



**TRADE PROJECT**

**PREVALENCE AND MANAGEMENT OF BREAST CANCER AT  
KENYATTA NATIONAL HOSPITAL**

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## ABSTRACT

The project was carried out at Kenyatta National Hospital. The study was undertaken to determine the prevalence and management of breast cancer at the hospital for a period of 6 months i.e. from November 2007 to May 2008.

Cancer is basically a human disease whereby there is an abnormal growth of cells in the body. Breast cancer is whereby this abnormal growth of cells occurs in the breast region. It is more common in women since they have more developed mammary glands.

The main objective of the study was to determine the prevalence of breast cancer among patients, both men and women who visited the oncology unit at Kenyatta National Hospital.

The methodology used in data collection was diverse so it was necessary to subdivide it into various headings. The study design was cross-sectional and was meant to determine the prevalence and management of breast cancer at Kenyatta National Hospital. The study site as shown above was Kenyatta National Hospital. Data collection was mainly from direct interviews i.e. interviewing the patients directly, from hospital records and from the internet which gave me valuable statistics on the disease worldwide.

The collected information was mainly statistics on the number of male and female patients who presented with breast cancer, the commonly used preventive and curative techniques for breast cancer and also the different chemotherapeutic agents used. The results showed that there was a higher prevalence of breast cancer in females than in males and also that the child bearing age in women was