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**SMITHERS VISCIENT NORTH AMERICA  
ANNOUNCES TWO EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS**

WAREHAM, MA, USA –October 8, 2014 – Smithers Viscient has announced two executive appointments in North America. Dr. Darren Warren has joined the company as Vice President, North American Operations. Dr. Kalumbu Malekani has been appointed to the role of North American Technical Director.

Dr. Warren brings 25 years of laboratory leadership and drug development expertise to Smithers Viscient. Prior to joining Smithers, Dr. Warren served in senior management roles within several top contract research organizations and worked in project management and study director positions at Bayer Corporation.

Dr. Malekani has 17 years of experience in regulatory pesticide fate and transport research. In his role as North American Technical Director, he will support and foster technical expertise across Smithers Viscient. Dr. Malekani will retain responsibility for his current role as Director of Environmental Fate and Metabolism until a replacement has been named.

“Dr. Warren and Dr. Malekani are both well-recognized in our industry for their technical proficiency and business expertise. Their leadership abilities and scientific knowledge will help us to better meet client requirements as we continue to grow our staff and expand our service offerings,” said Susan Shepherd, President of Smithers Viscient.

Smithers Viscient, a [Smithers Group](http://www.smithersgroup.com) company, delivers a comprehensive range of [ecotoxicology](#), [environmental fate](#), metabolism, [chemistry](#), and [toxicology](#) services, for the pharmaceutical, crop protection, chemical, and consumer household product industries. For more information about Smithers Viscient’s environmental regulatory testing solutions, visit [www.smithersviscient.com](http://www.smithersviscient.com).

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**About Smithers Viscient**

Smithers Viscient is a global Contract Research Organization (CRO) providing environmental testing, toxicology, and regulatory services for the crop protection, pharmaceutical, industrial chemical, and the consumer and household product industries. With laboratories located in North America and Europe, Smithers Viscient, has performed standard guideline and higher-tiered environmental studies for 45 years. Each Smithers Group company provides technology-based services focused on a defined market. By integrating science, technology and business expertise, Smithers’ goal is to add value throughout the life cycle of our clients’ products, by utilizing testing, consulting, information and compliance services. For more information, visit [www.smithers.com](http://www.smithers.com).

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