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LIFE SCIENCES
SUMMIT 2026

MARCH 12-13, 2026

AGENDA

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UTAH'S PREMIER EVENT FOR LIFE SCIENCES INVESTMENT

MARCH 12, 2026



SUMMIT

8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

HILTON SALT LAKE CITY CENTER
255 SOUTH WEST TEMPLE
SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84101

MARCH 13, 2026



SKI DAY

7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

SNOWBIRD RESORT
SNOWBIRD, UTAH

LIFT TICKETS AVAILABLE



LIGHT BREAKFAST

8:00 - 9:30 AM

SNOWBIRD RESORT
SUPERIOR ROOM, THE CLIFF LODGE
9320 SOUTH CLIFF LODGE DR.
SNOWBIRD, UT 84092



LUNCHEON

12:00 - 2:00 PM

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MORNING SESSION

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LOCATION: MAIN BALLROOM

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| 7:30 AM | Networking, Continental Breakfast | |
| 8:30 AM | Welcome & Opening Remarks | Kelvyn Cullimore, President & CEO, BioUtah Laura Bridgewater, Dean, College of Life Sciences, Brigham Young University Congressman Michael Kennedy (R-UT), United States House of Representatives |
| 8:45 AM | Lessons Learned in Building a Life Sciences Company | Trina Higgins, Partner, Wilson Sonsini [Moderator] Paul Perreault, Former CEO, CSL Limited Greg Critchfield, CEO, RefloDX Travis Sessions, CEO, Biomerics |
| 9:30 AM | Investing in Life Sciences Companies: How the VC Landscape is Changing | Alison Johnson, Partner, Wilson Sonsini [Moderator] Frank Langston, Investor, Thiel Capital - Bio Fund Zachary Betts, CEO & Founder, Zandia Ventures Lu Han, Partner, Lumira Ventures Kirsten Horning, Partner, PL Capital |
| 10:15 AM | Break | |
| 10:30 AM | KEYNOTE: Market Perspectives for 2026 | Monica DiCenso, Head of Global Investment Opportunities Group, J.P. Morgan |
| 11:15 AM | KEYNOTE: Disruptive Innovations in Life Sciences | Ann-Somers Hogg, Director, Healthcare Research, The Clayton Christensen Institute |
| 12:00 PM | Networking Lunch | |



INVESTOR TRACK

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| LOCATION: MAIN BALLROOM | | HOST: DAVE BROWN, BYU |
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| SHARK TANK GROUP 1: THERAPEUTICS/PHARMACEUTICALS | | JUDGES: |
| 1:00 PM | 1. TBA 2. TBA 3. TBA | TBA |
| SHARK TANK GROUP 2: MED DEVICE & DIAGNOSTICS SERIES A | | JUDGES: |
| 1:50 PM | 1. TBA 2. TBA 3. TBA | TBA |
| SHARK TANK GROUP 3: MED DEVICE & DIAGNOSTICS | | JUDGES: |
| 2:40 PM | 1. TBA 2. TBA 3. TBA | TBA |
| SHARK TANK GROUP 4: DIGITAL HEALTH / BIOTECH | | JUDGES: |
| 3:30 PM | 1. TBA 2. TBA 3. TBA | TBA |
| 4:20 PM | Break | |
| 4:45 PM | Announcement of Shark Tank Winners (Main Ballroom) | |



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| ENTREPRENEUR TRACK | | LOCATION: ALPINE EAST |
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| 1:00 PM | Launching a Life Sciences Company: What You May Not Know About Launching a Life Sciences Company | Matt Meyer, Chief Business Advisor, Wilson Sonsini [Moderator] Ann-Somers Hogg, Director, Healthcare Research, The Clayton Christensen Institute Curtis Sprouse, Co-founder, Sella Therapies & Amplio Pharma |
| 1:40 PM | Universities as Innovators: Perspectives from the Tech Transfer Offices | Dave Brown, Director, Tech Transfer, BYU [Moderator] Jason Young, Technology Licensing Office, University of Utah Jeri Hansen, Ex. Director for Research, Innovation & Impact, Utah State University Aaron Davis, Ph.D., Ex. Director, Atwood Innovation Plaza, Utah Tech University |
| 2:10 PM | How the BYU School of Medicine Can Inspire Innovation and Research | Mark Ott, MD, Dean, BYU School of Medicine Brandon Webb, Assoc. Dean of Research, BYU School of Medicine |
| 2:40 PM | Break | |

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| FINANCE & LEGAL TRACK: | | LOCATION: ALPINE EAST |
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| 2:50 PM | IP Panel | Sara Patak, Partner, Wilson Sonsini [Moderator] Kapil Sharma, CEO, Vira Regen Rachel Jones, Chief Product Officer, VedaBio |
| 3:25 PM | Seed Fund Investor Panel | Jenny Barba, Founder, Features VC [Moderator] Tomi Smith, Northwest Capital Kristin Wihera, Director of Fund Operations, Nucleus Institute |
| 4:10 PM | Local Investor Panel | Luke Larsen, Vice President, MedVenture Holdings Brandon Rosenhan, Founding Partner, MedMountain Ventures Jack Boren, Partner, Epic Ventures/Utah Venture Fund |
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LOCATION: TBA

HOST: ANDY ROBERTSON, BIOHIVE

12:00 PM

LUNCH KEYNOTE:
An Entrepreneur's Journey:
The David Bearss Story

David Bearss, PhD, CEO, Halia Therapeutics

1:00 PM

The Funding Landscape Explained
(Without the Jargon)

Anh Hoang-Lindsay, CEO, Jana Care
Taylor Nadauld, Cougar Capital
Mike Hendron, Rollins Center, BYU

1:45 PM

Student Engagement with
Utah's Biotech Industry

Andy Robertson, BioHive [Moderator]
Mark Paul, Executive Director, CMI
Cindy Dunkle, Chief People Officer, Denali Therapeutics

2:15 PM

From Lab Bench to Startup:
What Students Need to Know

Tim Jenkins, Faculty, BYU [Moderator]
Chad Pollard, CEO, Renew Biotechnologies
Brad Randall, Union Capital Partner



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SKI DAY SCHEDULE

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| 8:00 AM | Continental Breakfast | Superior Room, Cliff Lodge 9320 South Cliff Lodge Dr. Snowbird, UT 84092 |
| 9:00 AM | Skiing | |
| 12:00 PM | Luncheon | Superior Room, Cliff Lodge 9320 South Cliff Lodge Dr. Snowbird, UT 84092 |
| 1:00 PM | Skiing | |

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