

## **CLINICAL DISTINCTION**

ISMETT (Istituto Mediterraneo per i Trapianti e Terapie ad Alta Specializzazione) is a center of excellence in the field of transplantation. ISMETT physicians and researchers are major contributors to the advancement of therapies for patients requiring transplantation services. On September 12, 2014, the Italian Ministry of Health designated ISMETT a governmentapproved research hospital (Istituto di Ricovero e Cura a Carattere Scientifico - IRCCS) for treatment and research of end-stage organ diseases.

An example of innovative and efficient clinical management, ISMETT is the result of a joint public-private partnership between the Region of Sicily through ARNAS Civico Hospital in Palermo and UPMC (University of Pittsburgh Medical Center), a U.S.-based health care system. ISMETT offers solid organ transplant programs (liver, kidney, pancreas, heart, and lung) with results consistent with those of top international health care facilities, as reported by the Italian National Transplant Center.

ISMETT is the first hospital in Southern Italy to receive Joint Commission International (JCI) accreditation, an advanced accreditation system that assesses the quality and safety of hospital facilities. JCI accreditation confirms ISMETT's top standards of patient care and patient safety, as well as an ongoing commitment to continuous improvement. Yearly training programs ensure our nurses, physicians, technicians, and administrators meet the highest quality standards in clinical care.

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An International Partnership for **Research and Patient Care** 





At ISMETT, all activities are characterized by a multidisciplinary approach designed to offer patients cutting-edge therapies using the most advanced clinical technology possible.

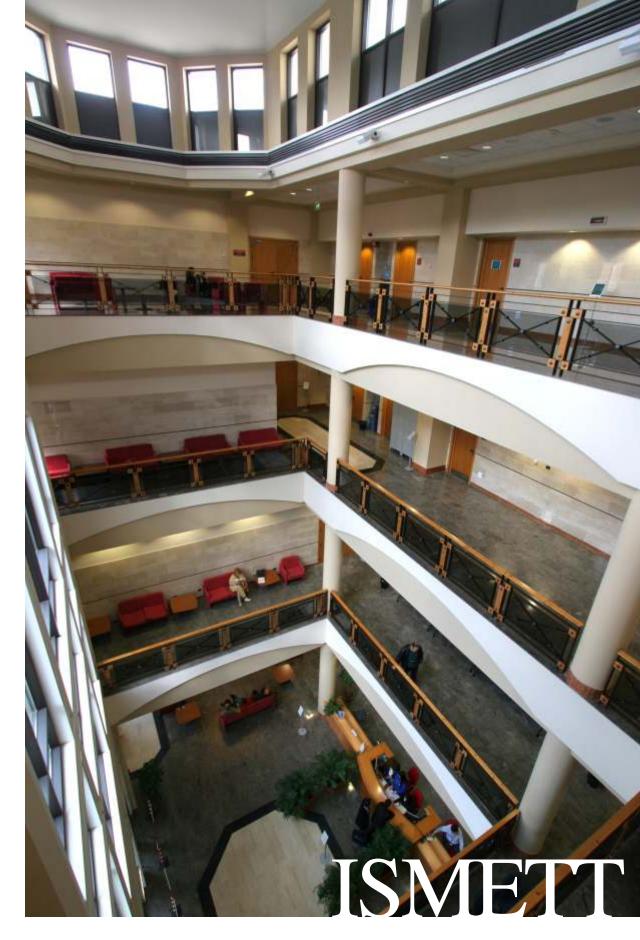
## **CLINICAL ENVIRONMENT**

ISMETT is open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The Institute has 78 beds, plus 7 beds for daily hospital care and 12 for post-anesthesia care. The facility spans 12,000 square-meters and hosts 4 operating rooms; analysis, microbiology, and pathology labs; a radiology department; and a pharmacy and multispecialty outpatient clinic. Patients gain access to its clinical services by booking a consult.

ISMETT operates under an innovative model of health care, and is the first hospital in Italy entirely dedicated to transplants of solid organs (liver, kidney, heart, lung, and pancreas) and treatment of endstage organ failure, thus avoiding or delaying the need for transplantation when possible.

Our physicians and health care professionals from all over the world work closely with UPMC (University of Pittsburgh Medical Center). Due to advanced diagnostic services, ISMETT provides patients with access to cutting-edge therapies, bringing to Palermo clinical expertise gained and refined leading academic institutions and hospitals from around the world.

ISMETT receives many patients from the surrounding Mediterranean basin. Patients receive qualified health care in a facility owned by the Region of Sicily, designed on a U.S. health care model, and run in close collaboration with a leading U.S. academic medical center. According to the latest data, one out of every four pediatric transplant patients comes from abroad.



# **CLINICAL SERVICES**

ISMETT provides solid organ transplant programs for adult patients, and liver, kidney, and lung transplants for pediatric patients. The Institute's services are also provided to patients who may not require a transplant, but who are affected by serious pathologies which can potentially lead to end-stage organ failure.

ISMETT's departments include the following:

- Anesthesia and Intensive Care Unit
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- Abdominal Diseases and Abdominal Transplants
- Abdominal and Transplantation Surgery
- Hepatology and Gastroenterology
- Nephrology
- Diabetology
- Pediatrics
- Infectious Diseases
- Medical Oncology
- Clinical Psychology
- Neurology
- Cardiothoracic Diseases and Transplants
- Cardiac Surgery and Heart Transplantation
- Cardiology and Cath Lab
- Pulmonology
- Thoracic Surgery and Lung Transplantation
- Therapeutic and Diagnostic Services
- Radiology and Nuclear Medicine
- Digestive Endoscopy
- Pathology
- Laboratory Medicine and Advanced Biotechnologies
- Laboratory
- Research Laboratory
- Clinical Services and Outpatient Clinic (OPC)
- Social Services
- Dietology
- Pharmacy