

Tecan and Labforward join forces to offer digital documentation of plate reader experiments

Tecan is pleased to announce that it has entered into a collaboration with leading smart lab provider Labforward. Labforward introduces Well Plate Templates and the Tecan Connector App* add-ons for their Labfolder electronic lab notebook software that offers connectivity with Tecan microplate readers.

Laboratories increasingly require an easy-to-use solution that integrates lab equipment into the larger workflow, with access to key instrument functionality and electronic data capture. Well Plate Templates integrates with SparkControl Magellan™ and Magellan™ Pro to provide a straightforward user interface for control of Tecan microplate readers and electronic data capture into Labfolder. This versatile app allows operators to design multi-well experiments, document sample preparation steps and execute detection protocols, as well as recording and managing the experimental data.

Sandro Palumbo, Director Detection at Tecan, said: "We are delighted to work with Labforward to integrate our Magellan software with the new Well Plate Templates app. It provides the connectivity our customers need via a simplified interface, giving them seamless control over the operation of their laboratory plate readers as part of a broader lab workflow, from planning to execution."

Simon Bungers, CEO and co-founder of Labforward, commented: "When we decided to extend the functionality of Labfolder, we looked for a partner that had an excellent reputation in the field and shared our philosophy in terms of openness; Tecan fitted the bill perfectly." Florian Hauer, CPO and co-founder, added: "Tecan has a modern outlook, and understands the need for an independent platform that connects to different datasets from various devices. We look forward to further collaboration in the future."

For more information, visit <https://www.labfolder.com/well-plate-templates/>

* Tecan Connector App is designed for Research Use Only

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About Tecan

Tecan (www.tecan.com) is a leading global provider of laboratory instruments and solutions in biopharmaceuticals, forensics and clinical diagnostics. The company specializes in the development, production and distribution of automated workflow solutions for laboratories in the life sciences sector. Its clients include pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, university research departments, forensic and diagnostic laboratories. As an original equipment manufacturer (OEM), Tecan is also a leader in developing and manufacturing OEM instruments and components that are then distributed by partner companies. Founded in Switzerland in 1980, the company has manufacturing, research and development sites in both Europe and North America and maintains a sales and service network in 52 countries. In 2019, Tecan generated sales of CHF 637 million (USD 643 million; EUR 574 million). Registered shares of Tecan Group are traded on the SIX Swiss Exchange (TECN; ISIN CH0012100191).

Über Tecan

Tecan (www.tecan.com) ist ein weltweit führender Anbieter von Laborinstrumenten und Lösungen für die Branchen Biopharma, Forensik und Klinische Diagnostik. Das Unternehmen ist auf Entwicklung, Herstellung und Vertrieb von Automatisierungslösungen für Laboratorien im Life-Science-Bereich spezialisiert. Die Kunden von Tecan sind Pharma- und Biotechnologieunternehmen, Forschungs-abteilungen von Universitäten sowie forensische und diagnostische Laboratorien. Als Originalgeräte-hersteller (OEM) ist Tecan auch führend in der Entwicklung und Herstellung von OEM-Instrumenten und Komponenten, die vom jeweiligen Partnerunternehmen vertrieben werden. Tecan wurde 1980 in der Schweiz gegründet. Das Unternehmen verfügt über Produktions-, Forschungs- und Entwicklungs-stätten in Europa und in Nordamerika. In 52 Ländern unterhält es ein Vertriebs- und Servicenetz. Im Jahr 2019 erzielte Tecan einen Umsatz von CHF 637 Mio. (USD 643 Mio.; EUR 574 Mio.). Die Namenaktien der Tecan Group werden an der SIX Swiss Exchange gehandelt (TECN; ISIN CH0012100191).

About Labforward

Labforward (www.labforward.io) provides digital tools for the laboratory. Amongst its products are the well-designed electronic lab notebook (ELN) Labfolder, and the Internet-of-Things (IoT) platform Laboperator. Labforward was formed by the merger of labfolder GmbH and cubuslab GmbH in May 2019. Labfolder was founded by Simon Bungers (CEO) and biophysicist Florian Hauer (CPO) in 2013, who were later joined by Yannick Skop (CCO) and Mario Russo (CTO). Dominic Lütjohann and Julian Lübke, who founded cubuslab GmbH in 2015 joined the Labforward team as co-founders and as leaders of the Laboperator product. The Labfolder ELN is used by more than 30,000 international scientists and supports laboratory teams to record, share, retrieve and validate data as a team. The Laboperator platform can remotely control and monitor laboratory devices and equipment as well as execute structured and automated workflows. Data is stored centrally and is always available for data management platforms such as Labfolder or other ELN or LIMS systems. The increasing demand of digital solutions in the regulated laboratory environment has resulted in the continuously strong growth of Labforward, which is supported by investors such as Peppermint Ventures, the IBB Beteiligungsgesellschaft, Vogel Ventures and a consortium of other expert business angels.

Über Labforward

Labforward (www.labforward.io) entwickelt digitale Software-Lösungen für das Labor. Zu den Produkten gehören das umfassendes und gut durchdachtes Elektronisches Laborjournal Labfolder (ELN, electronic lab notebook) sowie die Internet-of-Things (IoT) Plattform Laboperator. Labforward entstand im Mai 2019 durch die Fusion der labfolder GmbH und der cubuslab GmbH. Die labfolder GmbH wurde 2013 von Simon Bungers (CEO) und dem Biophysiker Florian Hauer (CPO) gegründet, später kamen Yannick Skop (CCO) und Mario Russo (CTO) hinzu. Dominic Lütjohann und Julian Lübke, die 2015 die cubuslab GmbH gründeten, stießen als Mitgründer und Leiter des Laboperator-Produkts zum Labforward-Team hinzu. Das Labfolder ELN wird von mehr als 30.000 internationalen Wissenschaftlern genutzt und unterstützt Labore dabei, Daten im Team zu erfassen, zu teilen, wiederzufinden und zu validieren.

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Die cubuslab Plattform kann Laborgeräte steuern und überwachen sowie strukturierte Workflows automatisiert ausführen. Die Daten werden zentral gespeichert und sind dadurch jederzeit für Datenmanagement-Plattformen wie labfolder oder andere ELN- oder LIMS-Systeme verfügbar.

Weil die Nachfrage nach digitalen Lösungen für das Management der wachsenden Mengen wissenschaftlicher Daten in einem regulierten Umfeld steigt, verzeichnet Labforward ein kontinuierliches und starkes Wachstum, das von Investoren wie Peppermint Ventures, der IBB Beteiligungsgesellschaft, Vogel Ventures und einem Expertengremium aus Business Angels unterstützt wird.

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