

## **CUTEST SYSTEMS ANNOUNCES ACQUISITION OF READING CLINICAL RESEARCH**

Cutest Systems are pleased to announce that it has acquired Reading Clinical Research (RCR Aspect Ltd) as part of ongoing business growth and expansion. RCR Aspect is a CRO specialising in human volunteer studies for beauty care, medical devices and pharmaceutical products and this acquisition will strengthen the portfolio of services that Cutest Systems can offer across these sectors. Over the next few months, the RCR Aspect business will be fully integrated into Cutest Systems.

Stewart Long, Chief Executive Officer at Cutest Systems said of the move: “This acquisition is part of the strategic expansion of Cutest Systems following new investment in 2015, and will further strengthen our services in the personal care, medical device and pharmaceutical sectors, supporting the ongoing growth of the combined companies. In addition, Laura Marshall was a personal friend of all of us at Cutest and we are pleased that there is a legacy for the highly respected business she created. We are pleased to be providing ongoing service and support for clients of RCR Aspect and looking forward to working with them in the future.”

- Cutest Systems Ltd ([www.cutest.co.uk](http://www.cutest.co.uk)) is a contract research organisation (CRO) based in Cardiff, UK. Established over 30 years ago, it is the longest continually active CRO in the UK serving the beauty and healthcare industries. The company has an international reputation as a leading expert in the field, with customers worldwide. In October 2015, the company was restructured, with new investment and a new board to support ambitious growth plans.
- RCR Aspect was set up by clinical trials specialist Laura Marshall in 2013 to service the personal care, healthcare and pharmaceutical industries, testing the safety, efficacy

and acceptability of their products in human volunteers.  
Sadly Laura passed away in 2014.

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