



VACORA[®] System “Bandage” Needle Biopsy

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 one million breast biopsies are performed each year.² Thankfully, almost 80% are benign or non-cancerous.² Today, many women are asking about a revolutionary diagnostic procedure called the VACORA System “Bandage” Needle Biopsy that is helping women reduce scarring and disfigurement.¹

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

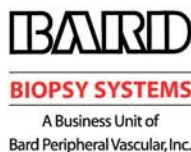
In most cases, you won't need stitches and a simple bandage is all you'll need. The VACORA Biopsy is performed on an outpatient basis and generally takes about an hour. Most women are able to resume their normal activity immediately following their biopsy.

¹As compared to surgical biopsies.
²Data on file.

Talk With Your Doctor

Ask your doctor whether you are a candidate for the VACORA[®] System “Bandage” Needle Biopsy procedure, or other diagnostic options. Meanwhile, if you'd like to know more about the VACORA System, please contact Bard[®] Biopsy Systems at:

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BREAST biopsy?

You're not alone.



*Ask about the VACORA[®] System
“Bandage” Needle Biopsy.
Reduced scarring.¹ Diagnostic accuracy.*

VACORA® System Biopsy. What to Expect.

During the VACORA® Biopsy, 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 (4-5mm) skin nick. The VACORA Needle 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



If 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.¹

Will the VACORA Biopsy leave a surface scar?

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

Will I be required to stay overnight in the hospital?

No. The VACORA® Biopsy is performed 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 the VACORA Biopsy 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 with your breast positioned through a special opening. Your breast will be gently compressed.

Can a VACORA System biopsy a benign tumor or fibroadenoma?

Yes. The VACORA System is able to provide breast tissue for histological examination with partial or complete removal of the imaged abnormality.

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