Certainty lives in layers

Philips IQon Spectral CT
A new landscape with new challenges

The world of healthcare is shifting to a patient-centric, payment-for-services model—driving leaders in our field to ask: How can we provide better patient experiences and improve clinical outcomes while achieving the economic objectives of our organization?

Overcoming these challenges with imaging

Facilities are being driven by reimbursement streams to ask the following questions:

- Can we increase diagnostic accuracy without increased dosage?
- How do we improve efficiency and reduce errors?
- What can we do to fully integrate evidence-based imaging practices?
- How can we better adhere to clinical pathway protocols?
- Can we improve upon our approach to patient-centric care and service excellence for the department and health system?

As standardized quality measures place an increased importance on diagnostic certainty, the need for solutions that produce more definitive and accurate data than conventional CT technology has become apparent.

And that’s where detector-based spectral technology comes in.

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As the world’s first spectral detector-based CT, the Philips IQon Spectral CT delivers multiple layers of retrospective data in a single, low-dose scan, empowering you to improve clinical confidence that may impact your quality outcomes.

With the IQon Spectral CT:

1. The first exam is the right exam.
2. You’ll have answers for your most challenging cases.
3. The advances are powerful—the workflow stays the same.
Conventional CT scans often produce ambiguous or inaccurate data that can require additional testing. To provide better patient experiences* and empower you to improve clinical outcomes while achieving the economic objectives of your organization, there’s a clear advantage to making the right diagnosis in the first scan.

The first exam is the right exam

By delivering spectral results 100% of the time in a single scan, the Philips IQon Spectral CT can:

• Reduce time and costs by decreasing the number of patient findings that are indeterminate, providing the opportunity to positively impact patient care
• Reduce workflow complexity
• Reduce the need for additional tests through the ability to create angiograms from routine or low injected contrast volume studies
• Transform a sub-optimal CTA exam into an optimal diagnostic CTA
Is that a lesion?
Could be.
Could be nothing.
I can’t solve what I can’t see.
I need to be certain.

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Scan Data:
CTD\text{vol}: 15.2 \text{ mGy}
DLP: 550\text{mGy}x\text{cm}
Effective Dose: 8.2\text{mSv} (k=0.015)^

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**Spectral Monoenergetic (MonoE) Image**
This 45 keV MonoE image reveals visualization of a suspected lesion. An additional scan is not needed to confirm.
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**Z Effective Spectral Results**
Here, we can visualize iodine uptake, adding another layer of information. Because spectral information is always on with the IQon Spectral CT, this additional information is available whenever a deeper analysis is needed.
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The Philips IQon Spectral CT was able to take a conventional CT and lower the MonoE to provide layers of spectral results in one scan.

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CTDvol: 12.1 mGy  
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This conventional CT image shows a left atrial hypoattenuating lesion; whether it’s thrombus or slow flow cannot be determined. This would ordinarily require additional testing and delays.

Is that normal cardiac anatomy?

Or lack of blood flow?

There’s no room for guesswork when it comes to AFib.

How can I be sure?
Case study

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Spectral Monoenergetic (MonoE) Image

The 45 keV MonoE image shows iodine enhancement in the coronary anatomy, but still leaves a questionable distinction between thrombus or slow flow. Additional spectral results are needed.
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**Iodine Overlay**

The Iodine Overlay image shows absence of iodine in the lesion. Absence of iodine typically indicates a thrombus rather than slow flow.
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Characterizing the presence of a left atrial lesion and confirming the presence of a thrombus rather than slow flow allowed the medical team to more confidently formulate a treatment plan.

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The answer for your most challenging cases

A challenging case can cause a great deal of uncertainty for the physician searching for the correct diagnosis and treatment plan.

With improved tissue characterization and visualization, and full use of dose management tools, the Philips IQon Spectral CT allows you to:

- Uncover obscured pathology through improved visualization and assessment of tissue in proximity to metal implants
- Reduce radiation dose through the full use of iterative reconstruction techniques (IMR) and dose management tools including 3D dose modulation
- Determine therapy response through contrast enhancement in lesions
- Experience enhanced diagnostic capabilities, even in patients who would not have been preselected for dual-energy techniques

The Philips IQon Spectral CT helps you extend the benefits of spectral data to all patients, providing answers for even the most challenging scenarios. Being able to achieve diagnostic confidence, in even the most problematic situation, can help you provide better patient experiences* and improve clinical care.
An 85-year-old patient with aortic valve stenosis and dyspnea needed scans for a pre-procedural evaluation. Because of his challenging condition, he could only tolerate 20 cc of injected contrast which, in a conventional CT, yields poor visualization of the vasculature.

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CTDIvol: 14.6 mGy
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We need to do a pre-surgical plan for aortic valve replacement (TAVR).

But the patient can’t tolerate the routine volume of IV contrast.

How do I visualize vascular access?
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Spectral Monoenergetic (MonoE) Image

Even with 20 cc of injected contrast, lowering the MonoE to 45 keV enhanced iodine visualization in the aorta.
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Spectral Advanced Vessel Analysis
Using Spectral Advanced Vessel Analysis enabled measurement of the vessel diameter for catheter placement. This allowed for visualization of the iliac artery for planning and access to the aortic valve.
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Vascular procedures on certain patient populations can be very challenging. The medical team was able to plan a vascular procedure on this challenging patient.

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The advancements are powerful—the workflow is the same.

Training multiple professionals on a new system all at once can be a challenge. There’s a large variability in speed and skill level in learning and adjusting to new technologies.

The Philips IQon Spectral CT and the Spectral Diagnostic Suite easily and fully integrates into your current workflow, allowing you to:

- Acquire spectral results as part of a routine CT scan
- Review and analyze spectral data on PACS, with results ready in five minutes
- Integrate spectral solutions easily, because spectral is always on, 24/7
- Use spectral data to address a wide variety of complex clinical questions
- Analyze spectral results retrospectively from anywhere within your enterprise

Now, every technician can acquire spectral data with every scan—data that can be viewed by physicians and care teams across your organization to help determine the best path for patient care.
Spectral Diagnostic Suite
A suite of advanced visualization applications for the Philips IQon Spectral CT, the Spectral Diagnostic Suite delivers advanced spectral and clinical application tools, including Spectral Magic Glass and the Spectral Magic Glass on PACS app.

Spectral Magic Glass
In addition to conventional CT images, Philips Spectral Magic Glass enables on-demand simultaneous viewing and quick comparison of up to five different spectral results for a region of interest, including Monoenergetic, Iodine Density, Virtual Non-contrast, Iodine no Water, and Z Effective maps.

Spectral Magic Glass on PACS app
The Spectral Magic Glass on PACS app conveniently launches directly in the user’s PACS viewing setup. Spectral Magic Glass on PACS is only available with the IQon Spectral CT and offers a simple interface that integrates into your organization’s current workflow with little or no training.

Low-dose solutions delivering on quality measures
With the Philips IQon Spectral CT, you’ll have the full use of dose management tools—like iterative model reconstruction (IMR) and 3D dose modulation—allowing you to experience all the benefits of spectral data at the same dose levels as a conventional CT scan.

Philips helps you get the most out of your customer service
Philips has developed service innovations designed to reduce time of repair and support an evolution towards fully predictive maintenance.

Spectral Magic Glass on PACS app is integrated with IntelliSpace PACS (iSite) and Sectra. In addition, we have completed ISP (SpDS) integration on several PACS and can make available upon request our open interface document to local hospital or PACS vendor IT in order to complete the Standard Integration.
When it comes to the positive effects it can have on your organization, that’s only the beginning.

Because what the IQon Spectral CT really delivers is certainty. With certainty come solutions. And as the world of healthcare advances towards a patient-centric model, those solutions can allow your organization to provide better patient experiences,* enhance clinical care, and achieve your economic objectives.

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