

WHAT TO EXPECT DURING MY ULTRASOUND-GUIDED BIOPSY

What is an Ultrasound-Guided Breast Biopsy?

An ultrasound-guided breast biopsy uses advanced ultrasound technology to map the precise location inside your breast that corresponds to the area of interest shown on your mammogram or ultrasound.

During the ultrasound-guided biopsy, your surgeon will remove a small amount of tissue and will send it to the lab for a pathologist to analyze and diagnose.

How Long Does the Procedure Take?

The procedure takes about an hour.

What Will Happen During My Procedure?

Our technician will position you so that you're lying on your back or side.

We'll clean the skin over the biopsy area with a disinfectant soap. We'll also numb the area with a local anesthetic using a small, thin needle.

While looking at your breast under ultrasound, your surgeon will make a small incision and insert the instrument that will take the biopsy. You may feel some slight pressure and hear a "click" from the biopsy device.

Your surgeon will remove the needed tissue samples, withdraw the biopsy instrument, and close the tiny incision with Steri Strips.

You'll then be free to return to the dressing area, get dressed and leave.