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Jatin's interest in health-tech and biotech commercialization began as a student at the Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Following completion of his undergraduate science degree he briefly worked in the medical device industry in Kenya and South Korea. Looking to further develop his career, Jatin headed to Calgary and enrolled in the multi-disciplinary MBT program.



After completing course work, he pursued an internship with the Alberta Bone & Health Institute where he developed business proposals for musculoskeletal data repositories focusing on orthopedics and rheumatology. Following his internship, he was offered a fulltime position as a Research Associate at the Alberta Bone & Health Institute, followed by consecutive promotions to Study Coordinator and Project Manager. In his current role as the Pan-SCN Manager, and along with the networks' leadership, the SCNs identify performance gaps and improvement opportunities in the health system in Alberta and engage with experts to develop, test and implement solutions leading to improvements in quality of health care in Alberta.

He credits the MBT program for creating opportunities for internships and networking with professionals in the biotech sector. Jatin has stayed connected with the MBT program since he graduated in 2013. Even though a small group, the MBT alumni community is very strong and supportive, which he believes is valuable to the MBT students from a career development perspective. To prospective students, Jatin suggests; "the MBT program instills the idea of curiosity and inquiry about the innovation industry, and the rest is up to the students on how they turn these opportunities into a career in the biotech sector."