

Press release

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Sectra's best six-month figures

During the first six months of the financial year, Sectra improved its profits by 35 % to SEK 15.9 million (9.9) compared with the year-earlier period. Sales increased by 35 % to SEK 144.2 million (106.6). Order bookings amounted to SEK 171.5 million (195.1).

Sales during the most recent three-month period increased by 62 % to SEK 93.9 million (58.1). During the quarter, profits improved by 151 % to SEK 13.8 million (5.5).

“The significantly improved profit and the increased sales are a direct consequence of the growth in sales figures we have experienced during the past two years,” says Jan-Olof Brüer, President of Sectra.

Sectra has a strong technology platform. The products and systems solutions developed by Sectra target market niches with extensive growth potential both in the Swedish domestic market and internationally. It is the assessment of the Board of Directors that Sectra will continue to expand with favorable profitability.

During the quarter, Sectra's new digital mammography system Sectra MicroDose Mammography, has advanced to the stage of tests in a clinical environment at Stockholm's St Görans Hospital. A collaboration regarding corresponding tests in the US have been initiated with Professor Etta Pisano at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine, in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. It is expected that the first mammography systems will be brought into use during 2002.

Sectra's workforce has continued to grow. During the second quarter the number of employees increased by 23 persons and currently amounts to 218.

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About Sectra

Sectra has its roots in Linköping Technical University and is one of Sweden's fastest growing high-tech companies in the IT area. Since the mid-1980s, Sectra has successfully conducted development and sales of high-technology medical IT and telecommunications products. Today, the business includes products in medical systems, secure communication systems and wireless information systems.

Business is conducted in six countries with a total of 218 employees. Sales for the fiscal year May 2000–April 2001 reached SEK 292 million. Since March 1999, Sectra's shares have been quoted on the O list of the OM Stockholm Exchange.