Connect with Women In Bio During BIO Digital Week
June 8 – 12, 2020

Sea Island, GA – (June 4, 2020) – Women In Bio (WIB), a national organization of professionals committed to promoting the careers, leadership, and entrepreneurship of women in the life sciences, is excited to announce a dynamic lineup of educational and networking events in partnership with BIO Digital. From June 8 through June 12, this virtual gathering of the global biotech industry will feature industry leaders, educational resources to help drive your business, and the insights you need to continue critical research and development. Click here for a message from WIB’s Executive Director, Lisa Iadicicco.

WIB’s virtual events during BIO Digital include:

Monday, June 8:

WIB-National: Executive Women In Bio Breakfast Panel Discussion – Leading During a Pandemic
Zoom platform (9:30 a.m. PDT/12:30 p.m. EDT):
Join us virtually at BIO for a WIB-National Webinar on "Leading during the Pandemic" facilitated by Shehnaaz Suliman (EWIB co-chair) with panelists Jung Choi, Natalie Holles, and Elena Ridloff. Visit https://www.womeninbio.org/event/EWIB6820 for more information.

WIB-National Virtual Plenary Fireside Chat - Empowering Entrepreneurs in 2020 with Melinda Richter, JLABS Webinar (4:30 p.m. PDT/7:30 p.m. EDT):
Empowering Entrepreneurs in 2020: Simone Fishburn, BioCentury Editor In Chief, hosts a fireside chat with Melinda Richter, Global Head of Johnson and Johnson Innovation JLABS. Melinda Richter fosters the Johnson & Johnson Family of Companies external R&D engine and supports the innovation community. Prior to joining the team at JLABS, Melinda was the founder and CEO of Prescience International and will discuss her journey as an entrepreneur and offer insight that gives early stage companies a big company advantage. Visit https://www.womeninbio.org/event/NationalBIO6820 for more information.

Thursday, June 11:

WIB-National: Virtual Speed Networking at BIO Digital 2020
Zoom platform (12:00 p.m. PDT/3:00 p.m. EDT):
Women In Bio chapters unite to offer a speed networking event that will connect you with like-minded people that are interested in fostering connections! WIB is all about engaging communities within our 13 chapter cities, but with this virtual event, we will be able to reach across the country...the world... to connect. Utilizing our Zoom platform, we have created breakout rooms that will allow three to four participants to introduce themselves and briefly share what they do. You will engage, educate, and empower each other through conversation and then move to another room to meet new people. Visit https://www.womeninbio.org/event/national61120 for more information.
Friday, June 12:

**WIB-National MAPS Panel Discussion: The Benefits of Executive Mentoring Cohorts w/Sanofi ELEVATE eMAPS**
Zoom platform (9:00 a.m. PDT/12:00 p.m. EDT):

Executive mentoring cohorts accelerate leadership advancement through action learning projects, executive sponsorship, mentoring and tapping into employee and business resource groups. Learn how programs like Sanofi’s ELEVATE cohort program and Women In Bio’s eMAPS program are developing internal and industry wide pipelines of talented women executive leaders fueling the success of the life science industry. Visit [https://www.womeninbio.org/event/NationaleMaps61220](https://www.womeninbio.org/event/NationaleMaps61220) for more information.

Friday, June 12:

**WIB-Southern California Chapter Panel Discussion – What Makes Southern California a Leading Hub for VC, Patents, Lab Space, Jobs and NIH Funding?**
Zoom platform (12:00 p.m. PDT/3:00 p.m. EDT):

What is Southern California’s secret sauce? Why is it near the top US biotech cluster, with key areas of VC dollars, patents, lab space, employment, and NIH funding, all trending up? Meet panelists in each of these key areas and join us for an interactive discussion and thought leaders' perspectives on what's coming next to Southern California. Visit [https://www.womeninbio.org/event/SouthernCalifornia61220](https://www.womeninbio.org/event/SouthernCalifornia61220) for more information.

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**ABOUT WOMEN IN BIO (WIB)**

Founded in 2002 to support women employed in the field of life sciences from the classroom to the boardroom, Women In Bio (WIB) is a multifaceted organization with 13 chapters across North America and Montreal. It offers an array of professional educational programs, peer to peer learning, mentoring, and networking opportunities, and is the only organization for women that integrates all career levels and life sciences fields. WIB is funded by sponsors and partners dedicated to supporting women of all ages in their lifelong journey in the life sciences and beyond. Please visit [http://www.womeninbio.org](http://www.womeninbio.org).

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