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Beaverton on the hunt for bioscience

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One Oregon organization at the annual BIO International Convention's Global Event for Biotechnology may seem a little out of place.

The city of Beaverton joins entities such as **SAM Medical**, the **Oregon Bioscience Association** and **Oregon Health & Science University** in the Oregon Pavilion at the conference, which runs this week in Washington, D.C.

Beaverton Mayor **Denny Doyle**, who is at the conference, said he's on a recruiting mission.

"With the job and revenue growth in Oregon biotechnology and life science firms, there is a huge growing potential and Beaverton is perfectly situated to welcome these companies," Doyle said.

A 2010 impact study showed that Oregon's 631 bioscience companies and 13 life science research institutions generated \$7.1 billion in economic activity and provided almost 37,000 jobs.

The annual BIO event is the industry's largest conference to showcase scientific innovation.

Other Oregon companies and organizations in attendance are **13Therapeutics**, **Business Oregon**, **Columbia Soft**, **Microstein**, **Oregon Translational Research and Drug Development Institute**, **REDpoint** and **Welch Allyn**.

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