

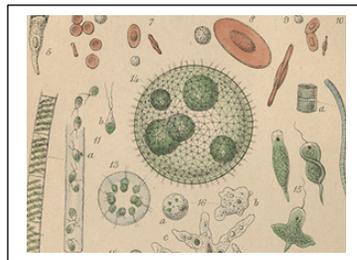


# from DNA to BEER

Harnessing  
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& Industry



The National Library of Medicine, in cooperation with the National Museum of American History, is pleased to present our latest traveling exhibition, ***From DNA to Beer: Harnessing Nature in Medicine and Industry***. The exhibition explores some of the processes, problems, and potentials inherent in technologies that use life.



Microbes—tiny organisms too small to be seen with the naked eye—have altered human history. Life forms such as bacteria, yeasts, and molds can cause sickness or restore health, and help produce foods and beverages for our consumption. Scientists, in partnership with industry, have developed techniques to harness the powers of these microbes. In recent years, headline-grabbing technologies have used genetically modified bacteria to manufacture new medicines. Drawing from the collections of the National Museum of American History and the National Library of Medicine, ***From DNA to Beer*** will help to promote public understanding of the dynamic relationship between microbes, technology, and science and medicine.

The six-banner traveling exhibition presents these case studies of major scientific and medical accomplishments in the fields of biotechnology while showcasing the union with industry in how to best market and produce such discoveries to the public at large.

***From DNA to Beer: Harnessing Nature in Medicine and Industry*** began traveling around the United States in January 2014. For more information, contact [nlmtravelingexhibts@nlm.nih.gov](mailto:nlmtravelingexhibts@nlm.nih.gov) or visit us on the web at: [www.nlm.nih.gov/fromdnatobeer](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/fromdnatobeer).

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