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## RPC Recognizes Service Milestones and Announces Merit Award

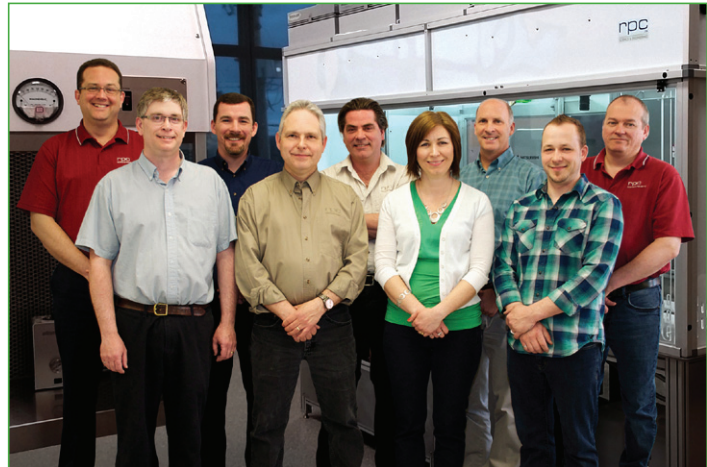
Fredericton, June 20, 2016 - RPC, New Brunswick's Provincial Research Organization, has been serving industry's analytical, applied research, engineering and inspection needs since 1962. RPC has an outstanding team of scientists, engineers, technologists and support staff. Annually, RPC recognizes service milestones in five year increments. RPC held their service awards and recognized employees for reaching a milestone. Recipients included:

| <b>5 Years</b> | <b>10 Years</b> | <b>15 Years</b> | <b>20 Years</b> | <b>25 Years</b> | <b>30 Years</b> | <b>Retirement</b> |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Michael Lawlor | Jodi Buckingham | Cathy Hay       | John Speelman   | Bev Byers       | Brian Bell      | Theresa Logan     |
| Lisa MacLellan | Ben Forward     |                 |                 | Kirk Kierstead  |                 |                   |
| Steve Holmes   | Matt Ness       |                 |                 | Theresa Logan   |                 |                   |
|                |                 |                 |                 | Stacey Munn     |                 |                   |
|                |                 |                 |                 | Krista Skinner  |                 |                   |
|                |                 |                 |                 | Troy Young      |                 |                   |

The recipients were recognized by their colleagues at a ceremony where RPC's Chairman, Lee Corey, presented them with awards. During the same ceremony, Eric Cook also announced the winner of the annual RPC merit award.

The 2015-16 merit award was presented to an RPC team who was involved in the development & manufacture of an automated laboratory workcell. The challenge was to automate a labour intensive biotech process within a tightly controlled environment. This was not a standard automation project. The solution required complex research, advanced industrial design, robotics, and machine vision. The team developed the complete process, detailed the design, manufacturing and testing of the prototype machine. After successful testing, operator training, machine installation and commissioning at the client's site were completed.

This project is an excellent example of how RPC can complete complex objectives utilizing modern technology and a cross functional team including close collaboration with the client.



**2015-2016 Merit Award Team Members:**

Back (L-R): Steve Holmes, Ben Forward, Troy Young, John Aikens, John King  
 Front (L-R): Scott Sanford, Brian Bell, Melanie Lalonde, Chris Davenport

### About RPC

RPC is New Brunswick's provincial research organization (PRO), a research and technology organization (RTO) located in Fredericton and Moncton, NB. RPC's complement of 98 scientists, engineers and technologists are supported by a 13,000 sq. meter facility housing world-class analytical chemistry and material-testing laboratories, comprehensive life science capabilities, an internationally recognized fish health lab, extensive product development, design, manufacturing and testing services, and a wide variety of pilot facilities for the development and improvement of industrial and environmental processes and products.

RPC holds over 100 accreditations and certifications including a diverse ISO 17025 scope from the Standards Council of Canada (SCC) and is ISO 9001:2008 certified. Further information about RPC's services is available from [www.rpc.ca](http://www.rpc.ca).

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