



## **Headwall's Hyperspec™ Sensor Named as Finalist for Prestigious 2009 Prism Award**

*High Performance Hyperspectral Imaging Sensor Earns Industry Praise for Sensor Innovation*

**Fitchburg, MA, January 13, 2009** — SPIE, the international society for photonics and optics, and Laurin Publishing, publisher of Photonics Media, announced that Headwall Photonics was named as a finalist for the 2009 Prism Award in the Sensing & Imaging Systems category. The Prism Award honors leading companies and products around the world that demonstrate the highest degree of innovation in the field of photonics.

“We are extremely honored to be selected as a finalist for this prestigious award. As a technology company focused on the design and deployment of hyperspectral instrumentation, we see this as an affirmation of our continued focus and differentiation as the world’s leading provider of spectral imaging solutions” said David Bannon, CEO of Headwall Photonics. “Being named a finalist for the 2009 Prism Award is recognition of our engineering innovation and the technical leadership we’ve gained through the commercialization of integrated spectral imaging instruments.”

Headwall was recognized for development and deployment of the Hyperspec™ Starter Kit, an instrument solution comprised of a hyperspectral imaging sensor, image acquisition and rendering software, translation stages, and illumination components that allow customers to rapidly and cost-effectively implement hyperspectral technology in life science and industrial application environments.

"Photonics technologies affect nearly every aspect of life -- energy production and distribution, communications, consumer electronics, medicine, biotechnology, manufacturing, analysis of climate change, and security, to mention a few," said SPIE CEO Eugene Arthurs. "The Photonics Prism Awards program is one way we are helping to accelerate innovation and move technology to market." Category Winners in each of the categories will be presented with their awards on 28 January at the Photonics West Conference.

**Headwall Photonics** leverages its expertise in nanophotonics engineering and manufacturing to produce a portfolio of OEM spectral engines and optical subsystems for the analytical, life sciences, defense, and telecommunications industries. The company was founded in 2003 after a management buyout of the optical division of Agilent Technologies (formerly American Holographic). With extensive design capabilities, Headwall’s core technology is based around the design of application-specific wavelength solutions with embedded “original” holographic diffraction gratings.

### About Headwall Photonics

Headwall Photonics is a leading designer and manufacturer of imaging spectrometers and spectral instrumentation for industrial, commercial, and government markets. Headwall's high performance spectrometers, spectral engines, and holographic diffraction gratings have been selected by OEM and end-user customers around the world for use in critical application environments. As a pioneer in the development of innovative spectrographs and imaging spectrometers based on optical technologies, Headwall enjoys a market leadership position through the design and manufacture of patented spectral instrumentation that is customized for application-specific performance. Headwall Photonics was formed in 2003 as the result of a management buy-out from Agilent Technologies.

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