



## GE Healthcare Reaches Milestone, 500th Signa HDe 1.5T MRI Scanner Sold

GE Healthcare proudly announces the 500th sale of its Signa HDe 1.5T magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scanner at the Summit Orthopedic Associates in St. Paul, MN. The Signa® HDe 1.5T system is built on the exclusive high-definition (HD) MR platform by GE Healthcare, with a 20% smaller footprint than a typical 1.5T system, allowing it to be installed in the same space used by 0.5T MR systems and with lower operating and siting costs.

By employing efficient gradients and an innovative water-cooling technology, the Signa HDe 1.5T uses approximately 41% less energy than previous generation MRI systems, while still allowing the MRI system to achieve outstanding high-definition image quality. ■

## New MR Leadership Announced

Jacques Coumans, PhD, has recently joined the GE Healthcare team as the premium general manager for MR. Formerly the vice president of global marketing with MR responsibility for Philips, Coumans brings an extensive amount of global MR industry and customer knowledge as well as deep MR domain knowledge.

"We're pleased to welcome Jacques to the GE Healthcare team," says Jim Davis, vice president and general manager of the Global MR Business for GE Healthcare. "Jacques' experience and passion are an excellent addition to the business and we're looking forward to his contribution."

Coumans holds a PhD from Carola-Wilhelmina University in Braunschweig, Germany, as well as a BS and MS in Applied Physics from Technical University in Eindhoven, Netherlands. ■

