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Zimmer Launches the Optio-C™ Anterior Cervical System, a Next Generation, Modular Stand-Alone Cervical Device

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MINNEAPOLIS, April 7, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Zimmer Spine, Inc., a global leader in spine innovation, today announced the U.S. market launch of the *Optio-C* Anterior Cervical System, a next generation, modular stand-alone cervical device that offers the strength, stability and fusion potential of a traditional ACDF. The *Optio-C* System is being launched at the American Association for Neurological Surgeons (AANS) meeting being held April 5-9 in San Francisco.

The Optio-C System from Zimmer Spine offers a no profile solution and delivers the strength, stability and fusion potential of a traditional ACDF

"With plate strength equivalent to a traditional cervical plate, stability through a three-screw fixation design, and fusion delivered by a spacer featuring a load-sharing interface, the *Optio-C* System takes cervical stand-alone devices to the next level," said Steve Healy, President of Zimmer Spine. "This internally developed device is an important platform for future product development."

About the Optio-C Anterior Cervical System

The modular stand-alone *Optio-C* System offers secure fixation with no profile. The *Optio-C* System is comprised of one PEEK IBF Spacer, one Anterior Cervical Plate, and three bone screws. The *Optio-C* Device is secured by an anti-migration system that is designed to maintain no profile and the system is designed to maximize fusion with a unique load-sharing interface and multiple implant footprints. Because it has no profile, soft tissue irritation is reduced for less invasive ACDF procedures, and it eliminates the need for additional plating when addressing adjacent level disease.

The *Optio-C* Anterior Cervical System (#OptioC) will be on display at the American Association for Neurological Surgeons meeting (@AANSNeuro, #AANS2014) being held April 5-9, 2014 in San Francisco at the Zimmer Spine Booth 1615 (#ZimmerSpine).

About Zimmer

Founded in 1927 and headquartered in Warsaw, Indiana, Zimmer designs, develops, manufactures and markets orthopaedic reconstructive, spinal and trauma devices, dental implants, and related surgical products. Zimmer has operations in more than 25 countries around the world and sells products in more than 100 countries. Zimmer's 2013 sales were approximately $4.6 billion. The Company is supported by the efforts of more than 9,000 employees worldwide. More information about Zimmer is available at www.zimmer.com.

Zimmer Spine is a division of Zimmer Holdings, Inc. Headquartered in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Zimmer Spine is a global leader in spine innovation, dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for spine patients worldwide by delivering comprehensive surgical solutions, training and clinical support that advance and support surgeons.

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