

## Mainstay Medical Announces Expansion of Clinical Trial of ReActiv8® for People with Chronic Low Back Pain to Belgium

**Dublin – Ireland, 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014** – Mainstay Medical International plc (*Euronext Paris: MSTY.PA and ESM of the Irish Stock Exchange: MSTY.IE*) announces that it has received authorization from the Belgian Federal Agency for Medicines and Health Products to expand the clinical trial of ReActiv8 (ReActiv8-A), its innovative implantable neurostimulation device for the treatment of people with Chronic Low Back Pain, to include clinical trial sites in Belgium. Enrolment of subjects is commencing in these additional sites. The added sites also participated in the European Feasibility Study, results of which were presented in mid-2013.

Mr. Peter Crosby, Mainstay's Chief Executive Officer, noted *"We continue to make progress, in line with our plan, on the path to regulatory approval and commercialization of ReActiv8. We are pleased to now add Belgium to our clinical trial which follows the commencement of our trial in Australia in March. When available, ReActiv8 has the potential to change the lives of the millions of people who suffer from Chronic Low Back Pain."*

The ReActiv8-A clinical trial started in Australia, and several sites have been actively enrolling subjects since March 2014. The purpose of the trial is to investigate ReActiv8 as a treatment for adults with debilitating Chronic Low Back Pain who have few other treatment options.

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### **About Mainstay**

Mainstay is a medical device company which is developing an innovative implantable neurostimulation medical device, ReActiv8, for people with debilitating Chronic Low Back Pain (CLBP). Low Back Pain is the leading cause of activity limitation and work absence throughout much of the developed world, imposing a high economic burden on individuals, families, communities, industry, and governments.

The Company is headquartered in Dublin, Ireland. It has subsidiaries operating in Ireland, the United States and Australia, and is listed on Euronext Paris (MSTY.PA) and the ESM of the Irish Stock Exchange (MSTY.IE).

### **About Chronic Low Back Pain**

One of the recognised root causes of CLBP is impaired control by the nervous system of the muscles that stabilize the spine in the lower back, and an unstable spine can lead to back pain. ReActiv8 is designed to electrically stimulate the nerves responsible for contracting these muscles and thereby help to restore muscle control and improve spine stability, allowing the body to recover from CLBP.

People with debilitating CLBP usually have a greatly reduced quality of life and score significantly higher on scales for pain, disability, depression, anxiety and sleep disorders. Their pain and disability can persist despite the best available medical treatments, and only a small percentage of cases result from an identified pathological condition or anatomical defect that may be correctable with spinal surgery. Their ability to work or be productive is seriously affected by the condition and the resulting days lost from work, disability benefits and health resource utilisation put a significant burden on economies.

Further information can be found at [www.mainstay-medical.com](http://www.mainstay-medical.com)

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