



# Inflammatory breast cancer

The **MD Anderson Morgan Welch Inflammatory Breast Cancer Research Program and Clinic** is the world's first and largest clinic devoted to treating women with inflammatory breast cancer (IBC) and advancing the clinical understanding, diagnosis and treatment of this aggressive disease.

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## Rare and aggressive



5,000

diagnosed annually  
in the U.S.



30%

of early IBC patients  
will have metastatic  
disease at diagnosis



Days to weeks

the time during which  
IBC can advance and spread  
to other organs



62%

of patients are age  
45 or younger

## Low survival rates



40%

5-year survival rate



10%

of breast cancers  
deaths in the U.S.

## Unusual symptoms and misdiagnosis

9 out of 10

patients are inaccurately diagnosed

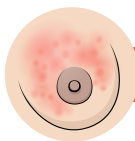
**There isn't always a lump**

IBC can sometimes – though not always – appear as a rash or infection

**Mammography isn't always accurate**

IBC isn't routinely diagnosed through breast screening. Skin thickening may be observed on a symptomatic mammogram and should be followed with an ultrasound and MRI.

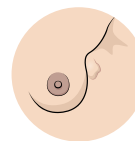
## 5 symptoms to know



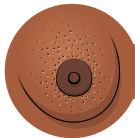
Redness or discoloration



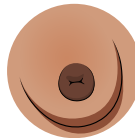
Swelling



Lump in armpit



Orange-peel texture



Nipple pulling in



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## Treatment and outcomes



Our specialized, multidisciplinary team designs personalized treatment plans for each patient. We use the most innovative translational research and clinical best practices that historically have proven to result in positive outcomes. Patients meet our entire multidisciplinary team during their first visit and leave with a plan of action.

## Research and clinical trials



At MD Anderson, we offer the world's largest number of clinical trials specifically for metastatic and non-metastatic IBC patients. We conduct basic, translational, preclinical and clinical research trials with targeted therapies and immunotherapy options, many of which are only available at MD Anderson.

## Patient referrals

At MD Anderson, our expert speciality physician team co-manages over 100 patients annually.

Typically, IBC patients have high risk of local and distant recurrence and lymphedema. Our team has been able to achieve < 5% local failure rates.

To maximize outcomes for patients, we also offer preventative lymphedema surgery and systemic therapies and trials.



**Health Care Provider Resource Center**

## Physician portal

Our secure, HIPAA-compliant portal is available for health care providers to take an active role in managing patient care at MD Anderson.

After creating a myMDAnderson for Physicians account, you can:

- Access patient appointment schedules
- Access transcribed patient reports and results
- Receive notifications regarding referral status and results
- Easily update your profile and contact information



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