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# ASCENT

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CBV is accepting applicants for ASCENT, a highly curated program built for pre-seed and seed stage therapeutics companies to gain the strategic clarity needed to achieve investor traction.

## Program Overview:

This 6-month virtual, cohort-based program has been specifically designed for therapeutics companies to gain foundational and actionable knowledge that can help secure investment.

The program combines weekly expert-led seminars, office hours, personalized coaching from experience biotech executives, investor 'test-the-waters' introductions with feedback, access to PitchBook and more!

ASCENT culminates with a virtual pitch event attended by investors & biotech executives. Top performing companies are invited to join the CBV portfolio and the RIDGE program – unlocking access to customized consulting services.

## ASCENT Modules:

### Module 1

#### Corporate Development

1. Company mindset & corporate development roadmap.
2. Defining your Business Model.
3. Asset Positioning- Defining your Differentiation.
4. Crafting a Winning Value Proposition.

### Module 2

#### Product Development

1. Fundamentals of nonclinical studies & GLP work.
2. Fundamentals of CMC & GMP work.
3. Toxicology for Early Drug Development.
4. Early Considerations for Successful Product Development.

### Module 3

#### Financing & Operations

1. Financing Strategy & pitching to Investors.
2. Building an effective Dataroom & Financing Due Diligence.
3. Patenting Strategy & Licensing.
4. Biotech Accounting & building budgets/ financial projections.

## Who should apply?

1. Pre-seed/seed staged companies incorporated in Canada who are developing therapeutics or platforms.
2. Raised a minimum of \$250K (from dilutive and non-dilutive sources).
3. Have filed and licensed IP.

## Key dates:

- Application Period:  
Open until Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026.
- Notice of acceptance:  
Aug 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026.
- Program dates:  
Sep 15<sup>th</sup> – Mar 31<sup>st</sup>, 2027.

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For a more detailed list of ASCENT eligibility criteria, to learn more about the program, and/or apply to the program reach out to:



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