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Abb.	Full term
AC	Anthracyclines
ACEi	Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitors
ARBs	Angiotensin II receptor blockers
<i>ATP</i>	Adenosine triphosphate
BBs	Beta blockers
BC	Breast cancer
BCS	Breast cancer subscale
BMI	Body-mass index
CHF	Congestive heart failure
COPD	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CR	Cardiac rehabilitation
<i>CRF</i>	Cardiorespiratory fitness
<i>CRT</i>	Cardiac resynchronization therapy
CTRCD	Cancer therapy-related cardiac dysfunction
CV	Cardiovas cular
CVD	. Cardiovascular disease
DBP	$ Dia stolic\ blood\ pressure$
DD	Diastolic dysfunction
DM	Diabetes mellitus
EACVI	European association of cardiovascular imaging
<i>ECG</i>	Electrocardiography
<i>EF</i>	. Ejection fraction
<i>ESC</i>	. European society of cardiology
ET	Exercise time

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Abb.	Full term
<i>EWB</i>	.Emotional well being
FLIC	.Functional Living Index-Cancer
<i>FPG</i>	. Fasting plasma glucose
FWB	.Functional well being
GLS	. Global longitudinal strain
HBA1C	. Hemoglobin A1C
HF	. Heart failure
HR	. Heart rate
HRmax	.Maximum heart rate
HRQOL	. Health-related quality of life
HRR	. Heart rate reserve
HRrest	.Resting heart rate
HTN	. Hy per tension
<i>ICD</i>	$. Implantable\ cardioverter\ defibrillator$
<i>LAD</i>	.Left atrium dimension
LVAD	.Left ventricular assist devices
LVD	.Left ventricular dysfunction
LVEF	.Left ventricular ejection fraction
<i>METs</i>	$. Metabolic\ equivalents$
<i>NYHA</i>	.New York heart association
<i>PAD</i>	. Peripheral arterial disease
<i>PSR</i>	. Performance status rating
PWB	.Physical well being

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Abb.	Full term
QoL	Quality of life
<i>RAS</i>	Renin-angiotensin system
RCT	$ Randomized\ controlled\ trial$
<i>RPP</i>	Rate-pressure product
RT	Radiation therapy
<i>SBP</i>	Systolic blood pressure

Introduction

Background

Breast cancer (BC) is the most diagnosed cancer in women, contributing to 24.6% of malignancies in females and responsible for 15% of all cancer-related deaths among women worldwide.^[1]

Over the last 20 years, owing to noticeable improvements in screening, early detection, and advances in anticancer treatment, BC survival rates have significantly improved. However, this survivorship is often marked by fatigue, poor quality of life (QoL), reduced functional capacity along with treatment-related adverse effects. [2]

Significance AND Scope

Anthracycline (the cornerstone of BC therapy) and trastuzumab (the standard treatment for HER2 positive BC patients) induced cardiotoxicity has been recognized as one of the most adverse effects of conventional therapy restricting treatment options and increasing morbidity and mortality rates.^[3]

Physical exercise is a demonstrated strategy to reduce fatigue and treatment-related adverse effects in cancer survivors. Nonetheless, structured programs that combine both exercise and education are not yet incorporated within standard

cancer care. The implementation of a model similar to cardiac rehabilitation (CR) program as a preventive strategy may provide a potential solution to improve functional capacity, quality of life and reduce cardiovascular disease (CVD) risk in cancer survivors.^[4]

Further research is needed to evaluate the possible cardioprotective effect of CR at mitigating cardiotoxicity in BC survivors especially in Egypt where such studies are yet to be done.

AIM OF THE WORK

To evaluate the effect of 12-week completed cardiac rehabilitation program on quality of life (using FACT-B questionnaire) and 6-minute walk test in breast cancer survivors.