

Zimmer to Establish Asia-Pacific Research and Development Center

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New Beijing-based Center to Focus on Innovations for the Asian Market

WARSAW, Ind., Nov. 30, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- Zimmer Holdings, Inc. (NYSE and SIX: ZMH), a global leader in musculoskeletal care, announced today at the Chinese Orthopaedic Association (COA) International Congress that the Company will establish a new research and development center in Beijing, China. The center will lay the foundation for a network of research and development programs across the region.

"The Asia-Pacific region offers significant growth opportunities in both established and emerging markets," said David C. Dvorak, President and CEO of Zimmer. "Investment in local research and development represents a critical component of Zimmer's long-term strategy to provide clinically-relevant offerings for Asian markets."

Zimmer's Beijing-based research and development will be involved in collaborative efforts with local engineers and healthcare professionals with the goal of developing innovative products and technologies to meet the unique needs of Asian patients and their healthcare providers. Co-locating the center with Zimmer's existing operations in Beijing further strengthens the Company's position in one of the fastest growing countries in the region.

For more information about Zimmer, visit the Company's exhibit at the sixth annual COA International Congress in Beijing, China from December 1-4, 2011, or visit www.zimmer.com.

About the Company

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 2010 sales were approximately \$4.2 billion. The Company is supported by the efforts of more than 8,000 employees worldwide.

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