



## **CEO Michel Alvarez to Introduce iSTAR Medical at EuroMedtech 2010 in Leipzig, Germany**

**Seattle, WA (May 19, 2010)** — Michel Alvarez, CEO of Healionics Corporation, has been selected to present iSTAR Medical, Healionics' new program for ophthalmic devices to the medical technology community at EuroMedtech 2010, in Leipzig, Germany on June 1-2.

"The two-day conference provides us with an opportunity to introduce iSTAR Medical and the progress we have made with STAR<sup>®</sup> biomaterials for ophthalmic applications to an international audience," says Alvarez.

iSTAR Medical will use Healionics' innovative STAR<sup>®</sup> biomaterial to create "next generation" ophthalmic medical device implants that *biointegrate* or heal. Proper healing of long-term implants has historically been a major challenge. Poor integration and fibrosis from the foreign body response greatly contribute to the failure of long-term implants.

iSTAR's initial device projects focus on Glaucoma and Corneal Blindness – two of the five most common eye diseases and disorders afflicting approximately 85 million people worldwide.

More information about EuroMedtech 2010 can be found at <http://www.ebdgroup.com/emt/>.

### **About Healionics Corporation**

Healionics is a privately held biomaterials company whose mission is to be the leading provider of tissue regeneration and device biointegration solutions to healthcare manufacturers. The Company's flagship STAR<sup>®</sup> biomaterial is specifically engineered to enhance biointegration and promote healing of long-term implanted medical devices. Healionics Corporation is headquartered in Seattle, Washington. For more information, please visit <http://www.healionics.com>.

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