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### **Picosun Oy Announces Orders from Multiple Customers and a Distribution Agreement in Japan**

**HELSINKI, Finland - May 16, 2006** - Finnish Atomic Layer Deposition (ALD) equipment manufacturer Picosun Oy reports that it has received multiple orders for its novel gamma level SUNALE™ R-75 and R-150 ALD reactors, mainly from European countries and USA. Order intake increased drastically during the second quarter of year 2006.

Earlier this year Picosun Oy installed its research scale SUNALE™ R-150 ALD reactor in the Laboratory of Inorganic Chemistry at University of Helsinki. The reactor is performing well and is already accepted by Prof. Mikko Ritala and Prof. Markku Leskelä, who are amongst the most experienced and highly regarded ALD experts in the world.

Due to the increased order intake Picosun Oy will be employing several new ALD specialists, engineers and service technicians.

To further strengthen the sales of SUNALE™ ALD reactors, Picosun Oy and Altech Alt Co, Ltd. have entered into co-operation in the distribution of Picosun Oy's ALD products in Japan. Altech will take care of the sales and technical support of Picosun's SUNALE™ ALD reactors in Japan.

"We are very pleased to announce the new orders and our co-operation with Altech. With Altech's respectable performance in technical sales and support and their experience in nanotechnology, I am positive this co-operation will strengthen our position in Japanese ALD market. This will further benefit our Japanese customers", stated Juhana Kostamo, COO of Picosun Oy at the Nanotechnology in Northern Europe NTNE 2006 Event.

SUNALE™ R-series ALD reactors are optimized for ALD method especially for MEMS and nanotechnology research and application development purposes.

Gamma level SUNALE™ R-series ALD reactors can be equipped with temperature stabilized Picosolution™ liquid sources, ventilated Picogases™ gas cabinets, proprietary new type Picosolid™ and Picosolid™ Booster solid sources for high and low vapour pressure solids and several different types of Picoloader™ load locks for manual, semi-automatic or fully automated cassette-to-cassette operation.

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