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BIG SUCCESS OF THE THIRD EDITION OF LYONBIPOLE PARTNERING DAYS



The 3rd edition of the Lyonbiopole Partnering Days took place on Friday October 16th, 2009 at the National Veterinary School in Lyon. This edition gathered about 230 participants. Lyonbiopole's team wishes to thank all persons who took part in this event for their involvement: the speakers, the round tables and thematic workshops participants, and everyone who took interest in Lyonbiopole Partnering Days. Hoping to see you next year for the 4th edition!

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acCInov,
FIRST HEALTH BIOTECH PLATFORM SELECTED
FOLLOWING THE FIRST "INNOVATION
PLATFORM" CALL FOR PROJECT



The ambitious Lyonbiopole project acCInov, "ACcelerating the setup of the Infectious diseases Center to better inNOVate" was definitively selected following the 2nd evaluation stage within the framework of the 1st "innovation platform" call for project launched by the DGCIS and the Caisse des Depots et Consignations in October 2008. The global budget of this call, coming from the Single Inter-Ministry Fund, reaches 35 million, per year for all retain projects.

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[Launch of the 9th call for project of the Single Inter-Ministry Fund](#)

The 9th call for project of the Single Inter-Ministry Fund was launched on October 20th, 2009.



The projects submitted have to be R&D collaborative, accredited by a competitive cluster and should involve at least two companies and one laboratory or a research center.

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[Special SMB day: looking for private investors](#)

Lyonbiopole organizes, in partnership with Crealys and Oseo, a special SMB day: «SMB and private funding: How to strengthen your equity capital?» on Friday December 4th, 2009, at Sanofi Pasteur in Lyon Gerland. This day is dedicated to innovative SMBs or company creation project leaders in the field of biotechnology and health. It will be animated by moment of exchanges (round tables, testimonies and networking) and by presentations of companies and company's projects to investors.

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[Alizé Pharma closes €3 million financing round](#)

Alizé Pharma, member de Lyonbiopole announced on September 1st, 2009 that it has raised € 3 million of funding. Metabolic disease and cancer therapy group will use funds to strengthen scientific team and progress development of its two core programs.



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[A new team joins the Infectiology Diseases Center](#)

The Infectiology Diseases Center of Lyonbiopole hosted on September a new team composed of four persons. Managed by Thomas HENRY, a young researcher, this research team in the field of infectiology was created in Lyon thanks to the financial support of FINOVI Foundation.



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[Launch of the 3rd call for project of France-China 2010 Innovation Coopool program](#)

The innovation Coopool program supports the organization of meetings, helping SMBs members of French clusters, in association with their academic research partners to find potential cooperation with Chinese scientific parks. Those cooperations concern R&D aspects and training. Since the beginning of this program in May 2008, 8 specific missions, targeted on one thematic, were scheduled. PX'Therapeutics, members of Lyonbiopole, benefited from this program in 2009.

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[Financing opportunities for collaborations with United-States](#)

The European Commission and the National Institutes of Health (NIH) have signed a collaboration contract. From now on, health calls of the FP7 (7 Framework Program of the European commission) are open to US partners. In the same way, the certain NIH calls for projects are open to European partners.

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[Alps Bio Cluster: the first thematic event on « Biotechnology and Diagnostics » will take place in Lyon](#)

In the framework of the Alps Biocluster project, Lyonbiopole and all their partners organize on Tuesday December 1st, 2009 at the "Ecole Normale Supérieure" in Lyon (Lyon 7) the first catalyst event on "Biotechnology and Diagnostics". The day will be organized in two times: during the morning participants will have the opportunity to present their company and/or R&D projects while in the afternoon round tables will be set up in order to exchange on new therapeutic and diagnostic approaches.



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[Lyonbiopole supports FrenchBioBeach with Aderly](#)

Since 2008, Lyonbiopole developed its relations with the FrenchBioBeach network on the occasion of several networking events like the FABS. FrenchBioBeach is a network in San Diego (CA) which aims at animating and networking French and American companies and research centers in the field of health and biotechnologies. Lyonbiopole becomes now an official partner of FrenchBioBeach, in cooperation with Aderly.

In the framework of this new agreement, a mission of Lyonbiopole members' companies will be present at San Diego with the support of Aderly, among which Imaxio, ImmunID and PX' therapeutics, already confirmed their participation.

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[Lyonbiopole organized a scientific workshop in Boston dedicated in «Therapeutic Proteins including Monoclonal Antibodies»](#)

In the framework of Lyonbiopole international development, the cluster organized on Tuesday October 27th, 2009 in Genzyme premises at Cambridge (Massachusetts), a scientific workshop on the theme

"Therapeutic Proteins including Monoclonal Antibodies : New Challenges". On this occasion, three Lyonbiopole members spoke: PXTherapeutics, ERYtech Pharma and Metabolys. This event was supported by Genzyme and local partners: FACCNE (The French-American Chamber of Commerce), the scientific mission of the French consulate and Hubtech 21.

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[French-Quebec meetings for innovation and cooperation in Strasbourg](#)

About fifteen companies and Quebec organizations want to meet you! In the framework of the exchanges program of Lifesciences Corridor France, Lyonbiopole, in partnership with Alsace BioValley et Cancer-Bio-Health, are inviting you to participate, on October 29th and 30th, 2009 in Strasbourg, at individual meetings of 30 minutes with companies and Quebec's research Center.

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[Lyonbiopole will be present at BioSquare 2010](#)

In 2010, BioSquare will take place on February 1st and 2nd, 2009 in Geneva. This event will gather major actors of bioconvergence, innovation and finance in the heart of one of the world majors financial place. Lyonbiopole sponsors BioSaquare. On this occasion benefit from preferential prices thanks to Ubifrance offer: 750 € until November 9th, 2009.

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NOVOCIB



NovoCIB is a young biotechnology company which was stemmed from the research of new treatments against Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) and has specialized in the study of nucleotide metabolism. Founded in 2005 by Dr Larissa Balakireva, Ph.D. in Cell Biology, the company was twice laureate of the French National Contest for Innovative Companies and laureate of the French Senate "Tremplin Entreprises" contest.

In June 2009, NovoCIB concluded its first fund raising with members of the Savoie Angels association and its investment fund, Allobroges Participations.

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The upcoming Life Sciences meetings Lyonbiopole around the world:

→ [Rare and Orphan Diseases Symposium](#), October from 29th to 30th, 2009, Montpellier

→ [BIO-Europe 2009](#), November from 2nd to 4th, 2009, Vienna

→ [Alps Bio Cluster catalyst event on Biotherapy et Diagnostics](#), December 1st, 2009, Lyon

→ **Special SMB day: «SMB and private funding, how to strengthen your equity capital?»**, December 4th, 2009, Lyon

→ **BioSquare 2010**, February 1st to 2nd, 2010, Geneva

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