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Assignment Agreement signed with AMC/STW

TET Systems, AMC (Academic Medical Center) and STW Technology Foundation entered into an assignment agreement. Previously, scientists at the AMC had developed a new series of Tet-On transactivators with improved properties. Under the terms of the agreement, eight international patent applications covering these novel transactivators were assigned to TET Systems for commercialization. The acquisition of these patent applications broadens TET Systems' IP portfolio and makes TET Systems the only source for licensing all relevant IP covering the Tet Technology.

New license agreements signed

This year TET Systems has signed a record number of new license agreements. New licensees comprise Takara Bio, BioFocus DPI, and most recently, Novo Nordisk to name a select few. This year, TET Systems filed a law suit for Patent Infringement in the US against Pharmasset. As part of the settlement agreement, TET Systems agreed to dismiss further legal action while Pharmasset agreed to take a license for the Tet Technology for precise and efficient control of gene expression in higher eukaryotes.

TET Systems Conference Activities 2009

TET Systems successfully attended this year's *Bio* International Convention in Atlanta and *Bio-Europe* in Vienna. TET's major focus at these conferences was on partnering new technologies and on identifying new potential licensees for the Tet Technology.

This year's Conference highlight was a sponsored workshop during the 'First EMBO Conference' in Amsterdam, the first annual life science conference organized by EMBO. TET Systems together with its partner Clontech, sponsored a scientific symposium titled "The Tet Technology and its Impact on Modern Life Sciences" After an introduction by Prof. H. Bujard, one of the inventors of the Tet Technology, several distinguished scientists (R.Jaenisch, MIT, D.Felsher, Stanford University and L.Alphey, Oxitec) presented data on exciting new applications of the Tet Technology.

In 2010 TET Systems plans to attend *Bio* International Convention in Chicago in May and *BioEurope2010* in Munich.

New Publication Highlight

M.S.H. Ko and colleagues recently published a highly interesting paper on early responses of gene regulatory networks. Placing 50 transcription factors encoded in the mouse genome systematically under Tet control in a highly defined chromosomal locus (ROSA-Tet), they generated ES cell lines in which one transcription factor can be induced at a time, enabling analyses of resulting transcription factor network changes. These highly standardized ES cell lines – which are freely provided to the academic research community by the authors –

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Publication highlight

A systematic approach to untangle biological networks by inducing single transcription factors.

New Online tool for Tet literature database searches

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have already documented that not all transcription factors are equal and will be valuable research tools to gain further insights into gene regulatory networks.

New online tool to search Tet bibliography

Early next year, a new tool to search our Tet bibliography online will become available to visitors of our website. This new tool will enable interested parties to search the entire Tet literature database without a required previous download. Our database meanwhile comprises 6,200 references of peer reviewed scientific articles on applications of the Tet Technology underlining the importance of the Tet Technology as the most widely used inducible gene expression system. The Tet bibliography is the most comprehensive list of Tet references and is updated on a yearly basis as a free service that TET Systems provides to its licensees and the scientific community.



Holiday Notice

Our offices will be closed starting on Dec. 24th until Jan. 4th, 2010. We wish you all an enjoyable Holiday Season and a great start into a successful New Year.



To our Readers

We are continuously trying to improve our services and information to all users of the Tet Technology. We appreciate your comments and feed-back regarding this Newsletter and all other proposals regarding our homepage. Please send your comments/proposals to info@tet-systems.com

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