



Kurt Machemer

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Kurt focuses his practice on meeting the business and legal needs of emerging growth companies in the life sciences and technology sectors, as well as venture capitalists and other investors in early stage companies. He represents organizations at various stages of development, including companies with marketed pharmaceutical products, medical devices/diagnostics, and various innovative drug development programs.

Kurt helps clients through a variety of complex transactions, including public and private offerings of equity and debt securities, acquisitions and dispositions of private companies, and joint ventures and other strategic partnerships. In addition, he regularly counsels entrepreneurs, senior management and boards of directors on pre-formation, formation, governance and transactional matters. Kurt also counsels companies and senior executives on employment matters and leading academicians regarding their interactions with industry.

EXPERIENCE

Prior to joining the firm, Kurt was an attorney with Gunderson Dettmer Stough Villeneuve Franklin & Hachigian, where his practice focused on representing corporate clients and venture capital firms. He began his legal career at Nutter McClennen & Fish.

RECENT CLIENT WORK

- Formation and equity financing of Sojournix by RA Capital, Boxer Capital of the Tavistock Group, Frazier Healthcare Partners, Venrock, Janus Henderson Investors and others
- Counseling scientific founders with regard to their advisory board and equity arrangements with ROME Therapeutics
- Equity investments by .406 Ventures in multiple portfolio companies, including CloudPercept and Rapid Focus
- Acquisition of Siamab Therapeutic's tumor-associated carbohydrate antigen (TACA) discovery platform by a large commercial-stage biopharmaceutical company
- Equity investment by Merck Research Laboratories in Alector
- Equity investments by Third Rock Ventures in multiple portfolio companies including Blueprint Medicines, Constellation Pharmaceuticals, DC Devices, Edimer Pharmaceuticals, Eleven Biotherapeutics, NinePoint Medical, Nurix, Igenica Biotherapeutics, and Sage Therapeutics

Bar Admissions

- Massachusetts

Education

- Boston University School of Law, J.D.
- University of Michigan, B.A.



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- ProThera Biologics' strategic partnership with ProMetic Life Sciences
- Structured acquisition by Techcomp (Holdings) Limited of IXRF Systems
- Equity investments by 6 Dimensions Capital in multiple portfolio companies, including HiberCell
- Spin-out of Versatope Therapeutics from Cornell University
- Formation and equity financing of Keros Therapeutics by Pontifax, Partners Innovation Fund, Arkin Bio Ventures, Medison Pharma and Quark Venture
- Acquisition of Partners Health System's ownership stake in CoStim by Novartis
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in collaboration with the Skolkovo Foundation to create the Skolkovo Institute of Science and Technology outside Moscow, Russia
- Equity investment by Biogen in Solid GT
- Admission of DermBiont into the Illumina Accelerator program
- Equity financing of Civitas Therapeutics and repayable grant from Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research
- Option agreement and equity financing of Siamab Therapeutics by Momenta Pharmaceuticals
- Launch by scientific founders of Nocion Therapeutics, including investment from F-Prime, Cannan Partners, Partners Innovation Fund and others
- Strategic equity investment by Biogen in Proteostasis Therapeutics
- Equity investment by Lundbeckfond Ventures in Cydan Development
- Sale of AesRx (with a Phase II sickle cell program) to Baxter International
- Equity investment by Novo A/S in ZS Pharma
- Counseling scientific founders with regard to their advisory board and equity arrangements with Arsenal Therapeutics
- Spin-out and equity financing of Mellitus from Harvard Medical School
- Equity financing of Navitor Pharmaceuticals by Polaris Partners, Atlas Venture, Johnson & Johnson Innovation, S.R. One, Brace Pharma Capital, Reditex Ventures, Sanofi-Genzyme BioVentures and others
- Acquisition of Codiscope by Synopsys
- Equity investments and flips to U.S.-based topcos by Accel Partners in multiple portfolio companies
- Launch and funding of Vivid Biosciences
- Equity investment by Balderton Capital and Notion Capital in Groupay
- Purchase by Biogen of certain antibody assets from Amgen
- Debt and equity investments by Braemar Energy Ventures
- Formation and corporate governance of TransPoC, a not-for-profit scientific research organization



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- Equity financing of Foundation Medicine by Google Ventures and Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers
- Formation and financing of Unum Therapeutics

COMMUNITY

Kurt is an active participant in the Big Brothers of Massachusetts Bay mentorship program and a youth sports coach. Kurt has previously served as a domestic violence prevention advocate.

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