

### Building a 21st Century Workforce Pipeline

North Texas is committed to equity and inclusion in our life science workforce. Filling the number of open entry level jobs in the North Texas biotech industry and providing career pathways will take us all working together. We are interested in providing opportunity for those who may not have had exposure to our industry and keeping the world class talented scientists, graduating from our universities, working here in our region.

You can help by taking a few minutes and completing these surveys.

**Entry Level Survey** 

**Higher Level Survey** 











Biomanufacturing Technicians

Bioinformatic Technicians

Clinical Lab Technicians

Lab Maintenance Technicians

#### BioWorks for NTX Good Jobs Grant RFP's



Dallas College has issued two RFP's to assist the BioWorks for North Texas project. Please go to this site and once there, click on the blue box that says "request information about open bids". Remember to spread the word to anyone interested in curriculum and marketing. RFP details below.

Curriculum Design RFP

Marketing RFP













2023 Career EXPO - February 10th **Meet PhD and Post Doc Candidates** 





Join BioNTX at our Career Expo on February 10th! Your company will have the opportunity to recruit and network with top local talent and provide them with information about your open positions, review their resumes, and create brand awareness.

Register now

# Caris Life Sciences and Xencor Expand Target Discovery Collaboration for Novel XmAb® Antibody Drug Candidates



Caris Life Sciences®, the leading molecular science and technology company actively developing and delivering innovative solutions to revolutionize healthcare, and Xencor, Inc., a clinical-stage biopharmaceutical company developing engineered antibodies and cytokines for the treatment of cancer and autoimmune diseases, announced an expansion of their collaboration to research, develop and commercialize novel XmAb® bispecific and multi-specific antibodies directed against novel targets, identified and proposed by Caris, for the treatment of patients with cancer.

Read full press release

# Island Pharmaceuticals on Track to Begin ISLA-101 Phase 2a Clinical Trial in Early 2023



Island Pharmaceuticals Ltd could begin a Phase 2a PEACH clinical trial of its dengue prevention and treatment drug ISLA-101 as early as this month, according to MST Access Research.

ILA's strategy is to focus on repurposing drugs for viral illnesses. The strategy potentially brings advantages including lower development costs, faster timelines and lower risk.

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FDA Grants Lantern Pharma Orphan Drug Designation for Drug Candidate LP-284 in Mantle Cell Lymphoma



Lantern Pharma Inc., a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company using its proprietary RADR® artificial intelligence ("A.I.") and machine learning ("M.L.") platform to transform the cost, pace, and timeline of oncology drug discovery and development, announced that the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has granted LP-284 Orphan Drug Designation (ODD) for the treatment of mantle cell lymphoma (MCL).

"Receiving Orphan Drug Designation is an important milestone for our latest drug candidate, LP-284, and further validates our data-driven approach to oncology drug discovery and development" stated Panna Sharma, President & CEO of Lantern Pharma.

Read full press release

# OncoNano Medicine's Pegsitacianine Granted Breakthrough Therapy Designation for Real-Time Surgical Imaging by the FDA



OncoNano Medicine, Inc. today announced that its lead clinical development candidate, pegsitacianine, a pH-sensitive fluorescent nanoprobe for image-guided cancer surgery, has received Breakthrough Therapy Designation by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as an adjunct for the visualization of metastatic disease in the peritoneal cavity in patients undergoing cytoreductive surgery.

The FDA's Breakthrough Therapy Designation is designed to expedite development and regulatory review of medicines that aim to address a serious or life-threatening condition with showing preliminary clinical evidence demonstrating substantial improvement over existing treatments on one or more clinically significant endpoints. A Breakthrough Therapy Designation provides more intensive FDA guidance on an efficient drug development program, an organizational commitment involving senior managers, and eligibility for rolling review and priority review.

Read full press release

S&W Seed Company and Trigall Genetics

Announce Agreement to Form Trigall Australia,

a JV for Wheat Breeding in Australia



Trigall Genetics, the world leader in wheat biotechnology co-owned by Bioceres Crop Solutions and Florimond Desprez, and S&W Seed Company, a leading middle-market agricultural company, have entered into a joint venture to advance wheat breeding

activities in Australia.

Mark Wong, CEO of S&W Seed added: "We are excited to enter this JV to combine our commercial footprint with the unique technologies and expertise of our partners."

Read full press release

# Join BioNTX for Deep Dive into FDA Authorization and IND Applications





Join Us!

**Dallas** January 25

January 25

biolabs

PEGASUS PARK

Fort Worth

January 26

TECHFW

Trey Putnam, PhD, RAC

Vice President,

Regulatory Affairs & Quality Assurance

Osteal Therapeutics

Join BioNTX for our Regulatory 201 educational breakfast meeting and hear from our guest speaker Dr. Trey Putnam at Osteal Therapeutics, learn what an Investigational New Drug (IND) Application is, how the IND process works, FDA's expectations for an IND and what to do when something goes wrong.

Register now - Dallas

Register now - Fort Worth

# ARPA-H is Seeking Applications for Program Managers



ARPA-H is looking for Program Managers who will champion core and innovative ideas to improve health and health research. Texas Talent can stay here as many of these jobs are remote! ARPA-H accelerates better health outcomes for everyone by supporting the development of high-impact solutions to society's most challenging health problems.

Apply now

**BioNTX Seeking** 

## **Business Development Professional**



BioNTX is seeking a driven individual with strong sales and customer service skills. Review the job description below and apply if appropriate. Please feel free to pass this opportunity on to others!

Job Description Details

## **Upcoming Events & Opportunities** in North Texas



Startup Taxes: What to Know!

TTU Innovation Hub

Join TTU Innovation Hub for their seminar on startup taxes to get a broad overview of taxes administered by the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts!

January 13, 2023

Learn more here



#### How to Optimize Your R&D Tax Credits with ADP

Biotechnology Innovation Organization

Join BIO to learn about eligible tax credit activities, where state R&D benefits may exist, and how to maximize the new ADP tax credit offering now available to BioNTX members.

January 24, 2023

Learn more here



Want to Accelerate Your Startup & Win \$25,000?

TTU Innovation Hub

Join the Texas Tech Innovation Hub for their



#### 2023 Commercial Real Estate Forecast Real Estate Council of Greater Fort Worth

Join the Real Estate Council of Greater Fort Worth to hear from industry experts as they analyze the previous year and make predictions for the future of the Tarrant County

January 19, 2023

region.

Learn more here



#### First Steps for Starting a Small Business NCI SBIR

Join NCI SBIR to listen to prior SBIR/STTR awardees with a variety of cancer technology products will explain how they tackled challenging issues related to starting a small business.

January 27, 2023

Learn more here



### Meet MassChallenge Dallas

MassChallenge

Join MassChallenge to meet their team in Dallas and learn about the upcoming the 2023 US early stage program.

seminar on how you can accelerate your startup and win \$25,000!

February 1, 2023

Learn more here



Career Expo BioNTX

This full day educational program will feature multiple activities and speakers. Life science recruiters and career development professionals will help job seekers, post-docs and students prepare for their job search and interview process.

February 10, 2023

Learn more here

February 2, 2023

Learn more here

BioNTX works to build a strong bioscience and healthcare innovation community through collaborative peer to peer\_networking events and educational programming.

Let us know about your event!

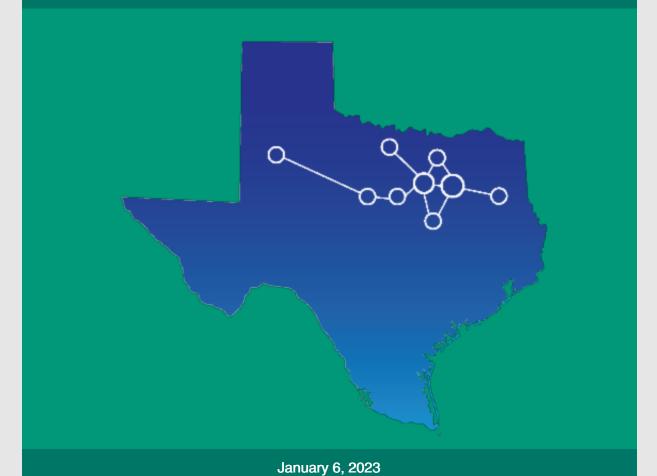
<u>View the North Texas community</u> <u>calendar of events</u>

Look at upcoming BioNTX events



### Join BioNTX

BioNTX delivers opportunities for Members to connect across the State. Join us and collaborate with others, receive industry insights and visibility. We serve as the voice and champion for the life science community in NTX.



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