



Talk With Your Doctor

Ask your doctor whether the VACORA® Breast Biopsy System is the right diagnostic option for you. Meanwhile, if you'd like to know more about the VACORA® Breast Biopsy System, please visit the website: www.bardbiopsy.com/resources

VACORA® Breast Biopsy System

If you have recently learned you need a breast biopsy you may be feeling worried and anxious. It's common to feel that way but you're not alone. Approximately 1.6 million breast biopsies are performed each year. Thankfully, about 80% are benign or non-cancerous.† Today, many women are asking about a simple diagnostic procedure using the VACORA® Breast Biopsy System that is helping women reduce scarring and disfigurement.*

The VACORA® Breast Biopsy System allows you to undergo a biopsy without having surgery. It uses patented technology that allows a needle and vacuum to take samples of tissue to help your doctors make an accurate diagnosis.

In most cases, you won't need stitches and a simple bandage is all you'll need. Using the VACORA® Breast Biopsy System, the procedure is performed on an outpatient basis and generally takes about an hour. Most women are able to resume their normal activity immediately following their biopsy.

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Ask about the
VACORA® Breast Biopsy System
Reduced scarring.* Diagnostic accuracy.

* As compared to surgical biopsies.
† Data on file.



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During the biopsy procedure using the VACORA® Breast Biopsy System, you will be positioned as comfortably as possible while making sure your doctor has visualization of the area to be biopsied. You will be asked to remain as still as possible throughout the biopsy to help ensure the suspicious area does not move.

Your doctor will then numb an area in your breast with a local anesthetic. Then, your doctor will make a tiny (4-5 mm) skin nick. The VACORA® Probe will be inserted through the incision and tissue samples will be removed. In most cases, you won't need stitches and a simple bandage is all you'll need. Once the biopsy is complete, you will be free to resume your normal activities.

Frequently Asked Questions

Will I need a breast biopsy, does this mean I have cancer?

Not necessarily. Approximately eight of every 10 biopsies are benign and show no cancer.†

Will the procedure using the VACORA® Breast Biopsy System leave a surface scar?

There will be little or no scarring since the procedure involves a small 4 mm - 5 mm skin nick.

Will I feel any pain?

Most patients feel little or no pain. You may have some slight bruising and tenderness following the biopsy.

Will I be asleep during the biopsy?

No. The procedure is generally performed using local anesthesia which means you'll be awake with little or no recovery time.

Will I need a ride home?

You'll need to discuss this with your doctor but in most cases you will not need a ride home.

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Will I be required to stay overnight in the hospital?

No. A biopsy performed with the VACORA® Breast Biopsy System is on an outpatient basis.

When can I resume normal activities?

Most women can immediately resume normal activities.

How long will it take to receive my biopsy results?

Ask your doctor about how long it will take to receive your diagnosis.

Can a biopsy with the VACORA® Breast Biopsy System be performed using different imaging systems?

Yes. Your doctor will be able to use either Ultrasound, MRI or Stereotactic x-ray to guide them during the biopsy. Your doctor will let you know which imaging is right for you.

How will I be positioned if my doctor uses ultrasound imaging?

You will lie on your back with your arm extended over your head.

How will I be positioned if my doctor uses MRI imaging?

You will be asked to lie on an MRI table with your breast positioned in a special breast coil.

How will I be positioned if my doctor uses stereotactic X-ray imaging?

You will be asked to lie on your stomach, side, or sit upright, with your breast positioned through a special opening. Your breast will be gently compressed.

Can a VACORA® Breast Biopsy System be used to biopsy a benign tumor or fibroadenoma (non-cancerous tissue)?

Yes. The VACORA® Breast Biopsy System is able to sample breast tissue for further testing by a pathologist.

