



## PEOPLE

Cognis has announced the expansion of its management board. **Paul Allen**, executive vice president functional products, **Stephane Baseden**, executive vice president nutrition & health, and **Richard Ridinger**, executive vice president care chemicals have all been appointed to the management board.

Minerals Technologies Inc. has announced the retirement of **Paul R. Saueracker**, chairman, president, and chief executive officer. **Joseph C. Muscari**, a member of the Board of Directors of Minerals Technologies Inc. since 2005, has been named to succeed Saueracker effective March 1, 2007. Minerals Technologies Inc. has also announced that **John A. Sorel**, senior vice president, finance and chief financial officer, will assume responsibility for managing the company's Synsil Products business in addition to his finance responsibilities.

Nielsen-Massey Vanillas is under new ownership. True to its name, it is and will remain a family-owned business. Camilla Nielsen's three children, **Craig, Beth**, and **Matt Nielsen**, have taken ownership of the company.

## COMPANIES

## Acquisitions

The SensoryEffects business unit of Loders Croklaan USA, LLC has been purchased by Performance Chemicals & Ingredients (PCI) Company of St. Louis, MO. This transaction reinforces PCI Company's plan to build a specialty food

ingredients business through target acquisitions and organic growth.

Givaudan has signed an agreement with UK-based Imperial Chemical Industries PLC to acquire its fragrance and flavor business, Quest International. Acquiring Quest will extend Givaudan's leadership position in all strategic segments of the fragrance and flavor industry.

## New Company

The Ingredient House, LLC is opening doors together with selected exclusive partners. The company, headed by Graham Hall, has blended traditional Western world sales and technical and marketing support with low-cost country manufacturing and supply capabilities. The company offers a select range of high-quality ingredients produced primarily in China to the North American food and beverage industry, as well as various international markets.

## Website

Symrise has announced the launching of its new redesigned website. The website reflects the changes to the Symrise divisions, which, as part of the new strategic focus, have been consolidated and renamed "Scent & Care" and "Flavor & Nutrition." The website address is [www.symrise.com](http://www.symrise.com).

## AACC INTERNATIONAL ANNUAL MEETINGS

**2007.** San Antonio, Texas. Henry B.

Gonzalez Convention Center. Oct. 7–10.

**2008.** Honolulu, Hawaii. Hawaii Convention Center. Sept. 21–24.

## CALENDAR

## March

**6-8. 9th Annual Food Safety & Security Summit Expo & Conference.** Washington, D.C. Contact: The Food Safety & Security Summit, 5 Executive Court, Suite #2, South Barrington, IL 60010; +1.866.734.6736; Fax +1.847.713.2590; <http://www.foodsafetysummit.com>

**18-23. Course: Snack Foods Processing.** College Station, TX. Contact: Mian N. Riaz, Food Protein R&D Center, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-2476; +1.979.845.2774; Fax +1.979.458.0019; E-mail [mnriaz@tamu.edu](mailto:mnriaz@tamu.edu); <http://www.tamu.edu/extrusion/>

## April

**30-May 2. 6th European Young Cereal Scientists and Technologists Workshop.** Montpellier, France. Contact: AACC International-Europe, Stanislas de Rijcklaan 60/22, BE-3001 Heverlee, Belgium; +32.16.204035; Fax +32.16.202535; E-mail [aacc@scisoceurope.org](mailto:aacc@scisoceurope.org); <http://www.cerealsandeuropa.net>

## May

**2-4. Spring Meeting 2007.** Montpellier, France. Contact: AACC International-Europe, Stanislas de Rijcklaan 60/22, BE-3001 Heverlee, Belgium; +32.16.204035; Fax +32.16.202535; E-mail [aacc@scisoceurope.org](mailto:aacc@scisoceurope.org); <http://www.cerealsandeuropa.net>

**16-18. AACC International Milling & Baking Division Spring Technical Conference.** Las Vegas, NV. Contact: Steve Schorn; E-mail [steveschorn@researchprod.com](mailto:steveschorn@researchprod.com)

## June

**11-12. Symposium: 2007 International Berry Health Benefits.** Corvallis, OR. Contact: Heather Rangner, Berry Health Benefits Symposium, OSU Conference Services, 100 LaSells Stewart Center, Corvallis, OR 97331; +1.541.737.6439; <http://oregon-state.edu/conferences/berryhealth2007/>

**15-22. XXVII International Workshop Symposium on Rapid Methods and Automation in Microbiology.** Manhattan, KS. Contact: Daniel Y. C. Fung, Kansas State University, Department of Animal Sciences and Industry, 139 Call Hall, Manhattan, KS 66506; +1.785.532.1208; Fax +1.785.532.3295; E-mail [dfung@ksu.edu](mailto:dfung@ksu.edu); <http://www.dce.ksu.edu/rapidmethods>

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**19-21. XV International Starch Convention.** Moscow, Russia. Contact: Luybov Wasserman, Institute of Biochemical Physics RAS, 4, ul. Kosygina, 119991 Moscow, Russia; (007) (495) 9397442; Fax (007) (495) 9382484; E-mail lwasserma@sky.chph.ras.ru; <http://www.ISCmoscow2007.narod.ru>

**July**

**28-31. 2007 IFT Annual Meeting and Food Expo.** Chicago, IL. Contact: Institute of Food Technologists, 525 W. Van Buren, Ste. 1000, Chicago, IL 60607; +1.312.782.8424; Fax +1.312.782.8348; <http://www.ift.org>

**August**

**26-30. 13th Australian Barley Technical Symposium.** Fremantle, Western Australia. Contact: Promaco Conventions, 7/22 Parry Avenue, Bateman, WA 6150, Australia; +61.8.9332.2900; Fax +61.8.9332.2911; <http://www.promaco.com.au/2007/abts>

**September**

**12-14. First International Symposium on Gluten-Free Cereal Products and Beverages.** Cork, Ireland. Endorsed by C&E and AACC International. Contact: AACC International-Europe, Stanislas de Rijcklaan 60/22, BE-3001 Heverlee, Belgium; +32 16 204035; Fax +32 16 202535; E-mail [aacc@scisoceurope.org](mailto:aacc@scisoceurope.org); <http://www.glutenfreecork2007.com>



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