

LIFE SCIENCES IN TORONTO



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Destination: Life Sciences

As one of North America's top centres for life sciences and medical research, Toronto is advancing clinical and commercial innovations for better healthcare delivery and patient care.

Conference and meeting planners have unique opportunities for delegates to form local collaborations, tour exclusive research centres, and meet local science innovators—from biopharmaceuticals to ground-breaking medical technologies.



**LARGEST COMBINED LIFE SCIENCES SECTOR IN CANADA
EMPLOYING MORE THAN 36,000 PEOPLE**



**MORE THAN HALF OF THE WORLD'S TOP 100 LIFE SCIENCES
COMPANIES OPERATE IN THE TORONTO REGION**



**CLOSE-KNIT, COLLABORATIVE CULTURE OF UNIVERSITIES,
TECHNOLOGY INCUBATORS, START-UPS, SCIENTISTS AND
MULTINATIONALS**



**30+ RESEARCH INSTITUTES, 9 TEACHING HOSPITALS,
AND CANADA'S TOP-RATED UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO**



**TRAILBLAZING INNOVATIONS IN AREAS LIKE REGENERATIVE
MEDICINE AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR HEALTHCARE**

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People felt safe, accepted, welcomed. Toronto is very tolerant. For the highly diverse group of people attending this international conference, they felt that they were treated with respect, whatever their race or religion, whether they were openly gay, or whatever. That was very significant—because not all cities are like that.

—Dr. Katerina Pavenski, Head of Transfusion Medicine at Toronto's St. Michael's Hospital and local Chair for the 35th International Congress of the International Society of Blood Transfusion, June 2018.

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BUSINESS EVENTS
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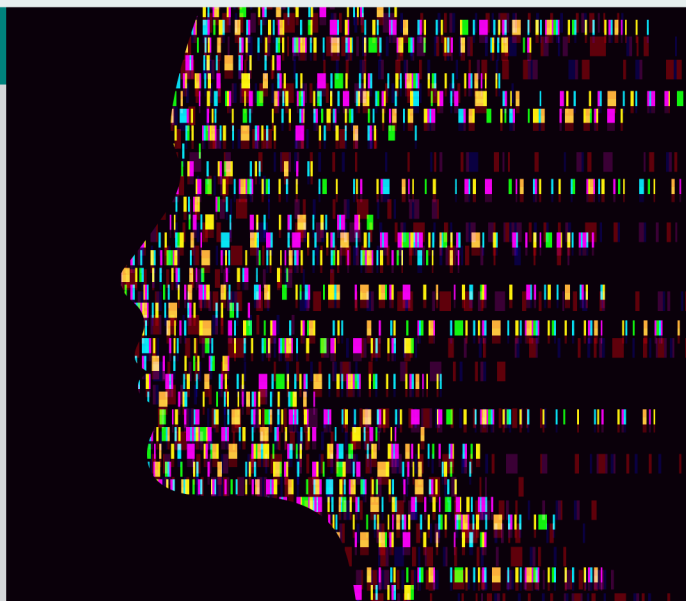
- **19th World Conference on Lung Cancer**, September 2018
- **RehabWeek 2019**, June 2019
- **2019 International Symposium**, The International Society for Stem Cell Research, November 2019
- **American Academy of Neurology AAN Annual Meeting**, April 2020
- **Society for Vascular Surgery (SVS) Annual Meeting**, June 2020
- **The Advanced Medical Technology Association**, October 2020
- **The American Association of Clinical Endocrinologists, Annual Scientific & Clinical Congress**, May 2025

NEW AND NOW

AI-ASSISTED RESEARCH. Researchers at Toronto start-up **Deep Genomics** are successfully using artificial intelligence to identify genetic mutations and speed the study of drug candidates for rare diseases.

TELEMEDICINE. InsureTech start-up **Maple** offers non-emergency healthcare by connecting patients with physicians 24/7, online or by mobile device, partnering with employee health and benefit providers.

SANOFI announced a \$500 million investment in a new vaccine manufacturing plant at its Connaught Campus in north Toronto to double production by 2023.



INDUSTRY PRESENCE

More than half of the world's top 100 life science multinationals have Canadian headquarters or manufacturing in the Toronto region.

This fosters a wide range of prospective sponsors and exhibitors for global audiences.



What This Means for Your Meeting

- ✓ As a world-renowned centre of life sciences, you have access to talented speakers
- ✓ Experience the innovation first-hand with exceptional site visits
- ✓ Tap into the more than 36,000 people working in the sector here to attend your event
- ✓ Opportunity to grow your membership from the engaged talent pool
- ✓ Access to sponsorship opportunities from the network here
- ✓ Leave a long-term impact and legacy on the city

Want to learn more about how meetings in this sector can benefit from being hosted in Toronto? Connect with a member of the Business Events Toronto team to learn more.

