



RUSTON POOLE INTERNATIONAL

APPOINTED BY IMPERIAL INNOVATIONS

TO PROVIDE BOARD SEARCH SERVICES

Imperial Innovations plc has nominated Ruston Poole International as its preferred partner to provide a range of executive search and HR consulting services in the Life Sciences field.

Ruston Poole International will work with the Innovations team and its portfolio companies, providing Board level search services, ranging from Chairmen to NEDs and senior executive management. RPI will also provide management due diligence and other HR related advice to Innovations, where relevant to their Life Science interests.

Imperial Innovations is one of the UK's leading technology transfer and commercialisation companies. The company was founded in 1986 and listed on the AIM Market in July 2006, raising £25 million. It has recently raised a further £30m from institutional investors.

The company's integrated approach encompasses the identification of ideas, protection of intellectual property, development and licensing of technology and formation, incubation and investment in technology businesses. A wide range of technologies are commercialised within the areas of healthcare, energy, environment and emerging technology trends.

Based at Imperial College London, the company has established equity holdings in 74 technology businesses and is managing 133 commercial agreements as of 31 July 2007. Imperial Innovations also commercialises technologies originating from outside Imperial College through incubation contracts with the Carbon Trust and WRAP and has commercialisation contracts with a number of multinational corporations including BAE Systems.

David Collingham, Chairman of RPI and Head of their Board Services Practice, comments, “This step by Innovations signals the huge importance attached to improving the quality of management and Boards within technology spin-out companies. We are delighted to be working so closely with one of the world’s top 5 technology institutions, which will be to the benefit of the UK Life Sciences industry at large.”