

BREAST DENSITY

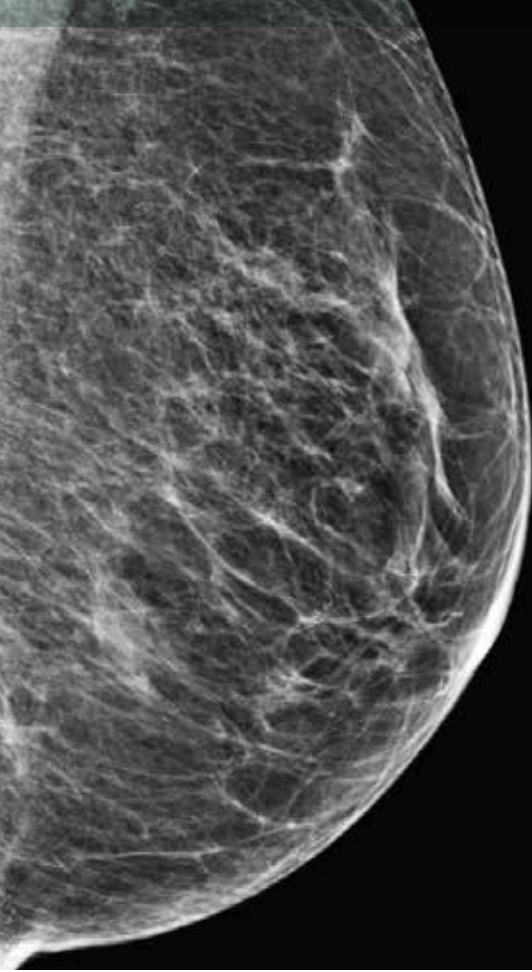
Breasts are made up of a mixture of fibroglandular tissue and fatty tissue.

"Breast density" is a term used to describe the amount of fat relative to fibroglandular tissue that the radiologist sees on a mammogram. Breasts are considered to be dense if there is a greater percentage of fibroglandular tissue as compared to fatty tissue.

a.

Almost Entirely Fatty Tissue

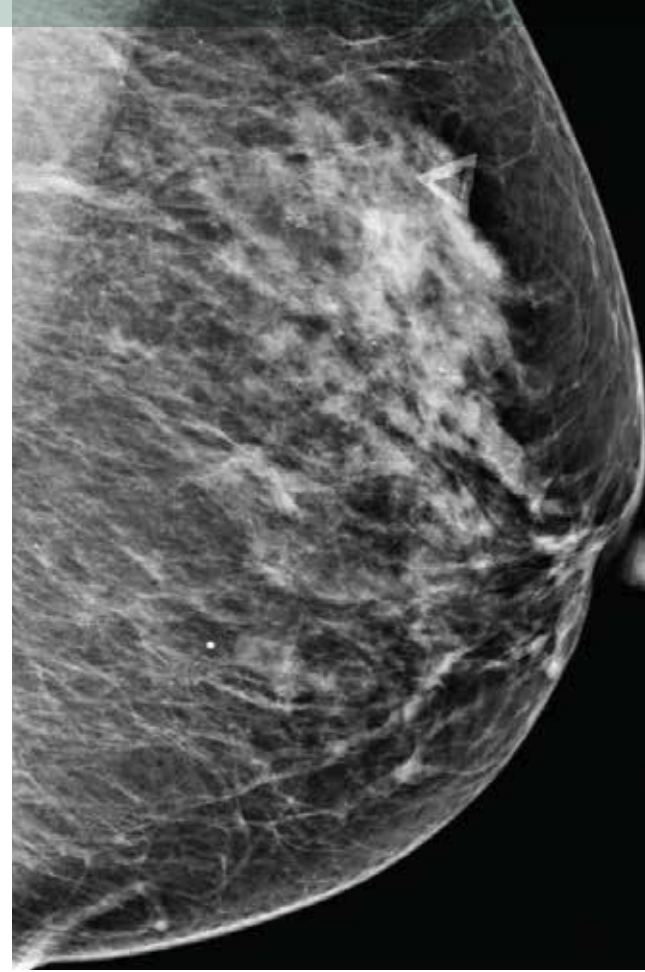
The breasts are almost entirely fatty, mammography is highly sensitive



b.

Scattered Fibroglandular Tissue

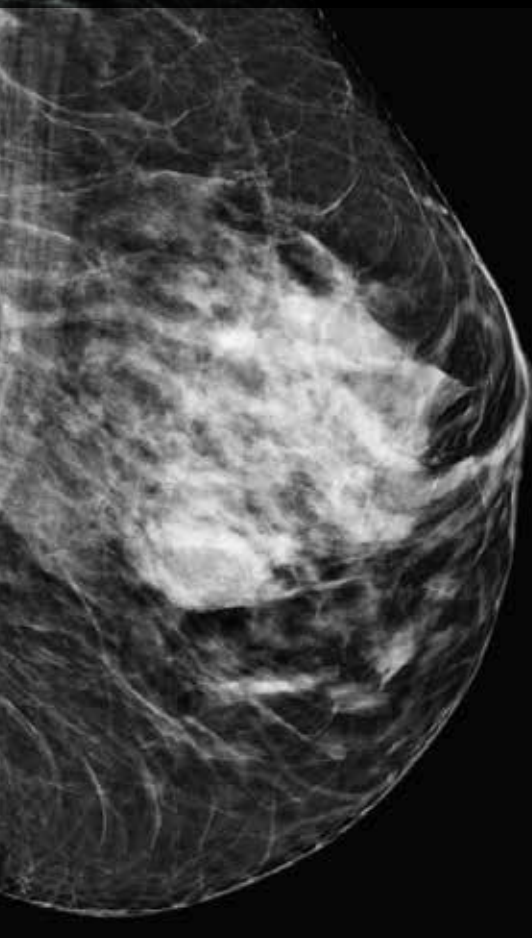
There are scattered areas of fibroglandular density



c.

Heterogeneously Dense Tissue

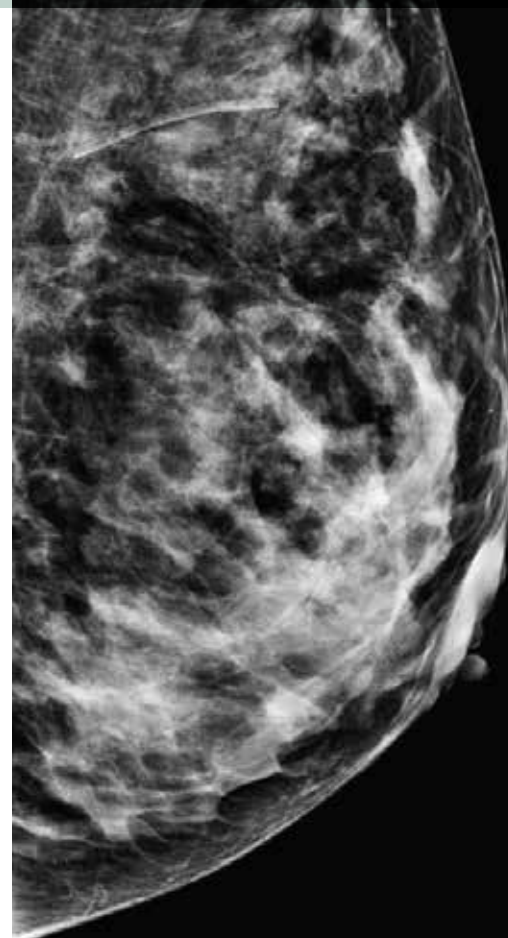
The breasts are heterogeneously dense, which may obscure small masses



b.

Extremely Dense Tissue

The breasts are extremely dense, which lowers the sensitivity of mammography



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