# TMCi Accelerator for Cancer Therapeutics

**GCC Foundations of Cancer Therapeutics** 









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### Texas is Home to the World's Largest Medical Center and World-Class Cancer Institutes























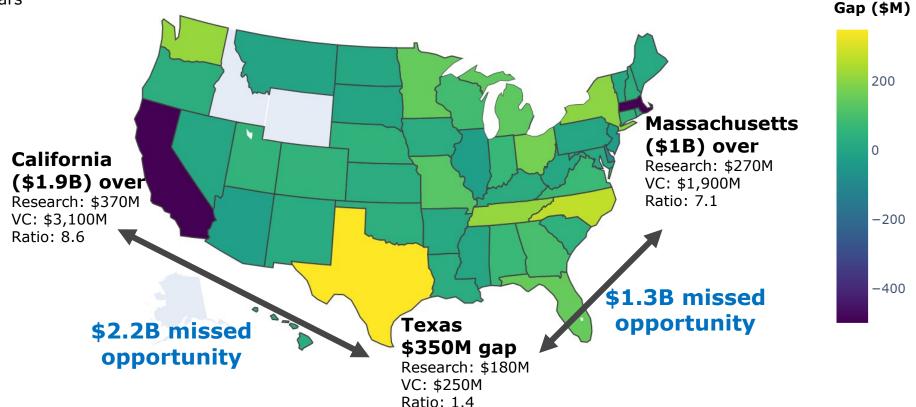


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### There is a Significant Missed Opportunity in Translating Texas Cancer Research to Commercial Ventures and the Clinic

#### **2019 Research Commercialization Gap**

VC/Research dollar ratio gap to national average, weighted by overall NCI research dollars





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#### Notable Recent Exits Based On Texas Technologies



IPO 2020 \$150M, \$571M mkt cap



IPO 2020 \$276M, \$2.5B mkt cap



Acquired 2019 Merck, \$2.2B

Texas research is valuable, but each opportunity has a substantial geographic barrier



#### **TMCi Accelerator**

 Prepares companies for success in every stage of growth by creating a solid foundation

 Supports a critical stage of company formation and launch

 Brings together founders, talent, knowledge, and investors







#### **Team**



**Thomas Luby, PhD**Director, TMC Innovation



**Diana Rhie**Senior Manager,
Strategy and Operations



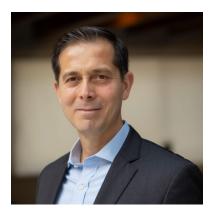
**Ashley Francis, MPH**Program Manager



Suzanne Tomlinson, PhD
Gulf Coast Consortia
Director



**Sarah Hein, PhD** Entrepreneur-in-Residence



**Enrique Gomez, MSc** Entrepreneur-in-Residence



Amit Gupta, PhD Computational Chemist



Emily Reiser, PhD Senior Manager, Community Engagement



**Stan Watowich, PhD**Professor at UTMB and
CEO of Ridgeline
Therapeutics



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# **Executive Advisory Committee**



**Dan Watkins, PhD**Managing Director
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**Dan Hargrove**Chief Development Officer
Cancer Insight



Annemarie Moseley Chief Medical Officer ImmunoGenesis



Ann Tanabe Chief Executive Officer BioHouston



Casey Cunningham
Chief Scientific Officer
Sante Ventures

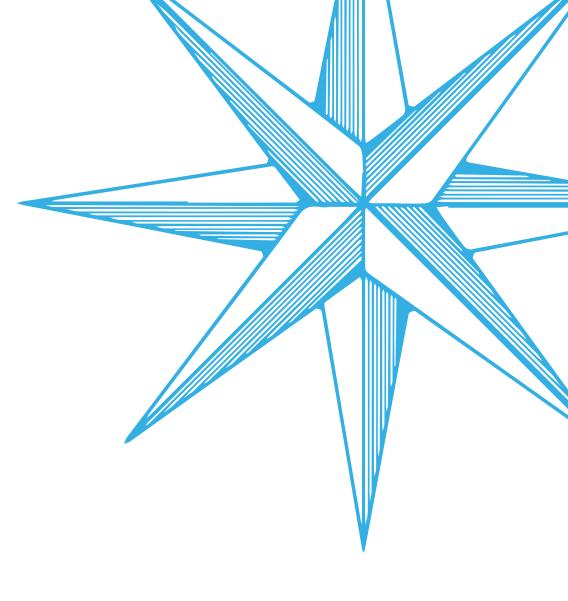


#### **Our Guide Star**

 Provide access to key talent, advisor, and strategic consultant resources to build credible plans

 To support product development through computational chemistry and CPRIT core network access

 To support fundraising efforts through both nondilutive grant applications and venture capital raises



#### **Accelerator Structure and Benefits**

#### **2022 Accelerator Schedule**

**January** Bootcamp

**February – July** Bimonthly in-person

curriculum

**September** TMCi Accelerator for

cancer therapeutics

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#### **Benefits**

- Expert consultant access
- Executive mentor advisory sessions
- Grant writing support for SBIR and CPRIT applications
- Investor introductions
- GCC CPRIT core access

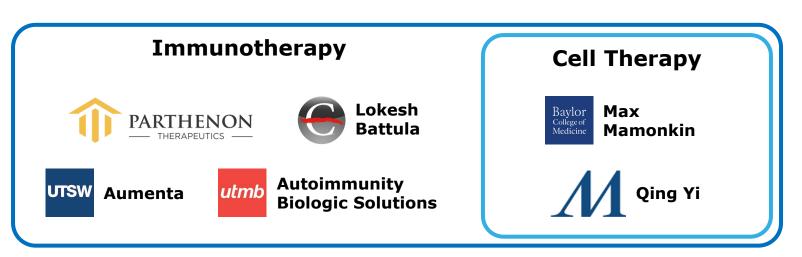
All benefits to participants are 100% Free



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### **2021 Inaugural Cohort**

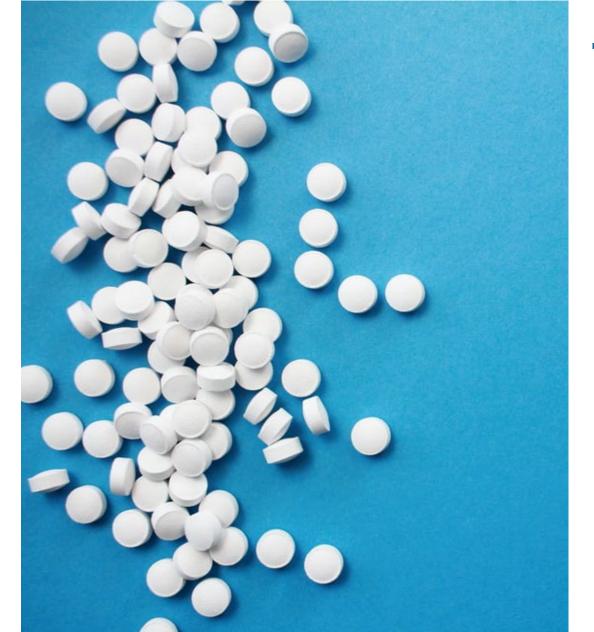
# Drug Platform CRaptamer Discovery Group Elbrus Therapeutics











### **Common Questions**



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### How Do I Know If I Should Be Thinking About This For Me?

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# How Do I Find the Best Path for My Technology?



# Why Don't Investors or Partners Like This Project?



### **How Do I Put Together the Right Team?**

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### What Makes A Successful Founder?

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### What Has Been Most Surprising About This Year?

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#### **Applications Open September 9th**

- Apply on the Accelerator website: <a href="https://www.tmc.edu/innovation/accelerator-cancer/">https://www.tmc.edu/innovation/accelerator-cancer/</a>
- Office hours available for project feedback and additional program information



### **Contact Us**

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