France BioLead, welcomes 12 new members, a strong signal of the dynamic that is taking place around the French biomanufacturing sector

These new members constitute a representative panel of the entire industry, which will meet on April 5 and 6 at the Tours congress

France BioLead, the French biomanufacturing industry, launched on December 7 by 15 founding members¹, has already welcomed 12 new members², representing all of the association’s themes and colleges. With just a few days to go before the France Bioproduction Congress in Tours³ organized by Polepharma and Medicen, the momentum of structuring the French industry is well underway and is generating a buzz that illustrates the importance of setting up France BioLead.

The new members are: AP-HP Centre MEARY, Dillico, ENSTBB-Bordeaux, Etablissement Français du Sang, Evotec, Genomic Vision, Institut Mérieux, LFB Biomanufacturing, Pathoquest, Texcell, Urgo Medical, WhiteLab Genomics. Each of these regional entities is part of one of the five colleges of France BioLead: pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, CDMOs (Contract Development Manufacturing Organizations), equipment manufacturers or suppliers of technological solutions or consumables and CROs, public research and training players, and players in the Biomanufacturing and Biopharmaceutical ecosystem, Biotherapies and Living Biological Products.

After four months of official existence, France BioLead continues its ambition to represent players covering the entire metropolitan area, all professions, and all the diversity of the themes of French biomanufacturing.

Jacques Volckmann, President of France BioLead underlines: "The France BioLead dynamic is launched! Welcome to our new members whose arrival demonstrates the will to structure and steer the biomanufacturing sector for the long term. Only a strong and united industry will enable us to make rapid commitments to patients, in line with the performance objectives of France 2030."

Laurent Lafferrère, Managing Director of France BioLead: "On the eve of the Tours congress, which will bring together the players in the French biomanufacturing sector, I am delighted to welcome our new members. Their commitment is a strong sign of recognition for France BioLead. It reinforces our determination to pursue the ambitious performance objectives set for us by the French government and industry. Other players have already expressed their interest and are expected to join us in the coming months, which is something we can all welcome.

¹ List of founding members of France BioLead at the end of this press release
² Quotes and description of new members’ activities to be found in the attached press kit
³ All about the France Bioproduction Congress in Tours: https://www.france-bioproduction.com/
As a reminder:

The purpose of France BioLead is to support the development of the various technological value chains of a sovereign and innovative French biomanufacturing industry throughout the life cycle of the biomedical product, to ensure the availability of biomedical products for patients and to build an attractive and recognized industry, particularly internationally.

Its major objectives for 2030 are

- to double the proportion of biomedical products produced in France;
- double the number of jobs in the sector, from 10,000 to 20,000
- to enable the emergence of at least one new unicorn and five new biotech companies to promote our sovereignty in healthcare and develop our competitiveness beyond our borders.

ABOUT FRANCE BIOLEAD

France BioLead, the association for the production of biomedicines in France, brings together all the players in the French biomanufacturing sector, including manufacturers (pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, CDMOs, CROs, equipment manufacturers, suppliers of technological solutions and consumables), academic research, training providers, the French government and competitive clusters, associations and professional unions. Its ambition is to structure and manage a unique French biomanufacturing industry with the support of the French government, to make France a leader in biomanufacturing in Europe and restore France's independence and sovereignty in this field.

France BioLead was officially launched in December 2022, in the presence of Roland Lescure, Minister Delegate in charge of Industry, with the support of François Braun, Minister of Health and Prevention and Sylvie Retailleau, Minister of Higher Education and Research, as well as its 15 founding members, players in all biomanufacturing value chains: Alliance Innovation Santé Nouvelle-Aquitaine (ALLIS-NA), Capgemini, CEA, Clean Biologics, Enosis Santé (BioValley France, Eurobiomed, Lyonbiopôle Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes and Medicen Paris Region), France Biotech, Genopole, GTP Bioways, Inserm, Leem, Merc, Polepharma, Sanofi, Servier, Thermo Fisher Scientific.

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