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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN JOSE DIVISION

SHERMAN & ASSOCIATES, INC., et al.,

Plaintiff,

v.

OXFORD INSTRUMENTS, PLC, et al.,

Defendants.

CASE NO.: C-11-00827-CRB

SHERMAN & ASSOCIATES, INC., et al.,

Plaintiff,

v.

ASM INTERNATIONAL N.V., et al.,

Defendants.

CASE NO.: C-05-05008-RMW

ORDER DETERMINING THAT CASES ARE NOT RELATED

This case was referred to me to determine whether it should be related to the earlier filed case entitled Sherman & Associates, Inc. v. ASM International N.V., et al., Case No. C-05-05008-RMW. The Court determines that the cases should not be related because the earlier case was settled shortly after it was filed and without any substantive involvement by me.

DATED: 1/5/12



RONALD M. WHYTE  
United States District Judge

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