

BURCON ENGAGES EXPERT ADVISOR

Vancouver, British Columbia, December 6, 2006 – Burcon NutraScience Corporation (TSX-V: BU) announced today that it has engaged Dr. James Daun as a special advisor to the Company on specific issues regarding the physicochemical properties and nutritional characteristics of canola meal and canola protein. The agreement contemplates that Dr. Daun will act as an advisor to Burcon’s team at the Company’s technical centre and pilot facility in Winnipeg on subjects ranging from assay methods to seed selection.

Dr. Daun, recently retired from his position as a research scientist specializing in oilseeds and pulses, from the Grains Research Lab (GRL) of the Canadian Grain Commission (CGC) after over 30 years of distinguished public service.

As an oilseeds scientist in the GRL, Dr. Daun was responsible for research and crop monitoring programs involving the quality of Canadian oilseeds. His areas of expertise include the composition and quality of canola, flaxseed, sunflower seed and soybeans; oilseeds processing and analysis; quality factors in pulse crops; and nutritional aspects of fats and oils. He also retired during the past year from the Western Canada Canola/Rapeseed Recommending Committee, the Prairie Registration Recommending Committee for Grain and as chair of the Expert Committee on Fats, Oils and other Lipids under the Canada Committee on Food. He continues to serve as chair of two ISO-related committees under the Standards Council of Canada.

In 2005 Dr. Daun was elected a Fellow of the American Oil Chemists' Society (AOCS), in which he served as president and in many other capacities over the past 33 years. The AOCS awarded him its H.W. Dutton award for Analytical Chemistry and its Canadian Section presented him with a lifetime achievement award. He was also honoured with a Queen's Jubilee Medal in 2002.

He has authored 114 technical articles including 70 in refereed journals, 16 book chapters, over 400 reports and crop bulletins and 36 articles in conference proceedings.

An adjunct professor at the University of Manitoba, Dr. Daun received his bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees in plant science from the University of Manitoba. He began working as program manager, Oilseeds at the CGC in 1975.

In his position with the Grains Research Lab of the Canadian Grains Commission Burcon has, over the past several years, solicited Dr. Daun’s professional opinion on a variety of technical subjects regarding canola. Now that Dr. Daun has retired from his positions with these public organizations, Burcon has seized the opportunity to formalize the relationship with Dr. Daun.

“We are excited at the opportunity to have Jim work with our scientists and other professionals,” stated Johann F. Tergesen, Burcon’s President & COO who added, “We pride ourselves in being one of the leaders with respect to canola protein and Jim’s expertise clearly complements the strengths of our existing team.”

About Burcon NutraScience

Burcon is a research and development company developing a portfolio of composition, application, and process patents around its plant protein extraction and purification technology. The goal of Burcon's research is to develop its patented process to utilize inexpensive oilseed meals for the production of purified plant proteins that exhibit valuable nutritional, functional or nutraceutical profiles. Burcon, in conjunction with Archer Daniels Midland, is currently focusing its efforts on developing the world's first commercial canola proteins, Puratein® and Supertein™. Canola, recognized for its nutritional qualities, is the second-largest oilseed crop in the world after soybeans. Burcon's goal is to develop Puratein and Supertein to participate with soy, dairy, and egg proteins in the expanding multi-billion-dollar protein ingredient market, with potential uses in prepared foods, nutritional supplements, and personal care products.

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The TSX Venture Exchange has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the adequacy of the content of the information contained herein. This press release contains forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties. These forward-looking statements relate to, among other things, plans and timing for the introduction or enhancement of our products, statements about future market conditions, supply and demand conditions, and other expectations, intentions and plans contained in this press release that are not historical fact. Our expectations regarding the prospect for future success depend upon our ability to develop and sell products, which we do not produce today and cannot be sold without further research and development. When used in this press release, the words “goal”, “intend”, “believes” and “potential” and similar expressions, generally identify forward-looking statements. These statements reflect our current expectations. They are subject to a number of risks and uncertainties. In light of the many risks and uncertainties surrounding the development of a source of protein from canola meal, you should understand that we cannot assure you that the forward looking statements contained in this press release will be realized.

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