

Press release

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## **Sectra increases investment in MicroDose Mammography and explores potential for financing via a private placement of new shares**

**Sectra is planning to increase its investment in the mammography area. By allocating substantial resources for market investments, Sectra will be able to establish itself more rapidly as a leading player in mammography screening through the unique Sectra MicroDose Mammography® system.**

To finance the investment, Sectra is considering implementing a private placement of new shares supported by the mandate given to the Company's Board of Directors at the Annual General Meeting in June 2003. Sectra has commissioned Hagströmer & Qviberg to explore the market conditions for such a placement. If implemented, the new issue could also lead to a broadened institutional ownership. Sectra's ownership base is currently dominated by the company's founders and employees, who combined own about 60% of the share capital. A total of about 20% of Sectra's share capital is accounted institutional owners.

### **Sectra MicroDose Mammography®**

The Sectra MicroDose Mammography is a digital mammography system that is based on a completely new digital detector technology. This technology makes it possible to combine very high image quality with significantly reduced radiation doses. The main advantages associated with Sectra MicroDose Mammography are that the radiation dose can be reduced by 80% compared with film-based systems, and the unique productivity that allows examination of up to 70 patients per day. The system is developed in cooperation with jointly owned Mamea Imaging AB and is patent-protected.

Helsingborg Hospital in Sweden is the first mammography department to use Sectra MicroDose Mammography in clinical operations. The system was installed in September 2003 and more than 5,000 women have subsequently been screened using the new system. The successful results noted by Helsingborg Hospital are important confirmation that the system functions in a clinical environment.

### **The mammography market**

Mammography screening is the second most common radiology examination in the world. An estimated approximately 30,000 conventional systems are installed in the market and it is expected that these will be replaced at a rate of about 4,500 systems per year. A high proportion of the new systems will be digital, which means there is significant potential for Sectra MicroDose Mammography in this area.

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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.

Business is conducted in eight countries with a total of 300 employees. Sales for the fiscal year 2002/03 reached SEK 503 million. Since March 1999, Sectra's shares have been quoted on the O list of the Stockholm Exchange. For more information visit our website <http://www.sectra.com>.

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