



Press Release

m2p-labs closed distribution agreement with DASGIP for USA and Europe

Aachen, 12th October 2007. m2p-labs GmbH, specialist of microreaction systems, announced at the Biotechnica Fair (9–11 October), in Hanover/Germany, the closure of a distribution agreement with DASGIP AG (Juelich, Germany), a leading manufacturer of parallel bioreactor systems, for its BioLector Technology. The distribution agreement includes the USA, Canada and Europe markets.

The BioLector Technology was developed by m2p-labs and was launched to market at the same fair. The BioLector monitors cell growth and protein production in up to 96 wells online and in parallel. Additionally, pH and/or dissolved oxygen can be monitored in each well. Continuous and rigorous shaking allows uninterrupted aeration by gas exchange between the cells and their environment. The BioLector provides an ideal gas atmosphere for different cell types.

With BioLector, operators are now able to screen multiple cell lines or strains for growth and expression levels in parallel. Working volumes of the 48- and 96-well plates range from 100µL to 1000 µL per well. Once the candidates of interest are selected, a tailored process can be developed and optimized in DASGIP Parallel Bioreactor Systems, which provide working volumes from 35mL to 15L in up to 16 bioreactors in parallel. Therefore, the new parallel screening tool not only makes product development more efficient, but also rounds up DASGIP's existing fermentation and cultivation solutions perfectly.

m2p-labs is convinced of having met the right partner with DASGIP for the introduction of this innovative screening tool into international markets. DASGIP has a broad market presence and the BioLector completes the product portfolio of DASGIP excellently serving the clients now also with small and highly parallel reactions at the micro scale. m2p-labs is glad to count on the long experience and powerful market presence of DASGIP as a leading manufacturer of parallel bioreactor systems.

About m2p-labs: m2p-labs is a Spin Off of RWTH Aachen University. The biotechnology company is focusing on micro reaction solutions for cell culture and microbial screening. The company empowers the biotechnology, chemical and pharmaceutical industry with increasing number and information of cell culture and microbial experiments. The first development is a unique micro bioreactor system for High-Content-Screening. The technology is also available for clients as contract research in High-Throughput-Screening or Bioprocess Development projects. The Consulting Sector of the company offers "Scale up and down" studies of industrial bioprocesses and lab automation. m2p-labs is located in Aachen (Germany).

About DASGIP: DASGIP AG develops and manufactures technologically advanced Parallel Bioreactor Systems for the cultivation of microbial and mammalian cells at bench top and pilot scale. Process engineers, scientists and product developers from biotechnological, pharmaceutical and chemical companies as well as research institutions use DASGIP Parallel Bioreactor Systems for their biotechnological processes and benefit from increased productivity, high reproducibility, and ease of scale up, resulting in accelerated product development cycles. DASGIP is located in Juelich (Germany) and Shrewsbury MA (USA).

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