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# > VolparaDensity Measures Breast Density

#### ACR BI-RADS® Definition

"2. SUCCINCT DESCRIPTION OF THE OVERALL BREAST COMPOSITION This is an overall assessment of the volume of attenuating tissues in the breast"





Volumetric Breast Density =

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Volume of Fibroglandular Tissue in cm<sup>3</sup> Volume of Breast in cm<sup>3</sup>

# > Clinical Workflow with VolparaDensity



DICOM "For Processing" mammograms are sent automatically to Volpara.





Breast density readings are automatically available within minutes of the last x-ray, on reader workstations and/or on compatible mammography reporting systems.

## >The Patient Scorecard



Dose and pressure applied are available with the VolparaDoseRT<sup>™</sup> module. \*Breast density category is configurable as "a, b, c, d" or "1, 2, 3, 4"

#### >The Clinical Scorecard

- Consistent density readings, no matter the mammography or tomosynthesis unit, or reader
- Improved productivity by reducing decision time needed
- Increased compliance with new laws
- Better communications with your clients, by offering a density consultation within minutes of the last x-ray

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#### >Importance of Density

It is estimated that over 40 percent of women in the US who are of mammogram screening age have dense breast tissue. The volume and distribution of this dense breast tissue plays a major role in the sensitivity of screening mammography as well as the individual patient's risk of developing breast cancer:

- Mammography is estimated to be only 48% effective in dense breasts, compared to 98% effective in fatty breasts (DMIST trial).
- Women with extremely dense breasts are twice as likely to develop breast

cancer as an average density woman.

• The risk associated with extremely dense breasts is similar to the risk associated with a family history of breast cancer in a mother, sister, or daughter.



## >Volumetric Density

Volpara assesses breast composition at each pixel by calculating the x-ray attenuation between that pixel and the x-ray source and from that working out what kind of tissues must have been present. Volumetric breast density and visual assessment are strongly correlated, but the following examples show the benefits of a volumetric approach especially for focal lesions. The top figures here are side on views of a breast under compression, and the bottom views are the corresponding mammograms with their visual and volumetric breast density assessments.



#### > End User References

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