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Agfa HealthCare extends digital mammography offering

Broadened range of integrated solutions for mammography helps facilities move from analog to digital

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Agfa HealthCare presents an extended line-up of digital mammography solutions at ECR 2007, built on the company's significant expertise in mammography, imaging and workflows. The extended portfolio of digital solutions is aimed at helping healthcare organizations take their mammography workflows from analog to digital, providing enhanced image quality.

The expanded range of integrated solutions offers a host of advancements, including image acquisition based on Computed Radiography (CR) (currently not available in the US) and Direct Radiography (DR) technologies, and MUSICA™ (Multi-Scale Image Contrast Amplification) image processing, diagnostic reporting and workflow solutions based on its IMPAX™ Picture Archiving and Communication System as well as hardcopy output on the new DRYSTAR™ AXYS™ tabletop dry imager.

For diagnostic reporting, IMPAX 6, the latest version of Agfa HealthCare's PACS (Picture Archiving and Communication System), features new functionalities for multi-modality breast imaging applications.

Also new at ECR is Agfa HealthCare's IMPAX Mammography Screening solution. This dedicated mammography screening system has been designed for the requirements in mammography screening environments. It enables fast reading and reporting as well as configurable screening workflows. The IMPAX Mammography Screening Solution can be customized to local workflows and integrated with screening administration and information systems.

Also of note for high-volume Mammography departments is the introduction of Agfa HealthCare's IMPAX Data Center, which addresses the storage issues relating to the large volume of images generated by Mammography departments. The IMPAX Data Center is a scalable and fault tolerant DICOM

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archive solution designed to store clinical DICOM data objects, including DICOM encapsulated non-imaging objects (such as waveforms, structured reports and PDFs). The system can manage millions of exams and petabytes (one thousand terabytes) of information.

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About Agfa

The Agfa-Gevaert Group is one of the world's leading imaging and information technology companies. Agfa develops, manufactures and markets analogue and digital systems for the printing industry (Agfa Graphics), the healthcare sector (Agfa HealthCare) and film related products and specific industrial applications (Agfa Materials). Agfa's headquarters are in Mortselsel, Belgium. The company is present in 40 countries and has agents in another 100 countries throughout the world. The Agfa-Gevaert Group achieved a turnover of 3,401 million Euro in 2006.

Agfa HealthCare supplies hospitals and other healthcare centers with state-of-the-art systems for the capturing, processing and managing of diagnostic images and with IT solutions that integrate information and imaging workflows into the overall hospital operations across departmental disciplines. Agfa HealthCare is a leader in the fast growing market of IT systems that span the entire healthcare enterprise and through which healthcare facilities become more efficient and effective.

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