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### **Cleveland Hosts 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Nano Week™ October 2-6**

*October lineup will focus on Materials, Medicine, and Manufacturing*

**CLEVELAND** (August 17, 2005) –Hundreds of scientists, researchers and entrepreneurs are again expected to gather in Northeast Ohio for the third annual Nano Week™ October 2-6 in Cleveland. This year's event will highlight the ways nanotechnology will affect the future of materials, medicine, and manufacturing. The [Materials, Medicine, and Nanotechnology Summit](#) will be held in Cleveland and serve as the main event for the week, with more activities scheduled in Lorain, Akron and Warrensville Heights.

The Nano Network, formed by scientists, entrepreneurs and financiers to improve and expand nanotechnology research and commercialization activities in Northeast Ohio, and throughout the nation, is the organizer of Nano Week.

"This 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Nano Week event continues to celebrate next-generation innovative technologies made possible through nanotechnology," said Chris Mather, Executive Director of the Nano Network and Vice President of NorTech. "Cleveland and Northeast Ohio are well positioned to play a pivotal role in nanotechnology research and commercialization due to our strengths in medicine, advanced materials, and manufacturing," Mather continued.

The schedule for Nano Week includes:

- **Materials, Medicine, and Nanotechnology Summit** –A four-day conference focusing on new materials advances, nanotechnology discoveries, and their impact on new medical applications, will be sponsored by the Cleveland Clinic, ASM International, and the Nano-Network. Oct. 2 will feature training courses designed for engineers and physicians who work with medical devices and will be offered with CME accreditation; Oct. 3 and Oct. 4 will feature blended technical programming and will cover the spectrum of materials-related challenges in orthopedics, cardiology, neurology, nanotechnology, tissue engineering, and minimally invasive surgery; Oct. 5 will feature two parallel programs tracks: Nanomedicine and Materials and Processes for Medical Devices. The Materials, Medicine, and Nanotechnology Summit will be hosted by Cleveland Clinic, ASM International, and the Nano-Network and serve as the anchor event of Nano-Week™ 2006. For more event details visit, [www.nanomedicinesummit.org](http://www.nanomedicinesummit.org)

- **Nanotechnology Manufacturers' Forum** – A one-day symposium on Oct. 4 that will encourage collaboration between nanotechnology experts and traditional manufacturers to develop more efficient ways to make products through applications of the small science. The forum is sponsored by Lorain County Community College, Lorain County Manufacturing Council, Lorain County College Tech Prep Consortium, Manufacturing Advocacy Growth Network (MAGNET), JumpStart and the Nano-Network. Contact John Butkowski at (440) 463-4144 or [John.Butkowski@rhenium.com](mailto:John.Butkowski@rhenium.com) for more details. To register for this event, [click here](#).
- **Nanotechnology 101**– The Nano-Network will present a series of regional community presentations to educate the public about the basics of nanotechnology, as well as discuss its applications and benefits to the region's economy. Nanotechnology 101 presentations will be held in Cleveland and Akron, Ohio during Nano Week. Throughout October, similar forums will be held in Canton, Youngstown and other locations in Northeast Ohio. For more information about these events, please visit [www.nano-network.org](http://www.nano-network.org).
- **Nano Entrepreneur Boot Camp**: A one-day workshop on Oct. 6 designed to teach the fundamentals of being a successful entrepreneur, with an emphasis on small technology (nanotechnology and MEMs). The workshop will address the needs of start-up entrepreneurs and educate them about forming and operating a small technology business. The event is being sponsored by Corporate College East and the Nano-Network. For more details about this event please visit [www.nano-network.org](http://www.nano-network.org)

For more information on Nano Week and its schedule of events, please visit the Nano Network web site at [www.nano-network.org](http://www.nano-network.org).

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### **About the Nano Network**

The Nano-Network is one of the largest and best-known privately funded, "grass roots" nanotechnology organizations in the U.S. The group was formed by scientists, entrepreneurs and financiers to improve and expand nanotechnology research and commercialization activities and capacities in Northeast Ohio, and throughout the nation. The Nano-Network is currently managed by NorTech ([www.nortech.org](http://www.nortech.org)), a regional economic development organization focused on innovation, technology and entrepreneurship in Northeast Ohio. [www.nano-network.org](http://www.nano-network.org).