Mammary Reduction

Why?

Certain women are embarrassed by the weight or the lack of firmness of their breasts. They can even suffer pain in the back or shoulders and experience difficulties of a psychic nature. A mammary reduction can therefore be performed for medical or aesthetic reasons. Mammary reduction involves the removal of mammary tissue, which differentiates it from a breastlift.

The Intervention

A mammary reduction takes two to three hours and is performed under general anaesthesia. A first incision is made around the areola and a second, vertical, departs from the areola down to the fold under the breast. The surgeon removes the excess of skin and/or glandular tissue. He then repositions the nipple and the areola.

Results and Post-Operative Treatment

The stitches can be removed about a 14 days after the operation. The final result can be seen after three months.

Instructions for the Patient

Before the Intervention:

- If you are having a full anaesthetic, do not eat, drink or smoke after midnight
- Taking Aspirin (or any other medication containing acetylsalicylic acid) is also forbidden for ten days before the intervention;
- On the day of the operation, you are advised not to wear any make-up, no nail varnish.
- On the day of the operation, you are advised not to wear contact lenses.
- On the day of the operation, you are advised not to wear any jewellery.
- In the morning before the intervention, the body must be washed with a disinfectant soap of the Hibiscrub, Uni-Cura or Betadermyl variety (available from chemists).

It is important and obligatory to wear anti-embolic stockings on the day of your surgery. Please provide the long ones up to above the knees. These you can buy at the pharmacy or at our clinic (30 €).

After the intervention

In case of breast uplift with/without implants and abdominoplasty : We can offer you a special bandage with negative wound pressure. Pocket sized PICO is designed to reduce disruption and supporting them through the healing process. Benefits for you are better wound healing via suction of low exudate and nicer scaring. This bandage will be placed after your surgery in the operating room. You can go home without any worries regarding wound care till the bandages may come off. Price: 250£

- After the intervention, a specific bra (of support) must be worn for a month, night and day. The bra can be briefly taken off after 48 hours, for a quick shower.
- Waterproof dressings are placed after the intervention in order to protect the stitches. They will be removed at the same time as the stitches, i.e. a fortnight after the intervention.
- You are advised to take Dafalgan (Paracetamol) at a rate of 1gr four times a day, alternating with Ibuprofen 600mg, three times a day and, possibly, Oxynorm instant 5mg, twice a day. This latter medication should be discontinued in the event of nausea.
- Antibiotics will be prescribed for you and must be taken 2 times a day for ten days.
- An oedema will appear after the operation, but it will disappear of its own accord.
- The stitches will be removed after a fortnight, by your doctor or at Beclinic.
- Once the stitches have been removed, the doctor will place some steristrips and a waterproof dressing, which will be removed after three days. The scars can be massaged with Cicalfate (Avène). When they are closed, a silicon dressing (of the "Bapscarcare", "Cerederm" or "Dermatix" variety) can be applied in order to encourage the healing process. The scars absolutely must be kept out of the sun for at least a year.

A post-operative bandage package is available at the clinic for a cost of 25£. This includes all post-operative bandages such as iodine, steri strips, waterproof bandages.

• You are advised not to carry any heavy objects nor to practise any sport for four weeks after the intervention.