

Thoratec Presentation At Oppenheimer 23rd Annual Healthcare Conference To Be Webcast

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PLEASANTON, Calif., Dec. 10, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Thoratec Corporation (NASDAQ: [THOR](#) [1]), a world leader in device-based mechanical circulatory support therapies to save, support and restore failing hearts, said today it will be participating in the Oppenheimer 23rd Annual Healthcare Conference on Wednesday, December 12.

Taylor C. Harris, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, will provide an update on the company beginning at 10:35 a.m., Eastern Standard Time (7:35 a.m., Pacific Standard Time). The presentation will be available through the conference website at <http://www.veracast.com/webcasts/opco/healthcare2012/57106258.cfm> [2] or on the company's website at <http://www.thoratec.com> [3].

Thoratec is a world leader in therapies to address advanced-stage heart failure. The company's products include the HeartMate® LVAS (Left Ventricular Assist System) and Thoratec® VAD (Ventricular Assist Device) with more than 20,000 devices implanted in patients suffering from heart failure. Thoratec also manufactures and distributes the CentriMag® and PediMag®/PediVAS® product lines. Thoratec is headquartered in Pleasanton, California. For more information, visit the company's website at <http://www.thoratec.com> [3].

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