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BIOQUAL, Inc., Announces Creation of the Role of Chief Scientific Officer and Appointment of Hanne Andersen Elyard, PhD, As the Initial Chief Scientific Officer.

In her role as Chief Scientific Officer, Dr. Elyard will oversee BIOQUAL’s in-vivo and in-vitro contract research and development effort. Dr. Elyard will join the company’s executive leadership team.

“The entire BIOQUAL team is excited and honored to have Hanne assume the role of Chief Scientific Officer on behalf of BIOQUAL and to continue driving and growing our infectious disease contract research program.” shared Mark Lewis, President and Chief Executive Officer of BIOQUAL. “Working alongside Hanne for nearly seventeen years, I continue to be impressed by her expertise and client contract capabilities and am confident that through her leadership of our organization’s research efforts, we will continue to see growth of our contract research programs and offerings.”

Hanne Andersen Elyard received her PhD in microbiology from the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center in 2000. She was a postdoctoral fellow in the AIDS Vaccine Program, SAIC-Frederick, Inc. from 2001 until 2005. In January 2006 she joined BIOQUAL as a staff scientist, was promoted to Research Director in 2010, and subsequently promoted to Vice President of Science in 2018. She has authored or co-authored more than 75 peer-reviewed publications.

“I am thrilled to continue building upon the research capabilities at BIOQUAL,” said Hanne. “This is an exciting time for science, as we expand our offerings in preclinical testing models and laboratory analysis. Additionally, we are excited to continue to help our clients advance their products into clinical trials.”

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