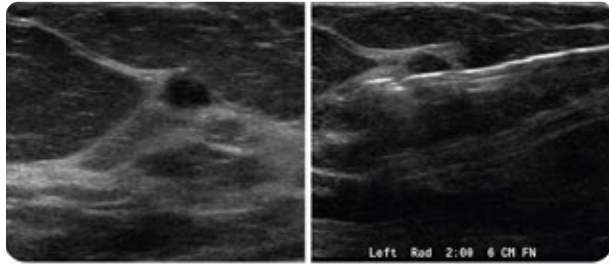




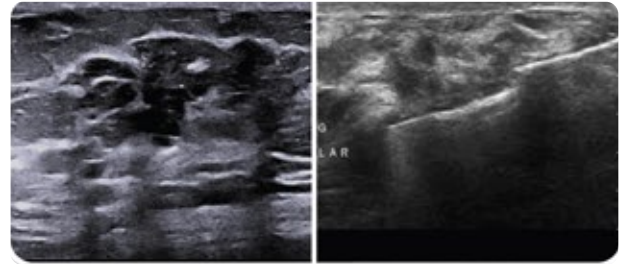
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"At the Christine E. Lynn Women's Health and Wellness Institute at Boca Raton Regional Hospital, we perform more than 45,000 screening and diagnostic mammograms per year and diagnose more than 700 new breast cancers annually. This can only be achieved by having a dedicated, highly efficient Interventional team working with optimum equipment. Of the 2,900 percutaneous breast biopsies performed at the Institute annually, 60 percent are performed with ultrasound guidance. We have had the opportunity to work with the Mammotome® Elite system since its release in 2012 and I currently use it for all my ultrasound-guided procedures."



Small BI-RADS 4 Lesion



IDC Grade 3

"I find the Mammotome® Elite system to be particularly advantageous when faced with small or deep lesions in a dense breast. While some clinicians may opt for spring-loaded core biopsy in ultrasound, I believe you cannot be 100 percent confident that the appropriate tissue is captured with this method, particularly when dealing with small lesions. The Mammotome® Elite system's cutting device is easily monitored passing through the tissue of concern, therefore, there is no need to visually observe each individual specimen, which decreases the overall time of the exam. In addition, the Mammotome® Elite system's specially engineered bladed tip is able to carefully and safely pass through dense breast tissue with optimum control of the device.

The Mammotome® Elite system is also valuable when approaching a superficial lesion, as the ability to rotate the aperture while still acquiring good tissue minimizes the risk of capturing skin. In addition, many of our patients have breast implants, and the Mammotome® Elite system provides me with confidence that the bowl can be placed safely and easily between the implant and the lesion, minimizing complications.

Axillary lymph node sampling is one of the most challenging procedures due to the complexity of tissues in the region, and the non-firing Mammotome® Elite vacuum-assisted biopsy device provides the confidence that an accurate diagnosis can be made while providing utmost safety and minimized complications.

The tetherless, lightweight design and ease of setup and breakdown of the unit makes the Mammotome® Elite system our technologists' and my device of choice for ultrasound procedures. It has been transformational in the ultrasound biopsy suite, providing efficient, safe, predictable outcomes in an environment demanding excellence in care of women."

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