



Former Bucks County Congressman added to PABC Wall of Fame



(L-R) Jim Greenwood, Lou Kassa, Tim Block and Joe Conti

The Hepatitis B Foundation, Baruch S. Blumberg Institute and Pennsylvania Biotechnology Center (PABC) honored Jim Greenwood, former Congressman and ex-CEO of BIO, at the organizations' first Fireside Chat, held Oct. 17, by adding his portrait to their Public Service Wall of Fame.

BIO, or the Biotechnology Innovation Organization, is “the world’s largest advocacy association representing member companies, state biotechnology groups, academic and research institutions, and related organizations across the U.S. and in 30+ countries.”

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Industry experts discuss the advancing the regional life sciences industry at Philly Builds Bio+: Second Annual Symposium

Lou Kassa, CEO, moderated a panel discussion about “Philly Life Science Continuum: Fueling the Advancement of Science” at the Philly Builds Bio+: Second Annual Symposium for Life Science Innovation and Development in Philadelphia’s Union League Club.

The panelists were Matthew Burkhardt, director of B+labs at Cira Centre, Lorenzo Pellegrini, PhD, managing partner at Hatch Biofund, Jeffrey DeVuono, EVP and senior managing director at Brandywine Realty Trust, and Jesse Johnson, CTO at Serna Bio.



Read more about the event [here](#).

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Maria Middleberg,
Vice President of
Procurement, Serologix



Scott Willett, PhD,
Director of Academic Affairs,
Blumberg Institute

with a bunch of apps in it,” says Maria Middleberg of Serologix, a longtime member of our center.

Hear more from her and Dr. Scott Willett, director of academic affairs at the Blumberg Institute and mentor to young scientists, in a new episode of Biotech Insiders.

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Eliksa is developing the first-ever eye drop (ELK-003) to treat corneal abrasions in those with Epidermolysis Bullosa (EB). Eliksa is developing the first-ever eye drop (ELK-003) to treat corneal abrasions in those with Epidermolysis Bullosa (EB).

“We are honored to receive this award,” shares Armen Karamanian, MD, PhD, Co-Founder & CEO at Eliksa Therapeutics. “At Eliksa Therapeutics, our dedication to improving the lives of EB patients drives us forward, and ELK-003 represents a major step in our ongoing journey to make a meaningful impact in their ocular treatment and well-being.” More [here](#).

Blumberg Institute salutes Nobel Prize winners Katalin Karikó and Drew Weissman



The Blumberg Institute applauds Katalin Karikó, PhD, adjunct professor of Neurosurgery at the University of Pennsylvania’s Perelman School of Medicine, and Drew Weissman, MD, PhD, the Roberts Family Professor of Vaccine Research in the Perelman School of Medicine for being named winners of the 2023 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine.

Randall N. Hyer, MD, PhD, MPH, president of the Blumberg Institute, said: “Congratulations, Dr. Karikó and

Dr. Weissman. The Blumberg Institute salutes your pioneering, lifesaving contribution to humanity. We need more people like you!”

More [here](#).

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