



BIO-ITECH

## Eppendorf acquires a majority share in Bio-ITech B.V.

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Bio-ITech B.V., leading supplier of software for life science laboratories, today announced that Eppendorf acquired a majority share in the company. After closely collaborating for over one year, the participation of Eppendorf in Bio-ITech is a key milestone in the company history and an important step to enable further growth.

As the market interest for Electronic Lab Notebooks and Sample Management solutions intensifies, Bio-ITech will be able to scale up its current activities by offering its software solutions across the globe. The collaboration between Bio-ITech and Eppendorf will further strengthen and lead to natural integration of Bio-ITech software solutions with products such as those of the Eppendorf portfolio.

With the acquisition of Bio-ITech shares, early investor SquareOne BV exited the company as shareholder. The management board would like to thank SquareOne BV for their commitment and support over the past years. Eppendorf Chief Technology Officer Wilhelm Plüster and Sven Bülow, Eppendorf Vice President Corporate Development joined the Bio-ITech board. The company will continue to be managed by its founders and Managing Directors Erwin Seinen and Wouter de Jong.

### About Bio-ITech BV

Bio-ITech is a Life Science IT company that provides software solutions to manage information in the workflow of laboratories worldwide. The Electronic Lab Notebook eLABJournal and the Inventory and Sample Tracking System eLABInventory are 21 CFR part 11 compliant and safeguard intellectual property with track-and-trace, versioning, and digital signatures. Software solutions are offered as fully managed hosting solutions in the cloud, private cloud or on-premises. Bio-ITech was founded in 2010 by Erwin Seinen and Wouter de Jong and is ISO/IEC 27001:2013 certified since 2016.

### About Eppendorf AG

Eppendorf is a leading life science company that develops and sells instruments, consumables, and services for liquid handling, sample handling, and cell handling in laboratories worldwide. Its product range includes pipettes and automated pipetting systems, dispensers, centrifuges, mixers, spectrometers, and DNA amplification equipment as well as ultra-low temperature freezers, fermentors, bioreactors, CO<sub>2</sub> incubators, shakers, and cell manipulation systems. Consumables such as pipette tips, test tubes, microliter plates, and single-use bioreactor vessels complement the range of highest-quality premium products.

Eppendorf products are most broadly used in academic and commercial research laboratories, e.g., in companies from the pharmaceutical and biotechnological as well as the chemical and food industries. They are also aimed at clinical and environmental analysis laboratories, forensics, and at industrial laboratories performing process analysis, production, and quality assurance. Eppendorf was founded in Hamburg, Germany in 1945 and has about 3,000 employees worldwide. The company has subsidiaries in 26 countries and is represented in all other markets by distributors.



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