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www.syngene.com**-Copy Starts-*****Syngene Renews US Distribution Agreement for Image Analysis Products To Continue Providing Expert Support for Researchers in New England***

**Frederick, MD:** Syngene, a world-leading manufacturer of image analysis solutions, today announced it has renewed its distribution agreement with respected life science supplier, New England (NE) BioGroup, LLC, based in New Hampshire, USA to meet the needs of Syngene's growing US client base.

Under the contract, the NE BioGroup ([www.nebiogroup.com](http://www.nebiogroup.com)) with its network of scientific sales professionals will continue to expertly market and support Syngene's high quality imaging systems in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont. These products include Syngene's innovative gel documentation and image analyzer range, as well as Dyversity and Dymension, Syngene's unrivalled system and software for imaging and analyzing 2D protein gels.

Lou Farrell, CEO of NE BioGroup, commented: "We work very closely with scientists to determine their research requirements and to ensure they have access to the best tools to fulfill these. The quality of Syngene's image analyzers and software has always made them an extremely significant addition to our product portfolio and we know that life science researchers in New England will continue to benefit from our agreement."

Paula Maia, Vice President of Sales, Syngene US added: "In the US, Syngene has for a number of years been considered by life scientists as the quality benchmark for service and support. Continuing to have NE BioGroup's expertise in image analysis will allow us to maintain this excellent reputation, whilst accommodating our growth in the US market. This attribute, coupled with NE BioGroup's established portfolio of 1D electrophoresis equipment and consumables, has made them a perfect fit for us in recent years, and we are delighted they have agreed to carry on marketing and supporting our products in New England."

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**Note to Editors****About Syngene**

Syngene is a world-leading supplier of integrated imaging solutions for analysis and documentation of gel-based information. Syngene's systems are used by more than 10,000 research organizations and over 50,000 individual scientists world-wide and include many of the world's top pharmaceutical companies and major research institutes.

Syngene, founded in 1997 is a division of the Cambridge based Synoptics Group. The Group's other divisions, Syncroscopy and Synbiosis, specialize in digital imaging solutions for microscopy and microbial applications respectively. Synoptics currently employs 50 people in its UK and subsidiary operation in Frederick, USA.

**About New England BioGroup, LLC**

New England BioGroup is dedicated to supplying high quality instruments, services, software, and consumables to life science researchers in biopharmaceutical companies, universities, and other research institutions located in New England and the rest of the U.S. It is the company's mission to position scientists to advance their research and accelerate discovery. To achieve this goal, NE BioGroup have partnered with a small, select group of manufacturers, enabling NE BioGroup staff to provide fast and specialized service.