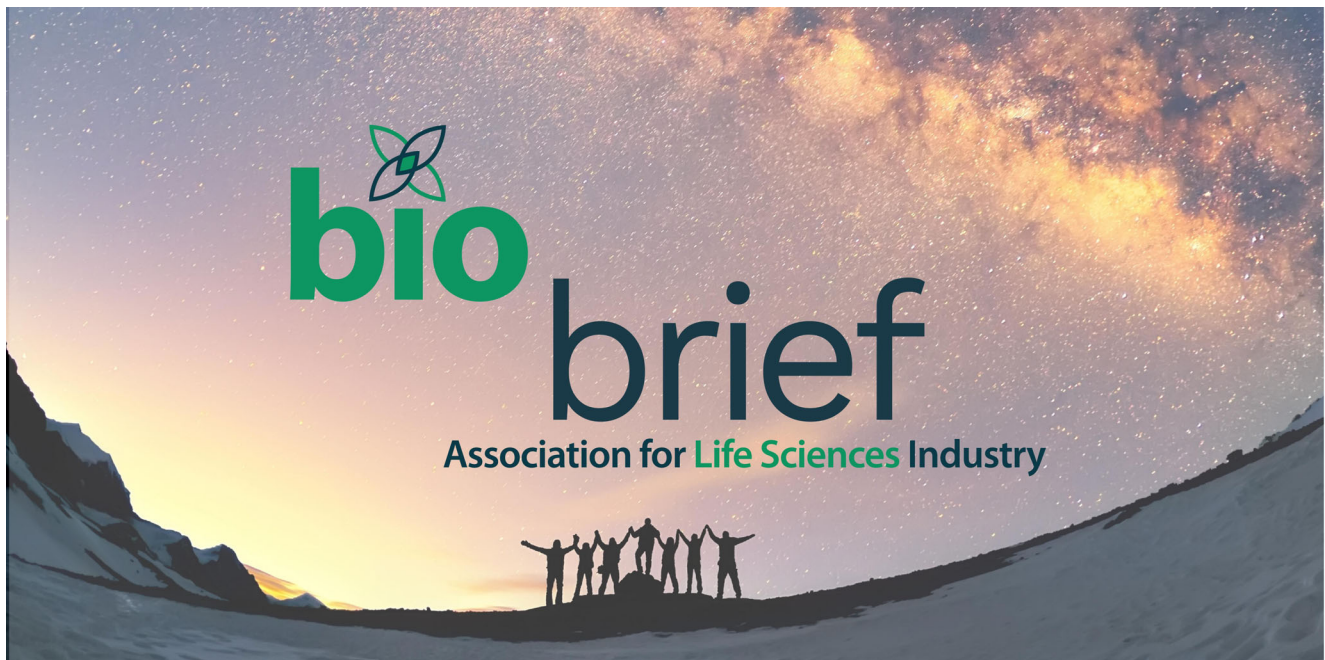




Briefing you on everything **BioAlberta**

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.

Stay informed and connected with Alberta's life sciences community.

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Member Spotlight



IRELAND-ALBERTA
TRADE ASSOCIATION

Since 2000, the **Ireland-Alberta Trade Association** (IATA) has worked to strengthen trade and investment between Alberta and Ireland — two economies aligned across technology, life sciences, agri-food, renewable energy and financial services. IATA has led multiple trade missions in both directions, bringing Alberta companies into Ireland and Irish companies into Alberta in sectors where the two markets align, and connecting companies in-market with prospective clients, research partners and collaborators.

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Welcome to our New Members



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unique and emerging class of DNA
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HLSS Keynote Speaker

A promotional graphic for the HLSS Keynote Speaker. The background is dark teal with a faint, glowing molecular structure. On the left, the text 'KEYNOTE SPEAKER' is in white, followed by 'HANDOL KIM' in large, bold white letters. Below that, it says 'CO-FOUNDER & CEO, VARIATIONAL AI'. On the right is a portrait of Handol Kim, a man with glasses and a goatee, smiling, wearing a black polo shirt, against a yellow-orange background. At the bottom left is the 'bioalberta' logo with the tagline 'Association for Life Sciences Industry'. In the center bottom is 'HEALTH AND LIFE SCIENCES SHOWCASE & AWARDS DINNER'. At the bottom right is the date 'SEPTEMBER 24, 2026' and location 'AIRPORT MARRIOTT HOTEL CALGARY, AB'.

BioAlberta is proud to announce **Handol Kim**, Co-Founder and CEO of Variational AI, as our keynote speaker at HLSS!

Handol co-founded Vancouver-based Variational AI in 2019 and has served as its CEO since inception. Variational AI works at the intersection of generative AI and biotechnology. He has 25+ years of experience at venture-backed start-ups and public software, cloud, and deeptech companies in Silicon Valley, Asia-Pacific, and Canada.

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September 9, 2026

The Guild Returns - Save the Date!

The Bioeconomy Guild returns on September 9th for another evening of networking, insights, and conversations with Alberta's bioeconomy community. Mark your calendar now; speaker and session details coming soon.

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HEALTH AND LIFE SCIENCES SHOWCASE & AWARDS DINNER

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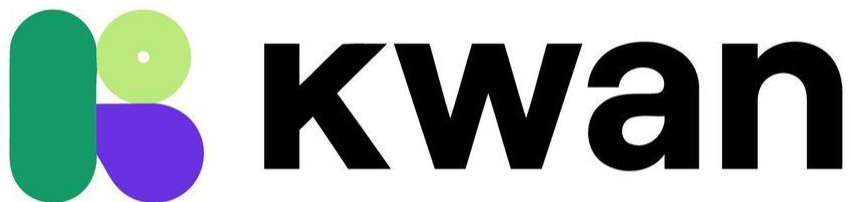
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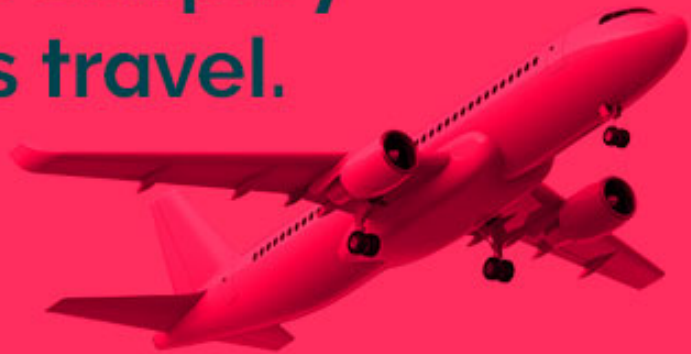
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