

## **NEWS RELEASE**

## Extremity Medical Partners with Dr. Joel Vernois to Develop Novel Minimally Invasive Surgery Techniques for Foot and Ankle Surgery

PARSIPPANY, N.J., May 13, 2022 – Extremity Medical, a global medical device company focused on the development of innovative implants and instruments for upper and lower extremities, today announced that Dr. Joel Vernois has partnered with Extremity Medical to develop novel minimally invasive surgery (MIS) techniques and specialized instrumentation for foot and ankle surgery. Dr. Vernois will also help Extremity Medical develop medical educational courses that focus on these MIS techniques.

Dr. Vernois brings over 20 years of clinical, academic and industry experience. He is a specialist in foot and ankle surgery and one of the leading innovators in MIS techniques. He has developed specific MIS procedures for chevron osteotomies as well as mid- and hindfoot procedures. He developed the PROStep<sup>™</sup> surgical technique for Wright Medical which is now the standard for minimally invasive distal bunion surgery. Dr. Vernois is an educator who has trained surgeons in these techniques all over the world.

Matthew Lyons, Extremity Medical Chief Executive Officer, Founder and Chairman of the Board said, "Extremity Medical is focused on the development of MIS techniques that can provide significant benefits to patients such as minimal scarring, less pain and quicker recovery time. Dr. Vernois' expertise in this area will be instrumental in helping Extremity Medical bring these techniques to market."

Dr. Vernois trained in France at the Jules Verne University of Picardy and held a senior position in the Orthopaedic Department of the University Hospital of Amiens, France until 2015. He is currently a Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon at the Sussex Orthopaedic NHS treatment centre in the UK where he has been since 2008 and has a private surgical practice in Paris at the Foot Surgery Institute (Institut de La Cheville et du Pied, Paris 75015). He is the Past President of the Minimally Invasive Foot & Ankle Society (MIFAS) and the Research group for Foot Mini-Invasive Surgery. He has authored or co-authored more than 40 journal articles and book chapters.

Dr. Vernois received a Doctorate in Medicine and General Surgery from the University of Amiens in 1999 and is a Graduate of Foot and Ankle surgery from the University of Paris in 2002.



He also earned additional degrees in the specialties of Orthopaedic Traumatology, Forensic Medicine, Spine Pathology, Clinical Methodology and Epidemiology, and Biomechanics.

## About Extremity Medical, LLC

Extremity Medical, LLC, was founded in 2008, and is a privately held medical device company based in Parsippany, NJ. The company is known for creating innovative implants and instruments for upper and lower extremity orthopedic procedures, including fusion and motion preservation. The company is focused on developing solutions for challenging cases that promote better outcomes, especially in patients with poor bone quality.

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