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AppliChem merging with Akron Biotech, a leading cell culture components provider

DARMSTADT, Deutschland, BOCA RATON, FL, USA, March 3, 2009/ -- AppliChem GmbH is pleased to announce its highly anticipated merger with the leading manufacturer of stem cell culture products, Akron Biotechnology, LLC.

AppliChem, located in Darmstadt Germany, and Akron Biotech, located in Boca Raton FL, USA are merging forces for the manufacturing and distribution of both companies' products. Commencing on March 3rd, 2009, Akron Biotech will take over AppliChem's operations in the Americas and will operate as AppliChem, LLC.

AppliChem will add to its catalogue of biochemicals and laboratory reagents, Akron Biotech's full catalogue of high quality products from its cGMP production facility including Animal Serum, Recombinant Proteins, Serum-Free Media and other cell culture components.

"The merger with AppliChem, GmbH will allow us to expand our product offering dramatically, and will accelerate our company's growth", said Akron Biotech's CEO, Dr. Claudia Zylberberg, "It presents an opportunity for us to expand our presence in the market by adding their full line." Dr. Zylberberg will continue to operate as the President and CEO of AppliChem, LLC.

"The chemistry between the two companies made this strategic alliance a natural fit", adds Dr. Markus Frasch, Managing Director of AppliChem, GmbH, "Their established market base in the US, Canada and South America, combined with their reputation for providing high quality products and excellent customer service will provide AppliChem the opportunity to expand its market base in these regions. "

AppliChem, GmbH and Akron Biotech will first join forces during [Pittcon 2009](#) in Chicago, IL [Booth#1122](#).

About AppliChem, GmbH: Founded in 1992, AppliChem was established on the grounds of supplying high quality chemicals for chemical, biological, pharmaceutical and clinical research. AppliChem is ISO 9001 certified, hence, guaranteeing carefully controlled production and documentation. AppliChem offers Chemica, BioChemica, Custom Synthesis, Cell Culture Powder Media and more.

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About AppliChem, LLC: Previously known as Akron Biotechnology, LLC, AppliChem, LLC is an innovative biotechnology company focused on providing its worldwide customers best-in-class cell culture products and components for superior Research and Product Development in the Cell Biology, Immunology, Pharmaceutical and Diagnostic fields. Products include: Animal Products, Human Products, Recombinant Proteins and Media. Additionally, the company will carry AppliChem GmbH's full list.

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