

United States Department of Justice acquires international Bloodhound™ License to complement CODIS program

Bloodhound's scientific pedigree and validation seen as an asset in the organization's effort to efficiently identify missing persons.

Boston, MA — Monday, July 7, 2008 — Ananomouse Corporation, a leading provider of computational genomic solutions, today announced the establishment of a worldwide-unlimited license for its Bloodhound technology to the US Department of Justice (DOJ). The software will be used in support of, and as a complement to, the Federal Bureau of Investigations' Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) program. "Bloodhound's unique capabilities were designed to address the problems of cumbersome genomic databases and high-throughput analyses required in the context of a mass fatality incident or national missing persons effort," says Dr. Christopher Sears, the chairman of Ananomouse's Scientific Advisory Board, "we are pleased to contribute to development of the world's premiere forensic genomic platform." The license incorporates an endowment of the underlying Bloodhound intellectual property in perpetuity for humanitarian purposes.

Since its inception in 1990, the CODIS program has become a significant asset for law enforcement worldwide. The technology has enabled the matching of DNA found at crime scenes to that of convicted offenders. Over 170 public law enforcement laboratories participate in the program across the United States. Internationally, more than 40 law enforcement laboratories in over 25 countries use the CODIS software for their own database initiatives. The program has aided more than 60,000 investigations in the USA alone. The CODIS laboratory is currently developing tools to assist in missing persons and mass disaster victim identification.

Bloodhound's enterprise grade kinship analysis identification technology will supplement the CODIS program's mission in identifying missing persons and disaster victim identification. With a pedigree of successfully identifying victims of the World Trade Center attacks of 2001 and the Swissair flight 111 disaster based purely on genomic analysis, an architecture designed for high-throughput processing, and a feature-set which minimizes reporting errors in the field, the integration of the Bloodhound technology in conjunction with the CODIS program will support ongoing success. "The FBI is continuously seeking to develop and incorporate the best solutions for the future of forensics and for law enforcement in general," says Dr. Thomas Callaghan, the Chief of the FBI Laboratory CODIS Unit. "Ananomouse's technology and insight is a valuable asset to our efforts."

About Ananomouse

Ananomouse Corporation Inc., a Massachusetts based software company dedicated to producing enterprise grade solutions for research and forensic applications. Targeting problems critical to these industries, Ananomouse is capable of developing robust solutions to the complex problems facing these industries.

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