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The Québec Network for Personalized Healthcare: a forward-looking vision for Québec

Québec's leadership position as medicine evolves in the 21st century

MONTRÉAL, QC, April 19, 2013. Montréal InVivo, the life sciences and health technologies (LSHT) cluster of Greater Montréal, is pleased with the official launch of the Quebec Network for Personalized Healthcare (QNPHC).

"This is the culmination of a long process launched in 2011 by Montréal InVivo and that is now bearing fruit. 2013 will clearly be the year of personalized healthcare in Québec! We have witnessed several announcements since the beginning of the year and today we are celebrating the launch of the QNPHC," said Nathalie Ouimet, Interim Chief Executive Officer of Montréal InVivo. She continued: "I am proud to see that our mobilization efforts are taking shape and that Québec is currently in a very strong position to address the changes that affect and that will continue to affect the way in which medicine is practiced in Québec and elsewhere in the world."

We recall the announcement made in February of the Personalized Partnership in Cancer, a \$21-million project, and that earlier this week, the Québec government and Génome Québec announced the exceptional results of our researchers in the Génome Canada personalized healthcare competition. We would also like to point out the generous involvement of the many people and groups who believed — right from the beginning — in the potential of personalized healthcare.

We wish the QNPHC a long life and much success in its projects.

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 close to 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.

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, Montréal InVivo aims to ensure the sustainable development, long-term survival and international renown of the LSHT sector in Greater Montréal through the actions it undertakes and the implementation of its strategic plan.

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