

Amphora Research Systems is pleased to announce the introduction of the new PatentSafe Personal Edition aimed at small startup companies

Cheyenne, WY (PRWEB) February 6, 2009 -- Amphora Research Systems (<http://www.amphora-research.com>) is pleased to announce the introduction of the new PatentSafe Personal Edition. This edition of the market-leading PatentSafe product is aimed at small, early phase companies of up to 5 researchers who until now have been under served by an ELN market traditionally focused on Blue-chip companies.

As a new biotech company is born it might only have one or two scientists working in borrowed lab space, and increasingly those scientists will be in different locations. Their work is frustrated not only by the well-known shortcomings of the paper lab notebook, but also the inefficiencies that arise from having little support for collaboration except for email.

With the introduction of the PatentSafe Personal Edition even the smallest group of researchers can benefit from a world class electronic lab notebook system (ELN). Using PatentSafe, scientists can work remotely as virtual teams across different facilities or institutions, while collaborating easily on their projects. They no longer have to 'cut and stick' computer printouts into their traditional bound laboratory notebook, saving typically between 15 minutes to an hour per day. Furthermore, the entire PatentSafe notebook can be searched and shared securely with colleagues, wherever they are based, and all work is fully protected for patent and IP purposes. Protecting the fledgling company's assets from the start will be a benefit when the time comes to grow or sell their ideas.

Simon Coles, CTO and co-founder of Amphora, explains: "It's tremendously exciting to see how many small science-based startups are being created at the moment, and the Internet has allowed individual researchers with common interests to work together in a common endeavor regardless of where they are. Experts in their field, who historically would never have been able to work closely together, can now run as a "Virtual Company" in their early days, preserving cash while they prove the viability of their ideas. Unfortunately none of the existing tools support this Internet-focused work whilst proving a platform for Long Term protection of IP, as well as support collaboration at a distance."

He adds: "The introduction of the PatentSafe Personal Edition brings the Enterprise-class capabilities of PatentSafe to companies who find themselves with Enterprise-scale problems but until now haven't had the infrastructure or financial ability to do anything but struggle on with the Paper Lab Notebook. Now they can have a quick, easy, and cost effective solution which can grow with them and their success."

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The Personal Edition is available on a yearly subscription and is provided as a securely hosted service accessed via the internet. This enables small start up having little or no IT infrastructure to get up and running straight away.

PatentSafe is quick to learn and affordable to deploy, and can be used in conjunction with traditional paper-based methods, or with other discipline-specific ELN products which may lack sufficient IP protection.

Notes for Editors:

Launched in 1996, Amphora Research Systems is one of the world's leading suppliers of Electronic Laboratory Notebooks. Its software products, including PatentSafe, are used around the world by large and small companies, including those in the pharmaceutical and chemical sectors. PatentSafe helps scientists to work better, collaborate easily with each other, and protect their inventions.

In July 2007, Amphora was awarded Frost & Sullivan's Market Penetration award based on its continued success in the ELN market.



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