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## **GaBio Names Sapna Hornyak of Clinimetrics Emerging Leader of the Year**

**ATLANTA, GA** (January 13, 2010) - Sapna Hornyak, Director for Eastern U.S. Business Operations with Clinimetrics Research Associates, Inc., has been named the 2010 Emerging Leader of the Year by Georgia Bio (GaBio). She will be honored at the GaBio Annual Awards Dinner January 21 at The Retreat of Dunwoody.

The Emerging Leader of the Year award honors young professionals for outstanding contributions to the success of the Emerging Leaders Network (ELN) and the growth of Georgia's life sciences community. The award winner is selected by a panel of seasoned industry leaders acting as advisors to the ELN.

In her role as Director for Eastern U.S. Business Operations with Clinimetrics, Mrs. Hornyak is responsible for developing business partnerships with regional life sciences companies and for coordinating the internal execution of clinical research services that promote client objectives. Previously Mrs. Hornyak held the role of Associate Director for Business Development at Clinimetrics.

Before joining Clinimetrics, Mrs. Hornyak was Clinical Trials Manager at University of Pittsburgh Medical Center where she assisted in the development of an in-house clinical trials program. She was also involved in streamlining the study initiation processes for the University Medical Center's clinical trials office.

Mrs. Hornyak has been an active member in GaBio and the ELN since September 2005. Currently she serves as the Service Co-Chair for the ELN. She earned a Bachelor's of Science degree in Biology, and Master of Science and MBA degrees from the University of Pittsburgh.

[Click here for a list of past awards recipients.](#)

GaBio's 2010 Annual Awards Dinner will be held Thursday, January 21, from 6 pm to 9 pm, at The Retreat in Dunwoody. [Here is a link to register.](#)

The **Emerging Leaders Network (ELN)**, a division of Georgia Bio is devoted to promoting networking between emerging and established professionals within the Georgia Life Sciences Community. ELN's programs are designed to facilitate the growth and development of Georgia based biotechnology academic institutions, industries and service providers. A goal of ELN is to retain and cultivate locally educated talent, as well as to welcome and integrate new members to the Georgia biotechnology community. In pursuit of these goals, ELN provides opportunities for developing industry contacts, mentoring, and career enhancement through a variety of programs.

**Georgia Bio** ([www.gabio.org](http://www.gabio.org)) is a private, non-profit association representing nearly 300 pharmaceutical, biotech and medical device companies, universities, research institutes, government groups and other business organizations involved in the research and development of products that improve health and well-being of people, animals and the environment.