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Amy has dedicated the last decade of her career to supporting leaders in life sciences. As Vice President of Business Development for The Leadership Edge, Amy expertly connects life science organizations to professional development for their managers, leaders, and teams. With nearly three decades of experience empowering over 5,000 executives to reach their highest leadership potential, The Leadership Edge has proven to be an invaluable resource to the life science community. Amy has been instrumental in creating a new program, *Leadership EDGE for Women*, which was designed to create a more robust pipeline of female leaders within the industry and support gender diversity at the executive and board levels.

Prior to joining The Leadership Edge, Amy served as the Executive Director of Athena, where she was instrumental in the organization's successful transition from UCSD to an independent nonprofit organization. Through rich and diverse programming, mentoring and networking, she connected over 500 dynamic women seeking advancement opportunities in life sciences and technology. Through wide-ranging relationships and partnerships, she recruited 300+ executives to lead voluntary, yet critical, roles for the organization including the Board of Directors, committee chairs and members, mentors, facilitators, and speakers. Each of these opportunities provided valuable leadership development for aspiring and established female leaders. Amy was also a key driver of initiating a new one-on-one mentoring program, a unique offering designed to foster meaningful connections and valuable career advancement.