Ascension Orthopedics Announces Market Release of TITANâ„¢ Inset Mini Glenoid

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AUSTIN, Texas, July 6, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- Ascension Orthopedics, Inc., a world leader in PyroCarbon orthopedic devices, announces the market release of the TITAN Inset Mini Glenoid. The Mini Glenoid is yet another addition to the TITAN Modular Shoulder System, which can now provide a unique way to address glenoid arthritis.

"The Mini Glenoid prosthesis is designed to resurface the central portion of the glenoid as well as load-share with the peripheral glenoid bone, which allows for minimal forces to be transmitted on the edge of the Mini Glenoid prosthesis," commented Mark Ross, MB.BS.FRACS,FA(ORTHO)A. "These edge forces have been shown to lead to loosening in a standard glenoid."

"Another great advantage of the Mini Glenoid is that it allows for retention of soft tissues that would normally be resected with a standard glenoid, such as a healthy labrum," stated Phillip Duke, MB.BS.FRACS,FA(ORTHO)A.

The TITAN shoulder line now offers an inset Mini Glenoid option that is available in round and oval designs. The modularity of the TITAN line allows for one system to be used in a number of different applications including: humeral resurfacing arthroplasty, hemi or total shoulder arthroplasty, and press-fit or cemented fracture arthroplasty. Less instrumentation is needed in the operating room and the ease of reproducibility helps provide for consistent patient outcomes.

"We are striving to continually release innovative products into the market place," commented Guy Mayer, President and CEO of Ascension Orthopedics. "Today we show this commitment with the Mini Glenoid prosthesis, which offers an option for glenoid replacement unlike any other currently available. We are excited to build on the clinical success of the TITAN shoulder line with another unique addition."

Ascension Orthopedics was founded in Austin, Texas in 1992. The company's first product was an innovative pyrolytic carbon implant for the
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