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THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA



## December 2025

Looking back at a productive year and excited for 2026



### Dear BIO5 Community,

As we come to the end of 2025, I wanted to share my sincere gratitude to everyone for your support and collaboration. Thank you for being a part of BIO5 and for strengthening and celebrating our work this year, including new synergies around the Brain and Body Imaging Center, the first Phoenix cohort of the KEYS Research Internship, and multiple staff and leadership transitions.

**Next year, BIO5 will celebrate our 25th anniversary, a year where we'll reflect on accomplishments and look towards the next 25 years of convergence science.**

Over the course of the year, you'll see several new initiatives and opportunities. We are particularly excited to showcase our new Special Interest Groups (SIGs), which are member-led affinity groups focused on shared interests. A few of the pilot SIGs include women's health across the lifespan, bioprinting of organoids, bioentrepreneurship, to name a few.

Thank you, again, for your incredible support. Wishing you all a restful holiday and a healthy new year!

Warm Regards,

**Vignesh Subbian**

*Interim Director, BIO5 Institute*

## Year In Review



### Advancing Imaging at BIO5

BIO5 launched AI-powered MRI systems at the Brain & Body Imaging Center, providing researchers access to two of the most advanced imaging technologies available. This achievement marks decades of collaboration and opens new frontiers in biomedical discovery.

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### A New Chapter in BIO5 Leadership

BIO5 welcomed interim director Vignesh Subbian, who hosted his first membership meeting this summer. His appointment builds on BIO5's strong collaborative foundation and advances the institute's mission to accelerate impactful, translational science.

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## Expanding Research Opportunities Across Arizona

BIO5 expanded the KEYS Research Internship to Phoenix, connecting local students with hands-on research and dedicated faculty mentors. This milestone advances BIO5's commitment to building a strong, statewide research workforce.

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## Showcasing Innovation Across Campus

The sixth annual BIO5 Research and Innovation Showcase brought together University of Arizona scientists to share discoveries and spark new collaborations. From faculty to student researchers, this event reflects the depth and diversity of research within the U of A community.

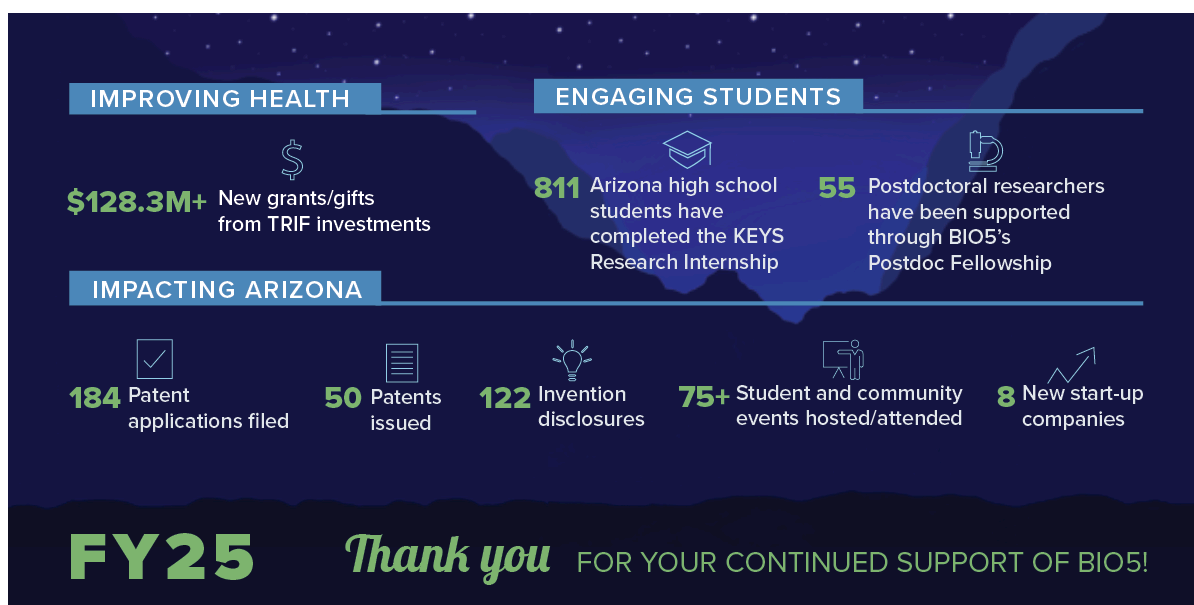
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## Celebrating the Next Generation of Research Leaders

BIO5 welcomed the seventh cohort of Postdoctoral Fellows, supporting interdisciplinary early-career researchers through funding and professional development. These fellows exemplify the collaborative spirit and scientific excellence that drive BIO5 forward.

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## Upcoming

### A big year ahead: BIO5's 25th anniversary

Next year, BIO5 turns 25! We'll be sharing more details early next year about the events and celebrations we're planning for 2026.

We're so proud of everything we've accomplished together — and even more excited about what's ahead.

Here's to the next 25 years of discovery, collaboration, and community. We can't wait to celebrate with you!

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