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3D Systems Introduces New Simbionix™ Robotics Training Platform

- New Simbionix RobotiX Mentor™ is the only hands-on, complete procedural training simulator for robotic surgery skills
- Company demonstrates new module at European Association of Urology (EAU) Robotic Urology Section (ERUS)

ROCK HILL, South Carolina – September 18, 2014 – [3D Systems](http://www.3dsystems.com) (NYSE:DDD) announced today the addition of the [Simbionix RobotiX Mentor™](#), a new robotic surgery skills and procedural training simulator, which is being shown for the first time at the ERUS exhibition in Amsterdam, The Netherlands from September 17 to 19 (booth #7).

Robotic-assisted minimally invasive surgery represents a growing portion of overall surgical volume, and the increased demand means the needs for training for robotic surgery has increased, and it is expected that this trend will continue in the coming years.

The RobotiX Mentor cross-specialty robotic surgery training system meets these needs with its advanced simulator platform with [realistic training modules](#).

Basic skills and suturing modules provide the opportunity for surgeons of all levels of expertise to efficiently train on the required robotic skills and are the basis of the simulator curriculum. The RobotiX Mentor is the only robotic training simulator that offers a truly interactive environment that enables surgeons and residents to experience partial and entire robotic clinical procedures.

The simulator is integrated into 3DS' online curricula management system, [MentorLearn™](#), to help programs incorporate the simulator and unique procedure modules into the robotic curriculum. The MentorLearn system provides technical skills reporting and assessment and customization of curriculum, benchmarks and scores.

Studies suggest that training within a proficiency-based virtual reality curriculum may reduce errors during real surgical procedures, making the patient the ultimate benefactor.

In addition, 3DS plans to incorporate its [Bespoke Modeling™](#), cloud-based, easy-to-use, affordable 3D modeling service, into its Symbionix simulators. When used in conjunction with Symbionix technology, Bespoke Modeling gives medical professionals the power to communicate more effectively and improve medical learning and training. Bespoke Modeling makes it easy to view patient-specific 3D data, bookmark views, add annotations, explore specific anatomical structures and then produce full color 3D models, print on-site or through 3DS' cloud printing services.

"We expect that the future direction of integrating simulation based training and curriculum will expand," said Ran Bronstein, Vice President, Chief Research and Operations Officer, 3DS. "We will continue to work in collaboration with institutions and associations to fulfill training and operative needs for complex surgical procedures based on our new simulation and 3D printing technologies."

3D Systems offers a full array of Symbionix medical training simulators, including [PROcedure Rehearsal Studio™](#) for case rehearsal and planning and [MentorLearn™](#) Simulator Training Management to advance clinical performance and optimize procedural outcomes through education and collaboration. More information on Symbionix products can be found on www.symbionix.com.

Learn more about 3DS' commitment to *manufacturing the future* today at www.3dsystems.com.

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including plastics, metals, ceramics and edibles. 3DS' leading healthcare solutions include integrated 3D planning and printing for personalized surgery and patient specific medical and dental devices. Its democratized 3D design and inspection products embody the latest perceptual, capture and touch technology. Its products and services replace and complement traditional methods with improved results and reduced time to outcomes. These solutions are used to rapidly design, create, communicate, plan, guide, prototype or produce functional parts, devices and assemblies, empowering customers to manufacture the future.

More information on the company is available at www.3DSystems.com.