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ALTIUS Swiss Sportmed Center embraces Agfa DR for high-quality imaging with full leg/full spine capability

Floor-mounted DR 400 room offers this Swiss sports medicine and orthopaedics practice scalable, versatile direct radiography

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- The DR 400 comprises a radiographic table with integral floor guide rail and a wallstand. Requiring little room preparation, it is easy to install and needs limited space.
- Motorized vertical tracking of the tubehead automatically adapts the height of the tubehead when the height of the bucky is changed, for better and easier patient positioning.
- The DR 400 is delivered with the MUSICA Imaging Workstation, providing efficiency, intelligence and the best image quality at the lowest possible dose when using Cesium-based detectors¹.

Agfa announces that, together with its authorized distribution partner, E. Schweizer AG, it has signed an agreement with ALTIUS Swiss Sportmed Center, in Rheinfelden, Switzerland, to replace the practice's existing, third-party X-ray system with the DR 400 floor-mounted direct radiography (DR) room. The contract was signed on 28 January 2020, and the new room will be installed at the beginning of April.

Comprehensive sports medicine and orthopaedics services

ALTIUS Swiss Sportmed Center is a clinic offering a full range of sports medical and orthopaedic diagnostics and therapy, enabling patients to receive all their treatment services under one roof. Six doctors, two assistant doctors and the complete 48-person team strive to provide the highest level of care, to ensure patients' optimal rehabilitation and maintenance.

Full leg/full spine imaging and easier patient positioning

To support its ongoing goals, the Center has chosen to implement the scalable DR 400 floor-mounted X-ray room. This complete DR system can grow and develop with the needs of the facility, delivering higher throughput, lower cost per examination and excellent image quality. The versatile system is ideal for group practices and clinics, with benefits including motorized vertical tracking of the tubehead, which enables better and easier patient positioning, and full leg/full spine (FLFS) imaging capability.

Like all Agfa DR solutions, the DR 400 is delivered with the MUSICA Imaging Workstation, providing efficiency and intelligence, with a single, intuitive interface. The 'gold standard', intelligent MUSICA image processing software enables 'first time right' imaging, with the best image quality at the lowest possible¹ dose when using Cesium-based detectors.

Combining versatility, scalability and image quality

"At our sports medicine and orthopaedics practice, we aim to give our patients and athletes optimal care and comfort, with everything they need under one roof. With its high image quality, full leg/full spine capabilities and easier patient positioning, the DR 400 will support us to enhance outcomes and satisfaction for our patients," says Dr. med. Lukas Weisskopf, head physician of ALTIUS Swiss Sportmed Center.

"We are very pleased that ALTIUS Swiss Sportmed Center has chosen the DR 400 to replace its previous X-ray system. We say that our portfolio enables all types of healthcare organizations to access the benefits of DR: this proves the case. The DR 400 is an excellent choice for group practices and clinics that want to support their patients and doctors with a high-quality, yet scalable and versatile X-ray system," says Iskandar Accaoui, Radiology Solutions Division Manager - Europe at Agfa. "We appreciate the collaboration with the team at our distribution partner, E. Schweizer AG, in helping ALTIUS Swiss Sportmed Center find the solution that best meets their needs."

¹ Testing with board-certified radiologists has determined that Cesium Bromide (CR) and Cesium Iodide (DR) Detectors, when used with MUSICA image processing, can provide dose reductions between 50 to 60%, compared to traditional Barium Fluoro Bromide CR systems. Contact Agfa for more details.

For an image, courtesy of Agfa, [click here](#).

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