What is the SAVI SCOUT surgical guidance system?
SAVI SCOUT is an FDA cleared medical device that uses real-time guidance technology to help your surgeon locate and remove target tissue during surgery.

How does it work?
The standard way to locate a non-palpable (cannot be felt by your doctor) lump for surgical removal is to use a wire with a hook on the end. This is known as wire localization. SAVI SCOUT uses a small device called a reflector that is placed into the lump. The system then uses electromagnetic waves (safe and non-radioactive) to detect the location of the reflector within the breast. The system allows your doctor to locate and remove both the lump and the reflector during surgery.

What are the potential benefits of SAVI SCOUT compared to wire localization?
• May provide more accurate localization of lump for removal
• May minimize waiting time on morning of surgery
• Reflector is not externally visible after placement, in contrast to wire localization, where the wire is left outside the breast

How and when is the reflector placed?
Up to seven days before your scheduled surgery, you will have the reflector placement procedure. During the procedure, your physician will:
• Confirm the location of the lump using imaging (mammography or ultrasound)
• Use a local anesthetic to numb the targeted area of your breast
• Introduce the reflector through a small needle under image guidance
• Confirm the placement of the reflector using the SAVI SCOUT system

What happens during surgery?
During surgery, your surgeon will use the SAVI SCOUT system to detect the location of the reflector. Your surgeon will then remove both the lump and the reflector. The SAVI SCOUT system and/or imaging will be used to confirm the removal of the reflector within the tissue.