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Hygiena® Wins Two Innovation Awards for the foodproof® *Salmonella* plus *Cronobacter* Detection LyoKit®

Camarillo, California (October 27, 2025) – Hygiena®, a global leader in food safety and provider of One Health Diagnostics® solutions, is proud to announce that its foodproof® *Salmonella* plus *Cronobacter* Detection LyoKit has received two industry innovation awards: the 2025 International Dairy Federation (IDF) Innovation Award and the Food Tech Summit Food Innovation Award. These recognitions underscore Hygiena's role at the forefront of advancing One Health Diagnostics® and public health while delivering unparalleled efficiency and regulatory compliance.

The foodproof *Salmonella* plus *Cronobacter* Detection LyoKit is the first and only ISO-validated multiplex Real-time PCR method (ISO 16140-2) for detecting these two critical pathogens that pose serious health risks to infants. This validation ensures high accuracy across a range of matrices, including powdered infant formula (both with and without probiotics), related production ingredients and environmental samples from manufacturing facilities.

Historically, laboratories conducted individual food safety tests for each pathogen, leading to increased costs and delayed results. Hygiena's foodproof *Salmonella* plus *Cronobacter* Detection LyoKit solves this inefficiency by enabling the detection of both pathogens in a single test, with results in less than 20 hours. This innovation streamlines workflows and accelerates the time to results for infant formula producers and ingredient suppliers, simplifying environmental monitoring programs.

"At Hygiena, we are committed to delivering solutions that not only meet but exceed industry standards in food safety," said Amanda Manolis, VP, Global Marketing, Product Management & Scientific Affairs at Hygiena. "By introducing the foodproof *Salmonella* plus *Cronobacter* Detection LyoKit, we are providing manufacturers with a faster, more cost-effective and highly reliable testing method that ensures compliance and safeguards consumers. This recognition reaffirms our commitment to ongoing innovation across the industry and underscores our efforts to equip customers with technologically advanced and efficient workflows. Protecting vulnerable populations from foodborne illness while advancing sustainability remains central to our mission to create innovative diagnostics for a healthier world."

"I'm excited to share that Hygiena made a remarkable impact at the Food Tech Summit, where we received the Food Innovation Award in the Innovative Technology category. This award is a reminder of what we can achieve when we work together with a common goal, to continue innovating and helping make the world a safer, healthier place through our One Health Diagnostics® solutions.", remarked Adriana Paes, Marketing Manager, Hygiena.

In parallel with this recognition, Hygiena is also proud to announce that Lukas Weise, Global Market Development Manager at Hygiena, will serve as the Deputy Chair for Hygiene Monitoring at IDF. Lukas will contribute his scientific expertise to support industries on hygiene and microbiological contaminants, and assist Codex in adopting accurate, feasible standards, codes,

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and guidelines to ensure milk safety and quality. This contribution to industry innovation highlights Hygiena's efforts as the world leader in hygiene monitoring, food safety and One Health Diagnostics®.

A Complete Dairy Safety Portfolio

Hygiena's commitment to the dairy industry and food portfolio delivers comprehensive, end-to-end protection across every stage of dairy production, from pasteurization verification and hygiene monitoring to pathogen detection and real-time data management. Our trusted solutions include the Innovate™ System for UHT/ESL sterility, ZymoSnap ALP for pasteurization verification, foodproof® and BAX® PCR assays for pathogen testing, EnSURE® Touch and MicroSnap® for hygiene and environmental monitoring, InSite® for indicator organisms, and AlerTox® for allergen detection. Powered by SureTrend® Data Analytics and KLEANZ®, our award-winning sanitation management platform, Hygiena enables dairy producers to make faster, data-driven decisions that safeguard quality, ensure compliance, and build lasting consumer trust.

Hygiena – We create innovative diagnostics for a healthier world

About Hygiena

At Hygiena, our mission is to create innovative diagnostics for a healthier world. We develop, produce and provide best-in-class One Health Diagnostics® solutions from seed to plate to our global customer bases. As one of the few organizations in the world to uniquely focus on food safety throughout the value chain, we maintain the belief that the health of people is closely connected to the health of animals in our shared environment. Our molecular rapid tests and analysis tools for food and beverage safety, veterinary diagnostics and environmental monitoring help prevent illness, save lives and contribute to making the world a safer place. As the global leaders in rapid diagnostic tests, we provide solutions that are reliable, easy to use and accurate, backed by industry-leading customer service and support. With a sizeable global presence, Hygiena is headquartered in Camarillo, California, with numerous offices and customer application centers in the Americas, Europe, Asia and Australia. We also partner with over 180 distributors in more than 100 countries worldwide. Learn more about us at www.hygiena.com.

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