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Dale A. Wahlstrom

Chair of The BioBusiness Alliance of Minnesota

In various roles within Litton and Medtronic, Dale has had extensive experience in global operations. He has been responsible for leading investments in several countries and states. Through this activity, he has experienced how different governments, educational institutions and businesses support investment and growth of industry in their communities. As a result of this experience, he has developed a strong personal commitment to the growth of biosciences within the state of Minnesota.

Wahlstrom was recently appointed to the position of Vice President, Cardiac Rhythm Management Ventures. In this position he is responsible for development of new businesses to help attain the growth commitments of the company. Prior to this recent appointment, he served as Vice President and General Manager of The Cardiac Rhythm Management Therapy Delivery business.



David L. Gulley

Associate Vice President, University of Illinois

David L. Gulley, is Associate Vice President for Technology and Economic Development for the University of Illinois system and Assistant Vice Chancellor for Research at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Dr. Gulley provides leadership in the University's technology-based economic development activities that include academic-industry partnerships and technology commercialization. Gulley is active with Illinois' technology community, recently serving on the Executive Committee for BIO2006 and leading BIO's Academic-Industry Committee; and as co-chair of iBIO's 2007 Life Science Industry Expo and Marketplace (IndEx 2007). Gulley is also active with the Association for University Technology Managers (AUTM), serving on the Best Practices Task Force and as Graduate Course Chair.

* Please note that all speakers are not included and featured with full bios



Brad Ricker

University-Business Liaison, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Brad Ricker is a University-Business Liaison in the Office of Corporate Relations at the University of Wisconsin - Madison. In addition to fielding a wide range of inquiries and requests from industry, he proactively manages relationships with 25 companies that have a significant presence in Wisconsin and/or active collaborations with the University.

He has a BS in Dairy Science and MBA in Agribusiness and Entrepreneurship, both from the UW-Madison. Prior to joining OCR in 2006, he spent 18 years in a campus research lab and 5 years as a licensing manager at Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation (WARF), the technology transfer organization for the UW-Madison



Madeleine Neil

Director of Communications, Uppsala BIO

Since 2001, Madeleine has been involved with Uppsala's biotech and life science sector when she was responsible for developing a growth strategy for Uppsala's life science sector together with industry, universities and the public sector. The resulting strategy and action plan lay the foundation for the Uppsala BIO initiative. The Uppsala BIO initiative was in 2003 appointed winner in a competition among Swedish regional growth initiatives organized by the Swedish National Agency for Innovations, VINNOVA.

Madeleine has been working with information and communication strategies for companies and organisations since the early 90's and today holds the position as Director of Communications within the Uppsala BIO initiative.

Mary Gardner

Director of Technology Assessment, Hospira Inc

Mary Gardner is the Director of Technology Assessment at Hospira Inc, in Lake Forest Illinois. In her role at Hospira, Mary is focused on the identification & evaluation of external new technology/product opportunities. She holds an MBA from McMaster University, Canada and a BEngSc (Chemical & Biochemical) from the University of Western Ontario, Canada. Gardner's experience in the healthcare and biotech industries includes positions in consulting, process & design engineering and project management. Prior to joining Hospira she held the position of Business Development Manager for The Lawson Health Research Institute & London Health Sciences Centre, London where she was responsible for technology transfer & spin-off of companies created from innovations arising out of local leading Canadian teaching hospitals.

Örn Stuge

President of Cardiac Surgery, Medtronic, Inc.

Örn was named Senior Vice President of Medtronic and President, Cardiac Surgery in March 2005. He is responsible for all business functions relating to heart valves, surgical perfusion products, blood diagnosis, blood handling products, cannulae, heart stabilization products and

emerging technologies in heart surgery. He is a member of the Medtronic Executive and Operating Committees.

Born in Oslo, Stuge started his career with Medtronic in 1998 as Vice President of the Neurological businesses in Europe. He later assumed additional responsibility for the Spinal and Diabetes division in Western Europe. In 2002, he was named Vice President of the Cardiac Rhythm Management business for Western Europe.

Prior to joining Medtronic, Stuge served as President of Medinor A/S, a Norwegian med-tech company. He moved to Abbott Laboratories where he held the positions of Regional Director and General Manager in the Netherlands and Nordic countries.

In 1983 he received his M.D. summa cum laude from the University of Oslo and passed the ECFMG exam (American medical exam for foreign medical graduates). He practiced medicine for six years before obtaining his MBA from IMD (International Institute for Management Development) in Lausanne, Switzerland. He is a member of the Norwegian Medical Association and a director of Medicult, a bio-tech company located in Copenhagen, Denmark. He is a former officer of the Norwegian Army.