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Instant Digital X-rays of Breast Specimens Speed up Surgery for Queen's Hospital

WHEELING, Illinois – The Queen's Hospital in Burton-on-Trent, UK, has significantly reduced procedure times of its breast cancer surgeries with a Faxitron MX-20 digital specimen radiography system. The system can x-ray excised tumors directly in the surgical theatre, immediately after removal, and display the images within seconds. The large field size (12 cm x 12 cm) of the digital detector in the unit makes it particularly popular with breast surgeons.

“The Faxitron unit allows us to instantly check that each breast cancer tumor is completely excised,” explained Dr. Bucknall, consultant breast surgeon at the hospital. “The camera's variable depth of focus also makes it possible for us to look at the individual calcifications and arrangements of the ducts within the specimen. Even subtle changes within certain calcified areas can indicate tumor and pre-cancerous conditions.”

“Previously, taking each specimen to the x-ray department and developing the film delayed the operation by up to thirty minutes, so we can now operate on approximately two more patients in a day,” Dr. Bucknall continues. “The Faxitron system had been recommended by several of my colleagues and impressed us as the most reliable system available. It is simple to use and was easy and quick to install.”

The order was received by Qados, Faxitron's local distributor in Berkshire, UK.

About Faxitron X-Ray LLC

Faxitron X-Ray LLC is the global leader in cabinet x-ray systems for specimen radiography, research, and NDT applications. With an installed base of over 5,000 systems in medical facilities and scientific and industrial laboratories around the world, Faxitron is the industry standard in cabinet x-ray. For over 30 years, Faxitron has defined cabinet x-ray by developing innovative products to meet the evolving needs of our customers. From film to the latest in digital imaging technology, the company's focus on quality and ease-of-use continues to earn the trust and repeat business of its customers. For more information, visit www.faxitron.com.

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