



## **MEDIA ALERT**

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# **VelocityTX Innovation Center is Looking for Startups and Scaleups: Application Deadline is March 31**

*The BioGlobal Accelerator program is open to local, national and international bioscience companies*

**WHO:** VelocityTX Innovation Center, a subsidiary of the Texas Research & Technology Foundation

**WHAT:** VelocityTX Innovation Center has extended the application deadline for the 2021 BioGlobal Accelerator program to Wednesday, March 31. The BioGlobal Accelerator program will run from July 19 – Nov. 4 and is open to local, national and international bioscience companies. Only eight biotech ventures will be selected to join the 2021 cohort.

This year the BioGlobal Accelerator is specifically focused on biotechnology and medical devices. The program culminates in a private investor pitch followed by a Demo Day where the selected companies showcase their high-potential products and technologies and have the chance to win a \$25,000 prize.

Entering its third successful year, this highly competitive program provides ventures with the tools and resources to scale their business – including one-on-one coaching by Entrepreneurs In Residence, mentoring from industry experts, interactive technical and business sessions, introduction to investors and community members, and networking and educational opportunities.

The program is supported by 43 expert speakers and facilitators, 10 seasoned mentors and advisors, four Entrepreneurs in Residence, and over 30 local organizations that foster innovation and facilitate economic development in San Antonio.

“San Antonio’s leaders in biotechnology and medical devices have helped us structure this accelerator program to ensure there is a high added value to biotechnology, medical devices and health IT companies. If you are looking to expand your network, get world-class coaching and raise funding, you should apply,” said David Fonseca, Executive Vice President at VelocityTX.

**WHERE:** 16-week hybrid program (virtual and in-person sessions) from July 19 – Nov. 4

**WHEN:** Application deadline Wednesday, March 31 at midnight

**HOW:** Apply now at <https://velocitytx.org/what-we-do/accelerator/>

**About Texas Research & Technology Foundation and VelocityTX**

The Texas Research & Technology Foundation (TRTF) is a 501c3 nonprofit organization and the primary technology-based economic developer for the City of San Antonio. The TRTF was established in 1984 to pursue a mission of being San Antonio's champion for driving economic development in and around emerging technologies. The TRTF is actively engaged with stakeholders across the region and nation in driving economic development, funding innovative ventures, and helping to build the regional bioscience, cybersecurity, and high-technology economies. The TRTF's investments have been underwritten by its ownership and development of the Texas Research Park in West San Antonio. For more than 30 years, TRTF has been dedicated to developing community infrastructure and facilities, including the VelocityTX campus in East San Antonio which opened in early 2020. Learn more about TRTF at [texasresearchfoundation.com](https://texasresearchfoundation.com) and about VelocityTX at [velocity.tx.org](https://velocity.tx.org).