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**Jill A. Mariano, M.D.** Appointed New President of **Bionique Testing Laboratories, Inc.**

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**Saranac Lake, May 15<sup>th</sup> 2017** – **Bionique Testing Laboratories, Inc.** has announced the appointment of **Jill A. Mariano, M.D.** as new President. She will assume responsibilities on **May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017** and will succeed **Daniel J. Lundin**, who has stepped down for retirement.

**Jill A. Mariano, M.D.** has been part of the company for nine years, beginning in Business Development before being promoted to **Vice President**. During this time she has led the expansion of the company's service offering and has been instrumental in establishing Bionique as leading expert in the field of mycoplasma testing.

"I am honored to take on this leadership role and look forward to collaborating on the shared goals devised by our incredible team as we work together to expand and strengthen our position as a global leader in this highly-specialized field," says Mariano. "Bionique has a long history defined by evolution and innovation, and I am excited about the opportunities ahead for the organization to continue to uniquely support the discovery and commercialization of human therapeutics within the life science industry."

**Jill Mariano, MD** earned her medical degree from Hahnemann University School of Medicine in Philadelphia, PA. Prior to pursuing her medical degree and clinical career, she was employed at Bionique Testing Laboratories within the technical service department. She remained affiliated with Bionique in a consultant capacity in the areas of research trending and strategic planning. In 2008, she returned to Bionique as Vice President for Business Development. She led collaborative efforts to ensure operational success in the company's unique niche in science and technology including serving as a member of the PDA Mycoplasma Task Force.

### **Company Overview**

For over 26 years, Bionique Testing Laboratories, Inc. (Bionique) has been a leading global provider of Mycoplasma Testing Services for the biopharmaceutical industry. Bionique offers the full breadth of services from the Lot & Final Drug Product release testing per regulatory guidelines to a GMP compliant Real-Time PCR assay to support clients' needs from concept to clinical trials and commercialization for biopharmaceutical and cell therapy products.

Bionique's experience and expertise extends to development and validation of rapid microbiological methods to generate real time results. Additional services such as regulatory and compliance consultancy add to Bionique's unique position in this niche analytical testing space.

Located in Saranac Lake, NY, Bionique is a FDA registered and GMP compliant contract testing facility. Bionique aims at offering unsurpassed quality mycoplasma testing services to meet the custom scientific and regulatory needs of each client and partner.