



Abbott Canada Celebrates 75 Years of Turning Science into Caring

Abbott Canada has reason to celebrate in 2006. Not only was Abbott added to the prestigious list of 50 Best Employers in Canada, but it is also celebrating its 75th anniversary!

Abbott Canada was established in 1931. It was created from a merger between an existing sales office in Toronto and the Canadian operations of the Swan-Meyer Co., which Abbott acquired in 1930. Together, they formed Abbott Laboratories, Ltd., with its headquarters in Old Montreal.

Product offerings in the early years included Nembutal, Haliver Oil and Pentothal, plus cold and hay fever remedies from Swan-Meyer. As Abbott Canada grew, it played a key role in the growth of Abbott's hospital solutions business and it also became an important site for ampoule manufacturing, tablet film-coating and nutrition operations.

Today, Abbott employs approximately 1,800 people in Canada, representing several lines of business including pharmaceuticals, nutrition, diagnostics, diabetes and point-of-care. Key products include: *Humira*, *Biaxin*, *Kaletra*, *Synagis*, *Mavik*, *Meridia*, *Prevacid*, *Lupron Depot*, *Synthroid*, *Similac Advance*, *Isomil*, *PediaSure*, *PediaLyte*, *Ensure*, *Glucerna*, *Sevorane*, *I-STAT*, *FreeStyle*, *Precision*, and *AxSYM*.

"Since 1931, Abbott Canada has been committed to developing innovative products and programs

that have a positive impact on the lives of Canadians. We are extremely proud to be celebrating this milestone with Abbott employees across the country because it is thanks to their team effort and commitment to excellence that we are able to continue fulfilling our promise," said Marcelo Vizio, General Manager, Abbott Canada, **Abbott International**. "We are also very honoured to be considered one of the Best Employers in Canada and through continued investment in our products and our people, we will continue to meet the expectations of our employees and our customers." **CPM**



338 St. Paul Street West, the headquarters for Abbott Laboratories, Ltd. in Montreal, 1931.



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