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Syngene Appoints New Asian Distributor
To Provide Expert Support for Image Analysis Products in Malaysia

Cambridge, UK: Syngene, a world-leading manufacturer of image analysis solutions, today announced it has appointed dynamic life science equipment supplier V-BioScience as its new distributor in Malaysia. V-BioScience, with its team of highly qualified sales and technical staff can help researchers in Malaysia to assess which of Syngene's image analysis systems will best suit their laboratory's needs.

Under the terms of the agreement, V-BioScience (www.v-bioscience.com) is marketing and supporting Syngene's entire 1-D gel documentation range from the G:BOX high specification image analysers for fluorescence and chemiluminescence applications down to the U:Genius, Syngene's new affordable gel documentation product. V-BioScience is also supplying Dyversity and Dymension, Syngene's market leading system and software for imaging and analysing 2D protein gels. Adding Syngene to V-BioScience's portfolio of well respected manufacturers offers life scientists in Malaysia access to a platform of premium equipment, currently being used globally in major academic institutes, hospitals and pharmaceutical companies.

Rozana Fauzi, Managing Director at V-Bioscience, commented: "We are proud to be representing Syngene because the company has a long history of developing and manufacturing high quality image analysis systems and is widely known for listening to scientists' needs and responding with innovations in their products to meet these."

"We currently partner with top life science equipment names such as Agilent and Beckman that share this approach to business and are delighted Syngene has agreed to become part of our excellent supplier family," Mrs Fauzi added.

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Laura Sullivan, Syngene's Divisional Manager stated: "Our appointment of V-BioScience will help Malaysian scientists to easily access the technical expertise for which Syngene is recognized, so will in turn, strengthen our reputation in the region. Additionally, V-BioScience's strategy of providing an integrated package of the best equipment available also means Malaysian researchers can confidently furnish their laboratories with systems guaranteed to work together to produce accurate results."

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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 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 Cambridge based Synoptics Group. 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.

About V-BioScience

V-BioScience markets and supports laboratory and medical equipment in South East Asia. The products are sourced from many of the world's leading companies to provide the best and most advanced technologies to the research community.

Situated in the heart of Kuala Lumpur, V-Bioscience is staffed by a team of experts with strong life sciences backgrounds and provides a wide selection of products which are specifically designed to support applications in fields such as genomics, proteomics, medical diagnostic, tissue culture, immunology and bioinformatics.