

PRESS RELEASE

JPK Instruments continues to expand – production capacity extended to meet increasing sales volume

Berlin, October 9th, 2007 - JPK Instruments, the market leader in BioSPM, has further expanded the premises of its Berlin headquarters to take account of the continuing growth in personnel and the increasing demand for JPK products. Jörn Kamps, member of the board of directors at JPK: "We have significantly increased the workforce this year in response to the high number of orders. This strong growth is expected to continue over the coming years, and we have now created the optimal structures to meet this demand."

Alongside new office space, the production, storage and logistics capacities have been particularly increased, and new machines have been acquired. The production capacity is now many times higher as a result of the expansion. The measurement, test and service laboratories have also been expanded and equipped with additional instrumentation. New personnel have been added in the areas of applications and customer services, which are at the center of JPK's customer concept.

Kamps is optimistic about the future: "We will be launching new products in the market next year, and will continue to offer our customers leading-edge technology and excellent service. Now we are fully equipped for continuing growth."

About JPK Instruments AG:

JPK Instruments AG is a leading manufacturer of nano-analytic instruments – particularly atomic force microscope (AFM) systems – for research in life sciences and soft matter. One of Germany's most innovative nanotechnology companies, JPK was among the first to recognize the revolutionary opportunities this new field would open up for biomedical and pharmaceutical research. From the beginning, JPK has tailored its instrument platforms to meet the challenges in these areas.

JPK has developed powerful state-of-the-art solutions for high-resolution imaging, force measurement, nanomanipulation and nanolithography for life science applications. At the center of JPK's current portfolio are the BioAFM NanoWizard®, the CellHesion® module (for studying cell adhesion and cell mechanics phenomena), and the TAO module (for use in optical spectroscopy). The secret of JPK's success lies in its high level of application expertise and its close interaction with leading scientists and research centers in nanotechnology.





Founded in 1999, the company is headquartered in Berlin and maintains a global network of distributors and support centers. In 2005 it launched nAmbition GmbH, a Dresden subsidiary specializing in the development of nano-instruments for application in molecular medicine and pharmaceutical research. In August 2006, this was followed by the 100% acquisition of lpi light power instruments, which is focussing on the development of optical nano-instrumentation for life science applications in research and industry.

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