



Scientific Solutions, Inc.
Spectroscopic devices and consulting

Avantes and Scientific Solutions, Inc. Form Distribution Partnership

Boulder, Colorado (August 28, 2003) - Avantes is pleased to announce that Scientific Solutions, Inc. (SSI) has joined the Avantes network in the US as the exclusive distributor to the Northeast Region. Located in North Chelmsford, MA and specializing in spectroscopic devices and consulting, SSI is ideally positioned to serve Avantes customers throughout the Photonics Corridor. "Joining with such a respected group was an easy decision", said Greg Neece, President of Avantes US Operations. "Scientific Solutions has built a strong reputation with its own optical products and we're pleased to be able to leverage that success." John Noto, President of SSI echoed the same sentiment: "Avantes spectrometers will bring a new dimension to our current instruments and allow us to offer even more solutions-oriented instrumentation to our customers."

About Avantes

Avantes develops and manufactures products in the field of Fiber Optic Spectroscopy, such as spectrometers, light sources, software, fiber optic cables and probes, accessories and fiber optic sensor systems. With more than 10 years of experience in the field of Fiber Optic Spectroscopy, Avantes continues to produce innovative applications in diverse fields including industrial, chemical, biomedical, semiconductor, and food processing technology. Avantes World Headquarters is located in The Netherlands and can be contacted via telephone at +31-(0)-313-670170 or fax at +31-(0)-313-670179. Avantes US Headquarters can be contacted at 303-410-8668 or via fax at 303-410-8669. For additional information about Avantes products and services or to request Avantes' free product catalogue, please visit the web site at www.avantes.com or email info@avantes.com

About Scientific Solutions, Inc.

Scientific Solutions, Inc. (SSI), a small business located in North Chelmsford, Massachusetts, was established in 1995 to provide new frequency-agile solutions to spectroscopic systems. SSI specializes in the fabrication of both classic Air-Gap Fabry-Pérot Interferometers and next-generation Liquid Crystal Fabry-Pérot (LCFP) tunable optical filters for which it won a Circle of Excellence award in 2001. SSI proudly distributes Avantes fiber optic spectrometers and related accessories to the northeastern USA. In addition to its award-winning products, SSI provides a range of photonics services including optical system design, spectroscopic consulting, and optical coating design and application. SSI can be reached via telephone at +1 (978) 251-4554 or on the web at www.sci-sol.com.