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Systems Pathology Company Selects Aperio's High-Throughput Digital Pathology Platform

Aperio's Digital Pathology Platform Expected to Accelerate SPCs Deployment of Novel Image Analysis Solutions for Toxicologic Pathology

Vista, CA – March 26, 2007 – Aperio Technologies, Inc., the leading provider of digital pathology systems and services to the healthcare and life sciences industry, is pleased to announce that Systems Pathology Company (SPC) LLC has selected Aperio's award-winning ScanScope™ slide scanning system and Spectrum™ digital pathology information management software to assist in the development of their automated digital imaging software solutions for use in toxicologic pathology and pathology-related analyses. Aperio's software platform, which includes a patented algorithm framework, significantly advances SPC's ability to build image analysis capabilities for tissue classification and analysis in toxicologic pathology.

"Aperio's digital pathology platform helps us focus our efforts on SPC's core competency, which is image analysis algorithms for the toxicology pathology market," stated Dr. Gary Knutsen, President and Managing Member of Systems Pathology Company. "We systematically evaluated the image quality of several leading slide scanning systems and selected Aperio because ScanScope images were well-matched to the needs of our image analysis algorithms. Aperio's Spectrum software also provides us with the data management, workflow integration and image analysis automation capabilities required for us to deploy a complete solution with our Big Pharma partners. We expect to reduce our time-to-market by not having to develop these capabilities ourselves."

SPC's library of software solutions, collectively referred to as the Computer Assisted Pathology System (CAPS™) is used by toxicologic pathologists to augment traditional practices - increasing their productivity and diagnostic objectivity, and allowing additional time for biologic interpretation and other value-added research and development activities.

Aperio's digital pathology systems are based on the company's patented linear array-based ScanScope slide scanners, which create seamless, true color whole slide images from an entire glass slide in a matter of minutes. Aperio's slide scanning systems are offered with Spectrum software to enable the secure viewing, analysis and management of digital slides and other images in a multi-user, multi-site environment.

"We are pleased to collaborate with Systems Pathology Company and to play a key role in the advancement of their breakthrough work in toxicologic pathology," said Dirk Soenksen, CEO of Aperio. "We are excited about the success our customers and partners are able to achieve as a result of Aperio's innovative digital pathology platform."

About Systems Pathology Company, LLC

Systems Pathology Company, LLC (SPC) is developing the next generation of automated digital imaging software tools for use in toxicologic pathology and pathology-related analyses. SPC's suite of innovative software solutions, collectively referred to as the Computer Assisted Pathology System (CAPS™), is being designed by pathologists and scientific software developers for use in preclinical drug development studies. Solutions include: HistoPATH™ for the automated discrimination of normal and non-normal tissues in GLP studies, HistoQC™ for automated histology quality control, and HistoPATHDx™, which extends HistoPATH™ with lesion discrimination and quantification. Founded in 2005, SPC has offices in Frederick, MD, Naples, FL and Seattle, WA. For more information, please visit www.systemspath.com.

About Aperio

Aperio provides systems and services for digital pathology. Our award-winning ScanScope® slide scanning systems and Spectrum™ digital pathology information management software is helping pathology professionals around the world improve the efficiency and quality of pathology services, enhance patient care, and improve the bottom line. Applications include remote viewing, archival and retrieval, digital conferencing, research and education, and image analysis. For more information and to view a gallery of digital slides created by ScanScope Systems, visit www.aperio.com.