

Ocimum Biosolutions Launches Sequencing Services

Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India, November 20, 2008 - Ocimum Biosolutions today announced the launch of sequencing services from its India facility. Using the gold standard 96-capillary 3730xl DNA Analyzer, Ocimum would provide various DNA analysis applications such as microsatellites, SNP analysis, BAC fingerprinting, mutation detection, resequencing, LOH (loss of heterozygosity) and traditional DNA sequencing for animal, plant, and microbial genomes. The DNA sequencing services offered by Ocimum Biosolutions are: Shot Gun Sequencing (BACs/Cosmids), Primer Walking, Re-sequencing (SNP profiling), high throughput sequencing and bacterial identification. Ocimum's team of trained bioinformaticians, sequencing experts, and statisticians help in achieving optimized assembly, accurate SNP analysis and better base calling. Ocimum also offers assistance for genome sequence annotation and analysis, mutational analysis, and confidential sequencing data management.

"We aim to provide researchers with world class services and solutions for their research problems, whether in drug discovery and development, agricultural research, or basic academic research," says Dr. Elango Murugaiyan, Manager – Sequencing Services.

About Ocimum Biosolutions: Ocimum Biosolutions is a leading integrated genomics company providing comprehensive genomic reference databases, life science lab information management solutions, GLP-compliant microarray services and essential research consumables. Over 2/3rd of the top 25 pharma companies, leading research institutes and emerging biotech companies worldwide have chosen us as their preferred outsourcing partner and utilize our expertise for understanding underlying mechanisms of diseases, discovery and prioritization of gene targets and biomarkers.

For more information, please visit

<http://www.ocimumbio.com/web/BioResearch/sequencing.asp>

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