

## Comprehensive Biomarker Center GmbH accredited by German DAkkS DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005 accreditation to analyze RNA-based biomarkers from body fluids

**HEIDELBERG, May 21, 2015** – As of April 1, 2015 the Comprehensive Biomarker Center GmbH, a Center of Excellence for microRNA biomarkers from body fluids, has been accredited according to DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005 from the national accreditation body for the Federal Republic of Germany (DAkkS). The independent governmental institution has acknowledged the high quality standard of CBC's biomarker services on the Agilent microarray platform.

Based in Heidelberg, Germany, CBC has been accredited for its expertise in the extraction of total RNA from body fluids and the analysis of microRNA & mRNA using the Agilent microarray platform.

Jochen Kohlhaas, chief executive officer at CBC GmbH, commented: "I am very proud that CBC has received DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005 accreditation. This reflects our commitment to our clients and the dedication of our laboratory staff. It is a strong endorsement of the high quality of our services."

"The potential of microRNA biomarkers in disease detection and monitoring, as well as companion diagnostics is increasingly recognized. As an accredited biomarker company, we provide reliable and continuously high quality in our methods, technologies and data quality of the analysis service. Having DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005 accreditation demonstrates CBC's competency to conduct testing to the highest standards and the strength of our quality management system" said Karoly Nikolich, chairman of CBC's board and renowned biotechnology expert." The accreditation allows customers to compare the quality of service providers in the microRNA Biomarker field."

### **About CBC:**

Located in the Biotechnology Park in Heidelberg, Germany, CBC discovers, analyzes and validates microRNA biomarkers from blood and body fluids and operates as a molecular CRO for pharma, biotech and diagnostic companies.

As leading expert for microRNA biomarkers from circulating body fluids, the company has created a microRNA collection and profiling platform that combines highly standardized sample collection and processing with rigorous quality control.

With its proven track record of more than 6000 samples analyzed, and with several pharmaceutical company partners, the CBC offers comprehensive biomarker solutions from study setup to bioinformatics analysis and ready-to-publish results.

CBC is an Agilent Certified Services Provider and accredited according to DIN EN ISO/IEC 17025:2005.

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