

## **NSX COMPANY ANNOUNCEMENT**

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## Technology Development Contract for Automated MicroStreak® System

MicroStreak® is a novel technology that will allow the automation of plate inoculation and streaking of microbiological specimens on to standard agar plates.

The technology has been developed to Proof of Principle stage and is performing well, giving superior results for microbial colony isolation compared to traditional techniques.

The fast sample processing time achieved for agar plate inoculation and spreading has confirmed the commercial potential of the MicroStreak® applicator. A global market opportunity exists for the automation of routine processing in diagnostic microbiology laboratories.

LabTech Systems has entered into a contract for the first stage of a commercial instrument development program. The proposed MicroStreak® system will incorporate the unique patented core MicroStreak® technology.

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