

PRESS RELEASE

JPK Instruments again the fastest-growing nanotechnology company in the Deloitte Technology Fast 50 Award

Berlin, 10th November 2008 - JPK Instruments, a world-leading manufacturer of nanoanalytic instruments for the life science and soft matter sectors, has been singled out as the fastest-growing company in the nanotechnology industry for the second year in a row. For the first time, JPK even made it into the top ten across all participating sectors and companies.

To determine the leading companies in Germany's high-tech industries for their sixth annual survey of this kind, accounting and consulting company Deloitte analyzed their compounded percentage sales growth rates of the past five years. JPK achieved a growth rate of over 930%. Frank Pelzer, CEO of JPK, is pleased with the award and optimistic about the future: "We here already achieved excellent growth rates already with our very first product, the NanoWizard® atomic force microscope, and have operated profitably since 2004. At present, seven new products are in the market launch phase."

In addition to extending its product portfolio, JPK is expanding in two other growth fields. "We started with one product in a few regions. Now we have joined forces with sales partners to make inroads into international markets. Also, we have set up two sales offices in the UK and Singapore. Moreover, now that our technologies and products have successfully been established in research, we will also market them in the industrial sector in order to reach completely new target groups," says Frank Pelzer about the positive outlook for the company.

This renewed recognition as the fastest growing company in the nanotechnology sector will increase JPK's visibility to investors. The company will therefore attend the German Equity Forum in Frankfurt, the country's premier equity finance event, on November 11. "We not only want to maintain our fast pace of growth but accelerate it even further. Thanks to our patent-protected technological leadership, additional capital will allow us to build up a strong position in key international markets even more quickly," says an optimistic Frank Pelzer.

About JPK Instruments:

JPK Instruments AG is one of the world's leading manufacturers of nanoanalytic instruments - particularly atomic force microscope (AFM) systems and optical tweezers- for research in life sciences





and soft matter. JPK was recognized as Germany's fastest growing nanotechnology company in 2007 and 2008 (Deloitte). From its earliest days JPK has recognized the opportunities provided by nanotechnology for application from biophysical to biomedical research, tailoring its instrument platforms to meet user requirements. Headquartered in Berlin and with operations in Dresden, Cambridge (UK) and Singapore, JPK maintains a global network of distributors and support centers and provides on the spot applications and service support to an ever-growing community of researchers.

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