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7/29 - [Sandvik](#) secured a 15-year multi-million dollar deal for a 112,000 sq. ft. [orthopaedic implant and instrument production and distribution facility](#) in South Yorkshire. (See Supplier News, [6/4/09](#).)

7/28 - [Microcision](#) reports that, effective 7/16/09, their in-house automatic cleaning and passivation system is a validated process. Microcision, in business for over 50 years, is a supplier of high precision contract machining services to medical OEM companies.

7/27 - [Teleflex Medical OEM](#) reported [2Q09 revenue](#) of US \$37.7MM, -6% from 2Q08. Core revenue increases in cardiac care, urology, anesthesia and surgical products were offset by declines in respiratory and orthopaedic devices sold to medical OEMs. (Growth reflects constant currency; Teleflex Medical OEM sales include non-orthopaedic products.)

7/22 - A workshop on [Fretting Fatigue of Metallic Medical Devices and Materials](#) will be held 11/10/09, sponsored by ASTM Committees E08 on Fatigue and Fracture and F04 on Medical and Surgical Implants and Materials. Co-chairs seek participants that have looked at fretting of interfaces of materials used in orthopaedic devices, have shown evidence that fretting can occur in these devices *in vivo*, or have developed methods to evaluate fretting of these devices or materials.

7/20 - [Schober USA](#) introduced an enhanced version of its [MLPP-5 technology](#) that allows companies to perform multiple functions – including wind/unwind, perforating, laminating, delaminating, cross-cutting, waste extraction and product delivery – in a single pass through a single machine. This technology holds application in the manufacture of intricate parts for the medical industry.

7/17 - [Bradshaw Medical](#) was issued [U.S. Patent No. D596,293 S](#) for their Spinal Rod Gripping Device. This instrument has been tested to withstand in excess of 100 lbs./in. rotational force without jaw slippage.

7/14 - [Horst Engineering](#) completed a [multi-year plant renovation](#) incorporating many green building features, including a 39kW rooftop solar system. In 4/09, the solar system produced 69% of the power demand at the renovated plant. The physical expansion also initiated the launch of a dedicated [Horst Medical](#) business unit. Further, [Horst Engineering de Mexico](#) completed its move to a 18,300 sq/ft. facility. The plant houses machining operations for Horst Engineering and has dedicated space for several medical machining cells.

7/14 - [Mack Molding](#) formed [MackMedical](#) to provide [surgical equipment and disposables for the orthopaedic market](#). Mack's services include design, prototyping, metal fabrication, full product assembly and direct order fulfillment, and specifically for medical customers, the company has added product refurbishment, complaint investigation and obsolescence management.

7/10 - [Enztec](#) was recognized as [2009 Export New Zealand Canterbury Large Exporter of the Year](#).

7/8 - [Titanium Industries](#) announced, after over 35 years of exclusive titanium distribution, the [addition of nickel-based and other non-titanium alloys](#) to support the reconstructive and medical implant market.

6/26 - [Methods Machine Tools](#) appointed [Dave Lucius as Vice President of Sales](#) to oversee the entire North American sales organization. The company also announced three new regional technical sales managers: Ken Corklin (U.S. Eastern Territory); Russ Henry (U.S. Central and Canada) and Sergio Tondato