Boston Scientific Launches Neuroform EZ™ Stent System in U.S. and Europe

Company expands market-leading family of neurovascular stents

NATICK, Mass., July 26 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Boston Scientific Corporation (NYSE: BSX) today announced the U.S. and European launches of the Neuroform EZ™ Stent System, its fourth-generation intracranial aneurysm stent system designed for use in conjunction with endovascular coiling to treat wide-necked aneurysms. The Company plans to launch the product immediately in both markets.

The Neuroform EZ Stent System is engineered to provide flexibility and conformability, especially in tortuous brain anatomy. It employs Boston Scientific's proprietary Segmental™ Expansion technology, designed to enhance stent anchoring and stability. The product features the proven hybrid cell design of prior-generation Neuroform Stents while incorporating a simplified, single-operator delivery system intended to facilitate preparation, delivery and positioning of the stent.

The first Neuroform EZ Stent was implanted in the U.S. by Demetrius Lopes, M.D., of the Rush University Medical Center in Chicago, and the first European procedure was performed by Professor Laurent Spelle, M.D., Ph.D., at Foundation Rothschild Hospital, Beaujon School of Medicine in Paris.

"The Neuroform EZ Stent System performed well in a very challenging first procedure," said Dr. Lopes. "The smooth transfer of the stent into the catheter, combined with excellent support, stability and visibility, facilitated accurate stent placement."

"The improved delivery system of the Neuroform EZ Stent helped me to place the stent exactly where I planned," said Professor Spelle. "In my experience, Boston Scientific's new system is easier to use compared to its previous microdelivery system and should offer benefits for both physicians and patients."

"Boston Scientific is pleased to offer this new technology, which is designed to help physicians simplify these complex neurovascular procedures," said Mark Paul, President of Boston Scientific's Neurovascular Division. "The Neuroform EZ Stent System reinforces our commitment to providing advanced treatment options focused on improving patient care."

Boston Scientific will demonstrate its Neuroform EZ Stent System at the 7th Annual Society of NeuroInterventional Surgery (SNIS) Meeting, July 26 – 30 in Carlsbad, California.

Boston Scientific is a worldwide developer, manufacturer and marketer of medical devices whose products are used in a broad range of interventional medical specialties. For more information, please visit: www.bostonscientific.com.

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