

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****Terumo Interventional Systems Announces Line Expansion of Its Pinnacle® R/O II Radiopaque Marker Introducer Sheath Products  
Creates Broadest Selection of Marker Band Sheath Sizes Available**

**SOMERSET, NJ** (June 25, 2009) – Terumo Interventional Systems (today) announced the expansion of its Pinnacle® R/O II Radiopaque Marker Introducer Sheaths. Terumo now provides the broadest selection of marker band sheath sizes for vascular access, extending the range of interventional procedures that can be performed by this industry-leading technology.

The Pinnacle R/O II Radiopaque Marker Introducer Sheaths are now available in 4 French through 9 French, each in 6cm, 10cm and 25cm lengths. The 10cm and 25cm are appropriate for interventional procedures (e.g. balloon and stent) or with ipsilateral approaches. The 6cm sheath can be used for superficial access sites. The 6cm and 10cm in 4 through 9 French sizes are also available with 0.038” mini guidewires (0.035” wire with 4 French sizes).

The Pinnacle R/O II enables physicians to know the exact sheath tip location during a procedure. Its long gradual taper on the dilator and sheath leads to easier insertion with less force, which may result in reduced trauma and reduced complications. Additionally, the Pinnacle R/O II maintains kink resistance, which reduces the need for a second sheath.

“With the addition of these new sizes, Terumo can now offer a complete range of radiopaque sheaths to compliment our already extensive standard sheath offering,” said Gary Clifton, Marketing Manager, Coronary Products. “The Pinnacle line of sheath products is widely known for its superior transitions and kink-resistant design. This means fewer sheaths used per procedure, which translates into costs savings to the hospital.”

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Terumo’s Pinnacle product line, manufactured by Terumo in its Maryland plant, has long been viewed as the “gold standard” of high-quality introducer sheaths.

For more information, customers can contact Terumo Interventional Systems by calling its Inside Sales Customer Care Team at 800.862.4143 or by visiting <http://www.terumo.is.com>.

### **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 \$3.0 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. Terumo Corporation's shares are listed on the first section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange (No. 4543, Reuters symbol <4543.T>, or Bloomberg 4543: JP) and is a component of the Nikkei 225, Japan's leading stock index.

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