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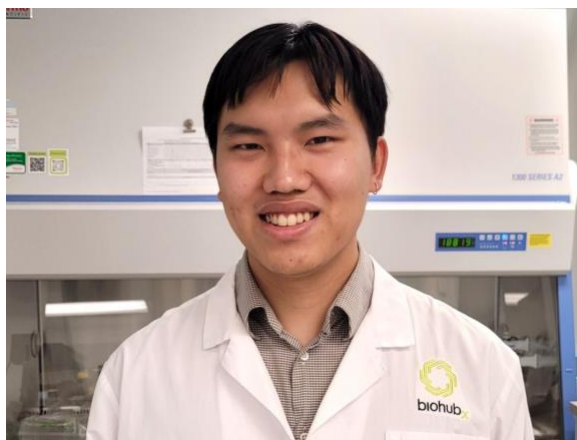
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Biohubx is an Alberta-based not-for-profit organization that supports burgeoning life science and health tech companies as they navigate the difficult journey to commercialization. In addition to providing de-risked access to turn-key facilities, Biohubx also offers scientific support in the way of CRO services.

Biohubx is committed to investing in the future of Alberta's life science industry and thus, there is great emphasis on hiring students and new graduates, who bring with them a fresh perspective and energy. As a unique player in Alberta's life sciences ecosystem, Biohubx offers interns the opportunity to gain one-of-a-kind perspectives and insights into the province's flourishing life science and health tech industry. One such intern, Anh Tran, a biochemistry graduate from the University of Alberta said that he wanted to join the Biohubx team for that exact reason.

“I was given a good view of the academic side of the life sciences while in school, but I also wanted to see the other side of the coin, the industry facing side. I saw Biohubx as a great opportunity to learn about the life science industry from a birds-eye view. As well, it has been an excellent opportunity to meet people and make connections that may help me far into the future. I'm learning lots every day.”



Anh Tran

In his role as a Research Analyst, Anh was hired to assist in laboratory operations and projects, but his list of responsibilities quickly expanded. Indeed, Anh recalls being told on his first day that everyone on the Biohubx team must wear 'many hats', something that he has really enjoyed.

“My favourite thing about my time at Biohubx is the freedom I am afforded. If I feel like I can make a contribution to a project then I have the freedom to do so, and the team has always been receptive to my ideas. I've done a few coding projects to automate some tedious office tasks,

filmed and edited a promotional video, as well as some other small administrative projects and this is all on top of fulfilling my usual laboratory duties! I've also been able to attend a few conferences and events where I get to hear about all the exciting life science companies that are popping up in Alberta, and then getting to meet the people who run those same companies. It's definitely been exciting!"

Biohubx's Director of Lab Services and Chief Scientist, Dr. Steven Jones says that funding from organizations like BioAlberta goes a long way to help retain young, ambitious, and talented students in the province. Anh, who is originally from Regina, Saskatchewan, had no intention of staying in Alberta after finishing his degree in Edmonton. However, the opportunity to work at Biohubx, made possible thanks to funding from the WIL voucher, was a key factor that helped him change his mind, and he's very glad he did.

"There's a tremendous energy currently within the life sciences ecosystem in Alberta and getting to be a part of that has been immensely rewarding. I feel like I am part of something is much bigger than myself and that my efforts are going towards something that will have a lasting impact."

Currently, the Biohubx team are hard at work as they prepare for the launch of their new facility. Keep an ear out to hear more from them soon!

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