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Bats and ticks and feral critters ... oh my! Learn more at June 25 Tech Council luncheon

MADISON, Wis. – The advent of summer means people are getting back in touch with nature ... and nature is touching humans, not always in a healthy way. Research to aid people and animals alike will be featured at the **Tuesday, June 25** Tech Council Innovation Network luncheon meeting in Madison.

Panelists thus far are **Dr. Jorge Osorio**, professor at the [UW-Madison's School of Veterinary Medicine](#), who is researching vaccines for bats and ticks and **Tom D'Orazio**, chief executive officer of [SpayVac-for-Wildlife](#), a company working on targeted contraceptives for overabundant, feral in invasive species. SpayVac was a finalist in the 2019 Wisconsin Governor's Business Plan Contest.

Panelists will each give a seven-minute pitch to former "ag-tech" investor **Keiran Furlong** of the [UW-Madison's Discovery to Product](#).

The luncheon will be held at The Coliseum Bar & Banquet on Madison's E. Olin Ave. Registration and networking begin at 11:30 a.m., lunch at noon and the presentation at 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$10 for students and returning veterans, \$25 for individual members, \$35 for non-members and included for Tech Council corporate members. [Click here to register.](#)

"With its outdoors and agricultural traditions, Wisconsin has long stood at the crossroads of research of diseases and conditions that can affect people and animals alike," said Tom Still, president of the Tech Council. "We'll learn more about that research can be transferred to markets that improve environments for all concerned."

The luncheon is sponsored by [Old National Bank](#) and [UW-Madison Office of Business Engagement](#).

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