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Coburn Technologies and Kowa American Corporation Announce Distribution Agreement

SOUTH WINDSOR, CT – Coburn Technologies, a leader in providing innovative, end-to-end customer solutions to the world's ophthalmic lens processing industry, and Kowa American Corporation, a leading provider of ophthalmic diagnostic products announce their new agreement whereby Coburn Technologies will distribute Kowa's diagnostic products to the US ophthalmic market.

Under the agreement, Coburn Technologies will begin selling the complete range of Kowa's diagnostic products in the US on September 1. Included in the Kowa diagnostic line are the Nonmyd WX^{3D} Retinal Camera, the Nonmyd 7 Fundus Camera, and the HA-2 Applanation Tonometer. The Nonmyd WX^{3D} provides the user with options such as three photography modes, Normal, SP (Small Pupil) and Stereo. The Nonmyd 7 is equipped with 24 Megapixel Resolution and 2 optical angles, 45° and 20°. A compact, lightweight, and easy to handle HA-2 Applanation Tonometer offers built-in illumination permitting the usage of the instrument regardless of lighting conditions in the consultation room.

Alex Incera, president of Coburn said, "Kowa has a tremendous product offering, and like Coburn, the company places an emphasis on technology and service, so it's a good fit for us. The Kowa line complements our popular Huvitz line of refractors/keratometers, slit lamps, projectors, lensmeters, digital refractors and surgical microscopes so that we are able to offer a complete range of products and solutions to the eye care professional."

Reid Anthony, president and CEO of Kowa American Corporation said, "We are excited to partner with Coburn Technologies. We believe their access to the eye care professional market through their extensive sales organization and their sixty years of leading industry experience combined with our products and technology is a winning combination. Kowa and Coburn Technologies share a focus on developing innovative technologies and cost effective solutions for the eye care professional."

Coburn Technologies will showcase Kowa's products at this year's Vision Expo West in Las Vegas, NV, booth MS7058. For prices, special configurations and additional information please call (800-COBURN-1) for the Coburn expert in your area.

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About Coburn Technologies

Coburn Technologies (<http://www.coburntechnologies.com>) is a long standing company continuing a 60 year tradition as a leading provider of integrated optical lens processing systems.

Coburn manufactures and services a complete series of equipment, software and supplies used in surfacing prescriptions in lens blanks, coating lenses, and machining lenses to fit patient frames as well as distribution of refractory and patient diagnostic equipment. Coburn Technologies is American owned and globally headquartered in South Windsor, Connecticut USA.

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