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To all customers

with syngo Dynamics version 5.0 using syngo Dynamics Cardiac Calculation Feature

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Customer (Safety) Advisory Notice regarding syngo Dynamics Cardiac Calculation Feature

Dear syngo Dynamics customer:

This letter is to inform you about a potential issue with the syngo Cardiac Echo Quantification feature in syngo Dynamics version 5.0.

What is the issue and when does it occur?

If you use the syngo Dynamics Cardiac Calculation feature to perform certain VTI measurements at the syngo Dynamics 5.0 Workplace, the V_{Max} that is derived is incorrect. Affected measurements are as follows:

- AoV Vmax when measured as part of the AoV VTI: affected calculations: AoV area i (Vmax) / AoV area (Vmax) / AoV pk grad / LV press s
- LVOT Vmax when measured as part of the LVOT VTI affected calculations: AoV area (Vmax) / AoV area i (Vmax)
- LLPV D Vmax when measured as part of the LLPV D VTI affected calculation: LLPV S/D
- LUPV D Vmax when measured as part of the LUPV D VTI affected calculation: LUPV S/D
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- Calculations using these measurements result in values that are lower than expected, consequently the measurements imported into worksheets and reports are incorrect. These values are stored in the syngo Dynamics database. Using these calculated values as the only basis for diagnosis of aortic valve disease may result in underdiagnosis.

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How can the user minimize the potential risk?

We recommend that users do not perform the above listed measurements and calculations on syngo Dynamics 5.0. We recommend performing them on the Ultrasound acquisition device instead. This will transfer the measurements to syngo Dynamics, and the measurements will be displayed and stored accurately.

How will this issue be resolved?

We are currently working on a Service Patch to correct this issue that will be available for installation at your site in the next few weeks.

Please include this safety advisory notice in your operator's manual where it should remain until the service patch is applied and identification of affected studies is completed. In the interest of safety, we ask that you perform the above preventive measures and inform all affected personnel immediately.

We regret any inconvenience this may cause, and we thank you in advance for your understanding.

Sincerely.

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