



## Press Release

# **Aragen appoints Subodh Deshmukh as CEO Aragen Biosciences and Head of Development Services**

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Aragen Life Sciences Limited (“Aragen”), a global contract research, development, and manufacturing organization (CRDMO), today announced the appointment of Dr. Subodh Deshmukh as CEO of Aragen Bioscience and President of Development Services. Dr. Deshmukh joins Aragen from Zymergen, USA where he was the Chief Development Officer and will be based in the Morgan Hill, California campus of Aragen. Aragen Bioscience is the US-subsiidiary of Aragen and provides research and development services for biologics.

Commenting on the appointment, **Manni Kantipudi, Chief Executive Officer, Aragen Life Sciences, said**, *“We are delighted to have Subodh on board and join the management council of Aragen. Aragen is on a rapid growth trajectory and Subodh brings in the right skills to lead Aragen’s biologics and development businesses to the next orbit.”*

**Dr. Subodh Deshmukh said**, *“I am really excited to join Aragen. In the span of two decades since its inception, Aragen has built a strong reputation for its value-driven business and customer-centricity. I look forward to working closely with the Board and the leadership team as we continue to drive business growth and expand our reach.”*

Subodh comes to Aragen with rich and global executive leadership experience spanning over 20 years. In the past, he has held senior positions such as Global Head, Product Development, Sandoz at Novartis; Senior VP – Global Development India and Board Member at Novartis HealthCare; Senior Vice President R & D at Sun Pharma and worked with Organizations like Pfizer, Wyeth and BMS. He has an MBA from The Wharton School, a PhD in Chemical Engineering from University of Pittsburgh, and completed his undergraduate studies from UDCT, University of Mumbai.

**About Aragen:** Aragen Life Sciences is a leading R&D and manufacturing solutions provider to the global life sciences industries. It offers a range of solutions across the drug development continuum to advance small and large-molecule programs. With more than 22 years of experience, the Company operates through a global network of six sites with a team of ~4500 employees and 450+ PhDs. Its expertise and experience have enabled over 400 customers (including 6 of the top 10 pharma companies globally) in advancing their research programs from early discovery through development and commercialization. Aragen’s innovative mindset, infrastructure, flexible business models, clear purpose, and proprietary project



management platform have enabled it to effectively scale and service large pharma, biotech, agrochemical, and animal health industries globally. Visit [www.aragen.com](http://www.aragen.com) for more details.

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