

Court Sets Schedule for Drug-Eluting Stent Litigation Between Boston Scientific and Johnson & Johnson

(January 30, 2004) -- Boston Scientific Corporation (NYSE: BSX) announced today that the United States District Court for the District of Delaware has scheduled a trial for June 2005 in the ongoing lawsuits between Boston Scientific and Cordis Corporation, a subsidiary of Johnson & Johnson, relating to drug-eluting stents.

Last year, the companies filed patent infringement suits against each other, with Boston Scientific alleging infringement by Cordis' CYPHER™ drug-eluting stent and Cordis alleging infringement by Boston Scientific's EXPRESS²™ stent, the platform for its TAXUS™ drug-eluting stent. The June, 2005 trial will involve two of the six patents asserted by Boston Scientific against the CYPHER stent in Delaware and the sole patent asserted by Cordis against the EXPRESS² stent. A trial for the remaining patents asserted by Boston Scientific will be scheduled at a later date.

On November 21, 2003, the Court denied motions filed by each company seeking preliminary injunctions against the other's drug-eluting stent. Cordis appealed the denial of its motion, and its appeal is scheduled to be heard in April 2004.

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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