The Hologic Discovery™—the newest generation QDR® Series bone densitometer—combines the proven clinical value of bone mineral density (BMD) measurement and vertebral assessment with Express BMD™—the most rapid means of acquiring accurate BMD results. Express BMD and Instant Vertebral Assessment™ (IVA)—both powered by our exclusive OnePass™ fan-beam technology—represent two of many features that improve the accuracy, speed and convenience of assessing osteoporosis.

Hologic pioneered the integration of BMD measurement with Instant Vertebral Assessment allowing point-of-care assessment of the two most definitive factors associated with osteoporotic fracture risk: low bone mineral density and the presence of vertebral fracture. IVA enables physicians to perform a rapid, low-dose evaluation of the spine in combination with a routine bone density exam, yielding a more accurate determination of fracture risk than just BMD alone.

**OnePass™ Technology**
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**True Fan-beam Geometry**
Discovery’s exclusive design, similar to that found on state-of-the-art CT scanners, utilizes a high-resolution detector array paired with true fan-beam acquisition geometry. The true fan-beam design enables rapid, high-resolution single-energy imaging as well as superior dual energy bone density measurements.

**Internal Reference System**
Hologic’s patented Internal Reference System provides automatic pixel-by-pixel calibration assuring precise BMD results, test after test, year after year.

**Hologic Anthropomorphic QC Phantom**
Hologic’s Anthropomorphic Spine QC Phantom confirms system stability with a life-like standard.
Like all Hologic fan-beam systems, Discovery delivers fast, high-resolution images with unsurpassed precision and low patient dose. Plus, an expanded package of value added software and options, and complete data compatibility with previous generation QDR instruments.

Utilizing OnePass technology, Discovery raises both the clinical and technological standards of bone densitometry with features that include:

**Express BMD™**
Spine and hip BMD results in just 10 seconds with better than 1% precision.

**Express Exam™**
Enables the operator to establish routine scan protocols with automated scanning and analysis workflow.

**Instant Vertebral Assessment™**
10-second, single-energy imaging of the spine (L4 – T4) with image quality comparable to lateral radiographs for vertebral assessment.

**Image Pro™**
Advanced digital imaging processing sharpens your view of vertebral fractures.

**CADfx™**
Computer-aided fracture assessment tool quantifies degree of vertebral compression and simplifies IVA interpretation.

**Electronic Reporting**
The most advanced remote interpretation and reporting software available, including speech recognition compatibility. IRIS™ Connectivity Suite provides seamless integration with existing healthcare information systems.
If you knew they had fractures...

“IVA would benefit the subset of women who have osteopenia, but whose fracture history is unknown. If you knew they had fractures, you would certainly be more aggressive in your treatment.”

Susan L Greenspan, M.D.
Director, Osteoporosis Prevention and Treatment
Division of Endocrinology, Metabolism and Geriatrics
Associate Director, General Clinical Research Center,
University of Pittsburgh Medical Center
Professor of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh
School of Medicine

Clinical Relevance of IVA in Risk Assessment

Vertebral fractures, 75% of which are not clinically apparent, are far more common than one might imagine. Up to one quarter of Caucasian women over age 50 have at least one fracture. The presence of one or more vertebral fractures dramatically increases the risk of future fracture.

Published studies using IVA demonstrate that up to 30% of patients needing treatment are missed using BMD results alone. These patients, many of whom have moderately decreased BMD but have already suffered a fracture, are at particularly high risk.

Impact on Therapeutic Decisions and Patient Compliance

In addition to improved risk stratification, IVA clearly enhances the clinician’s ability to accurately target therapy to those who need it most, and determine the most effective therapy for individual patients. IVA also provides a means for improved patient counseling and compliance by demonstrating the presence or progression of meaningful consequences of osteoporosis.

Image Pro™ The New Standard of Vertebral Image Quality for Osteoporosis Assessment

The Image Pro image-processing software improves visualization of vertebral fractures without increased dose, allowing clinicians to more accurately assess fracture risk. Image Pro applies advanced, frequency dependent filtration to IVA images, enhancing visualization of vertebral end-plates.
Summary of IVA Benefits

- Clear, crisp images in just 10 seconds
- Superior prediction of fracture risk
- Very low radiation dose (<10µSv vs. 800 µSv for radiographs)
- Convenient, point-of-care availability eliminates need for additional referrals or subsequent radiographs
- AP view reveals vertebral deformities missed with lateral imaging alone
- True digital images with full image fidelity
- Remote interpretation and electronic reporting
- Additional reimbursable examination*

* Insurers vary widely in the services they cover and reimburse.

IVA has given us an important tool...

“Traditionally, BMD was used as the sole indicator of a patient's bone health and fracture risk, but now technology has advanced to incorporate vertebral fracture evaluation and BMD assessment on the same instrument. Using Instant Vertebral Assessment, we were able to obtain a low dose (just 1% of a conventional spine radiograph), 10-second scan of the spine during a routine bone density exam. Overall, incorporating IVA into our osteoporosis evaluation has given us an additional, important tool to identify those at risk of future fracture. We also are able to recommend intervention for those who will benefit most from the therapy—a step that's likely to reduce fracture rate and, consequently, help patients maintain independence and quality of life.”

John Schousboe, M.D.
Director, Osteoporosis Center, Nicollet Clinic, St. Louis Park, MN

CADfx™ Simplifies IVA Interpretation

CADfx computer-aided fracture assessment tool—another Hologic exclusive—quantifies and displays the degree of vertebral compression to help confirm the existence and severity of vertebral deformities.

- Computer-aided fracture assessment tool
- Point-and-click grading of vertebral deformity
- Simplified IVA interpretation
- Quantitative measurement of vertebral deformities
- Displays degree of vertebral compression

IVA images of a woman, 72, with BMD T-scores of -0.9, -0.4 and -1.0 at the femoral neck, total hip and lumbar spine, respectively. While her BMD results classify her as normal, a vertebral fracture puts her at increased risk for subsequent fractures and, therefore, in need of treatment for osteoporosis.
AP Spine and Proximal Femur
Discovery Express BMD provides unmatched precision for lumbar spine and proximal femur studies in just 10 seconds. In default mode, spine and proximal femur precision is better than 1.0% (CV at BMD=1.0 g/cm²).

Applications

Scan Comparison
Scan comparison automatically replicates regions of analysis, minimizing operator involvement and performance time. The above example shows a current hip exam displayed simultaneously with a previous baseline study for comparison. This feature can be used in all Discovery scan modes.

Supine Lateral BMD*
Supine lateral spine BMD enables clinicians to obtain reliable, quantitative measurements of trabecular-rich vertebral bodies in the supine position. Supine lateral measurements have demonstrated superior precision (1%) over quantitative measurements in the decubitus position.

*Requires Discovery SL or A models.

Whole Body/BMD Analysis*
Discovery can evaluate BMD of the entire skeleton and report on up to 10 adjustable regions of interest. Discovery performs whole body scans in as little as 3.5 minutes. Typical precision for whole body scans is 0.75% (total region CV at BMD = 1.0 g/cm²).

Body Composition Analysis** software enables evaluation of fat mass, lean mass and total mass for the entire skeleton and for individual sub-regions. Both BMD and body composition can be derived from a single whole body scan. Hologic fan-beam technology is the technology of choice for major government-sponsored and pharmaceutical body composition studies.

*Requires Discovery W or A models.

**Optional

See specifications data sheet for availability of features on specific Discovery models.
**Subregion Whole Body**

Place up to seven user-defined, custom regions for BMD and body composition analysis. **Requires** Discovery W or A models. **Optional** Body composition analysis.

**Automatic Pediatric Whole Body**

Rapid scanning and enhancements to data analysis protocols make Discovery particularly well suited for pediatric studies. The analysis algorithms automatically detect and measure very low-density bone, making Discovery the instrument of choice for pediatric densitometry.

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**Prosthetic Hip**

Bone resorption around a hip prosthesis can eventually contribute to loosening of the implant device. Monitoring changes in the bone surrounding the prosthesis provides clinicians with pertinent information regarding bone status and the viability of the implant.

The QDR Prosthetic Hip software option automatically identifies and removes the influence of a metal prosthesis to produce precise BMD measurements.

*Optional

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**Small Animal**

Perform *In Vivo* scans of rat whole body with BMD and body composition measurements, including lean and fat tissue mass, total mass and % fat determinations. Unique, calibration phantom assures accuracy and repeatability of results.

*Requires Discovery A model. Optional software.

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**Infant Whole Body**

Provides bone mineral and body composition measurements for human infants ranging from 26 weeks gestational age to one year birth age, or approximately 1kg to 10 kg in weight. The measurement system uses the lowest x-ray tube currently available and exposes the patient to a very low dose (less than 2mrem).

*Requires Discovery A model. Optional software. For investigational use in the USA.
Hologic leads the industry in providing connectivity solutions for bone densitometry systems, streamlining the workflow between and within facilities and workstations. Now physicians and other healthcare providers can transmit, receive, and review patient results virtually from anywhere in the world. With Hologic software, physicians can interpret bone density data or IVA images from a remote workstation. From entering patient data to physician interpretation, Hologic provides a comprehensive suite of tools to meet your connectivity needs.

Physician’s Viewer with CADfx
Physician’s Viewer is a stand-alone software package for remote softcopy review of BMD results and IVA scans. CADfx provides computer-aided fracture assessment that quantifies the degree of vertebral compression and simplifies IVA interpretation. The optional Physician’s Report Writer generates electronic reports for paperless distribution.

- Remote soft-copy interpretation
- Maintains full image fidelity
- Optimizes image with interactive zoom, brightness, and contrast control
- Intuitive graphical interpretation aids
- On-screen labeling of vertebral levels and fracture status
- Quantitative confirmation of vertebral deformation
- Platform for e-reporting

Remote softcopy interpretation
(Physician’s Viewer)

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Physician’s Report Writer (Optional)
Produces a comprehensive electronic report in Microsoft® Word format for electronic distribution and printing.

OnePage Dx™ Report
*Combine multiple risk factors into a comprehensive, one-page report*

The OnePage Dx Report combines BMD and IVA results in a concise, single-page format for better assessment of fracture risk. This comprehensive summary of results displays both AP and lateral IVA images along with BMD results in our easy-to-read and interpret format.

Physician’s Interpreting Report
*Streamline report writing and workflow*

The Physician’s Interpreting Report automatically downloads and formats key information into a customizable electronic report that includes patient biographical information, BMD, T-/Z-scores, and IVA results. The physician can enter final comments via keyboard or speech recognition.

Health Level 7 (HL7) Report
The HL7 Report extracts bone density exam results and interpretation as text data from the Physician’s Report and formats it for the HIS/RIS system.

Modality Worklist
The Hologic QDR® for Windows® operating system connects to HIS/RIS and HL7, simplifying the exchange of text data between QDR workstations and hospital information systems. The Modality Worklist facilitates workflow and reduces input errors. It allows QDR operators to draw text data—admissions information, the daily order of exams, etc.—from HIS/RIS and view it on the QDR workstation monitor.
Value-added Features and Options

QDR One-Page Report
Combine image, scan analysis, and reference curves in a concise, easy-to-read, visually impressive, single-page report. The Discovery patient report also contains pertinent patient information and space for diagnosis and comments. Choose from several preformatted templates.

Standard Patient Report
The extensive online database of reference values included with Discovery simplifies interpretation of studies. It includes ethnic-matched reference data and utilities that allow customization of user reference values to the local patient population. Hip reference data are based on NHANES in compliance with standardization criteria.

Trend Report
QDR for Windows facilitates serial follow-up of patients. Trend Reports provide an easy method to compare visit-to-visit rates of change. Significant changes in bone mineral status are automatically and clearly noted on the report to facilitate clinical management.

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Reduces scan times by 66%. Captures regional spine and hip density measurements in only 10 seconds with better than 1% precision.

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Practice Development Guide
Take full advantage of Discovery’s practice-building potential. Contains two CDs with ready-to-print marketing and patient education materials and marketing tips to help you navigate the myriad of marketing and media options.

Patient Call-back List
Provides a list of patients for a given date and/or diagnostic range. Used to generate call-back letters for follow-up exams.

NEW! Tech Tips™
Graphical positioning aid demonstrates correct patient alignment, scan start position, and the correct scan, making it easier than ever for technologists to position patients correctly the first time and every time.

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**Anthropomorphic Quality Control Spine Phantom**
Hologic’s Anthropomorphic QC Spine Phantom confirms system stability with a life-like standard that simulates in vivo conditions and has exceptional sensitivity for detecting data drift. Discovery’s Auto QC automatically scans the spine phantom to confirm system stability and performance.

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To achieve this goal, Hologic has assembled some of the most respected names in medical imaging — each contributing a wealth of experience, dedication and a clarity of vision.

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