The BridgeTech Program is an award-winning professional development program for effectively navigating the medtech commercialisation pathway. Convened and administered by QUT, the program is supported by a consortium of partners including leading medtech companies, universities and industry associations. It leverages partner expertise and global connections to equip you with the skills and networks you need to take new medtech to market.

THE BENEFITS

- Access interactive online learning materials delivered by QUT at your own pace from anywhere around Australia.
- Connect with representatives from our industry partner organisations.
- Hear from high-profile speakers in our seminar series including industry leaders and executives from our partner organisations.
- Network with peers at events including our three-day residential Symposium.
- Join an alumni community of over 900 industry professionals.
- Pitch your ideas or product and receive invaluable feedback from industry experts as part of our pitch training.
- There are no fees. Our program is completely funded by industry partners and government as part of an initiative to grow Australia’s medtech industry capabilities.

WHO PARTICIPATES

Up to 80 participants are selected annually from across Australia. The program is suited to professionals looking to expand their commercialisation knowledge and networks, including:

- medtech inventors, entrepreneurs and innovators
- mid-career researchers and scientists
- clinicians and healthcare workers
- venture capitalists
- legal practitioners including IP lawyers and patent attorneys
- business development managers and tech transfer professionals
- staff from government agencies

Experience in the sector and a demonstrated interest in medtech commercialisation is essential.

APPLY

Scan the QR code or visit our website to find out more and apply for the 2023 BridgeTech Program: research.qut.edu.au/bridgetech/apply

OUR PARTNERS

- Siemens Healthineers
- Flinders University
- Stryker
- University of Western Australia
- Cochlear
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- Bosch
- Magneta
- Medical Device Partnering Program
- Life Sciences Queensland
- AATI
- Spalding & Ferguson
- Biodesign Australia

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ACHIEVEMENTS & DEVELOPMENTS

In a recent survey, members of our alumni community reported the following major developments:

- **39 participants** had initiated or completed an **R&D contract**
- **27 participants** had been involved in the development of a **new startup**
- **19 participants** had begun discussions with **incubators**
- **8 participants** had initiated or completed a **licence**
- **10 participants** had launched a **new product**
- **35 participants** had initiated or completed a **pre-clinical or clinical trial**
- **20 participants** had initiated or completed a **patent**
- **37 participants** had pitched to investors or industry representatives
- **25 participants** had secured funding from grants/venture capital/angel investors/crowd funding or other avenues

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From our participants

- "The BridgeTech program has provided us with a greater understanding of how to navigate medical technology development and the ability (and network!) to negotiate with industry. Since completing the program we’ve received a grant to develop our device with an international industry partner."
- "BridgeTech is an excellent primer for medtech commercialisation and provides resources for further professional development. The course material is thorough but there is nothing like being able to talk to the government and industry experts that present at the seminars and the 3-day Symposium. Well worth it."
- "The program provided an excellent opportunity to move beyond the theory of medtech commercialisation through worked examples and real life case studies. Participants are catapulted into the medtech development ecosystem and are given opportunities to network and connect with key leaders in the field. This is an excellent program for anyone embarking on a medtech commercialisation journey."
- "The BridgeTech program was well-organised, enjoyable and engaging. It certainly helped me get a better understanding of the medtech industry in Australia."
- "Building my knowledge for future projects has been invaluable."
- "The BridgeTech Program is a great introduction to the world of medical devices for anyone looking to develop or launch their own medical product, particularly for those who have had little exposure to medical device regulations."

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