

***Popular Science* Recognizes Convergent Dental's Solea CO₂ Laser with "Best of What's New" Award**

Natick, MA – November 12, 2014 — [Convergent Dental Inc.](#), a privately held dental device and technology company, announced that [Solea™](#) was named one of *Popular Science's* "Best of What's New" products for 2014. Each year, the editors of *Popular Science* review thousands of products in search of the top 100 tech innovations of the year; breakthrough products and technologies that represent a significant leap in 12 categories: aerospace, automotive, engineering, entertainment, gadgets, green, hardware, health, home, recreation, security and software.

"Winners of *Popular Science's* Best of What's New Award tend to change what the future will look like. This year's 100 honorees are no different: they are all revolutionary in their respective fields," said *Popular Science* Editor-in-Chief Cliff Ransom.

Recent [Gallup Well-Being](#) research found that more than one-third (35.3%) of Americans had not visited the dentist in the past 12 months. A major contributor to this oral health care epidemic is patients' dread of the dentist. Solea is the first CO₂ laser system cleared by the FDA for hard and soft tissue and the first Computer-Aided Preparation System for dentistry. The dental laser's unique 9.3 μm wavelength and innovative application of computer controls enable the laser to replace the drill as the primary tool for hard and soft tissue surgeries. What's more, Solea dentists deliver virtually soundless, painless and sensationless procedures that bear little resemblance to traditional patient experiences.

Convergent Dental's customers report that 95 percent of their hard and soft tissue procedures are done with no anesthesia and soft tissue procedures are done with virtually no bleeding. Blood-free and anesthesia-free procedures represent a major leap forward in dentistry as practitioners are able to execute multi-quadrant dentistry, fillings on the fly and soft tissue procedures in a single appointment. Patients are now able to receive the care they need in a fraction of the time – and pain – they were accustomed to from traditional drills.

"We are thrilled to be honored by *Popular Science's* editors as one of the world's most innovative products," said Convergent Dental CEO Michael Cataldo. "Convergent Dental's CO₂ dental laser Solea is changing what it means to go to the dentist by providing a technology that delivers fast, virtually painless, noiseless, anesthesia-free procedures that alleviate patients' fears and encourage them to receive proper oral care to stay healthy and happy."

To find a Solea dentist in your area, visit the "Find a Dentist" page on Convergent Dental's website and type in your ZIP Code: <http://www.convergentdental.com/find-a-dentist/>.

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About Convergent Dental, Inc.

Convergent Dental, Inc., is a privately managed dental equipment and technology company and is the developer of Solea™, the world's first computer-aided, CO₂ laser system to ever be cleared by the FDA for both hard and soft tissue indications. Solea cuts significantly quieter, finer and faster than any other

laser-based system in dentistry. Solea's speed and precision is a result of patented technologies and computer system controls that are unique to Convergent Dental, Inc. For more information visit www.convergentdental.com. Follow the company on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Google+](#).

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