WIB-National Seeks President-Elect for 2020 (Submissions Requested by October 21)

Women In Bio (WIB) is seeking a dynamic woman volunteer to serve as President-Elect of the National organization. WIB supports diversity and inclusion for women employed in the field of life sciences from the classroom to the boardroom. We are with our members every step of the way with our Young Women In Bio, Executive Women In Bio, and Boardroom Ready Programs, as well as our growing Mentorship opportunities.

The WIB President-Elect partners with the President to implement strategic goals and objectives of the organization, advising both Chapter and National Committee Chairs. This non-compensated volunteer should be high-energy with a proven track record of crafting and executing strategies which propel organizations to successful outcomes. They should be passionate about advancing careers of women and have a robust network within life sciences. Please view the President-Elect job profile located here, as well as information on how to apply, located here.

The WIB Founders Professional Scholarship Provides Great Opportunities and Experiences - Now Accepting Applications!

WIB is accepting applications for this year’s Women In Bio Founders Scholarship which was established to advance the educational development of women in the life sciences industry by encouraging and supporting education on the business aspects of life science. The scholarship also honors WIB co-founders, Robbie Melton, Anne Mathias, Cynthia Wong, and Elizabeth Grey who all wanted to provide a forum for women to come together to celebrate and support each other’s success. Doing so creates a dynamic and invaluable forum for the local community.

We are pleased to announce WIB will offer six $1,000 professional scholarships this year. Candidates must be women who are WIB chapter members and working within the life sciences. Scholarship money can be applied toward workshops, conferences, courses, seminars, and other similar educational programs.

Click here to download the application. The application deadline is Friday, November 1, 2019. Send completed applications to scholarship@womeninbio.org.

To donate money towards the WIB Scholarship Fund click here. We encourage companies to sponsor a full scholarship. We also invite individuals to donate any amount, and you can do so in honor or in memory of someone special to you.

WIB Member-Only Opportunity: You’re Invited to Attend the BIO Investor Forum Networking Reception

BIO would like to extend a special invitation for Women In Bio (WIB) members to join us for a networking opportunity in San Francisco. Please RSVP to confirm your participation*. WIB members receive up to $300 off the biotech/pharma rate when registering for the BIO Investor Forum. Please use code: BIOBIF23.

Tuesday, October 22, 2019
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Alexandra’s, 32nd Floor, Westin St. Francis Hotel

*This event is hosted by BIO as part of their annual BIO Investor Forum, an international biotech investor conference focused on investment trends and opportunities in life sciences, with emphasis on venture-stage growth and emerging public companies. If you are interested in registering for the conference, please visit bio.org/investorforum.


The glass ceiling is real and so are tactics that women can employ to bust through it. During this webinar, Inna Konstantinovsky, EVP, Chief Human Resources Officer of Horizon Pharma and Sasha Diskin, Executive Director, Talent Management of Horizon Pharma will discuss:

1. The concept of a career rock wall and demystify the traditional perception of career ladders
2. Share how to create a career development plan
3. The unconscious biases associated with how women receive feedback that may hinder development
4. Three actions you can do to break through career barriers

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WIB-National: Volunteer Leadership Recognition

Congratulations to Lisa Hillman, our newest National Membership Committee Co-Chair. We are excited to have her on board and can’t wait to see what her skills and expertise bring to our membership plans!

WIB welcomes Shobha Kothapalli on board as our new Member Benefits Chair. She’ll be working under our Membership Committee to bring great benefits to all of our members.

WIB Wants to Hear Your Success Story

Have a success story from your time with WIB? Were you able to land your dream job through networking at a WIB event? Were you able to earn a promotion thanks to guidance from a WIB presentation or WIB Mentorship? Tell us about the connections WIB has helped you make! We would love to hear from you and share your WIB story of success! Email communications@womeninbio.org.

WIB Members May Access Recordings of Previous Webinars

Did you miss a webinar you wanted to attend? Don’t worry! Members can access recordings of previous webinars located in the video library here.

RESOURCES

WIB Video Library

This Member-Only benefit allows you to view previously recorded WIB events from any chapter. Simply log into your WIB account to take advantage of this great resource and access the videos in our WIB video library!

SmartBrief

WIB SmartBrief is a weekly e-mail newsletter bringing the most important and timely news stories about women in all areas of the life sciences. Learn more and sign up for this free E-Newsletter!

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**WIB-Atlanta: MAPS-U Seminar Series: A Step Towards Technology Transfer and Scientific Marketing**

Join WIB-Atlanta to hear Ms. Lisa Marianni’s career experience about technology transfer and scientific marketing. Ms. Lisa Marianni joined the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Office of Technology & Innovation as a Health Scientist, Scientific Marketing. Lisa is responsible for facilitating the transfer of federally originated technology to the commercial market by conducting analytical assessments on the potential of inventions/technology; studying and evaluating market trends and needs; identifying strategies to facilitate and grow industry collaboration; enabling business development and technology commercialization; and providing assistance in guiding discoveries to market through new partner/venture creation and development.

Click Here for More Information or to Register

**WIB-Atlanta: Using and Building Your Network**

Join us for an evening with Dr. Chris-Michelle Jones (The Life & Style Executive, LLC) and a discussion on how to grow and use your personal network, with additional advice on building your LinkedIn presence. The evening will include workshop-type activities, so please bring your phone! Refreshments will be provided.

Click Here for More Information or to Register

**WIB-Atlanta: Volunteer Leadership Recognition**

Congratulations to Kristin Boscan! She has moved from Programming Vice-Chair to Programming Co-Chair in our Atlanta chapter. We look forward to seeing what great programs she will help put together.
This Baltimore Meetup is free for members and students, and members may bring up to two guests at the member price (free). If you're new to WIB and interested in checking it out before becoming a member, get in touch via CapitalRegion@womeninbio.org.

Join us for an open, frank discussion with accomplished women at different stages of their careers who have and are currently balancing their careers with responsibilities to their families -- from children to aging parents. We will explore practical advice in addition to learning what rights women have in the workplace for managing their many responsibilities.

**Speakers**

- Julie Rosen, Ph.D. - Executive Director for Medical Research & Scientific Publications for the University of Maryland School of Medicine and an Assistant Professor in the Department of Ob/Gyn & Reproductive Sciences.
- Elizabeth Miclette - Director of Human Resources at Emergent BioSolutions for both the Camden and Rockville locations
- Judith (Judy) McCorry - Quality Assurance Director at Emergent, Bayview site.
- Chloe Alexandre, Ph.D. - Instructor in the Johns Hopkins Neurosurgery Department.

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**WIB-Capital Region: Oktoberfest Networking Event**

Join Women In Bio-Capital Region as we welcome fall with an Oktoberfest networking event at the Silver Branch Brewing Company. Silver Branch Brewing Company is a production brewery and taproom located in the heart of Downtown Silver Spring immediately adjacent to the Silver Spring red line metro stop. In line with the Oktoberfest theme, we will be offering unlimited popcorn and pretzels during the event, in addition to two drink tickets with your event registration. Bring your friends and enjoy reconnecting with your fellow Women In Bio!

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**WIB-Capital Region: Improving Your Professional Brand**

"Communication is key" is a quote frequently used to describe your relationships, whether it be personal and/or professional. Communication involves more than just the words that you use, it also includes body language, articulation, projection, stage presence, and more. Join Women In Bio-Capital Region on November 16 at Bikram Yoga Works Studio, Mt. Vernon for a "professional branding" workshop lead by two phenomenal speakers on the topic.

**Speakers**

- Dr. Kristin Backstrom
- Stephanie Lynn Williams

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**WIB-Capital Region: HERstory Gala**

EARLY BIRD DEADLINE EXTENDED THROUGH OCTOBER 31!
HERstory: Honoring Outstanding Women in Biotech. The HERstory Gala is the premier event for our chapter and its supporters. This elegant event attracts men and women from industry, government, non-profits organizations, and academia from across the Capital Region Metro Area and provides unique opportunities to meet with some of the region’s most successful women. This event is focused on highlighting women trailblazers in the life sciences who have made significant impact in the region. Click here to see coverage of last year’s inaugural event. Also, click here to see information about the affiliated Rising Star Award.

Ticket price includes a cocktail reception with open bar, a seated dinner, and networking with biotech industry leaders in the Capital Region. Organizations purchasing tables will be acknowledged in the program and during the opening remarks.

WIB-Capital Region: Volunteers Needed for Capital Region Young Women In Bio-Maryland STEM Festival Event

Capital Region’s Young Women In Bio (YWIB) committee is looking for volunteers for the MS Girl STEM Empowerment Program organized by Maryland STEM. The event is a career fair to provide middle school girls with information on STEM careers and to encourage them to pursue careers in STEM. The event runs from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Deer Park Middle Magnet School in Randallstown, MD, on October 25th. Volunteers should feel comfortable speaking about their careers as they interact with the girls visiting our booth as well as sharing information about our organization with parents and teachers who might also stop by. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact us at capitalregionywib@womeninbio.org.

WIB-Capital Region: Member Spotlight: Sarah Ellinwood, Ph.D.

Tell us how you got involved with WIB, what do you do for the organization, and what being a part of WIB means to you?

I learned about WIB during my first year of graduate school. A senior graduate student who was involved with WIB was advertising an event that was sponsored by the organization, and I decided to attend. I found the meeting to be extremely informational and signed up for student membership in the WIB-Capital Region chapter so I could meet other like-minded women and find potential mentors. In the beginning, I largely focused on attending meetings and networking events, but as I learned more about what WIB had to offer I began seeking opportunities to volunteer and hone my leadership and communications skills. I volunteered as chair for our chapter’s Mentors, Advisors, Peers, and Sponsorship (MAPS) University program for two years, followed by a two-year tenure as co-chair for our chapter’s communications committee. I loved working with our chapter leadership and wanted to stay involved as a volunteer, but also wanted to challenge myself with a new role, leading me to my current position as Vice-Chair for the WIB National Communications committee.

WIB has been such an essential and important part of my life, particularly during graduate school. WIB helped me develop relations and identify mentors in different fields – something I could not have gotten from doing bench work all day. I found a network of supportive women with whom I could discuss issues that I wasn’t comfortable talking about in a graduate school setting, and I learned how women can empower each other to overcome obstacles and be the best versions of themselves. Moreover, WIB gave me the opportunity to grow professionally and hone my soft skills. At the same time, I learned the value of giving back to the community, particularly to graduate students and post-doctoral fellows. Without a doubt, WIB has been influential in my journey of self-discovery and learning.

Click here to read the entire member spotlight!

WIB-Capital Region Facebook Group

Stay up-to-date with all the events at WIB-Capital Region. Please join our Capital Region Facebook group.

https://www.womeninbio.org/admin/email/bulk_email_body.asp?id=3907580
WIB-Chicago: Call for Programming Vice-Chair!

Do you want to get more involved with the local life science community and WIB-Chicago? We are looking for a volunteer for our Programming Committee. No experience? No worries! Our current Chair will be more than happy to get you up to speed and pass on her year-long experience from organizing events. All you need is a passion to advance women in the life science. Interested? Reach out to us: chicago@womeninbio.org

WIB-Chicago: Special Event - Turn Your Side Hustle Into a Business, July 31, 2019, Event Recap

On July 31, WIB-Chicago proudly hosted Chris Guillebeau, a New York Times Bestselling Author and the creator of the "Side Hustle School" podcast. Chris talked about inspirational real-life stories featuring teachers, artists, coders, and entire families who've found ways to create new sources of income. He presented our audience with steps for launching a side hustle, from identifying underserved markets to crafting unique products and services that spring from our passions. WIB-Chicago members have unique talents and were inspired to join the ranks of these innovative entrepreneurs--making money on the side. We provided our members with a personally signed copy of Chris’ 100 Side Hustles book.

Click here for more details and additional photos

WIB-Chicago: Follow us on LinkedIn!

We are happy to invite you to follow us on our LinkedIn page (https://www.linkedin.com/showcase/35444480). Read about WIB Chicago event updates, news and events from other local organizations and interesting articles about women in the life sciences. We also welcome you to our LinkedIn group (https://www.linkedin.com/groups/3745301/) for informal discussions and your input and our Twitter account (@CHIWomenInBio) for short and crispy content.

WIB-Greater Boston: Betsy Myers on Leadership
Nationally-known White House insider and leadership expert Betsy Myers to share insights, strategies and best practices on authentic leadership and how to get results by understanding the people around you and their needs while being true to yourself. She'll share examples of establishing meaningful relationships to drive your career forward. Betsy will address how as authentic leaders, women can better engage men to boost gender equity in organizations. She will offer advice on how to develop trust-based professional relationships toward gender progress.

Speaker Bio

Betsy Myers

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WIB-Greater Boston: Science Career Exploration for Young Women In Bio

WIB-Greater Boston invites girls in middle school to a Young Women In Bio event at Alexandria LaunchLabs to learn more about careers in biotech and pharmaceutical companies.

Alexandria LaunchLabs is the premier, full-service startup platform designed to dramatically accelerate the growth of early-stage life science and agtech companies. With life science sites at the Alexandria Center® for Life Science in New York City and the Alexandria Center® at One Kendall Square in Cambridge, as well as an agtech site at the Alexandria Center® for AgTech in the Research Triangle, Alexandria LaunchLabs provides move-in-ready office/laboratory space, first-class support resources, shared equipment and services, creative amenities and access to startup capital through the Alexandria Seed Capital Platform to drive life-changing innovation. Alexandria LaunchLabs is currently accepting applications for future members in New York City, Cambridge, and the Research Triangle. For more information or to apply, please visit [www.alexandrialaunchlabs.com](http://www.alexandrialaunchlabs.com).

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WIB-Greater Montreal: 7th Anniversary Celebration / 7ème anniversaire de WIB-Grand Montréal

Join WIB-Greater Montreal as we celebrate our 7th anniversary with a cocktail dinner at Fasken, high atop the Stock Exchange Tower in downtown Montreal. Our keynote speaker, Shelley Epstein, Vice President, Corporate and Public Affairs at Imagia, will discuss her journey from pharma to tech and the role of women in Artificial Intelligence (AI). Shelley is a business leader with extensive commercial experience in global healthcare, honing her expertise over 20 years at Merck and Co. At Imagia, Shelley shapes and implements initiatives to advance government and NGO strategic partnerships that support global AI in healthcare development. The evening is a celebration of our chapter’s successes these past years and an opportunity for us to showcase what we have planned for the year to come. Everyone is welcome. There will be ample time for networking, where you will meet women and men from all areas of the Life Sciences sector. It is a perfect chance for you to connect and reconnect with your professional colleagues. We look forward to seeing you there!

Joignez-vous à WIB-Grand Montréal pour célébrer notre 7ème anniversaire lors d’un cocktail dînatoire chez Fasken SENCRL au sommet de la Tour de la Bourse au centre-ville de Montréal. Notre conférencière d’honneur Shelley Epstein, Vice-Présidente Affaires Publiques et Corporatives, nous présentera son parcours de la pharma à la technologie et du rôle des femmes dans l’Intelligence Artificielle (IA). Shelley est une dirigeante possédant une vaste expérience commerciale dans les soins de santé mondiaux. Elle a développé pour 20 ans ses compétences chez Merck and Co. Au sein de Imagia, Shelley élaboré et met en œuvre des initiatives destinées à faire progresser les partenariats stratégiques des gouvernements et des ONG qui soutiennent l’IA mondiale dans le développement des soins de santé. Cette soirée est une occasion pour nous de célébrer les succès que notre chapitre a connus au cours des dernières années et l’occasion de dévoiler notre programmation pour l’année à venir.
WIB-Greater Montreal: Let’s Ellevate the Board, October 2, 2019, Event Recap

On October 2, Women In Bio hosted a panel discussion on how to get access to boards of directors. Two exceptional women shared their perspectives on how to get opportunities, and the ups and downs of sitting on the board of a for-profit company. The panelists agreed some efforts are needed to improve diversity on boards and gave some insights on how to gain access to seats. We talked about approaching this as a career. We also discussed how to network and get proper education in order to have the tools needed for the positions available. Special thanks to our panelists Geneviève Guertin from Fonds FTQ and Katherine Crew from TEC Canada.

WIB-Metro New York: Mentorship, Advisors, Peers, and Sponsorship Speed Networking

Join WIB-Metro New York Area for an evening with distinguished Women in Bio mentors, mentees, advisors, and peers who will exchange information on their career trajectory, transition journeys, goals, and advice. Connect with fellow women professionals in the local life sciences industry to:

- Share best practices and tips with one another to advance in your career.
- Get advice from industry leaders on topics such as Career Growth, Executive Development, Finance, Innovation, Licensing, R&D, Academia, and more.

Follow up with your new contacts post-event to continue your conversations. Join us after work for this fun and laid-back speed networking event. Make new connections, get advice from local women leaders in the industry, and learn how to move forward in your career journey. Appetizers and drinks will be served.

Click here for more photos
WIB-Philadelphia Metro: Western PA Suburbs Networking Event

Join Women In Bio-Philadelphia Metro chapter for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres as we expand our geographic reach and embrace one of the region’s most exciting life science companies: Rockland Immunochemicals. Come and network with fellow life science professionals, tour Rockland’s beautiful facility, and learn more about ways to get involved and support WIB-Philadelphia Metro.

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WIB-Philadelphia: Volunteer Leadership Recognition

Thank you, Sue Behrens, for all your hard work as Chair of the WIB-Philadelphia Sponsorship Committee! We appreciate everything you've done for us, and wish you well in your future endeavors. We hope you will become involved in the WIB chapter in your new home!

Welcome, Lauren Gordon, into the role of WIB-Philadelphia Sponsorship Co-Chair. We are excited to have you take on this role and know you will help your chapter grow!

WIB-Pittsburgh: Hat-O-Ween at Howl at the Moon!

Hat-O-Ween is here! Pull out your crafting supplies and make a Halloween inspired hat to show off at our annual event. Join us downtown at Howl at the Moon to celebrate the holiday while enjoying appetizers, drinks, and networking with fellow Pittsburgh professionals. Stick around after the networking for a high-energy live music show from the dueling pianos. Decorated hats are encouraged, but not required, and prizes will be awarded for the best hat-tire! Put on your scary hat, hop on your broom, and join the party!

WIB-Pittsburgh: eMAPS (Executive Mentorship, Advisors, Peers, and Sponsorship) Program Announcement

We are excited to announce a new executive small group program for WIB members known as eMAPS (Executive Mentorship, Advisors, Peers, and Sponsorship). We have extended the application period, and the deadline is now November 1, 2019. The first round of this group mentoring program will focus on the advancement of women in industry and begins this fall. And, after building a successful program for industry women, we anticipate rolling out a similar program to focus on advancing in an academic career path.

The goal of this industry eMAPS small group mentoring is to prepare middle to senior level career women for transitions into the executive level. Participants will be seeking to transition to the Sr. Manager/Director/VP level within five years and have the desire to build knowledge and competencies that will enable them to move beyond their current roles and advance their careers. The theme of the inaugural program is Lift While You Climb, and will entail a workshop series including speakers on topics relevant to career growth. The application form has more details and is attached.
If you know of other women who may be interested in this program, please help us reach them by forwarding this email with the attached application. Feel free to contact us at pittsburghmaps@womeninbio.org with any questions.

Deb Burks, Beth Shaaban, and Claire Kampman
WIB-Pittsburgh MAPS Committee

WIB-Pittsburgh: Spotlight on Andrea Dobbs

Each month, we are featuring profiles of WIB-Pittsburgh members. We asked about their career path and experience in WIB. Read on for some interesting stories and insights!

Andrea Dobbs
Chair, Membership, WIB-Pittsburgh

- Career position:
Lab Manager, University of Pittsburgh

- Education:
  - BS Biology (small liberal arts school)
  - MS, University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health - Infectious Diseases and Microbiology

- Research interests:
During my MS thesis work I studied severe secondary infections related to reinfection with a second Dengue virus serotype. Currently, my lab studies alloreactive T-cell metabolism in the context of Graft-versus-Host Disease.

- Hobbies:
Aviculture. I lived in Australia for part of my childhood and there I was introduced to the practice of taming and raising birds. At 11 I brought home a lutino Indian Ringneck and a Hybrid cockatoo (Galah & Corella cross) who travelled successfully with us from Australia back to the States. I love birds and learning more about their behaviors and all the challenges involved in this complex companion pet.

Experience in WIB

- What drew you into the life sciences field and WIB?
Science was always my favorite subject in school, so it only seemed natural to pursue it as a career. The technical and intellectual challenges of this field keep me on my toes and always present an opportunity for continued learning. I joined WIB after a close friend recommended I become part of this group of women to further immerse myself in the Life Sciences field.

Click here to read the entire member profile!
**WIB-RTP: Sixth Annual Women In Bio and HBA Joint Networking Event**

The RTP chapters of Women In Bio (WIB) and the Healthcare Businesswomen's Association (HBA) have teamed up for our annual joint networking event. WIB and HBA have the mission of advancing women in the healthcare and life science industries and we want to offer you the opportunity to expand your professional network beyond your current organization. By bringing together women from both organizations, you will be able to network in a structured environment, meet new people, and enhance your business relationships. Don't forget to bring your business cards!

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**WIB-RTP: LaunchLabs AgTech Young Women In Bio Event**

Engage with young, student community women to discuss career options in the science and tech field, providing them an opportunity to interact with successful entrepreneurial women in the Ag Space.

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**WIB-RTP: Young Women In Bio RTP: Speed Mentoring at Girl Scout TechnoQuest**

Young Women In Bio-RTP will be participating in a speed mentoring event to be held during the annual North Carolina Coastal Pines Girl Scout TechnoQuest event on November 9. TechnoQuest is an annual, full-day STEM exploration event for middle and high school girls. During the speed mentoring event, YWIB volunteers will share their background and experience with Girl Scouts. The girls will get to spend five minutes with each volunteer to learn about their STEM careers and interests.

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**WIB-RTP: Careers in Medical Writing: A Panel Discussion**

Do you wonder what a career in medical writing or scientific writing would be like? Join the WIB-RTP chapter for an engaging career panel featuring four local female medical writers who will share their experiences in the rapidly expanding field of medical writing.

With over 20 years of combined experience, Women In Bio-RTP is proud to feature Dayle Cohen from PPD, Erin Kaltenbrun from Eva Garland Consulting, Jacqueline Powell from Syneos Pharmaceuticals, and Erica Allen from EAllen Pharmaceutical Services on our Medical Writing Career Panel. They will discuss their personal career trajectories and what opportunities and trials medical writers proudly embrace! Wynne Long, Territory Alignment Manager at PPD will moderate.

**WIB-RTP: Young Women In Bio Presents: Biogen's "Back to School" Event, September 12, 2019, Event Recap**

On September 12, Young Women In Bio-RTP visited Biogen for the annual "Back to School" event. 22 middle school-aged girls attended the event along with three YWIB volunteers. The event began with a discussion led by Amanda Marvelle on chromatographic separations and how chromatography is used every day at Biogen when manufacturing therapies. The girls learned that chromatography is a method used to separate, isolate, and purify components of mixtures.
WIB-San Francisco Bay Area: Alternative Careers in Genomics and Biotech

Are you at the start of your career path in the sciences? Are you looking to change focus mid-career? Or are you looking to take on a leadership role in a specific area? Have you ever wondered what are the options for careers in Biotech and Genomics? Join the Women In Bio-San Francisco Bay Area chapter on October 16 to hear panelists in different stages of their careers in Biotech and Genomics, responsible for various functional areas in the business. They will share their personal career journeys, the key points/events that shaped their career decisions, what skills and strengths you need in different positions and many more personal insights.

The panel discussion will be moderated by Amanda Cashin and Emily Harari. Panelists include experts from different functions in the Biotech and Genomics fields: Eileen deFeo, Jennifer Gorzelany, Linda Mansolillo, and Danielle Kellar.

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WIB-San Francisco Bay Area: 2019 East Bay Networking Happy Hour

WIB-San Francisco Bay Area invites you to join us for a networking happy hour in the East Bay at Rosenblum Wine Cellars. Join us over drinks and food and grow your network with the larger community of women in the sciences in the Bay Area.

WIB-San Francisco: Call for Volunteers for the Membership and Communications Committees

Build a network without even trying - come volunteer with the San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of Women In Bio! Our committees are run and staffed by amazing women you should get to know. By volunteering, you can make connections in the life sciences as part of the Membership Committee, hone your speaking and writing skills on the Communications committee, and more.

Please email SanFrancisco@womeninbio.org for more information about volunteering with us!
WIB-San Francisco Bay Area: Young Women In Bio - Curious about how embryos (babies) develop?, September 25, 2019, Event Recap

Young Women In Bio (YWIB)-San Francisco Bay Area is continuing to partner with College Track to bring hands-on STEM experiences to young women. Last year, YWIB volunteers led by Dr. Tanvi Sinha, a cell and developmental biologist from UCSF, hosted a successful event at College Track, Oakland that used chick embryos to teach about developmental biology. On September 25, 2019, YWIB brought a similar event to the College Track San Francisco branch, again led by Dr. Sinha. Sarah Odeh helped organize and Dr. Anne de Bruyn Kops assisted at the event.

Click here for more details and additional photos.

WIB-Seattle: Great Performances: Parallels between the Arts, Sciences, and Management

Join us for an interactive event with artists and scientists as they explore the parallels between their creative work, collaboration, leadership, and the demands of the modern business environment.

Stephanie Oestreich is both an Executive Vice President at Evotec and an accomplished violinist. She will demonstrate essential leadership skills through a musical performance. A symphony orchestra is a real-world example of teamwork, collaboration, discipline, learning, role clarity, execution, and true leadership in action between the conductor (leader) and musicians (team). This program will use exercises that facilitate a discussion between participants, conductor, and musicians about how playing in an orchestra mirrors a business environment.

To enhance the artistic environment, scientific illustration will be presented by Andrea Repetto and Abigail Wall, graduates of the University of Washington’s Natural Science Illustration program. This program combines the beauty of nature with the precision of scientific observation. The discipline and creativity needed to create great art translate directly into skills needed for great management. The results of these skills will be on display and the artists available for discussion.

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WIB-Seattle: Learn to Code a Talking Robot with Young Women In Bio-Seattle at the Microsoft Store!, September 28, 2019, Event Recap

Young Women In Bio-Seattle partnered with the Microsoft Store on September 28, 2019, to host a hands-on introductory coding workshop for middle school and high school students. After learning about the fundamental skills needed to code, students used the “Ohbot The Robot” app to arrange blocks of code that programmed the Ohbot app simulator to move and speak on their tablets. Students received instant feedback from the app simulator, then were able to plug the real-life Ohbot into their tablets and watch their code come to life! The students learned through experience that extreme attention to detail is critical to coding and required in order to sync Ohbot’s lip movements with speech. What was the main takeaway for students after this activity? “I should do more coding because it’s fun!”

Click here for more details and additional photos.

WIB-Seattle: Volunteer Leadership Recognition

Our Seattle YWIB activities are taking off! Congratulations to Lauren Metoyer for moving from Seattle YWIB Communications Chair into the YWIB Vice-Chair position. We love hearing about all the great work you are doing with getting young girls interested in a career in the life sciences.

WIB-Southern California: Fireside Chat with WIB

Join us for a casual evening of connecting while enjoying the beautiful outdoor patio at Bella Vista Social Club & Caffé. Perfect for current and new WIB members, those thinking about joining, or anyone looking to meet fellow professionals in the SoCal Biotech and pharma community.

Our second MAPS “Special Interest Panel” will feature WIB members whose careers have focused on clinical operations, medical affairs, product safety, data management, regulatory affairs, or quality assurance. These women serve in the life science industry in roles such as: Principal Investigators, Clinical Research Nurse Coordinators, Clinical Research Associates, Clinical Project Managers, Regulatory Affairs Specialists, or Quality Assurance Managers.

This event is ideal for women who are drafting a winning strategy to transition to such roles. Hear and learn from these women, enjoy targeted networking, and envision your personal career path.

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WIB-Southern California: Digital Health
Digital health has demonstrated tremendous growth in the past decade and is revolutionizing the way we prevent, treat, and manage health conditions. From technologies that expedite drug discovery to digital therapeutics that can treat and support patients, digital health has attracted both public and private investors totaling $4.2 billion in the first half of 2019. Please join us for the “state of the industry” update and to hear from executives of local digital health companies about the work their companies are doing and unique opportunities and challenges they are facing.

Speakers:
Amy Bernal, MBA - Chief Experience Officer, Aira.io
Cindy Salas Murphy, MPH - CEO, WithHealth
Ilana Brand - VP Business Development Digital Health, Cooley

WIB-Southern California: Young Women In Bio - Selfies are Out, Self-made Is In

Young Women In Bio is hosting a free event designed to highlight successful women working in STEM. This event is geared toward high school girls hoping to pursue STEM careers and become tomorrow’s leaders. The 12 female panelists are all highly driven and successful women, ranging in careers from medical doctors, educators, research scientists, company founders, and biotechnology executives.

Speaker Bios

Maile (Young) Karris
Nicole Nasby Lucas
Wendy Benson
Claire (Shannon) Maunsell
Renee Edgren
Liz Bui
Sadia Naseem
M.J. Meloy
Sabrina Johnson
Debbie K. Chen
Paloma Cortez
Karen Overklift
About Our Chapter

The Texas chapter of WIB was founded in 2015 and provides a supportive community for professional women in all walks of life to interact and exchange information and ideas. Our membership base includes academic and clinical researchers, sales professionals, venture capitalists, legal advisors, intellectual property advisors, technology transfer specialists, policy experts, clinical trials professionals, doctors, medical/science communicators, educators, students, and many other experts that support the health, pharmaceutical and science industry.