

# nih career symposium

tuesday, may 19, 2009

## detailed agenda

**7:30 am Registration**

**8:30 am Plenary and Welcome**

Toni Hoover, PhD

Pfizer Global Research and Development

**10:00 am Session One**

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**A. Academic Careers: What's Really Out There?**

Patricia Sokolove, PhD

Deputy Director, OITE/NIH

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**B. US Job Interview Skills for International Trainees**

Julie Gold, MA, MSW, LGSW

Leadership and Professional Development Coach, OITE/NIH

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**C. Overview of Science Policy**

Lynn D. Hudson, PhD

Director, Office of Science Policy Analysis/NIH

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**D. From Bench to Bank: Breaking into the Business World**

Tracy Laabs, PhD

Technical Consultant, Strategic Analysis Inc., Technical SETA Contractor to Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency-Defense Sciences Office DARPA/DSO

Lubo Merkov, PhD

Senior Consultant, Life Sciences, Capgemini Consulting

Ingrid Lund, PhD

Consultant, Imaging Performance Partnership, The Advisory Board Company

Arthur H. Tinkelenberg PhD

Partner, Ascent Biomedical Ventures

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**E. Government Jobs Inside the Lab**

Jack M. DeBoy, DrPH

Director, Laboratories Administration, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Ana I. Robles, PhD

Staff Scientist, Laboratory of Human Carcinogenesis, NCI/NIH

Jason Schmittschmitt, PhD, LT

United States Navy

Melissa Anne Smrz, MS

Deputy Assistant Director, Forensic Analysis Branch, FBI Laboratory

Enrique Zudaire, PhD

Staff Scientist, Angiogenesis Core Facility, NCI/NIH

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**F. Let's Talk Science**

Audrey Huang, PhD

Director, Basic Science Research Communications and Media Relations, Johns Hopkins Medicine

Kirsten Sanford, PhD

Science Media Producer, Science Channel

Cynthia Issac, PhD

Senior Vice President, Ogilvy PR Worldwide

Marija Tesic-Schnell, PhD

Clinical Science Manager, Abbott Laboratories

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**G. Managing Up**

Kevin L. Jessar, JD, PhD

Associate Ombudsman, OD/NIH

**11:00 am Break**

**11:15 am    Session Two**

**A. Catching the Translational Wave (PhD)**

Jennifer E. Adair, PhD	Clinical Research Associate, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center
Elaine L. Jacobson, PhD	Professor of Pharmacology & Toxicology, University of Arizona, Arizona Cancer Center
Emma A. Meagher, MD	Associate Professor of Medicine and Pharmacology, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine
Rick Meeker, PhD	Basic Neuroscience Professor, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine

**B. Industry Careers: What's Out There?**

Randall K. Ribaldo, PhD	President and CEO, Human Workflows LLC
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**C. What's Science Got to Do With It? The Impact of Scientific Knowledge on Policy-making**

Brian Carter, PhD	ACS/AAAS Legislative Fellow
Edward Ramos, PhD	Science Policy Analyst/NIH
Carrie Wolinetz, PhD	Director of Scientific Affairs and Public Relations for the Office of Public Affairs at FASEB

**D. To the Market We Go: The Process of Patent and Technology Transfer**

Miklos Gaszner, PhD	Associate Patent Agent, MedImmune, LLC
Samira Jean-Louis, PhD	Patent Examiner, Division Technology Center, United States Patent & Trademark Office
Jonathan M. Sparks, JD, PhD	Patent Attorney, Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge LLP
J. Lille Tidwell, PhD	Life Sciences Licensing Associate, George Mason University Office of Technology Transfer

**E. Uncle Sam Wants Your PhD: Government Jobs Outside the Lab**

Maureen Beanan, PhD	Program Officer, Division of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, NIAID/NIH
Diana M. Bensyl, PhD, CDR	Senior Epidemiologist, EIS Field Supervisor, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Rita Devine, PhD	Assistant Director for Science Administration, NINDS/NIH
Michelle Hamlet, PhD	Training Program Coordinator, NHGRI/NIH
Ellen Olson, PhD	Consumer Safety Officer, Business IT Management Staff, U.S. Food and Drug Administration

**F. Now What Do I Do? – Making the Faculty Transition**

James L. Kreindler, MD	Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine
Maja Maric, PhD	Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology and Immunology, Georgetown University
Joel D. Oppenheim, PhD	Director, Sackler Institute of Graduate Biomedical Science, New York University School of Medicine
Pablo Sobrado, PhD	Assistant Professor, Department of Biochemistry, Virginia Tech University

**G. People Management**

Joan R. Goldberg	Executive Director, American Society for Cell Biology
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**12:15 pm    Lunch**

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### 1:30 pm Session Three

#### A. Research Careers in Industry

Aparna Kolhekar, PhD	Senior Scientist, Regulatory Affairs, DynPort Vaccine Company LLC
Michelle Sabourin, PhD	Scientist, Invitrogen
Yajun Tang, PhD	Scientist, Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

#### B. Teaching for a Living

Rashid Alam, PhD	Professor of Biology, Montgomery College
Reid S. Compton, PhD	Senior Lecturer, Director of College Park Scholars-Life Sciences, University of Maryland, College Park
Carla Easter, PhD	Science Education Specialist, NHGRI/NIH
Michael T. Kim, PhD	High School Teacher, Thomas Wootton High School, Montgomery County Public Schools System
Jenni Punt, VMD, PhD	Professor, Biology, Haverford College

#### C. Clinician Careers (MD/DO)

Philip E. Coyne, Jr., MD MSPH, CAPT	US Public Health Service Department of Preventive Medicine and Biometrics, Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences
Steve M. Holland, MD	Laboratory of Clinical Infectious Diseases, NIAID/NIH
Emma A. Meagher, MD	Associated Professor of Medicine and Pharmacology, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine
Jeffrey N. Siegel, MD	Clinical Team Leader, Food & Drug Administration, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
John A. Wagner, MD, PhD	Vice President, Clinical Pharmacology, Merck Research Laboratories, Merck & Co., Inc.

#### D. Negotiating Outcomes

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#### E. Uncle Sam Wants Your PhD: Government Jobs Outside the Lab

Diana M. Bensyl, PhD, CDR	Senior Epidemiologist, EIS Field Supervisor, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Maureen J. Beanan, PhD	Program Officer, Division of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, NIAID/NIH
Rita Devine, PhD	Assistant Director for Science Administration, NINDS/NIH
Michelle Hamlet, PhD	Training Program Coordinator, NHGRI/NIH
Ellen Olson, PhD	Consumer Safety Officer, Business IT Management Staff, U.S. Food and Drug Administration

#### F. The Power of the Pen: Careers Combining Science and Writing

Eliene Augenbraun, DO, PhD	President/CEO ScienCentral, Inc.
Heather Fugger, PhD	Senior Medical Writer, Global Medical Writing, Quintiles Global CRO
Jonathan M. Gitlin, PhD	Contributing Science Writer, Ars Technica, and Science Policy Analyst, NHGRI/NIH
Kristen Mueller, PhD	Associate Editor, Science Magazine

#### G. Falling Down and Getting Back Up

Denise Saunders, PhD	Counseling Psychologist, OITE/NIH
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### 2:30 pm Break

**2:45 pm      Session Four**

**A. Now What Do I Do? – Making the Faculty Transition**

Norma M. Allewell, PhD	Dean and Professor, The College of Chemical and Life Sciences, University of Maryland (Afternoon Session only)
James L. Kreindler, MD	Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine
Maja Maric, PhD	Assistant Professor, Department of Microbiology and Immunology, Georgetown University
Joel D. Oppenheim, PhD	Director, Sackler Institute of Graduate Biomedical Science, New York University School of Medicine
Pablo Sobrado, PhD	Assistant Professor, Department of Biochemistry, Virginia Tech University

**B. Industry Careers Away from the Bench**

Michael N. Alekshun, PhD	Associate Director of Research and Development Licensing, Schering-Plough Research Institute
Timothy Caven, PhD	Technical Sales Consultant, Qiagen, Inc.
Rob Genuario, PhD	Regional Account Manager, Illumina, Inc.
Mukesh Kumar, PhD, RAC	Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs and Quality Assurance, Amarex Clinical Research
Marija Tesic-Schnell, PhD	Clinical Science Manager, Abbott Laboratories

**C. Who's Driving This Thing, Anyway? Prioritizing and Guiding the Direction of Scientific Research**

Stacie Propst, PhD	Vice President of Science Policy and Analysis, Research!America Organization
Paul A. Scott, PhD	Director, Office of Science Policy and Planning, NINDS/NIH
Charles W. Wessner, PhD	Director, Technology, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship, The National Academies

**D. Around the World with your PhD: International Opportunities**

Dora Fitzli, PhD	Counselor for Science and Technology, Office of Science and Technology, Embassy of Switzerland
Leonardo Marino-Ramirez, PhD	Associate Investigator, Colombian Corporation for Agricultural Research
Izabella Zanberg, PhD	Project Manager, EURAXESS Links, USA

**E. Show Me the Money: Grants Administration**

Edwin Clayton, PhD	Scientific Review Officer, Center for Scientific Review/NIH
Peter Guthrie, PhD	Scientific Review Officer, Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Neurosciences IRG, CSR/NIH
Yung S. Lie, PhD	Scientific Director, Damon Runyon Cancer Research Foundation
Adrienne L. Wong, PhD	Senior Scientific Program Manager, Beta-Cell Replacement, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation International

**F. Balancing Work and Life**

Brianna Blaser, PhD	Project Director, Outreach, Science/AAAS
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**G. Job Search 101**

Melanie Sinche, NCC	Career Counselor & Consultant, OITE/NIH
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**4:00 pm      Concluding Remarks**