

Boston Scientific Maple Grove Operations Named A 2014 "Best Plants" Winner

IndustryWeek recognition highlights manufacturing excellence

MARLBOROUGH, Mass., Feb. 3, 2015 /[PRNewswire](#)/ -- The Boston Scientific (NYSE: BSX) Maple Grove Operations facility, Maple Grove, Minn., has been named a 2014 Best Plants winner by IndustryWeek magazine. IndustryWeek annually recognizes manufacturing plants populated with strong leaders and engaged workforces collaborating to deliver quality products to meet their customers' needs and expectations.

The Boston Scientific Maple Grove campus was evaluated alongside other national manufacturing plants by an IndustryWeek panel on several criteria including efforts to achieve world-class manufacturing capability, continual operating performance improvements, strong quality systems and results, extensive employee involvement, and proactive environmental and safety practices.

IndustryWeek profiles Boston Scientific Maple Grove and other award recipients in its January/February issue. [Read the article](#) and learn more about the Best Plants award.

"We continuously pursue innovative ideas that improve our operational performance and the solutions we provide to patients and health care systems around the world," said Dale Hentges, vice president, Maple Grove Operations, Boston Scientific. "IndustryWeek Best Plants represents a respected standard for operational excellence, and our Maple Grove team is honored to receive their award recognizing our progress in improving quality, driving efficiencies, and delivering technologies that meet the needs of our customers."

Boston Scientific Maple Grove Operations produces leading products and therapies for interventional cardiology, peripheral interventions, as well as some rhythm management technologies. The recognition comes less than a year after the plant received honors from the prestigious Shingo Institute for leading and influencing a culture of operational excellence. Operational innovations, combined with innovations in the development of Boston Scientific medical technologies and therapies, benefit patients, providers and hospitals.

"We are eager to share this recognized operational expertise with our customers," said Mark Toland, senior vice president, Corporate Accounts & Healthcare Solutions, Boston Scientific. "Leveraging this capability underscores our focus to provide innovative hospital solutions that can improve the efficiency, quality and cost of delivering healthcare."

"The 2014 IndustryWeek Best Plants winners are high achievers among North American manufacturing facilities, and we salute their accomplishments today -- knowing that tomorrow they will be working even harder to excel," said Patricia Panchak, *IndustryWeek's* editor-in-chief.

Established in 1990, past winners of the IndustryWeek Best Plant award include Harley-Davidson Motor Co. York Vehicle Operations, York, Pa., Raytheon Integrated Air Defense Center, Andover, Mass., and 3M Aberdeen, Aberdeen, S.D.

About The IndustryWeek Best Plants Award Competition

Established in 1990, the IndustryWeek Best Plants awards program annually recognizes plants, located in North America, that are on the leading edge of efforts to increase competitiveness, enhance customer satisfaction and create stimulating and rewarding work environments. Its further goal is to encourage other manufacturing managers and work teams to emulate the honorees by adopting world-class practices, technologies, and improvement strategies. For additional information, visit www.industryweek.com.

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