MICHAEL MITTON

Michael Mitton, now retired, was a co-founder and CEO of Synthetech. The NASDAQ-listed biotech company was subsequently acquired by a Fortune 500 company. Afterwards, he started a trade association for Oregon's fledgling biotechnology industry now called Oregon Bioscience Association and also served on the Governor's Task Force for Technology Transfer. His other business experience includes working with companies ranging from large multi-nationals to small startups.

Michael has also worked as a volunteer to address the climate crisis. In the 1990's he evaluated environmental technology business plans for venture capital investors. He has volunteered with 350.org and Sunrise in Nevada and 350.org in Oregon. He is currently a member of MCAT's steering committee and a founding member of <u>Ocean Winds</u> (advocating for offshore wind energy in Oregon. He is a member of the Climate Reality Project started by Vice-President Al Gore and a senior fellow of the American Leadership Forum (Oregon 1992).

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