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The Academy has successfully developed high-end talent of young biotech professionals through an intensive 16-week 'Biocon-KGI Certificate Program in Biosciences' and all of them have been placed at reputed global biotech/ pharma companies, including Biocon and Syngene.

During the current placement drive, over 10 biotech companies recruited the students for various functions like production, quality assurance, regulatory affairs, research & development and marketing.

A talented pool of 60 aspiring biotechnologists (from Batches 3 & 4) received their certificates from Dr Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw, chief mentor, Biocon Academy during the graduation ceremony held at Biocon Park, Bangalore, on Aug 14, 2015.

Dr Kiran said: "We are extremely proud of the young talent being developed at Biocon Academy for the biotech sector. The professional success of these students will inspire many other young biotechnologists to pursue their passion for science. It is very encouraging to see the impact made by the Academy in such a short period. We are now developing new programs which will further enhance biotech learning and prepare them to seek opportunities to excel in the biotech world."

Biocon Academy leverages the technical expertise and industrial leadership of Biocon along with the strong academic excellence of its international education partner Keck Graduate Institute (KGI) in California, US, to make biotech students industry-ready.

Dr Shelly Schuster, president, Keck Graduate Institute, said: "It is indeed a proud day today for the students who have successfully completed the Biocon-KGI Certificate program in Biosciences. KGI & Biocon Academy, through this intensive and profound engagement are providing high quality academic training to biotech graduates. We are immensely proud of

these students who are the future leaders of pharmaceutical and biotechnology industry and will also be the brand ambassadors for KGI and Biocon Academy."

Eight students of Biocon Academy's third and fourth batches were presented with 'Gold Medals' for Academic Excellence, while 19 students, who demonstrated extraordinary talent in other areas during Group Projects, Class Assignments, among others., were given the 'Kudos Awards.'

Since its inception, the Academy has successfully developed high-end talent of 120 young biotech professionals through an intensive 16-week 'best-in-class' 'Biocon-KGI Certificate Program in Biosciences'.