

Press release

## Sectra MicroDose Mammography approved for sales in Russia

Healthcare providers in Russia can now offer women mammography with the market's lowest radiation dose. This opportunity is a result of the Russian authorities' approval of Sectra's digital mammography system, Sectra MicroDose Mammography<sup>1</sup>.

With its 140 million inhabitants, Russia has around 6,000 hospitals and clinics. Half of these perform mammography today, and a very small number of them use digital mammography.

"The market for high-quality healthcare, as well as the general focus on cancer care and prevention, is gradually increasing in Russia. We believe that the timing is right for entering this market with our unique low dose system," says Jesper Söderqvist, President of Sectra's mammography operation.

## As low radiation dose as possible

Mammography screening is the best method for early breast cancer detection. Breast tissue is sensitive to radiation, and it is therefore crucial that the dose is as low as possible. This is especially important in mammography screening, which involves examination of a large number of healthy women. With superior image quality, Sectra's mammography system, Sectra MicroDose Mammography, generates by far the lowest dose of radiation of all of the systems offered on the market. Key to the significant reduction of radiation dose while retaining the very high image quality needed in mammography images is Sectra's revolutionary <u>photon-counting</u> detector technology.

Already today, Sectra MicroDose contributes to <u>significant reduction of radiation dose</u> in most major European mammography screening programs. It is installed in 18 European countries, as well as in Australia, New Zealand and Japan.

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## **About Sectra**

Sectra develops and sells IT systems and products for radiology, mammography and orthopaedics. More than 1,100 hospitals, clinics and imaging centers worldwide use the systems daily, together performing over 52 million radiology examinations annually. This makes Sectra one of the world-leading companies within systems for handling digital radiology images. In Scandinavia, Sectra is the market leader with more than 50% of all film-free installations. Sectra's systems have been installed in North America, Scandinavia and most major countries in Europe and the Far East.

Sectra was founded in 1978 and has its roots in Linköping University in Sweden. The company's business operation includes cutting-edge products and services within the niche segments of medical systems and secure communication systems. Sectra has offices in 12 countries and operates through partners worldwide. Sales in the 2009/2010 fiscal year totaled SEK 848 million. The Sectra share is quoted on the NASDAQ OMX Stockholm AB exchange. For more information, visit www.sectra.com.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Pending FDA-approval