



**Biomet/ OREF Orthopaedic Graduate Medical Education Partnership
Announces Fellowship Grants Awarded**

WARSAW, Ind., June 25, 2009 — Biomet, Inc. and the Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation (OREF) Graduate Medical Education Partnership have announced the 2009 Graduate Medical Education (GME) fellowship grants. Fellowships in orthopedic surgery provide surgeons with advanced training in the treatment of specific, complex bone and joint disorders.

The Biomet/OREF partnership funded a total of 31 fellowship grants in various orthopedic surgical specialties, including:

- Adult Reconstruction surgery, including total joint replacement
- Trauma surgery
- Shoulder/Elbow surgery
- Sports medicine
- Orthopedic oncology surgery to treat bones and joints afflicted with certain bone cancers
- Spine surgery

Through its partnership with OREF, Biomet contributes \$25,000 for each fellowship grant, an amount chosen to maximize the number of fellowship programs which receive funding.

On January 7, 2009 Biomet and the Orthopaedic Research and Education Foundation (OREF) announced a partnership to provide multi-year funding that supports GME programs in orthopedic surgery.

Jeff Binder, President and CEO of Biomet, stated:

“Biomet has traditionally been a strong supporter of resident and fellowship education and research projects. The Biomet/OREF partnership provides broad support to as many teaching institutions as possible in a fully transparent and ethical fashion. Bone and joint disorders are the leading cause of disability in this country, and we need a growing supply of highly trained specialists to deliver the best possible care to patients suffering from these disorders. Funding fellowship programs is an essential part of ensuring the quality of orthopedic healthcare in this country.”

For calendar year 2009, Biomet made a grant of \$1 million to the OREF and anticipates a total donation over a five year period of approximately \$7 million.

The grant process is administered by OREF and is based on a random and donor-blind selection system. The OREF Educational Grants Board screens all applications to ensure they meet selection

criteria, and then randomly matches the funds provided by their corporate sponsors. All applicants have an equal opportunity to receive funding.

Biomet has also provided funds for “Resident Enhancement” programs such as grand rounds programs, journal clubs, books, travel by residents to professional meetings and other educational expenses. The OREF is expected to make those grant awards by September 1, 2009.

About Biomet

Biomet, Inc. and its subsidiaries design, manufacture and market products used primarily by musculoskeletal medical specialists in both surgical and non-surgical therapy. Biomet’s product portfolio encompasses reconstructive products, including orthopedic joint replacement devices, bone cements and accessories, autologous therapies and dental reconstructive implants; fixation products, including electrical bone growth stimulators, internal and external orthopedic fixation devices, craniomaxillofacial implants and bone substitute materials; spinal products, including spinal stimulation devices, spinal hardware and orthobiologics; and other products, such as arthroscopy products and softgoods and bracing products. Headquartered in Warsaw, Indiana, Biomet and its subsidiaries currently distribute products in approximately 90 countries.

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