

Strategic order from Danish county

Sectra to digitize radiology at hospitals in Ribe county, Denmark

Sectra, the Swedish IT and medical technology company, has signed a contract with Ribe County Council in Denmark for a complete integrated radiology IT-solution.

The order is for Sectra's system for processing and archiving of digital images (PACS) and Sectra's radiology information system (RIS), which will be used at the four radiology departments of Ribe County. The entire County performs in total approximately 135,000 radiology examinations annually. The system will handle the entire workflow from request to report, including integration with referring clinics. The county radiology departments are scheduled to be in full digital operation by the beginning of 2004.

"We chose Sectra based on our goal to have the entire Ribe County work as one virtual radiology department, both paper and film free," says Bent Poulsen at the Social Healthcare Committee at Ribe Amt. "Sectra's digital radiology solution fulfils our high demands on quality and user-friendliness and can be integrated with the other IT-systems at the hospital", Bent Poulsen adds.

With Sectra's system radiology departments throughout Ribe County will be able to work completely without paper and films. By handling requests, patient data and x-ray images digitally, a more efficient workflow is created. This contributes to better patient care through faster throughput of images and answers to requesting physicians.

"The order from Ribe County Council is an important reference in our strategic focus on the Danish market," says Henrik Larsen, Managing Director at Sectra A/S.

Sectra is one of today's major diagnostic imaging providers with more than 350 installations worldwide. Sectra's core business is to deliver top-of-the-line, high-availability, robust enterprise diagnostic imaging for 24/7 operation. In Sweden and Norway, which are currently the countries with the largest penetration of diagnostic imaging systems in the world, Sectra is the market leader with more than 50 percent of all film-free installations. The company also has a large number of systems installed in most major countries in Europe, the Far East and North America, in co-operation with partners. For more information, visit www.sectra.com.

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Sectra's operations

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

Sectra's medical business is conducted in Sectra Imtec AB, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Sectra AB. Internationally, Sectra PACS™ is marketed and sold through different partners.

Business is conducted in eight countries with a total of 272 employees. Sales for the fiscal year May 2001-April 2002 reached SEK 426 million. Since March 1999, Sectra's shares have been quoted on the O list of the Stockholm Exchange.

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