NEW AND/OR INTERESTING IN MICROSCOPY

- NORAN Instruments Inc. has recently acquired the wavelength-dispersive spectrometer product line from Peak Instruments, Pennington, NJ. The Focus, IbeX, and APeX spectrometers are the principal components of the product line purchased by NORAN and, under the purchase agreement, the electronics, software, and new technologies in development by Peak are also included.
- → The American Association for Laboratory Accreditation (A2LA) has announced a new listserver for the discussion of issues relating to laboratory accreditation. Specifically covered are who is doing what; how and why organizations are becoming accredited; what the successes and concerns have been; what concepts, methods, software and organizations have been beneficial; etc. Subscription information can be found at the following URL: http://www.fasor.com/"iso25/listserv.html
- ➡ A list of companies that broker or directly sell used microscopes and accessories is available on the WWW at:
 http://www.mwrn.com/product/used.html
- → The Microscopy Society of America has a 12 page listing of microscopy related video tapes which can be purchased. The list can be obtained by going to the MSA web page at: http://www.MSA.Microscopy.com
- → To subscribe to the confocal listserver, send an eMail message to: "listserv@ubvm.cc.buffalo.edu" and in the text body type "subscribe confocal" and you will receive confirmation messages. To send messages, use "Confocal@ubvm.cc.buffalo.edu"

→ The Microscopy Society of America membership directory is now a searchable index on-line! One may access through the MSA URL: http://www.mas.microscopy.com

BTW: complete downloads of the MSA database are not allowed.

➡ Infocom Ltd. (East Grinstead, England) recently released the 1996 edition of its highly successful series of reports on world markets for laboratory instruments and scientific equipment: Regional Marketing - Laboratory Instruments - 1996.

To complete the report, Infocom's researchers searched hundreds of studies commissioned by the US Department of Commerce's international Trade Administration and extracted information relating to market prospects for laboratory and scientific equipment in 1994, 1995 and 1996.

Presenting the information as single-page summaries for each country, the report provides marketing personnel with a quick and effective reference source on the majority of the world's most important markets for laboratory equipment. The 59 data sheets quantify imports, exports, market size and growth and discuss domestic manufacturing, the business environment and prospects for exporters.

Priced at \$100 U.S., the report can be obtained by contacting Infocom by fax at: +44 1342-833488 or by email at: 100443.3474.

→ The American Vacuum Society (AVS) will offer 45 short courses in conjunction with their 43rd National Symposium, October 14-18, 1996, at the Pennsylvania Conference Center, Philadelphia, PA. Courses provide training for scientists, engineers, technicians and managers. For information, contact Margaret Stringer at AVS: (800)888-1021



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