



Texas Life Science Conference  
November 5, 6, & 7, 2008

The Brown Foundation Institute of  
Molecular Medicine  
1825 Pressler  
Houston, TX 77030

**Agenda**

**Wednesday November 5, 2008: BioBoot Camp**

- 12:00- 12:15 **Welcome and Update on Houston's Life Science Industry**  
Jacqueline Northcut, *BioHouston*
- 12:15- 1:15 **The Scientist's Role in Successful Company Creation**  
Casey Cunningham, M.D., *Santé Ventures*
- 1:15-2:30 **Resource Panel**  
Brad Burke, *Rice Alliance for Technology and Entrepreneurship (moderator)*  
**How to Turn a Discovery into a Business:** Cammie Edwards, Ph.D.,  
*DNA Gateway International*  
**How to Interface with Technology Transfer:** Bruce Butler, *The University  
of Texas Health Science Center*  
**Angel Funding:** Leo Womack, Chairman, *Houston Angel Network*  
**SBIR Funding and the Emerging Technology Fund:** Deborah  
Mansfield, *Houston Technology Center*
- 2:30-2:45 **Break**
- 2:45-4:00 **Investor Panel**  
Thomas Harlan, *Emergent Technologies, Inc. (moderator)*  
Joseph Lovett, *Louisiana Fund I*  
Gino Di Sciullo, Ph. D., *Charter Life Sciences*  
Chad Souvignier, *Research Corporation Technologies, Inc.*  
Michael Wasserman, *H.I.G. Ventures*
- 4:00 **Closing Remarks**

**Thursday November 6, 2008: Commercial Forum**

- 7:30-8:00 **Registration/Continental Breakfast/Exhibits**
- 8:00-8:15 **Welcome**  
Jacqueline Northcut, *BioHouston*  
Tom Kowalski, *Texas Healthcare and Bioscience Institute*

- 8:15-9:15**     **Keynote Address**  
Stelios Papadopoulos, Ph.D., *co-Founder and Chairman, Exelixis, Inc.*
- 9:15-9:45**     **Venture Capital Panel**  
Evan Melrose, M.D., *PTV Sciences (moderator)*  
Gino Di Sciullo, Ph.D., *Charter Life Sciences*  
John Hoopingarner, *Emergent Technologies*  
Michael Wasserman, Ph.D., *H.I.G. Ventures*  
Joe Lovett, *Louisiana Fund 1*
- 9:45-10:15**     **Networking refreshment break and exhibits**
- 10:15-12:10**     **Company and Technology Presentations, Partnering sessions and Exhibits**
- 12:10-12:40**     **Networking Lunch and Exhibits**
- 12:40-2:20**     **Company and Technology Presentations, Partnering sessions and Exhibits**
- 2:20-2:40**     **Networking refreshment break and Exhibits**
- 2:40-3:10**     **Venture Capital Panel**  
Joe Cunningham, M.D., *Santé Ventures (moderator)*  
Doug Given, M.D., Ph.D., *Bay City Capital*  
Timothy Cockshutt, *Advantage Capital*  
Stephen Banks, *S3 Ventures*  
Ivor Royston, M.D., *Forward Ventures*
- 3:10-3:40**     **Venture Capital Panel**  
Gerald Cobbs, *Signet Healthcare Partners (moderator)*  
Deval Lashkari, *Telegraph Hill Partners*  
Christopher W. Kersey, M.D., *Camden Partners*  
James Webster, *Capital Royalty*
- 3:40-4:10**     **Texas Innovation Centers**
- 4:10-4:55**     **Highlights of Innovation, Growth and Strategy**  
4:10-4:25- Shekar Rao, *Texas Instruments*  
4:25-4:40- David Holmes, *Kinetic Concepts, Inc.*  
4:40-4:55- Stephen Smith, MS, MBA, *US Oncology*
- 4:55-5:25**     **Venture Capital Panel**  
Dan Watkins, Ph.D., *DFJ Mercury (moderator)*  
Ashley Dombkowski, Ph.D., *MPM Capital*  
Robert Garland, M.D., *NEA*  
Jeff Jonker, *Genentech*  
Zachary Scott, M.D., MBA, *Burrill & Co.*  
William Paiva, Ph.D., *Sevin Rosen*

5:25 **Closing Remarks**

5:30-7:30 **Conference Reception**

**Friday, November 7: Oncology Research Forum**

7:00-8:00 **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

8:00-8:15 **Welcome remarks**

Jacqueline Northcut, *BioHouston*

Tom Kowalski, *Texas Healthcare and Bioscience Institute*

8:15-9:15 **Epigenetics Session**

Sharon Dent, Ph.D., *M. D. Anderson Cancer Center*

Jean-Pierre Issa, M.D., *M. D. Anderson Cancer Center*

Arthur Beaudet, M.D., *Baylor College of Medicine*

9:15-10:15 **Cancer Genomics and Proteomics Session**

Gordon Mills, M.D., Ph.D., *M. D. Anderson Cancer Center*

Ching Lau, M.D., Ph.D., *Baylor College of Medicine*

Richard Gibbs, Ph.D., *Baylor College of Medicine*

10:15-10:45 **Networking Break**

10:45-11:15 **Current Trends in Oncology Patient Care**

John Mendelsohn, M.D., *M. D. Anderson Cancer Center*

11:15-12:15 **Small RNA's Session**

George Calin, M.D., Ph.D., *M. D. Anderson Cancer Center*

Anil Sood, M.D., *M. D. Anderson Cancer Center*

Thomas "Trey" Westbrook, Ph.D., *Baylor College of Medicine*

12:15-12:50 **Lunch and networking**

12:50-1:00 **\$3 Billion Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas Update**

Malcolm Gillis, *Vice Chairman of the CPRIT Oversight Committee*

1:00-2:00 **Targeted Therapies and Personalized Medicine**

John Hancock, M.B., B. Chir., Ph.D., *University of Texas Health Science Center*

Jennifer West, Ph.D., *Rice University*

David Gorenstein, Ph.D., *University of Texas Medical Branch*

2:00-3:00 **Stem Cells**

Paul Simmons, Ph.D., *University of Texas Health Science Center (overview)*

Sadhan Majumder, Ph.D., *M. D. Anderson Cancer Center*

3:00-3:15 **Closing remarks and Presentation of Michael E. DeBakey Award**

Jacqueline Northcut, *BioHouston*

Malcolm Gillis, *BioHouston*