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Singapore's growth turns heads

Singapore's projected growth rate is turning heads in Hong Kong, where inflation and a property bubble are causes for concern.

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SonoSite and GE Healthcare Push Handheld Ultrasound Imaging Market to Over \$1.2 Billion

Adoption of Ultrasound Devices in Emergency Settings Remains Strong through Recession



VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, Nov 15, 2010 (MARKETWIRE via COMTEX) -- According to a new report by iData Research (www.idataresearch.net), the leading global authority in medical device and pharmaceutical market research, the U.S. handheld ultrasound market is expected to exceed \$1.2 billion by 2016 due to technological advances in size, imaging quality, ultrasound depth and improvements in three and four-dimensional capabilities by some of the leading manufacturers including SonoSite (SONO 31.42, +0.05, +0.14%), GE and Siemens. Adoption of handheld ultrasound devices and the use of ultrasound in emergency medicine will fuel strong growth in the overall U.S. ultrasound market, which suffered a sharp decrease in sales during the recession.

"Recent advances in handheld ultrasound devices have allowed for their use in procedures traditionally performed by other modalities such as computed tomography (CT) or magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)," says Dr. Kamran Zamanian, iData's CEO. "As the systems increase the ability to diagnose and treat a greater number of patients, physician preference towards handheld systems will rise rapidly. In addition, emergency medicine is driving sales of handheld systems since portability is a key consideration in this segment."

Another area showing strong growth is the breast ultrasound market, which will double in size by 2016 as demand for devices in the detection of breast cancer increases.

"Breast ultrasound systems are able to detect abnormalities that are a quarter of the size of the smallest growths that X-ray mammography can detect," says Dr. Zamanian. "In addition, they do not expose patients to radiation. These benefits will drive adoption among healthcare facilities and lead to double-digit market growth."

iData's report, "U.S. Market for Ultrasound Equipment 2010" includes market analyses and competitor profiles for 11 ultrasound systems: cardiology, radiology, obstetrics, gynecology, breast, urology, vascular, ophthalmic, emergency-medicine, musculoskeletal, trans-cranial and handheld ultrasound imaging devices.

For more information, register free on iData's website at:

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About iData Research

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