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SciGene Releases High Capacity GeneChip® Hybridization System

August 17, 2005, Sunnyvale, CA —A new carousel for hybridizing 96 Affymetrix* GeneChip® microarrays is now available. The carousel is designed for reliable high speed rotation inside the widely-used Model 777 Microarray Oven developed by SciGene. Arrays can be easily inserted and removed from the carousel, yet are held firmly in place during rotation. The system can handle multiple batches of arrays and can support multiple users.

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About SciGene

SciGene (www.scigene.com) is a privately held company founded in 2003 following the acquisition of genomics and drug discovery research product lines from Robbins Scientific. SciGene provides an integrated suite of instruments that use process control, automation, and protocol optimization to reduce microarray data errors, enabling researchers to more quickly and reliably obtain meaningful results.

