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Ottobock Mobility Solutions Announces New Partnership Agreement with PatienTech/Vista Medical

PatienTech/Vista Medical is pleased to announce that Ottobock Mobility Solutions is appointed as exclusive North American distributor of the New BodiTrak Smart Fabric Sensor for Rehabilitation Medicine market. PatienTech/Vista Medical' partnership with Ottobock will improve how the unique BodiTrak product line assists rehabilitation professionals as they care for their clients.

MINNEAPOLIS, MN June 25, 2013 - As part of its ongoing investment in wheelchair seating and positioning, Ottobock has entered into a new partnership agreement with PatienTech/Vista Medical, a global leader in pressure sensing technology. The agreement grants Ottobock the exclusive distribution rights to the one-of-a-kind BodiTrak Smart Fabric pressure mapping system.

A completely new approach to interface pressure mapping and data collection, the BodiTrak uses advanced electronic sensors with built-in smart USB electronics and the world's only three dimensional, stretchable, breathable pressure sensing material. This proprietary material means an interface pressure mapping reading that closely represents what is actually happening at a load bearing surface in order to promote tissue protection and to help avoid the trauma of a pressure ulcer.

According to Andrew Frank, Vice President of Sales and Marketing for PatienTech/Vista Medical, "Our new BodiTrak products based on patented Smart elastic fabric and simplified electronics are much simpler to use, easier to maintain and more affordable. PatienTech/Vista's twenty years of leadership in pressure mapping systems continues with this new generation of smart sensor, and we are very pleased to partner with Ottobock in helping rehabilitation professionals meet the needs of their clients."

"With its pioneering technology and its efficiency in addressing the important quality of life issue of skin breakdown, the BodiTrak pressure mapping system is a great fit with the Ottobock brand and an excellent addition to our line of products," says Matt Swiggum, Ottobock's Vice President of Mobility Solutions, US HealthCare. "We are pleased to bring the BodiTrak to market and look forward to the positive impact our new partnership with PatienTech/Vista Medical has on our customers and the entire rehab community."

Minnesota-based Ottobock was established in 1958 as the Americas corporate headquarters of Otto Bock HealthCare, GmbH, based in Duderstadt, Germany. Ottobock has more than 5,000 employees worldwide in 46 branches and produces over 50,000 types of prosthetic and orthotic components, mobility and rehabilitation products. (www.ottobockus.com <<http://www.ottobockus.com/>>)