

Eugene companies vie for venture capital

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Dune Sciences Inc. of Eugene is one of four companies selected Tuesday to present business plans to an expert panel of investors at the conference, scheduled Oct. 16-17 at the Tower Theatre in Bend. At stake is a minimum \$100,000 in venture capital.

In addition, two other local companies, HydraCool Inc. of Eugene and Take Shape Inc. of Springfield, are among 10 companies selected to compete in the "Wild Card" competition. Each company will have a chance to deliver a one minute pitch to the conference audience, which will then vote for the most compelling presentation. The winner of the Wild Card will get the opportunity to compete with the four finalists in pitching to the expert investor panel. The winner will be announced at the end of the conference.