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### **BCF Technology joins the IMV Technologies Group**

BCF Technology, a leading provider of veterinary imaging equipment, and IMV Technologies, leader in animal reproduction technologies, announce that they are joining forces under the IMV Technologies Group.

BCF Technology (BCF), based in Bellshill, Scotland, designs and manufactures ultrasound equipment for use on farm and by veterinarians.

IMV Technologies is a French Group based in L'Aigle, Normandy. Through the integration of BCF, IMV Technologies continues to widen its offering in the reproduction management sector and particularly in imaging. This strategy follows the June 2017 acquisition of ECM, a French veterinary ultrasound manufacturer, and the launch of AlphaVision, a video-assisted bovine insemination system.

Alan Picken, Managing Director of BCF, will lead the imaging division of IMV Technologies and become a member of the Management Board of the Group.

Philippe Gravier, Chief Executive Officer of IMV Technologies, comments, *"For over 50 years, IMV has been at the forefront of innovations in animal artificial insemination and embryo transfer. Following the acquisition of ECM earlier this year, the integration of BCF supports our vision to supply health status and reproduction-readiness tools to veterinarians, breeding technicians and livestock owners."*

*"I am very excited that BCF is joining the IMV Technologies Group,"* declares Picken. *"Our 100 employees have worked hard to build this company to where it is now. There is no doubt that IMV's strong brand, customer loyalty and extensive distribution network will help to expand further our imaging activities. Like IMV, I share the vision that market differentiation is in supporting customers to improve animal care, achieved through constant innovation and marketing leading products and services."*

#### **About IMV Technologies**

The IMV Technologies Group is the world leader in reproduction technologies, offering all the solutions currently available for artificial insemination, embryo transfer and ultrasonography.

IMV was founded in 1963 by Robert Cassou, founder of the first French artificial insemination centre for cattle in 1946. The Group, headquartered in L'Aigle (Normandy, France), has operations in more than 130 countries and has established subsidiaries in the USA, India, China, Italy and the Netherlands.

## About BCF Technology

BCF Technology has been designing and marketing ultrasound scanners for more than 30 years and provides a range of diagnostic imaging solutions for veterinary and animal applications.

From wireless units to wearable head-mounted displays and waterproof units, BCF Technology has been an innovator in many segments of the ultrasound market. Based in Bellshill, Scotland, with more than one hundred people and with offices in Ireland, France, USA and India, as well as a network of over 40 distributors, BCF installs and trains veterinarians and technicians worldwide. Its manufactured range consists of portable ultrasound scanners for use with animals (farm animals, pets, wild animals). BCF also distributes prestigious brands for X-ray, CT and MRI equipment, as well as PACS (Digital Image Management).

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