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## ***Inc.* Magazine Unveils Its Annual List of America's Fastest-Growing Private Companies—the Inc. 5000**

**Optikos Corporation Ranks No. 4176 on the 2020 Inc. 5000**

**NEW YORK, August 13, 2020** – *Inc.* magazine today revealed that Optikos Corporation is No. 4176 on its annual Inc. 5000 list, the most prestigious ranking of the nation's fastest-growing private companies. The list represents a unique look at the most successful companies within the American economy's most dynamic segment—its independent small businesses. Intuit, Zappos, Under Armour, Microsoft, Patagonia, and many other well-known names gained their first national exposure as honorees on the Inc. 5000.

“It is amazing how the science of optics and light makes so many things possible in everyday life, from sensors and cameras in self-driving cars to optical systems needed for efficient antibody screening,” commented Optikos CEO, Stephen D. Fantone, “and Optikos is uniquely positioned to advance this type of product development for any industry or application.”

Not only have the companies on the 2020 Inc. 5000 been very competitive within their markets, but the list as a whole shows staggering growth compared with prior lists as well. The 2020 Inc. 5000 achieved an incredible three-year average growth of over 500 percent, and a median

rate of 165 percent. The Inc. 5000's aggregate revenue was \$209 billion in 2019, accounting for over 1 million jobs over the past three years.

Complete results of the Inc. 5000, including company profiles and an interactive database that can be sorted by industry, region, and other criteria, can be found at [www.inc.com/inc5000](http://www.inc.com/inc5000). The top 500 companies are also being featured in the September issue of *Inc.*, available on newsstands August 12.

“The companies on this year’s Inc. 5000 come from nearly every realm of business,” says *Inc.* editor-in-chief Scott Omelianuk. “From health and software to media and hospitality, the 2020 list proves that no matter the sector, incredible growth is based on the foundations of tenacity and opportunism.”

The annual Inc. 5000 event honoring the companies on the list will be held virtually from October 23 to 27, 2020. As always, speakers will include some of the greatest innovators and business leaders of our generation.

## **About Optikos**

The Optical Engineering Experts®—Optikos engineering teams provide expert design and volume manufacturing for optically-based product development. Applications range from medical devices and diagnostics to aerospace and defense, automotive, and consumer electronics. Our R&D and product groups design and manufacture standard and custom instrumentation for measuring lenses, camera systems and ophthalmic components; and we offer in-house IQ Lab™ testing and qualification services for image quality assurance.

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## **More about *Inc.* and the Inc. 5000**

### **Methodology**

The 2020 Inc. 5000 is ranked according to percentage revenue growth when comparing 2016 and 2019. To qualify, companies must have been founded and generating revenue by March 31, 2016. They had to be U.S.-

based, privately held, for profit, and independent—not subsidiaries or divisions of other companies—as of December 31, 2019. (Since then, a number of companies on the list have gone public or been acquired.) The minimum revenue required for 2016 is \$100,000; the minimum for 2019 is \$2 million. As always, *Inc.* reserves the right to decline applicants for subjective reasons. Companies on the Inc. 500 are featured in *Inc.*'s September issue. They represent the top tier of the Inc. 5000, which can be found at <http://www.inc.com/inc5000>.

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