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Local Surgeon First in Area to Achieve Acceptance into the Orthopaedic Trauma Association

ROCKFORD, IL March 1, 2011 ... **Andy Blint, MD**, of Rockford Orthopedic Associates, Ltd. has been accepted for membership in the prestigious Orthopaedic Trauma Association (OTA). Composed of a diverse, world-wide membership, OTA is dedicated to improving the knowledge base for the treatment of injured patients. Members are accepted pending a rigorous application process requiring demonstration of leadership through education, research, patient advocacy, and other qualifying criteria, including authorship of at least three, scientific publications related to orthopaedic trauma published in peer-reviewed journals.

Dr. Blint is fellowship-trained in trauma and reconstructive surgery. His practice is focused on fracture care, complex pelvic and acetabular fractures, limb reconstruction, chronic bone infections, and non-unions. He provides orthopedic trauma care at all three Rockford hospitals and is actively involved in continuing medical education as Clinical Assistant Professor at the University of Illinois College of Medicine and is affiliated with Rush University Medical Center's Residency Program.

Rockford Orthopedic Associates, Ltd. serves the Northern Illinois region in multi-specialty orthopedics and offers a full range of orthopedic care including the specialties of podiatry, physical medicine and rehabilitation, and rheumatology. Rockford Orthopedic offers the ancillary services of physical therapy, MRI, workers compensation and an out patient surgery center. #