We at Women In Bio are united to help eradicate inequality, racism, and bias from STEM to the Boardroom! As part of these efforts, we are proud to announce our selection of thirteen National Diversity and Inclusion Resource Group members. We thank them for their dedication to making WIB and the life sciences industry more inclusive for all.

**BIO's Agenda to Promote Justice Through Equality**

WIB's strategic partner, BIO, is challenging its members to put their commitments into practice by implementing the **BIOEquality agenda**. We at Women In Bio are excited for this agenda and the impact it will have on our industry.

Listen to Dr. Michelle McMurray-Heath's description of this new initiative for the BIO organization [here](https://www.womeninbio.org/admin/email/view.aspx?jobId=4229856).

**Honoring 100 Years of Women's Right to Vote - Voting Resources**

2020 is the 100th year women have been able to vote, thanks to all the [female](https://www.womeninbio.org/admin/email/view.aspx?jobId=4229856).
trailblazers who led the way. Women In Bio wants to make sure you have resources to exercise your right to vote in this year’s United States presidential election.

Knowing that because of COVID, some people may not be comfortable going to the polls this year, we also want to provide you with this link of voter registration deadlines, which includes information regarding voting in person, by mail, or online where available.

Connect with our leadership! MAPS@womeninbio.org

WIB's virtual mentoring program, vMAPS, was created to connect WIB members who do not live in or near a WIB chapter city, but with COVID, the initiative now brings women together from chapter cities as well. To find out more about the program, please contact Katie and Aditi at MAPS@womeninbio.org.

Connect with our leadership! EntrepreneurCenter@womeninbio.org

Diagnostics and Research Tools Hybrid Partnering Conference

Women In Bio's Entrepreneur center encourages members to sign up for the Diagnostics and Research Tools Hybrid Partnering Conference. This Diagnostic Investor Forum is a hybrid event with as a new digital only ticket option. Click here for more information or to register.

For additional education and resources, click here.
Calling All Female Founders!

Join us by participating in WIB’s Founders Forums, a program for first time and serial female founders/CEO’s of startup life science companies with IP and/or a business entity, including those seeking (dilutive and non-dilutive) funding. Click here for more information.

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WIB Mover and Shaker: Katherine Bowdish, Ph.D.

Congratulations to Katherine Bowdish, Ph.D., current Boardroom Ready class member, on her recent appointment as President and Chief Executive Officer of PIC Therapeutics.

Click here for more info.
Young Women In Bio Announces Inaugural YWIB Ambassador Class - 20 Girls Selected to Represent All 13 WIB Chapters

“We were amazed and inspired by the number and quality of applicants we received in our inaugural year of the YWIB Ambassador Program,” said Lily Wound, National Chair of YWIB. “This level of interest confirms what we already know as an organization – that girls today are excited and determined to become the next generation of leaders in STEM. We look forward to working with a really impressive group of energetic and passionate girls over the next year to raise STEM awareness and to move YWIB forward to the next level.”

WIB-NATIONAL NEWS

Women In Bio Success Story: Diana Eva Lebiecki, WIB-Chicago Member

In 2019, I was severed from a pharma company that was consolidating its operations. I wanted to remain in healthcare, and so I went to a networking event and my social club and met Nancy Reid, immediate past president of the Chicago chapter back then. She invited me to a few events, and I joined as a member later that month...

Click here for the full story.

Looking for a Way to Support WIB and Share Your Interest With Your Facebook Friends?

Consider setting up a Facebook fundraiser where your friends can donate to WIB in your honor. It takes less than five minutes to set up and is a great idea for your next birthday for when friends and family ask what they can get you!

Click here for more information on how to post a WIB fundraiser on Facebook.
WOMEN IN BIO WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU

Have a Speaker or Topic Idea?
Please share your ideas for an upcoming event topic, an idea for an event, or recommend a speaker by filling out the form [located here](https://www.womeninbio.org/admin/email/view.aspx?jobId=4229856). WIB will share your ideas with National & Chapter leaders to determine future events.

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! **We are also looking for brief quotes from members willing to share their testimonials.**

Email [communications@womeninbio.org](mailto:communications@womeninbio.org).

RESOURCES

Be sure to check out our [latest news area](https://www.womeninbio.org/admin/email/view.aspx?jobId=4229856) for COVID-19 resources, including wellness tips, family resources, work-related resources, WIB member insights, and more!
**WIB SmartBrief** is a weekly e-mail newsletter with important and timely news about women in all areas of the life sciences. [Learn more and sign up here!](https://www.womeninbio.org/admin/email/view.aspx?jobId=4229856)

Designate Women In Bio as the recipient and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible purchases to WIB at no cost to you.

The **WIB Career Center** is a member benefit that connects talent with opportunity and is a resource for job seekers and employers alike.

Miss a WIB webinar? Members can access webinar recordings in the video library. Log into your WIB account to take advantage of [this great resource](https://www.womeninbio.org/admin/email/view.aspx?jobId=4229856)!

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**CHAPTER NEWS & EVENTS**

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Upcoming Events

- WIB-Atlanta: MAPS Webinar: Building Self-Confidence and Handling Imposter Syndrome, August 24, 2020 (Event Full)
- WIB-RTP: Advocating and Allying for Women of Color in the Workforce, August 26, 2020
- WIB-Pittsburgh: Mindfulness: Much More Than Just an App, August 26, 2020
- WIB-Seattle: Virtual Summer Networking, August 26, 2020
- YWIB-RTP: Bringing Life to Space- How NASA is Using Fruit Flies to Send Humans to Mars!, August 29, 2020
- WIB-Southern California: Launch of Life Science and Biotech Micro-Communities, August 30, 2020
- WIB-Chicago: Start-up Challenge 6.0, September 10, 2020
- WIB-Texas: Good Communication Opens All Doors, September 24, 2020
- WIB-Atlanta: MAPS Webinar: Mental Health in School and at Work - Envisioning a Healthier Future, September 30, 2020

WIB-Atlanta is located in regional hub for the hospital technology and medical device industries and is the home of a burgeoning biotech industry that some have likened to a potential “Silicon Valley” of Biotechnology.

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WIB-Capital Region encompasses a large section of Maryland from Bethesda to Frederick, and includes DC, Northern Virginia, and the greater Baltimore area.

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WIB-Capital Region - HERStory Gala 2020 - Save the Date!

Call for Applications for the WIB-Capital Region Rising Star Award

We invite you to consider applying for the WIB Capital Region Rising Star Award Program which recognizes outstanding life sciences women in the early to mid-stage of their career who have made significant contributions within the Capital Region. The award will be presented during the annual HERstory Gala, to be held this December, with the recipient receiving a complimentary ticket among many other benefits. For more details, please visit this page and direct any questions to capitalregion@womeninbio.org.

Volunteer Opportunities with the WIB-Capital Region Chapter

Are you looking to get involved in WIB-Capital Region? Volunteering for WIB is an excellent way to gain leadership experience, give back, support our fellow WIB members, and reach out to the community. There are many opportunities at different levels of involvement across all of our committees including Programs, Membership, Communications, Sponsorship, MAPS, Young Women In Bio. Fill out this brief survey here to get started.

WIB-Capital Region Twitter and LinkedIn pages

Stay up-to-date with all the events at WIB-Capital Region by following us on Twitter and LinkedIn.

WIB-Chicago is committed to creating opportunities and careers for women in the life science industry and encourages women in our state to translate novel discoveries into products.

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WIB-Greater Boston, located in the world’s leading biotechnology supercluster, welcomes women working in the life sciences to events created to support professional development, leadership, and mentoring.

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WIB-Greater Montreal, located in a biotech and life sciences hub, brings together professionals from across Quebec with bio-related interests.

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The WIB-Philadelphia Metro chapter is an organization of professionals actively committed to promoting careers, leadership, and entrepreneurship of women in the life sciences in Philadelphia’s tri-state area.

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WIB-Pittsburgh supports and recognizes women leaders in the Life sciences industries
and institutions in Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio, and West Virginia.

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WIB-Pittsburgh: P.O.W.E.R 2020 - Save the Date!

Join Women In Bio-Pittsburgh for our seventh annual P.O.W.E.R. event. This year's virtual gathering features P.O.W.E.R.ful women within Pittsburgh's entrepreneurial ecosystem, with a side of speed networking to meet major members of the life science scene. (More information and registration opening soon.)

Mara McFadden  
Vice President of Product and Medical Devices, LifeX

Jessica Gibson  
CEO and Co-Founder, Ariel Precision Medicine

Lisa Beers  
Co-Owner and Vice President of Operations, Kay Square Scientific

Sarah Palya  
Founder and CEO, Gus Gear LLC

Amy O'Sullivan  
President/CEO, SCOPE USA

WIB-Pittsburgh: Powering Your Virtual Job Search, July 29, 2020  
Event Recap

On July 29, 2020, WIB-Pittsburgh hosted another virtual career event Powering Your Virtual Job Search presented by Amylyn Kyler. Amylyn is a recruiter with over 20 years of experience and the founder Kyler Professional Search and ResumeCoaches.

Click here for the full recap.
WIB-RTP (Research Triangle Park) benefits from and contributes to the rich life sciences industry of Raleigh, Durham, and Chapel Hill.

Connect with our leadership!
RTP@WomenInBio.org

WIB-RTP Leadership Recognition

RTP has a new Chapter Vice Chair. Welcome, Valencia Hood-Humphrey! We are excited to have you join the leadership team!

Natalie Patzlaff is moving off her role as Vice Chair of the RTP chapter and moving into the Co-Vice Chair of Sponsorship role. We are excited to have her help on the sponsorship team as we drive the mission forward in RTP.

RTP welcomes Kritika Khurana to the leadership team as our new Sponsorship Chair. We are happy to have her on the team and can't wait to work with her!

RTP would like to thank Ronna Dornsife for all her work as Sponsorship Chair of our chapter. She has done a fantastic job of bringing sponsors into the chapter. She will continue on the committee as Co-Vice Chair of Sponsorship for RTP while also serving on the inaugural National Diversity and Inclusion Resource Group.

WIB-San Francisco Bay Area is located in the birthplace of Biotech, providing education, mentoring, and professional development assistance to women in the life sciences industry.

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WIB-San Francisco Bay Area: Working Through Adversity, Antibody Discovery, and the Pandemic, July 30, 2020, Event Recap

During this event, attendees learned from the panelists about the science and impact of antibody discovery, challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and later connected with panelists and each other in a more casual setting. Click here for the full recap.

WIB-Seattle encompasses Seattle, Bellevue, Bothell, and the other cities located in King, Pierce, and Snohomish counties.

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WIB-Southern California offers programs in San Diego, Irvine, and in Los Angeles. We also offer virtual support for women living and working nearby.

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WIB-Texas provides a supportive community for professional women in all walks of life to interact and exchange information and ideas.

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