



Numa Debuts Nuclear Data Migration Services at SNM 2007

Online Data Access Enables Multi-Modality Image Review

Numa, the nuclear medicine connectivity company, introduces at the 2007 Society of Nuclear Medicine (SNM) annual meeting a range of services for the migration of data on legacy removable media to efficient, modern online DVD, RAID, PC hard drives and related PACS archive storage.

The ability to provide images online is becoming increasingly crucial as nuclear medicine and PET/CT departments move towards greater integration with mainstream radiology and as comprehensive image access across medical specialties becomes the norm. "As the leader in nuclear medicine department connectivity and integration, Numa is committed to supporting this goal," said Lawrence Smith, Numa president.

Comprehensive Data Migration to a Department Archive

New at SNM is Numa's comprehensive nuclear medicine data migration service that enables medical facilities to send images on existing removable media directly to Numa for customized data transfer to DVD or online media. The service addresses many departments' needs to upgrade existing storage on CD, MOD and tape to more modern and flexible media and includes all department modalities, from NM and SPECT to PET/CT. It utilizes Numa's advanced NumaRead automated image migration technology and supports transfer of entire image libraries. The service also includes optional translation of images in non-DICOM formats to DICOM as well as images in proprietary vendor DICOM formats to industry standard formats. Pricing is based on image volume.

Once online at the facility, images on the upgraded media will be accessible from any DICOM workstation on the network or can be forwarded to another workstation or PACS

Data Migration to NumaStore™ Management System

Additionally, for sites that wish to upgrade to department-wide digital image management, Numa debuts at SNM a comprehensive data migration solution for its NumaStore nuclear medical image management and archiving solution.

Following the purchase of NumaStore, Numa will provide facilities with complete onsite migration of images on all media—from removable storage to individual nuclear workstations—to provide a comprehensive single-point-of-access archive. It also will provide complete image format translation as needed. Once the NumaStore archive is in place, image access will be enabled on any workstations on the network through DICOM query/retrieve.

NumaStore is a reliable, robust image management system designed specifically for a full range of department modalities, including NM, PET, PET/CT and nuclear cardiology. It is available in configurations from 600GB to 21TB of storage and beyond. Providing long-term cataloging and archiving of live imaging data, it enables a paradigm shift away from storage and retrieval of simple diagnostic snapshots, supporting better patient care.

"Access to nuclear medicine department images throughout the enterprise has been an ongoing challenge because of lack of true IT standards and fragmented department IT infrastructure," says Smith. "With a common format and more sophisticated technology, a recent stumbling block has simply been implementation. Our new migration services will help departments move forward to take advantage of cutting edge technologies."

NumaRead image translation and migration technology also is available separately for in-house data migration or CORE labs that need to access images from multiple sites and vendors.