



# UK Manufacturer Selects Georgia Firm to Introduce new Nano Testing Technology

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*MVA Scientific Consultants to serve as US Demonstration and Support Site for new instrument used for quantitative nano-scale materials characterization.*

PR9.NET October 11, 2005 - ATLANTA - Georgia-based MVA Scientific Consultants, and international instrument manufacturer Micro Materials Ltd., announced today that they have joined forces in a Strategic Alliance to promote The Nano Test™ – the first commercial instrument used for quantitative nano-scale materials characterization. Micro Materials' Nano Test™ instrument has applications in a wide range of industries where erosive wear, toughness and contact fatigue are important. These industries include automotive, pharmaceuticals, medical devices and others that make use of thin films and coatings.

Micro Materials' NanoTest™ is recognized as the market leader in Asia and Europe over the last 10 years and has chosen MVA Scientific Consultants to serve as its official Demonstration and Support Site for the Nano Test™ technology in the US market. "The NanoTest has been extremely successful in Europe but is still relatively unknown in the US. The alliance with MVA Scientific Consultants gives us the opportunity to bring the instrument to the attention of a much wider audience. In particular this is a chance for us to show off our world leading high temperature and impact testing options," says Paul Grasske, President of UK-based Micro Materials Ltd.

MVA Scientific Consultants is looking at the new technology as a possible addition to its comprehensive package of Surface Analysis services. "As the Leader in the Science of Small Things, we welcome opportunities to showcase new innovations involving the analysis of nano-materials", states Rich Brown, Executive Director and Project Leader for Surface Analysis services at MVA Scientific Consultants. "We are pleased to be working with Micro Materials Ltd. as they introduce this new technology and demonstrate its value as it relates to QA/QC issues and R&D projects," says Brown.

Science and technology marketer Bob Hirche of ICMAS Inc. in Knoxville, TN brokered the alliance between the two companies.

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## About Micro Materials LTD

Formed in 1988, in Wrexham UK, Micro Materials is a world leader in the development, manufacture and marketing of nanomechanical testing instruments for research and material optimization. The company has focused its innovation on developing a modular, versatile instrument for the research community. For additional information on Micro Materials and its products, visit: [www.micromaterials.co.uk](http://www.micromaterials.co.uk) or contact MML at [info@micromaterials.co.uk](mailto:info@micromaterials.co.uk).

## About MVA Scientific Consultants

MVA Scientific Consultants provides critical analysis and support for a variety of public and private sector interests through the use of electron and light microscopy. Clients from across the world seek out the Firm to help address unique challenges involving QA/QC, litigation, industrial hygiene, environmental forensics and a host of other issues.

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