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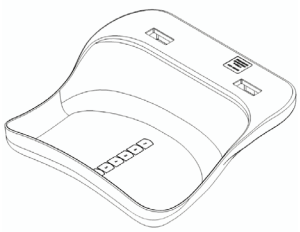
Tips for using

the SmartCurve™ Breast Stabilization System

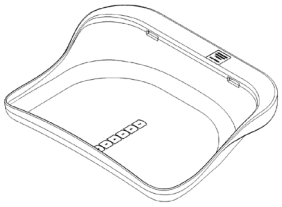
The SmartCurve™ Breast Stabilization System has been developed to improve patients' comfort allowing for a personalised mammography examination without compromising the image quality[1].

SmartCurve™

The routine frameless screening paddles available with the 3Dimensions™ Mammography System



18 x 24 cm SmartCurve™ paddle



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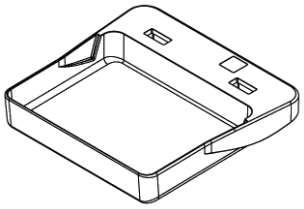

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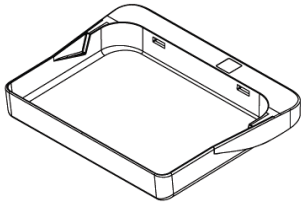

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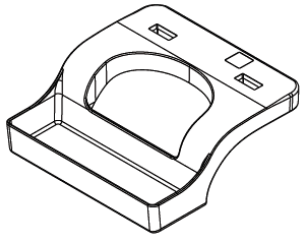

Small Breast paddle

SmartCurve™ paddles accommodate most breast sizes and can be used in a similar way to how you would use the standard flat paddles, with some considerations:

- ✓ We recommend that you choose the relevant size SmartCurve™ paddle or standard flat paddle by evaluating each patient's breast size and breast compression thickness:
  - SmartCurve™ paddles may not be suitable for patients with very small breasts. For these patients use the small breast paddle.
  - For patients with very thin or flat breasts, the SmartCurve™ paddles may not be the optimal choice. In these cases use the standard flat paddle.
  - Due to the curvature of the paddles, the larger 24 x 29 cm SmartCurve™ paddle is more suitable for patients who would typically be imaged with the smaller 18 x 24 cm standard flat paddle.
- ✓ When positioning the patient with the SmartCurve™ paddle, position your hand and arm parallel to the patient's chest wall. Compress gently, stepwise to allow for a more comfortable experience for the patient and to help control the hand during positioning. The appropriate compression will be achieved earlier because of the shape of the paddle.
- ✓ As a general rule, when SmartCurve™ paddles are not appropriate, we advise you use the standard flat paddles, which are always included with the 3Dimensions™ System instead.

Notes:

- ! Do not use the SmartCurve™ paddles in cleavage, rolled, or mosaic views of very large breasts. For these cases use the standard flat paddle.
- ! SmartCurve™ paddles are not compatible with FAST compression mode.

1. Data on File: DHM-06039 Clinical Report Summary (2017).

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