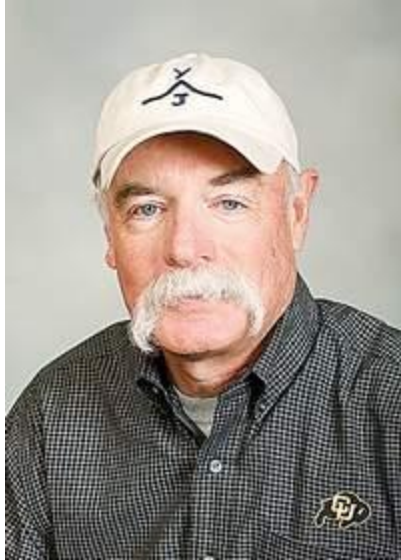


Bend Research names new president

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Rod Ray

Jim Nightingale has been named president of Bend Research Inc., the Bend-based drug development and manufacturing company. Nightingale replaces Rod Ray, who has been president since 2002. Ray will remain the company's CEO and board chairman and will focus on strategic planning and future opportunities for the company, according to a company news release.

Nightingale most recently served as senior vice president for business development and strategic alliances for the company. "Jim cares deeply about the company and our mission of advancing our clients' best new medicines," Ray was quoted as saying in the news release.

Nightingale is the fourth president in the history of the company. The company was started in 1975 and until about two years ago worked exclusively with the New York-based drug company Pfizer Inc.

According to the news release, Nightingale was "instrumental in developing and implementing the business development strategy that transformed the company from an exclusive relationship with Pfizer to the multi-client success it now enjoys."

— From staff reports