

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.

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Members Spotlight

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BioAlberta Celebrates Life Sciences Week and Global Biotech Week at the Annual Health and Life Sciences Showcase and Awards Gala



On Thursday, September 25th, BioAlberta's annual **Health and Life Sciences Showcase and Awards Gala** engaged, inspired, and celebrated Alberta's life sciences ecosystem. The afternoon was filled with collaborative panel discussions on important and relevant topics including utilizing AI technology to improve patient care, discussing the necessity of breast cancer detection and prevention, determining the factors to successfully enter global markets, and improving access to healthcare in rural and remote communities in Alberta. The energy and emphasis to take action as an ecosystem was compelling to the leaders, innovators, and investors that attended each panel.



To launch the Health and Life Sciences Showcase 2025, BioAlberta and MNP released the 2025 State of the Industry Report. An overview of the contributions and economic impact that Alberta's life sciences ecosystem has on Alberta's economy, the 2025 State of the Industry highlighted successful statistics. In 2025, the ecosystem contributed \$4.770 billion to Alberta's economy, which created 34,000 new full time jobs. The continued growth of the life sciences ecosystem in Alberta is noticeable. This year's State of the Industry Report acts as a statistical success story for this sector and deserves to be celebrated. To read the 2025 State of the Industry Report, click [here](#).



Following a successful afternoon of panel discussions and the release of the State of the Industry Report, we celebrated with the 2025 Achievement Awards Gala. Tim Caulfield, esteemed law professor and author, was this year's keynote presentation. Caulfield engaged the audience in an important conversation surrounding misinformation and the impact it has on our healthcare sector. His presentation was thoughtful and entertaining, and reminds us all that the information and science behind decisions to protect public health are important.

This year's Achievement Award recipients showcase the innovation, investment, and dedication to advancing the life sciences in Alberta. The Achievement Awards are presented to companies, leaders, investors, and innovators that have gone above and beyond to support advancements in the life sciences sector and promote exceptional outcomes in scientific advancement around the world. Congratulations to our 2025 Achievement Award Recipients:

- **Technology Innovation Award:** Dr. Ian Lewis
- **Company of the Year:** BioAro Inc.
- **Vista Award:** Innovation Masterminds Alberta



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The Health and Life Sciences Showcase is not possible without our supporters and sponsors. Thank you to our guests that spent the day with us to celebrate and engage in the successes and innovations of our growing, thriving, and impactful ecosystem. BioAlberta continues to advocate, promote, and elevate Alberta's life sciences sector, and we could not do it without the continued collaboration of our partners and sector leaders.

BioAlberta looks forward to connecting, engaging, and supporting your business, ideas, and innovations. Visit bioalberta.com and follow us on social media to stay up to date on upcoming events, life sciences ecosystem announcements, and BioAlberta news. See you next year at the 2026 Health and Life Sciences Showcase!

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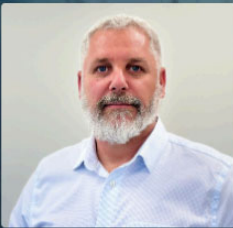
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October 8, 2025

October Bioeconomy Guild

On [Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2025, from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM](#), BioAlberta will host Bioeconomy Guild networking event. Featuring a talk by Desmond Pink of Nanostics Inc.

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When: Wednesday, November 5, 2025, Time: 10-11am MT

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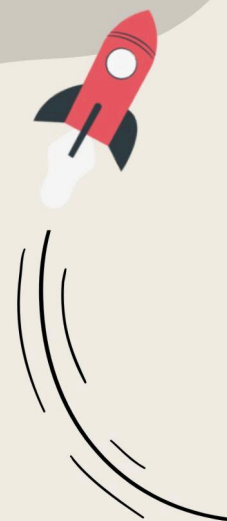
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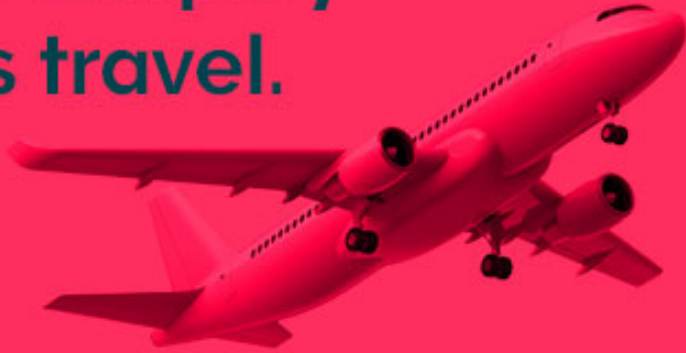
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