



Avance Nerve Graft Clinical Results Published

ALACHUA, FL – January 16, 2012– AxoGen, Inc. (OTCBB: AXGN), an emerging regenerative medicine company focused on the commercialization of proprietary products and technologies for peripheral nerve reconstruction and regeneration, today reported the publication of peer-reviewed clinical research conducted at twelve leading US surgical sites and led by the Buncke Clinic in San Francisco. The study, which is the first, multi-center clinical trial on processed nerve allografts, found that the Avance® Nerve Graft achieved meaningful recovery in 87 percent of patients with peripheral nerve injuries. A summary of the findings were published in the January 2012 issue of [Microsurgery](#).¹

Darrell Brooks, M.D., plastic surgeon, of The Buncke Clinic and the study's principal investigator said, "It is commonly accepted among surgeons who do peripheral nerve repair that success of surgery depends on the type of injury, length of nerve discontinuity, the patient's age and the type of nerve. Our study findings show that with processed nerve allograft, patients can have meaningful recovery regardless of these factors,"

Karen Zaderej, President and CEO of AxoGen, Inc. stated, "This is monumental and exciting research. Previously surgeons had limited options for the repair of traumatic injuries with nerve defects. This data opens up opportunities for surgeons to restore both sensory and muscle function for their patients with peripheral nerve injuries. We are delighted that our products can provide new options for surgeons and their patients."

Dr. Brooks further commented, "Based on our findings, the information I use to counsel my patients prior to surgery will change — this is a paradigm shift."

¹ Brooks, D. et. al, Processed Nerve Allografts for Peripheral Nerve Reconstruction: A Multicenter Study of Utilization and Outcomes in Sensory, Mixed, and Motor Nerve Reconstructions. *Microsurgery* 2012: DOI 10.1002/micr.20975.

About AxoGen, Inc.

AxoGen (OTCBB: AXGN) is a regenerative medicine company with a portfolio of proprietary products and technologies for peripheral nerve reconstruction and regeneration. Every day people suffer traumatic injuries or undergo surgical procedures that impact the function of their peripheral nerves. Peripheral nerves provide the pathways for both motor and sensory signals throughout the body and their damage can result in the loss of function and feeling. In order to improve surgical reconstruction and regeneration of peripheral nerves, AxoGen has developed and licensed patented and patent-pending technologies, which are used in its portfolio of products. This portfolio includes Avance[®] Nerve Graft, which AxoGen believes is the first and only commercially available allograft nerve for bridging nerve discontinuities (a gap created when the nerve is severed). AxoGen's portfolio also includes AxoGuard[®] Nerve Connector, a coaptation aid allowing for close approximation of severed nerves, and AxoGuard[®] Nerve Protector that protects nerves during the body's healing process after surgery. AxoGen is bringing the science of nerve repair to life with thousands of surgical implants of AxoGen products performed in hospitals and surgery centers across the United States, including military hospitals serving U.S. service men and women.

AxoGen (formerly known as LecTec Corporation) is the parent of its wholly owned operating subsidiary, AxoGen Corporation. AxoGen's principal executive office and operations are located in Alachua, FL.

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