

## Accentus Medical innovation recognised at Oxfordshire Business Awards

Oxford, 21 June 2012 ... Accentus Medical has been recognised as a successful innovation company at the 2012 Oxfordshire Business Awards. Based at the Harwell Oxford campus, Accentus is a developer and FDA approved manufacturer focused on improving the clinical performance of medical implants. The company has developed and commercialised the Acusure® range of advanced surface coatings designed to improve the biocompatibility and durability of orthopaedic implants. The company is also pioneering the development of an innovative surface treatment called Agluna®, which harnesses the anti-microbial properties of silver ions to significantly reduce infection rates following implant surgery. Agluna® is currently being commercialised within the global orthopaedic industry. The encouraging progress being made by Accentus led to its nomination by the Oxfordshire Business Awards judging panel as a top three finalist in the 2012 Innovation Award category, sponsored by Oxford Brookes University & Business School.

Philip Agg, Chief Executive of Accentus Medical said: "We are delighted to have been recognised within the Oxfordshire business community as a leading innovation company. The company is very proud of the progress it has made in developing and commercialising its innovative technology portfolio within the global medical device market. We look forward to continuing development of our emerging technologies to drive company growth, and to achieving further business success in the future."

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## **About Accentus Medical**

Accentus Medical is a leading medical technology company that combines a long history of expertise in surface coating and modification technologies with dedicated research and development of new technologies for the medical device industry. With roots in the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority, and based at the historic Harwell Oxford campus, Accentus Medical has provided expertise in surface technologies to the orthopaedic device industry since the 1970s, serving major orthopaedic and medical device manufacturers worldwide.

The company works closely with industry partners to develop new surface technologies that address unmet market needs, and is renowned for its experienced staff and track record for responsive, high quality service. The services offered include hydroxyapatite and metal alloy coatings (known as Acusure®) using a plasma spray process at Accentus Medical's ISO 13485:2003 and ISO 9001:2008 accredited facility. Accentus Medical is also very well known for the medical device testing programmes offered by its in-house test laboratories. Manufacturers have been utilising test results provided by the company for many years as part of device homologation files all over the world.

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