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NATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women In Bio Webinar: “Best Practices for Sharing IP Rights in the Life Sciences”

[Join us on September 2, 2015](#), as a distinguished panel of professional women discusses best practices and potential pitfalls associated with sharing intellectual property (IP) rights. An IP strategy is crucial for a company driven by technological innovation. Our expert panel of [Julie Watson](#), [Kate Murashige](#), and [Dawn Matthews](#) will share their thoughts on how to effectively share IP, analyze potential collaborations, avoid pitfalls, and maximize an invention’s ROI. This is a great opportunity to gain legal perspective and wisdom from industry leaders.

Include WIB Membership on Your Back-To-School Shopping List

If you’ve considered joining Women In Bio, there is no better time to do so than now! From September 1, 2015, through October 15, 2015, WIB will offer a Back to School special of 25% off normal membership rates. This discounted rate applies to single-year memberships as well as the already discounted multi-year memberships. With a WIB membership, you’ll receive discounted fees to attend WIB programming and many other WIB membership benefits. This is a limited-time offer for new members, so don’t miss this opportunity! To become a WIB member, visit www.womeninbio.org and use promo code **BTS201525%**.

WIB-Philadelphia is in the Works

Women In Bio is excited to announce that we are planning the establishment of a WIB-Philadelphia chapter, which will increase our footprint to 13 chapter locations. Over the remaining months of 2015 work will proceed for getting this chapter up and running, with WIB-Philadelphia’s launch slated for early 2016. If you are interested in volunteering to help, learning more about WIB-Philadelphia’s formation, and future WIB-Philadelphia events, please [create a free account](#). We will publish updates on WIB-Philadelphia’s progress as they occur. We are excited about the creation of another sister WIB chapter, and look forward to working with Philadelphia chapter members as they create another WIB success!

RESOURCES

Women In Bio Partnership with SmartBrief

WIB has partnered with SmartBrief to produce a weekly e-mail newsletter, *WIB SmartBrief*, which

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CHAPTER NEWS & EVENTS

Upcoming Events

- WIB-Atlanta presents [“Enhancing Your Executive Presence.”](#) August 24, 2015 – **SOLD OUT!**
- WIB-Seattle Metro [Summer Social](#), August 26, 2015
- WIB-DC/Baltimore [Potluck and Networking](#) event, August 26, 2015
- WIB-Southern California presents [“Lessons from a Successful Serial Entrepreneur in Biotech,”](#) August 26, 2015
- WIB-RTP [Book Club Series - Part III](#), August 27, 2015
- WIB Webinar: [“Best Practices for Sharing IP Rights in the Life Sciences.”](#) September 2, 2015

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Emory MAPs-U Group Needs Volunteers

Mentors Advisors Peers (MAP)s-University groups have regular monthly meetings on the Emory campus that involve invited speakers and discussions on various career-related topics. The Emory MAPs-U group is looking for a graduate student and a post-doc to volunteer as group leaders. With help from the MAPs Chair, the group leader(s) will be responsible for organizing regular meetings and inviting speakers. The group leader(s) will also report to the MAPs Chair. Being group leader allows you a great opportunity to network and will better prepare you for your future career. Email AtlantaMaps@womeninbio.org and tell us you are interested!

Opportunity for Free Registration to WIB-Atlanta Events

Would you like the chance to attend WIB-Atlanta events for free? WIB-Atlanta is looking for volunteers to work the registration table at the beginning of chapter events. Benefits of this experience include the opportunity to meet and network with event attendees. If you are new to WIB, want to meet people, and want an easy way to initiate professional relationships, this is a great opportunity. Contact Atlanta@womeninbio.org to discuss volunteer opportunities that can provide you with free entry into WIB-Atlanta events.

Austin Area



“Who smashed Mr. Potato Head?” - YWIB-Austin Area Inspires Young Crime Fighting Scientists

More than a dozen middle-school girls became young detectives for a day during a July 25, 2015, Young Women In Bio (YWIB) event in Johnson City, Texas. The WIB-Austin Area chapter partnered with the local [Hill Country Science Mill](#) to develop a crime scene investigation to inspire budding crime fighting scientists. [Read more!](#)



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Please Participate in the WIB-Chicago MAPs Survey

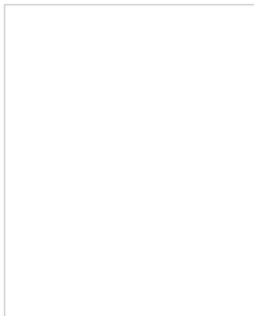
WIB-Chicago would like to start a MAPS (Mentors, Advisors, and Peers) program. Please participate in our survey to let us know more about you and your interest in such a program. [Take the survey here.](#) Thanks in advance for your help!

Volunteer Spotlights

Chenan Zhang: Chenan is a Ph.D. candidate in Epidemiology from the University of Chicago. She enjoys working in the field collecting alligator eggs for developmental studies and culturing fish oocyte cells for endocrinology studies. Chenan has a desire to understand how molecular mechanisms and functions relate to broader impacts on human health on a population level, particularly in complex and multifactorial diseases including cancer. Apart from her science adventures, Chenan has also been involved with the WIB-Chicago Communications team. In her words, “My involvement with Women In Bio as a writer of the Member Spotlight section has allowed me to meet and interview women leaders from all areas of the biological field. They have motivated me to lead, and build meaningful relationships with each other as we work towards our career and life goals.”



Ana Mrejeru, Ph.D.: Ana is a biomedical scientist with ten years of academic research experience, most recently as a postdoctoral fellow at Columbia University Neurology in New York. She is passionate about applied neuroscience discoveries for treating Alzheimer’s disease and brain disorders. This summer, Ana has an internship at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to learn the regulatory process for evaluating new drugs. She enjoys evaluating and communicating new biotechnology trends for clinical and business audiences. Her hobbies include architectural walking tours, urban garden walks, and tennis by the lake!



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Help Us Get to Know You Better!

Help our Women In Bio-Greater Boston chapter get to know you better! Please take a few minutes to complete [this short survey](#) to help us understand what you are looking to gain from WIB programming. Information collected through this survey will aid us in designing more exciting and useful events to better assist you in your journey as a woman in science. Thank you for your time. We look forward to seeing you at our next event!

WIB to Have Presence at BioPharm America 2015 - 8th Annual International Partnering Conference

Don't miss the upcoming BioPharm America 2015, an annual Boston biotech conference mainstay taking place September 15–

17, at the Marriott Copley Place. While you are there, stop by the WIB Greater Boston booth to learn what's happening with your WIB chapter. [Learn more!](#)

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Événement estival de réseautage du WIB- Grand Montréal

Le groupe WIB du Grand Montréal a débuté l'été avec une soirée de réseautage dans le 'Golden Square Mile' de Montréal. Plus de 50 personnes de tous les secteurs des sciences de la vie ont participé au réseautage sur la magnifique terrasse de la cour d'Il Cortile tout en dégustant un vin et une cuisine italienne exquise. Nous avons été ravis de revoir des visages familiers ainsi que d'accueillir les nouveaux. Comme toujours, l'événement a été marqué par son atmosphère amicale. Ce fut vraiment une façon relaxante de passer une magnifique soirée de juillet!

WIB-Greater Montreal Hosts a Summer Evening of Networking

WIB-Greater Montreal kick-started the summer on July 7, 2015, with a networking evening in downtown Montreal's Golden Square Mile. Over 50 guests from all walks of the life sciences sector enjoyed impeccable wine and Italian fare on Il Cortile's beautiful courtyard terrace. We were thrilled to catch up with familiar faces as well as to welcome many new ones. As always, the event was marked by its collegial atmosphere. This was truly a relaxing way to spend a balmy July evening!

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WIB-Metro New York Presents "Getting on Boards: Rewards, Risks and Realities"

The Healthcare Businesswomen's Association (HBA) and Women In Bio (WIB) are two organizations whose goals are to promote women's advancement within the healthcare industry. The Metro chapters of HBA and WIB are proud to join forces for this upcoming event to show the true rewards, risks, and realities of board service to our constituents. [During this lively and informative session on September 8, 2015](#), we will dive into this complex and exciting world, and hear from executive women who currently serve on boards as well as from those who recruit and work with boards to improve their effectiveness.

Young Women In Bio and Weill Cornell Medical College Announce Mentorship Program

[Weill Cornell Medical College](#) and the Metro New York Area Chapter of [Young Women In Bio](#) are pleased to announce the launch of an exciting mentoring program for female high school seniors who have a serious interest in pursuing medicine as a career and strong academic credentials. [Read the full announcement.](#)

July Event Speaker Shares Steps to Success in Virtualizing Biotech

During [our July 14, 2015, event](#), [Janaki Joshi, CEO](#), ran in to a small technical glitch, so as promised [here is the video link](#) regarding the OptiNose case study. This video highlights the key concerns of managing a company when utilizing virtual teams across functions and time zones. In this video, [Peter K Miller](#), CEO of OptiNose, speaks to the "Lean Biotech" model: although ideal, it is not so easy to implement using virtual teams. Find out how they solved this problem with an innovative collaborative business network.

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WIB-Pittsburgh Presents: "P.O.W.E.R. 2015 - Women Revolutionizing Healthcare"

This year's Pittsburgh's [Outstanding Women Entrepreneurs Rally \(P.O.W.E.R.\) on September 21, 2015](#), will celebrate women's contributions to the healthcare revolution! As this is our signature event - you can expect incredible speakers and fantastic networking opportunities. We will hear from several local and truly outstanding women in life sciences as well as our keynote speaker, [Jill Hagenkord, M.D.](#), the Chief Medical Officer for [23 and Me](#). This year P.O.W.E.R. will be a part of Thrill Mill's [Thrival](#)

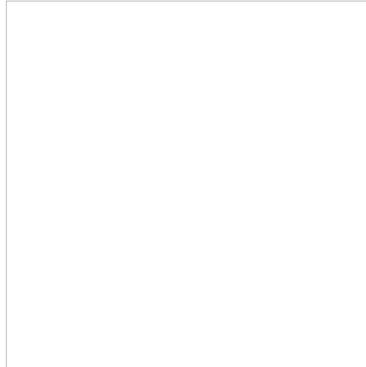
[Festival](#) - an innovation and music festival put on by one of Pittsburgh's newest accelerators. We are excited to make P.O.W.E.R. 2015 even better than last year, and look forward to seeing you there!

Volunteer Roll Call!

We are always looking for volunteers to help on the WIB-Pittsburgh Communications/Marketing, Events/Programming, Membership, and Sponsorship committees! It is a great way to become more involved in the Pittsburgh chapter for all those who are interested. Please send an email to pittsburgh@womeninbio.org for more information or to start volunteering!

WIB-Pittsburgh Member Spotlight: What's New with Maria Fagan and R&Q?

It's been a year since WIB-Pittsburgh member, [Maria Fagan](#), was the feature of a WIB newsletter spotlight, so we touched base to reveal what is new with her and Regulatory and Quality Solutions LLC, the company she co-founded: R&Q has had an exciting year, experiencing 100% growth in 2014 and opening a new office in Boston at the start of 2015. With such growth, Maria has focused on maintaining a "balanced scorecard" of profits, growth, and employee engagement to ensure her company can continue to succeed. While Maria admits that such rapid growth can be exhausting, she credits much of the continued success to R&Q's fantastic employees. Often she feels that her "only real talent is picking people" to join the company. Once they join she tries to ensure they stay through continued training and engagement, including the upcoming employment of a Center of Excellence model for mentoring and training, encouragement of members to participate in organizations such as Women In Bio, and support of flexible scheduling for new parents. Maria says for personal success, it is important to be self-aware when facing personal or professional challenges.



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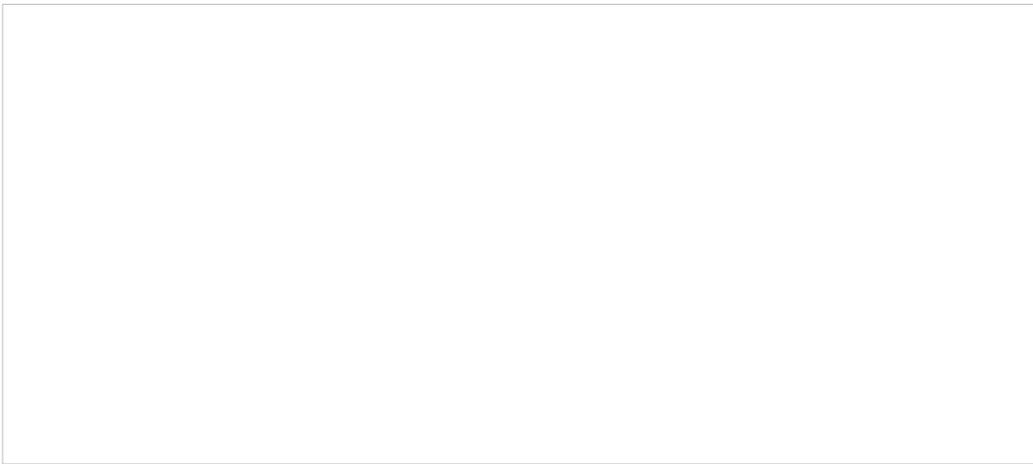


WIB-RTP Presents Its Summer Book Club Series - Part III

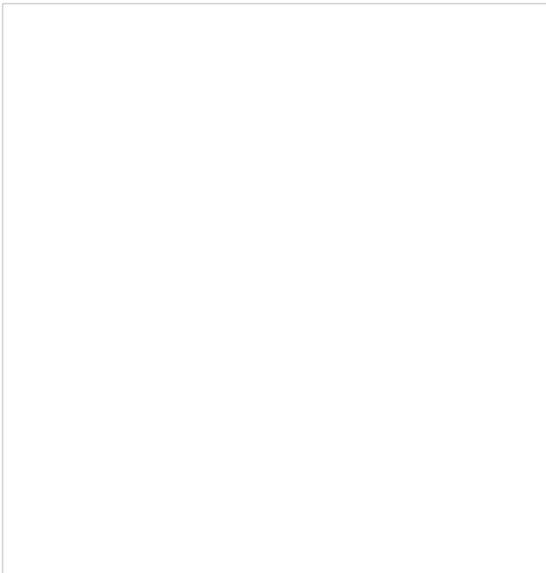
[Join us on August 27, 2015](#), for breakfast and a book discussion of *15 Invaluable Laws Of Growth* by [John C. Maxwell](#), an internationally recognized leadership expert, speaker, and author who has sold over 19 million books. His organizations have trained more than 5 million leaders worldwide. He is the founder of INJOY, Maximum Impact, ISS, and EQUIP, an international leadership development organization working to help leaders. In *15 Invaluable Laws of Growth*, Maxwell answers a few basic questions that are important for people at every stage of career growth. This is a free event for members; breakfast will be provided.

Young Women In Bio Visits UNC's Gillings School of Global Public Health

On July 28, 2015, a group of thirty 9th-12th graders from the Research Triangle area enjoyed a visit to the University of North Carolina's [Gillings School of Global Public Health](#). Gillings was ranked the top public school of public health in the nation by *U.S. News & World Report*. The school's mission is to "improve public health, promote individual well-being and eliminate health disparities across North Carolina and around the world." [Read the entire event recap.](#)



Girls answer questions during a “Health Trivia” contest.



The girls learned how to quickly stain fixed cells.

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Young Women In Bio to Visit Buck Institute for Research on Aging

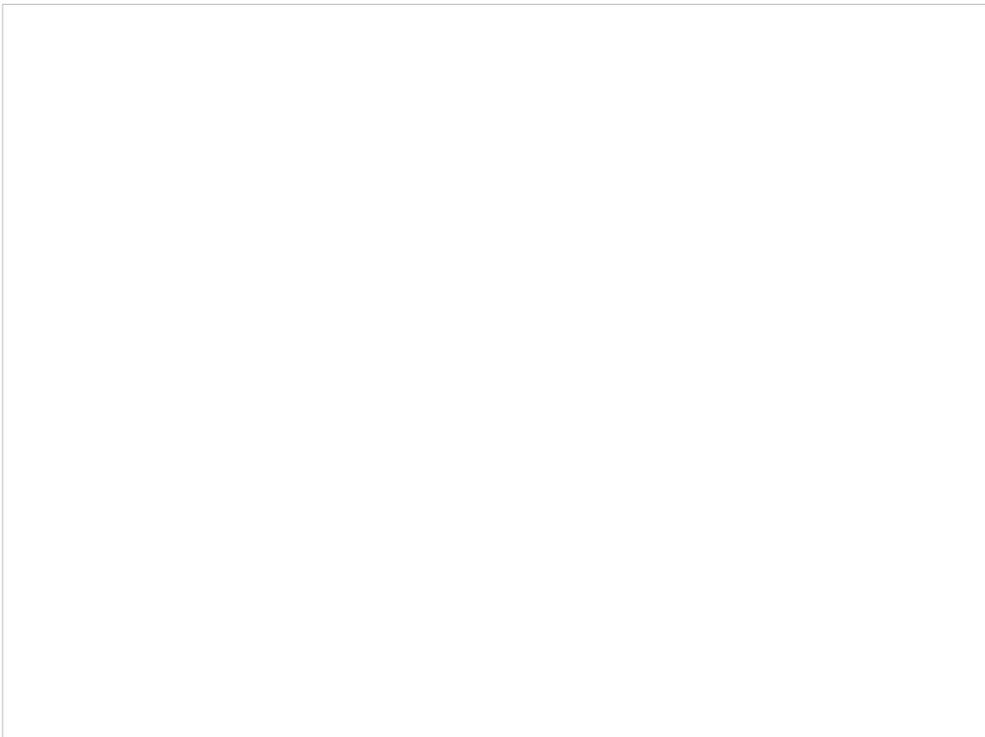
On September 12, 2015, the [Buck Institute](#) in Novato, California, will host San Francisco Bay area middle and high school girls for a Saturday afternoon of discovering the fun and challenges of a science career. The Buck Institute is the nation’s first independent research facility focused solely on understanding the connection between aging and chronic disease, with a mission to increase the healthy years of life. The event will include hands-on science activities, lab tours, and a panel discussion with scientists at the Institute. The discussions and activities will be followed by a pizza dinner. [Learn more.](#)

WIB-San Francisco Bay Area Presents: “Tapping into the Modern Financial Landscape in Biotech”

In today’s financial climate, companies often need to use creative and/or alternative funding strategies to stay funded. [In this September 15, 2015, panel.](#) we will discuss current financing options, including venture capital, angel investing, philanthropies, crowd funding, and more. Learn about approaches companies can take to be successful in today’s market.

Young Women In Bio Visits Stanford University CHARM Lab

On August 3, 2015, the Collaborative Haptics and Robotics in Medicine (CHARM) lab at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California, hosted an event for 21 girls from neighboring middle schools and high schools. The event started with an introduction to haptics (the sense of touch) and its application in medicine and rehabilitation, and was presented by the lab’s principal investigator, [Allison Okamura, Ph.D.](#) Next, the girls broke into smaller groups to tour various aspects of the lab. [Read more!](#)



YWIB attendees and CHARM staff outside the lab



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WIB-Seattle Summer Social

[Enjoy the last days of summer on August 26, 2015](#), at Seattle's hottest new community space, launched to offer a community work space for the Pacific Northwest's emerging health care economic cluster. Join us as we celebrate Women's Equality Day, an awesome first half of 2015, and learn what's in store for your WIB Seattle programming in the months to come! You'll come for the conversation; you'll stay to win prizes! Great drinks and tasty food provided.

[Southern California](#)



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August Event and Volunteer Opportunities

WIB-Southern California is looking forward to our August 26, 2015, event on "[Lessons from a Successful Serial Entrepreneur in Biotech.](#)" There are also opportunities for volunteers to join our WIB SoCal team too. Read on to find out more information!

WIB SoCal is gearing up for our 3rd and final summer event of the season: "Lessons from a Successful Serial Entrepreneur in Biotech." Said serial entrepreneur is [Wendy Johnson](#), and she will be our featured speaker. We are looking forward to hearing about Wendy's experiences in the field of biotech as she has an extensive background in the biotech industry as well as any advice she has to offer us. Wendy is currently the Co-Founder of Gemini Advisors, a business development, drug development, and strategic advisory consultancy. [There is still time to register for this informative and engaging event.](#) We look forward to seeing you there!

We are recruiting volunteers to join our Programs Committee and we would love to have you get involved. Let's go over the benefits of volunteering. By joining our committee you will:

1. Gain hands on experience in all aspects of event planning;
2. Master multi-tasking and time management;
3. Engage with key leaders in the life science industry;
4. Expand your leadership skills, and much more!

If you are ready to get involved, add skills to your résumé, and connect with women in life science industry, please contact us at SouthernCalifornia@womeninbio.org.

Not ready to take the leap? Then...

Attend Our Upcoming Events!

- August 26, 2015: "[Lessons from a Successful Serial Entrepreneur in Biotech](#)"
- September 17, 2015: "[The Strategy Behind a Proof of Concept Clinical Trial](#)"

Learn more about us at: <http://www.womeninbio.org/wib-chapters/southern-california>

Membership Discount for Biocom Members!

Biocom members can save 25% on WIB membership costs! If you are a Biocom member, contact SouthernCalifornia@womeninbio.org to learn more and receive the discount code.

Linda Strause Interview Appears in *Clinical Leader*

WIB-Southern California member, [Linda Strause, Ph.D.](#), was interviewed by the online *Clinical Leader* periodical. [Read Linda's interview.](#)

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WIB-DC/Baltimore Presents: Potluck and Networking with WIB Members

The Women In Bio-DC/Baltimore chapter [invites you to our summer networking potluck on August 26, 2015](#), at the Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox office in DC. Don't miss the opportunity to meet and connect with women in the biotech industry - professionals, attorneys, entrepreneurs, and researchers, while enjoying drinks and various food styles at the potluck! Thanks to our chapter sponsors, and special thanks to Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox for kindly providing us with sponsorship and a venue for this event!

WIB-DC/Baltimore Announces Its 1:1 Mentoring Program

The WIB-DC/Baltimore Mentors, Advisors, and Peers (MAPs) Committee is thrilled to announce the initiation of our **1:1 Mentoring Program**. This program is designed to match mentees in the early stages of their careers to mentors who can help guide them based on different areas of interest. We are looking for volunteers interested in being part of this new program. [Learn more!](#)

Become a Sponsor for the WIB-DC/Baltimore Chapter! Help us meet our goals!

Support the WIB-DC/Baltimore Chapter! Being a sponsor gives your company the opportunity to interact with members, a WIB annual membership, and a great chance to display your company logo for WIB events! Does your organization want to impact and facilitate professional growth for women in the life sciences? Then consider becoming our WIB chapter sponsor! Since our chapter represents a network of more than 230 members, your brand name will spread easily within and beyond our community. Furthermore, by sponsoring our monthly education and networking events, you will bring true values that promote our members' professional growth in careers, leadership, and entrepreneurship. For more details, feel free to contact our sponsorship committee chair, [Bianca Farias](mailto:bfarias@womeninbio.org) at bfarias@womeninbio.org.

Looking to volunteer? Join our Communications, Membership, Sponsorship, and Program committees!

Looking for opportunities to improve your leadership and communication skills through WIB? Consider volunteering with our **communications, membership, program, or sponsorship committees!** All these diverse committees are seeking amazing WIB volunteers to help with exciting projects such as social media marketing, membership driving as well as events planning for the upcoming year. Don't miss out on a chance to serve as future leaders for the DC/Baltimore chapter. Contact DC.Baltimore@WomenInBio.org to learn more and to volunteer!

OTHER INTERESTS

BioOhio Conference to be Held in December

BioOhio is very excited to host our inaugural Women in Bioscience Conference, featuring predominantly women speakers covering topics such as career paths, mentoring, networking, communication strategies, success stories, and featuring an enlightening lunch speaker. [Learn more!](#)

FierceBiotech Accepting Nominations for 2015's Women In Biotech

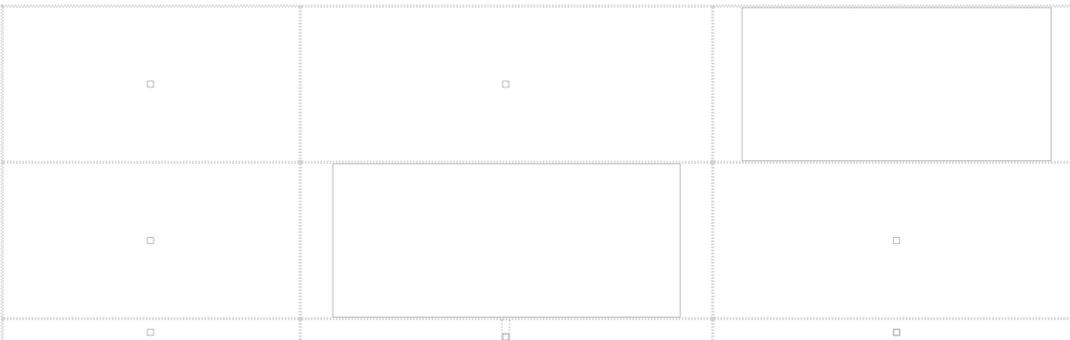
Each year, *FierceBiotech* surveys the life sciences landscape to highlight a group of women innovating, excelling, and inspiring in their fields. And this year, we want your help. Know a woman leading the R&D charge in biotech, taking a novel approach to commercialization in pharma, or changing how business gets done at a CRO? [We want to hear from you.](#)

2015 Health Innovation Hub

Springboard's Health Innovation Hub is a collaboration platform advancing the growth of women-led digital health and life science companies with access to sources of funding, partnerships, and advisors. Learn more on their [website](#), download the [1-pager](#), or [apply here](#).

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