

syngo.via WebViewer

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1 Introduction

syngo.via WebViewer provides access to rendered medical image data through web browsers and mobile devices. Image data includes 2D images as well as volumetric data.

syngo.via WebViewer is a client-server product. It supports secure web-enabled client devices with LAN or wireless connections. The web client is available for common web browsers without any installation procedure or the need for additional plugins. The mobile client for iOS mobile devices is an app which can easily be installed by using the official Apple App Store.

For *syngo.via* server M/L/XL grade *syngo.via* WebViewer can be installed on the same hardware. For M grade *syngo.via* servers, one client is allowed to run on a *syngo.via* server. For L/XL grade *syngo.via* servers, up to three WebViewer clients can run on a *syngo.via* server.

If more than three clients are required, *syngo.via* WebViewer server has to run on its own hardware, which is independent of *syngo.via* system components. In addition to the image data, *syngo.via* WebViewer server also relies on the user management of the *syngo.via* server. Therefore, the intended user group consists of internal clinical staff.

1.1 Intended purpose

1.1.1 Intended use

syngo.via WebViewer is a software-only device indicated for reviewing medical images from *syngo.via*. It supports interpretation and evaluation of examinations within healthcare institutions, for example, in Radiology, Nuclear Medicine and Cardiology environments (supported image types: CT, MR, CR, DR, DX, PET). It is not intended for storage or distribution of medical images.

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syngo.via WebViewer is an option for the *syngo.via* system and cannot be run without it. It is client server architecture and the client is intended to run on web clients which are connected to the healthcare institution IT infrastructure where the customer will insure HIPAA compliance.

The communication of *syngo.via* WebViewer with connected medical IT systems will be done via standard interfaces such as but not limited to DICOM.

The system is not intended for the display of digital mammography images for diagnosis.

1.1.2 Indications for use

syngo.via WebViewer is indicated for reviewing medical images from *syngo.via* to support interpretation in the field of radiology, nuclear medicine and cardiology.

The system is **not** intended to be used as stand-alone device. It is intended to be an option for a *syngo.via* system only.

The system is **not** indicated for mammography images for diagnosis.

The system is **not** intended for storage or distribution of medical images from one medical device to another.

The application is **not** to be used as an archiving device for patients' image data.

The application is **not** to be used as a sole basis for clinical decisions.

1.1.3 Patient target group

syngo.via Web Viewer has neither limitations concerning the patient population (e.g. age, weight, health, condition) nor limitations concerning region of body or tissue type.

1.2 Clinical benefits

syngo.via WebViewer facilitates access with Apple mobile devices and WebBrowsers to images on *syngo.via* in diagnostic reading quality, including thin-slices and image reconstructions.

1.3 User profiles

Please note that the following profiles may vary in practice depending on (hospital) organization, qualification, and personal responsibilities, and can only be considered as a general guide.

The following user profiles have been identified for *syngo.via* WebViewer:

- **User**

Mainly radiologists who review medical images from *syngo.via* and non radiologist physicians inside the hospital / facility of various specialities

- **Administrator**

Executes updates/upgrades, is the first level in case of troubleshooting (according to call handling and incident management process)

1.4 Legal notes

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2 Safety advisory

Warnings indicate a potential hazard to the health or life of patients or personnel.

Cautions indicate conditions or consequences that you should pay particular attention to when working with *syngo.via* WebViewer, but no direct danger is involved.



If you encounter any serious problems during your work with *syngo.via* WebViewer, please let us know.

In addition, the competent authority of your country where the user and/or the patient is located, must be informed of such serious problems.

2.1 Image processing and viewing

CAUTION

Use of inappropriate devices (displays, printers) to review radiological images.

Incorrect review of images.

- ◆ Review of images require an optimum display of images. Only use suitable monitors and printers for review of images. Follow the maintenance and care instructions given in the manufacturer's documentation.

2.2 Connectivity

CAUTION

Firewall rules can block correct transfer of data.

Images or reports cannot be viewed.

- ◆ Check and verify transfer of all types of data before releasing the software for general use.

2.3 Administration and maintenance

CAUTION

Important settings are lost during update or modification of system.

System does not work as intended after an update/upgrade.

- ◆ Always perform a backup of the current installation before update or modification of the system.
- ◆ Always perform a backup of the current configuration (including role-specific settings, such as user profiles) before updating or modifying the system.

2.4 Data protection and security

CAUTION

Unauthorized access to the system.

Hazards up to and including loss of all patient data and non-operational system.

- ◆ The administrator is responsible for network security at the site. Set up firewalls and user account password protections. Do not allow users to change configuration files. Update virus protection software as required.

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- ◆ Check the log book periodically for failed login attempts and take appropriate measures to avoid unauthorized access to the system.

CAUTION

Use of an anti-virus software that is not provided by Siemens.

Malicious software can cause harms up to and including non-operational system and loss of all patient data.

- ◆ The administrator is responsible for the configuration of the anti-virus software. Configure and regularly update the anti-virus software.

2.5 Hardware and software requirements

For installation of *syngo.via* WebViewer, your computer must meet specific requirements.

For integrated and virtual *syngo.via* WebViewer installation, refer to the *Data Sheet* of *syngo.via*, chapter "Hardware Specifications & Virtual Deployments".

For dedicated *syngo.via* WebViewer refer to the *Data Sheet* of *syngo.via* WebViewer.

3 Server start and stop

3.1 Starting the *syngo.via* WebViewer server

- ✓ The *syngo.via* server is running.
- ◆ Switch on the *syngo.via* WebViewer server.

syngo.via WebViewer server services are automatically started.



syngo.via WebViewer server consists of services only. Therefore, *syngo.via* WebViewer server will automatically be available after the startup of the operating system. Logging on as an administrative user is not necessary.

3.2 Checking the *syngo.via* WebViewer availability

- 1 In your web browser, enter the following URL:

https://<WebViewer_server>:4443

<WebViewer_Server> can be the IP address or the hostname (if configured) of the *syngo.via* WebViewer server. **4443** is the default SSL port.

- 2 Log on with a *syngo.via* user account.
- 3 Check if *syngo.via* WebViewer is operational.

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3.3 Starting, stopping, or restarting the *syngo.via* WebViewer services

syngo.via WebViewer consists of five different services:

- *syngo.via* WebViewer License Manager
- *syngo.via* WebViewer Logfile Copy
- *syngo.via* WebViewer Nexus
- *syngo.via* WebViewer SSL Render Server
- *syngo.via* WebViewer Web Server

These services are automatically launched on system startup and monitored by the Windows Service Control Manager. To start, stop, or restart any of these services, proceed as follows:

- 1 Log on to the Windows operating system.
- 2 From the Windows **Start** menu, choose **Administrative Tools > Services**.
- 3 Right-click one of the services mentioned before.
- 4 Choose **Start** from the context menu.
– or –
Choose **Stop** from the context menu.
– or –
Choose **Restart** from the context menu.

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syngo.via WebViewer clients are medical devices in their own right. See the respective user documentation which can be accessed directly in the software.

4.1 Configuring *syngo.via* WebViewer access to *syngo.via* database

syngo.via WebViewer accesses the *syngo.via* database directly. In the *syngo.via* WebViewer Administration Portal, the database access parameters for a *syngo.via* server are configured as a **node**. The WebViewer can access an arbitrary number of *syngo.via* servers. In the *syngo.via* WebViewer Administration Portal, a separate node is established for each *syngo.via* server.



You can configure only one node or one *syngo.via* server access at a time.

4.1.1 Adding a Node

To configure access to a *syngo.via* database, configure a node with the appropriate server access data on the **Administration Portal** > **syngo.via Database**.

- 1 Click **Add New Node**.
- 2 Enter a **Node Name for Users**.
Enter a friendly name to easily identify the node.
- 3 Enter the name of the desired *syngo.via* server.

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You can enter an IP address or the hostname of this server.

- 4 Enter the *syngo.via* server port number.

The default port for *syngo.via* webservices is **4510**.

- 5 Click **Save** to confirm the new node.

A new database access is created.



To retrieve any images from the *syngo.via* database, the corresponding network share needs to be configured.

4.1.2 Changing a Node

To change an existing node, perform the following steps on the **Administration Portal** > **syngo.via Database**.

- 1 From the dropdown list select the node you want to change.

- 2 Enter the name of the *syngo.via* server.

You can enter an IP address or the hostname of this server.

- 3 Enter the *syngo.via* server port number.

The default port for *syngo.via* webservices is **4510**.

- 4 Click **Save** to confirm the new node.

The accessed database has been changed.

4.1.3 Deleting a Node

To delete a node, perform the following steps on the **Administration Portal** > **syngo.via Database**.

- 1 From the dropdown list select the node you want to delete.

- 2 Click **Delete this Node**.

A confirmation prompt will ask you, if you really want to delete this node.

- 3 Click **OK**.

The database access is removed.

4.2 Client installation for web browsers

syngo.via WebViewer only requires a supported web browser. No additional plugin is required.

The user is notified if the web browser that is used is not supported.

4.3 Client installation for mobile devices

4.3.1 Installing the application for mobile devices

- ◆ Download the *syngo.via* WebViewer application from the Apple App Store.

4.3.2 Configuring the server information

Upon the first startup of the *syngo.via* WebViewer application for mobile devices, certain information about the local *syngo.via* WebViewer server must be configured.

- ✓ The connection information has been provided by the IT administrator.
- 1 Start the *syngo.via* WebViewer application on the mobile device.
 - 2 Tap inside the **Server** text field.
 - 3 Tap **Add Server....**
 - 4 In the **Server Name** text field, enter an arbitrary name to identify the *syngo.via* WebViewer server.
 - 5 In the **Address** text field, enter the IP of the *syngo.via* WebViewer server.
 - 6 In the **SSL Port** text field, enter the mobile device SSL port as configured in the *syngo.via* WebViewer Administration Portal. Leave this text field empty to use the default SSL port.
 - 7 In the **Comment** text field, enter a description to identify the server configuration.
 - 8 Tap the **Save** button to save the configuration.

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– or –

Tap the **Cancel** button to delete the configuration.



The default SSL port for mobile clients is 4475.

Afterwards the **Server** text field shows the name of the configured server.

4.3.3 Uninstalling the application for mobile devices

- 1 On the home screen of your mobile device, keep the *syngo.via* WebViewer icon pressed until the icons start to jiggle.
- 2 Tap the **X** icon on top of the *syngo.via* WebViewer icon.
- 3 Confirm the deletion message box.

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5.1 Backup and recovery

syngo.via WebViewer does not host critical data whose loss could lead to system downtimes or disturbances of the clinical workflow.

syngo.via WebViewer relies on the Windows Server Backup for backup and recovery. Using Windows Server Backup, you can schedule periodic backups of the *syngo.via* WebViewer server.

For further information about the Windows Server Backup, use the Internet to find specific backup information of the system you are using.

5.1.1 Configuring the backup settings

✓ The **Windows Server Backup Features** are installed.

- 1 Log on to the operating system of the *syngo.via* WebViewer server.
- 2 From the Windows **Start** menu, choose **Administrative Tools > Windows Server Backup**.
- 3 In the **Actions** pane, click **Backup Schedule**.

The **Backup Schedule Wizard** dialog box opens.

- 4 In the **Getting Started** dialog box, click **Next** to configure a new backup schedule.

– or –

Click **Modify backup** to change the configuration of a previously added backup schedule and click **Next**.

- 5 In the **Select Backup Configuration** dialog box, click **Full server (recommended)** and **Next**.
- 6 In the **Specify Backup Time** dialog box, click **Once a day**, select a time with less clinical routine work and click **Next**.
- 7 In the **Specify Destination Type** dialog box, select the backup destination type and click **Next**.

- 8 In the **Select Destination Disk** dialog box, choose the backup location, click **Next** and **Close**.

5.2 Administration Portal access

5.2.1 Accessing the Administration Portal logon screen

Use the **Administration Portal** to configure *syngo.via* WebViewer server. It consists of a web page which can be accessed by any supported web browser. To enter the Administration Portal, proceed as follows:

- ◆ In your web browser, enter the following URL:

https://<WebViewer_server>:4443/Config.html

<WebViewer_Server> can be the IP address or the hostname (if configured) of the *syngo.via* WebViewer server. **4443** is the default SSL port.



The language of both the Administration Portal and the web client is controlled by the language setting of the web browser. If the browser is set to a language that is not supported by *syngo.via* WebViewer, English will be used as the default language.

5.2.2 Entering the Administration Portal

- 1 At the logon screen of the *syngo.via* WebViewer Administration Portal, enter a valid user name of a WebViewer administration account.
- 2 Click the upper **Login** button.

The **About** screen appears. The screen shows the **Client Version** as well as the **Server Version** of the *syngo.via* WebViewer.



The web browser client can use a cookie to save the **User Name**. To use this feature, select the **Remember user name** checkbox.



The **Service key** login text fields and the lower **Login** button are used by the Siemens UPTIME Service Center only.

5.2.3 Accessing the Online Help

- ◆ In the upper right corner of the screen, click the **Question Mark** icon.

The Online Help opens.

5.3 System monitoring

5.3.1 Checking the condition of the syngo.via WebViewer services

To ensure *syngo.via* WebViewer server is in operating condition, the administrator must regularly monitor the system status:

- 1 Choose **Administration Portal > Services Status**.
- 2 Check the availability of the following components:
 - *syngo.via* WebViewer Web Server
 - *syngo.via* WebViewer Logfile Copy
 - *syngo.via* WebViewer SSL Render Server
 - *syngo.via* WebViewer Nexus
 - *syngo.via* WebViewer License Manager

The status of each service should be **running**. This depends on the type of installation: for integrated deployment, the service is disabled. For dedicated deployment, the service is enabled.

If one of the services is not running, click the **Update Services** button to refresh the status view. If this is not working, you can manually start a service, see (→ Page 14 *Starting, stopping, or restarting the syngo.via WebViewer services*).

5.3.2 Checking the render server and web server log files

Information from the log files may be required for troubleshooting. Log files are stored in the following folder of the *syngo.via* WebViewer server: **C:\ispace\log**.

The file names of the log files in this directory indicate the respective event source. The render server produces log files with the prefix “rs”. The web server produces log files with the prefix “ws”. To search for information inside the log files, proceed as follows:

- ◆ Open the log files in a text editor of your choice.

5.3.3 Changing the granularity of the log files

To configure the granularity (all, verbose, debug, info, warning, error) of the Web and Render Server log files, proceed as follows:

- 1 Choose **Administration Portal > Log Files**.
- 2 Select the desired **Webserver Log Level**.
- 3 Select the desired **Render Server Log Level**.

The granularity of the two log files changes immediately.

Additionally, *syngo.via* WebViewer creates an audit log file in the log directory. It contains information on user logins, rendering rates, and image or volume open operations. The auditing information is written in the YAML format in a file named **ispace_audit.yaml**. You can use a standard editing tool, for example Notepad, to read the log file.

All log files in the log directory are limited in size. When a log file exceeds a certain size, it will be renamed and a new log file will be started.

5.3.4 Configuring the backup time of log files

A periodic job copies the logs from the log file directory to a configured remote share (only applicable for dedicated deployment). The remote share is located on the *syngo.via* server hosting the database. To change the time of the daily backup, proceed as follows.

✓ *syngo.via* WebViewer services are enabled due to dedicated deployment scenario.

- 1 Choose **Administration Portal > Log Files**.
- 2 Adjust the **Time of Daily Log Copy** text field.
- 3 Click the **Save** button.

5.3.5 Downloading a log file archive

To download an archive containing all log files in the **.zip** format, proceed as follows:

- 1 Choose **Administration Portal > Log Files**.
- 2 Click the **Download Logs** button.

5.4 Server configuration

syngo.via WebViewer is configured by Siemens during the installation. The configuration must be adapted in some situations, for example:

- Changed IP address or server name of the *syngo.via* server
- Changing or renewing an SSL certificate
- Configuring the Autologout period
- Installing a new license



Official SSL certificates need to be renewed periodically. The time period depends on the period provided by the trust authority.

5.4.1 Configuring the *syngo.via* database

syngo.via WebViewer server directly accesses the database and images stored on *syngo.via* server. Therefore, the database and the network share containing the images must be configured properly. If changes are necessary, proceed as follows:

- 1 Choose **Administration Portal > syngo.via Database**.

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- 2 In the **syngo.via server** text field, enter the hostname or IP address.
- 3 Click the **Save** button.



When changing the settings for *syngo.via* server, the *syngo.via* WebViewer server settings have to be adjusted appropriately.

5.4.2 Changing or renewing an SSL certificate

SSL encrypts the connection between *syngo.via* WebViewer server and the clients. You can either use a signed SSL certificate from a vendor of your choice or a self-signed SSL certificate. During the installation of WebViewer, a self-signed certificate is generated automatically to ensure that only encrypted communication is used between WebViewer clients and the *syngo.via* server. However, a self-signed certificate will require each user to ignore a security warning message. It is recommended to use a signed certificate, when accessing WebViewer via internet. A SSL certificate comes with a private key. Both need to be available to encrypt the connection between server and clients.

To install a certificate, proceed as follows:

- 1 Open a text editor of your choice.
- 2 Open the SSL certificate and copy its content.
The content has to be in unencrypted PEM format.
- 3 Choose **Administration Portal > SSL Files**.
- 4 Paste the text into the **New Certificate** text field.
Please note the hints below.
- 5 Open the corresponding private key in the text editor and copy its content.
The private key has to be unencrypted.
- 6 Switch to the web browser window containing **Administration Portal > SSL Files**.
- 7 Paste the text into the **New Private Key** text field.

- 8 Click the **Save** button.

The **SSL Files** page also shows the public key of the current SSL certificate in the **Current Certificate** text field.



A signed certificate comes typically with a root certificate. There is no single certificate but a chain of certificates, which have to be installed in a particular order. In this case, all certificates, meaning the one for WebViewer, the intermediate ones and the root certificate, need to be copied into the textfield in descending order, starting with the WebViewer certificate.



If a new certificate is generated, the private key has to be exchanged as well.

5.4.3 Changing the SSL ports

Besides the default SSL ports, the *syngo.via* WebViewer server can be configured to use ports of your choice. This applies to the ports for web browsers as well as mobile devices. To change the SSL ports, proceed as follows:

- 1 Choose **Administration Portal > SSL Ports**.
- 2 In the **Webserver SSL port** field, enter a port.
- 3 In the **Mobile device SSL port** field, enter a port.
- 4 Click the **Save** button.

5.4.4 Configuring the Autologout period

After a configurable period of inactivity, *syngo.via* WebViewer logs off any user automatically. To change this period, proceed as follows:

- 1 Choose **Administration Portal > Autologout**.
- 2 Enter the desired number of minutes in the **Autologout Time** field.
- 3 Click the **Save** button.

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Clients are warned one minute before the autologout will happen. Additionally, if the user tries to close the web browser window or tab showing *syngo.via* WebViewer, a closing notification with an option to cancel will appear.

Clients periodically contact the server when they are connected. If the connection is lost, the server will close down the connection and the client will be logged off.



The *syngo.via* WebViewer Administration Portal features an autologout function as well. The duration of this autologout period, however, is fixed to 5 minutes.

5.4.5 Installing a new license

The server requires a license for operation. This license is obtained as a file from Siemens. To install a new license file, proceed as follows:

- 1 Start a text editor of your choice.
- 2 Open the license file and copy its content.
- 3 Choose **Administration Portal > License**.
- 4 Paste the text into the **New License** text field.
- 5 Adjust the **MAC Address** text field only if the *syngo.via* WebViewer network card has been replaced.
- 6 Adjust the **FlexID** text field only if the `VENDOR_DEFINED_HOSTID` has been replaced.
- 7 Click the **Save** button.

The new license is uploaded and activated.

The license is not only required for the *syngo.via* WebViewer server itself. It also determines the maximum number of simultaneous clients.



Each client connection counts towards the maximum number of simultaneous client connections. The same user logged on using two different client platforms counts as two clients. If the maximum number of permitted clients is reached, no more client logins will be accepted.

5.4.6 Configuring biometric login for mobile devices

syngo.via WebViewer supports biometric login using FaceID and TouchID. In the **Administration Portal**, you can configure the permission to log on to mobile devices using biometric data.

If the client device supports biometric login and it is allowed by configuration, a dialog box will be displayed to the user offering an option to turn biometric login on.

If the client device supports biometric login, but it is not allowed by configuration, a dialog box will be displayed informing the user to contact the IT administrator.

5.5 Update

Updates of the *syngo.via* WebViewer server are installed by Siemens Healthineers. Read the provided update information for changes.



For the remote update service, it is necessary to open a Remote Desktop Connection from the *syngo.via* server to the *syngo.via* WebViewer server. Ensure that the Terminal Service is installed and port 3389 is open between both servers.



The initially installed version of the Nvidia GPU (CUDA) is verified by Siemens. A driver without verification may cause parts of *syngo.via* WebViewer server to stop working in the designated way.

You are allowed to install updates/upgrades if you install them in the same driver branch.

CAUTION

Important settings are lost during update or modification of system.

System does not work as intended after an update/upgrade.

- ◆ Always perform a backup of the current installation before update or modification of the system.
- ◆ Always perform a backup of the current configuration (including role-specific settings, such as user profiles) before updating or modifying the system.

6 Data and system security

The same security strategy is valid for syngo.via WebViewer server and the syngo.via server. See (→ *syngo.via Administrator Online Help*).

See also (→ *syngo.via Administration Manual, chapter "Data and system security"*).

6.1 Communication ports

Specific TCP/IP ports must be opened in the router or network firewall to enable communication between *syngo.via* WebViewer clients and the *syngo.via* WebViewer server.

CAUTION

Firewall rules can block correct transfer of data.

Images or reports cannot be viewed.

- ◆ Check and verify transfer of all types of data before releasing the software for general use.

The Windows Firewall of the *syngo.via* WebViewer server is preconfigured after installation. Ensure that the ports mentioned below are opened at network firewalls and at routers between the communicating devices.

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Service/Function	Necessary Ports	Description
Render Server	4475 4443	The port 4475 has to be opened in the firewall between WebViewer and the network, which contains the mobile client devices. The port 4443 needs to be opened towards the Web-Clients.
microsoft-ds (for CIFS)	445	The port 445 has to be opened between WebViewer and <i>syngo.via</i> server.
<i>syngo.via</i> Web-Services	4510	The port 4510 has to be opened between WebViewer and <i>syngo.via</i> server.

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Malicious software can cause harms up to and including non-operational system and loss of all patient data.

- ◆ The administrator is responsible for the configuration of the anti-virus software. Configure and regularly update the anti-virus software.

6.2 Siemens Remote Service

The Siemens UPTIME Service Center has no direct access to the *syngo.via* WebViewer server. Remote service is only possible using the service infrastructure of the *syngo.via* server. A Remote Desktop Connection is opened at the *syngo.via* server to connect to the *syngo.via* WebViewer server.

Service/Function	Necessary Ports
Remote Desktop Protocol	3389

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