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### **Porex Surgical Inc. Announces Formation of Porex Surgical GmbH**

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Porex Surgical Inc, an operating subsidiary of Porex Corporation (Fairburn, GA), has established Porex Surgical GmbH, a wholly owned subsidiary located in Munich, Germany. The new company will market and directly distribute Porex Surgical's facial and reconstructive implant products to the important German medical market. This office will also provide closer management support to existing distributors throughout Western Europe, the Middle East, and Africa.

According to L. Franklin Bost, President of Porex Surgical, Inc., " The new subsidiary allows Porex to provide local service to German surgeons and increased assistance to our growing European, Middle Eastern and African distributors and customers."

Mr. John O'Shaughnessy has been appointed Managing Director of Porex Surgical GmbH. He will be transferring to Munich, Germany in September 2003. Mr. O'Shaughnessy has directed Porex Surgical's international business since joining Porex in 1998. He has more than six years experience in the medical device industry and more than 15 years of international business experience with positions in sales, marketing, and business development. Asked about the expansion plans, O'Shaughnessy stated, "The creation of a European subsidiary was a logical next step in the evolution of our company. We realize the potential of the international market, and our established customer base in Europe provides an excellent opportunity for continued growth. Our surgeon and distributor customers have become more sophisticated and are seeking rapid services and local billings in Euros. Servicing customers and distributors from a central European location will enhance our ability to introduce new products and work closely with the many surgeons using MEDPOR® Biomaterial Implants. We are excited by this new commitment and have received enthusiastic response from our customers."

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Porex Surgical, Inc., located in Newnan, GA, USA, specializes in cutting-edge sterile surgical products - including MEDPOR Biomaterial Implants and Nova**Bone-C/M**<sup>®</sup> Synthetic Bone Graft Particulate for hospitals, clinics and private practices. Porex Surgical Group products are sold throughout the United States and through distribution in more than 45 countries around the world.

For more information on Porex Surgical and the Surgical Groups products please visit our Web site at [www.porexurgical.com](http://www.porexurgical.com) or [www.porexurgical.com.de](http://www.porexurgical.com.de).

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