

Siemens picks up Factory of the Year Award

Siemens Healthcare has won 3 awards at the UK Best Factory Awards held on Friday 25th September.

Siemens MR Magnet Technology (SMT) based in Eynsham, Oxfordshire, received awards for:

- **Factory of the Year 2015**
- **Best Engineering Plant**
- **People and Skill Development**

More than 30% of the MRI scanners installed in hospitals worldwide contain a superconducting magnet manufactured at the Siemens MR Magnet Technology plant in Eynsham.

Now in its 24th year, the Best Factory Awards (BFA), is one of the most sought after manufacturing awards in the UK. The awards are run in partnership between Works Management magazine and Cranfield School of Management.

Craig Marshall, Managing Director of Siemens MR Magnet Technology, said: "This is a fantastic achievement for all of our employees, an external recognition of what we do and how we do which is massively motivational. The BFA judging criteria are particularly focused on being able to demonstrate that the culture within the factory reflects our values and that the overall strategy is understood and indeed embraced by everyone on the payroll.

"These new awards for Siemens MR Magnet Technology are a reflection of the journey the company has been on since its formation in 2003. The life blood of Siemens MR Magnet Technology is to challenge and continuously improve. This

has resulted in driving up productivity through increasing efficiency, instilling and incentivizing a sustainable culture of continuous improvement, all of which is backed up with rigorous skills training. At the centre of the Siemens MR Magnet Technology strategy wheel is a neat saying which we live by: 'Don't limit your challenges, do challenge your limits.' This praise epitomises the mind set we promote. As an example I recently pulled up an apprentice for not correcting me when I called him by the wrong name, deference cannot be allowed to trump mistakes; when myself or the rest of the senior team are wrong we need to hear it."

The team at Siemens MR Magnet Technology, are not strangers to the Best Factory Awards, winning three awards in 2012 for Best Engineering Plant, Supply Chain Award, Innovation Award and was also highly commended in a 4th category – Skills Development Award.

Siemens Healthcare is one of the world's largest suppliers to the healthcare industry and a trendsetter in medical imaging, laboratory diagnostics, medical information technology and hearing aids. Siemens offers its customers products and solutions for the entire range of patient care from a single source – from prevention and early detection to diagnosis, and on to treatment and aftercare. By optimising clinical workflows for the most common diseases, Siemens also makes healthcare faster, better and more cost-effective. Siemens Healthcare employs some 52,000 employees worldwide and operates around the world www.siemens.co.uk/healthcare.

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