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**Syngene Appoints AlphaMetrix Biotech and LTF Labortechnik in Germany  
New Distributors will Provide Access to Innovative Image Analysis Systems**

**Cambridge, UK:** Syngene, a world-leading manufacturer of image analysis solutions is delighted to announce it has appointed AlphaMetrix Biotech and LTF-Labortechnik as its new distributors in Germany. Both will work closely with Syngene to ensure that German scientists have access to the latest systems and software for accurately imaging and analysing a wide range of gels and Western blots.

AlphaMetrix Biotech and LTF-Labortechnik are established life science distributors, located near research hubs close to Frankfurt and Munich (respectively). Both have expertly trained staff with extensive knowledge of supplying and supporting gel documentation systems in major research institutes and pharmaceutical companies.

As part of Syngene's drive to ensure that its portfolio of high-quality image analysis systems are accessible to German scientists, Syngene would like to expand further and is actively recruiting additional distributors with gel documentation expertise.

Heiner Sanders, General Manager at AlphaMetrix Biotech commented: "We are very pleased to work as a distributor for Syngene products in Germany. It is an incredibly good fit with our current portfolio of molecular biology equipment and will offer our customers a complete solution for their research needs."

Noel Kändler, Managing Director at LTF-Labortechnik added: "Having visited Syngene, we know the firm offers an excellent range of products and software. Syngene also have well-trained staff, who have been very responsive to our requests and we're looking forward to demonstrating the equipment's outstanding imaging performance to German molecular biologists."

Rob van den Broek, European Sales Manager for Syngene concluded: "Our systems are being used successfully by top laboratories in the UK and US to produce high quality results from their Western blot, 1-D and 2-D gel analysis.

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With the appointments of AlphaMetrix Biotech and LTF-Labortechnik, we are fortunate to have found well-respected life science distributors and they will make it quicker and easier for German scientists to assess this excellent technology in their own laboratories.”

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**Note to Editors**

**About AlphaMetrix Biotech**

AlphaMetrix has been a supplier of products for the genomic research and diagnostic market since 2003. Clients include, major universities and pharmaceutical companies, prestigious research institutes such as the Max Planck, Fraunhofer and Helmholtz, as well as private diagnostic laboratories. AlphaMetrix has its offices in Germany, Roedermark, around 25km from Frankfurt.

**About LTF Labortechnik**

As a system vendor specialising in molecular biology, LTF Labortechnik offers a wide range of products. The portfolio includes compact laboratory electrophoresis equipment, through to the firm's main areas of expertise which are systems for PCR and gel documentation. LTF Labortechnik attaches special importance to customer satisfaction and meeting their individual needs, even special customer requirements can be achieved by its technical department. Based on its 18 years of experience of competent customer support, top-quality products, fair pricing and a comprehensive service commitment is guaranteed with LTF Labortechnik.

**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 organisations 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 Synoptics Group of the AIM quoted Scientific Digital Imaging Company based in Cambridge, UK. The Group's other divisions,

Syncroscopy and Synbiosis, specialise in digital imaging solutions for microscopy and microbial applications respectively. Synoptics currently employs 40 people in its UK and subsidiary operation in Frederick, USA.