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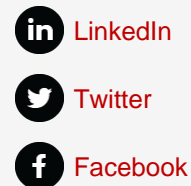
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### Keep Up With Us



## NSIV Wins Technology Incubator of the Year

Big News from InBIA:

NSIV has won the "Dinah Adkins Technology Incubator of the Year" award presented on April 23rd at the InBIA's 32nd International Conference on Business Incubation, held in Dallas. Naturally, Marty and Tom were on hand to accept this prestigious award. The conference draws more than 600 entrepreneurship support professionals to learn industry best practices and discuss the latest trends. InBIA is the International Business Innovation Association. Read more [here](#).



## NSIV Awarded 10-Year Sustaining Grant from Cummings Foundation

NSIV is thrilled to share the wonderful news that we are receiving a grant from the Cummings Foundation's new **Sustaining Grants Program**. The

grant will provide NSIV with an annual installment of \$20,000 for ten years. Winner of an earlier multi-year grant of \$100,000 in 2013, NSIV received the final distribution in 2017 and became eligible to apply for the new longer term initiative.

The application process included multiple site visits to learn how the earlier grant had supported the mission and about future plans. NSIV is proud to be among the 33 non-profits selected to receive this important sustained funding. Most people don't realize that the profits from Cummings Properties go to the charitable Cummings Foundation to support local organizations.

The sign that Marty is holding proclaims, "Congratulations! Let's keep the good going". Thank you to the Cummings Foundation!



## Member Spotlight - Akita Innovations



**Akita Innovations** custom synthesizes novel materials and chemicals.

Akita develops and sells high-value materials for companies that want an edge on their competitors and government customers who have unique and demanding requirements. Its chemicals and materials include light-absorbing and emitting dyes, optical polymers and

coatings, coating materials to provide desired permeation or wetting properties, and functionalized micro- and nanoparticles.

They also provide consulting services and testing using their highly-experienced staff of chemists and materials scientists and well-equipped laboratories, and make custom chemicals and materials so customers do not have to develop these capabilities in-house. Read more [here](#).

## Sad News From NSIV Headquarters

You've no doubt heard about the latest "Olympic" sport, even more fun than curling - ax throwing. Well, we had to try it. And we lost our lab manager.



Actually, we take safety very seriously! And this photo is our attempt at a job posting. We are sad to have Irene leave us in June for Lithuania but if you know of anyone who might be interested, please let us know.

Find the posting [here](#).

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