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NATURAL HEALTH PRODUCTS NZ - 2017 SUPPLIERS' DAY



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SUPPLIERS' DAY 2017

On the 16th of August, Natural Health Products NZ held their 2nd annual Suppliers' Day in Auckland. The Biocide ToolBox was invited to present an overview of the programme, and how the BTB could facilitate closer linkages with distributors and manufacturers who work in this sector.

BTB Project Manager - Commercialisation Adeline Le Cocq gave a sector by sector presentation of the Biocide ToolBox programme, and discussed funding options (Callaghan Innovation)

for business to invest in collaborative research. She also gave an overview of opportunities whereby Industry could sponsor "Project Manager for Industry" (PMI) placements (read below for more details).

The day was well supported with approximately 120 delegates attending and the BTB once again continued to liaise and connect with Industry as per its MBIE mandate.



INDUSTRY PLACEMENTS - RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

The Biocide ToolBox is actively reaching out to Industry to facilitate Project Manager in Industry (PMI) placements.

These positions were designed to provide Industry with the opportunity to access PhD qualified researchers, who will be employed by Industry to investigate challenging industry technology issues that fall within the Biocide ToolBox' scope. The objective behind these placements is for Industry to line up a variety of research projects which need "shaping" prior to applying for Callaghan Innovation support.

The BTB is actively looking for companies who wish to utilise this scheme. It is envisaged that the PMI appointee will carry out a scientific investigation with the support of the University to

prepare a company for deeper research engagement in a number of areas.

PMI appointees with medical, engineering and/or science backgrounds can be accessed as part of this initiative. Placements are for one or two quarters, with the cost to the company typically \$10k per quarter (BTB funds the other \$10k) to cover the appointee's salary. In some instances, the

project may incur additional costs to the company such as consumables, laboratory costs and/or travel/accommodation.

Two PMI placements have been conducted with outstanding results, leading to further Callaghan Innovation supported research and employment. For more details on how to proceed, or discuss potential placement opportunities, please get in touch with us.



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