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The MyriaScreen Diversity Collection was assembled from a pool of over 300,000 screening compounds using a combination of filters, diversity predictors, and manual selection. The resulting 10,000 compounds are drug-like, chemically diverse, and amenable to follow-up chemistry and optimization. The collection is well suited for researchers that are looking for a small, cost-effective, ready-to-screen set of high-quality screening compounds.

"MyriaScreen will complement our customers' existing screening collections and jump-start new collections by quickly adding interesting chemotypes," said Michael Earley, Product Manager, Drug Discovery, Sigma-Aldrich. "Our collaboration with TimTec, Inc. resulted in a high-quality library that our customers will find useful."

## About Sigma-Aldrich

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organic and natural compounds, custom synthesis, and laboratory equipment to become a full service partner for drug discovery. TimTec has established a global network of thousands of scientists from research centers around the world. The company has developed strong in-house expertise assembling general and targeted library collections for variety of research purposes. International customers include major pharmaceutical, biotech, agricultural, and educational companies and institutions, which use TimTec products for research and development programs.

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