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To amplify New Mexico's bioscience expertise onto the global stage, the NMBSA is offering up to \$90,000 in travel grant support for the 2026 BIO International Convention. This initiative ensures our state's small businesses have a seat at the table with international partners and venture capitalists.

The **Pitch Competition** track is intended for companies selected to present in a BIO-affiliated pitch competition or investor forum during the 2026 convention in San Diego, CA.

Submit this form by March 16, 2026, 5:00 pm MT to be considered for this award.

A link to the request for proposals can be found [here](#).

First Name: _____
Last Name: _____
Title: _____
Company Name: _____
Email Address: _____

Are your primary operations, R&D, or headquarters located in the state of New Mexico? ___ Y ___ N

If you also conduct operations physically outside the state of New Mexico, please share where your other facilities are located.

_____ Not available since all operations are conducted in NM
_____ Primary operations are conducted in: _____
_____ R&D is conducted in: _____
_____ Headquarters are located in: _____
_____ Other operations conducted in: _____

Do you qualify as a small business, [as defined by the SBA](#)? _____ Y ___ N

How many employees do you have working for your company in the state of New Mexico?

_____ Full time

_____ Part time

What sector of bioscience do you operate in?

_____ Biotechnology

_____ Therapeutics & diagnostics

_____ Medical devices

_____ Synthetic biology

_____ Biomanufacturing

_____ Other: _____

How do you intend to use the funds, if awarded (you may select more than one option)?

_____ Airfare

_____ Lodging

_____ Ground transportation

_____ Per diem for meals and other expenses

Company Overview

- Company description, technology focus, and stage of development
- Description of how participation at BIO 2026 supports company growth

Anticipated Outcomes

- Expected benefits to the company
- Potential economic or ecosystem impact for New Mexico

Pitch Deck Upload

Upload a concise investor-ready pitch deck (PDF format) clearly articulates the problem, solution, market opportunity, technology, team, and traction.

Budget Summary

Upload a high-level budget aligned with the maximum award amount (\$9,000).

Acknowledgement

I certify that my business is a **New Mexico–based bioscience company**, with primary operations, R&D, or headquarters located in the state of New Mexico.

We qualify as a **small business**, as defined by applicable SBA size standards or Authority guidance, and operate within the bioscience sector, including but not limited to:

- Ag Tech, Biological Processes, and Sustainability
- Biotechnology
- Therapeutics and diagnostics
- Medical devices
- Synthetic biology
- Biomanufacturing

We commit to full participation in the **pitch competition** and agree to all reporting and deliverable requirements outlined in this RFP.

Our company will participate in the designated pitch competition at BIO 2026 from June 22 - 25 in San Diego, CA. We will submit a post-convention report summarizing:

- Investor and partner meetings
- Outcomes and next steps
- A short (approximately two-minute) recorded pitch summary for Authority communications and promotional use.

I understand that finalists may be required to participate in an oral pitch presentation (virtual or in-person) as part of final award deliberations. Pitch presentations will be evaluated by a panel of Bioscience Authority judges and subject-matter experts.