

## COLLABORATIONS

**DRT Mfg. Co.** purchased **Mauch, Inc.**, an Ossür company. Mauch specializes in manufacturing for the prosthetic and orthopaedic segments of the medical industry. The Mauch operations will be moved into the DRT facilities during the first quarter of 2005.

**ENSINGER** entered into a marketing agreement with **Invio®** whereby ENSINGER will market Invio's PEEK-CLASSIX™ polymer for use in the production of medical applications and instruments to its medical and pharmaceutical customers. ENSINGER will market the material under the name TECAPEEK Classix.

**STS duoTEK, Inc.**, has been acquired by **Ethox Corp.**, creating one of the largest fully integrated contract medical manufacturers in the U.S. The terms of the transaction are undisclosed.

## CAPABILITIES

**AP&C Advanced Powders and Coatings** will begin commercial production of nano-sized and micron-sized titanium powders, which have application in the manufacture of hip and knee replacements and other orthopaedic implants.

**C&W Swiss** has purchased a Star SR-20R II Swiss Style multi-axis machining center, and expects to receive another SR20R II by the end of 1/05.

**Mar-Test** expanded its Cincinnati testing laboratory, a third party accredited facility with quality systems in compliance with ISO 17025. Monotonic and dynamic testing services include tension, compression, bending, torsion, flexion-extension and multi-axial.

**MicroGroup** has purchased one RAM and three WIRE EDM machines, including two new, multi-axis, submersible Charmilles 240 WIRE EDMs.

**Troy Innovative Instruments** has expanded its capabilities by increasing its personnel and procuring additional equipment such as a HAAS CNC Vertical High Speed Machining Center, two Citizen CNC Swiss Turning Centers, and various secondary and inspection equipment.

**Specialized Medical Devices** recently expanded its CNC milling department by adding a Haas Super VF 3 5-Axis vertical milling center and a Haas Super VF 2 4-Axis vertical milling center.

**Symmetry Medical** completed an \$8.5MM facility expansion, including additions and new buildings at locations in Indiana, Tennessee and the U.K.

## CERTIFICATIONS

**Unique Design and Development** earned certification to ISO 13485:2003 and ISO 9001:2000.

## RECOGNITIONS

**Gauthier Biomedical, Inc.** received patent number 6,817,458 for the ratcheting mechanism contained in their extensive line of screwdrivers.

**Paragon Medical Europe**, a division of Paragon Medical, Inc., Pierceton, IN, is pleased to announce the addition of Design Engineers Alzan Hadi and Georges Kraftsik to its growing European division.

**Poly Hi Solidur-MediTECH®** announces the promotion of Ron Denoo, Director of Business Development.

The **Orthopaedic Manufacturing & Technology Exposition** and Conference (OMTEC 2005) debuts June 21 in Chicago, Illinois as the world's only event focused on meeting the strategic sourcing needs of the orthopaedic industry's OEM buyers.

**Path4** announces the appointment of Matt Marino to the position of Vice President of Finance and Administration. Mr. Marino has a strong history of working with successful, start-up companies in the venture capital community. He has performed in diverse settings and industries with a continuous focus on developing and implementing financial systems to insure that high performance is achieved.



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