TechAccel Adds Veterinarian to Science Advancement Team

Emily Aston, Ph.D., joins TechAccel to guide animal health innovation projects toward market.

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Sept. 21, 2020—<u>TechAccel LLC</u>, the private venture development organization investing in scientific breakthroughs to help solve the global food crisis, today announced that Emily Aston, DVM, Ph.D., has joined the team as Science Advancement Manager.

Aston has been working with TechAccel as a consultant since October 2019. In her new role, she will apply her veterinary and research expertise to science advancement in animal health and nutrition.

"Emily has been a strong contributor from Day 1 as a consultant," said Brad Fabbri, Ph.D., TechAccel Chief Science Officer. "She brings EMILY ASTON DVM, PH.D.
has joined TechAccel as a
SCIENCE ADVANCEMENT
MANAGER

additional depth to our team with her recent postdoctoral research in virology and immunology at UC Davis. We're excited to welcome her as a fulltime member of our team."

As Science Advancement Manager, Aston will drive projects in animal health innovation with TechAccel collaborators, including research to evaluate a potential canine cancer treatment and exploration of antiviral compounds to address Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome.

Prior to joining TechAccel, Aston was a postdoctoral researcher with the US Department of Agriculture, Agriculture and Food Research Institute, National Institute of Food and Agriculture's Education and Workforce Development program. She has a DVM from Cornell University and a PhD from the University of Georgia. Her expertise includes poultry immunology, virology, vaccines, and management.

About TechAccel

TechAccel, LLC, was founded in 2014 as a technology and venture development organization in the agriculture, animal health and foodtech sectors. TechAccel sources, acquires and invests in early-stage innovation. Through collaborations with universities and research institutions, TechAccel conducts advancement and de-risking research and development to ready technologies for market adoption and commercialization. TechAccel also makes equity investments in start-up companies through its Equity+TM program where an adjacent business opportunity exists. For more information, visit www.TechAccel.net. Follow us on Twitter at @Tech Accel.

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