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# Digirad Launches First Upgradeable Single-Head Gamma Camera

**SAN DIEGO, CA, August 4, 2003**—Digirad Corporation, the innovation leader in solid-state gamma camera technology and the premier nuclear imaging services provider, announced today the release of the first upgradeable nuclear gamma camera available on the market.

Digirad's latest innovation is Cardius™-1, a solid-state nuclear gamma camera with a single detector that is dedicated exclusively to cardiac imaging. The system is revolutionary in that it is easily upgradeable to a dual-head system to efficiently accommodate higher patient volumes with faster throughput.

"Cardius-1 is an exciting new product that allows customers to purchase a camera that fits their patient volume needs today, yet is extensible to accommodate practice size growth and volume needs in the future," said David Sheehan, CEO, Digirad. "This upgrade feature is valuable for physicians who are just starting out or who cannot yet justify the additional cost associated with a dual-head camera. We are very excited about the options this new system offers the cardiology market."

The Cardius-1 system is comprised of a solid-state nuclear gamma camera, a portable acquisition/processing station, and an upright imaging chair. This state-of-the-art imager is also equipped with the new Solidium™ detector, Digirad's proprietary third generation solid-state technology. In addition to being fully upgradeable through the purchase of Digirad's DualPak™ Upgrade Kit, the Cardius-1 system has numerous advantages, such as its light weight and small footprint, which allow it to fit conveniently into a 7'x8' space without the need for room renovations. The upright imaging convention is also advantageous in that it increases patient comfort and reduces the incidence of claustrophobia. The movable imager produces outstanding image quality and features solid-state reliability.

"There is a lot of excitement around Cardius-1 since it is conveniently field upgradeable to a Cardius™-2 dual-head camera," said Sheehan. "Our Cardius-1 customers can expect a seamless conversion to a faster system when patient volume warrants it. This is yet another example of why our hospital and physician customers are clearly choosing solid-state systems over Anger technology. They understand the vast benefits of solid-state that are only available through Digirad today." Digirad anticipates shipment of the first Cardius-1 system in August of 2003.

### About Digirad

Digirad Corporation, a privately held company, develops, manufactures and markets solid-state, digital gamma cameras to hospitals, imaging centers and physician offices. Digirad offers a comprehensive line of solid-state nuclear gamma cameras that can be used for the detection of many medical conditions including cardiovascular disease. These high performance cameras produce outstanding image quality, and due to their lightweight and compact design, fit easily into small office spaces.

Digirad Imaging Solutions, a wholly owned subsidiary of Digirad Corporation, provides mobile turnkey, in-office services for physicians who want to perform nuclear cardiology procedures, but do not have the patient volume, capital, expertise or personnel to justify purchasing a system. Both Digirad Corporation and Digirad Imaging Solutions are headquartered in San Diego. For more information, please visit [www.digirad.com](http://www.digirad.com).

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