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CIRCLE chooses
**ALERT® PAPER
FREE HOSPITAL**
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ALERT Life Sciences Computing, U.K. Ltd is delighted to announce that on 29th December 2008, **Circle** decided to implement the **ALERT® PAPER FREE HOSPITAL** suite of clinical software products at its forthcoming newly built private hospital in Bath.

Circle will be the first U.K. private hospital group to adopt an entirely electronic health record system for its patients.

Circle is Europe's largest partnership of healthcare professionals, and it opened the doors to its Bath hospital in 2009.

This purpose-built compact hospital has been designed by internationally renowned architects Foster+Partners in conjunction with the local **Circle** partnership of clinicians. **Circle** has plans to build many more hospitals around the U.K. in the next few years, and after reviewing the success of the Bath deployment, could implement ALERT® products in each of them.

ALERT® PAPER FREE HOSPITAL is a clinical software solution for hospitals that produces comprehensive, integrated clinical records while providing management tools for the complete control of hospital operations.

The vision is that all clinical staff can use the **ALERT®** system to support the day to day management and treatment of patients, such as running theatre suites, requesting and reporting clinical test results, and prescribing and administering drugs. The system interacts with users providing relevant clinical information, instructions, and up to the minute status information on all patient activities and tasks. It also allows **Circle** to create care plans, clinical protocols and guidelines to aid all staff in supporting the best clinical practice for each patient. In this way, each patient's electronic medical record, containing all their clinical information, will be available to all authorised staff from any computer screen in real time.

Laurence Campbell, Managing Director of ALERT U.K. said:

"This is very exciting for ALERT. Although ALERT is well established in some parts of continental Europe, Circle is our first U.K. customer."

Richard Atkinson, Circle's Chief Technology Officer said:

"With all clinical information available electronically, we will be able to analyse our clinical performance and our clinical outcomes. This will promote excellence in our new facility, enabling us to exceed our patient's expectations while also striving to continuously improve the quality of the care we give our patients."

Andrew Haw, Circle Health's Chief Information Officer said:

"What contributes to making the **ALERT** system so unique is its innovative touch screen technology and visual information layout, making it simple and intuitive to use."

M. Jorge Guimarães, President of ALERT said:

"**Circle's** decision to choose **ALERT** represents our de facto entry into the U.K. market, following another important step to that end, which was our acceptance by ASCC (Additional Supply, Capability and Capacity) of the NHS. We are very pleased with this opportunity and look forward to expanding rapidly and making a contribution to healthcare in the U.K.."

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About ALERT

ALERT Life Sciences Computing, S.A. is based in Porto, Portugal and started its activity in December 1999. Currently, it has a multidisciplinary team of 800 permanent employees, including physicians, nurses, pharmacists, designers, engineers, IT and life sciences consultants, and managers.

ALERT is a privately owned company.

ALERT is fully committed to the development, distribution and implementation of ALERT® healthcare solutions, which have been designed to create paper-free clinical environments.

With a turnover of over 37.6 million GBP (42.6 million EUR) in 2009, ALERT has been rapidly increasing its revenue every year. These results are a consequence of the important investment made in the development and commercialisation of quality products.

ALERT® products have been adopted in Portugal, Spain, Italy, Netherlands, United Kingdom, United States, Brazil, Mexico, Chile and Malaysia.

ALERT Life Sciences Computing U.K. Ltd was established in September 2008 to sell and implement ALERT® products in the United Kingdom.

In England, ALERT was appointed by NHS Connecting for Health to supply clinical IT systems to the NHS Trusts under the Additional Supply, Capability and Capacity framework contract as part of the National Programme for IT.

About Circle

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Circle hospital in Bath has been designed by internationally renowned architects Foster+Partners in conjunction with the local **Circle** partnership of clinicians.

"The architectural ambition", said Foster+Partners, "is to re-cast the hospital building as a humane and civilised space." The hospital will offer 21st century medicine with a focus on quality of care and customer service.

It opened in 2009 and affords patients with views over the magnificent Wellow Vale. The inpatient rooms all have ensuite facilities. State-of-the-art entertainment and IT systems provide access to radio, music and films.

The hospital houses four operating theatres, one endoscopy suite and 28 inpatient beds. There is also 13 consultation and treatment rooms, a physiotherapy suite and the latest diagnostic services including Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) and Computerised Tomography (CT) scanners, X-Ray, ultrasound, and heart and lung function testing.

Circle also has plans to build hospitals in Ashford, Edinburgh, Plymouth, Reading, Southampton, Tunbridge Wells and Warwick.

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