



## Briefing you on everything **BioAlberta**

Welcome to the latest edition of **BioBrief**. In this issue, we're pleased to provide key updates, highlight upcoming events, introduce new members, and feature a BioAlberta member making notable contributions to the life sciences sector.

Read on to stay informed and connected with the latest developments within Alberta's life sciences community.

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## Members Spotlight



**F E D O R A**  
P H A R M A C E U T I C A L S <sup>INC.</sup>

Founded in 2011, by Christopher Micetich and headquartered in Edmonton, Alberta, Fedora Pharmaceuticals Inc. is a biotechnology company dedicated to the discovery

global health.

Fedora Pharmaceuticals is dedicated to addressing multi-drug-resistant infections through the development of innovative antibiotics that effectively target resistant pathogens. Our vision is to help shape a future where antibiotic resistance (AMR) is no longer a pressing global health concern.

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## Welcome to Our New Members



Enhancing Honey Bee Health Through Innovative Diagnostic Solutions.

At BeeSafe Biotech, we are developing cutting-edge, field-ready diagnostic tools to help beekeepers detect honey bee pathogens quickly and accurately - before they devastate colonies.

[Learn more about BeeSafe Biotech](#)



The purpose of Idorsia is to discover, develop, and commercialize innovative medicines to help more patients.

[Learn more about Idorsia Pharmaceuticals Canada Inc.](#)



At Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. our mission is to enable our customers to make the world healthier, cleaner and safer. Whether our customers are accelerating life sciences research, solving complex analytical challenges, increasing productivity in their laboratories, improving patient health



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changing therapies, we are here to support them.

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## Special Feature

Life Sciences in Alberta  
**State of the Industry 2025**

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**BE COUNTED** **Deadline Extended**

### **The 2025 State of the Industry Survey - We need you NOW!**

Now more than ever, Alberta's life sciences sector needs to stand up for itself and demonstrate our impact on Alberta's economy, and the top of mind challenges faced by life sciences companies.

[Complete the Survey Now](#)

**State of the Industry** helps government decision-makers understand the policies and supports required to grow the sector, influences funding decisions, and identifies barriers to growth. It also provides long-term data on sector growth and encourages our industry to work together to demonstrate our value to the economy and to health innovation.

TO 11:59PM MST ON APRIL 14, 2025.

Survey respondents will also be entered into a draw for a chance to win! Prizes include three \$25 gift cards and one \$250 credit for use with BioAlberta that can be used towards memberships or events.

The survey is open to all life sciences companies in Alberta and should take 20 - 30 minutes to complete. All responses and data will remain confidential and will only be published in aggregate.

[Complete the Survey Now](#)

If you have any questions, please call Amanda Stadel, Manager, Industry Development, BioAlberta at [780.425.3802](tel:780.425.3802). Alternatively, you may contact Reise O'Hara, Manager of Public Affairs, MNP at [reise.ohara@mnp.ca](mailto:reise.ohara@mnp.ca).



# ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

## BioAlberta Annual Achievement Awards

Nominations are now open for the BioAlberta 2025 Achievement Awards! Shine a spotlight on Alberta's trailblazers by nominating a deserving individual or organization for Company of the Year, Vista Award, or Technology Innovation. These prestigious awards, chosen by the BioAlberta Awards Committee, will be presented at the Health and Life Sciences Showcase Gala Dinner on September 25th. Don't miss the chance to celebrate outstanding achievements in our industry.

[Nominate Now](#)

## BioAlberta Events

**PRAIRIE BIOECONOMY GUILD**

# INNOVATION IN THE BIOINDUSTRIAL SECTOR OF ALBERTA

**DAVID C BRESSLER,**  
CHIEF STRATEGY OFFICER - INTERNATIONAL AND ENTERPRISE / PROFESSOR UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

**bioalberta**  
Association for Life Sciences Industry

**ERIN**  
EDMONTON REGIONAL INNOVATION NETWORK  
BRIDGING INNOVATION  
POWERED BY ALBERTA INNOVATES

Wednesday, April 9, 2025 • 5pm to 7pm

Brewsters (Mezz Room), 11620 104 Ave

**UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA**

April 9, 2025

### **Prairie Bioeconomy Guild: Innovation in the Bioindustrial Sector of Alberta**

On [Wednesday, April 9, 2025, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM](#) at Brewsters Unity Square in Edmonton, BioAlberta will host the Prairie BioEconomy Guild, featuring a special presentation focusing on two decades of research and innovation in the Bressler lab, positioned within an evolving innovation ecosystem in the province. Thoughts on how the landscape and opportunities within the provincial ecosystem for biofuels, renewable chemicals and biomaterials will be addressed.

The Biorefining Conversions and Fermentation Laboratory at the University of Alberta has been at the forefront of developing practical technologies that transform by-products from various industries into valuable biofuels and bio commodities for over two decades. With state-of-the-art equipment and a comprehensive analytical suite, the lab is fully equipped to support research in biorefining conversions and fermentations for clean fuels, green chemistry, and cellular agriculture.

biofuels, renewable chemical and biomaterials landscape..

[Register today.](#)

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## Health & Life Sciences Showcase and Awards Dinner

 September 25, 2025

 Fairmont Hotel MacDonald, Edmonton

September 25, 2025

### **Save the Date: 2025 Health & Life Sciences Showcase and Awards Dinner**

Join us on [September 25, 2025](#), at the Fairmont Hotel MacDonald in Edmonton for the 2025 Health & Life Sciences Showcase and Awards Dinner.

This premier event will bring together industry leaders, innovators, and stakeholders for a day of insightful discussions, expert panels, and strategic networking, followed by an evening celebrating excellence in Alberta's life sciences sector at the Awards Dinner.

We encourage you to save the date and stay tuned for further details in the coming months.

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## **Exclusive to BioAlberta Members**

# Partnering to simplify Life Sciences travel.

Save time, reduce  
costs, and travel  
with ease.



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## Travelling in 2025? Let Corporate Traveller Simplify Your Journey

Planning your travel for the year ahead? BioAlberta members have exclusive access to Corporate Traveller's expertise in managing business travel with ease and efficiency. Through our partnership, you can streamline your trips, reduce costs, and enjoy personalized support tailored to the life sciences industry.

Whether you're heading to major industry events like the BIO International Conference or traveling to expand your business, Corporate Traveller is here to help.

Learn more about [Corporate Traveller's experience with the life sciences industry](#) or [BioAlberta's membership benefits](#).

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## Looking for Free Space to Host a Meeting?

BioAlberta members can book a day office or the BioAlberta Boardroom for free as part of their member benefits. Contact Christy at 780-425-3804 or [christy@bioalberta.com](mailto:christy@bioalberta.com) for any questions or to check availability.

If you are interested in renting an office downtown on a longer term basis, please contact Robb at 780-425-3815 or [robb@bioalberta.com](mailto:robb@bioalberta.com).

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## **BioTalent Canada is now accepting applications for the Spring/Summer 2025 term Student Work Placement Program (SWPP)**

Through this skills development program, employers can access support to hire a student to help the student gain valuable experience while building their workforce. The submission deadline is [July 31, 2025](#). Apply today— spaces fill quickly!

To ensure your application is considered, all necessary documentation must be completed by the employer, student, and academic contact, and the final package must be submitted online.

**Please note** – Due to high demand for SWPP not all applications may be approved. Priority is given to bioscience employers. Only healthcare organizations **that overlap with the bio-economy** may be considered for the program. To maximize your application's success, ensure any bio-economy connection is clearly highlighted in the job description or organizational details.

Have questions? Please contact Soufiane at [info@biotalent.ca](mailto:info@biotalent.ca).

[Apply Now](#)

## Entos Pharmaceuticals and Circio initiate collaboration to test novel platform for circVec circular RNA delivery

We're excited to share a new collaboration between Entos Pharmaceuticals and Circio Holding ASA to combine Circio's durable circVec DNA vectors with our Fusogenix PLV delivery technology.

The combined technologies can allow future joint development of novel, potent, repeat-dosable therapeutic candidates and in vivo delivery testing for genetic medicine, chronic disease, and vaccines.

[Learn more here](#)

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