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Dawn Hocevar Interviewed by OutsourcedPharma



Dawn Hocevar

WIB Program Events Committee Chair Dawn Hocevar was recently interviewed for the November 27, 2013 posting of OutsourcedPharma. In this interview, Dawn spoke about her job at BioSurplus, best practices, and the role WIB can play for young women in entering the Biotech industry. To read this interview, [click here](#).

WIB Member Takara Scott Profiled by Chemical Heritage Foundation

Chemical Heritage Foundation continues to speak with WIB members and leaders about their careers in biotechnology. This time Takara Scott, Ph.D. candidate in biomedical sciences, speaks about being drawn to science from an early age, and about the importance of pursuing your interests. To listen to her interview, [click here](#)



Takara Scott

WIB-New York Metro is Official!

Save the Date! WIB-New York Metro Launch Event will take place January 23, 2104. The keynote address “Getting to the Heart of Women’s Health,” will be presented by world-renowned cardiologist and women’s heart health pioneer, Nieca Goldberg, MD. Learn the latest in women’s heart health innovations and network with like-minded professionals from all walks of the life sciences arena. More details coming soon!

WIB Applauds Our 2013 Robbie Melton Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to our 2013 Robbie Melton Scholarship Winners:

- Catherine Vrentas, Washington DC/Baltimore Chapter
- Diane Longo, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter
- Zoe Hoepfner, Chicago Chapter

Special thanks to [Genomic Health](#), [Johns Hopkins University Center for Biotechnology Education](#) and the WIB Board of Directors for sponsoring the three scholarships. Winners will be presented with their checks at their respective chapter holiday parties or chapter events. The scholarship 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. We thank everyone that applied for the scholarships and congratulations to the winners.

WIB's Social (Media) Butterflies

WIB wants to grow our social media footprint and need our members' and supporters' help! Be sure to participate on our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#) accounts and post about events and news. Thanks for helping spread the word about WIB and your local WIB chapter.



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CHAPTER EVENTS

Washington DC/Baltimore Chapter Events

Join WIB-Washington DC/Baltimore for Our Annual Holiday Gala

Jingle, mingle and mix during the WIB-Washington DC/Baltimore Chapter Holiday Gala on Wednesday, December 18 at 6:00 p.m. EST. We'll be hosting at the Omni Shoreham hotel in Washington, DC with special guest speaker [Rachel King](#), Founder and CEO of Glycomimetics Inc., and the first female chair of BIO. Hors d'oeuvres and cocktails will be served. [Click here](#) to register and for more information.

Chicago Chapter Events

WIB-Chicago Annual Members Meeting and Wine Tasting

Calling all WIB-Chicago members! Please join us for our annual members meeting, tonight, Thursday, December 12, 2013 from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. CST. We will review the status of our chapter and discuss our 2014 events and goals. Wine tasting and networking to follow the meeting! Hope to see you there! [Click here](#) to register and for more information.

WIB-Chicago Welcomes 2014 With “Best Practices for Sharing IP Rights” Program

Start 2014 by learning more about best practices and potential pitfalls associated with sharing intellectual property rights. The event will take place on January 29, 2014, at the offices of Brinks Gilson & Lione in Chicago. Networking will begin at 5:30 p.m. CST and our terrific panel will begin their discussion at 6:15 p.m. CST. [Click here](#) to register and for more information.

Looking to get involved in WIB-Chicago in 2014? The Membership Committee wants you!

Start the new year by getting more involved in WIB-Chicago! The Membership Committee is looking for motivated volunteers to help **register attendees at WIB programs**, expand our reach in the Chicagoland Bio community, and grow our membership. If you are interested in becoming part of the WIB-Chicago Membership Committee, please contact chicago@womeninbio.org.

Help WIB-Chicago Meet Its 2013 Sponsorship Goals!

WIB-Chicago's valuable programming and networking events are made possible by our wonderful sponsors. As the year comes to a close, help us meet our 2013 sponsorship goals! Stay tuned for information on our “Keep on Supporting,” “Charity Starts At Home,” and “Opening New Horizons”

campaigns. If your organization would like to renew its sponsorship or learn more about the benefits of sponsoring WIB-Chicago, contact chicagosponsorship@womeninbio.org.

Follow WIB-Chicago on Twitter

Connect to the WIB-Chicago on [Twitter](#) feed for information on National and Chapter events, news around the biotech industry and entrepreneurship.

San Francisco Bay Area Chapter Events

Join WIB-San Francisco Bay Area for Speed Networking in the East Bay

Come meet new friends and colleagues for a productive, supportive and fun, Speed Networking at Children's Hospital and Research Institute on January 7, 2014, 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. PST. Make new connections and speak about why you do what you do, your aspirations and struggles. Bring your business cards! [Click here](#) to register and for more information.

Southern California Chapter Events

WIB–Southern California Holiday Party Gathers Friends and Gives Generously!

Good cheer and holiday spirit were in abundance last week at the WIB–Southern California Holiday Party. Thanks to all who participated in the silent auction and clothing drive. Approximately 20 bags of clothing were collected and donated to Laura's House in Ladera Ranch, CA. Special thanks to The San Diego Opera, Hera Hub, Rancho Bernardo Inn and Disneyland for their generous donations to our silent auction which enabled us to raise significant funds for upcoming Young Women In Bio programs.



Montréal Chapter Events

La section régionale du Grand Montréal de Femmes en Bio a tenue un séminaire sur l'approche stratégique présenté par le Dr Mirela Baranci

L'organisme Femmes en bio-Grand Montréal est ravi d'avoir organisé une soirée agréable et pour les femmes et les hommes dans l'industrie des sciences biologiques de Montréal. Accueillis par Sanofi Canada dans leur nouveau bâtiment à Laval, nos invités ont débuté la soirée par du réseautage, tout en dégustant du vin et des canapés. Suite aux discussions animées, la communication de Mme Mirela Baranci fut lancée sur l'approche stratégique. Le séminaire portait sur l'importance et le développement des aptitudes de l'approche stratégique, ainsi que l'exécution de la planification stratégique dans le lieu du travail. Des discussions fructueuses ont suivi la présentation, et nous nous sommes quittés avec de nouvelles stratégies pour améliorer nos projets au sein des entreprises.

WIB-Greater Montreal Hosts a Strategic Thinking Seminar by Dr. Mirela Baranci

WIB-Greater Montreal is pleased to have organized another successful, enjoyable, and enlightening evening for men and women in Montreal's biosciences industries. Hosted by Sanofi Canada in their new building in Laval, our guests enjoyed networking over wine and canapés before the main event – a seminar on Strategic Thinking presented by Dr. Mirela Baranci. The seminar focused on the importance, meaning, and development of strategic thinking skills, and the implementation of strategic planning in the workplace. Fruitful discussions followed the presentation and we left with new ideas and strategies for improving our projects and businesses..

Atlanta Chapter Events

YWIB-Atlanta Needs Science Fair Judges

A science fair is a great opportunity for kids to learn and explore their scientific interests. WIB-Atlanta has partnered with King's Ridge Christian School (KRCS) to promote interests in STEM fields and is providing science fair judges for their middle and high school student science fair. They need volunteers to grade the final project on January 8, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. to grade projects; however, we need more volunteers to conduct interviews with the students from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Email Atlanta@womeninbio.org

if you are interested in volunteering with the KRCS Science Fair.

Leadership Opportunities Available with YWIB-Atlanta

The Young Women In Bio (YWIB) committee plans a diverse set of activities to encourage young girls to pursue their interests in science. Some of these activities include STEM outreach events, mentoring, coordinating science fairs and collaborating with other organizations (e.g., Atlanta Technical College and Career Girls) to put on events. YWIB is looking for enthusiastic leaders who can take the lead in coordinating events. If you are interested, please email Atlanta@womeninbio.org and state your interests in directing activities for the YWIB team.

WIB-Atlanta's Upcoming Events

Keep an eye out for these upcoming events WIB-Atlanta is planning for early next year!

- January- Book Club Discussion
- February- Happy Hour Networking Event or MedShare Volunteer Opportunity
- March- Partnership with YWIB and Georgia Bio for Women's History Month. We are planning to visit public schools and talk with students about famous women in history.

Stay tuned as we finalize the dates and locations for the upcoming events.

Pittsburgh Chapter Events

Help Our Mission and Become Involved!

Become more involved with the Pittsburgh chapter by joining one of our committees. Contact pittsburgh@womeninbio.org to find out how you can play an role in our growing chapter. Committees include Communications/Marketing, Programming, Membership, and Sponsorship. Volunteer for one event, two events or events all year long! Whatever your schedule, we'd love to have you. Get involved, expand your network, and help our mission of encouraging women leadership in the life sciences industry!

Pittsburgh's Social Media Presence

Did you know that the Pittsburgh chapter has a social media presence? Check out our [Facebook](#) page and be sure to join our [LinkedIn](#) group to make the most of your membership. This is the best way to stay informed of upcoming events, the latest news in the industry and accomplishments of fellow members. It also is a great way to reinforce all of the networking connections you make at each WIB event! Additionally, you can follow

the chapter via Twitter. Connect to our feed [@WIBPittsburgh](#) today for interesting tidbits about the industry, our community, and our chapter.

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