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Vante, Inc. of Tucson Is Named 2011 Arizona Small Business Exporter of the Year

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Arizona Small Business Association (ASBA) Honor Leading Medical Device Equipment Manufacturer Vante, Inc.

TUCSON, AZ--(Marketwire - Apr 8, 2011) - Vante, Inc. of Tucson, a leader in medical device equipment manufacturing, has been named the 2011 Arizona Small Business Exporter of the Year.

"We are honored by this award," stated Roger Vogel, Vante Chairman, President and CEO. "The whole team here at Vante works hard to make sure our products are best of breed, and that our service and support are top notch. In addition, ensuring that products are still manufactured in America and exported abroad is crucial to our economy. Vante is proud to be a part of that effort."

Vante is an employee-owned, global technology company that designs and produces products for the precise manipulation of medical plastics. It is focused on [catheter manufacturing](#) and development, bio-pharmaceutical products, and related engineering services.

"Each year the SBA has the honor of spotlighting Arizona winners of our Small Business Week awards which celebrate and spotlight the entrepreneurial spirit and community activism that has long characterized the small business community of Arizona," states Robert Blaney, SBA's Arizona District Director. "As risk takers, innovators, and employers, these winners reflect how small businesses contribute to both the state economy and their local communities." Over 97 percent of the businesses in Arizona are small businesses and have proven, year after year, to be the greatest sources of the innovation, jobs and growth for the state's economy.

Vante has been a leader in the medical device manufacturing industry for over 30 years. Specializing in the four categories of catheter manufacturing equipment, biopharmaceutical equipment, industrial applications and OEM solutions, Vante's products include their own SAFFIRE and PIRF manufacturing systems, industrial tube sealers, and plastic sealing and welding technology.

"Vante would like to thank the SBA and the ASBA," stated Brent Fausett, Vante Vice President and General Manager. "Receiving this acknowledgement is very fulfilling."

Vante serves more than 500 customers and works with over 23 partners to distribute its products globally. Vante grew 20 to 30% six years in a row and it is targeting 15 percent growth this year, expecting sales of \$9 million to \$10 million.

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