



## Press release – October 2023

### HARLAY AVOCATS ACTS AS COUNSEL TO BON VIVANT IN A €15 MILLION SEED FUNDRAISING

**Founded in December 2020, the biotech Bon Vivant, whose objective is to offer animal-free dairy proteins through precision fermentation, has raised €15 million in order to remain at the cutting edge of innovation in its sector.**

Co-founded late 2020 by Stéphane Mac Millan and Hélène Briand, Bon Vivant aims at enabling industrials to reproduce sustainable dairy products, while preserving their unique taste and texture without using cows. Its very aim is to help the industry meet the dual challenge of reducing milk production while limiting the environmental impact of their products.

This €15 million fundraising, led by Sofinnova Partners, Sparkfood and Captech Santé, will allow Bon Vivant to strengthen its research and development teams, to invest in its brand-new lab located in Lyon, to produce large amount of samples to meet the demand from its partners and to accelerate on its regulatory approval notably for the USA where the biotech plans to commercialize as soon as 2025.

Thibault Chareton (partner), Charlotte Striffler and Charlotte Tainturier (associates) advised Bon Vivant in this fundraising.

Stephenson Harwood (Guillaume Briant, Ali Hilass et Ghita Filali) advised the investors.

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