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Dr Carol Kovac has responsibility for IBM's overall strategy for Life Sciences, including developing partnerships and directing IBM investments in this fast-growing emerging market. Her organisation spearheads the development of information technology solutions for the life sciences market, including biotechnology, genomic, e-health, pharmaceutical, and agri-science industries.

Dr Kovac's organisation brings together IBM strengths in such areas as e-business, supercomputing, data and storage management, data mining and knowledge management, as well as IBM's world-renowned research expertise in computational biology and parallel computing to deliver leading edge solutions for life sciences.

Dr Kovac joined IBM in 1983 and prior to assuming her current position in 2000, she held executive management positions at IBM Research, including Vice President of technical strategy and division operations, and Head of IBM Research efforts in computational biology. Dr. Kovac has held a number of other management positions in technology development and research in IBM, including that of Director of Manufacturing Research. In addition to research positions, she led the business unit that developed supply chain and logistics solutions for manufacturing and process industry customers, managing development, services, marketing and sales for this organization. Prior to joining IBM, she worked in research and development in the chemicals/materials industry.

Dr Kovac is a member of the IBM Academy of Technology, the Industrial Research Institute, and is on the Visiting Committee for the National Institute of Standards and Technology. She holds a PhD in Chemistry from the University of Southern California and a BA from Oberlin College.