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# Cytocom, Inc. Receives Commitments for \$90 Million in Equity and Debt Financing

Financing Led by GEM Global Yield LLC SCS, and Joined by Avenue Capital, and Adit Ventures



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FORT COLLINS, Colo., July 29, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- Cytocom, Inc., (NASDAQ: CBLI), a leading biopharmaceutical company developing next generation therapies that focus on immune homeostasis, has secured agreements for \$90 million in committed capital. The financing is led by a \$75 million equity commitment from *GEM Global Yield LLC SCS* in the form of a Share Subscription Facility. Cytocom intends to draw down the first \$15 million within 30 days of the closing of the recently completed merger between Cleveland BioLabs and Cytocom. A combination of debt and equity financing from Avenue Capital and Adit Ventures, totaling \$17 million, will also be made available on a draw schedule. Cytocom will use the proceeds to fund operations, advance growth initiatives, and further clinical development of the company's internal pipeline. Bridgeway Capital Partners and its affiliates served as the exclusive financial advisor and placement agent on the transaction with Covington & Burling LLP providing legal counsel.

With access to \$90 million in operating capital, subject to customary closing conditions for each draw, Cytocom will continue development of an internal pipeline that includes the company's platform of toll-like immune receptors. Cytocom's current clinical programs for COVID-19, Crohn's Disease, pancreatic cancer and a growing portfolio of immune-modulating therapies under development using Cytocom's proprietary technology platform are designed to rebalance the body's immune system and restore homeostasis.

"Having now completed the merger between Cleveland BioLabs and Cytocom, this financing is an essential component to our growth strategy as a public company and should ensure that we have access to capital to continue advancing a cutting-edge clinical pipeline of immune-modulating therapies," stated Michael K. Handley, President and CEO of Cytocom. "Our goal as a company is to become a recognized leader in immune-modulating treatments targeting emerging viruses, including COVID-19, cancer, inflammation and autoimmune diseases. The successful merger, coupled with the acquisition of ImQuest Life Sciences and the previously announced Nasdaq listing, should set the stage for multiple catalysts that we believe will serve to showcase the power of our drug development technologies, generate shareholder value, and raise our visibility within the investor community."

"Avenue Capital is pleased to make this investment as we believe Cytocom could play an important role in developing the next generation of immune-modulating therapies," said Chad Norman, Senior Portfolio Manager for Avenue Venture Opportunities Fund. "There are few companies in the immunology space with such an advanced and differentiated pipeline as Cytocom. Furthermore, we believe the successful merger between Cleveland BioLabs and Cytocom and the acquisition of ImQuest Life Sciences will position the combined company for substantial growth in the years to come."

### **About Cytocom**

Cytocom, Inc. is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing novel immunotherapies targeting autoimmune, inflammatory, infectious diseases and cancers based on a proprietary platform designed to rebalance the body's immune system and restore homeostasis. The company also has one of the largest platforms of toll-like immune receptors (TLR4, TLR5 and TLR9) in the biopharmaceutical industry, addressing conditions such as radiation sickness and cancer treatment side effects. Cytocom is developing therapies designed to elicit directly within patients a robust and durable response of antigen-specific killer T-cells and antibodies, thereby activating essential immune defenses against autoimmune, inflammatory, infectious diseases, and cancers. Specifically, Cytocom has several clinical-stage development programs for Crohn's disease, fibromyalgia, multiple sclerosis and pancreatic cancer. To learn more about Cytocom, Inc., please visit [www.cytocom.com](http://www.cytocom.com).

### **Forward Looking Statements:**

*This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. All statements other than statements of current or historical fact contained in this press release, including statements regarding the future financial position, business strategy, new products,*

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*Given these uncertainties, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements included in this press release are made only as of the date hereof. We do not undertake any obligation to update any such statements or to publicly announce the results of any revisions to any of such statements to reflect future events or developments.*

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