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**INNEROPTIC ANNOUNCES COOPERATIVE RESEARCH PROJECT
WITH RTI, INTERNATIONAL**

Chapel Hill, NC July 31, 2005 – InnerOptic announces the commencement of a cooperative project with RTI, International, funded by the NIH. InnerOptic won a subcontract from the RTI grant, entitled "Use of Electrostatic Actuators for 3D Laparoscopy." The project will center around the customization of an "Artificial Eyelid" electrostatic display to meet the structured light pattern requirements for integration into InnerOptic's 3D Laparoscope. Says InnerOptic President Kurtis Keller, "A key requirement for the 3D Laparoscope is the creation of structured light patterns in an optically highly efficient manner in order to obtain sufficient illumination from a compact, collimated light source. The Artificial Eyelid is a very effective solution to this requirement." The one-year project began August 1, 2005.

About InnerOptic Technology, Inc

InnerOptic was founded in 2003 to commercialize the patented 3D Laparoscope technology, initially developed by researchers at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. A privately held company, InnerOptic is currently head-quartered in Hillsborough. For more information, please visit <http://www.inneroptic.com/>