

Zimmer's Kinectiv® Hip Technology Passes 50,000 Procedures Milestone

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Innovative Modular Neck Technology Enables Surgeons to Personalize Hip Replacement to a Patient's Anatomy

SAN FRANCISCO, CA - February 9, 2012 - Zimmer Holdings, Inc. (NYSE and SIX: ZMH), a global leader in musculoskeletal health, announced today at the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons annual meeting in San Francisco that its *Kinectiv*® Technology for hip implants has now been used in more than 50,000 procedures worldwide. *Kinectiv* Technology enables surgeons to better match a patient's anatomy with modular neck options during hip replacement procedures.

"Every patient's anatomy is unique, requiring a personalized solution," said Jeff McCaulley, President, Zimmer Reconstructive. "Zimmer's *Kinectiv* Technology offers surgeons the greatest flexibility to personalize the fit of hip replacements through independent, intra-operative control of leg length, offset and version for a more accurate restoration of the patient's natural anatomy and motion."

Kinectiv Technology is offered in conjunction with the *Zimmer*® M/L Taper Hip Prosthesis, and more recently, with the new *CLS*® *Brevius*™ Hip Prosthesis.

The M/L Taper with *Kinectiv* Technology is a porous, cementless stem with a broad array of neck options to match a wide range of patient anatomies. The CLS *Brevius* Stem with *Kinectiv* Technology is shorter than conventional stems, providing greater bone conservation compared to other hip replacement systems. For more information about Zimmer's *Kinectiv* Technology, visit the company at Booth 519 at the 2012 American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons annual meeting in San Francisco, or go to www.zimmer.com.

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 2011 sales were approximately \$4.5 billion. The Company is

supported by the efforts of more than 8,500 employees worldwide. For more information about Zimmer, visit www.zimmer.com.

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