

## **Breast Lumps in Basrah: A retrospective Study+**

### **Abstract:**

This is a retrospective study of breast biopsy specimens received during ten years period ending in 1992 in the department of pathology in Basrah general hospital. It includes 954 specimens from female patients and 55 specimens from male patients. In females, malignancy was found in 383 cases (40%). The histological diagnoses were, invasive ductal carcinoma (84%), invasive lobular carcinoma (5%), Medullary carcinoma (4%), intraductal carcinoma (3%), cystosarcoma phylloides and other sarcomas (4%). The commonest benign lesions were fibroadenomas (4%), fibrocystic disease (26%), mastitis (11%) and ductectasia (10%). In males, gynecomastia was diagnosed in 51 cases (93%), while only four cases (7%) were carcinoma.

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