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# Rete Oncologica Siciliana (Re.O.S.)

- Nasce nel 2014.
- Agosto 2019, revisione e nuovo documento sulla rete.
- Elaborazione di PDTA
- Mammella Cardio-oncologico Ovaio Polmone Colon -Retto Prostata
- In fase di approvazione : Melanoma Tiroide Mesotelioma Pancreas/Epatobiliare Endometrio Cure Palliative
- Marzo 2022 : emanate le linee guida sui MBT
- In Sicilia, al momento 11 centri riconosciuti.

- A Messina, AOU ed Azienda Ospedaliera Papardo, hanno approvato tutti i PDTA Regionali.
- I radiooncologi sono presenti in tutti .
- In quello Polmonare dell'AOU, il coordinatore è un radioncologo, Prof. Pergolizzi Stefano



### MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH TO CANCER CARE: WHAT RESOURCES?



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1-11-17. Messina; 2-5-7-14-16. Catania; 3. Ragusa; 4. Siracusa; 6-8-9-15. Palermo; 10. Caltanissetta; 12. Taormina; 13. Agrigento

#### Aims

We aim to assess the gap between Sicilian Radiation Oncology(S-RO) Units and Oncology's ones in rapidly increasing of radiotherapy clinical workload.

#### Methods

Between February and March 2022 a questionnaire was sent to 16 S-RO and 25 Oncology centers. Data on following items were collected: staff members, hospital bed complements, day bed unit, LINACs and official multidisciplinary team meeting (MTM).

#### Results

Between February and March 2022, all S-RO centers and invited Medical Oncology (MO) centers filled the questionnaire with a response rate of 100%. At the time of the analysis the total number of S-ROist is 80 (range 3-9) of which 79 with permanent assignment and 1 with a fixed-term assignment. Only one center presents a postgraduate course (Messina) with 22 RO-resident and 1 Ph.D.

A total of 35 LINACs are present throughout the region (mean of 2 LINACs for each radiation-center, range 1-4). One center present both a Brachytherapy source and a CyberKnife System; one center has a TomoTherapy System and only one collaborate with Neurosurgery Department for GammaKnife Radiosurgery.

Conversely, the overall number of S-MOist is 193 (range 3-17), of which 181 with permanent assignment, 7 with temporany contract and 5 awarded an oncology-fellowship. 2 centers (Messina and Palermo) present a postgraduate course with 68 MO-resident. In MO wards a total of 460 hospital beds are available: 213 (range 6-24) for in-bed and 239 (range 1-19) as day-hospital beds RO units have 6 operating hospital beds (4 in-bed and 2 day-hospital).

	Tot	Permanent Assignement	Temporany Contract	PhD/ Clinical Fellowship	мтм
S-ROist	89	79	1	1	60
S-MOist	193	181	7	5	(range 1-7)

The MTM were S-ROist and S-MOist are called to participate are 60 (range from 1 to 7, with a median of 3 meeting for each center). It is noteworthy to underline that, according to AGENAS (Agenzia Nazionale per i Servizi Sanitari) prescriptions, to participate in a MTM every doctor has to dedicate at least the 40% of her/his activity in a single pathology (breast, lung, prostate, and so on).

#### Conclusions

Radiotherapy represent one of the main component in interdisciplinary cancer care; if we consider the ratio between necessary professional figures and workload, the minimum need for dedicated personnel is often not met. Here we demonstrate a great disparity in staffing between S-RO centers and MO one's. Finally, the low number of radiation oncologists per MTM could led to a significant clinical risk for oncologic patients.

Therefore, we suggest to improve resource planning to overcome inequalities and provide optimal care for cancer patient.

# In Sicilia i Radiooncologi non possono prescrivere chemioterapia, nè farmaci con note.

- Nella UOC dell'AOU di Messina, visto che abbiamo il reparto degenza ed anche il DS, eroghiamo chemioterapia.
- Per disposizione del Commissario, abbiamo ottenuto le credenziali per prescrivere su piattaforma digitale GOopenPT, farmaci con nota 51; Fattori di crescita; Eritropoietina.