28569 – PROFILE OF BREAST CANCER PATIENT CARE IN A REFERENCE HOSPITAL IN RIO GRANDE DO SUL

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Introduction: Breast cancer in Brazil is a major public health issue. Among women, it is the most incident neoplasm, with higher rates in the South and Southeast regions, according to the National Cancer Institute José Alencar Gomes da Silva (INCA). For each year of the 2023–2025 triennium, an estimated 73,610 new cases of the disease were projected. **Justificatiion**: The design and better understanding of the profile of breast cancer patients who arrive for care and their main characteristics enable the improvement of a better understanding of the possible course of the disease, considering the specificities of each patient. **Methodology:** The following variables were analyzed: year of diagnosis, race, education level, smoking status, age at diagnosis, menarche, body mass index, disease staging, tumor size, and death. **Conclusion:** The study aims to improve the understanding and characterization of the main epidemiological factors related to patients arriving for breast cancer care, not only aiding in a better understanding of this population but also enabling support for future disease prevention campaigns.