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## ALDA Elects Brad Gray as Vice Chair/Chair-Elect

**Alexandria, VA (October 1, 2018)** — ALDA members today elected Brad Gray, President & CEO of NanoString Technologies, to a one-year term as Vice Chair and Chair-Elect at the Annual Business Meeting.

Mr. Gray succeeds Patrick Kaltenbach as ALDA's Vice Chair and Chair-Elect. Mr. Kaltenbach, then with Agilent Technologies, was elected a year ago along with current ALDA Chair, Briar Alpert, President & CEO of BioTek Instruments.

Mr. Kaltenbach resigned from the ALDA Board after joining Becton Dickinson ("BD") as Executive Vice President and President of the Life Sciences Segment. Although BD is a member of ALDA, it is already represented on the ALDA Board and under our policy cannot hold two Board seats.

In addition to electing Mr. Gray as Vice Chair, ALDA members also elected three new Directors:

- Charles "Chuck" Kummeth, President & CEO of Bio-Techne Corporation;
- Jean Qiu, Chief Technical Officer, of Nexcelom Bioscience LLC; and
- Jacob Thaysen, Senior Vice President & President of the Life Sciences & Applied Markets Group of Agilent Technologies, Inc.

In addition, 12 current Directors were elected to serve another year:

- Thomas Bachmann of Eppendorf Group
- Jim Corbett of PerkinElmer, Inc.
- Peter Dansky of Agena Bioscience, Inc.
- Mark D. Fischer-Colbrie of Labcyte, Inc.
- Tim Harkness of Unchained Labs
- Dave Hickey of BD Life Sciences
- William A. Linton of Promega Corporation
- Olivier Loeillot of GE healthcare Life Sciences
- David Martyr of Tecan Group Ltd.
- Peer M. Schatz of QIAGEN
- Dan Shine of Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc. and
- Marc Stapley of Illumina, Inc.

More information regarding ALDA, its purposes, objectives and programs, and links to its members' websites can be found at [www.thealda.org](http://www.thealda.org).

Based in the Washington DC suburb of Alexandria, VA, ALDA is an industry trade association for companies that develop and supply life science, analytical and diagnostic products and services used to conduct research, drug discovery,

QA/QC testing and diagnostics in a wide range of industries and applications. Major customer segments including pharmaceuticals, biotech, academic and government research, food safety and environmental testing, personalized medicine and diagnostics.

ALDA's Mission is to be an advocate for our industry and a valuable aid to our members' global business success and to their customers' advancement of healthcare, science and industrial innovation by providing meetings with strategic content, networking, global market and business intelligence, and insights on emerging technologies, markets and business strategies.