

Sectra to Deliver MicroDose Mammography to Australian Screening Programme



The Swedish IT and medical-technology company Sectra has been awarded a contract to install four MicroDose Mammography units for use in Victoria. The Sectra MicroDose units offer improved or identical image quality at a lower radiation dose than other solutions in the market.

BreastScreen Victoria offers a free mammographic screening service to asymptomatic women in the target group of 50 - 69 years of age under the national population based screening programme BreastScreen Australia.

The women in the region will be offered mammography screening with the new equipment that is being installed in four of BreastScreen Victoria's sites by September 2010.

Since 2006, BreastScreen Victoria has used Sectra BreastImaging PACS for managing and archiving all digital breast images. BreastScreen Victoria encompasses a statewide network of eight screening and assessment centres, 32 fixed screening sites and 28 mobile screening locations. BreastScreen Victoria will conduct more than 200,000 screening mammograms in the coming year.

"Sectra is the leading provider of breast imaging PACS in Australia and we are also experiencing growing demand for Sectra MicroDose," says Scott Johnston Managing Director Sectra Australia and New Zealand.

Sectra develops and sells IT-systems and products for radiology, mammography and orthopedics. 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.

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