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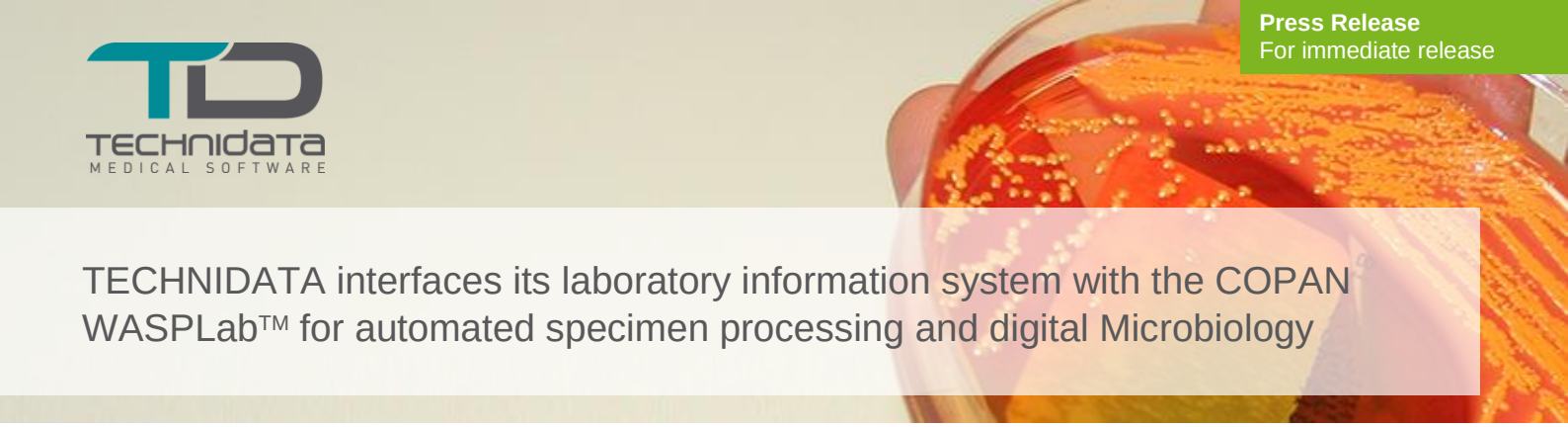

TECHNIDATA interfaces its laboratory information system with the COPAN WASPLab™ for automated specimen processing and digital Microbiology

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TECHNIDATA, the supplier of software for clinical laboratories and biobanks, has extended its presence in the field of Microbiology by interfacing its laboratory information system with WASPLab™ from the COPAN Group, a leading manufacturer of specimen collection and transport systems. This new interface will be presented at the upcoming European Congress of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, from 9 to 12 April 2016 in Amsterdam, NL.

An optimized interface for fully automated Microbiology processes

Designed with microbiologists, TECHNIDATA's LIS and microbiology middleware solutions are fully dedicated to the modern discipline. These software solutions offer a smart and flexible workflow designer for paperless processes, comprehensive traceability that meets ISO 15189 requirements, and state-of–the-art connectivity with the most widely-used instruments and automation solutions.

To further extend its offering in microbiology, TECHNIDATA has worked with COPAN to develop a fully featured interface between its own laboratory information system and the WASPLab™, COPAN's solution for automated specimen processing and digital microbiology.

"*Developed in close cooperation with TECHNIDATA, the WASPLab™ driver manages the most comprehensive sets of information available on TECHNIDATA's LIS and middleware solutions, to ensure full traceability and streamlined automated workflows,*" explains Mario Savarese, Chief Strategy Officer at COPAN.

"*The wealth of information either input or acquired by TECHNIDATA's various solutions is managed easily via a multi-criteria epidemiology module, which enables simple to complex data extractions to be applied to nosocomial infections, and historical searches of Multi-Drug Resistant Organisms",* adds Stéphane Agay, Product Line Marketing Director and Scientific Advisor at TECHNIDATA.

Culture collection management: A step forward in Microbiology

Additionally, TECHNIDATA's microbiology solutions offer the most complete and innovative tools to manage the modern microbiology laboratory, when interfaced with TDBiobank, TECHNIDATA's biorepository management module.

"*We are one of the few software companies that offer such a complete Microbiology laboratory information system, one that can also fully manage culture collections,*" concludes Stéphane Agay.

For more information, come and visit us at ECCMID, from April 9-12, 2016:
TECHNIDATA Booth #104B
COPAN Booth #139

About TECHNIDATA - www.technidata-web.com

With over 40 years' experience in the field of laboratory management, TECHNIDATA is a leading global software supplier for clinical, anatomic-pathology laboratories and biobank information systems. Developed in full compliance with the ISO 9001/ISO 13485 quality standards, TECHNIDATA software products are distributed in more than 25 countries worldwide and cover all the clinical laboratory disciplines: Biochemistry, Hematology, Immunology, Virology, Microbiology, Blood Banking, Histology/Cytology, Genetics, and Biobanking.

Products and services:
- Laboratory Information Systems (Livextens® suite)
- Middleware solutions (TD-Harmony® suite)
- Instrument workstations
- Point of Care Testing Management
- Web-based requests and results module
- *Services : consulting, development, support, training activities*

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About the COPAN Group - www.copangroup.com

With a reputation for innovation in preanalytics, COPAN is the leading supplier of collection and transport systems in the world. COPAN's innovations in pre-analytics include patented Flocked Swabs, ESwab™, and UTM™ Viral Transport. Established in 1979, COPAN has successfully entered the field of Microbiology Laboratory Automation with WASP® and WASPLab™.

About WASP® and WASPLab™

The WASP® Walk-Away Specimen Processor is a truly revolutionary instrument for liquid sample processing for microbiology. The WASP® provides a comprehensive system which encompasses all aspects of automated specimen processing: planting and streaking, Gram slide preparation, enrichment broth inoculation and Kirby-Bauer set-up and disk application. Designed to transform the work of laboratory managers and technologists, the WASPLab™ system moves current laboratories to the digital microbiology era through high resolution culture plate images, improving speed, interpretation, reliability and accessibility of results.