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November 02, 2001

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 26, 2001

Thermo Electron Corporation

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

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(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

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(Commission  
File Number)

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81 Wyman Street, P.O. Box 9046  
Waltham, Massachusetts

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(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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(Zip

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (781) 622-1000

Not Applicable

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(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION AND EXHIBITS.

(c) EXHIBITS.

EXHIBIT NO.	DESCRIPTION
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23	Consent of Independent Public Accountants
99.1	Definitive information statement of Viasys

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Healthcare Inc. dated October 26, 2001

99.2 Forms of letters to stockholders of Thermo  
Electron Corporation and Viasys Healthcare Inc.

## ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

On October 26, 2001, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission declared effective the information statement on Form 10 relating to the previously announced distribution by Thermo Electron Corporation (the "Company") to the holders of record of the Company's common stock on November 7, 2001 of all of the shares of Viasys Healthcare Inc. ("Viasys") on November 15, 2001 (the "Spin-off").

The Company has filed herewith (1) the definitive information statement providing details of the Spin-off and information about Viasys and (2) forms of letters to stockholders of the Company and Viasys regarding the same. The Company expects that its distribution agent, American Stock Transfer & Trust Company, will distribute on November 15, 2001 to the holders of record of the Company's common stock on November 7, 2001 the definitive information statement, the letters to stockholders, the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of Viasys for the quarter ended September 29, 2001 and certificates representing the shares of Viasys common stock to be distributed in the Spin-off.

The definitive information statement of Viasys is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by this reference.

The forms of letters to stockholders of the Company and Viasys are filed as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and are incorporated herein by this reference.

## SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 2, 2001

THERMO ELECTRON CORPORATION

By: /s/ Theo Melas-Kyriazi

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Name: Theo Melas-Kyriazi  
Title: Vice President and Chief  
Financial Officer

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