

PlantForm Corporation from Guelph Ontario has been selected as one of Canada's Top 10™ Competition winners

Guelph, ON (September 30, 2008) – The 2008-2009 winners of the annual Canada's Top 10[™] Competition have been selected (www.topcanadiancompanies.ca). Winners will gather on October 7th at the Fairmont Chateau Laurier Hotel in Ottawa to meet local and regional investors, and prepare themselves for the first leg of the 2009 Investment Forum series. PlantForm will participate as a presenting company at the 12th Annual Ottawa Venture and Technology Summit on October 9th(www.ottawavts.com). PlantForm will also be presenting at BIOContact in Quebec City on October 2nd.

PlantForm is a plant biotechnology company that uses new platform technology developed at the University of Guelph to quickly produce vaccines and antibodies in tobacco plants. Tobacco grows rapidly and is proving to be a faster and cheaper way to produce these pharmaceuticals. "This is potentially revolutionary," says Dr. Donald Stewart, CEO of **PlantForm**. "with proprietary technology, we will create high-quality pharmaceuticals for both the western world and the developing world." Adds Dr. Stewart: "There is wonderful irony in using the tobacco plant to treat cancer."

Dr. Stewart is the former Director of Research at Cangene Corporation, Canada's largest publicly traded Biotech company. **PlantForm** combines a top level management team with state-of-the-art research developed in the laboratory of Dr. Chris Hall at the University of Guelph. Hall is the Canada Research Chair in Recombinant Antibody Technology. For more information about **PlantForm** Corporation visit: www.plantformcorp.com or contact Dr. Stewart, CEO at (416) 452-7242.

Winners of Canada's Top 10 are chosen by an independent expert panel of Canadian and U.S. venture capitalists. Originally developed to promote the 10 most promising life science companies from across Canada to Canadian and international investors and partners, the competition now showcases Canada's life sciences, cleantech and technology sectors. Working in partnership with Canadian Consulates in Boston, New York City, San Diego and San Francisco, winning companies will participate in targeted investment forums in each city, providing them with an opportunity to meet with Venture Capital investors who have expressed an active interest in financing these companies. Since its inception in 1999, competition alumni have secured more than \$522M in venture capital financing.

Canada's Top 10[™] is organized by OCRI (Ottawa Centre for Research and Innovation) and presented by Borden Ladner Gervais LLP, the winners include a wide variety of companies from the life science, cleantech and technology sectors.

"OCRI is pleased to play an active role in the growth of so many exceptional Canadian companies," said Michelle Scarborough, Vice President, Investment and Commercialization, OCRI. "This is a successful program as evidenced by the investment in past winners. Through our ongoing outreach to the rest of Canada, the best companies from three key innovation sectors can continue to benefit from exposure to VC's, other investors and potential strategic partners."

For more information about the Canada's Top 10[™] Competition visit: www.topcanadiancompanies.ca.



2009 Canada's Top 10TM Companies:

Life Science

Axela Inc. (Toronto, Ontario)

DiaMedica Inc. (Winnipeg, Manitoba)

iCo Therapeutics Inc. (Vancouver, British Columbia)

ImmunoVaccine Technologies Inc. (Halifax, Nova Scotia)

Indel Therapeutics Inc. (Vancouver, British Columbia)

Kane Biotech Inc. (Winnipeg, Manitoba)

PlantForm Corporation (Guelph, Ontario)

Profound Medical Inc. (Toronto, Ontario)

Sanomune Inc. (Winnipeg, Manitoba)

Viron Therapeutics Inc. (London, Ontario)

Cleantech

Elementa Group (St. Catharines, Ontario)

EnvirEau Technologies Inc. (Richmond, British Columbia)

Odotech Inc. (Montreal, Quebec)

Paradigm Environmental Technologies, Inc (Vancouver, British Columbia)

Quadra Solar Corporation (Ottawa, Ontario)

REGEN Energy (Toronto, Ontario)

Sempa Power Systems Ltd. (North Vancouver, British Columbia)

SiXtron Advanced Materials Inc (Dorval, Quebec)

Taransys Inc (Ottawa, Ontario)

Thinkflex Solar, Inc. (Hamilton, Ontario)

Technology

Accedian Networks, Inc. (St. Laurent, Quebec)

BelAir Networks (Ottawa, Ontario)

DataGardens Inc. (Edmonton, Alberta)

Ecobee (Toronto, Ontario)

Evoco Inc. (Calgary, Alberta)

I Love Rewards Inc. (Toronto, Ontario)

IPeak Networks Incorporated (Ottawa, Ontario)

Redknee (Mississauga, Ontario)

Trellia Networks Inc. (Montreal, Quebec)

Wavesat Inc. (Montreal, Quebec)



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About OCRI:

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