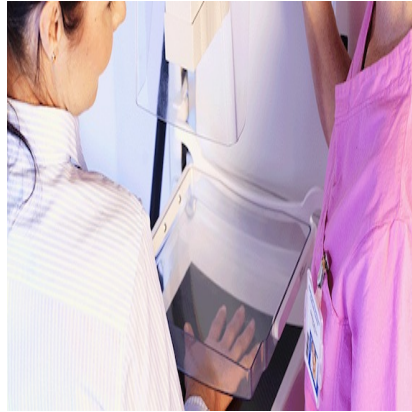




Sectra OneScreen offers combined mammography and osteoporosis examinations for Paris hospital



Argenteuil hospital, near Paris in France, is initiating a pilot project offering women their mammography examination with osteoporosis screening in a single examination. The combined assessment of bone health is made possible by Sectra's patented online service, Sectra OneScreen. Argenteuil is the first hospital in the national mammography screening programme in France to offer this to women.

After the four breast images included in the mammography examination, an image of the hand is acquired using the same radiology equipment, adding no more than 30 seconds to the examination time. With the standard X-ray image of the hand, the women's bone health (Bone Mineral Density, BMD) is analysed using Sectra's online service.

"I have always been interested in finding an effective method that enables early and easy identification of osteoporosis in a large population of women aged 50 and over. So when I heard about SectraOneScreen, I was captivated", says Dr Lévy-Weil, head of the Rheumatology department at Argenteuil. "The ability to conduct screening to identify osteoporosis at the same time as mammography will mean that many women with bone fragility can be detected earlier and thus be provided with optimal bone health care for the future. It represents a real advantage in the global prevention of osteoporosis in women over 50 years old."

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