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BIO 2003 – Cordlife / Cytomatrix in the spotlight with introduction of new range of disposable dynamic cell growth systems

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The Biotechnology Industry Organization Exhibition 2003 took place from 22nd to 25th June, achieving record attendance, international media coverage, a keynote speech by U.S. President Bush and an unprecedented number of government leaders.

It achieved a new level of recognition of the contributions biotech has made to human health and the world economy. More than 16,000 attendees from 55 countries took part in the four-day conference, which included more than 1,000 speakers discussing business development, science and regulatory affairs, global health, bioethics and patient advocacy. The exhibit hall featured more than 1,000 exhibits from 55 countries.

Among these were CordLife with its presence both in the national pavilions of Singapore and Switzerland, likely the only two-year old company to be represented at two booths from two continents. Industry professionals, investors and media representatives visiting CordLife's booth were particularly impressed by the enlarged portfolio of cell banking services and the Cytomatrix 3-dimensional cell growth platform.

In fact, BIO 2003 saw the preliminary introduction of a new line of ready-to-use, polystyrene, single-use spinner systems – a first in the market, which stimulated great interest among researchers and industry manufacturers. The range of spinner systems comprises of the Starwheel System which uses the Cytomatrix platform for high density adherent cell growth and the Paddle System. The systems will be sold through appointed distributors and partners in Asia-Pacific, Europe and the US when it officially launches in the 4th quarter of 2003.

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