Zimmer Introduces V2F™ Anterior Fixation System for the Treatment of Spinal Tumor and Trauma Pathology

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System Incorporates Unique Locking-Cap Technology, Providing Greater Flexibility in Screw Placement to Better Match Patient Anatomy

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Jan. 21, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Zimmer Holdings, Inc. (NYSE: ZMH; SIX: ZMH), a global leader in musculoskeletal health, today introduced the Zimmer *V2F* Anterior Fixation System, a new implant system for the treatment of thoracolumbar burst fractures, tumors, disc degeneration and other pathologies of the anterior spine. The system represents Zimmer's first lateral plate system for the spinal trauma segment.

The *V2F* System consists of a wide range of plates and screws designed to better match the varying anatomy of the thoracolumbar spine. Leveraging a proprietary technology developed by Zimmer's Trauma business, the *V2F* System incorporates variable-to-fixed locking cap technology, which enables surgeons to place screws at variable angles and to lock screw trajectory to the plate rigidly, or semi-constrained. This flexibility to place screws with variability of up to 15 degrees in any direction allows surgeons to avoid critical anatomical structures and better fit the existing anatomical structure.

"Tumor and trauma pathology of the spine can result in complex anatomical challenges for surgeons," said Steve Healy, President of Zimmer Spine. "By incorporating novel variable-to-fixed screw and cap technology, the Zimmer *V2F* Anterior Fixation System offers surgeons greater flexibility to address the unique anatomy of every patient through variable screw and plate placement and fixation."

Designed to facilitate efficiency without compromising control or strength, the Zimmer *V2F* Anterior Fixation System features All-Through-One Instrumentation to guide efficient screw placement and 6mm and 7mm dual-lead screws to provide enhanced insertion speed and bone screw fixation.

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