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## *Toshiba's Edinburgh – based Medical Visualization Team scoops major Innovation Award*

*Scottish Enterprise Life Sciences Awards recognises outstanding contribution to the improvement of clinical diagnosis*

Toshiba Medical Visualization Systems (TMVS), based in Edinburgh, has claimed the prestigious Innovation Award at the 2014 Scottish Enterprise Life Sciences Awards, held on February 6th. The Advanced Visualization team in Edinburgh has demonstrated numerous innovations, most backed by patents pending, in software engineering for medical image analysis.

The Edinburgh team is part of Toshiba's Medical Systems Division, a \$4bn global operation; they develop the software that creates 3D images from the outputs of medical scanners (such as CT, MRI and Ultrasound). The company's world – leading CT scanner is fast enough to produce dynamic images of a beating heart, dramatically improving the diagnosis of cardiovascular disease.

Ken Sutherland, President of TMVS, commented; "We are obviously delighted to be recognised in the highly competitive Innovation category; it is a tribute to the caliber of the staff we are lucky enough to have here in Edinburgh, indeed to the Scottish higher education system."

TMVS has close links with the University community in Scotland and is a member of STEMNET, the national programme part – funded by the Scottish Government that aims to inspire students in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

Dr. Sutherland added; "Our work has a direct impact on the diagnosis and treatment of major diseases, particularly cardiovascular conditions; so it's important, challenging and, ultimately, very rewarding. Through Toshiba in Japan we are able to deliver this technology to hospitals all over the world."

For more information, visit [www.tmvse.com](http://www.tmvse.com)

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### **About TMVS**

TMVS employs over one hundred and twenty people at its R&D site in Edinburgh. Innovation in Clinical Applications for Cardiovascular disease forms one of the main parts of the work performed there. The technology is used with Toshiba Medical's scanner products, which are sold on a global basis. Overall Toshiba Medical has just under 9000 employees and an annual turnover of about \$4Bn. The work from TMVS

on Cardiovascular imaging directly supports sales of Toshiba's premium CT product, the world leading Aquilion ONE™ / ViSION Edition.

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