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What is it:

An x-ray examination of the breasts using dedicated equipment.

Preparation:

Don't use talcum powder or deodorants on the day of the examination.

What happens:

X-rays are taken from different views of each breast. Sometimes magnified views or localised views of particular areas are also obtained. The breast is positioned on the reading plate and compressed with a plastic plate. This makes it the same thickness and is essential for good quality images. We have full digital mammography which gives the best images with the lowest radiation dose. It also shortens the examination time as there is no waiting for film processing.

How long does it take:

About 15 minutes.

Your images and report:

After your examination, you will be given a copy of the most pertinent images from your study. A report will be given to you with the images, or sent directly back to your referring doctor by fax or email. We will store digital copies of all studies on our secure database for comparison with any future examinations.

Please bring any previous x-rays with you for comparison.

It is important that you return to your doctor with your examination results. Whether they are normal or abnormal, your doctor needs to know promptly so that a management plan can be formulated.