

# Press Release

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## Oxford Instruments wins Corporate Excellence Award

The British Chamber of Commerce in Japan (BCCJ) has announced that Oxford Instruments KK has won the prestigious Corporate Excellence category at the 2009 British Business Awards.

Oxford Instruments was selected from a number of impressive nominations as demonstrating corporate excellence because of its enduring commitment to investment in Japan and the significant role it plays in linking the academic and scientific research communities in both Japan and the UK.

The judges were particularly impressed with Oxford Instruments' commitment to promoting scientific exchange not only through strategic partnerships with Japanese companies, but also through the work of The Millennium Science Forum, which has been organised by Oxford Instruments Japan for over ten years. The Sir Martin Wood Prize at this event is awarded to young scientists who have performed outstanding and original research in a Japanese university or research institute in the field of condensed matter science.

Jonathan Flint, Chief Executive of Oxford Instruments said "I am delighted that the long term commitment of Oxford Instruments to supporting the scientific community in Japan has been recognised with this prestigious award"

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**Notes to Editors**

Oxford Instruments designs, supplies and supports high-technology tools and systems with a focus on research and industrial applications. It provides solutions needed to advance fundamental physics research and its transfer into commercial nanotechnology applications. Innovation has been the driving force behind Oxford Instruments' growth and success for over 50 years, and its strategy is to effect the successful commercialisation of these ideas by bringing them to market in a timely and customer-focused fashion.

The first technology business to be spun out from Oxford University over fifty years ago, Oxford Instruments is now a global company with over 1300 staff worldwide and a listing on the London Stock Exchange (OXIG). Its objective is to be the leading provider of new generation tools and systems for the research and industrial sectors.

This involves the combination of core technologies in areas such as low temperature and high magnetic field environments, Nuclear Magnetic Resonance, X-ray electron and optical based metrology, and advanced growth, deposition and etching. Our products, expertise, and ideas address global issues such as energy, environment, security and health.