



## **ADVISORY/FDA Approves Marketing Of Checkmate System for Coronary Artery Disease**

Until now, no development has been able to overcome the obstacle of recurrent blockages, in treated coronary artery lesions. Cordis Corporation -- the Johnson & Johnson company that pioneered the cardiovascular stent -- announced U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval to market the CHECKMATE(TM) System, the first intravascular brachytherapy (radiation) system for recurrent blockages in coronary arteries previously treated with coronary artery stents, the tiny mesh braces used to prop open narrowed heart vessels.

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