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Alan Blake is a co-founder and CEO of Nuclein, LLC. Nuclein is working to commercialize a disposable, hand-held PCR testing device. The initial target application will be a testing device for COVID-19. Nuclein's platform requires no technical expertise, and it is designed to deliver battery-powered, sample-to-answer results in under one hour, without the need to mail in a sample.

Alan also co-founded and was CEO of Yorktown Technologies. Yorktown was best known for GloFish®, brilliantly colored fluorescent fish, which are the world's most visible example of consumer biotechnology and the only widely-marketed biotech animal. GloFish was sold to Spectrum Brands (NYSE: SPB) in 2017. At that point, GloFish were available in over 7,000 retail locations, with roughly 100 GloFish-branded companion products, and underpinned approximately 15% of all sales in the ornamental fish industry.

Alan currently serves on the board of Falcon Structures, and he is a mentor at Capital Factory, as well as an Advisory Partner with Trinity Private Equity Group. He has formerly served as the Austin chapter president of the Entrepreneur's Organization, and as a board member of the Boys & Girls Club of the Austin Area, PrideBites, LLC, and Well Aware, as well as a mentor for Incubation Station (now SKU). Prior to co-founding Yorktown Technologies, Alan founded ClassMap, a venture-funded online learning company that ultimately served professors at 75 universities. Alan is also a winner of the prestigious Austin Under 40 award and holds 21 U.S. patents.

Alan graduated from the University of Texas at Austin, where he received a BBA with Highest Honors.