Boston Scientific Presents Clinical Data at Digestive Disease Week®

NATICK, Mass., May 17, 2013 <u>PRNewswire</u>/ -- Boston Scientific Corporation (NYSE:BSX) is scheduled to participate in Digestive Disease Week (DDW®) 2013, May 18-21 in Orlando, Fla. More than 24 clinical presentations will feature new data and analyses on products including the Boston Scientific <u>SpyGlass® Direct Visualization System</u>, <u>WallFlex® Biliary RX Stent System</u> and <u>Expect® 19 Flex Endoscopic Ultrasound Aspiration Needle</u>.

"The insights and data included in these presentations further demonstrate the commitment of Boston Scientific to provide value to healthcare professionals and patients," said David Pierce, president, Endoscopy, Boston Scientific. "As we continue to evaluate and improve our broad portfolio for the diagnosis and treatment of gastrointestinal diseases, we look forward to continuing to collaborate with healthcare professionals to provide breakthrough innovations designed to enhance patient lives."

The SpyGlass Direct Visualization System, WallFlex Stents and Expect 19 Flex Needle will be available for demonstration at the Boston Scientific booth, #1549, throughout DDW. The company will also offer hands-on product demonstration sessions in its Simulated Clinical Endoscopy Suites and at its booth stations for GI Stents, Core Biliary, Visualization and Therapeutics for ERCP, Hemostasis, Dilation, Tissue Acquisition and Enteral Access. For more information on Boston Scientific endoscopy products, visit www.bsci.com/endo-resources.

Schedule of Key Podium and Poster Presentations (partial listing)

Poster presentations are scheduled from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the Orange County Convention Center in Hall West A1. All clinical data results are under embargo until the start of each scientific presentation and 8:00 a.m. for poster presentations.

Saturday, May 18

 Endoscopic Placement of Self-Expanding Metal Stent for Gastric Outlet Obstruction Treatment: Data from a Large Series of Patients

Roberto Di Mitri, M.D., will present results of a study to evaluate the efficacy and safety of self-expanding metal stent (SEMS) placement in a large consecutive series of patients with malignant inoperable gastroduodenal obstruction. The findings will be presented during a poster session. Abstract# SA1598

• Changing Trends in Tissue Acquisition in Pancreatic Diseases

Shyam Varadarajulu, M.D., will present results of a study which compared the frequency of use, hospital costs and variation in practice patterns between endoscopic ultrasound (EUS), percutaneous and surgical techniques for tissue acquisition in pancreatic diseases. The findings will be presented during a topic forum on Saturday from 4:30p.m. to 4:45p.m. in Room 109A. Abstract# 196

Sunday, May 19

- Partially Covered Nitinol Versus Partially Covered Steel Self-Expandable Metal Stent in the Palliative Treatment of Malignant Distal Biliary Obstruction: Final Results from a Prospective, Randomized Multicenter Trial

 Farshad Frozanpor, M.D., will present results from a prospective, randomized, multicenter trial which evaluated stent patency, survival and complications after endoscopically-placed SEMS in patients with distal non-resectable malignant bile duct obstruction. Patients were randomized to receive a partially covered WallFlex Stent or WALLSTENT®. The findings will be presented during a topic forum from 8:15a.m. to 8:30a.m. in room 308D. Abstract# 288
- Choledocholithiasis Refractory to Conventional Endoscopic Extraction: Treatment with SPYGLASS-Guided Holmium LASER Lithotripsy

Dimitrios Xinopoulos, M.D., will present results from a study which assessed the efficacy and safety of SpyGlass-assisted intracorporeal laser lithotripsy for difficult-to-treat biliary stones. The findings will be presented during a poster session. Abstract# SU1415

• Stent Removability and Mid-Term Stricture Resolution After Multi-Month Metal Stenting of Benign Biliary Strictures: Interim Report From an International Prospective Trial in 187 Patients[1] Guido Costamagna, M.D., will present interim results of this prospective trial to determine removability and long-term effectiveness of fully-covered self-expanding metal stents (FCSEMS) for treatment of benign biliary strictures. The findings will be presented during a poster session. Abstract# SU1430

• Diagnostic Value of SPYGLASS for Pancreatoscopy in the Diagnosis of Intraductal Papillary Mucinous Neoplasm of the Pancreas (IPMN)

Emiri Kita, M.D., will present results from a study which evaluated the clinical value of the SpyGlass System to aid physicians in the diagnosis of IPMNs. The findings will be presented during a poster session. Abstract# MO1470

 Meta-Analysis Comparing Rates of Complications Between the Standard 19G and 22G/25G Needles for EUS-Guided FNA of Pancreatic Lesions

Shyam Varadarajulu, M.D., will present results of a meta-analysis which compared the rates of complications between the standard 19G and 22G/25G needles for EUS-guided fine needle aspiration (FNA) of pancreatic lesions. The findings will be presented during a poster session. Abstract# MO1501

Tuesday, May 21

Colonic Stents as Bridge to Elective Surgery Versus Emergency Surgery for Left Sided Malignant Colonic
 Obstruction – A Meta-Analysis of Randomized Controlled Trials

Naga Swetha Samji, M.D., will present results of a meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials to compare the efficacy and safety of colonic stents as a bridge to elective surgery compared to emergency surgery in patients with malignant left-sided colonic obstruction. The findings will be presented during a poster session. Abstract# TU1527

About DDW

Digestive Disease Week® (DDW®) is the largest international gathering of physicians, researchers and academics in the fields of gastroenterology, hepatology, endoscopy and gastrointestinal surgery. Jointly sponsored by the American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases (AASLD), the American Gastroenterological Association (AGA) Institute, the American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (ASGE) and the Society for Surgery of the Alimentary Tract (SSAT), DDW takes place May 18 – 21, 2013, at the Orange County Convention Center, Orlando, FL. The meeting showcases more than 5,000 abstracts and hundreds of lectures on the latest advances in GI research, medicine and technology. More information can be found at www.ddw.org.

About Boston Scientific

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[1] Use of the WallFlex Biliary RX Fully Covered Stent for the treatment of benign strictures or stenoses has not been cleared for use in the United States.

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