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### **SAMUEL CORTES JOINS McCRONE MICROSCOPES & ACCESSORIES**

**WESTMONT, IL (November 14, 2007)** – McCrone Microscopes & Accessories, the instrument sales division of The McCrone Group Inc., internationally recognized as a world leader in microanalysis and the nation's Premier Microscopy Resource, announces today that Samuel Cortes joins the firm as a Technical Sales Representative of Instrument Sales. McCrone's instrument sales division offers a complete line of Olympus microscopes, Linkam Hotstages, and PAX-it imaging/archival system, along with other microscopy related instruments, reference standards and resource books.

Cortes joins a team of dedicated technical sales representatives based in Westmont, Illinois. The McCrone Division, established in 1960, offers one of the most complete lines of products and accessories for the optical microscopist.

Prior to joining McCrone, Cortes served as a pharmaceutical sales representative for both Schering-Plough Corporation and Pharmacia Corporation. He also was an account manager for Green Rock Marketing in Carmel, IN.

"Sam Cortes strong dedicated sales experience and success makes him an important addition to McCrone," said Jeff McGinn, Director of Instrument Sales, McCrone Microscopes & Accessories. "With his extensive training and numerous awards for sales success we expect him to contribute to the growth of our division," McGinn said.

"I am absolutely delighted to join the McCrone team and work with them to strengthen customer relationships and provide the best microscopy related solutions in the industry," Cortes said.

“With the growth and importance of microscopy today we have excellent opportunities to serve our customers and expand our business.”

Cortes earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Marketing from Northern Illinois University. Cortes and his family live in Orland Park, Illinois.

### **About The McCrone Group**

Founded in 1956 and located in Westmont, Illinois, The McCrone Group, Inc. is internationally recognized as “The Premier Microscopy Resource” and a world leader in materials analysis.

Today, The McCrone Group combines the talents and skills of McCrone Associates, McCrone Microscopes & Accessories, the College of Microscopy, the online McCrone Atlas of Microscopic Particles, and ModernMicroscopy.com.

McCrone Associates, the analytical service division, is focused on solving some of the most difficult materials analysis problems along with the day-to-day needs of forensic, pharmaceutical, materials, and environmental laboratories, scientific researchers, and government organizations worldwide.

McCrone Microscopes & Accessories, the instrument sales division, offers a complete line of microscopes and microscopy related instruments, reference standards, and resource books.

The College of Microscopy, the Group’s new Learning Center, provides training to both industry and government scientists worldwide. The staff of The McCrone Group has been teaching scientists and researchers for more than 40 years. Today The College of Microscopy offers more than 35 courses a year to the technical and educational community around the world.

The Atlas of Microscopic Particles ([www.mccroneatlas.com](http://www.mccroneatlas.com)), the Group’s new online particle resource, is the first of its kind internet-based particle reference for scientists, microscopists, and criminalists engaged in the materials identification area.

ModernMicroscopy.com, McCrone’s online peer-reviewed journal, publishes articles, scientific tips, and tutorials contributed by scientists from around the world. For further information about The McCrone Group, please visit [www.mccrone.com](http://www.mccrone.com).

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