

Press Release

GLYCOTOPE to receive 1.6 mm Euro in grant money for further development of its natural anti-cancer nutrient additives

Berlin, 27.4.04. Glycotope GmbH, a Berlin based specialist for proteins glycosylation, will receive 1.6 mm EUR from the German Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (Federal Ministry for Education and Research) to support its research in novel anti-tumoral nutrient additives. The grant will support a research program of three years with a volume of 2.6 Mio. EUR to test and develop nutrient additives based on natural products for the protection against cancer.

“We are happy about this decision of the BMBF which recognizes our expertise and promising initial studies” said Dr. Steffen Goletz, General Manager of GLYCOTOPE. “It will help us to develop this approach further and to gain additional financing in order to facilitate the commercial application and fast market entrance of tumor-prophylactic nutrients based on the bodies own substances”.

GLYCOTOPE was founded in 2001 as a specialist for biologically active glycostructures and glycoproteins and for the glycoengineering of higher eucaryotic cell lines. The company offers state-of-the-art services in the areas of Recombinant Expression of Glycoproteins, Glycoengineering and Glycoanalytics. A key technology of GLYCOTOPE is GlycoExpress™, a cellular expression system to produce proteins with fully human glycosylation and optimized sialylation. GlycoExpress™ is an ideal technology to produce new generations of improved biomolecules and biopharmaceutica.

BioProfile is a grant program of the BMBF aiming to expand the technological basis and commercial applications in biosciences. The region of Potsdam/Berlin won a BioProfile competition of German regions with its profile „Genome research and plant biotechnology for the application in diagnosis, prophylaxis and therapy of nutrition-dependent diseases“ and a budget of almost 18 Mio Euro. Eight projects are financed by this program in Potsdam/ Berlin region by now. The project of GLYCOTOPE has gained a top ranking due to the promising combination of various aspects in Nutrition research, Glycobiology and prevention of malignant diseases

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