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## **USF CONNECT Welcomes Acellis BioSciences, Inc. to the Tampa Bay Technology Incubator**

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Acellis BioSciences, Inc. has relocated its operations to the Tampa Bay Technology Incubator.

The company's vision is to build its position as a pioneer in women's health diagnostics, and as a world leader in in-vitro diagnostic oncology.

Acellis recently licensed a technology from the University of South Florida that will aid in the detection of epithelial cancers. "We are excited to have another licensee of a USF technology located in the Incubator," said Dr. Rod Casto, Associate Vice President for Technology Development at USF, "partnerships such as these, foster economic growth within the Tampa Bay region."

USF CONNECT fosters entrepreneurship in the Tampa Bay region. Its focus is to help meet the needs of Tampa Bay biotechnology and life sciences entrepreneurs at all stages of their business life cycle. The Tampa Bay Technology Incubator, a program of USF CONNECT, currently houses hi-tech startup companies that employ more than 100 employees and have received more than \$9 million in funding. The Tampa Bay Technology Incubator is located in the USF Research Park of Tampa Bay, recipient of the Emerging Research Park of the Year Award.

For more information regarding Acellis Biosciences and USF CONNECT please visit [www.usfconnect.org](http://www.usfconnect.org) or Acellis Biosciences at 813.435.0517.

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