Message from the President

Founded in 1997, the Chinese Bioscience Association (CBA) is a bilingual nonprofit (501(c) 3) organization with the mission of promoting education, networking and community building for life science professionals. Not only do we seek to bring cutting edge resources and topics to our programming, we also strive to bridge the biotech/pharma industry and cultural gaps between US and Asia.

Inspired by the generous support by CBA sponsors and members, achievements made by past presidents, and the dedication of the CBA Board and volunteers, I look forward to contributing to and to make strides towards fulfilling CBA’s mission. It is truly both an honor and a privilege to serve as the 2019 CBA President.

In this coming year, our top priorities are to strengthen our core membership and to better leverage our connections with other professional organizations. To this end, our team has worked very hard in last couple of months to redesign our website (coming soon!) and line up a series exciting events throughout the year. We look forward to welcoming you at our upcoming events and the 2019 CBA Annual Conference on October 12, 2019.

If you would like to get involved with CBA, give feedback or suggestions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at info@cbasf.org to help us better serve you in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Huifang Li
Huifang Li, Ph.D.
2019 CBA President
New CBA Officers and Advisors

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**2019 CBA Annual Conference**

**Theme:** *From Disruptive Innovations to Real-World Applications*

**Date:** October 12, 2019 (Saturday)
**Time:** 8:00am to 5:00pm
**Venue:** Crowne Plaza Hotel, 1221 Chess Drive, Foster City, CA 94404

*For Sponsorship Opportunities, Please reach out at: sponsorship@cbasf.org*

Registration opens in September

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Thank you to our 2018 Top sponsors!
CBA Workshop Series I
Challenges and Future Prospects: CNS Drug Development

Date: March 17, 2019 (1:30 to 5:30pm)
Venue: Stanford University, Graduate Community Center, Havana Room
750 Escondido Road, Palo Alto, CA 94305
Organizer: CBA

Supporting organizations: Alzheimer’s Association and DahShu

On March 17, CBA hosted the first workshop of the 2019 CBA Workshop Series. About 60 people attended the event. This workshop featured four distinguished speakers – two from academia and two from industry – who shared with attendees the history of CNS drugs, CNS drug discovery models, and several novel applications for CNS drugs. Dr. Yadong Huang, Director and Senior Investigator at the Gladstone Center for Translational Advancement and Professor of Neurology and Pathology at UCSF, shared his research on ApoE4 as a drug target for Alzheimer’s Disease. Dr. David Yeomans, Director of Pain Research and Professor of Anesthesiology, Perioperative, and Pain Medicine at Stanford School of Medicine, presented his work on the craniofacial analgesic effect of nasal application of a novel formulation of oxytocin. Dr. Tao Huang, co-founder and president of NeuCyte, shared with attendees an iPSC-derived neural cell model to help with CNS drug discovery. Dr. Jie Jack Li, a medicinal chemist at Revolution Medicines, gave attendees a history of CNS drugs.

Upcoming Events
We have many other exciting events planned for 2019. We hope you can join us!

April 20, 2019 (Saturday, 1:30 to 5:00 PM)
Symposium (Co-host with Jones Day)
Patenting in the life sciences and capital markets in Hong Kong, China and US
Venue: Jones Day Silicon Valley Office, 1755 Embarcadero Road, Palo Alto, CA, 94303
Description:
Patenting in the life sciences – considerations for China and US
Dr. Patricia Campbell and Dr. Bing Liang will discuss the role of patents in the discovery, development, and commercialization of lifesaving and life-transforming medicines in China and the U.S. They will provide updates on patenting opportunities and challenges, including updates on recent patent law reforms in China aimed at strengthening patent protection, fostering innovation and improving legal frameworks.

Capital markets – updates in China, US and Hong Kong
There have been a number of regulatory developments affecting trade and investment between China and the U.S. over the past 18 months. Many of these developments are still unfolding, with further changes expected. Mr. Alan Seem and Ms. Chen Ye will discuss how these changes, particularly FIRRMA and related rules, are expected to impact the biotech industry over the coming months and years. They will also discuss the continuing implementation of the pre-revenue biotech listing rules in Hong Kong and some case studies of recent listings in that market.

May 18, 2019 (Saturday, 1:30- 5:00 PM)
CBA Workshop Series II: Career Development Workshop (co-host with CLIPSS, CIE and ACSS)
Venue: Stanford University, Graduate Community Center, Havana Room
750 Escondido Road, Palo Alto, CA 94305

June 10-11, 2019 (Monday to Tuesday)
East Coast CBA 24th Annual Conference
Location: Guangzhou, China

July
CBA Workshop Series III: AI and big data applications in healthcare (co-host with Monte Jade)
Date /Time and Venue: TBD

August 24, 2019 (Saturday, 11:00 AM -2:00PM)
CBA Summer Picnic
Venue: Palo Alto Mitchell Park, Redwood Group Area
Organizer: CBA

More events are coming in September, November and December