

## AbeXXa Biologics: Another NTX Success Story!



Listen to Jon Weidanz explain the story of **AbeXXa Biologics**, their success, their science and how they treat cancer with immunotherapy.

Thanks to UNTHSC Next and Innovate Fort Worth Podcasts

Join us in Dallas and Fort Worth for the Talent Network Meet & Greet



BioNTX invites all job seekers from undergraduates to Post Docs, and from lab technicians to business professionals. The industry is growing and needs you!

Attend our Meet & Greets and learn more about joining the bioscience and healthcare innovation industry in North Texas.

Registration guarantees 2 free drinks for students and postdocs ONLY.







Building the Workforce Pipeline in NTX in Bioscience and Healthcare Innovation

#### Attend BioNTX's HR Forum



#### The Future of Work and Talent Challenges

BioNTX invites CORE Companies to this educational forum on May 24 and May 25.

The HR Forum is a series of educational programs meant to assist in connecting and educating the heads of human resources in the bioscience and healthcare innovation industry in North Texas.

Breakfast will be provided and plenty of opportunities to network.

Aon / Radford representatives will be present and will provide compensation insight.



BioNTX announces its' 8th Annual iC3 Life Science and Healthcare Innovation Summit RVSP Your Tickets for the iC3 Summit

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### What is the iC3 Life Science and Healthcare Innovation Summit?

The iC3 Life Science and Healthcare Innovation Summit serves as the forum where leaders come together to discuss strategy, exhibit the broad spectrum of North Texas bioscience research, and where the latest innovation, products and services can be seen.

When and where is iC3 Summit? This year, the iC3 Summit will take place at the Gaylord Texan Resort & Convention Center in Grapevine, TX on September 22



Register here

and 23.

#### Registration

If you register for the event now, you will receive an early-bird discount. BioNTX members will receive an additional discounted price!

#### Healthcare Think Tank visits Dallas



Bringing business and healthcare advocates together

On April 27, 2022, BioNTX spoke at Healthcare Think Tank's event about the North Texas community. Key people who made BioLabs and Pegasus Park into a hub for the growing biosciences industry spoke and attendees received a tour of BioLabs.





Lili Clark, Lyda Hill Philanthropies

Gabby Everett, BioLabs

Kathleen Otto, BioNTX

#### Congratulations to our BioNTX member, GL Chemtec for their accomplishments in Canada!



This week, Mayor Rob Burton and Economic Development staff in Oakville visited GL Chemtec for the official opening of their Process Suites.

GL Chemtec International Ltd is a progressive, contract research organization that has been operating in Oakville for close to two decades.

In 2020, they were awarded a one-year contract from the federal government to produce a key reagent for COVID-19 PCR testing, acting as the only domestic supplier. They supplied the reagent through the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC), delivering more than 10 tonnes of material across the country.

They recently experienced growth with plans for continued expansion at the current location, adding more capabilities on the medical device prototyping and blending side of the business and adding state-of-the-art analytical instrumentation. The research organization also plans to add significant office space and common areas to accommodate their expanding workforce.



(from left to right):

- Lisa Studnicki, COO, GL Chemtec
- Rob Burton, Oakville Mayor
- Gamil Alhakimi, PhD, President, GL Chemtec

#### BioNTX attends Baylor University Innovation Conference in Waco

## **P** Baylor University

BioNTX attended Baylor's Innovation Conference, which brought together research, technology, and investment professionals to engage in developing opportunities and building partnerships across Baylor's innovation ecosystem.

The BioTech track featured leading Baylor researchers including:

- Dr. Don Anderson whom shared about Baylor's science facilities and how Baylor can support early-stage biopharma through BioMedTech.
- Dr. Chris Kearney discussed his peptide-based platform and how he can specifically target insects and pathogenic bacteria without leading to drug resistance.
- **Dr. Romo** discussed retrosynthetic natural product chemistry and potential anti-cancer drugs and development pipeline to help treat hard-to-treat cancers like pancreatic cancer while providing patient's quality of life.







Dr. Chris Kearney, Baylor University

Dr. Brian Woods, Waco Ventures

Dr. Don Anderson, Baylor University

### TTU Innovation Hub Accelerator Graduation and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony





BioNTX congratulates Texas Tech University Innovation Hub Accelerator graduates!

Texas Tech University Innovation Hub had their Accelerator Graduation and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on April 21, 2022.

During the Accelerator Graduation, startup companies shared what they have achieved this past year and what's next for their company.

Texas Tech University Innovation Hub celebrated and welcomed their next cohort by introducing their technology and their business in one-minute elevator pitch presentations.

Visit The Hub Website

Nanoscope's Vision Restoring Optogenetic Gene Therapy to be Featured in Multiple

#### Presentations as Part of ARVO Annual Meeting in Denver May 1 - 4



Learn more here

Nanoscope Therapeutics Inc., a clinicalstage biotechnology company developing optogenetic therapies for treatment of retinal degenerative diseases, today announced four presentations on the Company's preclinical and clinical research in retinitis pigmentosa (RP) and Stargardt macular degeneration at the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) 2022 Annual Meeting, being held May 1 – 4, 2022, in Denver, Colorado.

Lantern Pharma's Board of Directors Names Maria Maccecchini, Ph.D. as a Director Nominee to Lantern's Board of Directors

## **Lantern** Pharma。



Maria L. Maccecchini, Ph.D

Lantern Pharma Inc., a clinical stage biopharmaceutical company using its proprietary RADR® artificial intelligence (A.I.) and machine learning (ML) platform to transform the cost, pace, and timeline of oncology drug discovery and development, today announced that Maria L. Maccecchini, Ph.D. has been named as a nominee for election to Lantern's Board of Directors. Dr. Maccecchini will be presented alongside a slate of five existing Directors at Lantern's upcoming Annual Meeting to be held on June 8, 2022.

Learn more here

Gore Range Capital Congratulates Dr. Seemal Desai on his Appointment as 2024 President of the American Academy of Dermatology



Seemal R. Desai, MD, FAAD, a member of Gore Range Capital's Scientific Advisory Board (SAB), has been elected incoming President-Elect of the American Academy of Dermatology (AAD). His elected service to the American Academy of Dermatology will span a three-year period starting 2023 as President-Elect, President in 2024 and



Seemal R. Desai, MD, FAAD

Immediate Past-President in 2025.

Dr. Desai is a board-certified dermatologist and a Diplomate of the American Board of Dermatology. His clinical expertise includes the treatment of vitiligo and other disorders of pigmentation, psoriasis, acne, skin disease in skin of color, cosmeceuticals, and aesthetics.

Read more here

Taysha Gene Therapies announces Oral Presentations at the Upcoming 2022 IRSF Rett Syndrome Scientific Symposium and the Ascend National Summit



Taysha Gene Therapies, Inc., a patient-centric, pivotal-stage gene therapy company focused on developing and commercializing AAV-based gene therapies for the treatment of monogenic diseases of the central nervous system (CNS) in both rare and large patient populations, today announced oral presentations at the upcoming International Rett Syndrome Foundation (IRSF) Rett Syndrome Scientific Symposium taking place in Nashville, Tennessee April 26 – 27, 2022, and the ASCEND Rett Syndrome National Summit taking place in Nashville, Tennessee April 27 – 30, 2022.

Learn more here

Visit BioNTX in the BioTexas Booth at the BIO International Convention - June 2022





THBI leads the Texas delegation and organizes the BioTexas booth at the BIO International Convention, the largest global event for the biotechnology industry. Their goal is to bring together a delegation that represents the innovation happening in the Texas Life Science industry including economic development organizations, companies and universities.

#### DFW Airport Cargo Achieves 1M Ton of Cargo Milestone in 2021

#### CEIV Pharma Community





Learn more here

DFW is focused on future investments in air cargo facilities and infrastructure to meet growing demand stimulated by e-commerce, perishables, and pharmaceutical/ life sciences products.

DFW International Airport announced at the 2022 TIACA Executive Summit in San Francisco that the Airport achieved a major milestone of moving one million U.S. tons of cargo in calendar year 2021.

This milestone is significant because of its impact on the local economy as well as being an indicator of growth for the Airport and the North Texas region.

#### BioNTX Members Take Advantage of your BioSolutions Discounts Now!



More savings. More research.



We offer discounts through the **BIO Business Solutions®** program for our members only. Save thousands of dollars every year with the discounts available to you as a part of your BioNTX Membership!

Learn more about our member benefits

#### Post Your Open Job Positions Today!



Join the Network!

BioNTX has created a Talent Network on LinkedIn and we invite all BioNTX Members and life science companies to post their job opportunities to connect and network with job seekers.

By posting open positions, you will:

- Find qualified candidates for the bioscience and healthcare industry
- Save time and money on the recruitment process
- · Gain more visibility
- Create a more engaging and personal experience for the candidate

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



JCH Memorial Golf Tournament Huntington's Disease Society of America

The Inaugural JCH Memorial Golf Tournament is hosted by Haley Pearce in remembrance of her grandfather, Jimmy Hawkins, who passed in November of 2006 to Huntington's Disease.

> May 2, 2022 7:00am - 12:00pm

Learn more here



Capital Factory at Pegasus Park Launch & Health Supernova

Join Capital Factory during Dallas Startup Crawl and a special Pegasus Park LAUNCH on Monday night to kick off their very first Health Supernova.

May 9, 2022 Capital Factory at Pegasus Park Launch

> May 10, 2022 Health Supernova



BIO International Convention Biotechnology Innovation Organization

The Convention theme 'LIMITLESS' is their commitment to unlocking possibilities for our members and attendees while paving the path to the future of our industry.

They bring together a wide spectrum of life science and application, including drug discovery, biomanufacturing, genomics, biofuels, nanotechnology, & cell therapy.

June 13 - 16, 2022



Hope Starts Here 5K Southwest Transparent Alliance

The Annual Hope Starts Here 5K is an uplifting family-friendly event to honor families impacted by organ, eye and tissue donation.

> May 7, 2022 8:30am - 10:00am

Learn more here



MedVentures Conference 2022 Health Wildcatters

Join Health Wildcatters for the MedVentures conference and Health Innovation Pitch Competition.

> May 18, 2022 8:00am - 6:00pm

> Learn more here

### BioNTX

The 2022 New Year presents chances for new opportunities and partnerships.

Let us know about your event!

View the North Texas community calendar of events

Look at upcoming BioNTX events

Learn more here



#### Join BioNTX

BioNTX delivers opportunities for Members to connect and collaborate, to provide industry insights and visibility, and to serve as the voice and champion for the North Texas Life Science Community.



Are you interested in becoming a BioNTX member? Email <u>kotto@biontx.org</u> for more details.

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