

Expression of interest

AusBiotech 2018 | Brisbane 30 October – 2 November 2018

Brisbane, Australia is hosting the AusBiotech 2018 conference from 31 October to 2 November 2018, bringing together Australian and international biotech leaders and stakeholders that creates a forum to reflect on the sector's achievements, exchange ideas and further advance the sector's standing both nationally and globally.

The Queensland Government invites you to visit Queensland to learn more about our world-leading research institutes and science capacity and capability in areas including tropical and infectious disease, vaccine development and delivery, telemedicine and agriculture as well as undertake site visits to some of Queensland's premier facilities including our world class health and knowledge precincts.

Why Queensland

Queensland life sciences are globally competitive. The state is home to highly attractive and successful knowledge hubs in health, agriculture, the environment and industrial biotechnology, utilising the state's unique biodiversity, world-class skills and infrastructure. Queensland has:

- a dynamic industry with more than 250 companies in the life sciences sector
- a supportive Queensland Government, committing over A\$6.1 billion to boost Queensland's science research, development and innovation since 1999.
- internationally connected industry, with Queensland Government support in fostering key international alliances to promote technology transfer, the exchange of ideas and access to the skills required to advance research collaborations and accelerate development
- the only two organisations in Australia fully dedicated to the cGMP grade contract manufacture of biopharmaceutical active ingredients— Patheon Biologics, part of Thermo Fisher Scientific, and LuinaBio
- capabilities in all phases of clinical trials

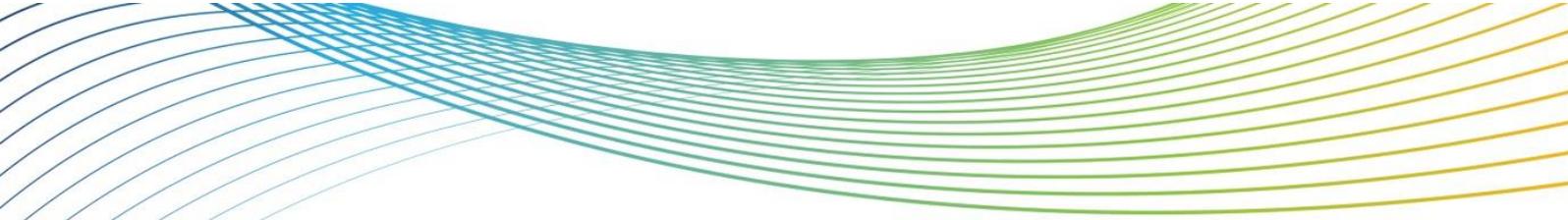
Why attend?

- pre-conference site visits (Brisbane and Gold Coast)
- AusBiotech 2018 Conference and Exhibition
 - Early-stage Investment Forum
 - Business-matching meetings
- regional visits and Innovation Week events
- Queensland Capability Breakfast (invitation only)

Who should attend?

International companies involved in healthcare, particularly in the following key areas:

- medtech

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- clinical trials
 - biomedical health
 - functional foods
 - agtech
 - biofutures
 - venture capitalists and investors

Daily program

Pre-conference site visits

On Tuesday, 30 October 2018 a pre-conference site visit program is currently being developed by the Queensland Government in collaboration with industry. Delegates will choose from a Brisbane or Gold Coast program.

Brisbane

- Translational Research Institute
- Queensland University of Technology
- QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute
- Patheon, part of Thermo Fisher Scientific
- University of Queensland, including the Queensland Brain Institute, the Australian Institute for Biotechnology and Nanotechnology, and the Institute for Molecular Bioscience

Gold Coast

- Gold Coast Health and Knowledge Precinct
- Institute for Glycomics, Griffith University
- Clinical Trial Unit, Griffith University

Cost: Nil

Industry and Investment Networking Breakfast

The Queensland Government is hosting an informal networking breakfast for investment-ready businesses, investors and delegates in conjunction with AusBiotech 2018 on Thursday, 1 November 2018.

This event will provide a great opportunity for international investors to learn more about the new developments underway in Queensland and hear about a range of business and investment opportunities.

Cost: Nil – by invitation only

AusBiotech 2018

31 October – 2 November 2018

The annual AusBiotech conference has brought together Australian and international biotech leaders and stakeholders for more than three decades, creating a forum to reflect on the sector's achievements and exchange ideas to further advance the sector's standing nationally and globally.

AusBiotech 2018 is proudly sponsored by the Queensland Government's Advance Queensland Initiative.

The Queensland Government recommends that international delegates attend the **Early-stage Investment Forum** on Thursday 1 November 2018.

A key element of AusBiotech 2018 is a one-day Early-stage Investment Forum featuring approximately 20 presentations from local research institutes, universities, hospitals and companies working in the area of human therapeutics and enabling technologies. Pitches will be made to an expert investor panel that will include international big pharma representatives as well as corporate VCs and early stage investors.

Cost: Included in AusBiotech conference registration fees

Conference program

Global biotech trends, breakthroughs, challenges and success stories will feature prominently on the conference program. Panel discussions and key themes will cover:

- regulation and reimbursement
- research translational strategies
- new markets
- business development and capital access
- emerging technologies
- clinical trials
- regenerative medicine
- agriculture
- commercialisation.

Key conference topics

- Regenerative medicine and its potential to provide solutions for previously untreatable conditions and diseases.
- Clinical trials, including strategies to help Australia maintain its competitive advantage and continue to attract international R&D.
- Drugs, vaccines, diagnostics and controls for tropical diseases.
- Key issues facing the global big pharma industry.
- Gene editing technologies.
- Fostering Australian innovation, with an update on the Innovation System Review.
- Big data and precision medicine.
- Australia's formulation development capabilities with regards to pre-clinical testing.

Key conference topics continued

- Life science commercialisation and innovation.
- Managing R&D processes.
- Complementary medicines, examining academic collaborations and research outcomes.
- Agriculture and agbiotech.
- Intellectual property.

Exhibition

The exhibition area is expected to attract more than 1,000 people from the global biotech industry. A wide variety of exhibitors will give AusBiotech delegates the opportunity to experience the latest trends, products and services.

The exhibition area will be open from 31 October to 2 November 2018 and is open to all registered delegates. All refreshments such as morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea on each day of the conference will be served around exhibitors, along with the social networking events, the opening reception and closing ceremony, giving exhibitors unrivalled networking opportunities.

Delegates' program

AusBiotech, the Queensland Government and Queensland industry leaders have collaborated to bring together a program for delegates that complements the AusBiotech conference.

See below for more details of the delegates' program.

Registration

Find out more about [registration and costs](#). [Register now](#).

Registration fee includes entry to conference sessions, working buffet luncheons, morning and afternoon teas, entry to the industry exhibition hall, and networking events such as the welcome reception and closing reception.

Full registration also includes access to [AusPartnering](#), AusBiotech's business-matching program. Delegates can use AusPartnering to request and schedule 30-minute meetings with other attendees. Day registrants can access AusPartnering with an optional upgrade of \$300.

Optional: Life Science Queensland Limited's *Innovation Week*: 26 October – 2 November 2018

Cost: Additional – please see [Innovation Week 2018](#) website for further information.

- TRX18
- GENE
- Regional satellite events
- LSQ cocktail reception
- LSQ breakfast function

Travel arrangements

Accommodation

AusBiotech 2018 has negotiated special accommodation rates with several providers. See [here](#) for further information. The special rates are only available via the conference registration system.

Any enquiries regarding existing bookings must be made in writing via email to AusBiotech and not directly with the hotel.

Telephone: + 61 3 9828 1400

Email: events@ausbiotech.org

Flights

Qantas is the exclusive airline partner for AusBiotech 2018, offering registered delegates and their travel partners special discounted airfares, which are easily booked online via the dedicated [booking portal](#).

When booking, use the allocated code – AUS18 – to access these airfares. (Please note: multiple stopover flights are excluded from this offer.)

Visas

Visit the [Australian Department of Immigration and Border Protection \(DIBP\) website](#) to check if you require a visa.

Frequently asked questions

<http://ausbiotechnc.org/general/faqs>

For further information

Contact your local TIQ office

<https://www.tiq.qld.gov.au/connect/about-us/international-representation/>

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