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LifeNet Health earns 2019 Spine Technology Award for breakthrough platform technology
PliaFX family of solutions includes the world's most-versatile osteobiologic, PliaFX Prime

Chicago, Ill. — Sept. 25, 2019 — LifeNet Health's PliaFX[®], its newest technology platform in osteobiologics, has received a [2019 Spine Technology Award](#) from *Orthopedics This Week*, an exclusive recognition that highlights stand-out innovations in the field.

The PliaFX family of advanced allografts includes PliaFX Strip, a pre-formed construct, and PliaFX Prime, the world's most-versatile osteobiologic. Both grafts consist of 100 percent precision-machined cortical fibers. Thanks to proprietary processing technology, the interlocking fibers in PliaFX Prime and Strip feature microhooks that naturally link together, allowing the grafts to become moldable upon rehydration and resist migration during implantation — with no carriers or additives.

"PliaFX represents a new era in biomaterials," said Rony Thomas, LifeNet Health President and CEO. "It is the kind of innovation that can be found across our portfolio of world-class surgical solutions."

Each year, *Orthopedics This Week* presents its Spine Technology Awards to inventors, engineering teams, surgeons and companies that help improve patient care. The judging panel includes leading surgeons with clinical and research experience in areas across the range of spine therapies.

"PliaFX was developed by working closely with surgeons to understand precisely what they need to improve care for their patients," said Daniel Osborne, Vice President of Global Marketing and Commercial Strategy. "We are proud to have this unique technology recognized by peers and leaders in our industry."

LifeNet Health will receive the award during the North American Spine Society's Annual Meeting Sept. 25-28 in Chicago, Ill.

About LifeNet Health

LifeNet Health helps save lives, restore health, and give hope to thousands each year. It is the world's most trusted provider of transplant solutions — from organ procurement to bio-implants and cellular therapies — and a leader in regenerative medicine, while always honoring the donors and healthcare professionals who enable healing. For more information about LifeNet Health, go to www.lifenethealth.org.