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Achema 2015 Innovation Award for the *apyron* Raman Microscope

(Ulm, Germany) - WITec's fully-automated Raman Imaging system ***apyron*** won the first prize at the Achema 2015 Innovation Awards in the category of Laboratory and Analytical Technologies. The new Raman system was chosen as the top innovation from among 18 applicants in this category.

The Innovation Awards were bestowed for the 7th time by the renowned industry experts and technical editors of: Process, Process Worldwide, PharmaTec, Process China, Process India and Laborpraxis. This year some 100 companies applied to be considered for the awards for the most innovative devices, systems and processes featured at the exhibition. Achema, in Frankfurt (Germany) is the world's largest trade show for the chemical engineering and process industry. More than 3800 exhibitors from 54 countries expect more than 150.000 visitors.

„Winning the Achema 2015 Innovation Award is another welcome recognition of WITec's enormous innovative strength”, says Dr. Joachim Koenen, WITec CEO.

The ***apyron*** microscope was developed to bring an exceptional user-friendliness to the ultimate capability in Raman Imaging. With the ***apyron***'s configurable architecture, the steps from experimental conceptualization to novel data acquisition have become automated, consolidated and software-controlled.

For more information please visit:

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WITec Managing Director Dr. Joachim Koenen (right) and Marketing Director Harald Fischer (left) with the Achema Innovation Award trophies at the Award Ceremony in Frankfurt.

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About WITec :

WITec is a leading manufacturer of confocal and scanning-probe microscopes for state-of-the-art Raman, Atomic Force (AFM), and Scanning Near-Field Optical Microscopy (SNOM). WITec's headquarters is located in Ulm, Germany, where all WITec products are developed and produced. Branch offices in USA, Japan, Singapore, and Spain ensure a worldwide sales and support network. From the company's founding in 1997, WITec has been distinguished by its innovative product portfolio and a microscope design that enables combinations of the various imaging techniques within one system. An exemplar of the company's breakthrough development is the world's first integrated Raman-AFM microscope. To this day, WITec's confocal microscopes are unrivaled in sensitivity, resolution and imaging capabilities. Significant innovation awards document WITec's enduring success and innovative strength. For more information, please visit www.witec.de.

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