

# The only measure of RNFL Integrity™: GDxPRO™





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# **RNFL Integrity**

At times, stepping onto ice is a risky proposition. Just knowing its thickness might not be enough, since underlying structural characteristics also determine its integrity. The same may be said of the Retinal Nerve Fiber Layer (RNFL). Its thickness is important, but it may not tell the whole story.

**Introducing the GDxPRO™  
Scanning Laser Polarimeter**

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**The science underlying RNFL Integrity**

Recent scientific studies suggest that RNFL micro-structures undergo changes in orientation and density before RNFL anatomical thickness changes become apparent<sup>1,2</sup>.

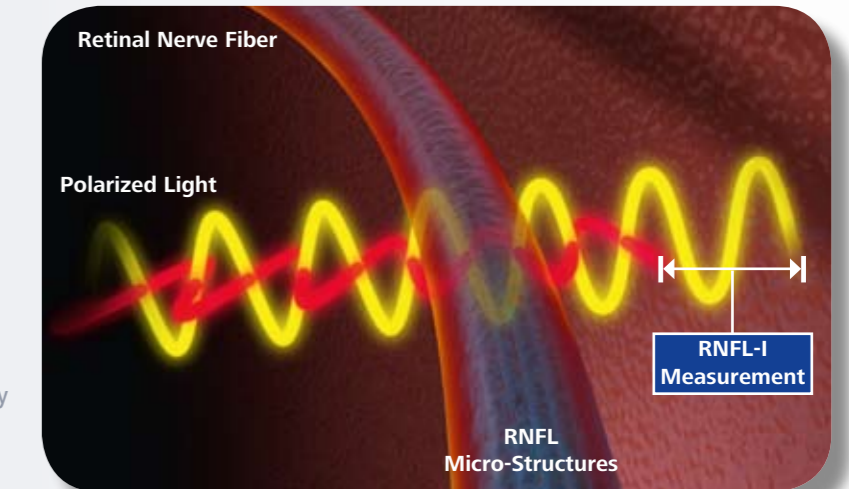
Scanning Laser Polarimetry (SLP) measures RNFL Integrity (RNFL-I™) – structural information that goes beyond thickness. GDx™, the world's only Scanning Laser Polarimeter, uniquely characterizes RNFL Integrity by directly measuring structural organization throughout the RNFL thickness<sup>3,4,5,6</sup>.

**Assess RNFL Health by measuring RNFL Integrity**

RNFL Integrity is derived from both RNFL thickness and RNFL structural organization. As such, it is a discrete assessment of RNFL health that today only GDx Scanning Laser Polarimetry can quantify.

**GDxPRO measures RNFL structural organization**

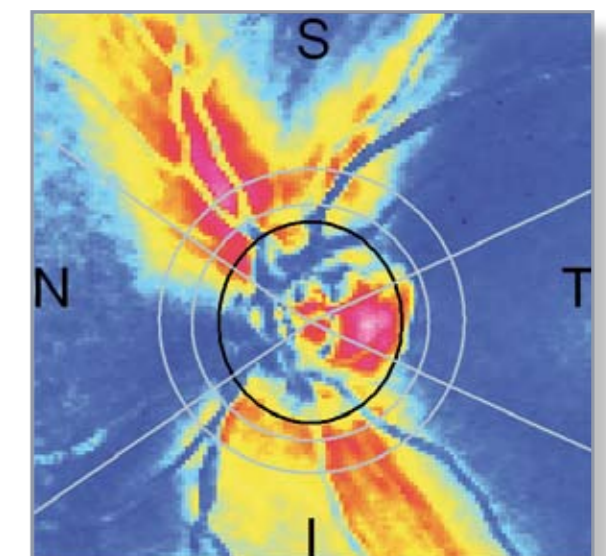
- SLP passes polarized light through the RNFL and creates a high resolution map from over 32,000 data points.
- A phase shift occurs because light polarized parallel to RNFL micro-structures travels more slowly than light polarized perpendicular to them.
- The size of this shift, termed RNFL Integrity, depends upon both the thickness of the RNFL and the cumulative level of organization of its micro-structures.



*Polarized light passing through a single nerve fiber.*

**Clinically proven performance**

Understanding the nature of RNFL-I measurement provides insight into why the GDx technology is proven to be a superior glaucoma management tool. A number of clinical studies have verified the correlation between RNFL Integrity values and glaucomatous damage<sup>7,8,9,10</sup>. Hundreds of published studies support the conclusion that GDx technology provides invaluable information for early disease detection and ongoing clinical management. The GDxPRO provides a unique and comprehensive view of RNFL health simply not available in other imaging technologies.



*Nerve Fiber Layer Map (RNFL-I)*

## Superior diagnostic performance

### Demonstrated superiority for classifying suspects

In a recent comparative study of glaucoma suspects with normal visual fields and suspicious optic disc appearance, GDxVCC™ RNFL parameters performed significantly better than an alternative method for confirming the diagnosis.

The best GDxVCC parameter, the Nerve Fiber Indicator (NFI), had a Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve area of 0.83 and sensitivity of 83% for specificity at 70%, whereas the best parameter for the other technology had an ROC of 0.70 with sensitivity of only 63% for similar specificity.

“Receiver operating characteristic curve areas above 0.80 are generally considered to be good for a diagnostic test, whereas areas ranging from 0.70 to 0.80 are only fair, and areas below 0.70 are generally considered poor.”

*Medeiros et al. Ophthalmology, 2008; 115(8)<sup>11</sup>*

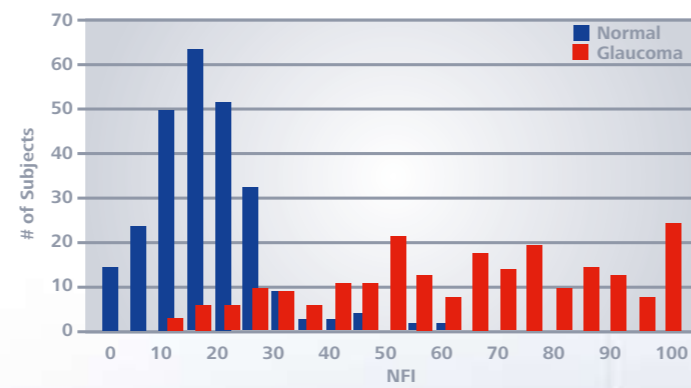
Imaging Technology	Best Parameter	ROC	Sensitivity	Specificity
GDxVCC	NFI	0.83	83%	70%
Other technology	Rim volume (mm <sup>3</sup> )	0.70	63%	70%

Comparative Study Results

### NFI is a superior tool to assess glaucoma

The Nerve Fiber Indicator (NFI) is an artificial intelligence algorithm shown in numerous studies to be a superior discriminator between normal subjects and glaucomatous patients. The output is a single number between 1 and 100 representing the Integrity of the RNFL.

NFI distribution in normal and glaucoma subjects (N=458)



95% of the normal eyes had an NFI ≤ 30 for ECC. VCC NFI has similar performance. (CZM internal study, data on file.)

### Enhanced Corneal Compensation (ECC™) – building on excellent VCC performance

ECC raises SLP technology to a new level making it possible to acquire high quality scans on virtually every patient. ECC is a new enhanced imaging method which improves signal-to-noise ratio for GDxPRO measurements. The ECC normative database was collected from 10 international centers and included 251 normal subjects (of which 42% were Caucasian) and 215 glaucoma subjects (of which 47% were Caucasian)<sup>13</sup>.

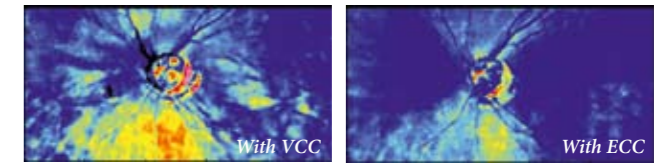
In this study ECC had a significantly lower atypical scan rate than VCC.

#### ECC Versus VCC

Normal subjects 0% versus 2.8% (p-value < 0.05)  
 Glaucoma subjects 0% versus 8.0% (p-value < 0.0001)

*“The GDxVCC allows easy, rapid, and accurate discrimination between healthy and glaucomatous eyes (and) fulfills all nonfinancial criteria for a glaucoma screening device”.*

*Reus et al. Ophthalmology, 2004, Vol. 111, No. 10<sup>12</sup>*

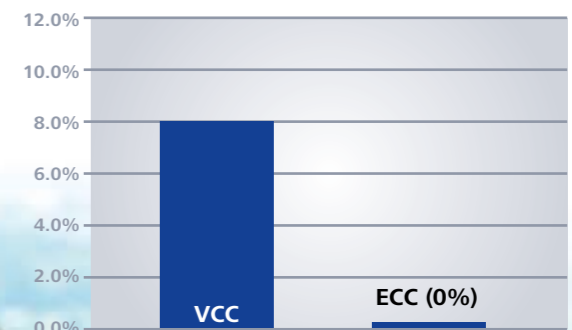


ECC dramatically improves the diagnostic value of scans from this technically difficult patient. (OS, Male, 65 years old)

Furthermore, studies have shown that ECC performance has demonstrated outstanding measurement sensitivity, and specificity.<sup>14,15,16</sup>

For example, in the study of 157 eyes from Medeiros et al. IOVS 2007, the area under the empirical ECC ROC curve was 0.93 for the TSNI average. This performance could improve progression detection.

### No atypical scans among 215 glaucoma subjects



Carl Zeiss ECC normative data study

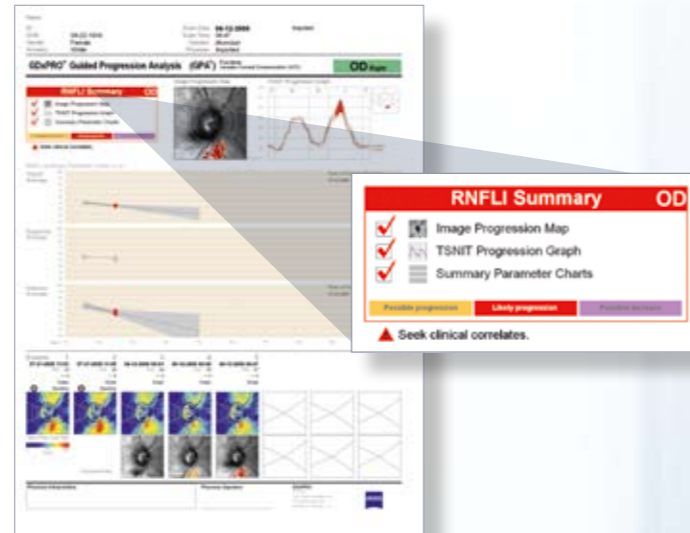


## GPA™: the new standard in progression analysis

### Identify fast progressors at a glance

Guided Progression Analysis (GPA) helps to follow glaucoma patients and identify fast progressors in need of more aggressive treatment.

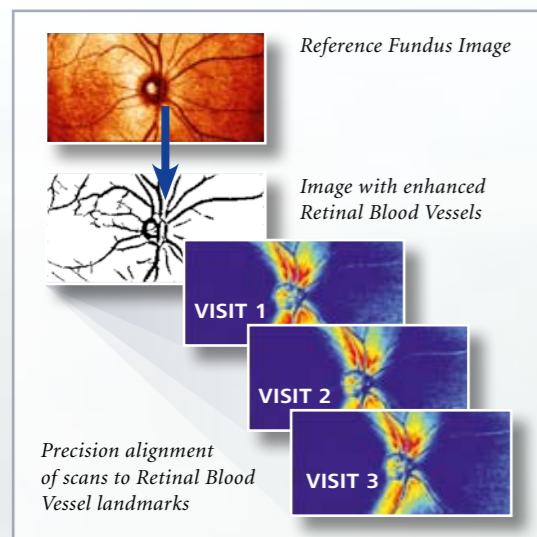
Building on the legacy of GPA for the Humphrey® Field Analyzer (HFA), GPA in GDxPRO is a proprietary statistical tool with high design specificity of 95%. It compares the RNFL-I variability of a widespread population with each patient's exam-to-exam variability. GPA identifies statistically significant, reproducible change in focal, regional, and difficult to identify diffuse global defects. GPA results are presented in a single-page report that can be read intuitively at a glance or exported electronically.



### Designed for exceptional precision

Automatic Image Alignment ensures exceptional registration between the reference image and subsequent measurements, even across multiple visits. To achieve this, retinal blood vessels are used as landmarks to align all images with one reference image. This precise alignment enables the high reproducibility and GPA performance of GDxPRO.

- **AutoFocus** ensures the scan is performed at the optimal imaging position.
- **Proven high repeatability**, independent of operator expertise.



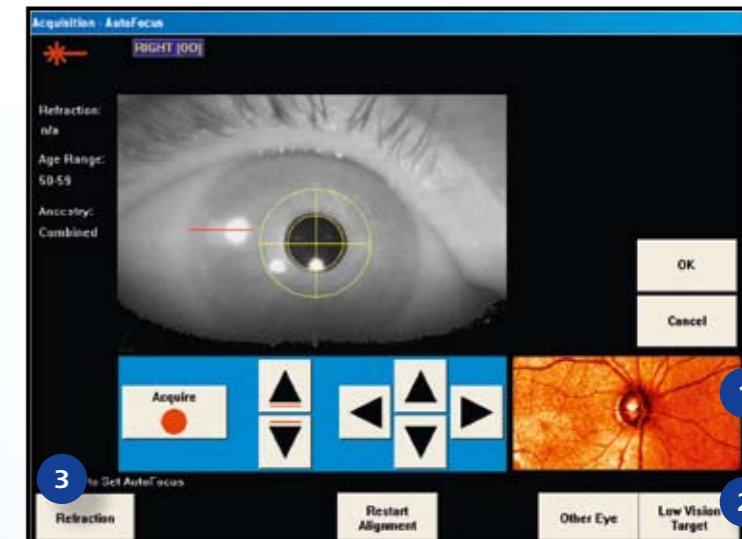
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## Designed with the operator in mind

The GDxPRO is delightfully simple to operate.

- Scan without delay with non-mydratric operation.
- Acquire high quality scans with ease<sup>17</sup>. Simple-touch Automatic Pupil Alignment requires virtually no operator experience.
- Ensure proper patient fixation with Live Fundus View.
- Scan more patients easily with Low Vision Target.



Scan Acquisition Screen

- 1 Live Fundus View
- 2 Low Vision Target
- 3 AutoFocus / Refraction

## Designed with the clinician in mind

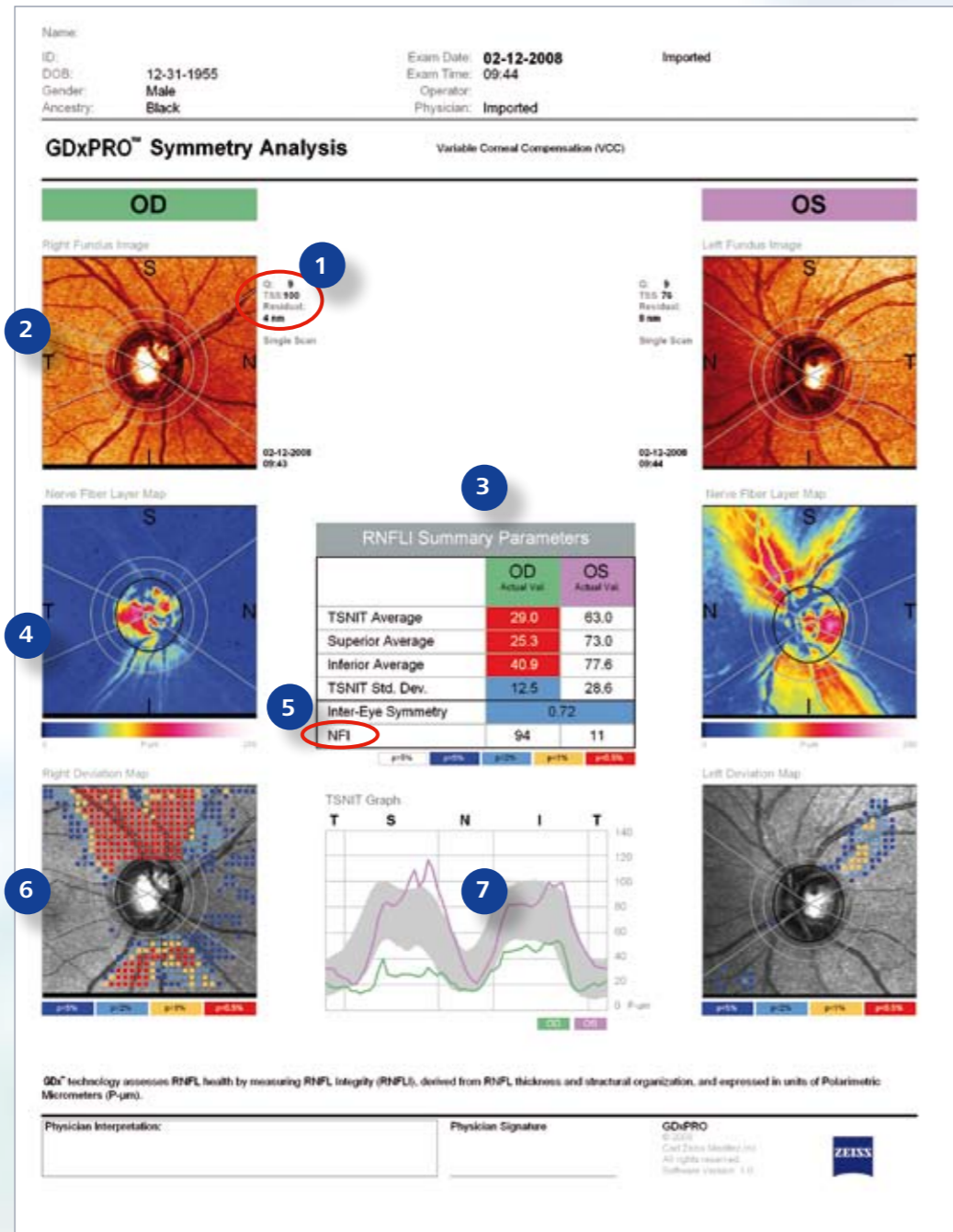
GDxPRO integrates clinical performance with workflow efficiencies.

- Interpret results at a glance with intuitive report designs.
- Print to virtually any Windows® XP supported printer.
- Go paperless by automatically saving and exporting reports in standard file formats (PDF, TIFF, JPEG).
- Access Carl Zeiss networking solutions with optional DICOM Gateway connectivity.
- Consolidate GDxVCC and GDxPRO patient data on the same GPA report.
- Enjoy portability convenience with GDxPRO's small, lightweight design with exclusive lockdown feature for optics protection.

# Interpret results at a glance with intuitive report designs

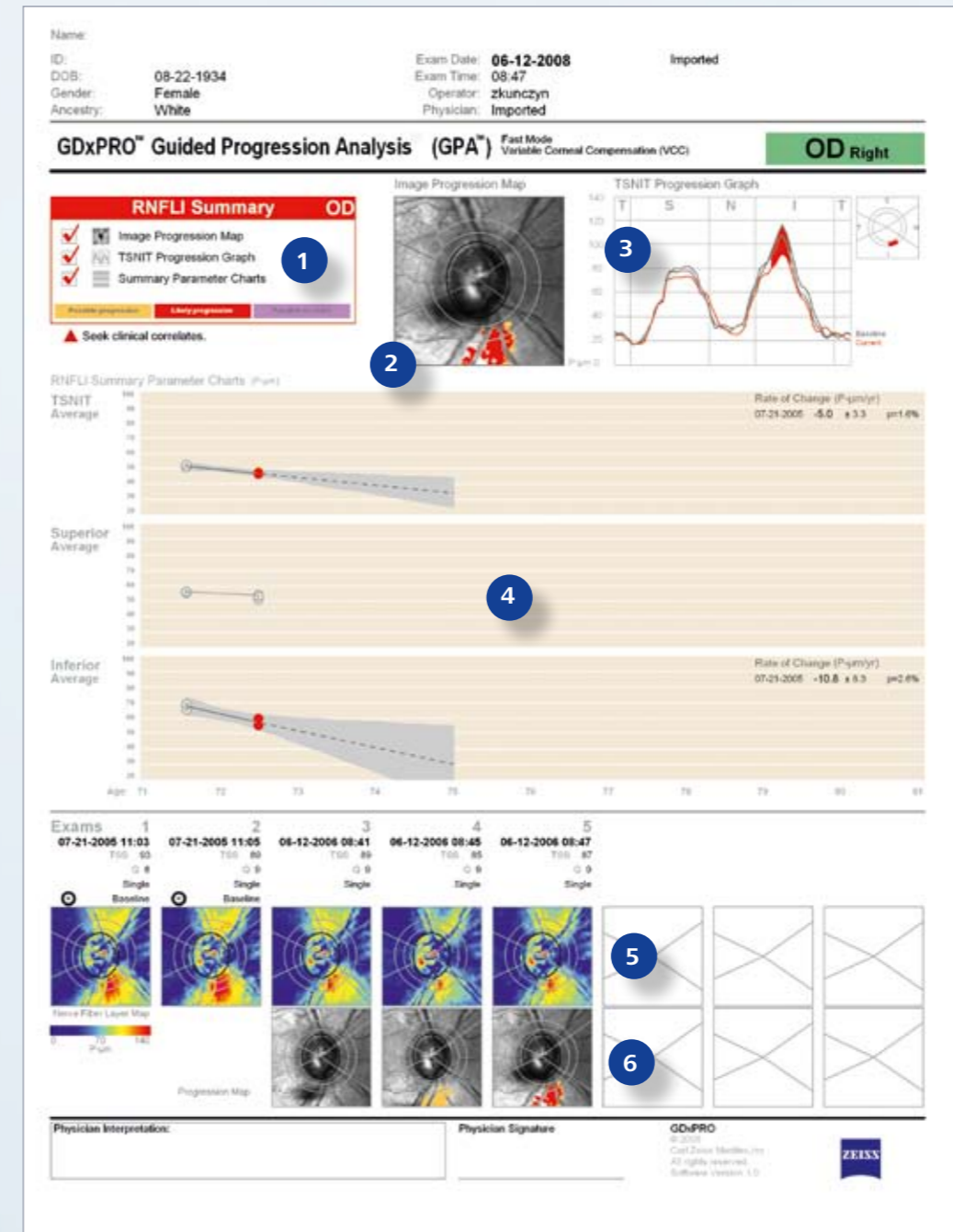
## Symmetry Analysis Report

- Quality Indicators**  
Ideally,  $Q > 6$ ,  $TSS > 40$ ,  
 $Residual < 5$  (ECC)  
 $Residual < 11$  (VCC)
- Fundus Image**  
Reflectance image showing the optic nerve head (ONH) and ellipse placement.
- RNFLI Summary Parameters Table**  
Color-coded parameters indicating deviation from normal. All except the NFI are calculated only from the Calculation Circle.
- Nerve Fiber Layer Map**  
An hourglass shape of yellow and red colors around the ONH is typical of normal eyes.
- NFI**  
Nerve Fiber Indicator used to differentiate normal from glaucomatous eyes.  
 $NFI < 30$ ,  
High likelihood of being normal  
 $NFI > 45$ ,  
Low likelihood of being normal
- Deviation Map**  
Color-coded by p-value indicating degree and locations of deviations from normal.
- TSNIT Graph**  
Displays normal range (shaded area) and RNFL-I measurements along the Calculation Circle.



## GPA Report

- Color-Coded RNFLI Summary Box**  
Indicates evidence of statistically significant change.  
  - Black = No Progression
  - Yellow = Possible Progression
  - Red = Likely Progression
  - Purple = Possible Increase\*
- Image Progression Map**  
Most sensitive to focal change.
- TSNIT Progression Graph**  
Most sensitive to regional change.
- RNFLI Summary Parameter Charts**  
Most sensitive to diffuse change. Rate of change is displayed only if statistically significant.
- RNFL Maps**  
Sequence of up to 8 Nerve Fiber Layer Maps.
- Progression Maps**  
A series of up to 6 Progression Maps comparing each exam with the baseline images. Areas of statistically significant change are color coded yellow when first noted and then red when the change is sustained over consecutive visits.



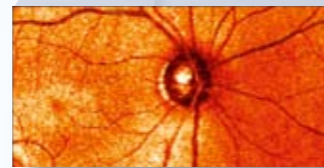
\* Possible Increase is often due to measurement variability, and is therefore displayed with a warning to check data quality.

## Designed with the patient in mind



The GDxPRO is designed for optimum patient comfort.

- Minimize patient fatigue with quick scan times.
- Improve patient comfort with non-mydratic operation and ergonomic design.
- Reduce patient exam time with Live Fundus View.
- Accommodate patients with compromised central vision using Low Vision Target.



Live Fundus View



Low Vision Target

◀ **Proven Clinical Performance**  
Numerous studies have validated the diagnostic accuracy and performance of the GDx technology for the clinical management of glaucoma.

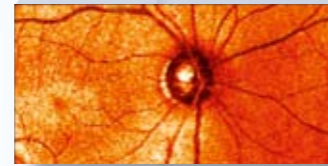


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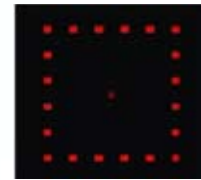


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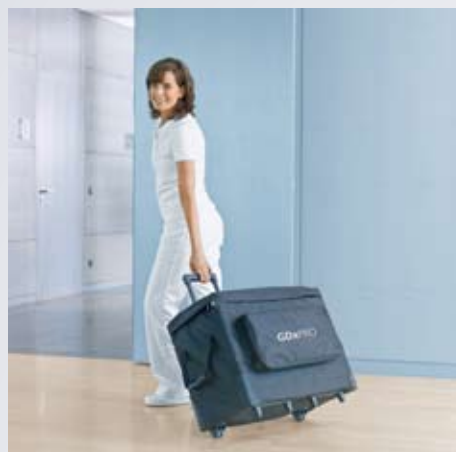
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• Example Guided Progression Analysis (GPA™) Report was provided courtesy of Robert N. Weinreb, MD.

# The ideal glaucoma assessment tool for your practice

User Features	
<b>General</b>	Scanning Laser Polarimetry (SLP)
	Retinal Nerve Fiber Layer Analysis
	Integrated design
	Portable
	<b>New</b> Windows® XP, SP3
<b>Acquisition</b>	Non-mydriatic
	<b>New</b> Touch Screen operation
	<b>New</b> Point-and-click mouse drive operation
	<b>New</b> AutoFocus
	<b>New</b> Simple-touch Automatic Pupil Alignment
	<b>New</b> Live Fundus View
	<b>New</b> Iris Image Check
	<b>New</b> Low Vision Target
	<b>New</b> Triple Scan Mode
	Technician time for two eyes < 3 min
<b>Software</b>	<b>New</b> HIPAA-friendly software design
	<b>New</b> Automatic Image Alignment
	<b>New</b> DICOM Gateway [Optional]
	<b>New</b> Print Preview
<b>Images</b>	Fundus Image
	Nerve Fiber Layer Map
	Deviation Map
<b>Analyses</b>	RNFL Integrity analysis
	<b>New</b> RNFL Normative database - ECC
	RNFL Normative database - VCC
	<b>New</b> Guided Progression Analysis (GPA)
	<b>New</b> Nerve Fiber Indicator (NFI) - ECC
Nerve Fiber Indicator (NFI) - VCC	

Technical Specifications	
Illumination laser source	GaAlAs laser diode, 780 – 798 nm, 40 mW primary power
Laser classification	Class I laser system
Imaging area	40° x 20°
Scan speed	41 frames / sec
Ametropia correction	-13 to +8 diopters
Data acquisition time	<1 second
Fixation	Internal target
Display	Integrated color liquid crystal display
Electrical requirements	100 – 240 volts, 50/60 Hz Complies with US and Canadian medical electrical system safety requirements and 93/42/EEC Medical Device Directive.
Dimensions	63.5 L x 30.5 W x 40.6 H (cm)
Weight	50 lbs (31 kg)
Ambient temperature	50°F – 95°F (10°C – 35°C)
Ambient humidity	10% – 75%



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