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## RPC Recognized as Top Testing Lab at Canadian Cannabis Awards

November 30, 2018, Fredericton, NB - RPC has been recognized as the Top Testing Lab by the Canadian Cannabis Awards, an event celebrating cannabis excellence in Canada hosted by Lift & Co.

Building on decades of experience in analytical chemistry for the agricultural sector, forestry, aquaculture and other environmental markets, RPC began testing hemp in 1999. When regulations changed for medical cannabis in 2013, RPC added the necessary tests and developed additional methods that allowed a commercial offering of cannabis testing in early 2014. As an experienced lab with a diverse capability, RPC welcomed many of the licensed producers who started production. We have grown with the market, significantly increasing capacity while maintaining the excellent customer service, analytical knowledge, and quality demanded by the industry. Over the past 4 years we have added additional testing as the market demanded including additional cannabinoids and terpenes. We have also expanded the types of products tested to include oils and oil products, edibles, etc.



“Our experienced professionals have earned this recognition. With the University of New Brunswick as our neighbor, we also have an excellent supply of new talent,” noted Eric Cook, RPC’s CEO.

Bruce Phillips, Department Head of Organic Analytical Services who has led RPC’s cannabis initiative, stressed it has been a team effort. “Our team has worked really hard as the industry develops. There have been lots of challenges as we work with the emerging regulations, rapidly expanding client base and growing client needs. It is nice for the team’s dedication and expertise to be recognized.”

The complete list of winners is available here: <https://www.newswire.ca/news-releases/lift--co-announces-winners-of-the-fifth-annual-canadian-cannabis-awards-and-sets-the-gold-standard-for-cannabis-industry-excellence-in-canada-701601301.html>

### About RPC

RPC is New Brunswick’s provincial research organization (PRO), a research and technology organization (RTO) with locations in Fredericton, Moncton, and St. George, NB. RPC’s complement of 160 scientists, engineers, technologists and support staff operate from a 13,000 sq. meter facility housing world-class analytical chemistry and material-testing laboratories, comprehensive life science capabilities, an internationally recognized fish health lab, extensive product development, design, manufacturing and testing services, and a wide variety of pilot facilities for the development and improvement of industrial and environmental processes and products.

RPC holds over 100 accreditations and certifications including a diverse ISO 17025 scope from the Standards Council of Canada (SCC) and is ISO 9001:2015 certified. Further information about RPC’s services is available from [www.rpc.ca](http://www.rpc.ca).

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