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Webcast Now Available of Press Conference Discussing Landmark Surgery Involving Harvard Bioscience's Synthetic Trachea Scaffold and "InBreath" Bioreactor

HOLLISTON, Mass., April 30, 2013 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- An archived webcast is now available of a press conference held earlier today that detailed the first successful transplant of a regenerated trachea in the United States. The press conference was held at Children's Hospital of Illinois, where the surgery took place, and where the recipient of the implant, two-year-old Hannah Genevieve Warren, is currently recovering.

The surgery was the world's first successful pediatric regenerated trachea transplant using a synthetic scaffold. This was also the first regenerated trachea transplant surgery using a scaffold manufactured by Harvard Apparatus Regenerative Technology, Inc. (HART), the wholly owned regenerative medicine technology subsidiary of Harvard Bioscience. The implant used in the procedure was grown in one of HART's "InBreath" bioreactors.

Additional details about the surgery can be found in the press release "[Harvard Apparatus Regenerative Technology's 'InBreath' Scaffold and Bioreactor Used in First U.S. Transplant of a Regenerated Trachea](#)," released earlier today.

The archived webcast of the press conference is available at the following link:

http://www.childrenshospitalofillinois.org/trachea-surgery/live-feed.html?utm_source=Newsletter&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=Trachea+Surgery++External+Communication

Further, the following link leads to an NBC news video describing the landmark surgery:

<http://www.today.com/video/today/51716123#51716123>

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Harvard Apparatus Regenerative Technology, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Harvard Bioscience, develops and manufactures devices for use within the emerging field of regenerative medicine. These devices include bioreactors and synthetic scaffolds for growing tissue and organs outside the body; and injectors for stem cell therapy.

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