

2021 Agenda

Thursday, October 28th	
8:30am – 4:00pm	Registration
8:30am – 9:30am	<i>Networking Breakfast</i>
8:30am – 9:30am	<p>Live from the Convergence Forum: Medtech Insights with Drs. Jen Joe and Ami Bhatt hosting their interactive talk show with guest speakers</p> <p>Speakers: Jennifer Joe, MD, CEO, Vanguard Health Ami Bhatt, MD, Director, MGH Outpatient and TeleCardiology</p>
10:30am – 11:15am	<p>Mainstage Session: Developing New Drugs at Lower Price Points</p> <p>Speaker: Alexis Borisy, Founder & Executive Chairman, EQRx Moderator: Anna Protopapas, President and CEO, Mersana Therapeutics</p>
11:15am - 11:45am	<i>Networking Break</i>
11:45am - 12:30pm	<p>Mainstage Session: Today's Applications of AI in Drug Discovery – and What Comes Next</p> <p>Speakers: Kristen Fortney, PhD, CEO and co-founder at BioAge Karen Lackey, Global Head, Integrated Drug Discovery, Evotec Moderator: Rich Kivel, Managing Director, GrayBella Capital</p>
12:30pm - 2:00pm	Lunch
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2:00pm - 3:00pm	<p>Breakouts, Round 1</p> <p>A. Proteomics Revolution</p> <p>Speaker: Omead Ostadan, President/COO, Seer Moderator: Steve Dickman, Founder and CEO, CBT Advisors</p>

	<p>B. Diversity, Culture, Recruiting</p> <p>Speakers: Jeb Keiper, CEO, Nimbus Therapeutics Georgette Verdin, Chief Human Resources Officer, AVROBIO Moderator: Michal Preminger, Head, Johnson & Johnson Innovation East North America, Johnson & Johnson Innovation</p>
3:00pm - 3:30pm	Networking Break
3:30pm - 4:30pm	<p>Breakouts, Round 2</p> <p>A. Diversity in Clinical Trials</p> <p>Speakers: Melanie Ivarsson, Senior Vice President Chief Development Officer, Moderna Jayne Morgan, MD, Executive Director of the Covid Task Force, Piedmont Healthcare Moderator: Ramani Varanasi, Managing Director, ReVive Advisors</p> <p>B. Lesser-Known Venture Dynamics in 2021</p> <p>Speakers: Michael Greeley, General Partner, Flare Capital Partners Steve Kafka, PhD, Managing Partner, Section 32 Moderator: Rosemary Reilly, Partner, WilmerHale</p>
5:00pm - 6:30pm	<p>Wine Tasting sponsored by Worldwide Clinical Trials</p> <p>Introduction: Peter Benton, President & co-CEO, Worldwide CRO</p>
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Chef Demo Class - Cranberry Chutney
7:00pm - 9:00pm	Dinner
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7:45am - 8:45am	<p>Live from the Convergence Forum: Medtech Insights with Drs. Jen Joe and Ami Bhatt hosting their interactive talk show with guest speakers</p> <p>Speakers: Jennifer Joe, MD, CEO, Vanguard Health Ami Bhatt, MD, Director, MGH Outpatient and TeleCardiology</p>
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9:00am - 9:45am	<p>Mainstage Session: The Roaring 20s: Life Science Companies-Creation Post-COVID</p> <p>Speakers: Biren Amin, CFO, Immuneering Corporation Eric Elenko, PhD, Co-Founder & Chief Innovation Officer, PureTech Health Nathan Jorgensen, Chief Financial Officer, Vor Biopharma Moderator: Michael Greeley, General Partner, Flare Capital Partners</p>
9:45am - 10:15am	<p>Networking Break</p>
10:15am - 11:15am	<p>Breakouts, Round 3</p> <p>A. Widespread Screening: A Seismic Shift is Underway</p> <p>Speakers: Walter Kowtoniuk, Venture Partner, Third Rock Ventures Issi Rozen, Venture Partner, GV Moderator: Samantha Singer, President and CEO, Abata Therapeutics</p> <p>B. Developing Drugs Beyond "Rare"</p> <p>Speaker: John Glasspool, CEO, Anthos Therapeutics Adam Keeney, PhD, President & CEO, NodThera Limited Moderator: Steve Dickman, Founder and CEO, CBT Advisors</p> <p>C. Growing Businesses During (and Beyond) the Pandemic Era</p> <p>Speakers: Rodrigo Martinez, Chief Marketing and Experience Officer, CIC Health Mariana Matus, CEO and Cofounder, Biobot Analytics Moderator: Alison Taunton-Rigby, PhD, O.B.E., Independent Director, CEO, and Entrepreneur, Life Science & Healthcare Organizations</p>
11:15am - 11:45am	<p>Networking Break</p>

11:45am - 12:45pm	<p>Breakouts, Round 4</p> <p>A. Managing IP Issues During High-Stakes Transactions</p> <p>Speakers: Mark Leuchtenberger, Executive Chairman, Aleta Biotherapeutics Liz Leveille, Vice President and Head, BD&L Boston & European Innovation Hubs, Merck Moderator: Chad Davis, PhD, Partner, Dechert LLP</p> <p>B. Shaping Your Message and Dealing with Tough News</p> <p>Speakers: Cynthia Clayton, Vice President, Communications & Investor Relations, Third Rock Ventures Amanda Galgay, Head of Communications, Exscientia Jodie Morrison, Venture Partner, Atlas; Principal and Founder, Morrison Advisory Moderator: Doug MacDougall, Managing Partner, MacDougall</p> <p>C. New Terrain: The Repeatome and Exoneural Biology</p> <p>Speakers: Heike Keilhack, PhD, Chief Scientific Officer, Ribon Therapeutics Rosana Kapeller, MD, PhD, President and CEO, ROME Therapeutics Moderator: Marian Nakada, PhD, Vice President, Venture Investments, Johnson & Johnson Innovation – JJDC</p>
12:45 PM - 2:15 PM	Lunch & Lunch Discussions
2:15 PM - 3:00 PM	<p>Mainstage Session: Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cell Therapies</p> <p>Speakers: Agnieszka Czechowicz, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Division of Stem Cell Transplantation and Regenerative Medicine, Stanford University School of Medicine Brock Reeve, CEO, IVIVA Medical; Executive Director, Harvard Stem Cell Institute Moderator: Gideon Gil, Managing Editor, STAT</p>