



NHS Surgeon First in Europe to Implant TELA Bio's OviTex® LPR Reinforced Tissue Matrix

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Mr. Paul Wilson, Consultant General Surgeon, successfully completes complex hernia repair with minimally invasive approach

MALVERN, Pa., July 21, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- TELA Bio, Inc. (NASDAQ: TELA), a commercial-stage medical technology company focused on designing, developing, and marketing innovative tissue reinforcement materials to address unmet needs in soft tissue reconstruction, announced today the first use of its OviTex LPR Reinforced Tissue Matrix in Europe.

Mr. Paul Wilson, Consultant General Surgeon at University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust, successfully performed Europe's first minimally invasive hernia repair with OviTex LPR. This critical milestone marks the first phase of a comprehensive commercial launch of OviTex LPR across Europe, which is expected to commence in Q4 of 2021.

"For years, I've had to adapt my surgical approach to compensate for the intraoperative limitations of first-gen biologic implants," said Mr. Wilson. "OviTex LPR provides superior handling with little memory, making it very easy to place in the peritoneal cavity, allowing me to offer the benefits of a minimally invasive hernia repair to more patients."

Purposefully designed to help facilitate the transition of complex open hernia procedures to laparoscopic or robotic approaches, OviTex LPR provides surgeons with a trocar-compatible reinforced biologic available in a variety of sizes.

"With the addition of LPR to the OviTex portfolio, we believe we are well positioned to address the increasing demand across the EU for both minimally invasive surgeries and more natural hernia repair solutions," said Anne-Marie Burrell, Director Clinical and Market Development at TELA Bio. "I would like to personally thank Mr. Paul Wilson for trusting TELA Bio's OviTex Reinforced Tissue Matrix to care for your patients."

To request more information on the availability of OviTex LPR contact Anne-Marie Burrell via email at aburrell@telabio.com. Visit v.telabio.com/gonatural to learn about the clinical advantages of a More Natural Hernia Repair™ with OviTex Reinforced Tissue Matrix..

About TELA Bio, Inc.

TELA Bio Inc. (NASDAQ: TELA) is a commercial-stage medical technology company focused on designing, developing, and marketing innovative tissue reinforcement materials to address unmet needs in soft tissue reconstruction. The Company is committed to providing patients with advanced, economically effective biologic material repair solutions to minimize long-term exposure to permanent synthetic materials and improve clinical outcomes. TELA Bio's OviTex® and OviTex PRS Reinforced Tissue Matrix products are purposefully designed to address the shortcomings of existing reinforcement materials in hernia repair, abdominal wall reconstruction, and plastic and reconstructive surgery. For more information, visit www.telabio.com.

About OviTex

OviTex Reinforced Tissue Matrix is intended for use as a surgical mesh to reinforce and/or repair soft tissue where weakness exists. Indications for use include the repair of hernias and/or abdominal wall defects that require the use of reinforcing or bridging material to obtain the desired surgical outcome. Do not use OviTex in patients known to be sensitive to materials of ovine (sheep) origin. For prescription use only. For additional important safety information, please see the OviTex Reinforced BioScaffold Instructions for Use.

The statements made or results achieved by TELA Bio customers described herein were achieved in their specific setting. Due to variations in clinical experience and technique, there is no guarantee that these results are typical. A surgeon must use his or her own clinical judgment when deciding which products are appropriate for treatment of a particular patient. Always refer to the package insert, product label, and/or instructions for use before using any TELA Bio product. Products may not be available in all markets because product availability is subject to the regulatory and/or medical practices in individual markets.

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