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Disc Dynamics Raises \$24 Million in Latest Round of Financing

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN: Disc Dynamics, Inc., announced today the close of a capital round that raised \$24 million in funding for the corporation. A strategic investor led the round and current investors, including St. Paul Venture Capital, Pequot Capital, Brightstone Capital, and Affinity Capital Management, also participated. Proceeds are to be used primarily for clinical studies and continued product development. Steven J. Healy, President and CEO, commented, "We are very excited to complete this round because it allows us to accelerate the process of bringing the DASCOR™ Disc Arthroplasty System to market."

Disc Dynamics, Inc. (DDI) was established to provide patients and physicians with a minimally invasive surgical alternative to treating low back pain. To achieve this goal, DDI is developing the DASCOR™ Disc Arthroplasty System, an innovative treatment for patients suffering from chronic low back pain caused by Degenerative Disc Disease (DDD). The DASCOR™ Disc Arthroplasty System uses a small incision to gain access to the nucleus in the disc space, remove it, and replace it with an artificial nucleus that is designed to relieve pain and restore function. The DASCOR™ Disc Arthroplasty System is intended to provide patients whose conditions are serious enough to require surgery a minimally invasive surgical option. In the United States alone, nearly 650,000 patients required surgery for the lower back in 2003.

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