



Materialise NV Announces Collaboration With Lima Corporate

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Lima is to Collaborate With Materialise in the Design and Production of Surgical Guides for Partial Knee Implants, Allowing Surgeons to Plan Their Surgeries in 3D and Use 3D Printed Patient-Specific Guides

LEUVEN, Belgium, July 28, 2015 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- **Materialise NV** (Nasdaq:MTLS), a leading provider of 3D software and sophisticated 3D printing solutions today announced the signing of an agreement with Lima Corporate for the use of surgical guides for partial knee implants.

Lima and Materialise entered into an agreement that allows Lima to offer the Materialise-powered surgical knee guide system in the EEA region and Switzerland. Jeroen Dille, Director of Materialise's Clinical Unit, states, "*Materialise first pioneered medical image based guide technology, including solutions for the knee, as part of our company-wide mission to realize a better and healthier world through meaningful applications of 3D printing. Through this collaboration with Lima, orthopedic surgeons will be able to benefit from the advantages that 3D printing can offer in the planning and execution of partial knee arthroplasty.*"

Luigi Ferrari, CEO of Lima Corporate, said: "*Lima is committed to supporting healthcare professionals in their daily efforts to improve the lives of their patients and to enabling better outcomes for patients and healthcare systems. The aim of our collaboration with Materialise is to allow the surgeons we work with to continue to pre-operatively plan and use patient-specific guides in pursuit of more predictable surgical outcomes.*"

Materialise has 25 years of experience in 3D planning and printing for medical applications, which includes the development of dedicated 3D visualization and planning software, engineering and design services and the production of 3D printed patient-specific guides and implants.

Materialise offers a solution consisting of easy-to-use 3D surgical planning software and patient-specific surgical guides for knee surgery, allowing surgeons to efficiently and accurately plan knee surgeries based on the patient's unique anatomy and structural damage. Based on that pre-operative plan, patient-specific guides are designed and 3D printed for use during surgery. Lima Corporate will now offer this solution to its surgeons with respect to the unicondylar knee system that it recently acquired from Zimmer.

About Materialise

With its headquarters in Leuven, Belgium, and branches worldwide, Materialise is a provider of Additive Manufacturing (AM) software solutions and sophisticated 3D printing services in a wide variety of industries, including healthcare, automotive, aerospace, art and design and consumer products. Materialise has been playing an active role in the field of AM since 1990, through its involvement in AM for industrial and medical applications, by providing biomedical and clinical solutions such as medical image processing and surgical simulations and by developing unique solutions for its customers' prototyping, production, and medical needs. For additional information, please visit: www.materialise.com.

About Lima Corporate

Lima Corporate is a global medical device company providing reconstructive orthopaedic solutions to surgeons who face the challenges of improving the quality of life of their patients. Based in Italy, Lima Corporate is committed to the development of innovative products and procedures to enable surgeons to select ideal solution for every individual patient. Lima Corporate's product range includes large joint revision and primary implants and complete extremities solutions including fixation.

For additional information on the Company, please visit: www.limacorporate.com.

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