

LSQ MONTHLY NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

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Dear Fractal,

What a month it's been for Queensland's life sciences sector!

From global stages to local forums, LSQ has been on the ground and in the room - supporting innovation, connecting stakeholders, and helping put Queensland front and centre in Australia's biotech and medtech conversations.

Ausbiotech's AusMedtech 2025 in Sydney was centred around translating innovation into impact, with game-changing technologies like **Vaxxas' needle-free vaccine patch** showing just how far Queensland science can go.

Thanks to **AmCham Australia**, Queensland biotech was also in the spotlight at this month's Business Series Lunch. A stellar line-up of speakers shared insights into the state's fast-growing life sciences ecosystem.



On the international stage, **Vaxxas' microneedle tech** turned heads at **Microneedles2025**, with discussions on stabilising mRNA vaccines at room temperature offering a glimpse into the future of global immunisation.

On the home front, **Translational Research Institute Australia's Biomedical Careers Day** was all about building bridges between emerging STEM talent and industry leaders. **LSQ Board Directors Kym Baker, ThermoFisher and Denise Hodge, Journeytech** shared practical, real-world advice to help biomedical students navigate their career pathways and prepare for what's ahead.



The Department of State Development and Infrastructure's Pre-BIO Briefing at Parliament House gave BIO-bound delegates a head start on their global engagement. **The Hon, Jarrod Bleijie, MP, Deputy Premier for Queensland, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning and Minister for Industrial Relations** is leading Team Queensland this year and reminds delegates he's a keen Karaoke competitor - inviting all to take the opportunity at one of the many networking events scheduled over the week! Watch this space to see if LSQ's **Chair Trent Munro** brings home the trophy!



AusBiotech's BioCheers QLD event, generously hosted by **Lis Boyce** and the team at **Piper Alderman**, was another lively and well-attended gathering. Providing a fantastic opportunity to connect with peers at their stunning offices, with sweeping views of our city's majestic skyline. A highlight on the life sciences networking calendar!



For all our members heading to **BIO25 in Boston**, travel well and go boldly as **Team Queensland!** We'll see you on the other side at our **Post-BIO Midwinter Soirée** on **July 17**. Details below!

Best regards,
The LSQ Team

New Members

We are delighted to welcome new members:
[Health Security Systems Australia](#) (HSSA) a division of DMTC Limited, a not-for-profit company fostering collaborative research and development to enhance Australia's defence and national security capabilities.



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Renewing Members

Thank you to renewing members: [Davies Collison Cave](#), [Thomson Geer](#) and [West Pharmaceuticals](#).

LSQ and Partner Events



Post-Bio Midwinter Soiree

Thursday 17 July | 5.00-8.30pm | The Alice Room, Cloudland, Ann Street Brisbane

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

TRI Seminar Series: Immunology Seminar

Tuesday 3 June | 11.00-1.00pm | TRI Auditorium & Online

Associate Professor Tommi Vatanen from the University of Helsinki in Finland will present *From microbes to metabolites: dissecting the foundations of gut ecosystems and infant immunity*. You will also hear from TRI-based researchers with expertise in immunology and a focus on the microbiome.

BIOCHINA Global Forum @ Boston

Sunday 15 June | Boston, USA

An invitation to industry leaders, biotech innovators, and investors to connect, showcase, and collaborate at **BIOCHINA Boston 2025**. Explore global partnerships, engage in high-impact discussions, and expand your network. [Details here](#).

BIO2025

Monday 16–Thursday 19 June | Boston Convention & Exhibition Center, USA

The BIO International Convention is the largest and most comprehensive event for biotechnology, representing the full ecosystem of biotech with 20,000 industry leaders from across the globe.

[More information on the Queensland Delegation here](#)

Game Changers

Thursday 26 June | 12.00-1.00pm | TRI Auditorium & Online

The first installment of the 2025 TRI Game Changer Seminar Series features Professor John Mattick, detailing his game-changing work in RNA biology and his career journey in genomics.

Tell us about your upcoming event by sending an email to info@lsq.com.au.

See our website for more events

Grants, funding and business opportunities

National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC):
[Development grants 11 June](#)

Australian Research Council (ARC):
[Linkage projects 25 June](#)

[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.

[Business Investment Fund](#)

The Queensland Investment Corporation's Business Investment Fund's primary objectives are to achieve investment return, promote job growth and increase access to growth-stage capital in Queensland. It invests directly in the business; it is not a grant nor a loan and considers an initial investment of between \$2.5 million and \$10 million.

[Austrade Go Global Toolkit](#)

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