Breast cancer is by far the most common cancer among women.

>1.67 million women worldwide are diagnosed each year.

Breast cancer represents 25% of all cancers.

Every 20 seconds a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer.

1 in 5 breast cancer cases in women under the age of 50.

>15 million years of healthy life is lost to breast cancer worldwide each year.

~1/3 of patients first diagnosed with early breast cancer will go on to develop advanced disease.

One in four women with advanced breast cancer are alive 1 year after diagnosis.

Around 1 in 5 women with breast cancer worldwide have an aggressive type called HER2-positive, meaning they have overexpression of the HER2 protein.

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Every 5 minutes a woman in Europe dies of HER2-positive breast cancer.

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