

Editor's Corner

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In this issue, we revisit the topic of forging orthopaedic implants or instruments. Friedrich Daniels gives us a look at the various methods and a bit of history of the process, followed by Teleflex Medical's observation on how best to take advantage of the benefits that forging offers. Onyx Medical rounds out the topic with a look at forging ball tips.

In the DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT ZONE, Susan G. Capps, Ph.D. of BENSOL returns with an in-depth presentation of minimally invasive total hip arthroplasty.

Finally, SPOTLITE shines on previews from four presentations you can attend at the first Orthopaedic Manufacturing & Technology Exposition and Conference (OMTEC). Mississippi Polymer and Ensinger Industries will strengthen your knowledge of Parmax® SRP and TECAMAX™ SRP polymer technologies; while Fulcrum Consulting will help tame your fears of Operations Strategy implementation. Branson Ultrasonics will outline the steps for successful in-process cleaning of implants and the documentation thereof, and Millstone Medical will show how an instrument recycling program could help make the most of your company's investment in costly instrumentation sets.

We look forward to seeing the new relationships forged at OMTEC.

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