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**Carolina Liquid Chemistries Partners with GlycoMark Inc. on
New Generation Test for Diabetes Management**

*GlycoMark® test for postprandial hyperglycemia can now be run in the physician's office on the
BioLis 24i bench top chemistry analyzer.*

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. (Feb. 25, 2010) – North Carolina's Piedmont Triad Research Park was the catalyst for a partnership to provide doctors with a postprandial hyperglycemia blood test that can be analyzed in the physician's office. Carolina Liquid Chemistries Corp. will market the [GlycoMark®](#) blood test as one of a complete range of diabetes assays for the [BioLis 24i](#) bench top chemistry analyzer.

[Carolina Liquid Chemistries](#), a manufacturer, distributor and service provider for reagents and chemistry systems, teamed up with GlycoMark Inc., the test manufacturer, to market a complete system for diabetes associated diagnostic tests. "There are 1.6 million people diagnosed with diabetes each year," said Phil Shugart, president of Carolina Liquid Chemistries. "Through this partnership, we will promote a system for helping physicians manage this epidemic. The Biolis 24i is the only physician office instrument that offers a complete menu of the diabetic assays: HbA1c, glucose, fructosamine, insulin, kidney function tests and now GlycoMark®, one of the most important tests for better management of diabetes and prevention of the devastating diseases that accompany it."

Monitoring and controlling [postprandial hyperglycemia](#) — the high blood glucose spikes a person experiences soon after eating — are key aspects of proper diabetes management. GlycoMark® is an FDA approved, reimbursed, non-fasting blood test that monitors intermediate glyceemic control and can be administered monthly. "Because HbA1c only identifies a person's average glucose level over time, it misses up to 40 percent of patients in near normal ranges (6.0 to 8.5 percent) who are not in good glyceemic control," said Eric Button, president of GlycoMark Inc. "This can lead to cardiovascular disease, retinopathy and other complications of diabetes. GlycoMark® identifies peak glucose levels after a person eats, so physicians can identify those patients and prescribe the proper medications."

Until now, GlycoMark® was only available through reference labs, so physicians had to wait for results before prescribing treatment. Now, with the BioLis 24i, the physician's office can perform the test on site and have the results within minutes. "The physician has same day results, can provide immediate feedback to the patient, and make treatment decisions and medication adjustments before the patient leaves the office," Shugart said.

There are more than 3,000 [BioLis 24i](#) chemistry analyzers in use worldwide. The BioLis 24i performs over 400 tests per hour, uses permanent reaction cuvettes instead of disposable and a water system instead of water cubes. It is also compatible with all LIS systems, which eliminates the need for paper documents.

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About [Carolina Liquid Chemistries Corp.](#)

Founded in Brea, Calif., Carolina Liquid Chemistries is a manufacturer, distributor and service provider of chemistry systems and reagents for hospitals, clinical reference laboratories and physician practices. Now headquartered in the Piedmont Triad Research Park of Winston-Salem, N.C., Carolina Liquid Chemistries offers chemistry instruments that range in throughput from 180 to 1,400 tests per hour and repackages homocysteine reagents for a variety of chemistry analyzers in bar-coded packages for Beckman and Olympus instruments. For more information, visit <http://www.carolinachemistries.com>.

About GlycoMark Inc.

GlycoMark Inc. is a joint venture by Toyota Tsusho America Inc. (New York, N.Y.), Nippon Kayaku (Tokyo, Japan), and the BioMarker Group (N.C.). Located in New York, N.Y., and Winston-Salem, N.C., GlycoMark Inc. is dedicated to the discovery and commercialization of novel biomarkers for diabetes.