Lord Prior, NHS England Chair, opens CMR Surgical global headquarters

The new Evolution Business Park headquarters in Cambridge, UK is now home to the Versius® Surgical robotic system as well as a hub for business operations.

CAMBRIDGE, UK. 1 May 2019. CMR Surgical Ltd, the British company that has developed the next-generation surgical robotic system Versius®, today marked the official opening of its new global headquarters by Lord Prior of Brampton, Chair of NHS England.

The 55,000 sq. ft headquarters on the outskirts of Cambridge is now the centre of CMR Surgical's operations; supporting growth across four continents and commercialising the Versius® surgical robotic system.

The headquarters will provide a base for CMR Surgical’s accelerated international expansion and deliver substantial manufacturing facilities in the UK to meet global commercial needs. Evolution Business Park in Cambridge has now become home to the final manufacturing, assembly and testing of Versius®. The offices also host CMR’s growing commercial, clinical and business operations teams focused on delivering a new approach to exceptional customer experience.

Martin Frost, CEO of CMR Surgical said: “Our new global headquarters are an important symbol of the scale of our mission – to enable millions of people to get the right type of surgery. I thank Lord Prior for opening our offices. I believe our aim to make surgical robotics accessible for all is well-aligned with the purpose of the NHS. As a company we are on an exciting journey and I look forward to the introduction of Versius to health systems worldwide.”

Lord David Prior, Chair of NHS England said: “Robotics is going to play a growing role in surgery covering an increasing range of different procedures and specialties giving greater accuracy, quicker recovery times and better outcomes. It is fantastic that we now have such a major player in the UK, at Cambridge. They are a great example of British engineering excellence, inventiveness and entrepreneurial ambition.”

CMR Surgical has grown significantly in the five years since the company was founded, now employing over 300 people. Versius® is expected be used in hospitals in the UK and continental Europe in the next 12 months, with wider international expansion shortly afterwards as the company completes significant regulatory milestones.
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The Versius® Surgical Robotic System

Versius® resets expectations of robotic surgery by providing a versatile system that is portable, transportable and affordable. This is made possible because of its elegant form factor, modular design and individually cart-mounted arms. Versius® can be moved between operating rooms and even hospitals/clinics and gives the surgical team excellent access to the patient at all times.

Biomimicking the human arm, Versius® allows surgeons the freedom of port placement, but with the benefits of small fully-wristed instruments. With 3D HD vision, easy-to adopt instrument control and a choice of ergonomic working positions, the new open surgeon console has the potential to reduce stress and fatigue and extend the careers of surgeons.

About CMR Surgical Limited

CMR Surgical is a British private limited company developing the next-generation universal robotic system, Versius®, for minimal access surgery.

The vision behind CMR Surgical is to make minimal access surgery universally accessible and affordable, transforming the existing market for surgical robotics while also addressing the six million people who still undergo open surgery each year.

Global annual revenues for robot-assisted minimal access surgery are presently approximately $4 billion and are anticipated to reach $20 billion by 2025.

CMR Surgical, formed in 2014, has its headquarters in Cambridge, United Kingdom and is backed by an international shareholder base of specialist and generalist investors.

The Company achieved the registration of its Quality Management System to ISO 13485:2016 by Underwriters Laboratories LLC® (UL), and the status as a UL Registered Firm, in September 2015.

For further information, please visit www.cmrsurgical.com.