



“The development of a world-class program in heart imaging with magnetic resonance was a priority of the Libin Cardiovascular Institute of Alberta,” says Dr. L. Brent Mitchell, director, Libin Cardiovascular Institute of Alberta. “It has been a remarkably successful initiative.”

Opening its doors in March 2005, the Stephenson CMR Centre has quickly become the leading cardiovascular magnetic resonance facility in Canada, and is currently one of the top five globally as measured by number of patient studies. Research from the Stephenson CMR Centre complements other strengths of the Libin Cardiovascular Institute. According to the Canadian Institute of Health Information, Calgary has the highest heart attack survival rates in the nation.

Libin Cardiovascular Institute of Alberta

The Libin Cardiovascular Institute of Alberta is an overarching body coordinating all cardiovascular science research, education and patient care within both the Calgary Health Region and the University of Calgary. The Libin Institute has 150 research and clinician members, and coordinates the activities of 1,500 individuals in Southern Alberta. It serves a population of over 1.6 million people in Southern Alberta, Saskatchewan and Eastern British Columbia. For more information, visit www.LibinInstitute.org.

Dr. Friedrich will be available for interviews on Monday April 12, 2008 between noon and 2 p.m.

Media are invited to meet in the Foothills Medical Centre Main Lobby 1403 29 St. NW

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