

## Dates to Remember

AFPA Festival in Edmonton.  
[www.afpa.com](http://www.afpa.com) ..... **Sept 19**

Alberta Life Technologies Investor Forum (ALTIF) in Edmonton  
[www.altif.ca](http://www.altif.ca) ..... **Sept 19**

Ag Biotech International Conference (ABIC) in Calgary  
[www.abic.ca](http://www.abic.ca) ..... **Sept 23-26**

Banff Venture Forum in Banff  
[www.banffventureforum.com](http://www.banffventureforum.com)  
..... **Oct 5-6**

2nd Annual Pacific Rim Summit in Honolulu  
[www.bio.org/pacrim](http://www.bio.org/pacrim) ..... **Nov 14**

LES 2007 Annual Meeting in Vancouver  
[www.usa-canada.les.org/meetings](http://www.usa-canada.les.org/meetings)  
..... **Oct 14-17**

The 2007 Life Sciences & Healthcare Venture Summit in New York City  
[www.youngstartup.com](http://www.youngstartup.com) ..... **Oct 23**

## Recent News

### Calgary Gearing up to Host ABIC 2007

In recent years, the annual Agricultural Biotechnology International Conference (ABIC) has become an essential event for professionals around the world. This year's event is being held in Calgary, Alberta from September 23 to 26, 2007 and AVAC is pleased to be a Gold Sponsor for the event.

Scientists, entrepreneurs, policy specialists, government officials and many others depend on ABIC conferences to be challenging, penetrating and highly applicable to their day-to-day work.

The theme of ABIC 2007 Calgary is Harnessing Science for the Evolving Consumer: The Fit of Agricultural Biotechnology. With ABIC Calgary 2007 drawing near, the organizers have searched the globe to bring you the most authoritative and forward-looking speakers on a wide variety of essential ag biotech topics. These include:

- Food preservation, storage, processing and development technologies
- Consumer choices and perceptions
- Pharmaceuticals, nutraceuticals and cosmetics
- Livestock genomics
- Zoonotics
- Rural development and enhancement
- Industrial Bioproducts.

### CV Technologies Appoints New Director

CV Technologies Inc. has announced that Maurice (Ted) Bilyea of Toronto has accepted an invitation to join its Board of Directors.

Mr. Bilyea was formerly Executive Vice-President of Maple Leaf Foods Inc. and, prior to that, President of Maple Leaf Foods International. He holds a B.A. (Hons.) and an M.A. in International Relations from York

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North American Venture Capital Summit (NAVCS) in Quebec City  
www.navcs.com ..... **Oct 29-30**

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University in Ontario. Mr. Bilyea is the Deputy Chair of the Science Advisory Board of Agriculture and Agri-food Canada and was Co-Chair of the Canadian Agri-food Marketing Council which advised the federal Ministers of Agriculture and Trade.

“We are delighted to welcome Mr. Bilyea to our Board,” said Gordon Tallman, Chairman of the Board of Directors of CV Technologies. “His domestic as well as international business expertise along with his extensive consumer products industry knowledge gleaned in over 35 years working in the industry will be a valuable resource as we develop and execute our new business plan.”

## Keough Leaves Medical Research Foundation

Kevin Keough, the chief executive of the Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research, is resigning after three years on the job. Keough was the foundation’s third president in its 27-year history.

He was formerly a biochemist, served as chief scientist for Health Canada, and was a noted senior academic in his home province of Newfoundland and Labrador. Jacques Magnan, the foundation’s vice-president of programs, will serve as interim leader.

The foundation’s primary role is to distribute research funding to Alberta medical scholars. About \$900 million in grants has been handed out since 1980.