### Press release



#### Argolight and Carl Zeiss France,

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# World leader in microscopy choose to distribute products from a French startup business.

Carl Zeiss France, subsidiary of Carl Zeiss group, the worldwide microscopy leader, is on the verge of distributing the first reliable tool to monitor fluorescence microscopes quality.

As of October 2015, the company will offer its clients to add to their systems an ARGO-M slide: a calibration slide designed and manufactured by Argolight, a young French company, located near Bordeaux.

As of October 2015, CARL ZEISS France will add to the maintenance contracts of its fluorescence microscopes the possibility of one or several ARGO-M, a product provided by ARGOLIGHT, a young company located near Bordeaux, France.



A Zeiss microscope and an ARGO-M slide (HR image on request)

#### Fluorescence imaging, a capital market for Pharma and Healthcare

Fluorescence imaging is commonly used in the fields of medical and pharmaceutical research, a market representing about 280 million euros each year.

Created in 2012, ARGOLIGHT commercializes an innovative technology allowing for the first time to assess and monitor the quality of fluorescent-based systems.

The standardization and monitoring of a microscope performances make it possible to **increase the reliability and reproducibility of its measures**. This leads to reduce the cost of analysis if the system is used for medical diagnostic, or the cost of development if used within a Research and Development program.

#### Startup business and historical company, united for innovation

CARL ZEISS, a historical player in microscopy, has found in ARGOLIGHT an ally able to provide a unique and innovative technology with high added-value.

ARGOLIGHT appreciates this collaboration and the trust CARL ZEISS has placed in them. The French company is currently conducting a round of funding, and is expanding to the international market.



Fluorescence systems users who would be interested by this tool can contact their Zeiss representative for further details.

#### About Carl Zeiss:

For more than 160 years, Carl Zeiss has been supporting innovation and contributing to technological progress, thus preserving its status of international leader in optics and

optoelectronics. Carl Zeiss group, with more than 24 000 employees worldwide and 4.29 billion revenue, is present in over 40 countries. Carl Zeiss France generates a yearly revenue of 89 million euros, in different fields ranging from pure research to industry.



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## About Argolight:

ARGOLIGHT has been created in December 2012 in Bordeaux by two young doctors, Drs. Gautier PAPON and Arnaud ROYON.

Argolight commercializes the only worldwide solution to assess the quality of fluorescence systems and to monitor their evolution over time. Pharma, diagnostics and biotechs companies call on Argolight's services to ensure the reliability of their measurements, while saving time on their quality process.

More than 75% of the young company turnover comes from the export market.



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