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NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2020

Check out the latest news and events going on in our life science and health technology community. Stay in place and stay well!

TMDA 2020 Meeting Dates

Apr 16, 2-3:30pm - EU MDR & IVDR Webinar

May 5, 1-2pm -EHR - Medical Device Interoperability Webinar

Jul 16, 2-4pm

Oct 15, 2-4pm

As always, if you have news, job postings, or other resources to share, please reach out to Elisa Maldonado-Holmertz (operations@texmda.org).

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LIFE SCIENCE INDUSTRY NEWS

In Our Neck Of The Woods....

COVID-19 ATX Exchange Launched, a Project of UT-Austin Dell Medical School

This exchange highlights vetted and prioritized needs from local organizations. Now your creative ideas to help meet those needs is needed. Behind the scenes, the exchange brings together experts, innovators and leaders from across our community to help vet, triage & coordinate needs and close the loop with the requesting organizations. [Visit the Exchange.](#)

Virtual Coffee Meetings

Austin is an Entrepreneurial town, in large part, due to our networking, collaboration, and helping each other out. This has been challenged during the covid-19 pandemic. To keep innovations going, particularly those that will help us get past this challenge, I am starting regular 'virtual coffee' meetings. In the near future, we will likely conduct virtual brainstorming meetings and application specific meetings.

For latest information, look to the BioAustin LinkedIn group:

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/6535301/>.

To get on the Austin covid-19 communications email list: <https://bit.ly/2xwvmcb>.

To schedule a virtual coffee, go here: <https://bit.ly/3bDfxz8>.

For all else, email me at covid@scottcollinsphd.com.

Supply Chain Strike Force

The Austin Chamber is proud to partner with Chambers of Commerce and business organizations across the State of Texas to mobilize businesses to do their part to combat COVID-19. The Strike Force needs your help to secure necessary **large quantities** of critically needed personal protective equipment (PPE) items such as **masks (N95 and/or surgical), respirators, ventilators, gowns, and gloves.** [State's procurement form](#) [State's volunteer and donation assistance form](#)

If you have any questions about this effort, please contact Jeremy Martin, Senior Vice President, at jmartin@austinchamber.com

What Finance Leaders are Focused on During COVID-19

Fifty CFOs weigh in on their reactions to COVID-19 and its impact. [View the results.](#)

FDA Meetings Postponed and Canceled due to COVID-19

All non-essential meetings will be canceled or postponed through April. In the meantime, they are working to deliver their mission virtually. [Read more.](#)

Texas BioTech Directory

Check out this directory by BioPharmaGuy. It includes Texas biotech, pharmaceuticals and life science companies. [View the directory.](#)

Sale of Fort Worth Biotech Firm Highlights Strength of Innovation Hub

A biotech startup from Fort Worth sold for \$60 million late February. This news comes as Fort Worth is pushing its images as a biotech research and innovation hub. [Learn more.](#)

Across the Ponds....

China's "Bat Woman" Has Been Hunting Down Viruses

A Wuhan-based virologist warns that "Bat-borne coronaviruses will cause more outbreaks". Read her story on hunting SARS and get a better understanding of how COVID-19 spreads. [Read the story.](#)

INDUSTRY RESOURCES & FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Keep Connected During COVID-19

Though we are continuing to practice physical distancing, there are spaces like the [BioAustin LinkedIn Group](#) and the new [Central Texas Health Innovation Relief](#) group to stay connected. Join both today to share resources and information.

Apply for SBA Disaster Loan Assistance

Review the key requirements for post-market surveillance and mandatory compliance procedures in the US & Europe. Learn how to improve customer safety and product efficacy. [Apply and get details.](#)

Workforce Solutions Layoff Assistance

If you are an employer facing layoffs and company closures, Workforce Solutions Rural Capital Area (WSRCA) can offer you and your employees' transition and re-employment services at no cost. [Get more details and apply.](#)

WOMEN IN SCIENCE & WOMEN'S HEALTH

Gender Gap Narrows in Research and Innovation but Inequality Persists

Released on International Women's Day, the new Elsevier report shows participation of women in research is increasing. Inequality remains steady for publication outputs, citations, awarded grants, collaboration and perceptions. Review key findings and [see the full report.](#)

Women Trailblazers in STEM

Profile women entrepreneurs and scientist who are treating disease and building better solutions. [View the full list.](#)

Female Biologists Bring Much-Needed Perspective to Science

This past international Women's Day was a time for reflection on the gender bias that women face across the world. Today, pioneering women are sharing their perspective and creating pathways to better inclusion, and representation in STEM. [Get the full story.](#)

SPOTLIGHT

STATKING Clinical Services

STATKING Clinical Services, a Contract Research Organization (CRO) located in Cincinnati, OH, provides clinical trial services (clinical trial management, protocol development, biostatistics, clinical data management, clinical study monitoring, medical writing, medical monitoring, safety reporting, DSMB/CEC management and project management) for clinical trials for the regulatory approval of novel drug and medical device products.

The company provides specialized expertise in the following therapeutic areas:

- Oncology
- CNS Diseases
- Orphan Drugs
- Diagnostics (including radiopharmaceuticals)
- Medical Devices (neuromodulation devices, wearables, cardiac ablation devices, vascular devices, surgical procedures)
- Women's Health
- Respiratory Related Drugs and Devices

The company has provided support on 29 NDAs and BLAs, 13 PMAs, 3 NADAs and 24 510Ks over the past 30 years of service to the pharmaceutical, medical device and animal health industries. For more information, visit www.statkingclinical.com. Dennis King, PhD, President and CEO, Texas A&M Class of 1989, invites you to call for a quote for clinical services for your next clinical trial (513.858.2989 x301)!

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOTE: All events are now posted on Capital City Innovation's calendar.

Capital City Innovation

CCI has compiled partner and community events relevant to innovation in health and life sciences.

[Check out the calendar!](#)

Texas Medical Device Alliance (TMDA) Webinar

April 16, 2-3:30pm

EU MDR & IVDR - What this means leading up to May 2021 and Beyond for Existing EU Presence and New EU Entry

Register for the TMDA webinar: <https://tinyurl.com/s8q5nu6>

Texas Medical Device Alliance (TMDA) Webinar

May 5, 1-2:00pm

Next Generation of EHR - Cloud Connected Medical Device Interoperability

Register for the TMDA webinar: <https://tinyurl.com/sgz7gub>

Texas Life Science CEO Summit

Rescheduled to August 12th – 14th

Hyatt Regency Lost Pines Resort

Eventbrite link [here](#) or <https://tinyurl.com/t5nxbqw>

[Checkout 40+ Medical Device Conferences Happening in 2020](#)

Plan your 2020 conference calendar from east to west coast.

CAREER CORNER

Abbott

Multiple Positions

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Aeglea Biotherapeutics

Multiple positions

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ALKU

Multiple positions

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Contact Logan Blake, Regulatory & Scientific Recruiter at lblake@alku.com

Asuragen

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Babylon Health

Multiple Positions

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Luminex

Multiple Positions

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Molecular Templates

Multiple positions

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Syneos Health

Multiple positions

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Molecular Templates

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QA Consulting, Inc.

Multiple positions

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Contact: Mallori Groh; mgroh@qaconsultinginc.com

Skills Alliance

Multiple positions

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Contact sarah.fletcher@skillsalliance.com

FDA Quality and Regulatory Consultants (FDAQRC)

Stay up to date with job openings at FDA Quality + Regulatory Consultants

[Join the FDAQRC CAREER NETWORK](#)

Life Sciences & Technology Black Diamond Networks

Multiple positions

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Contact Recruiter, Alex Magoon

Amagoon@blackdiamondnet.com

Quantitative Radiology Solutions

Medical Image Analysis Intern/Co-op

[View position](#)

Director of Business Development

Please contact christine.erickson@skillsalliance.com if you are interested in the position.

Software Developers/Engineers – full-time and part-time, perm and temp

Advanced Scanners is looking for software developers to continue development on their Optical Machine Vision System for neurosurgeons. Ideally an experienced C++ and python developer; 3D modeling and imaging is a plus. Contact Jeff at jeffl@advancedscanners.com

Remote Regulatory Specialist

Location: Remote Project

Start Date: Immediate

Duration: 3 weeks plus or minus

Title: Regulatory Affairs Specialist

Contact Alex Magoon, Life Sciences & Technology

Recruiter for Black Diamond Networks at

amagoon@blackdiamondnet.com.

CAI is seeking a pharmaceutical PM, commissioning and qualification engineer, and automation project manager. See links attached to CAI's Careers Page.

Pharmaceutical Project Manager (Dallas, TX) [Read job description here.](#)

Commissioning & Qualification Engineer (Dallas, TX) [Read job description here.](#)

Automation Project Manager (Coppell, TX) [Read job description here.](#)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

BioAustin/TMDA/AHT/CCI/TX Health Catalyst/Capital Factory/ Health Tech Austin

We are mapping Austin's landscape in healthcare/life sciences/biotech/MedTech. Anyone interested in volunteering to collect/compile this information as a team? If you are, please contact Scott Collins at scott@bioaustin.com.

ATX Women in MedTech

Looking for volunteers to support community outreach, event management, PR, sponsorship and more. Email womeninmedtech@gmail.com for details.

BioAustin

We are seeking volunteers to lead as committee heads (Financial, Membership, Marketing, Partnerships, PR, Fundraising, BioBash). If interested, please reach out to Scott Collins at scott@bioaustin.com

AWIS

AWIS Austin is growing quickly, and there is a need for women mentors to meet and connect with other women in STEM that are early in their careers in a relaxed, fun setting. There is a pool of mentees from the University of Texas at Austin who are very excited to meet women in STEM careers in Austin and receive your guidance. This is not a large time commitment for mentors, just a nice way to share your knowledge in a fun setting and help another lady in STEM to succeed.

RSVP to Margo Lee at awisaustin.president@yahoo.com

TEXAS LIFE SCIENCE ORGANIZATION

ATX Women in MedTech

womeninmedtech@gmail.com

Austin Health Tech Meetup

<https://www.meetup.com/Austin-Health-Tech/>

Austin Technology Incubator (ATI)

<https://ati.utexas.edu>

BioAustin LinkedIn Group

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/6535301/profile>

BioHouston

<http://biohouston.org/>

BioMed San Antonio

<http://www.biomedsa.org>

BioNorh

<https://bionorthtx.org/>

Capital City Innovation (CCI)

<https://www.capitalcityinnovation.org/>

Health Technology Forum Meetup

<https://www.meetup.com/HealthTechnologyForum-Austin/>

Health Wildcatters, Dallas

www.healthwildcatters.com

Temple Health & Bioscience District (THBD)

<http://www.templebioscience.com/>

Texas Biomedical Research Institute, San Antonio

<https://www.txbiomed.org/>

THBI - Texas Healthcare and Bioscience Institute

<https://www.thbi.com/>

Texas Health Catalyst

<https://dellmed.utexas.edu/thc>

Texas Medical Device Alliance (TMDA) LinkedIn Group

<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/6952028>

The Health Cell, San Antonio

<http://thehealthcell.org>

TMCX/TMCX+, Houston

<http://www.tmc.edu/innovation/innovation-programs/tmcx-plus/>

Top Austin-Area Medical Device Companies
<https://tinyurl.com/ya9v2s5u>

Velocity Texas, San Antonio
<https://velocitytx.org/>

Women in Bio-Texas (WIB-TX, Austin & Houston)
<https://www.womeninbio.org/page/t>

THANKS TO OUR TMDA SPONSORS!



With warm regards,
Christine Scheve, Dana Abramovitz, Elisa Maldonado-Holmertz, Madeline Spencer, and Victoria O'Dell
on behalf of BioAustin, Texas Medical Device Alliance (TMDA), and Austin Health Technology (AHT)