



## News Release

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## CardiacAssist to exhibit and host symposium at “TCT 2009”

**“Clinical Innovations in TandemHeart® Support” to feature presentations by  
Dr. Steven Burstein, Good Samaritan Hospital;  
Dr. Kirk Garratt, Lenox Hill Hospital;  
Dr. Srijoy Mahapatra, Univ. of Virginia Health System**

*“For clinicians who wish to treat high-risk cardiac intervention patients with the utmost safety, the TandemHeart system can certainly offer a critically important advantage to their program.”*

**Howard Cohen, M.D., FACC, FSCAI**

Co-Director, Cardiovascular Interventional Laboratories

Lenox Hill Hospital, New York, N.Y.

Chief Medical Officer, CardiacAssist

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 8, 2009—CardiacAssist Inc. announced today that it will exhibit its [TandemHeart® System](#) in San Francisco at the “Transcatheter Therapeutics (TCT) 2009” Annual Scientific Session later this month. TandemHeart is the only 5 lpm net flow, percutaneous “extracorporeal circulatory support” device approved by the FDA for sale in the U.S. The TandemHeart device can be placed rapidly in a cath lab *or* an operating room—providing effective, reliable, temporary circulatory support for critically ill patients. TandemHeart is fully reimbursed by Medicare under existing DRG codes.

“TCT 2009” will be held at the Moscone Convention Center in San Francisco, Sept. 21-25, 2009. CardiacAssist will be in **booth number 2005** with information and displays pertaining to the TandemHeart System. Additionally, CardiacAssist will host a symposium—**“Clinical Innovations and TandemHeart™ Support”**—by invitation only on **Thursday, Sept. 24th, from 6-8 p.m. at Morton’s Steak House, 400 Post Street**. The Symposium will feature presentations of cases that have saved patients’ lives at leading medical institutions across the country; presenters will include: **Dr. Steven Burstein, Good Samaritan Hospital, Los Angeles; Dr. Kirk Garrett, Lenox Hill Hospital, New York City; and Dr. Srijoy Mahapatra, University of Virginia Health System, Charlottesville, Va.** **Current and prospective customers who are interested in attending the Symposium should visit CardiacAssist’s booth to receive an invitation. To RSVP for the event, please contact Monica Bush at 412-963-7770, x247, or via email at [mbush@cardiacassist.com](mailto:mbush@cardiacassist.com).**

“New clinical support uses of TandemHeart are significant and multiplying,” said CardiacAssist CEO **Michael Garippa**. “Nearly 1,800 cases have been performed to date at elite cardiac care centers across the U.S. While last year proved to be the most successful yet for CardiacAssist, which reached new clinical and financial milestones, this current year is far-exceeding 2008’s tremendous achievements.”

### About CardiacAssist

Headquartered in Pittsburgh, privately held CardiacAssist is a fast-growing and profitable medical technology company that develops, manufactures and markets *cardiac assist* devices. The Company has developed the world’s first and only proprietary platform, FDA-cleared and CE-Marked **TandemHeart®**—which provides a short-term extracorporeal circulatory support system for *both* cardiologists *and* cardiac surgeons.

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