

Positron's Attrius PET Scanner Now Utilized In Alzheimer's Imaging With Amyvid Agent

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CHICAGO, Aug. 16, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Positron Corporation (OTCBB: POSC) a leading molecular imaging healthcare company is pleased to announce the use of their Attrius system at Caring Heart and Brain Imaging Inc., of Manasquan, New Jersey, which now offers Amyvid PET scans to identify the presence of plaque in the brain, which has been shown to be a precursor to Alzheimer's disease.

Amyvid™ (Florbetapir F-18 Injection) is indicated for Positron Emission Tomography (PET) imaging of the brain to estimate beta-amyloid neuritic plaque density in adult patients with cognitive impairment who are being evaluated for Alzheimer's Disease (AD) and other causes of cognitive decline.

Alzheimer's disease is the most common cause of dementia—a group of brain disorders that cause progressive loss of intellectual and social skills, severe enough to interfere with day-to-day life. In Alzheimer's disease, brain cells degenerate and die, causing a steady decline in memory and mental function.

"Current AD medications and management strategies can temporarily improve symptoms, maximize function and maintain independence and we are pleased that our Attrius PET system could possibly help with the identification and management of this disease," stated Joseph Oliverio, Chief Technology Officer and Director of PET Clinical Programs of Positron.

Lorraine Catalano, Imaging Director of Caring Heart stated, "Alzheimer's disease can now be diagnosed several years before the onset of symptoms. Early detection can lead to innovative programs designed to treat memory loss. This alternative can make the difference between a life of constant hardship or one that is fulfilled and remains on top of its game."

Anthony Deluca, M.D., Medical Director of Caring Heart and Brain Imaging stated, "We are pleased to be the first in New Jersey to offer this service. We are also delighted with the image quality that the Attrius scanner provides."

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