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Dr Stephen Susalka is the Executive Director for the Association of University Technology Managers (AUTM) – a ~3,300 member non-profit association focused on supporting and advancing academic technology transfer globally. Dr Susalka has significant experience in technology transfer including almost ten years at Wake Forest Innovations, the commercialization enterprise of Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center. Dr Susalka is a registered U.S. Patent Agent and a past Board Member of multiple startup-companies. Previously, at the University of Virginia Patent Foundation (UVAPF), he co-authored the UVAPF Operating Manual that detailed the technology transfer process from invention disclosure to patent protection to marketing and licensing. Dr Susalka has served in a number of previous leadership positions within AUTM, including serving on the Board as Vice President for Meeting Development.

Dr Susalka earned his doctorate in Neuroscience from the University of Virginia. He majored in Biology and Psychology at the College of William & Mary where he earned a Bachelor of Science.