

Canadian technology accelerator **SAN FRANCISCO**

Health & Life sciences

Sept - Dec 2019

How it works:

The San Francisco CTA program provides high potential Canadian health and life sciences companies the opportunity to access one of the most important clusters of life science innovation in addition to the venture capital ecosystem and global technology hub of Silicon Valley.

The Fall 2019 program is open to companies from across Canada, there are no fees to apply, and participation is designed to be mostly virtual. The Health stream will accept 6 – 8 startups. Advisory teams of local executives are tailored to the specific business needs of each CTA company. Advisory meetings are conducted virtually with the option to be done in person. There is one in-market immersion session and parallel track for companies attending JP Morgan 2020.

What we offer:

Through this program, Canadian companies have access to a wide variety of services that include, but are not limited to:

Virtual Program

- Program length: 4 months
- Tailored guidance delivered virtually around company-specific issues such as:
 - regulatory and reimbursement pathways
 - accessing venture capital and partnerships
 - corporate negotiating strategy
- Opportunities to meet in market based on company needs

SF / SV Immersion Program November 2019

- 2.5 Days in San Francisco and Silicon Valley
- JP Morgan Track January 2020
- Access to local and international technology scouts, major healthcare providers, corporate partners and academic centers of excellence.

Who should apply:

We are looking for growth-stage life sciences companies:

- with a minimum viable product
- with a potential for high growth
- with a clear strategy for accessing the Bay Area market
- seeking venture capital [post-seed – series A] and alternative financing, partnerships, and customers within the next 12 months
- with a CEO or founder committed and able to participate in the virtual mentorship program and preparatory work
- with a CEO or founder committed and able to travel to San Francisco/Silicon Valley for in-market programming taking place over 2 days.

Sectors covered:

- ✓ biotechnology
- ✓ diagnostics
- ✓ digital health
- ✓ genomics
- ✓ drug discovery
- ✓ medical devices
- ✓ precision medicine
- ✓ therapeutics

Timeline



*Dependant on participation
@ JP Morgan Conference January 2020

Testimonials

"CTA was a great program. The mentors in CTA were directly related to the business and contributed to our business strategy. We got introductions to potential partnerships investors that will secure the long-term viability of our business. I will be recommending this program to other Canadian companies in the future." — Serenity Bioworks Inc.

"While working at the CTA in San Francisco we built countless relationships that have led to numerous strategic partnerships, including an excellent partnership with a major consultancy. We will continue to maintain a presence in-market as we work toward raising funding and continue to foster ongoing relationships with partners." — Affinio Inc.

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