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Biofortis and Triskelion announce cooperation

Dear Customer,

We are pleased to announce the partnership signed between Biofortis, the Innovation Center of Mérieux NutriSciences, and Triskelion, a TNO Company. With this cooperation, our companies aim to leverage technologies and services in the interconnected research fields of the gut microbiome, gastro intestinal health and immune health.

Providing synergies between Triskelion's unique in vitro gastro intestine models (TIM) and Biofortis' microbial genomics portfolio and strong experience in clinical trials, the partnering allows us to deliver to our customers tailor-made science based evidence at relevant stages of the product innovation funnel.

By joining forces we seek to develop innovative services for both the food and the pharmaceutical industries. The relationship between the gut microbiome and our immune system is strong and undisputed, although not fully understood. With the TIM models, highly accurate and predictable data can be obtained on the digestibility, bioaccessibility and colon fermentation properties of both food ingredients and drugs. Very promising in this respect are studies to better understand food-drug interactions and the role of the individual microbiome on immune health and therapeutic efficacy. This will also prove valuable to food companies who wish to demonstrate health benefits of their functional ingredients from a first proof of concept up until the point of EFSA required human clinical trials. Lastly, the TIM model is a new and consistent service for our customers in Pharma and Nutrition in research & development processes as it allows an in vitro screening of active molecules before conducting in vivo assessment, preclinical and clinical Trials.

This informative letter gives you a synthetic overview of the promising applications and outputs of our combined offer. We stay at your disposal if you wish to receive more information or would like to know how this could answer your needs.

Best regards,





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