

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Hygiena[®] Announces Issuance of a New US Patent for SalQuant[®]

Patent and patent application provide additional coverage while strengthening the company's intellectual property position in microorganism quantification

Camarillo, California (July 7, 2023) — Hygiena[®] is pleased to announce that the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) has recently granted patent number 11,634,782; U.S. Patent Application No. 16/549,059; and the official registered trademark to protect BAX[®] System SalQuant[®]. The patent has been effective since April 23, 2023.

Hygiena's patented SalQuant, which was developed to meet increased demand for *Salmonella* quantification in One Health Diagnostics[™] applications, serves as an alternative to traditional, time-consuming methods. Using this multipurpose tool, processors can quantify *Salmonella* from the farm to final product to improve and verify sanitation and antimicrobial intervention processes, to meet more stringent regulatory and quality standards while protecting consumers by knowing the risk a positive sample could pose.

Designed by food industry customers, for food industry customers, SalQuant accommodates their top needs such as simplified workflows and faster time-to-results that will support their food safety plans. The patented system leverages molecular methods to enumerate *Salmonella* contamination in many common food matrices, including beef, pork, poultry, environmental, produce and seafood. It provides food companies with a data-driven decision for pathogen testing that is rapid, reliable and offers increased accuracy.

Commenting on the patent, Hygiena Chief Scientific Officer Dr. Patrice Chablain said: "The addition of this recent patent underscores our commitment to innovation in advancing seamless, easy-to-follow diagnostic tools that answer every step of the quantification workflow while minimizing cost of resource investment. As experts in quantification, we believe we hold one of the most robust rapid methods that provides quantitative data on contamination levels. SalQuant enables an accelerated time-to-result for pathogen testing that generates faster decision-making, improved productivity and competitive advantage with reduced quantitation results from several days to 12 hours."

"This new patent not only strengthens our intellectual property position in quantification but also confirms our strategic commitment to developing innovative diagnostics that improve the health of people and animals in our shared environment," concluded Amanda Manolis, Vice President Global Marketing and Product Management at Hygiena.

For more information on SalQuant, please visit us [here](#).



PRESS RELEASE

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 farm to fork 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 and 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, Africa, Asia and Australia. We also partner with over 180 distributors in more than 100 countries worldwide. Learn more about us at www.hygiena.com.

###

Contact:

For all media enquiries, please email: Stephanie Köhrle, Communications & PR Manager at skoehrle@hygiena.com.