

Hercules Technology's Kathy Conte to Speak on Life Sciences Financing Panel at Bio International Convention

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Hercules Technology Growth Capital, Inc. (NASDAQ: HTGC), the leading specialty finance company providing venture debt and equity to venture capital and private equity backed technology and life science companies at all stages of development, today announced that Kathy Conte, managing director of life sciences, will be one of five industry experts featured on a life sciences financing panel at the 2008 Bio International Convention, June 17-20, 2008, at the San Diego Conference Center. Ms. Conte will present on the panel entitled, "The Evolution of Capital: New Sources of Financing in the Life Sciences," from 1:30-3:00 p.m. PT on Tuesday, June 17.

As part of the breakout session, Ms. Conte will discuss how venture capital has evolved for life science companies. Consistent with Hercules' mission to provide alternative sources of needed growth capital to life sciences companies in order to help them reach important milestones, Ms. Conte will offer her perspective on the problems associated with the traditional venture funding model and discuss additional sources of financing for emerging life science companies.

The Bio International Convention was established to provide biotechnology professionals with current industry insights from world-renowned speakers and panelists. The four-day event will feature 2,200 exhibiting companies, representing more than 65 global countries.

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