

Olympus bolsters surgical endoscopy capabilities with new acquisition

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Olympus Corporation, based in Japan, has announced that it has entered into an agreement to acquire Quest Photonic Devices B.V. or up to EUR50 million including milestone payments to strengthen its surgical endoscopy capabilities.

Headquartered in the Netherlands, Quest offers advanced fluorescence imaging systems (FIS) for the medical field, enabling more surgical endoscopy capabilities, compared to conventional imaging technologies.

Quest offers innovative technologies for multi-spectral imaging and imaging systems for medical applications, ranging from fluorescence imaging to photodynamic therapy. The acquisition strengthens Olympus' position as a world leader in medical imaging solutions, and delivers innovative capabilities (including 3D and 4K imaging) to surgeons, to make the invisible visible.

Quest's lead product line is the Quest Spectrum Fluorescence Imaging System, which enables fluorescence-guided surgery for open and minimally invasive procedures. Kanichi Matsumoto, global head of Surgical Endoscopy at Olympus, said: "We are delighted to incorporate Quest's advanced FIS capabilities into our comprehensive medical imaging portfolio. The combination of the Quest Spectrum product line's leading FIS technologies with Olympus' existing laparoscopic imaging system VISERA ELITE II will enable Olympus to offer surgeons a wide range of high quality fluorescence imaging solutions."