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Davos Diagnostics – a rapid diagnostics platform for point-ofcare tests

The innovate EVA-technology allows to realize affordable and easy-to-use diagnostic test systems that are 10 times faster, require significantly less manipulation steps and yields sensitive and specific results when compared with state-of-the art ELISA (Enzyme Linked Immunosorbent Assay) tests.

Davos Diagnostics AG was founded in July 2011 to develop, produce and market its proprietary EVA-system, an innovative, rapid, medical diagnostic test system for the point-of-care market. Initially collecting first experience in the non-regulated R&D market, the company provides commercial validation in the field of hematology with tests for typing of blood platelets, before expanding its product portfolio with further *in-vitro* diagnostic -IVD- tests for clinical diagnostics where the time-to-result is crucial.

Medical Need. Diagnosing diseases and monitoring health is outpacing any other medical trend and will become a dominant activity of physicians in the near future, especially with the upcoming trend towards personalized medicine. Physicians demand onsite diagnostic tools that are able to deliver results during the patient visit in order to initiate therapeutic measures directly. This will change diagnostic procedures, logistics and the set-up of the future diagnostic tools. Davos Diagnostics is able to address this demand with the EVA-reader and the EVA-assays. The EVAreader is small and robust, while the disposable EVA-chip allows for measuring nearly every parameter that can be targeted by a specific molecular interaction. As a proof-of-concept of the EVA-system, Davos Diagnostics decided to enter first a niche market with a high medical

need and then will apply the EVA-system in additional time-critical medical applications.

EVA-Technology. All products are based on the EVA-Technology that makes use of the optical phenomenon of evanescent fields for selectively exciting bound fluorophors and measuring the biochemical binding reaction in real-time. This allows to realize affordable and easyto-use *diagnostic tests* that are 10 times faster, require less manipulation steps than conventional ELISA-tests - with equal sensitivity and specificity. Each EVA biosensor system consists of an instrument, the EVA-Reader with customized software and a disposable measurement device, the EVA- test. The one-way EVA-chip is pre-loaded with all necessary reagents to perform a measurement. The user dispenses a few microlitre of a patient sample, neat plasma or serum, in the wells, inserts the test in the reader and the read-out starts. No further manipulations are required and results are displayed on the instrument screen after ten minutes.

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