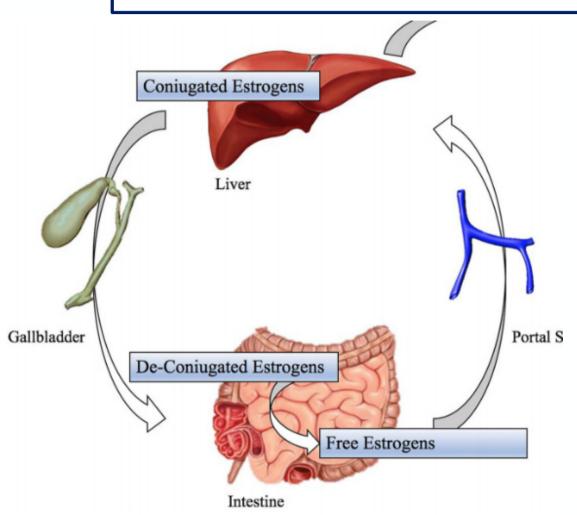
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### Microbiota and body weight

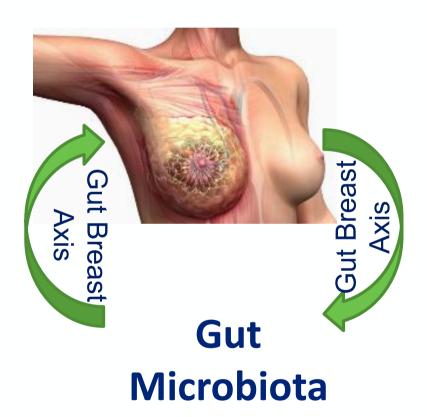


Ridaura VK et al. Science 2013

## Microbiota and estrogens



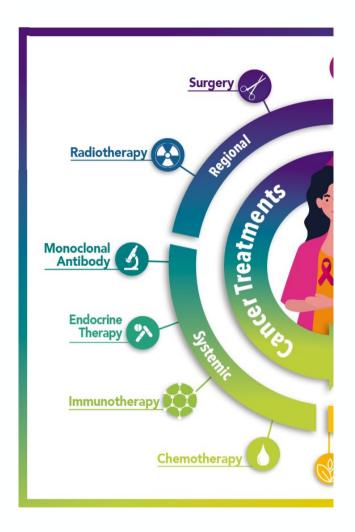
#### Microbiota and breast tissue





Costantini L, Magno S, Albanese D et al. Scient Rep 2018; 8: 16893



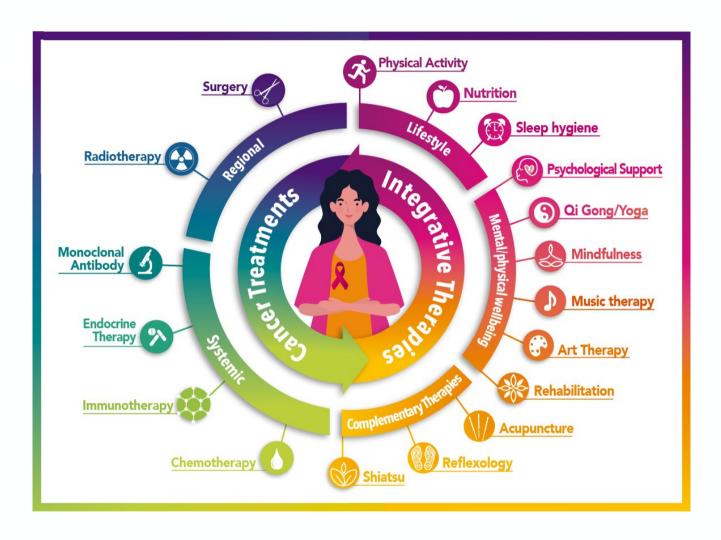




















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#### ASCO SPECIAL ARTICLE

#### Integrative Therapies During and After Breast Cancer Treatment: ASCO Endorsement of the SIO Clinical Practice Guideline

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Clinical Practice Guideline Committee

#### ABSTRACT

#### Purpose

The Society for Integrative Oncology (SIO) produced an evidence-based guideline on use of integrative therapies during and after breast cancer treatment that was determined to be relevant to the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) membership. ASCO considered the guideline for endorsement.

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#### 20 years of integrative oncology at FPG





#### **New Breast Unit**

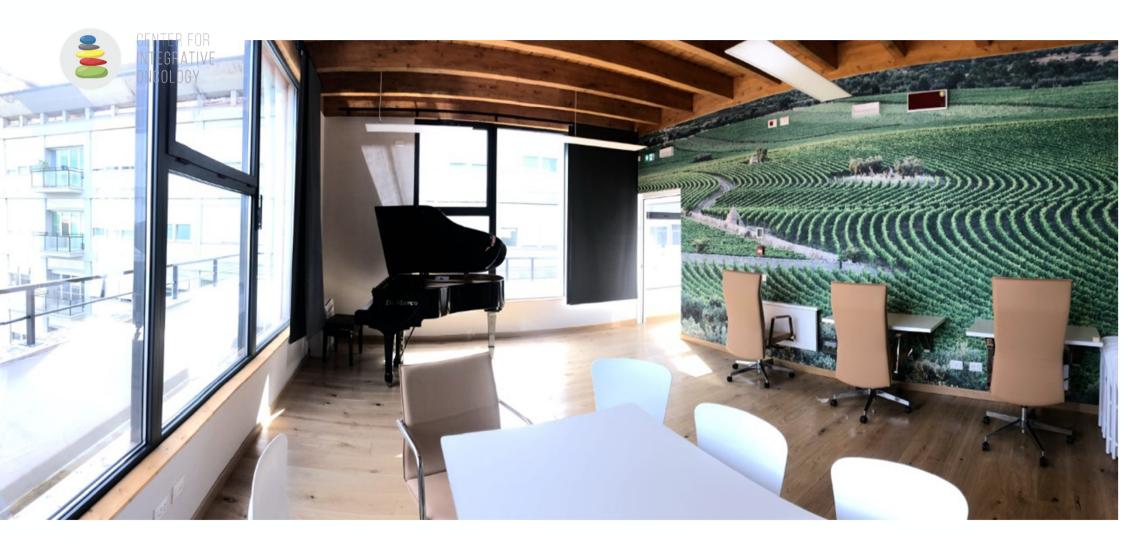


**Integrative Therapies Service** 

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Herbal medicine
Mindfulness
Art therapy
Music therapy

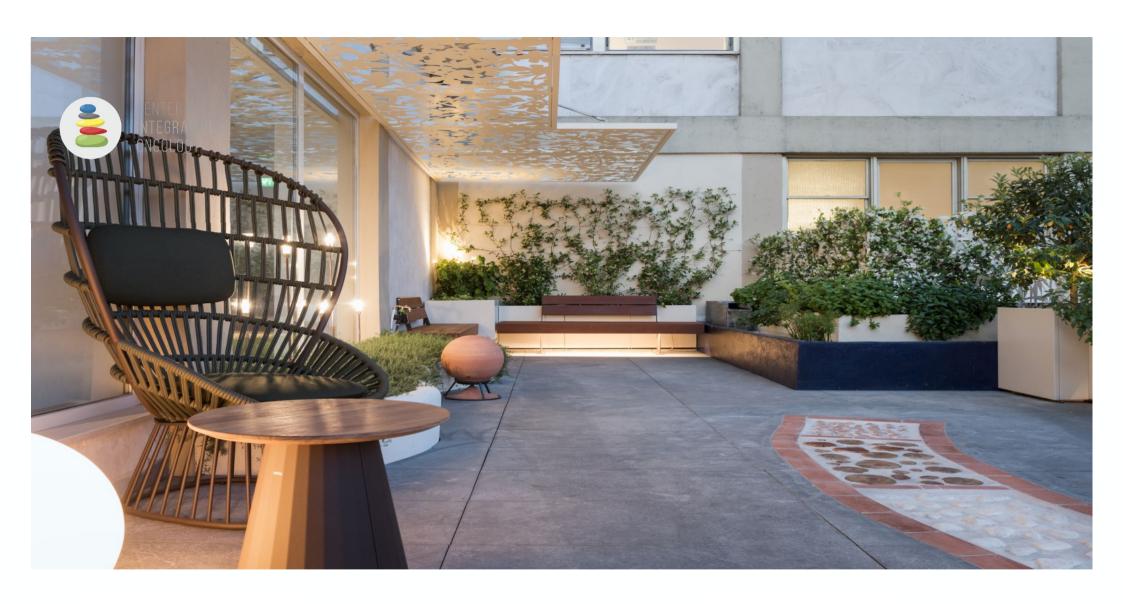




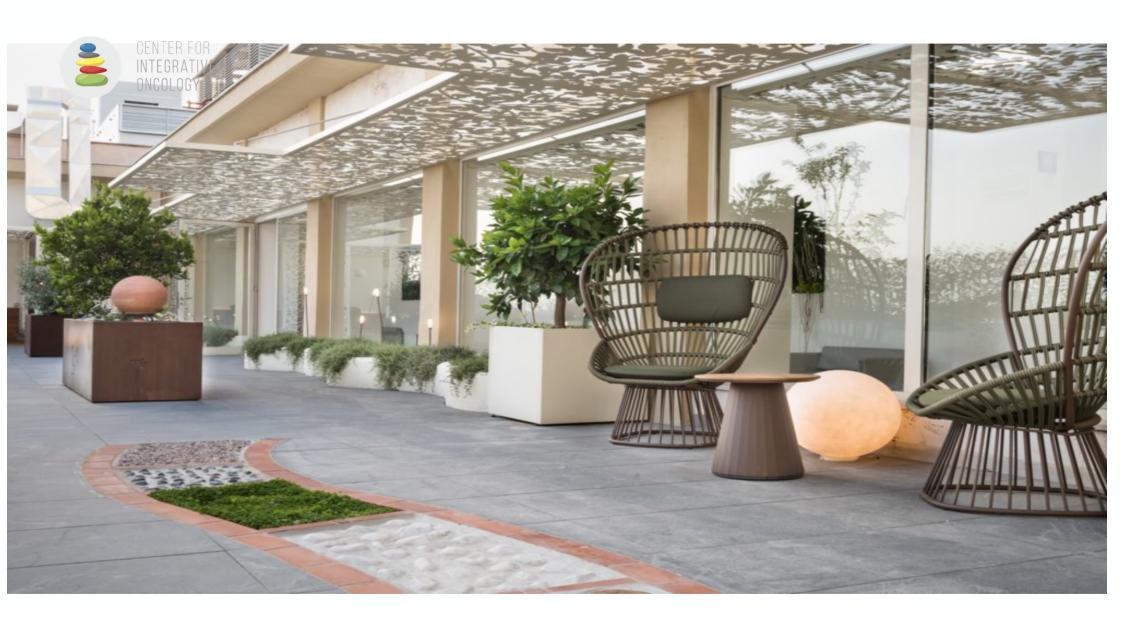


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**PREHABILITATION** 



**REHABILITATION** 



**ADJUVANT THERAPIES** 



FOLLOW UP & ADVANCED DISEASE







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## Psychoncological and lifestyle screening in BC patients awaiting for surgery

PSYCHO-ONCOLOGICAL TRIAGE (POT)



PRE-Hab

PRE-Hab

Priorità bassa - 0 interventi psicologico-clinico di follow-up differibili

Priorità intermedia - 1 approfondimento psicologico clinico

Priorità alta - 2 interventi immediati e/o valutazioni specialistiche

LIFESTYLE TRIAGE (SOS-PREHAB) BMI <18,5 ->24,9



Rischio basso (4-5) Raccomandazioni alimentari WCRF

Rischio medio (6-8) Raccomandazioni alimentari WCRF e Consegna diario alimentare

Rischio alto (9) Invio a Nutrizione clinica o Patologie dell'obesità





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Manual

**FIBROSIS** 

FUNCTIONAL LIMITATIONS

**Mechanical** 





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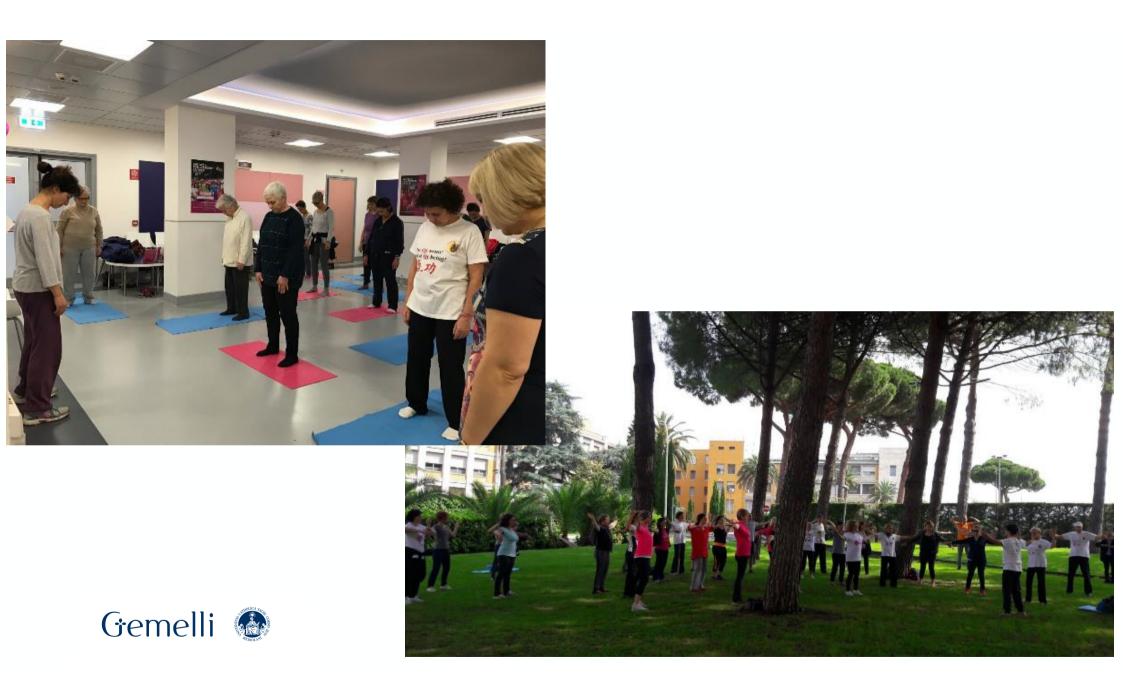
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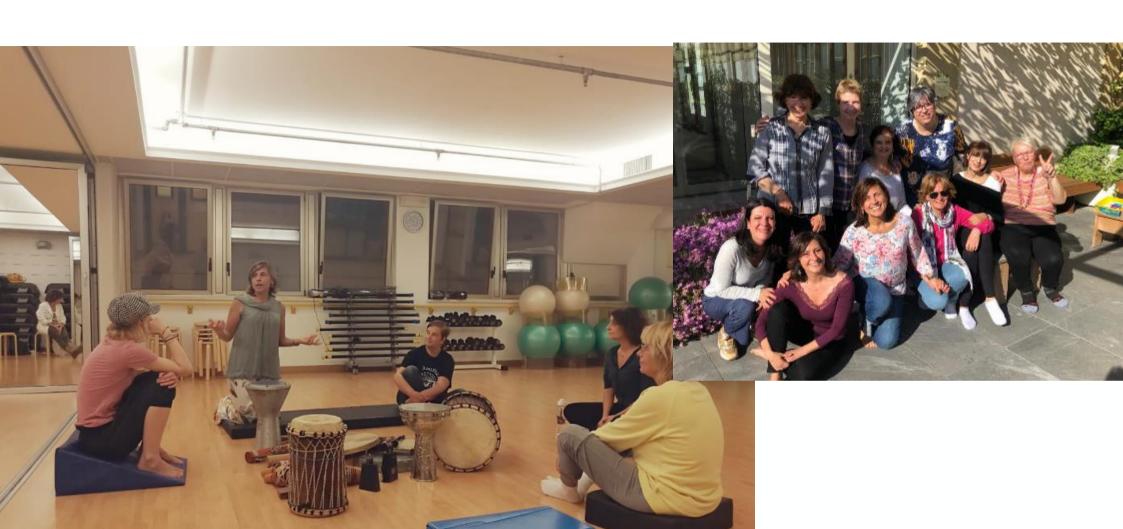




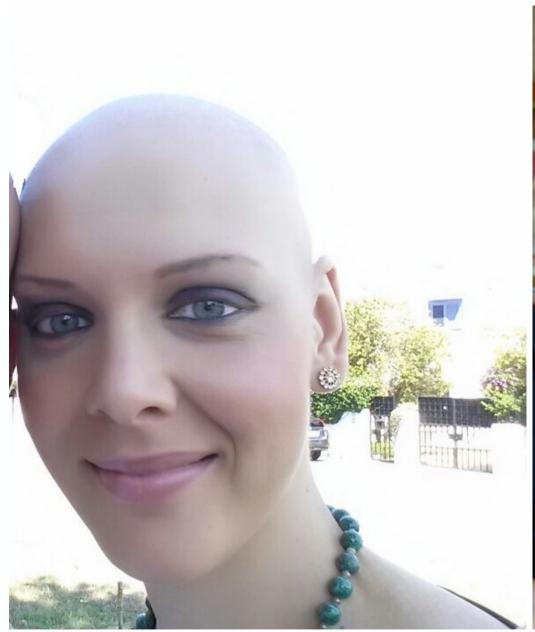


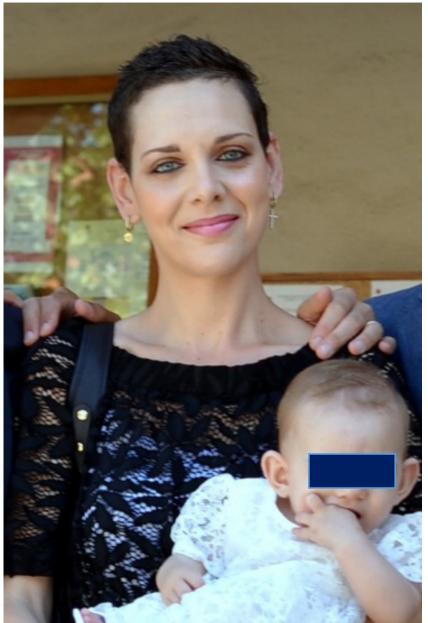






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