

EQUIP VentureLift Grant Pre-Screening Form

This form must be completed and submitted prior to the full EQUIP VentureLift application. The information provided will help determine the eligibility and readiness of your project for the grant.

Company Information

Company Name: _____

Website: _____

Applicant Information

Full Name: _____

Institution/Affiliation: _____

Department/Program: _____

Current Role:

☐ Graduate Student (Master's or PhD)

☐ Postdoctoral Fellow

☐ Research Associate

Institutional Email: _____

Title/Position in the Company: _____

Estimated Time Commitment to the Company (% or FTE): _____

Principal Investigator (PI) Information

Full Name: _____

Institution/Affiliation: _____

Department/Program: _____

Institutional Email: _____

Title/Position in the Company (if any): _____

Intellectual Property (IP) Status:

Check the box and enter the date on which the milestone was achieved.

☐ Invention Disclosure to Home Institution

Date: _____

☐ Provisional Patent Application Filed

Date: _____

☐ Full Patent Application Filed

Date: _____

☐ Licensed Technology

Date: _____

Company Overview

Provide a concise summary of your company, including its core mission, key products or technologies, target market, and competitive advantage. Highlight how your company contributes to the biomanufacturing sector and its commercialization potential (max. 100 words):

Project Summary

Summarize your funding request by outlining the commercialization-enabling activities and their expected outcomes and impact. Be specific about how the requested funding (up to \$25,000) will be allocated. If you plan to work with a CRO, consultant, or other external partner, indicate who you will work with to carry out the proposed activity. **Note:** BioHubNet is a training initiative that prioritizes active trainee engagement in the proposed use of funds. (Max. 100 words):

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Eligibility Check

- ☐ The applicant must be a STEM professional affiliated with an eligible institution, have a *leadership role* in the company, and be either a graduate student (Master's or PhD) or a postdoctoral fellow; research associates will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
- ☐ The innovation must be based in Canada, with IP owned or licensed by a Canadian entity. If the company is not incorporated, the applicant must be affiliated with a Canadian academic institution.
- ☐ The innovation has a direct impact on improving human health outcomes and involves a biomanufacturing component (e.g., process development, scale-up, or production of therapeutics or diagnostics)
- ☐ The applicant's early-stage company has participated in an accelerator/incubator program.
List the programs: _____
- ☐ The company is at the Pre-seed/Seed stage with at least a provisional patent, novel concept, initial prototype, and has a commercialization roadmap.
- ☐ The requested funding will support commercialization-enabling activities and does not duplicate other funding sources.
- ☐ If the project is funded, the PI agrees to take responsibility for holding the funds, with all expenditures subject to audit by their institution.

Next Steps

Upon submission of this form to equip@biohubnet.ca, the BioHubNet team will review your responses and contact you to schedule a pre-screening consultation. If your project meets the eligibility criteria and is deemed ready, you will be invited to submit a full application.

Please confirm that the information provided is accurate and that the applicant fully understands the requirements of the EQUIP VentureLift program.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

For internal use by BioHubNet:

- ☐ Approved for full application
- ☐ Not eligible at this time

Reviewed by: _____

Date: _____