



David H. Murdock Research Institute Taps Waters for Laboratory Technology

Strategic Partnership Provides Advanced Technology for Groundbreaking Nutrition and Disease Research

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Kannapolis, N.C., and Milford, Mass. – October 15, 2008 – The David H. Murdock Research Institute (DHMRI), located at the North Carolina Research Campus in Kannapolis, NC, and Waters Corporation (NYSE: WAT) announced today that Waters has been selected as the institute's primary supplier of analytical science solutions, including mass spectrometers, liquid chromatographs and associated scientific data management software.

"We selected Waters as a partner based on their breakthrough technologies and hands-on approach to customer service. The equipment that we've purchased from Waters is recognized as the most sophisticated laboratory equipment available," said David H. Murdock, DHMRI founder. "This large purchase continues the momentum we're building as a cutting-edge research facility sought after by some of the nation's brightest scientists, and positions us well for the future."

The new laboratory instrumentation will enable DHMRI's research programs in the areas of nutrition science and disease prevention and provide state-of-the-art capabilities in proteomics research and metabolic profiling, among other key application areas

"Our respective organizations have a similar focus on pushing the limits of scientific discovery and productivity, as well as collaboration," said Art Caputo, Executive Vice President and President of the Waters Division. "As with all our partners, we are pleased to be working closely with DHMRI to help make scientific discovery at the facility possible."

Among the new mass spectrometers purchased by DHMRI are a number of Waters® SYNAPT™ High Definition Mass Spectrometers -- the first commercially-available mass spectrometer with the ability to analyze ions by

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their size, shape and charge in addition to mass -- as well as the Waters Quattro Premier™ XE and ACQUITY® SOD systems. DHMRI also purchased several ACQUITY UltraPerformance liquid chromatography (UPLC®) systems as their preferred inlet to the Institute's mass spectrometers.

About the David H. Murdock Research Institute

The David H. Murdock Research Institute was established as a public charity to support groundbreaking research at the North Carolina Research Campus. Funded through a private grant by David H. Murdock, DHMRI will host the world's top talent and resources — and promote a level of scientific collaboration never before possible. DHMRI is the first of its kind, housing a unique collection of state-of-the-art instrumentation in one central location.

For more information visit www.dhmri.org.

About Waters Corporation

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