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### Network with Life Science Professionals at Beer & Biotech

Join Life Science Tennessee members and stakeholders from across state at our upcoming Beer & Biotech dates. These events are a unique opportunity to learn about Tennessee's life science companies and regional ecosystems, foster meaningful relationships with other life science professionals, and ignite business opportunities. Join us to connect with your colleagues and further your professional development. Sign up

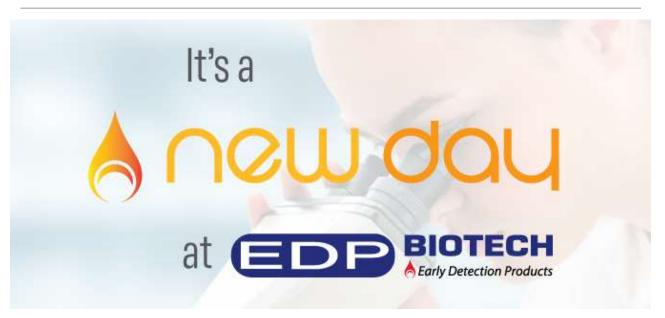


Beer & Biotech: Chattanooga

### August 17 | Axis Research & Tech

Details on Beer & Biotech Knoxville and Memphis will be released soon. To stay up to date, visit <u>www.lifesciencetn.org/events</u>.

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## **EDP Biotech Merges With New Day Diagnostics**

LST-member <u>EDP Biotech Corp.</u> (EDP Biotech) and formerly Boca Raton-based <u>New</u> <u>Day Diagnostics, LLC</u> (New Day Diagnostics) announced their merger to become a vertically integrated force in the expedited development and commercialization of diagnostic tests in Knoxville, Tennessee. This collaboration brings together EDP Biotech's position as an established and growing specialty diagnostic developer and

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Contract Research Organization (CRO) with New Day Diagnostics' robust pipeline of diversified diagnostic tests and commercialization capabilities.

Together, EDP Biotech and New Day Diagnostics are set to capitalize on the changing patient dynamics in the diagnostics industry. By leveraging their combined development capabilities, distribution channels, and strategic partnerships, the merged entity will have the ability to address multiple indications, transforming the way patients access and benefit from diagnostic testing.

"We are thrilled to announce our merger with New Day Diagnostics," said Eric Mayer, CEO of EDP Biotech Corp. "This strategic marriage will allow us to continue delivering innovative and cost-effective diagnostic solutions, making a profound impact on patient care and outcomes including the underserved population and uninsured patients." Eric Mayer will serve as President and CEO of the combined entity following the merger.

The newly merged entity will retain the name New Day Diagnostics, and both companies' teams will unite under a unified leadership structure headquartered in Knoxville, Tennessee.

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## ANNOUNCEMENT Alliance for Genomic Discovery announces founding biopharma members

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## Nashville Biosciences Partner with Five Major Pharma Companies to Create The Alliance for Genomic Discovery

Nashville Biosciences (NB), a wholly owned subsidiary of Vanderbilt University Medical Center (VUMC), has announced a partnership with five major pharmaceutical companies to form **the Alliance for Genomic Discovery**. The five pharma companies in this effort include **Abbvie**, **Amgen**, **AstraZeneca**, **Bayer** and **Merck**. These five companies are joined by Illumina, which previously announced its alliance with NB. The partnership provides funding to whole-genome sequence (WGS) at least 250,000 DNA samples, each tied to de-identified electronic medical records, to create the world's largest database of its kind.

"Because of Tennessee visionaries stemming from Vanderbilt and Nashville, along with the shared vision of some of the world's most innovative pharmaceutical companies, promising new technologies are in the horizon to help treat unmet medical conditions, and Tennessee is a major part of that story," said **Life Science Tennessee Executive Director Abby Trotter**. **READ MORE** 



### AABB Brings World's Leading Biotherapy Companies to Nashville

Join Life Science Tennessee members and stakeholders from across the world for the <u>Association for the Advancement of Blood Biotherapies'</u> annual meeting October 14-16 in downtown Nashville.

This year, AABB has announced the new biotherapies pavilion and networking space in the 2023 Annual Meeting's exhibit hall, designed to provide biotherapies companies with new opportunities to network with key audiences in the field. Life Science Tennessee will be joining this effort to connect with the fast-growing industry and showcase the resources Tennessee has to offer.

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## **LSTCON Returns to Nashville This Fall!**

LSTCON will return to Nashville on Wednesday, November 8 at the Westin Hotel. If you want to submit a subject request, speaker request, or become a sponsor, contact <u>info@lifesciencetn.org</u>.



### LaunchTN Endorses Five EDA Tech Hubs

LaunchTN endorsed five <u>U.S. Economic Development Administration Regional</u> <u>Technology and Innovation Hubs</u> (Tech Hub) proposals on behalf of Tennessee. Of the five proposals, Nashville's "Data Storage and Management" for life sciences and Tri-Cities "Synthetic Biology" proposals look to combine the region's resources to become centers for life science innovation.

The proposals are designed to reflect the diverse, transformative potential of Tennessee's tech sectors across five regional areas, Memphis, Nashville, Chattanooga, Knoxville, and the Tri-Cities. Read more about each regions proposal and potential collaborators below. MORE INFORMATION

# **EVENTS**



Beer & Biotech: Chattanooga

August 17

Chattanooga, TN (Axis R&T)

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September 18-21

Nashville, TN (Wildhorse Saloon)

Register





September 20

Nashville, TN (Morton's the Steakhouse)

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**AABB** Annual Meeting

October 14-17

Nashville, TN

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## IN THE NEWS

#### UTRF names Kusum Rathore as the new vice president for its Multi-Campus

<u>Office</u>. Kusum is a former UTRF technology manager and previously held a position at Thermo Fischer as the organization's innovation and commercialization manager.

<u>New Day Diagnostics has agreed to acquire all of the assets and intellectual</u> <u>property of Epigenomics</u>, a molecular diagnostics company involved in blood testing for the early cancer detection.

August Bioservices VP of opperations, Jason Hartman, <u>shared his "3 Key Trends"</u> that will shape the CDMO industry for years to come.

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The **Biotechnology Innovation Organization** (BIO) released its seventh-annual best practices report, "<u>The U.S. Biosciences Industry in the States: Best Practices in</u> <u>Innovation, Partnerships, and Job Creation</u>."

Meharry Medical College Ventures (MMCV) has named Reginald Holt as it's <u>new</u> CEO to promote innovation and fosters lasting mutually beneficial partnerships.

Nashville Entrepreneur Center hires Sam Davidson as the organizations new CEO.

University of Tennessee at Chattanooga's <u>Center for Innovation and</u> <u>Entrepreneurship</u> (CIE) has named **Mike Bradshaw**, the former executive director at CO.LAB, <u>as the organizations new director</u>.

First Al-generated drug has been approved for human clinical trials, targeting a rare chronic lung disease.

**Infusense**, a Nashville-based medical device company located in Cumberland Emerging Technologies, <u>has been granted a \$1 million Phase II SBIR grant to drive</u> <u>the development of the company's diagnostic product, HermaSense.</u>



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