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Theken Moves Therics Manufacturing To Akron Ohio

Akron, OH – (March 7, 2007) Therics LLC, based in Princeton, N.J., a orthobiologic company moved its manufacturing of synthetic bone substitute products to Akron, Ohio. Therics is part of the Theken Family of Companies (Theken Spine, LLC; Theken Disc, LLC; and Theken Orthopaedic, Inc.) all headquartered in Akron, Ohio. Therics Research and Development team will remain headquartered in the Princeton, N.J. area.

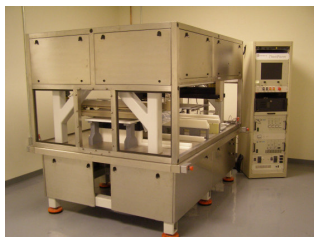


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“Mayor Plusquellic’s biomedical initiatives, along with the world renowned health care systems such as Summa Health Care, the Cleveland Clinic and University Hospitals make Akron a perfect location for Theken,” said Rachael Smith, Director of Marketing Communications.



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“Moving the facility was a large undertaking,” stated VP of Operations Ron Clough, “In addition to building out the space, we were required by the FDA to upgrade to ISO Class 8.” This Compliant Controlled Environment will house production of Therics Beta-Tricalcium Phosphate (β -TCP) synthetic bone substitute products as well as Therics TheriGraft Putty. Therics provides customized shaping of β -TCP using rapid prototyping technology known as Theriform. The patented Theriform process developed by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) provides shapes, sizes and porosity not achievable by any other process.

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While in Akron, Therics plans to expand their product offering, including a β -TCP flexible foam strip. Therics also expects to grow their distribution base, and pursue OEM private labeling relationships.

About Therics, LLC

Therics, LLC (www.therics.com) manufactures a variety of bone substitute products that promote bone growth. Based in Akron, Ohio Therics, LLC is a developer of digital microfabrication process technology for medical devices and other medical applications.

About Theken

The Theken family of companies Theken Spine, LLC, Theken Disc, LLC, Theken Orthopaedic, Inc. and Therics, LLC (www.theken.com) specializes in pioneering spinal implant technologies that improve spinal surgical techniques benefiting patients as well as surgeons. Theken provides comprehensive product lines that offer surgeons peace of mind through steadfast product reliability and easy-to-use instrumentation. Products include cervical plates, pedicle screws, spacers, degenerative/deformity and trauma devices. Theken also leads the market in next-generation artificial disc replacement technology.

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