

Zimmer Biomet Announces FDA Breakthrough Designation for World's First Iodine-Treated Total Hip Replacement System

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Prioritized Regulatory Review Process in the U.S. Follows Japan PMDA Approval in September

WARSAW, Ind., Oct. 28, 2025 /PRNewswire/ -- Zimmer Biomet Holdings, Inc. (NYSE and SIX: ZBH), a global medical technology leader, today announced the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has granted Breakthrough Device Designation for the company's first-to-world iodine-treated total hip replacement system. This is the first product in Zimmer Biomet history to receive this designation.



Iodine technology integrates a controlled-release iodine surface treatment into the iTaperloc[®] Complete and iG7[™] Hip System to help address challenges associated with joint replacement procedures for patients at higher risk of infection. This system recently [received approval from the Japan Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices Agency \(PMDA\) in September](#), becoming the world's first approved orthopedic implant with Iodine Technology. Indications in Japan include inhibiting bacterial adhesion on the implant surface, which is designed to address the challenging complication of Periprosthetic Joint Infections (PJI) associated with total joint arthroplasties (TJA). PJIs are estimated to occur in 1% to 2% of primary TJA procedures¹ and can have serious consequences, with mortality rates approaching the five-year mortality observed in breast cancer (11%) and far exceeding that of prostate cancer (1%).²

"The Breakthrough Device Designation from the FDA underscores the need for innovations to reduce complications that can happen with joint replacement procedures and highlights Zimmer Biomet's commitment to advancing technologies that improve patient outcomes and enhance the overall

success of musculoskeletal health interventions," said Ivan Tornos, Chairman, President and CEO. "We look forward to working closely with the agency to bring this first-to-world innovation to patients in the United States."

The iTaperloc[®] Complete and iG7[™] Hip System combines the long-standing clinical heritage^{3,4,5} of the Taperloc Complete Hip System and the simplicity, efficiency and performance of the G7 Acetabular System^{6,7} with Iodine Technology. Iodine is a biocompatible, essential nutrient that does not cause antibiotic resistance and is commonly used in medicine as an antiseptic.

The FDA Breakthrough Devices Program offers manufacturers an opportunity to interact with experts from the agency to efficiently address topics as they arise during the regulatory review process. According to the FDA, the program provides a prioritized review of submissions and is designed to help device manufacturers receive more timely feedback from the FDA.

About Zimmer Biomet

Zimmer Biomet is a global medical technology leader with a comprehensive portfolio designed to maximize mobility and improve health. We seamlessly transform the patient experience through our innovative products and suite of integrated digital and robotic technologies that leverage data, data analytics and artificial intelligence.

With 90+ years of trusted leadership and proven expertise, Zimmer Biomet is positioned to deliver the highest quality solutions to patients and providers. Our legacy continues to come to life today through our progressive culture of evolution and innovation.

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