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The Association for Women in Science announces Star Award recipients

CHAPTER CITY – AWIS Philadelphia Chapter was recognized as a Star Chapter and Affiliate Award recipient by the Association for Women in Science (AWIS), a non-profit 501(c)3 organization whose national headquarters is in Washington DC. This award recognizes AWIS Philadelphia Chapter for its outstanding commitment and dedication to championing the interests of women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM).

AWIS Philadelphia Chapter stands out for their exemplary work in building leadership skills, mentoring across disciplines and career stages, and providing a positive, inclusive network to strengthen professional and student members. AWIS Philadelphia Chapter President Christina Love, PhD, recognizes the esteem of the recognition, noting that AWIS Philadelphia Chapter is particularly proud of their work over the years in these important areas.

The AWIS STAR award is given to select Chapters and Affiliates that have made a difference by increasing skills, and support to a community of talented women in STEM, while also empowering key-decision makers and gatekeepers with the knowledge and tools necessary to address systemic issues that have inhibited access and inclusion. Although many chapter and affiliate groups all over the country have strong leaders, are well-organized and execute stellar activities, the AWIS Star Chapter and Affiliate Group Award honors those groups who been exceptional at advancing the AWIS Strategic Vision. They are recognized for 1) effecting systemic change 2) cultivating talent and leadership among their membership and 3) sustained effort in their community.

Dr. Bahija Jallal, AWIS President and Executive Vice President, MedImmune, noted, “Women often lack access to the same opportunities as men in STEM, AWIS chapters form a local network to empower women in their community, and to leverage the power of strong networks and relationships to help effect positive systemic change toward more inclusive environments.”

About AWIS:

Founded in 1971, the Association for Women in Science (AWIS) is the largest multi-discipline organization for women in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). We are dedicated to driving excellence in STEM by achieving equity and full participation of women in all disciplines and across all employment sectors. AWIS reaches more than 15,000 professionals in STEM with members and chapters nationwide. Membership is open to any individual who supports the vision and mission of AWIS.
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