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Sectra receives order for Wide Area Radiology PACS in Sweden worth \$2M USD.

Sectra has signed a contract with the county of Gävleborg in Sweden for a multi hospital PACS. In total there are three hospitals and three satellite clinics in the county. The project is the third and final phase in making the whole county film free. In the beginning of next year three of the six departments will be fully digital and all departments will work with digital request forms. The first phases of the order were received by Sectra in 1995-1997 comprising archiving, teleradiology and film-free operation in the hospital of Ljusdal.

“The pilot project in Ljusdal has proven to be even more profitable than we had hoped, says Dr Anders Persson chief radiologist of Hälsingland hospitals. The fully implemented system will allow us to utilize our resources better as the physical borders and the distance between the hospitals vanishes.”

A Wide Area Network based on ATM connects the clinics. Sectra's unique modular architecture will be used to achieve one virtual radiology department over the six clinics, allowing for large savings for the hospitals. A central long-term 20 TB archive is used for prolonged on-line capacity and for automatic backup.

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Sectra's operations

Sectra AB is an IT company that grew out of research at the Linköping Institute of Technology. Since the mid-1980s, the Company has successfully conducted development and sales of high technology IT and telecommunications products. Today, the business includes products in the expanding fields of medical image systems, defense communication systems and digital radio systems. Sectra collaborates with customers in each of these markets to develop commercially robust, user-friendly products embodying high technical quality. Sectra is listed on the Stockholm Stock Exchange's O-list since March 3, 1999

The medical image business of Sectra 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. Among these Philips Medical System is the largest. In cooperation with Philips Medical Systems, Sectra has provided PACS to e.g. Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology and Riverside County Regional Medical Center in the US, Klinikum Deggendorf in Germany and Carolus den Bosch Hospital in the Netherlands.