



Texas Medical Device Alliance



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NEWSLETTER

August 2020

Check out the news, meetings, conventions, & networking events in the life sciences and health technology community in this newsletter!

TMDA 2020 Save the Date
Sales and Commercialization Strategies
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....

North Texas BioTech Park at Pegasus Park

Strategically located between the Dallas Design District and the Southwestern Medical District, Pegasus Park will offer a central location for networking and will facilitate the convergence of entrepreneurs, industry leaders, social impact companies, nonprofit groups and academics.

tinyurl.com/y5vkpkrq

STATKING Clinical Services Named to the 15th Annual Aggie 100, Honored as Fastest Growing Company

STATKING Clinical Services, Cincinnati, OH is among the top 100 companies from around the world selected for the 15th annual Aggie 100 which honors the fastest-growing companies owned or operated by former students of Texas A&M University. STATKING was recognized as number 94 with a compound annual growth rate of 30.77%. A complete Aggie 100 list can be viewed at www.aggie100.com. For more information, visit statkingclinical.com.

Racial discrimination may harm Black people's cognitive health, study finds

Ongoing stress caused by racism can cause changes in your brain. This increased stress contributes to inequitable health outcomes.

tinyurl.com/yxhz4rpl

LIFE SCIENCE INDUSTRY NEWS

Across the Pond....

New Vietnamese Medical Device Regulations Causing Confusion

All products of all Classes will require Licenses after January 1, 2022.

Learn more: <https://tinyurl.com/y3nlzfbf>

INDUSTRY RESOURCES & FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Apply For \$50k With The Aferwx Program

AFWERX is encouraging startups and small businesses to learn more about the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program and opportunities to apply through the Air Force. Companies may receive contracts of up to \$50K for a variety of Air Force challenges. Learn more: tinyurl.com/y6xwv5dp

Top 100 Medical Device Acronyms & Terminology You Need To Know

Improve efficiency and increase your knowledge of commonly used industry phrases. Get the acronyms: tinyurl.com/y2fpekbp

WOMEN IN LIFE SCIENCE & WOMEN'S HEALTH

Meet some of the women racing to find a COVID-19 vaccine

There are hundreds of vaccines being developed that are at different stages. See some women that are researching for a career. tinyurl.com/y3puj6ch

Maria de Sousa, Leading Portuguese Scientist, Dies at 80

Maria de Sousa focused on the immune system and helped establish a major academic program in her field and recently passed away after testing positive for the novel coronavirus. tinyurl.com/yysybg2l

SPOTLIGHT

Texas Global Health Security Innovation Consortium (TEXGHS)

A collaborative group of more than 50 organizations across the academic, public and private sectors have announced the formation of the Texas Global Health Security Innovation Consortium (TEXGHS). TEXGHS is a unique consortium organized by Austin Technology Incubator (ATI) at The University of Texas at Austin, which will coordinate efforts to mitigate the effects of COVID-19 and future pandemics through support of innovators working toward pandemic readiness, response, recovery and resiliency.

TEXGHS is positioned to spearhead the creation and long-term success of a health security innovation ecosystem in Texas where equitable, inclusive solutions launch locally and grow globally. The initial focus for the TEXGHS consortium is the coordination of existing resources in the Austin innovation ecosystem followed by statewide expansion to develop additional capacity to expedite research, development, commercialization, workforce development, and manufacturing at the intersection of health security and technology.

Interested in joining TEXGHS efforts or getting more information? Visit texghs.org or contact TEXGHS at info@texghs.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Capital City Innovation has compiled partner and community events relevant to innovation in health and life sciences. [Check out the calendar!](#)

Check out Austin Technology Council Calendar of Events

<https://tinyurl.com/ygzzr6jv>

Check out Texas States Small Business Development Center Network Calendar of Events

<https://tinyurl.com/ybf68aom>

Check out Women in Business Virtual Calendar of Events

Women In Bio welcomes you to attend any of the fantastic virtual events our dedicated chapters are holding, even if you don't live near those chapters. We offer a variety of networking and learning opportunities that will engage, educate, and empower. [View the full list of virtual events.](#)

Check out Temple Health & BioScience District's (THBD's) E-Learning Series Webinars Library
<https://www.templebioscience.org/elearning/>

Check out NAMSA's Podcasts Calendar of Events

Join NAMSA for a first-of-its-type podcast series, "BiocompCHATibility," as each episode features leading industry experts and discussion on how to proactively address specific medical device evaluation scenarios and challenges. Experts will also share real world examples and experiences focused on solutions proven to be successful.

<https://namsa.com/resources/podcasts/biocompchatibility-podcast/>

Check out MedTech Innovator Live Weekly Webinar Series

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCza4pwHPN-GQYTbi6FuE4rw>

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

Plan your 2020 conference calendar from east to west coast.

August 05 | Online

EWIB Presents: Diversity and Inclusion - What Is Different in 2020?

Join us for a panel discussion on: Board diversity progress, Covid-19's impact on board governance and board diversity, Importance of sponsorship and allyship in getting the first board seat

[Learn more and register at tinyurl.com/y47wrj8f](https://tinyurl.com/y47wrj8f)

August 12-14 | Bastrop, TX

Texas Life Science CEO Summit

Hyatt Regency Lost Pines Resort

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

August 25 | Online

Innovation in the Time of COVID-1: The Grant Process

Temple Health and Bioscience District offers a free monthly E-Learning Series Webinar for entrepreneurs, startups, researchers, educators, and health-related professionals on the last Tuesday of each month.

bit.ly/THBD82520

Dec 1 - 3 | Philadelphia, PA

MD&M East 2020 | Medical Expo

Discover new technologies from 550+ companies, attend educational sessions and connect with peers.

[Learn more and register](#)

CAREER CORNER

New Opportunities at OrigenBio

Product Marketing Manager

Clean Room Supervisor X 2 (one for morning shift and one for evening shift)

Manufacturing Engineer II

IT Engineer

Apply directly through website www.OriGen.com under the COMPANY tab.

Regulatory IVDR Consultant

Remote. Start Date: Aug 3rd. Duration: 6+ Months

Client is looking for a Regulatory Consultant with a strong IVD background, and at least one project that is IVDR focused. Will be working on submission components for EU compliance, including clinical and performance evaluation reports. Products are all reagents / immunoassay / assay based. They partner with IVD companies (Indiko, Abbott, and/or Roche) for the device itself. Assess their current products for compliance and provide information as to what is needed for clinical evidence and performance evaluation. The role is working on the reagents only but will look at profiles of consultants who come from the device side also. Looking for guidance and need someone who has gone through the process already. Provide information for what they will need for intended use, write the intended uses, see how stability fulfills requirements etc. Will be working on the submission as it relates to CE Mark for IVDR Compliance. Compiling the technical file for submission, including clinical data for submission. Project is all EU focused and must have at least 3-5 years of IVDD experience and at least one project with IVDR. BS preferred. Email Alex Magoon at amagoon@blackdiamondnet.com.

Career Opportunities

Abbott

[View positions](#)

Aeglea Biotherapeutics

[View positions](#)

ALKU

[View positions](#)

Babylon Health

[View positions](#)

Black Diamond Network

[Website](#)

Commissioning Agents (CAI)

<https://cagents.com/careers>

FDA Quality & Regulatory Consultants

[Join the FDAQRC CAREER NETWORK](#)

Luminex

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Molecular Templates

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QA Consulting, Inc.

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Quantitative Radiology Solutions

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Skills Alliance

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Syneos Health

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Vitality Volunteers

Our mission is to help connect volunteers to organizations to improve the health of the community and increase awareness of diseases. We want to help the health and wellness-related organizations in our communities to promote their cause. Doing so will allow these organizations to make more of an impact and ensure that their message is heard. [Sign up for opportunities to volunteer virtually!](#)

Austin Chamber: Opportunity Austin Survey

The Chamber is partnering with local school districts to connect your business with regional opportunities to make sure our school curriculum teaches the right skills, includes industry-based certifications that pay a good wage, and helps our working-age populations earn while they learn. Please complete this three-minute survey so that the Chamber may connect your company with the right opportunities and recognize your company as a **TALENT AMBASSADOR**. For questions, please email Kwee Lan Teo, VP of Talent/Workforce at kteo@austinchamber.com. [Complete Survey Here](#)

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

We are mapping the 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 maintain our website. If interested, please reach out to Scott Collins at scott@bioaustin.com

TEXAS LIFE SCIENCE ORGANIZATIONS

ATX Women in MedTech
womeninmedtech@gmail.com

BioMed San Antonio
<http://www.biomedsa.org>

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

BioNorth
<https://bionorthtx.org/>

Austin Technology Incubator (ATI)
<https://ati.utexas.edu>

Capital City Innovation (CCI)
<https://www.capitalcityinnovation.org/>

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

Health Technology Forum Meetup
<https://www.meetup.com/HealthTechnologyForum-Austin/>

BioHouston
<http://biohouston.org/>

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/>

**Texas Biotech, Pharmaceutical & Life
Sciences Companies**

<https://biopharmguy.com/links/state-tx-all-geo.php>

Texas Health Catalyst

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

Texas Medical Device Alliance (TMDA)

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

**THBI - Texas Healthcare and Bioscience
Institute**

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

The Health Cell, San Antonio

<http://thehealthcell.org>

TMCX/TMCX+, Houston

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

**List: Top biomedical companies in the
Austin area (2019)**

<https://tinyurl.com/ybr7jjnm>

**List: Leading medical device companies in
the Austin area (2018)**

<https://tinyurl.com/yb3bprtm>

Velocity Texas, San Antonio

<https://velocitytx.org/>

**Women in Bio-Texas (WIB-TX, Austin &
Houston)**

<https://www.womeninbio.org/page/t>

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Warm regards,

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on behalf of BioAustin, Texas Medical Device Alliance (TMDA), and Austin Health Technology (AHT)