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## Morgenthaler co-leads \$7M Trellis spin-off's funding

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**Medior Inc.** said Tuesday it raised \$7 million in financing.

**Polaris Venture Partners** of Waltham, Mass., and Morgenthaler Ventures of Menlo Park, Calif., led the round.

Medior -- a Malvern, Pa., biotech company spun out of **Trellis Bioscience Inc.** of South San Francisco, Calif., developing novel therapeutics for the treatment of fibrotic disorders and diseases -- plans to use the funds for research and development.

"This financing will allow us to move the lead compound of our pipeline through preclinical development and on to the clinic," said Tim Pelura, the company's president and CEO. "Our lead compound has come from some very novel biology that represents a revolutionary way to treat various debilitating disorders that are hallmarked by fibrosis. This compound appears to control the hair-trigger switch between inflammation and scar formation resulting from disease, trauma, infection, or medical treatments. Such an approach has significant clinical potential to reduce or eliminate inappropriate scar tissue in various organ systems."

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