

LSQ MONTHLY NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

SECTOR NEWS | UPCOMING EVENTS

June 2025

Dear Fractal,

By all accounts, **BIO25** was a great success, and LSQ was proud to be part of Team Queensland in Boston, showcasing the state's life sciences strengths and connecting with global industry leaders. The event sparked strong interest in Queensland's capabilities and opened valuable discussions about future partnerships and opportunities. A fantastic week flying the flag for Queensland's life sciences on the global stage and we're excited to see outcomes of the connections and opportunities!

Most notably - **and big news for LSQ** - was the appointment of our Chair, Professor [Trent Munro](#), as General Manager of the Boggo Road Innovation Precinct. The exciting announcement was made by Deputy Premier Jarrod Bleijie MP at the Conference in Boston.



Chosen by the Precinct Council, Trent brings incredible expertise in biotech, research translation, and working across the industry. His leadership will be key in helping Boggo Road reach its potential as a global hub for innovation and commercialisation. We warmly congratulate him on his appointment, which we're sure is being applauded across Queensland's life sciences sector.

We look forward to welcoming all to the **Post-Bio Soiree on 17 July** to share more insights and experiences from the conference. See details below.

Also this month, we launched the annual **GENE Awards**. Presented by Life Sciences Queensland we celebrate innovation, leadership, and impact in life sciences. Sponsored by LSQ Members **Cytiva, McCullough Robertson, Merck Life Science, QIMR Berghofer, Radium Capital, KE Select and the Rose-Anne Kelso Testamentary Trust**,

It's a vibrant gala luncheon that brings together industry leaders, up-and-coming talent, and changemakers from right across the state to recognise their achievements and contributions. [Nominations](#) are open and we encourage you to support your peers to ensure they are recognised in one of the seven categories. Tickets to the gala lunch ceremony are on sale and link to bookings is below.

We're also delighted to support member company **CAD-IT** at their August event '[Expert Hour – Navigating Change](#)'. An evening of conversation and collaboration bringing together Life Science experts to give insights on how to navigate change. Details below.

It's been a busy month, and we'd like to wish all our members and friends an engaging and successful July. Whether you're at our events, working on new initiatives, or making connections, here's to a month full of great opportunities and achievements!

Warm regards,
THE LSQ TEAM

New Members

We are delighted to welcome [Getinge](#), who have moved from an introductory membership in 2024 to a larger commitment this year, reflecting their growing engagement with the Queensland life sciences sector. We're pleased to welcome Getinge as they deepen their connections and expand their presence within the LSQ network.



Renewing Members

We welcome and thank our renewing members this month: [Bioproton](#) - developing a strong focus on R&D to further improve its natural feed additive portfolio - and [Southern RNA](#) who we're excited to learn more about their recent move to new premises in Brisbane at Technology Park at Eight Mile Plains and how the new space is supporting their work and future plans.



LSQ and Partner Events

Post-Bio Midwinter Soiree

Thursday 17 July | 5.00-8.30pm | The Alice Room, Cloudland, 641 Ann Street, Fortitude Valley

Join us for the LSQ Post-BIO Midwinter Soirée where returning delegates from BIO will share their learnings. Bookings are now open for this crowd favourite and everyone in the life sciences community is welcome! Secure your spot now! [Register here](#)

POST-BIO Midwinter Soirée

THURSDAY 17 JULY | 5-8:30PM
CLOUDLAND, BRISBANE

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CAD-IT Expert Hour Panel Discussion - Navigating Change

Thursday 7 August | 5.30-7.30pm | Loft West End, 100 Boundary St, West End

Join us for an inspiring evening of insight and conversation with life science leaders as they explore strategies to navigate organisational, regulatory and operational change. Bookings are now open for this engaging panel event, a must-attend for anyone facing or driving transformation in the life sciences. Secure your spot now! [Register here](#)



Navigating Change Expert Hour Panel Discussion

THURSDAY 7 AUGUST 2025 | 5:30-7:30 PM
LOFT WEST END, 100 BOUNDARY ST
WEST END QLD 4101



GENE Awards 2025

Friday 12 September | 12.00-3.30pm | Plaza Terrace Room
Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre

There's so much to celebrate about the vibrant life sciences sector, and we're looking forward to recognising the people and companies making an impact in Queensland in our annual GENE Awards. [Nominations](#) are now open, as are bookings for the gala luncheon where we will announce the winners. Secure your spot now! [Book here](#)



Sector News and Events

Tell us your news and upcoming events by sending an email to info@lsq.com.au.

KE Select are Hiring:

Join a cutting-edge biomedical research institute in Brisbane as a Building Services Coordinator at a leading biomedical research institute. Manage critical systems in high-tech cGMP facilities and ensure operational excellence. Perfect for a hands-on professional with strong technical skills and a trade background. [Read More](#)

Join a pioneering CDMO specialising in mRNA vaccines. Lead and build a GMP-compliant, NATA-accredited microbiology lab supporting clinical manufacturing. [Read More](#)

QBiotics Reports 80% Objective Response Rate in Phase IIa Soft Tissue Sarcoma Trial:

QBiotics has announced encouraging results from Stage 1 of its Phase IIa clinical trial. The trial achieved an 80% response rate in injected tumours showing complete or partial ablation. These outcomes support the launch of Stage 2 of the trial, soon open at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York. [Read more](#)

ASDR 2025 Annual Scientific Meeting:

Thursday 17 July-Saturday 19 July | TRI Level 2

The Australian Society for Dermatology Research's Annual Scientific Meeting will feature a line-up of national and international speakers, covering the latest advancements in dermatology. [Read more](#)

Planning for Consumer Involvement in your Research:

Tuesday 29 July | 10.00-11.30am | TRI Seminar Rooms

A workshop providing practical tools and resources to plan for consumer and community involvement, and insights into the steps for implementing consumer involvement into teams and projects. [Register here](#)

Access your LSQ's Exclusive Partner Benefits at PRAXIS:

LSQ enjoys access to exclusive benefits designed to enhance your capabilities, including a 20% discount on all PRAXIS training solutions. Access your exclusive savings by entering the coupon code **LSQ25** when enrolling for workshops. **The first LSQ member to register will receive the workshop of your choice complimentary.** Register now! To learn more and view PRAXIS' upcoming workshops, browse the [WORKSHOP CALENDAR](#) here.



Health Research Consumer Expo

Tuesday 26 August | 12.00-7.30pm | TRI Level 2

This event aims to bring together health consumers, friends and family, carers and members of the community, researchers and health practitioners to explore the benefits and practicalities of involving consumers in health research. [Register here](#)

See our website for more events

Grants, funding and business opportunities

Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF)

Rapid Applied Research Translation

This initiative supports the translation of research evidence into clinical practice and better quality of care for patients by encouraging collaborations between academic researchers, health service providers, consumers and other end users on projects to improve health care delivery, service and systems sustainability. **Applications close 7 July.**

National Critical Research Infrastructure Initiative - 2024 Clinical Trial Enabling Infrastructure

This program provides funding to promote development and implementation of 'adaptive platform' and 'registry based' clinical trial methodologies, that will be used to conduct world-class health and medical research in areas of unmet medical need. **Applications close 17 July.**

National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC)

Early to Mid-Career Researchers Initiative

This grant opportunity is being administered by NHMRC on behalf of the Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care. **Applications close 23 July.**

Cardiovascular Health

The Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF) Cardiovascular Health Mission aims to make transformative improvements in cardiovascular health and stroke management for all Australians. **Applications close 13 August.**

Stem Cell Therapies

The Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF) Stem Cell Therapies Mission aims to support world-leading translational stem cell research that develops and delivers innovative, safe and effective stem cell medicines to improve health outcomes, in partnership with patients and carers. **Applications close 20 August.**

Other Grants

Biomedical Translational Fund

This fund provides companies with venture capital to help develop biomedical discoveries into tangible products, services and outcomes. Discoveries can be therapeutic, medical or pharmaceutical. They can be a product, process, service (including digital health services), technology or procedure.

Austrade Go Global Toolkit

Single-access point for whole-of-government information and advice, providing key market information to potential exporters and those looking to export into new markets.

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