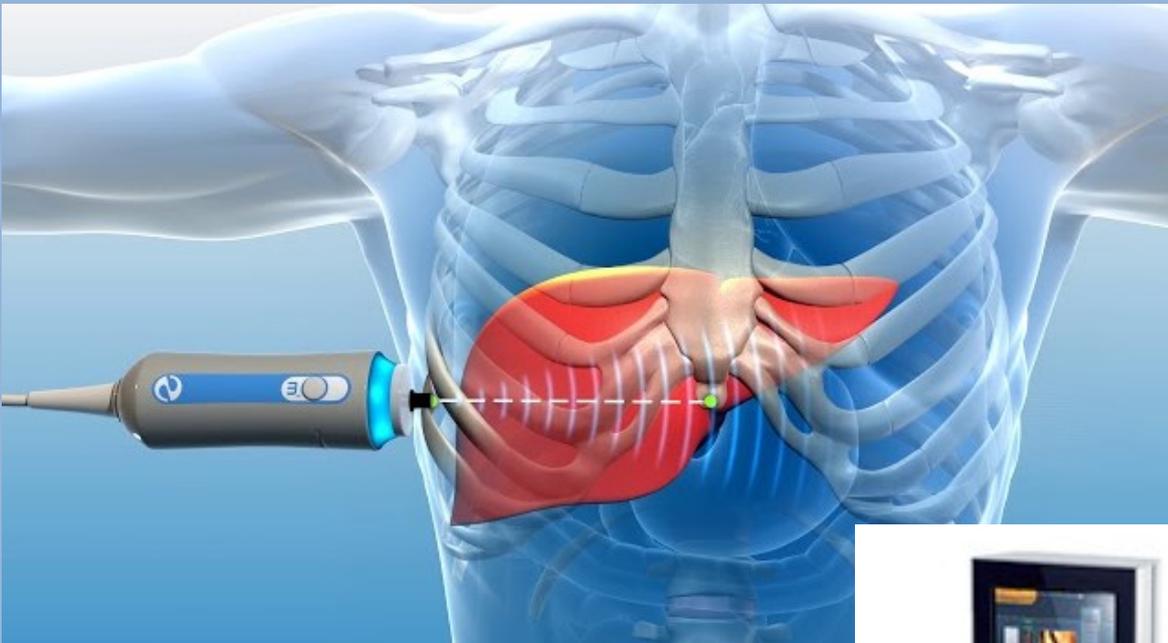




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# FibroScan



It takes about 15 minutes



## What is a FibroScan?

A FibroScan is a simple test to find out how much liver scarring you have. The build-up of scar tissue is called Fibrosis.

## How does it work?

FibroScan uses a series of short, pulsed, low-frequency sound waves to measure liver stiffness. The result is displayed as a number, rather than a picture, which tells your doctor how much liver scarring you have.

## Are there any risks?

A FibroScan has no side effects, you are safe to drive, return to work and carry out your normal daily activities.

It is recommended that you do not have this test if you are pregnant.

If you have a heart pacemaker you should let your health professional know.

## What are the benefits ?

- The scan will give your doctor more information about your liver condition and help them plan the best treatment for you.
- The test can be done quickly and easily at your doctors practice.

## Do I need to prepare for the scan?

Please fast for 2 hours before your appointment unless you have diabetes or your doctor has asked you not to fast.

You should take any prescribed medication as you would normally with sips of water.

## What happens during the scan?

Your scan will be carried out by a qualified health professional who will explain the procedure and answer any questions you may have.

You will be asked to lie on your back with your right arm raised above your head. A gel will be applied to your skin on the right-hand side.

A small hand held sensor is then pressed on the surface of your skin. The gel allows pulsed sound waves to pass through the liver more easily.

The gel is wiped off at the end of the procedure.

## How and when do I get my result?

Your referring doctor will give you the result at your next appointment.