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A human resources management support program dedicated to Montréal-based life sciences and health technologies companies

Montréal InVivo and Pharmabio Développement join forces with Emploi-Québec to support SMEs in the sector.

MONTRÉAL, QC, October 3, 2013. Montréal InVivo, the life sciences and health technologies (LSHT) cluster of the Montréal metropolitan area and Pharmabio Développement, the Comité sectoriel de main-d'œuvre des industries des produits pharmaceutiques et biotechnologiques du Québec (workforce sectoral committee for Québec's pharmaceutical and biotechnology product industries), are pleased to announce a partnership with Emploi-Québec whose purpose is to implement a program intended for SMEs active in the LSHT sector on the island of Montréal and Laval and intent on improving their competitiveness and facilitating the retention of expertise within their companies. We are thrilled that the Emploi-Québec team based on the island of Montréal has reserved funds to meet a need expressed by the SMEs in our sector.

This initiative will enable eligible companies, normally lacking the necessary resources internally, to obtain financing from Emploi-Québec ranging from 40 to 50% of the costs related to human resources (HR) management support activities, including recruiting, retention, performance management, etc.

Consultants have been preselected by Montréal InVivo and Pharmabio Développement. They are experts known for their HR management expertise and who have many years of experience in companies active in the LSHT sector. SMEs that use this service will have access to the most powerful and current HR management tools in the industry.

For any additional information, companies are invited to contact Montréal InVivo or Pharmabio Développement.

About Montréal InVivo

Montréal InVivo is the brand name for the life sciences and health technologies (LSHT) cluster of the Montréal metropolitan area. The cluster comprises almost 620 organizations, including more than 150 research centres, 80 subsidiaries of world-class companies, and 41,000 people employed in the sector. A wellspring of great ideas, the cluster includes four universities and ranks first in Canada for the number of research centres.

The secretariat of Montréal InVivo is a non-profit economic development organization dedicated to the creation of wealth. By mobilizing the relevant actors in order to meet crucial challenges such as innovation, and through the actions it undertakes and the implementation of its strategic plan, Montréal InVivo aims to ensure the sustainable development, long-term survival and international renown of the LSHT sector in Greater Montréal.

Its activities are supported by funding from the MFE, MAMROT, CMM, DEC and private and institutional sector.

About Pharmabio Développement

Pharmabio Développement is the Comité sectoriel de main-d'oeuvre (CSMO) des industries des produits pharmaceutiques et biotechnologiques du Québec. We are also a non-profit corporation that enjoys great autonomy, bringing together representatives from employer associations, companies, unions and government bodies.

Financially supported by the Commission des partenaires du marché du travail (CPMT), the mission of the Comité sectoriel de main-d'œuvre is to participate actively in developing the workforce and employment in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology sector.

Pharmabio Développement is intended as a centre in which different industry stakeholders rally together and communicate in an effort to improve and maintain the skills of workers in the industry.

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