Promino Nutritional Sciences to Conduct Preclinical Trials Evaluating Promino's Effectiveness in Fighting Muscle Loss Caused by Ozempic and other GLP- 1 Based Weight Loss Treatments

- An estimated 6% of American adults take GLP-1 drugs just for weight loss, according to a May 2024 KFF Health Tracking Poll
- University of Toronto Professor of Chemistry Dr. Patrick Gunning to commence preclinical trials to determine weight loss with improved muscle mass retention using the combination of Promino with GLP-1 drugs like Ozempic, Wegovy, Mounjaro and other drugs for weight loss

BURLINGTON, ON (May 21, 2024) – Promino Nutritional Sciences, Inc. (CSE: MUSL; OTC: MUSLF; FRANKFURT:93X)(the "Company" or "Promino")(www.drinkpromino.com), today announced that Dr. Patrick Gunning will assess the results of preclinical trials with various GLP-1 drugs and Promino in murine obesity models to improve muscle mass retention during weight loss.

Since December 2014, when the FDA approved the first GLP-1 drug for weight loss, GLP-1 drugs have become a \$35 billion¹ industry and are forecast to exceed \$100 billion by 2030². GLP-1 drug treatment is so popular that U.S. demand for the drugs, known as GLP-1 agonists, exceeded supply in 2023.

According to a May 2024 KFF Health Tracking Poll, nearly 6% of American adults say they take GLP-1 drugs for just for weight loss, with younger adults more likely than those 65 and older. A recent UCLA Health publication states over 8.2 million prescriptions for GLP-1 were written last year in the US.

A major side effect of this popular new class of weight loss drugs is rapid muscle loss. On GLP-1 drugs, patients can lose as much as 40% of their muscle mass³.

Dr. Patrick Gunning notes, "Muscle mass loss has been associated with either lack of resistance training or insufficient protein intake. To address this issue, Promino will conduct preclinical trials to examine weight loss with improved muscle mass retention using the combination of GLP-1 drugs and Promino in murine obesity models."

¹ <u>Global GLP-1 Agonist Market Trends (hmpgloballearningnetwork.com)</u>.

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³ https://www.biopharmadive.com/news/glp-1-biohaven-weight-loss-lean-muscle-

ozempic/700290/#:~:text=Up%20to%2040%25%20of%20the,mass%20loss%2C%20which%20includes%20 muscle.

Partick Gunning is a Professor of Chemistry at the University of Toronto, Canada, Research Chair in Medicinal Chemistry, and Founder and Chief Scientific Director of the Centre for Medicinal Chemistry (UofT). Dr. Gunning has published approximately 150 papers and won over 20 research awards. On <u>May 8, 2024</u>, Promino announced Dr. Gunning will be conducting preclinical trials for the use of Promino in conjunction with cancer treatment protocols to help patients retain muscle mass.

"Our core patented nutritional technology is a muscle retention and recovery supplement," stated Vito Sanzone, CEO of Promino. "I see potential for a future product to assist people taking GLP-1 drugs like Ozempic retain muscle mass while experiencing weight loss."

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Promino[™] and Rejuvenate Muscle[™] functional beverages utilize a patented formula from the University of Arkansas, led by Dr. Robert Wolfe, and is the result of over USD \$20 million in research, over 25 human clinical trials, over 23 years, on muscle repair, recovery and muscle protein synthesis. The Promino[™] Patented Plant-Based Blend contains nine essential amino acids in the precise combination to trigger optimal muscle growth and recovery. The fast-absorbing beverages provide the body with the building blocks of protein faster, without the excess calories, filler and carbohydrates of conventional whey or plant proteins.

The Promino[™] Patented Plant-Based Blend is the highest-ranking source of protein quality on the DIAAS score (321) versus whey protein (109). DIAAS is the new gold standard testing for digestible protein quality adopted by the World Health Organization.

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Promino is an innovative and research driven nutraceutical company located in Burlington, Ontario, specializing in the development of patented muscle growth products for the global consumer packaged goods and beverage markets utilizing the Promino Patented Plant-Based Blend.

Flagship brand Promino[™] (11 grams of Promino blend) is a drink mix for athletes, weekend warriors and active individuals has shown to be two times more effective than whey protein at building muscle. Promino Brand Ambassadors include NHL player Jack Eichel of the Vegas Golden Knights, MLB and Toronto Blue Jays legend and owner of the USL Champion League Las Vegas Lights, Jose Bautista and NHL legend Kirk McLean of the Vancouver Canucks. Promino[™] is NSF Certified for Sport[™] which means it is free of banned substances and approved for use by all professional sports leagues.

Rejuvenate Muscle[™] (3.6 grams of Promino Blend) is a daily muscle health beverage clinically proven to assist in the building, rebuilding, restoration and rejuvenation of natural muscle mass and helps prevent age-related muscle loss.

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