Novozymes Acquires Organobalance

Novozymes has announced the acquisition of microbial research company Organobalance for an undisclosed sum. Germany-based Organobalance owns a large collection of microbial strains and offers microbial screening and assay technology. It specializes in developing natural microbial solutions for customers and partners across a number of industries including food, feed, and animal health.

"The experience of Organobalance's founding scientists, and the company's know-how, immediately strengthen Novozymes' existing capabilities within microbial technologies," says Sebastian Søderberg, Vice President for New Business Development, Incubation & Acquisitions at Novozymes.

Organobalance has 29 employees and was co-founded in 2001 by Prof. Christine Lang who will continue as General Manager. Following the acquisition, Organobalance will be integrated into Novozymes' global organization but will continue to be based in Germany. (rk)