LSQ MONTHLY NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

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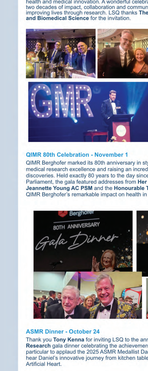
September - November 2025

Dear LSQ members and friends,

As we head into the final stretch of 2025, it's clear the past few months have been a whirlwind for LSQ and Queensland's life sciences sector. Since early September, we've been out and about, from hosting our flagship **Gene Awards** to a series of member-favourite events, all celebrating and supporting the incredible momentum in our sector. And it's not just events, there's plenty of exciting news and achievements showcased throughout this newsletter.

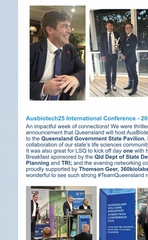
Gallipoli Research Gala Dinner - November 1

Congratulations to Gallipoli Medical Research on 20 years of pioneering work in veterans' health and medical innovation. A wonderful celebration at Brisbane City Hall recognising two decades of impact, collaboration and community and the ongoing commitment to improving lives through research. LSQ thanks **The University of Queensland's Health and Biomedical Science** for the invitation.



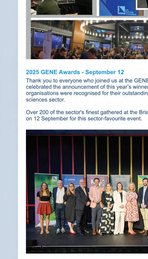
QIMR 80th Celebration - November 1

QIMR Berghofer marked its 80th anniversary in style, celebrating eight decades of medical research excellence and raising an incredible $1 million to support future discoveries. Held exactly 80 years to the day since the Institute was established by Act of Parliament, the gala featured addresses from **Her Excellency the Honourable Dr Jeannette Young AC PSM** and the **Honourable Tim Nicholls MP**, both paying tribute to QIMR Berghofer's remarkable impact on health in Queensland and around the world.



ASMR Dinner - October 24

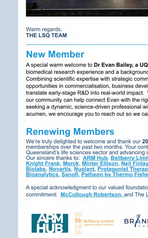
Thank you **Tony Kenna** for inviting LSQ to the annual **Australian Society for Medical Research** gala dinner celebrating the achievements of Qld's medical researchers. In particular to applaud the 2025 ASMR Medallist Daniel Timms. It's always enlightening to hear Daniel's innovative journey from kitchen table to the first-in-human **BVACOR** Total Artificial Heart.



Ausbiotech25 International Conference - 20-24 October

An impactful week of connections! We were thrilled by **Deputy Premier Jarrod Bleijie's** announcement that Queensland will host AusBiotech in both 2026 and 2027 and his visit to the Queensland showcase. Thank you to all those highlighting the strength and collaboration of our state's life sciences community.

It was also great for LSQ to kick off day **one** with two standout events: A Networking Breakfast sponsored by the **Qld Dept of State Development Infrastructure & Planning** and **TRI;** and the evening networking cocktail event and conference favourite - proudly supported by **Thomson Geer, 501Biolabs, and Brisbain Bioanalytics**. It was wonderful to see such strong #TeamQueensland representation at both events.



2025 GENE Awards - September 12

Thank you to everyone who joined us at the GENE Awards Gala Luncheon, where we celebrated the announcement of this year's winners. Seven remarkable individuals and organisations were recognised for their outstanding impact across Queensland's life sciences sector.

Over 200 of the sector's finest gathered at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre on 12 September for this sector-favourite event.

Warm regards,
THE LSQ TEAM

New Member

A special warm welcome to **Dr Evan Bailey, a UQ Neuroscientist** with over a decade of biomedical research experience and a background in PR and investor relations. Combining scientific expertise with strategic communication skills, Evan is now seeking opportunities in commercialisation, business development, or industry engagement to help translate early-stage R&D into real-world impact. With LSQ's extensive network we hope our community can help connect Evan with the right opportunity. If your organisation is a growing, science-driven professional with both technical and commercial acumen, we encourage you to reach out so we can connect you with Evan.

Renewing Members

We're truly delighted to welcome and thank our **20** members who have renewed LSQ memberships over the past two months. Your continued support is vital to strengthening Queensland's life sciences sector and advancing innovation across the state.

Thank you to our renewing members: [4M Pharma](), [Bellberry Limited](), [Brandon Capital](), [Brandon CapitalTech](), [Knight Frank](), [Merck](), [MinterEllison](), [Nanosonics](), [Nest Therapeutics](), [New Journey Tech](), [Biolabs](), [Novartis](), [Nucleant](), [Protagonist Therapeutics](), [Radium Capital](), [Resolian Bioanalytics](), [Sanofi](), [Patheon by Thermo Fisher]() and [VFV]().

A special acknowledgement to our valued foundation partners for their ongoing commitment: [McCullough Robertson](), and The [University of the Sunshine Coast]().

LSQ and Partner Events

2025 LSQ Annual General Meeting and Networking Breakfast

Friday 28 November | 7.30-10.30am | Alabaster Room, Victoria Park, Herston, Brisbane

Join us for the LSQ AGM Breakfast: an unmissable morning of insight, innovation, and connection. Hear from **Professor Scott Wilson, Queensland Chief Scientist**, alongside **Professor Keith Chappell (AIBN, The University of Queensland)** and **Cameron Simmons (Translational Science Hub, Sanofi)**, as they explore Queensland's global leadership in vaccine innovation and commercialisation. Members are invited to stay on after the breakfast for the Annual General Meeting starting at 9.15am. Register now

End of Year Celebration

Thursday 4 December | 5-8.30pm | Cloudland, Brisbane

Life Sciences Queensland and **AusBiotech** are thrilled to invite you to connect in person at our end-of-year celebration, as we come together to reflect on and celebrate the year together. Let's celebrate the successes of 2025, and look ahead to 2026. Register here

Expression of Interest – J.P. Morgan Healthcare Investor Week 2026

12-15 January | 44th Annual Healthcare Conference, San Francisco

The 2026 J.P. Morgan Healthcare Investor Week (44th Annual Healthcare Conference) will take place 12–15 January in San Francisco, bringing together global leaders in biotech, pharma, and healthcare investment.

This premier week-long event attracts 10,000+ delegates worldwide and includes a series of supporting conferences and parallel activities across the city.

If you are planning to travel to San Francisco for this event, please advise Trade and Investment Queensland (TIQ) by emailing Jas.sanghera@tiq.qld.gov.au to stay updated on Queensland-led activities and networking opportunities taking place during the week.

Queensland Delegation to BioAsia 2026

16-18 February | Hyderabad

Trade and Investment Queensland (TIQ) would like to invite you to join Queensland's official delegation to BioAsia 2026, Asia's largest convention for Pharma, Life Sciences and Health Tech, to be held in Hyderabad from 16–18 February 2026.

The program, led by TIQ, will also include a targeted site visit to Bangalore on 19 February 2026, connecting Queensland delegates with leading Indian pharmaceutical, biotech, and R&D organisations.

Delegates will have the opportunity to:
• Explore collaboration with India's rapidly growing Pharma, Health Tech and Life Sciences ecosystem
• Meet potential partners for R&D, technology exchange, and investment
• Gain visibility through curated media and government-led engagements
• Read more here

If interested in participating, please contact Jas Sanghera, Principal Trade and Investment Advisor, at Jas.sanghera@tiq.qld.gov.au

See our website for more events

Sector News and Events

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

Radium Capital

Radium Capital is celebrating an extraordinary milestone, having advanced over $1 billion to support Australian innovators in bringing their ideas to life! What a remarkable achievement and a true win for Australia's innovation ecosystem.

Read more.

Southern RNA

Southern RNA has officially launched its state-of-the-art R&D laboratories at the Gold Coast Health and Knowledge Precinct – cementing the region's role as a hub for cutting-edge biotechnology and development. The milestone was celebrated with Mayor Tom Tate and highlighted by a moving patient story showcasing how local capabilities and global partnerships are shaping the future of personalised medicine and sovereign biomanufacturing in Queensland. Read more.

Novartis to Acquire Tourmaline Bio

Novartis is expanding its cardiovascular pipeline with the planned acquisition of Tourmaline Bio, strengthening its focus on innovative treatments for heart disease and inflammation. Read more.

Mackay Welcomes a Leading Biomanufacturing Hub

A flagship facility set to drive innovation in Queensland's biotech sector officially opened in Mackay, following an $18 million funding commitment from the Australian and Queensland Governments and Queensland University of Technology (QUT). Read more.

Clinical Trials in the News - Raising Public Awareness

Clinical trials are helping to advance medical treatments for some of our most debilitating health conditions. A recent 9 News Australia segment shows how some Queenslanders are being paid thousands to take part while also highlighting the need to understand potential risks. The story features two of the Clinical Trials Queensland Consortium members, Nucleus Network and the Griffith University Clinical Trials Unit, and is a valuable step forward in raising public awareness about the importance and benefits of clinical trials as we approach the next Consortium meeting. Watch it here and share it with your networks!

Grants, funding and business opportunities

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.

Australia 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.

Our foundation supporters and partners

Heartfelt thanks for their impactful support