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## **FP Genetics Appoints Tahir as Director, Research and Development**

**Regina, SK, January 4, 2018** – FP Genetics Inc. is pleased to announce the appointment of M. Tahir, PhD as Director, Research and Development for the company effective January 15, 2018.

Tahir was previously employed at Dow AgroSciences and was their Lead Research Scientist with responsibility for the development of new traits and hybrids for their Nexera canola business. Prior to that Tahir was an Assistant Professor at the University of Manitoba where he developed canola varieties. In addition, Tahir has held positions at other distinguished research facilities outside North America.

“Tahir brings a wealth of expertise to FP Genetics that will help FP Genetics fulfill our mission to become the leading cereal seed company in Canada,” said Rod Merryweather, CEO of FP Genetics. “Tahir will be responsible for the establishment of a new research and development department that will drive our success in the cereal sector. He’ll be establishing partnerships with public and private breeding organizations in order to bring new technology to Western Canadian farmers.”

“In the next decade, there will be a lot of innovation in the cereal sector and especially in wheat breeding programs,” says Tahir. “I look forward to the opportunity to develop that innovation through partnerships with both public and private breeding institutions. FP Genetics’ strategy to focus on the cereal sector and on delivering value to their farm customers through their seed grower shareholders really appeals to me.”

FP Genetics is dedicated to providing superior seed genetics to Western Canadian farmers through 162 local seedsmen that own the company. Recognized as a leader in the cereal seed business, they license leading genetics from breeding companies around the globe, producing and distributing pedigreed seed to commercial farmers who want the most profitable seed varieties.

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