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KitoTech Medical Introduces microMend® WIDE for Rapid Closure of Long Incisions in Orthopedics, Obstetrics, and Other Surgical Specialties

SEATTLE, WA (August 13, 2020) - KitoTech Medical, a Seattle-based medical device company, announces the launch of its next generation of microMend wound closure products, microMend® WIDE. The product features the same general design of other microMend products, but it is three times wider making it much easier and faster to close longer wounds. With the addition of the WIDE device, the KitoTech portfolio now includes five different microMend products that provide the ability to securely and rapidly close nearly any wound regardless of size and shape.

microMend products have been proven to close wounds much faster than sutures. The new microMend WIDE device is even faster given that each device closes wounds three times the length of current microMend products. The product is especially attractive for closing longer incisions associated with total joint surgeries (orthopedics), major abdominal and pelvic surgeries, and Caesarean sections. Currently, closing these incisions is tedious and time consuming. Given the high cost associated with ORs and similar facilities, using microMend WIDE has the potential to save hundreds of dollars per procedure. In addition, microMend's ease of use, the patient's ability to painlessly remove the device, and the superb cosmetic results demonstrated in several clinical studies are significant advantages over alternative wound closure products.

"microMend WIDE represents KitoTech's commitment to developing products that provide fast, easy to use, and effective wound closure. This new device opens new market opportunities for our company in orthopedics, major surgical procedures and obstetrics, and the product's proven benefits make it attractive to both doctors and patients. We look forward to working with physicians to incorporate microMend WIDE into their clinical practices", said Ron Berenson, MD, President and CEO.

About microMend®

microMend consists of an array of miniature stainless steel staples (Microstaples) attached to an adhesive backing that combines the holding strength of a suture with the simplicity of applying a bandage. It is designed to provide medical personnel with a cost-effective, time saving and easy-to-use option for closing lacerations, skin tears, surgical incisions, and other wounds.

About KitoTech Medical

KitoTech Medical is a Seattle-based medical device company spun out of the University of Washington that is developing and commercializing products for wound closure and wound care. Additional product and company information can be found online at www.micromendskinclosure.com.