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**PITTSBURGH LIFE SCIENCES GREENHOUSE SENIOR EXECUTIVE ASSOCIATE,
DIANA CUGLIARI, RECEIVES BUSINESSWOMEN FIRST AWARD**

PITTSBURGH, Pa. – March 8, 2017 – [Pittsburgh Life Sciences Greenhouse](#) (PLSG), Western Pennsylvania’s only pure life sciences investment firm, is pleased to announce that Senior Executive Associate Diana Cugliari, was named one of the *Pittsburgh Business Times* BusinessWomen First honorees.

The 2017 BusinessWomen First Awards honor the region's most influential businesswomen at both for-profits and nonprofits. These awards honor women working in our region who have made a difference in their communities, blazed a trail for other women, and are leaving a mark on the western Pennsylvania business community.

“We couldn’t be happier to see Diana get this recognition,” said Jim Jordan, President and CEO of PLSG. “She’s an accomplished entrepreneur in her own right, and since she’s been with the PLSG she has demonstrated her ability to quickly grasp complex business models and apply out-of-the-box thinking to help entrepreneurs create winning strategies.

“What an honor,” said Cugliari. “I am delighted and humbled to be a part of this incredible group of talented women. The work we do at the PLSG actually changes lives, and to be a part of that has been, and continues to be, rewarding and inspiring.”

The PLSG guides researchers, entrepreneurs and emerging start-up companies through defining their products’ benefits and navigating the many challenges that arise during the early stages of company development. Ultimately, the PLSG helps bring life-changing health solutions to market, improving overall population health.

About Pittsburgh Life Sciences Greenhouse (PLSG) (www.plsg.com)

The PLSG invests in and supports the growth of life science and healthcare IT companies in Western Pennsylvania. PLSG has a track record of excellence when it comes to attracting and growing life sciences companies in the region. Since its inception in 2002, PLSG has assisted more than 450 life sciences companies and has helped create more than 2,300 jobs and has affected another 14,300 jobs in Western Pennsylvania. Forty companies have been provided with office or laboratory space and now 14 companies and 15 C-level executives have been relocated to Pittsburgh from outside of region. In addition, the PLSG has invested directly and indirectly more than \$22 million in nearly 80 companies, which has leveraged nearly \$1.8 billion in additional capital to the region.

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