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Roundup BioKorea
- Workshop on Guiding Research Products to Commercial BioProducts -

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“Roundup BioKorea” is the project to develop the role of Korea Food and Drug Administration in leading the process of the effective materials from basic research work to licensed commercial BioProducts.

Korean government has invested a large amount of budget to a biotechnological area by “Biotech 2000” program since 1994.

Ultimately the success of that program depends on whether the research products are commercialized by licensing process and the licensed biotechnological products are exported worldwide.

Unfortunately that was a dream until now and we are just in the stage to analyze the situation and to present the policy and the vision to make that dream come true.

Korea Food and Drug Administration which is in charge of product licensure surveyed this situation and concluded that the strategic support for making the research outcome to be licensed is the most demanding thing because the government pays more attention to support basic research works than to commercialize the outcome, at present.

So, we hold a panel discussion on these topics with experts in biotechnological area.