

## **METI® and Leading Medical Education Institutions Announce Consortium to Develop Physiological Models for Medical Simulation**

**May 11, 2005** -- Medical Education Technologies, Inc. (METI), the world's leading manufacturer of human patient simulation tools for medical education, today announced the formation of the first global consortium to create the most realistic and advanced physiologic models for human patient simulation.

METI's Human Patient Simulators coalesce lifelike human physiological characteristics with the interactive ability to recognize and respond accordingly and automatically to medical treatment and drugs to create the most realistic medical learning situations. This unique capability is dependent on the underlying physiological models that allow students to learn life-saving techniques in a realistic, risk-free environment before being exposed to actual patients.

"Our customers appreciate the importance of our models for allowing them to create the most realistic simulations for students to learn in," said METI CEO Lou Oberndorf. "This consortium brings together the best minds in the industry to further develop the physiological models to enhance the learning experience and ultimately to enable learners to save more lives."

Members of the first phase of the newly formed consortium include the University of Utah, Penn State University, University of Bologna, University of Porto, PentaMed – Bristol and AQAI – of Mainz, Germany. Subsequent phases will be open to proposals from other teaching institutions interested in joining the consortium.

Upon this announcement, members plan to immediately evaluate modeling technology and gather proposals for R&D projects for modeling related to physiology and pharmacology. Long term, the group hopes to foster the initiative into a formal METI Institute, promote implementation and to support future advances in simulation product development.

### ***About METI Patient Simulation***

Based in Sarasota, Florida, Medical Education Technologies, Inc. (METI®) has been a leader in interactive human patient simulation since 1996. Each METI simulator is

designed to replicate bleeding, breathing, talking, blinking and numerous other physiological characteristics to simulate various medical emergency scenarios including heart attack, drug overdose, vehicular accidents, effects from weapons of mass destruction, bio-terrorism and other traumatic injuries. With over \$25 million in sales annually, nearly 1000 organizations worldwide utilize METI's technology including NASA, Center for Domestic Preparedness, U.S. and foreign militaries, leading medical schools such as Harvard, UCLA, Cleveland Clinic, Mount Sinai, Stanford and others.

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