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Custom Glassblowing Services for Laboratory Glassware The world's top craftsmen practice their art in the Kimble Chase Custom Glass Shop

Custom design, fabrication and repair of scientific glass apparatus, highly specialized crafts performed by skilled glassblowers, are alive and well. Kimble Chase, the largest manufacturer of laboratory glassware products in the world, employs one of the largest teams of master glassblowers in the life science and research community, and invites customers to send sketches of desired custom designs.

The Kimble Chase Custom Glass Shop offers a unique resource to meet the need scientists and researchers often have for glassblowing skills that were once commonly available on-site at many large laboratories. Now considered almost non-existent, scientific glassblowing is a sought-after profession performed daily at the Custom Glass Shop by more than twenty practicing glassblowers, including master craftsmen with more than 25 years experience and rated first-class in bench (hand blowing), and lathe (machine forming) techniques.

Custom Glass Shop products are made in U.S. facilities where glassware production is monitored from raw material through finished product. Special capabilities include engineering services, microscale glassware items, graduating and calibrating, working with quartz apparatus, glass to metal graded seals, grinding and polishing, precision bore tubing, glass tooling, flasks to 72 liters, bottles to 90 liters and technical support and consultation. Glassblowers at the Custom Glass Shop focus on rapid response and turnaround for small orders and custom designs, and are comfortable evaluating and repairing any manufacturer's glassware.

Glassblowing is a highly skilled craft that is rapidly disappearing from laboratories around the world," says Maryanne Gasparo, Product Manager at Kimble Chase "We're pleased to continue producing custom glassware and repairing existing apparatus for our global customers in facilities that meet rigorous quality standards," she continued.

The Custom Glass Shop at Kimble Chase offers its services worldwide through a vast network of distributors and online at <u>www.kimble-chase.com</u>. Sales teams are located in North America, Latin America, Europe, the Middle East, Africa and Asia. For more information, contact the Custom Glass Shop toll free in the US and Canada at 1-800-682-6644 or fax to 1-856-692-6644, or email <u>customglass@kimble-chase.com</u>. International customers can call 1-856-692-8500 extension 6216, or visit the website: <u>www.kimble-chase.com</u>.

About Kimble Chase, LLC:

Kimble Chase Life Science and Research Products was formed in July 2007 as a result of a joint venture formed from specific operations of Thermo Fisher Scientific and Gerresheimer Glass, Inc. The company is dedicated to the design, manufacture and distribution of a full range of reusable, disposable and specialty glassware for pharmaceutical, chromatography, environmental, petrochemical, life science, government, and academic laboratories.