PRODUCT Update

PREIMPLANTATION GENETIC TESTING



Spectrum® preimplantation genetic screening for aneuploidy (PGT-A) from Natera, Inc., has demonstrated that it improves in vitro fertilization (IVF) results for all women, including those of advanced maternal

age, announces Natera.

In a retrospective study published in Fertility and Sterility, Spectrum, a single-nucleotide polymorphism (SNP)-based PGT-A technology, was successful in screening all 24 chromosomes to provide comprehensive embryo aneuploidy results. Natera says that the study results showed that use of Spectrum PGT-A during IVF led to excellent implantation (70%), clinical pregnancy (71%), and live birth (65%) rates during single embryo transfer.

Spectrum evaluates the number of chromosomes in embryos to detect extra or missing chromosomes and screens for inherited genetic disorders to help provide the best chance of transferring a healthy embryo with the correct number of chromosomes.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:

https://www.natera.com/spectrum

PORTABLE BREAST ULTRASOUND



The Viera™ Portable Breast Ultrasound System from Hologic is now available for purchase in the United States.

Viera is a wireless, handheld breast ultrasound scanner that Hologic says produces exceptional image quality. The scanner uses a 14-4 MHz linear transducer, contains

192 elements, and has 4 parallel software beamformers. It utilizes spatial compounding to reduce image noise and speckle. Presets are available for breast, dense breast, and interventional procedures with B, M, power Doppler, color Doppler, and needle enhancement modes. On-demand high-resolution images are transmitted wirelessly to smart devices and patient archive systems (PACS) in the office, exam room, or surgical suite, or to the Cloud for efficient documentation. Smart device platforms include iOS and Android devices using WiFi and Bluetooth connectivity. The system includes a 1.2-lb scanner, 2 rechargeable batteries, and a charger with global AC adapter.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:

https://www.vieraportableultrasound.com

HOME SPERM TEST



The YO Home Sperm Test, which allows a man to test his moving sperm in private, is the first test of its kind to receive FDA approval, announces Medical **Electronic** Systems (MES). A soon-

to-be-published study shows YO to be highly accurate, says MES. Offering automated sperm analyzers to hospital labs, universities, and IVF centers, MES adapted its technology to a home setting after realizing that many men are hesitant to be tested in a clinical venue.

The customer downloads the smart-phone app and acquires the YO Kit. After collecting a semen sample, he uses a pipette from the kit to place semen on a slide, which is slipped into the Yo Clip. The clip slides onto the smartphone, which uses its camera to take a high-resolution video. Test results and the sperm video appear in about 2 minutes.

At \$59.95, the YO Kit includes 2 tests, in case a second sample is desired.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:

https://www.yospermtest.com

IMPROVING THE MAMMOGRAPHY EXPERIENCE



Fear of pain during mammography is a major reason why women avoid screening, says Hologic, who designed the Smart-Curve™ Breast Stabilization System to provide a better patient experi-

ence. With a curved design that mirrors a woman's breast, the system has been clinically proven to deliver a more comfortable mammogram. SmartCurve has been shown to improve comfort in 93% of patients who reported moderate to severe discomfort with standard compression technology. The curved design reduces pinching while allowing uniform compression over the entire breast. Specialized processing software takes the geometry of the curved surface into account, so that resulting images have the same appearance as images taken with standard equipment.

SmartCurve is standard on Hologic's new 3Dimensions™ mammography system and as an enhancement option to existing Hologic Selenia® Dimensions® systems. FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:

https://www.smartcurvesystem.com