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**TERUMO INTERVENTIONAL SYSTEMS LAUNCHES
THE NAVICROSS™ PERIPHERAL SUPPORT CATHETERS**

New Peripheral Support Catheter Offers Interventionalists Increased Wire Support With Low Crossing Profile For Unmatched Pushability For Peripheral Lesions.

SOMERSET, NJ (March 23, 2012) — Terumo Interventional Systems, a strategic business unit of Terumo Medical Corporation, today announced the expansion of its peripheral catheter portfolio with the nationwide availability of its new line of NaviCross™ Support Catheters, designed to provide interventionalists with significantly greater wire support for the access and treatment of peripheral artery disease (PAD) and Critical Limb Ischemia (CLI).

Featuring Terumo Glide Technology™ hydrophilic coating and a seamless guidewire-to-catheter transition, the NaviCross has been designed for accessing and tracking through even the most complex lesions. The shaft incorporates a stainless steel double-braided layer, combined with a 12mm tapered tip, giving it best-in-class pushability*. The catheter is compatible with .035” wire platforms and 4Fr sheaths and is available with a straight or 30 degree angled tip allowing access to vascular branches including below the knee (BTK) collaterals. It features 3 radiopaque marker bands to facilitate accurate assessment of position, while their unique spacing provides easy measurement of common balloon and stent sizes.

“The design of the NaviCross allows for true 1:1 torque with complete force transmission from my hand to the tip of the catheter without lag time or delay,” said Dr. Jihad Mustapha, Director of Endovascular Interventions and Director of Cardiovascular Research at Metro Heart & Vascular, Metro Health Hospital, Wyoming, MI. “It excels in long length lesions and is ideal for any chronic or high-grade stenoses that are located in or at an angulated vessel segment. One of the most superior support catheters for pushability, crossability, trackability, torquability, and (tip) visualization, there is also no buckling, which (may) lower the risk of dissection and perforations.”

“The NaviCross Support Catheter is Terumo Interventional Systems’ first entry into the support catheter category,” said Chris Pearson, Vice President, Marketing, Terumo Interventional Systems. “As the leaders in entry site management and lesion access, we feel this catheter is the perfect complement to our comprehensive peripheral portfolio of wires, catheters, and sheaths. NaviCross was specifically engineered for simplicity with best-in-class safety and performance in mind and is designed to excel when used with Terumo’s market leading Glidewire®. It allows our customers to confidently treat most peripheral lesions, without the need for more expensive crossing devices or therapies.”

For more information about the NaviCross Support Catheters, customers can contact Terumo Interventional Systems by calling its Inside Sales Specialist Team at 800-862-4143 or by visiting www.terumo.com.

**Data on file*

Terumo Interventional Systems

Terumo Interventional Systems (TIS), a strategic business unit of Terumo Medical Corporation, directly markets a full line of guidewires, catheters, introducer sheaths, guiding sheaths and embolization products for use in a multitude of different interventional procedures. Interventional Radiologists, Interventional Neuroradiologists, Interventional Cardiologists, and Vascular Surgeons are among the medical professionals that depend upon TIS products to access and cross difficult-to-reach lesions, thereby allowing therapeutic intervention in previously unreachable vascular beds.

Terumo Medical Corporation

Founded in 1972 as a Terumo Corporation subsidiary, Terumo Medical Corporation (TMC) develops, manufactures, and markets high-quality medical devices used in a broad range of applications in numerous healthcare markets. TMC manufactures a broad portfolio of needles and syringes, entry-site management products, and a line of sterile connection devices used in hospitals and blood banks worldwide.

Terumo Corporation

Tokyo-based Terumo Corporation is one of the world’s leading medical device manufacturers with \$4.0 billion in sales and operations in more than 160 nations. Founded in 1921, the company develops, manufactures, and distributes world-class medical devices including products for use in cardiothoracic surgery, interventional procedures, and transfusion medicine; the company also manufactures a broad array of syringe and hypodermic needle products for hospital and physician office use. Terumo contributes to society by providing valued products and services to the healthcare market and by responding to the needs of healthcare providers and the people they serve.

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