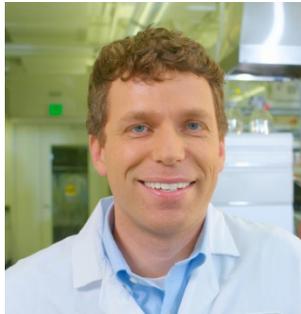




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News update from IDRI, the Infectious Disease Research Institute

IDRI TO CREATE THERMOSTABLE TB VACCINE



Chris Fox, Ph.D., is leading efforts to develop, produce and test a thermostable lyophilized formulation of IDRI's TB vaccine candidate.

have shown promising results in clinical trials. [Read more.](#)

Even the best designed vaccine does no good if it is damaged during the delivery process. IDRI is on a mission to change that.

With a contract worth up to \$11.9 million from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, IDRI scientists are developing a thermostable tuberculosis vaccine that is resistant to damage from excessive heat or cold. IDRI is building on the success of its current TB vaccine efforts, which

Biotech Leader Bruce Carter Heads IDRI Board

IDRI has a new chair of its Board of Directors: Bruce L.A. Carter, Ph.D., a well-known biotech leader with more than 25 years of progressive experience. Carter joined the IDRI board in late 2014 and was elected chair by his peers.



Bruce Carter shares personal story about his interest in global health.

While Carter brings industry expertise -- having served as President and CEO of ZymoGenetics, among other leadership roles -- he also has a personal connection to IDRI's mission. "My mother lost three sisters within the space of one year to tuberculosis, so I have a personal reason for wanting to contribute to an organization with a global health mission," he said. [Read more.](#)

IDRI also recently added another Board Member, Michel De Wilde, Ph.D., a consultant for the international vaccine community who has a long career in research and development, primarily with Sanofi Pasteur. [Read more.](#)

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Will 2014 Be Remembered as "The Year of Ebola"?

When we look back at 2014 from a health perspective, will we only think of Ebola? Many age-old diseases -- tuberculosis and malaria -- are still major global issues, while newly emerging diseases, like chikungunya, are finding their way from country to country.



Erik Iverson, President, Business & Operations, believes that the takeaway lesson from 2014 is the need to be prepared by developing platform technologies that can rapidly be deployed. After all, it's not a question of if there'll be another outbreak; it's a question of how soon it'll happen. [Read more.](#)

SAVE THE DATE:

Free Event to Commemorate
World TB Day



One State. One World. Working Together to Eliminate TB.

Monday, March 23
5:30-7:30 p.m.
Town Hall, Seattle

featuring IDRI's Tanya Parish, Ph.D., discussing progress on finding new drugs to combat this age-old disease.

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