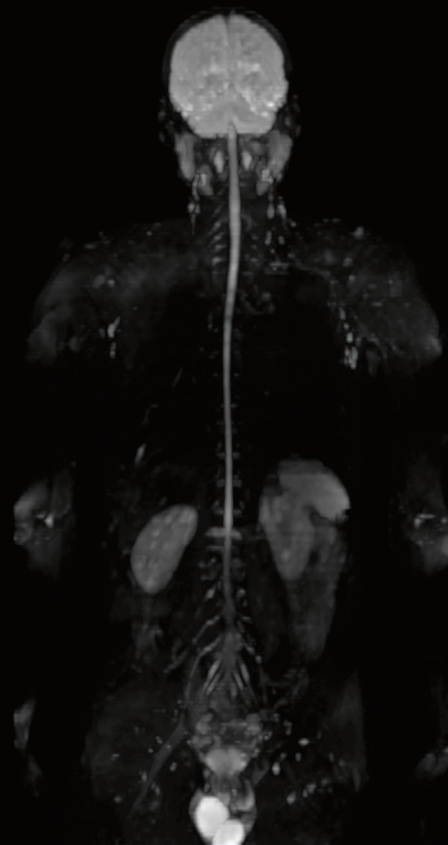


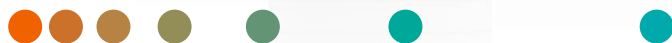
# Transform your care delivery

From MAGNETOM Avanto to  
MAGNETOM Avanto Fit  
with BioMatrix<sup>1</sup>

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# Is your MAGNETOM Avanto still fit for the future?

Did you know that over one fifth of all MRI scanners in Europe are more than 10 years old and nearly one third in the United States?<sup>2</sup> Maybe your MRI is reaching a critical age as well?

As you know MRI plays an increasingly important role in many clinical fields, e.g., for prostate cancer as first line triage test before biopsy.<sup>3,4</sup> As a consequence, the number of patients that need an MRI scan is constantly growing. Plus, the important gatekeeper that send the patients to you are your referrers. They have high demand towards MRI results and your diagnostic services<sup>5</sup> – and sometimes they have a choice from whom they get it. Beyond that as many others you might be facing severe staff shortages and high time pressure. Nevertheless, often you are asked to still improve your workflow and productivity.

When looking at your existing MRI system and all these challenges in mind, you might ask yourself: Is my current MAGNETOM Avanto still fit for the future?

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# Transforming your care delivery

We at Siemens Healthineers want to help you overcome these challenges by offering you an attractive alternative to purchasing a completely new MRI scanner.

With an upgrade of your MAGNETOM Avanto to MAGNETOM Avanto Fit with BioMatrix Technology,<sup>1</sup> you can master the challenges facing MRI today, helping you to expand your services and make the most of your initial investment.

## Stay fit for the future by upgrading your MAGNETOM Avanto

Can I still meet the demands of constantly growing number of patients and procedures?

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Am I able to keep up-to-date with my current MRI to satisfy my referring physicians?

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Can I still improve my workflows and increase productivity?

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How much am I able to invest when reimbursements are dropping and costs need to be closely monitored?

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**More robust and consistent results**  
for my patients

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**Improved diagnostic quality**  
for my referrers

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**Increased productivity**  
with innovative workflow & scanning technology

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**Capitalize on my initial investment**  
to meet my financial targets

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# All patients undergoing an MRI are different

Patients have unique, individual characteristics: Some may not be able to hold still. Some may not be able to hold their breathe. Some may experience fear due to noisy scans.

Their different physiologies and anatomies – but also the way we interact with them and with technology – cause unwarranted variations in MRI examinations. These pose significant challenges in MRI: Inconsistent exams. Poor image quality. Increased need for rescans. Unpredictable scheduling. They all can negatively impact the quality and cost of the care you provide. A study showed that movement in MRI exams leads to ~\$115k in lost revenue, per scanner, per year.<sup>6</sup>

With an upgrade to a BioMatrix scanner you receive several technologies that help you overcome these challenges for more robust and consistent MRI results for you patients:

## **BioMatrix Technology**

to anticipate motion for high-quality results with BioMatrix Sensors and adapt to challenging anatomies for reliable exams with BioMatrix Tuners.

## **myExam Companion**

to focus on the patient, not the software. By easily adapting scanning strategies to the patient's needs and conditions.

## **Quiet Suite**

to reduce patient's anxiety with up to 96% reduction<sup>7</sup> in sound pressure.



More robust and consistent results

# More robust and consistent results for your patients

An upgrade to MAGNETOM Avanto Fit, A BioMatrix System<sup>1</sup> helps you to overcome the challenges that the unique characteristics of your patients impose to your diagnostic results. With the new patient-adaptive BioMatrix Technology, the intelligent guidance from myExam Companion as well as reduced noise from Quiet Suite you can offer more robust and consistent results to your patients. Leading to fewer rescans and higher diagnostic confidence.

## BioMatrix Technology

By embracing human nature. Instead of expecting patients to adjust to the technology, BioMatrix automatically adjusts to the patient with three unique pillars:



Anticipate motion for high-quality results with BioMatrix Sensors.



Adapt to challenging anatomies for reliable exams with BioMatrix Tuners.



Accelerate patient preparation for increased efficiency with BioMatrix Interfaces.

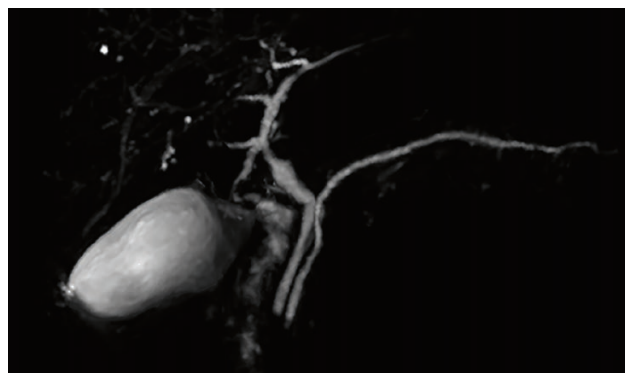
### Anticipate motion for high-quality results with BioMatrix Sensors

#### **BioMatrix Respiratory Sensors**

Respiratory Sensors automatically detect breathing patterns as soon as the patient lies on the table. This provides a simplified workflow as respiratory triggered scans can be performed without additional user interaction.

#### **BioMatrix Beat Sensor**

The Beat Sensor is seamlessly integrated into the BioMatrix Body 18 coil. It is designed for automatic cardiac triggering<sup>8</sup> – without the need for ECG leads.



Excellent triggered MR cholangiopancreatography (MRCP) using BioMatrix Respiratory Sensor

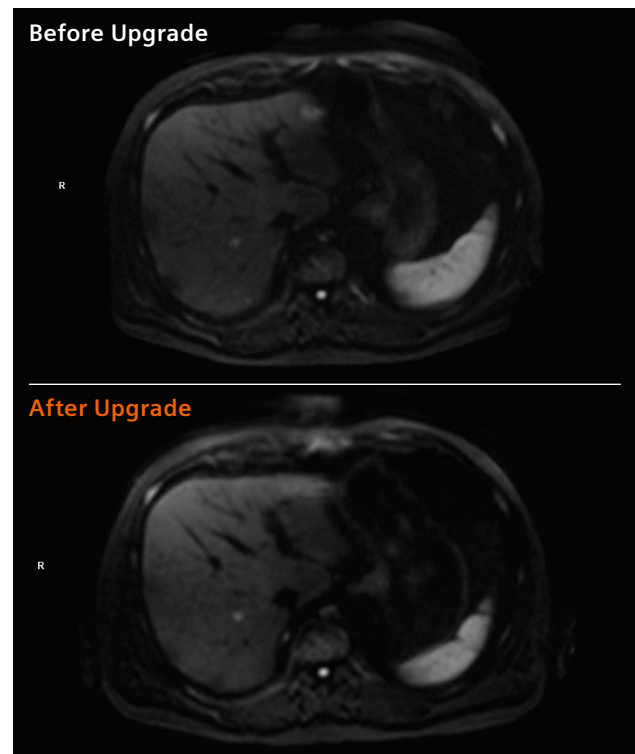


### **Adapt to challenging anatomies for consistent results with BioMatrix Tuners**

BioMatrix Tuners adapt to challenging anatomies, such as the head/neck area, the spine and the abdomen, for reliable exams. Even for difficult scan regions, our intelligent coil technology consistently delivers excellent homogeneity and fat saturation for every patient, every time.

#### ***BioMatrix Tuner SliceAdjust***

The BioMatrix Tuner SliceAdjust provides reliable fat saturation for both TSE and DWI sequences, as well as distortion-free whole-body DWI scans. It avoids broken spine artifacts in whole-body DWI for excellent correlation with anatomical scans.



More homogeneous DWI with BioMatrix Tuner SliceAdjust

### **Accelerate patient preparation for increased efficiency with BioMatrix Interfaces**

BioMatrix Interfaces simplify how the user interacts with the scanner and the patient, accelerating patient preparation in order to increase quality and improve cost-effectiveness.

#### ***BioMatrix Interface Select&GO***

The Select&GO touch display enables one-touch positioning with an intelligent Body Model based on Artificial Intelligence. Positioning can be accelerated by up to 30%.<sup>7</sup> Delays due to incorrect positioning can now be avoided.

#### ***BioMatrix dockable table with eDrive***

The BioMatrix dockable table with eDrive support provides motorized assistance so that even the heaviest patient can be effortlessly moved to and from the scanner.



BioMatrix Interface Select&GO

## myExam Companion

myExam Companion stands for intelligence that works with you to achieve consistent, reproducible results for the patients. It offers patient personalization, user guidance and process automation via myExam Assists and consistent and intuitive planning via myExam Cockpit. All resulting in reliable examination results tailored to the individual patient's condition and clinical need and in greater diagnostic confidence.

### myExam Assist

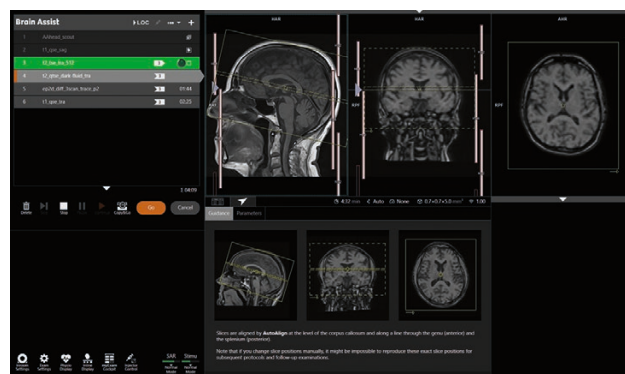
myExam Companion offers you a suite of customizable workflows allowing the user to flexibly adapt and personalize exams to the patient, get step by step user guidance, and automate MRI exams either "out of the box" or based on the institution's standards. The standard myExam Brain Assist, Spine Assist and Large Joint Assist supports the user in achieving reproducible image quality using automation tools and functionalities incorporated into the program. Other available optional Assists cover ~90% of all MRI exams.<sup>9</sup>

### Make confidence in scheduling routine for higher patient satisfaction

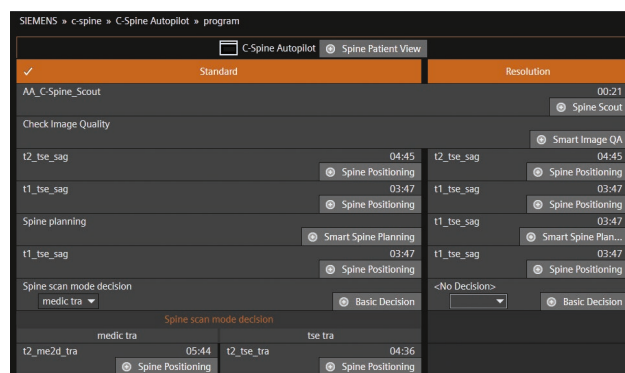
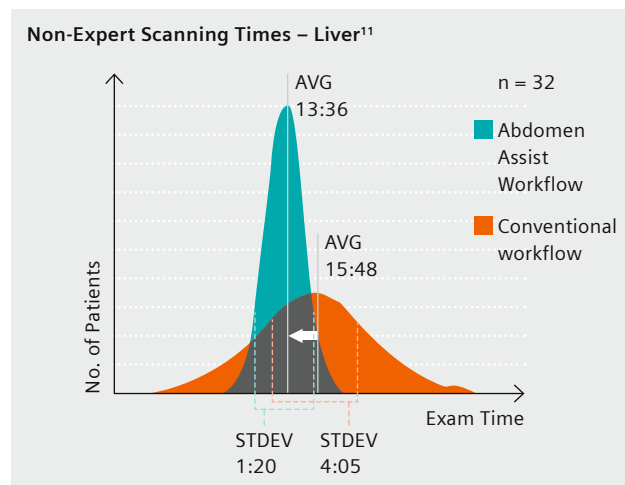
Waiting times have a significant influence on patient satisfaction.<sup>10</sup> But in more complicated examinations scan times can vary, e.g., due to the patient's ability of following commands and laying still. Thus examination might run out of the scheduled time slots leading to overall longer waiting times. A study comparing abdominal exams showed that with the support of the myExam Abdomen Assist and its ability of flexibly adapting exam strategies to the patient's condition exam time variations can be brought to less than 1 minute.<sup>11</sup>

### myExam Cockpit

One central user interface that helps you to standardize your care. Intuitively configure any protocol and flexibly create your own exam strategies. A study has shown 80% better usability with myExam Cockpit in MRI exam configuration.<sup>12</sup>



Flexible and guided



Customize intuitively

## Quiet Suite

Noise reduction in MRI increases patient satisfaction<sup>13</sup> and thus influences patient compliance and imaging results. Even though advanced noise reduction technologies are present on all our MAGNETOM® scanners, we have continuously strived to develop technologies that will further lower noise without compromising imaging efficiency and quality. With Quiet Suite, we have addressed the root source – sharp gradient switches – to take noise reduction to a new level. Quiet Suite includes QuietX sequences and the inaudible PETRA as well as optimized protocols for neurological and orthopedic examinations.

Experience a broad range of benefits:

- More comfort for your patients through quiet examinations
- Up to 96% reduction<sup>7</sup> in sound pressure for complete neurological and orthopedic MRI exams
- Without compromising image quality or scan time



### Hear the difference.

Listen to examples of a examination with and without Quiet Suite.

Link: [siemens-healthineers.com/magnetic-resonance-imaging/clinical-specialties/quiet-suite](https://www.siemens-healthineers.com/magnetic-resonance-imaging/clinical-specialties/quiet-suite)



# Referring physicians have high demands towards MRI results

Whether they are internal or external, referring physicians demand excellent MRI images and comprehensive diagnostic statements from you. A study with radiology referrers showed that there are three indicators which drive the satisfaction of referring physicians:<sup>14</sup>

1. Range of examinations offered
2. Quality of technical equipment used for MRI
3. Quality of the images provided

With an upgrade to MAGNETOM Avanto Fit, A BioMatrix System<sup>1</sup> you renew your equipment and receive latest MRI technology that allows you to further improve your diagnostic quality and satisfy your referrers:

## **Better Image Quality**

High-channel Tim 4G coils offer significantly increased SNR.

## **New Applications**

Expand your examination range with many new possibilities for routine as well as emerging clinical applications.





# Improved diagnostic quality for your referrers

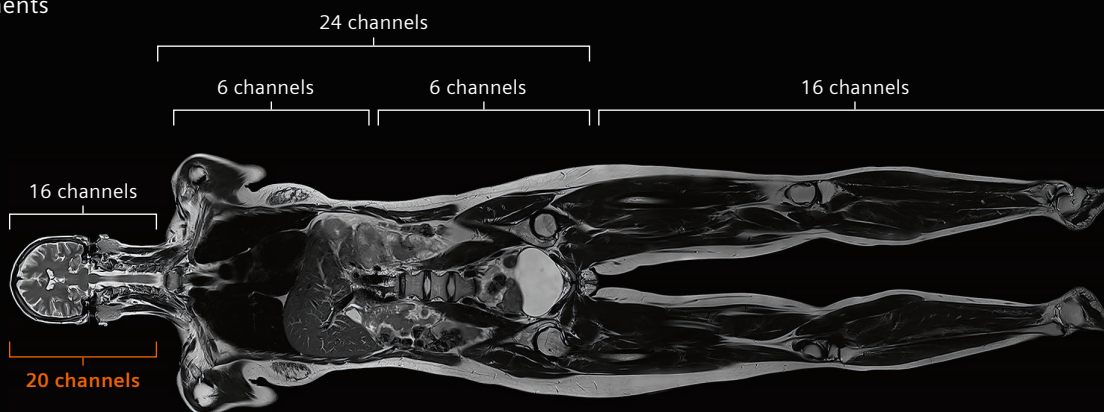
By upgrading your MRI to MAGNETOM Avanto Fit, A BioMatrix System<sup>1</sup> you renew your MRI equipment and bring it to the latest MRI technology. With high-channel Tim 4G coil technology you can increase the image quality for a broad spectrum of indications. Latest scanning platform *syngo* MR XA-line opens up new clinical possibilities so you can expand your examination range to satisfy your referring physicians.

## Better image quality

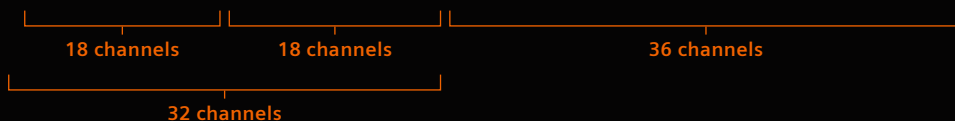
The new Tim 4G coil technology comes with a completely new design and architecture. The new all digital-in/digital-out design integrates all RF transmit and receive components at the magnet. Optical signal transmission improves SNR by reducing electrical noise and increasing signal detection. The receive path is integrated in the magnet housing. Dual-Density Signal Transfer technology enables ultra-high density coil designs by integrating key RF components into the local coil. All leading to key imaging benefits: Excellent image quality, high patient comfort, and unmatched imaging flexibility.

### Tim vs. Tim 4G coil element comparison

Number of elements  
before Upgrade  
with Tim coils



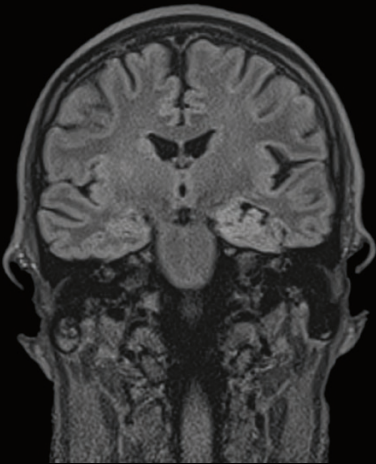
Number of channels  
after Upgrade  
with Tim 4G coils



Increased SNR with Tim 4G

Tim Head Matrix Coil vs. Tim 4G Head/Neck 20 Coil

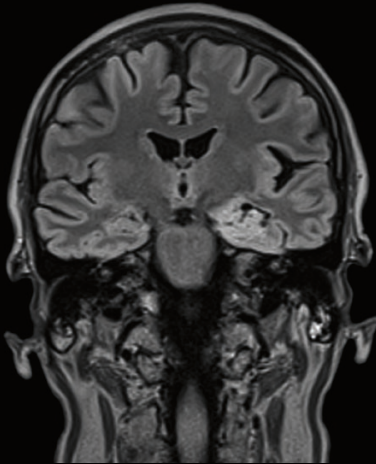
Before Upgrade



3D SPACE DarkFluid

Higher SNR

After Upgrade



3D SPACE DarkFluid

Shorter scan times after a Fit upgrade

Before Upgrade



Spine imaging with 18 coil elements  
TA 2:50 min

50% faster imaging

After Upgrade



Spine imaging with 30 coil elements  
TA 1:23 min

Images under "After Upgrade" acquired on predecessor MAGNETOM Avanto<sup>®</sup> with courtesy of Hospital St. Elisabeth, Zottegem, Belgium for brain and IRM Saint Martin, Pessac, France for spine.



## New Applications

MRI plays an increasingly important role in many clinical fields.<sup>15,16,17</sup> This is why together with an overall aging population<sup>18</sup> MRI procedures are constantly growing.<sup>19</sup>

With an upgrade to MAGNETOM Avanto Fit, A BioMatrix System<sup>1</sup> you can expand your examination range with many new possibilities for routine as well as emerging clinical applications. At the same time, you can increase the number of patients eligible for MRI with a flexible and comfortable coil portfolio as well as short and easy acquisitions even for the most-complicated exams and under free-breathing.

### Neuro imaging

Neurological MRI accounts for ~30% of the total scan volume, still the number of procedures grew by +26% since 2011.<sup>19</sup>

After an upgrade you can now perform:

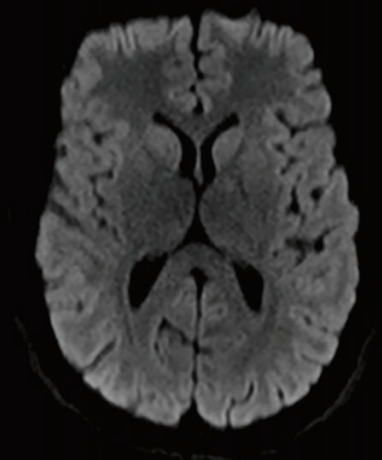
- High-resolution imaging with Head/Neck 20 coil
- Fast, high-resolution diffusion-weighted imaging with Simultaneous Multi-Slice<sup>20</sup> EPI or RESOLVE
- Robust contrast-free perfusion imaging with a larger coverage and thinner slices with 3D pCASL<sup>20</sup>
- High-resolution 3D SPACE for T1, T2, and DarkFluid allowing visualization of smallest lesions

### MSK imaging

Every day routine is MR imaging of the spinal cord as well as small and large joints. Not only the clinical questions, but also the patients in need of the scans differ a lot.

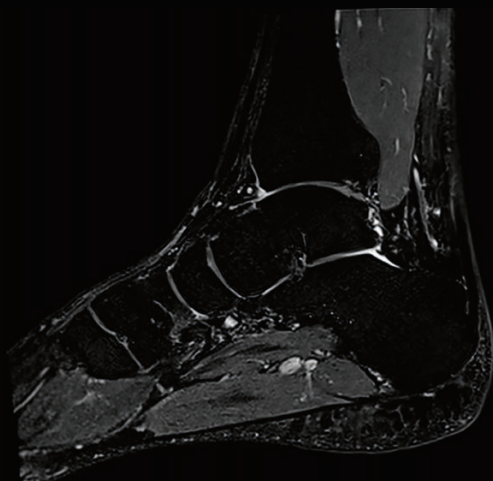
With the upgrade you can get:

- Very flexible high-channel Tim 4G coil portfolio to accommodate patients with larger swellings or obesity
- Better image quality and reduction of scan time of up to 50% with high-channel coils and Turbo Suite<sup>7</sup>
- Reliable metal artefact<sup>21</sup> reduction in a short examination time to serve growing population of patients with total hip or knee replacement<sup>22</sup>



Epi DWI; b=1000; SL 2.5 mm,  
in TA 1:29 min using Simultaneous Multi-Slice

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PD 3D SPACE in TA 4:33 min for all orientations  
with UltraFlex 18 coil

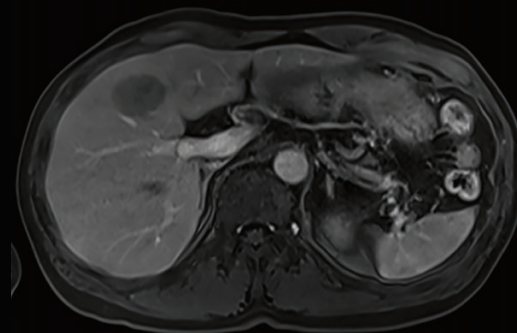
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## Liver imaging

Liver MRI is seen as the best abdominal imaging test, but quality is often insufficient due to motion. 9% of all patients are unable to hold their breath for 15 s or more.<sup>23</sup> And, 7% are not able to suspend respiration at all.<sup>24</sup>

After the upgrade you can:

- Reduce required breathhold times significantly to up to 6 s using the acceleration of Turbo Suite Essential
- Overcome timing challenges in dynamic imaging supporting you to uncover additional findings<sup>25</sup> with FREEZEit<sup>20</sup>
- Perform push-button, free-breathing liver dynamics and overcome timing challenges to expand the patient population eligible for abdominal MRI with Compressed Sensing GRASP-VIBE<sup>20</sup>
- Significantly improve fat suppression with DIXON-VIBE<sup>26</sup>
- Non-invasive identification of patients with fatty liver and iron overload at an early disease stage with LiverLab<sup>20</sup>



CAIPIRINHA VIBE in 9 seconds

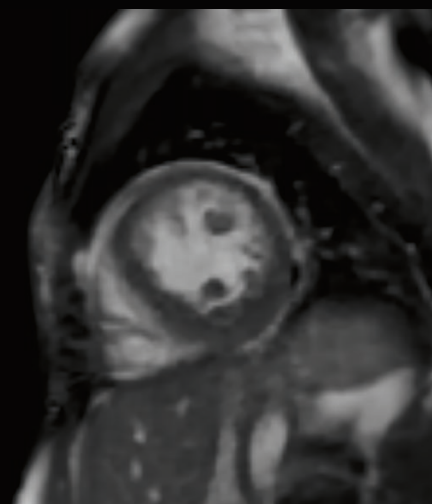
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## Cardiac MRI

Cardiac MRI plays a growing role in the clinical pathway due to mounting clinical evidence (MR-INFORM).<sup>27</sup>

With the upgrade you can expand this clinical field by offering:

- Automated planning and guided scanning for consistent and fast results with myExam Cardiac Assist
- Pixel-based myocardial quantification, on the fly. With MyoMaps<sup>20</sup> you can better detect global, diffuse, myocardial pathologies (T1 Map)<sup>28</sup> or better depict cardiac edema (T2 Map)<sup>29</sup> and improve early detection of iron overload (T2\* Map).
- Motion insensitive and free-breathing exams with Compressed Sensing Cardiac Cine<sup>20</sup>



Realtime Cine Imaging under free-breathing with Compressed Sensing

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## Prostate MRI

As several multi-center randomized studies have shown clear benefits of mpMRI in the diagnosis of prostate cancer,<sup>30, 31</sup> international guidelines now recommend it as first-line triage test before biopsy.

After an upgrade you can offer to this growing patient group:

- High-quality imaging using high-channel Tim 4G surface coils only Fast imaging protocols
- Improved lesion conspicuity through high-res DWI with RESOLVE or zoomed DWI with ZOOMit<sup>PRO 20</sup>



High-res T2 TSE of the prostate utilizing surface coils only

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*Images under "Liver imaging" and "Cardiac MRI" acquired on predecessor MAGNETOM Avanto<sup>fit</sup> with courtesy of Aichi Medical University Hospital, Japan (Liver imaging) and of Helios Klinikum Berlin-Buch, Germany (Cardiac MRI).*

# A clear need for higher productivity

There is an increasing demand for MRI procedures while reimbursement is constantly dropping. So there is a clear need for healthcare providers to boost their productivity in MRI. Even if you might not be facing the need of increasing patient throughput, consistent and short examination times affect patient waiting times and patient satisfaction and therefore have an influence on revenue and referrals.

With an upgrade to a BioMatrix scanner you can increase your productivity by streamlining the entire workflow.

## **Patient preparation**

with BioMatrix Technology

## **Image acquisition**

with innovative workflow technology of myExam Companion and up to 50% faster exams with Turbo Suite<sup>7</sup>

## **Ready to read results**

with GO Technologies

# Increased productivity with innovative workflow & scanning technology

With an upgrade to MAGNETOM Avanto Fit, A BioMatrix System<sup>1</sup> your MRI scanner will receive innovative technologies to optimize your entire exam workflow – including one-touch patient positioning, significantly increased scanning time, and ready-to-read results.

See how our technologies help to accelerate the workflow and drive consistency and robustness in spine examinations.



## Patient preparation

BioMatrix Select&GO enables exam positioning with one touch on the display – by anyone, on any patient.



## Image acquisition and post-processing

Intelligent user guidance and scan assistance of myExam Companion save time.

Turbo Suite allows up to 50% timing savings<sup>7</sup> in scan time.



## Reading

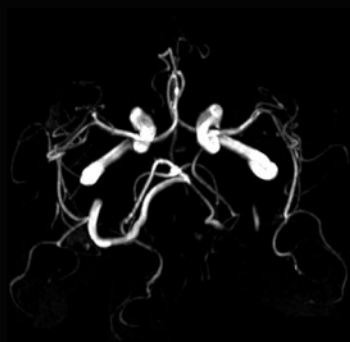
View&GO and Dual Monitors<sup>20</sup> allow the user to control scans on the left monitor while checking the results on the right monitor in real time.

Recon&GO automatically performs postprocessing steps in the background. All in all, radiologists received ready to read results quickly.

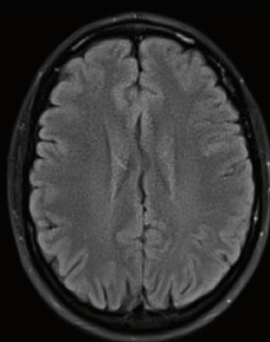
## Accelerate MR examinations by up to 50%<sup>7</sup> with Turbo Suite

Turbo Suite Excelerate introduces a paradigm shift in productivity with up to 50%<sup>7</sup> time savings, for all contrasts, orientations, and body regions. Dramatically transform care delivery with cutting-edge acceleration technologies Simultaneous Multi-Slice and Compressed Sensing for static 2D and 3D imaging, covering neurological, orthopedic, and body MRI.

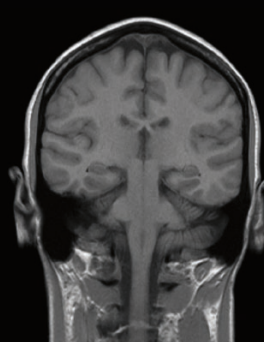
### Before Upgrade



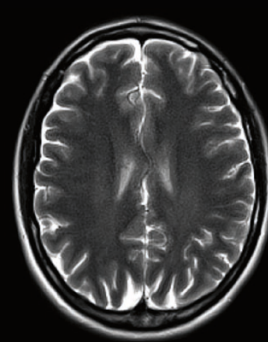
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0.7 x 0.7 x 0.7 mm<sup>3</sup>  
TA 4:08 min



T2 DarkFluid  
0.9 x 0.9 x 5.0 mm<sup>3</sup>  
TA 1:37 min



T1 FLAIR  
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TA 1:37 min

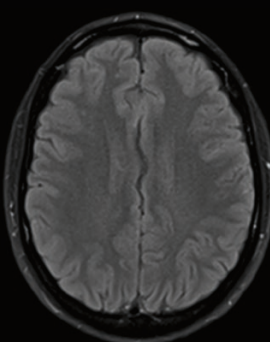


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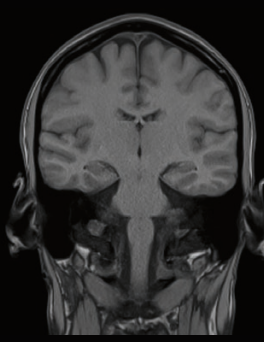
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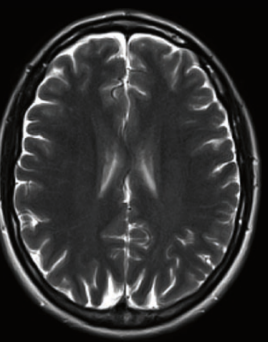
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T2 DarkFluid, PAT 2  
SMS 2  
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TA 0:33 min



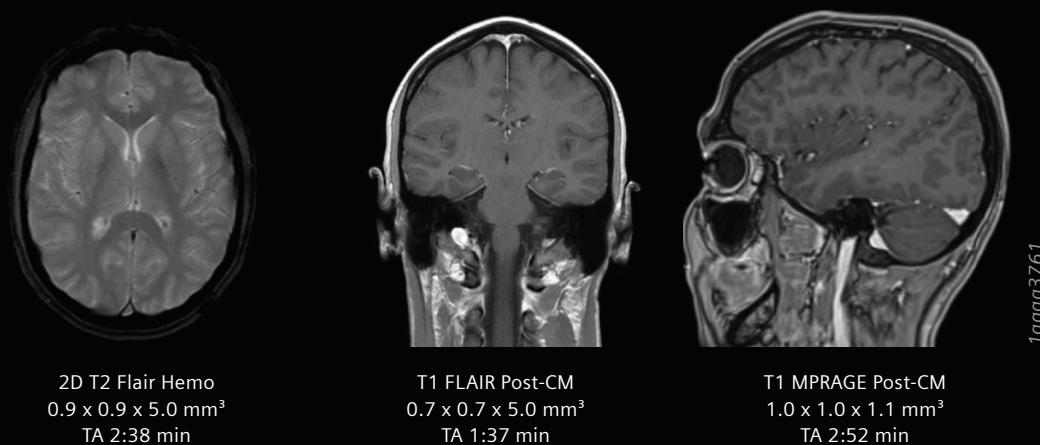
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TA 0:49 min

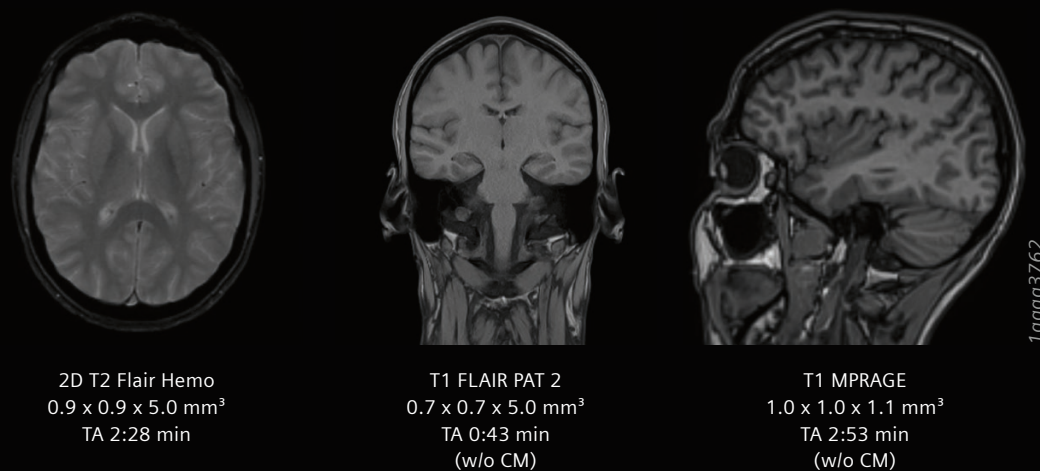


Example of a routine brain examination before and after a BioMatrix Fit Upgrade. High-channel Head/Neck 20 Tim 4G coil with its increased SNR allow the use of higher acceleration factors (PAT). Simultaneous Multi-Slice (SMS) as well as Compressed Sensing (CS) as part of the Turbo Suite Excelerate package further speed up the examination.



Total exam  
16:06 min

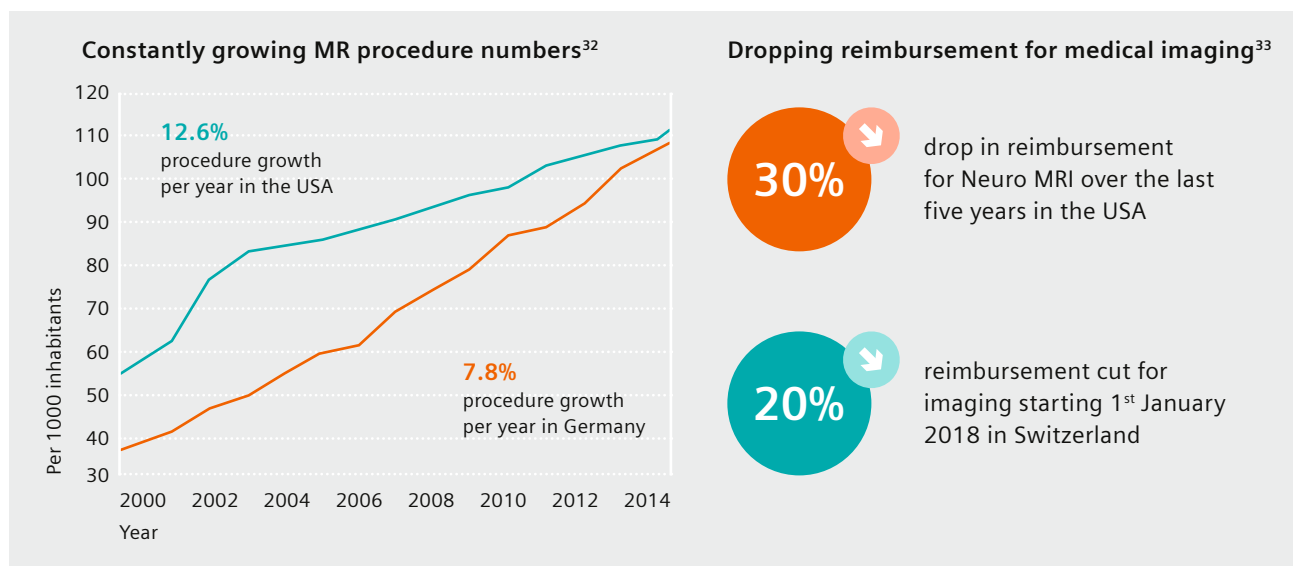
**37%**  
**reduction**  
in scan time



Total exam  
10:05 min

# Capitalize on your initial investment to meet your financial targets

Constantly growing MR procedure numbers and dropping reimbursement are the key challenges in staying profitable.



By upgrading to a BioMatrix scanner you have a lower overall investment, reduced lifecycle cost and increased earnings potential.

## Everything through the door

with no need for rebuilding your current infrastructure

## Lower investments

Comparing investment in a new system with cost for an upgrade

## Increased earnings potential

with GO Technologies

## Everything through the door

Upgrading your MRI scanner to the new MAGNETOM Avanto Fit, A BioMatrix System<sup>1</sup> is less effort than you might think. Because you can capitalize on your initial investment: There is no need for rebuilding your current infrastructure. All components fit through your existing doors, and you keep your magnet. Everything is built around it.

### Upgrade your system in up to 15 working days



#### 1. Magnet room

The body coil is removed and replaced with a new one.



#### 2. New RF design

Installation of new DirectRF (RF all-digital transmit and receive components) directly at the magnet.



#### 3. New covers

All covers are removed and replaced by new ones with two BioMatrix Interfaces Select&GO.



#### 4. New BioMatrix and Tim 4G technology

New BioMatrix and Tim 4G technology, e.g., new BioMatrix table and Spine 32 coil including Respiratory Sensor, Head/Neck 20 with DirectConnect.



#### 5. Technical room

Control and cooling unit cabinets are removed and replaced with new ones. New efficient energy management system installed.



#### 6. Operator's room

All workstations, monitors, and keyboards are removed and replaced by new ones.



#### 7. Licenses

Installed licenses are migrated to new syngo MR XA software platform and myExam Companion.



#### 8. Hand over

After installation and image quality test, a comprehensive application training is held to help you get the best out of the new system.



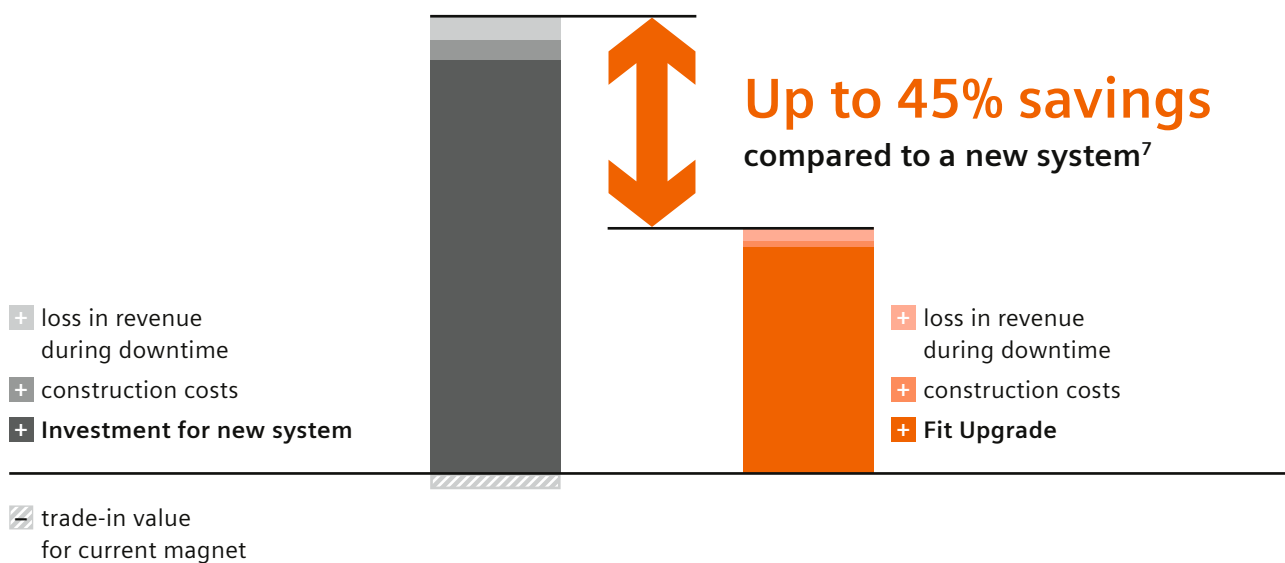
See how few steps it takes to upgrade  
MAGNETOM Avanto to MAGNETOM Avanto Fit

## Investment in a new system vs. cost for an upgrade

If you would invest in a completely new MRI system, you get a certain amount of money back as trade-in for your current magnet. Yet, there is cost for construction work and downtime.

With the upgrade the overall investment is lower. Plus, your potential construction cost and downtime is significantly less.

All in all, you can save up to 45% compared to getting a completely new MRI scanner.



## Increased earnings potential

But it's not only about the investment. Also, in the long-run you can save lifecycle costs with a decrease in energy consumption.

Plus, a potential earnings increase due to productivity improvements with shorter scan times, faster patient positioning and streamlined workflows make an upgrade to MAGNETOM Avanto Fit, A BioMatrix System<sup>1</sup> an attractive overall investment.



### Lower investment and reduced lifecycle cost



Reduced energy consumption	Efficient energy management with Eco-Power
No rebuilding	Delivery through the door
Fast installation	Only 15 days of installation
Upgrade price	Less investment compared to MRI replacement

### Earnings through increase in productivity



Streamlined Workflow	Automation in scanning and post-processing
Faster Patient positioning	30% faster <sup>7</sup> patient positioning with Select&GO
Shorter scan times	Up to 50%-time savings through Turbo Suite <sup>7</sup>

## Service

Today, the service experience goes above and beyond pure maintenance. Service can make the difference to your daily operations and help you evolve. This is why we keep innovating our portfolio and team up with you for enhanced efficiency and optimized clinical outcomes. With our services, we are by your side whenever you need us. Always on. Always in touch.

Learn more about the service offerings at [siemens-healthineers.com/customer-services](https://www.siemens-healthineers.com/customer-services)

# MAGNETOM Avanto Fit with BioMatrix<sup>1</sup> at a glance

## More robust and consistent results for my patients

- With patient-adaptive BioMatrix Technology
- Intelligent guidance through MyExam Companion
- Effective scan noise reduction Quiet Suite

## Improved diagnostic quality for my referrers

- With better image quality from high-density Tim 4G coils
- Many new clinical possibilities for routine as well as emerging clinical applications





### **Increased productivity** with innovate workflow & scanning technology

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- High efficiency throughout the entire patient workflow with intuitive guidance of myExam Companion

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- No rebuilding costs
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