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Qyntessa Biologics to develop cell line with VectorLogics

BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA - Qyntessa Biologics, LLC (Qyntessa) of Baton Rouge, Louisiana has entered into a cell line engineering agreement with VectorLogics Inc. (VLI) of Birmingham, Alabama. The parties will collaborate on the development of a new proprietary mammalian cell line that can be used for production of proteins, vaccines, gene therapy and other products for pharmaceutical, biological and/or research purposes. Each party will contribute to the development of the cell line, with the majority of the work performed in the initial stages at VLI, while the majority of later stage work performed by Qyntessa.

“A severe global shortage of manufacturing capacity for protein therapeutics is imminent,” said Deborah Wilson, PhD, COO of Qyntessa. “Rather than focus solely on building more and larger production facilities, we believe the potential exists to use VLI’s gene delivery and expression technology to develop new and improved mammalian cell lines that will improve production processes and thereby increase capacity, while simultaneously decreasing the cost of protein and vector production.”

“VLI looks forward to working with Qyntessa on this exciting technology in conjunction with our expertise in gene delivery and therapeutic viral vaccines,” said Imre Kovessi, VLI’s CEO. “We believe this collaboration could potentially provide us with the ability to more rapidly progress products through development and into cGMP production.”

About Qyntessa

Qyntessa Biologics, LLC is a commercial manufacturing organization focused on producing cell banks and plasmid-, viral-, protein-, and cell-based therapies under current Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMP). Qyntessa’s core competencies include cell banking, cell expansion via a variety of platforms, process development, product release testing, and fill/finish.

About VLI

VectorLogics, Inc. is a biotechnology company focused on the development and commercialization of virus based cancer therapies and therapeutic vaccines for viral liver diseases.

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