

Quantum-Si's Platinum™ Next-Generation Protein Sequencing Instrument Wins Honorable Mention in Fast Company's 2023 Innovation by Design Awards

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BRANFORD, Conn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 22, 2023-- Quantum-Si Incorporated (Nasdaq: QSI) ("Quantum-Si," "QSI" or the "Company"), The Protein Sequencing CompanyTM, today announced that PlatinumTM, the world's first next-generation protein sequencing instrument, has been honored in *Fast Company*'s Innovation by Design Awards for 2023 in the Products category.

The Innovation by Design Awards, which can be found in the September 2023 issue of *Fast Company*, honor the designers and businesses solving the most crucial problems of today and anticipating the pressing issues of tomorrow. The competition, now in its 12th year, features a range of blue-chip companies, emerging startups, and hungry young talents. It is one of the most sought-after design awards in the industry.

"We are honored to have our first-to-market protein sequencing instrument highlighted on this year's *Fast Company*: Innovation by Design list, but it would not be possible without our world class team of engineers and scientists who spent over a decade designing and developing Platinum," said Jeff Hawkins, Chief Executive Officer of Quantum-Si. "For decades, proteomics research has relied on a team of technically advanced researchers, and large and expensive mass spectrometry machines. The beauty of Platinum's design is that it takes this complex process, and places all these critical elements into a sleek and accessible benchtop instrument that is advancing our understanding of the human proteome, and thus our own biology."

Platinum uses proprietary recognizers to identify amino acids of proteins using kinetic binding signatures. Its elegant design and simple workflow enable broad-scale access to proteomic data, for every scientist, everywhere, making it a groundbreaking platform for the future of proteomics research. With its compact benchtop design and low price-point, Platinum is poised to accelerate breakthroughs across scientific disciplines, from drug discovery to biotech, and help people live healthier and longer lives.

"So much innovation news these days is focused on AI," said Brendan Vaughan, editor-in-chief of Fast Company: "This year's Innovation by Design honorees are a reminder that it's human ingenuity that drives invention."

Winners, finalists, and honorable mentions are featured online, and winners and finalists are featured in the issue of *Fast Company* magazine, on newsstands August 29, 2023.

To see the complete list, go to https://www.fastcompany.com/innovation-by-design/list.

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Quantum-Si, The Protein Sequencing CompanyTM, is focused on revolutionizing the growing field of proteomics. The Company's suite of technologies is powered by a first-of-its-kind semiconductor chip designed to enable next-generation single-molecule protein sequencing and digitize proteomic research in order to advance drug discovery and diagnostics beyond what has been possible with DNA sequencing. Learn more at www.quantum-si.com.

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