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Bioptigen Will Present Business Milestones at Venture 2006
Biotech Corporation to be One of 27 Presenting Companies

Durham, N.C. – Bioptigen, a Duke University spinout pioneering non-invasive optical imaging solutions for biomedical applications, has been selected by the Council for Entrepreneurial Development (CED) to present at Venture 2006. Scheduled for May 2-3, 2006, at Pinehurst Resort in Pinehurst, N.C., CED's Venture 2006 conference will continue a 23-year tradition of displaying the region's most promising investment prospects.

"Bioptigen is honored to have been selected for a presenter at Venture 2006," said Dr. Eric Buckland, President and CEO of Bioptigen. "We are excited by our early commercial success for our recently introduced solutions for in vivo high speed, high resolution imaging of tissue microstructure."

CED's Venture Conference is regarded as the South's largest and most well-established venture capital financing venue. This annual conference serves as the springboard for almost all of North Carolina's innovation companies. Bioptigen has frequently participated in past CED events, and will present its progress on business milestones and an updated vision for its innovative technology at Venture 2006.

Bioptigen is one of 27 North Carolina-based companies exhibiting their ideas and visions at Venture 2006. The active network of entrepreneurs, investors, service professionals and academic and corporate realtors in support of innovation-based companies is a great place for Bioptigen to showcase its advanced, non-invasive 3D optical imaging systems for pre-clinical pharma, biotech and biomedical applications.

Renowned inventor, entrepreneur and author Ray Kurzweil will keynote the conference this year. Kurzweil's technological breakthroughs include: print-to-speech reading machine for the blind, CCD flat-bed scanner, text-to-speech synthesizer, music synthesizer capable of recreating the grand piano and other orchestral instruments, and commercially marketed large-vocabulary speech recognition. Mr. Kurzweil is an inductee of the National Inventors Hall of Fame and has received numerous prestigious awards for his work, including the National Medal of Technology, the highest honor in the industry. He is the author of the best-selling books, "The Age of Spiritual Machines," "When Computers Exceed Human Intelligence," and "The Singularity is Near, When Humans Transcend Biology."

Along with the keynote speaker will be a Marquee Panel featuring John McConnell of A4 Health Systems, Stephen Pierce of Goldman, Sachs & Co., Harry Weller of New Enterprise Associates and Ryan Wuerch of Motorcity. In conjunction with these speakers and discussions, there will be an investor-only dinner, golf tournament and retreat, along with opportunities for private meetings with presenting companies.

For more information on CED's 23rd Annual Venture 2006 Conference, visit www.cednc.org/venture.

Bioptigen, Inc., a spin-out of the Biomedical Engineering Department in the Pratt School of Engineering at Duke University, develops optical coherence tomography imaging systems for biomedical and industrial applications. Target markets include pre-clinical research and development, animal imaging, and early-stage clinical research. Bioptigen's advances in imaging speed and image quality are of particular value to the biomedical research and development community.

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