



## Oncotelic Therapeutics Inc. (OTCQB: OTLC) Key IP Portfolio Advancements Align with Biotech Asset Trend

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Biotech dealmaking is increasingly defined by a clear strategic shift: Pharmaceutical companies are prioritizing de-risked, late-stage assets with human clinical validation rather than speculative early-stage programs. After years of capital flowing into preclinical platforms with uncertain timelines, investors and acquirers are gravitating toward programs with established safety and efficacy data that can accelerate commercialization pathways.

This evolving landscape naturally places companies such as Oncotelic Therapeutics Inc., which holds multiple clinical-stage and late-stage programs across oncology and central nervous system (CNS) indications, into focus as strategic assets aligned with current M&A priorities. The company just announced key advancements in its global intellectual property portfolio supporting OT-101, its proprietary TGF- $\beta$  antisense therapeutic platform.

### About Oncotelic Therapeutics Inc.

Oncotelic Therapeutics is a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company focused on the development of oncology and immunotherapy products. The company's mission is to address high-unmet-need cancers and rare pediatric indications with innovative, late-stage therapeutic candidates. In addition to its directly owned and developed drug pipeline, Oncotelic benefits from the robust portfolio of inventions created by its CEO, Dr. Vuong Trieu, who has filed more than 150 patent applications and holds 39 issued U.S. patents. Beyond its internal programs, the company also licenses and codevelops select drug candidates through joint ventures. Currently, Oncotelic owns 45% of GMP Bio, a joint venture under Trieu's leadership and guidance, which is advancing its own pipeline of drug candidates that further complement and strengthen Oncotelic's strategic position in oncology and rare disease therapeutics.

For further information, please visit the company's website at [www.Oncotelic.com](http://www.Oncotelic.com).

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