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SIEMENS BRINGS PATIENT-CENTERED CARE AND PRODUCTIVITY TO UROLOGISTS AT AUA 2006

ATLANTA, MAY 19, 2006 – Siemens Medical Solutions is arming urologists with tools and solutions to address the field’s most pressing issues: time, cost and quality of care. Visitors to the Siemens booth (#3459) at the American Urological Association (AUA) Annual Meeting, being held May 20-25 in Atlanta, will witness how the company’s full line of urology solutions are helping to improve patient care while driving down costs.

“The high demand for urology procedures coupled with an ever-increasing shortage of personnel is augmenting the need for improved workflow and cost-effectiveness throughout urology practices,” said Tom McCausland, president, Siemens Medical Solutions USA. “Siemens meets this challenge head on with a comprehensive portfolio of urology solutions.”

From early detection and diagnosis, to treatment and follow-up, Siemens offers urology solutions across the continuum of care, spanning the breadth of the industry’s most advanced imaging technologies available today. These solutions draw from a range of urology, ultrasound, computed tomography (CT), information technology (IT) and lithotripsy systems.

In addition to introducing a new configuration for its MODULARIS lithotripsy system, Siemens will highlight the following innovations at AUA as part its comprehensive urology solutions offering:

- The UROSKOP® Access – a floor-mounted, dedicated urodiagnostic table enabling unrestricted, symmetrical patient access. Coupled with superior digital image quality and dose reduction features, urologists can optimize both diagnostic and therapeutic workflows.

- MODULARIS[®] Litho Vario – a mobile extracorporeal shockwave lithotripsy (ESWL) system providing a powerful solution for the treatment of kidney stones. The system's distinctive Shock Wave System "Cplus" technology provides greater efficacy in stone breakage, increased penetration depth of 140mm, a variable shock wave frequency (60/90/120), and a longer life of the shock head.
- SONOLINE G20[™] and SONOLINE G40[™] – ultrasound systems supporting most applications in urology. The Autocolor[™] single step color Doppler optimization technology of the SONOLINE G40 helps to streamline workflow and increase diagnostic confidence by allowing a distinct differentiation of flow states in the prostate. With its 355-degree biplane and rectal probe, the SONOLINE G20 incorporates best-in-class workflow advancements and user-matched ergonomics in a small footprint black-and-white system. Increased patient care is being achieved with its prostate brachytherapy template that allows a more accurate placement of prostate seeds.
- MVision[™] Megavoltage Cone Beam (MVCB) Imaging Package – a unique volumetric in-line target imaging solution for pelvic and other applications. The natural next step in Image-Guided Radiation Therapy (IGRT), it is the first commercial implementation of cone beam technology utilizing a standard radiotherapy treatment beam. MVision makes it possible for the megavoltage (MV) source used for treatment to also create a 3D image of the patient, enabling safer, more accurate treatment.

Rounding out Siemens' comprehensive urology solution is a range of CT, molecular imaging, and radiation therapy innovations.

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