



CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Recombinant Human Insulin Production Technology

The Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) cordially invites companies to submit their expressions of interest in becoming potential commercial partners for further development, production and commercialisation of recombinant human insulin (rH-insulin). The primary objective is to bring this technology to the local market and address the growing demand for effective diabetes management solutions. In collaboration with partners, the CSIR has successfully developed an advanced biomanufacturing process for the production of rH-insulin.) This fermentation-based technology is poised to address local health challenges related to diabetes by improving access to affordable and high-quality insulin products.

Who can apply?

Organisations that:

- Utilise biomanufacturing platforms for producing recombinant proteins;
- Exhibit manufacturing capabilities in alignment with current good manufacturing practice regulations for biopharmaceuticals;
- Possess the essential plant facility resources and the determination to commercialise insulin production processes at scale;
- Hold industry-specific knowledge and substantial experience in biopharmaceutical manufacturing and marketing;
- Showcase a track record of sound business acumen and effective strategy planning; and
- Are prepared to make a financial investment or have a proven ability to source funding from the public and private sectors successfully.

How to apply:

- Provide a brief overview of your company's primary focus in the biopharmaceutical industry;
- Showcase your company's industry-specific expertise and experience in the development and production of recombinant biopharmaceutical products;
- Provide a comprehensive business plan outlining your proposed strategy for the commercialisation of the technology; and
- Demonstrate your commitment to financial investment or securing necessary funding for the commercialisation phase, if deemed necessary.



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Applicants must also include the following documents:

- Audited or independently reviewed financial statements;
- A valid tax clearance certificate (for companies operating in South Africa);
- A valid Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment certificate;
- Concise curricula vitae (preferably one page each) of each team member responsible for advancing the commercialisation of the products; and
- Company registration documents.

****FAILURE TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS OR MOTIVATIONS WILL PREJUDICE THE ASSESSMENT OF THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED.****

For more information or partnership enquiries, or to discuss specific collaboration models, please contact:

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CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS:

Friday, 30 April 2025 at 16:30