

# Inside the BioIT Alliance

## THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC

# Thermo Fisher Scientific Offers Enterprise Document Management Solution

The centralization and harmonization of laboratory data is a critical and strategic part of the global growth of any pharmaceutical company. Large-scale deployments of integrated and web-based systems can now be relied upon to be more consistent and more rapid because purpose-built laboratory information management systems (LIMS), like Thermo Scientific Watson LIMS™, can not only facilitate superior data exchange across the organizations, but also offer a bio-directional flow of data

between a pharmaceutical company and with its contract research organization (CRO). This freer exchange of data can mean improved business decisions that enable a life sciences company to

deliver the right compounds faster, and saves the time and expense of working on a compound that ultimately will prove ineffective. It also allows for faster and more automated review and submission of reports. For bioanalytical laboratories and CROs around the world, Thermo Scientific Watson LIMS™ provides the detailed protocols necessary for DMPK and bioanalytical studies in drug discovery along with maximum flexibility and configurability so that each lab can integrate workflows or instrumentation across study protocols as required.

It's also critical for organizations to implement enterprise-wide document management and collaboration tools to stay competitive, increase productivity and comply with standards. There has been a need in the industry that has gone largely

unanswered until now, for a secure, cost effective, validated content management solution that incorporates structured data from LIMS, chromatography data system (CDS) and other enterprise systems along with unstructured information that support laboratory processes, all in a completely validated solution. In the past solutions have been incomplete, cumbersome and expensive. To satisfy this need, Thermo Fisher Scientific recently announced a collaborative agreement with NextDocs Corporation to bundle and sell its enterprise document, quality and compliance

management solution suite. The offering is a natural extension of Thermo Fisher's portfolio of LIMS and CDS products, allowing the company to offer a comprehensive, informatics and content management solution to the industry. It provides organizations with a complete document management and collaboration system for managing documents, records (e.g. training records), SOP's (standard operating procedures), activities and other information critical to the enterprise.

Thermo Fisher Scientific, the leader in providing purpose-built informatics software solutions, has partnered with Microsoft, the technology leader, as a fellow member of the Microsoft BioIT Alliance. The company's recent partnership with NextDocs to deliver a document and compliance suite that delivers unmatched ease of use

and functionality, further cements the relationship between Thermo Fisher Scientific and Microsoft to deliver next-generation and best of breed open solutions. "We're thrilled with the extent of our ongoing relationship with Thermo Fisher Scientific," said Mike Naimoli, U.S. life sciences industry solutions director, Microsoft Corporation. "Organizations store documents in a wide range of isolated systems on multiple software platforms – making the retrieval and synthesis of information daunting tasks. This new alliance between Thermo Fisher and

NextDocs goes a long way toward addressing the need for regulated content management, integrated workflow administration and compliant collaboration in the enterprise setting. We believe this joint solution will bring enormous value to the industry as a whole."

"By offering an enterprise content management solution that is tightly integrated with our LIMS and CDS work-

flow for regulated laboratory environments, Thermo Fisher is better positioned to offer our customers the most comprehensive informatics solution in the industry," concludes Dave Champagne.

For a free webinar on NextDocs document management solutions or for more information about Thermo Scientific Watson LIMS please call on +1 866-463-6522 or e-mail [marketing.informatics@thermofisher.com](mailto:marketing.informatics@thermofisher.com) or visit [www.thermo.com/informatics](http://www.thermo.com/informatics). ▲

### Thermo Fisher Scientific

- ▶ **Founded:** 1957
- ▶ **# of employees:** 30,000+
- ▶ **Location:** Waltham, MA
- ▶ **Microsoft solution provider:** 8 years
- ▶ **Top Executive:** Marijn E. Dekkers, President and CEO  
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