

**Audrey's Life Science Meeting Picks for Dec. 17, 2017 through April 2018
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Golden Gate Polymer Forum, Wednesday Evening, Dec. 20, 2017

Topic: " From Fundamental Polymer Synthesis to Applications - Polythioaminals from the Stabilization of Reactive Intermediates for Tailorable Surfaces, speaker, Rudy J. Wojtecki.

IBM Almaden Research Center, San Jose

Event Date: Wednesday, Dec. 20

6:00 PM social hour

7:00 PM dinner

8:00 PM presentation

Location: Michael's at Shoreline, 2960 N Shoreline Blvd., Mountain View

Cost:

Employed/postdocs: \$30 early registration, \$35 regular registration

Unemployed/retired/students: \$15 early registration, \$20 regular registration

Free if you attend just the lectures at 8:00 PM (but please let us know for headcount)

After deadline:

Registration not guaranteed, so contact us

Late fee applies if space available -- \$40 regular/employed, \$25

unemployed/student/retired

Deadlines for registration:

End of discounted advance registration Friday, Dec, 15, 11:59 PM

End of regular (full-price) registration Tuesday, Dec. 19, 5:00 PM

Because we must pay the restaurant for the ordered meal, we must ask no-shows to pay for their reservation.

However, penalty-free cancellations are allowed up until the deadline for reservations (Tuesday, Dec. 19, 5:00 PM).

PLEASE NOTE:

We accept cash or checks at the door, but are unable to accept payment by credit card at the event.

You may pay at the door.

Checks may be made to "GGPF"

Please register on the web page, www.GGPF.org<<http://www.GGPF.org>>

Or, if necessary, contact:

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Topic Abstract

1,3,5-hexahydro-1,3,5-triazines (HTs) and their thermosetting polymer analogues, PHTs, have attracted recent attention in the materials space as they exhibit a number of attractive properties such as healability, facile preparation of anti-microbial surfaces, and even as detectors for heavy metals.[1] HTs also demonstrate unique reactivity towards sulfur containing compounds. Hydrogen sulfide will, for instance, readily react with HTs at room temperature to form dithioazine, where the six-member HT ring undergoes replacement of two nitrogen atoms with sulfur. Organic thiols will also react with HTs to produce thioaminals, a transformation that was recently exploited to generate a new class of linear step-growth polymers, polythioaminals.[2] The synthesis of polythioaminals are tolerant to

a variety of substituents, functional groups, and monomers, and the subsequent polymers enable access to interesting post-polymerization chemistries such as the facile introduction of end-groups to produce functional oligomers. Subsequent studies of the formation of HTs have shown the use of electron withdrawing substituents on aromatic diamines extend the stability of reaction intermediates. In the presence of these intermediates dithiols could be readily reacted to form polythioaminals without the use HTs. The resulting reaction leads to linear polymers that possess monothioaminal linkages, moieties found to be latent crosslinks activated at higher temperatures and leading to the formation of chemically stable network polymers. This reactivity enabled access to a broader substrate diversity of polymers and polymer networks. Furthermore, using the chemically responsive behavior established in linear polythioaminals produced from HTs, end-group functionality could be introduced to these networks to produce tailorable surfaces and the introduction of desired functional groups. These networks possess an attractive characteristic of easy-to-process fluorinated polymers with applications that include hydrophobic coatings and adhesives and lithography.

[1] R. J. Wojtecki, A. Y. Yuen, T. G. Zimmerman, G. O. Jones, H. W. Horn, D. J. Boday, J. L. Hedrick, J. M. García, *The Analyst* 2015, 140, 5184-5189.

[2] R. J. Wojtecki, G. O. Jones, A. Y. Yuen, W. Chin, D. J. Boday, A. Nelson, J. M. García, Y. Y. Yang, J. L. Hedrick, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 2015, 137, 14248-14251.

Speaker Bio

Dr. Wojtecki graduated from Case Western Reserve University with a Ph.D. in Macromolecular Science & Engineering under the auspices of Stuart J. Rowan, now at the Univ. of Chicago. His research focused on the synthesis of mechanically interlocked polymers composed of catenanes, chemical units that were the subject of the 2016 Nobel prize in chemistry on molecular machines (catenanes & rotaxanes). This work was recently accepted into the journal *Science* in a report titled "Poly[n]catenanes: The Synthesis of Molecular Chains." Rudy joined IBM Almaden Research Center after completion of his graduate work. He is an author/co-author of 19 peer reviewed scientific publications including a *Nature Materials* Review article. In 2017 he was recognized as an IBM Master Inventor for work highlighted in 35 issued patents. Rudy's current research efforts are geared to address ongoing challenges for lithography and patterning materials used in the manufacturing of semiconductors that include selective deposition schemes using atomic layer deposition and extreme ultraviolet lithography.

Bio2Device Group, Tuesday Mid Day, Jan. 9, 2018

Event: "Tour, Talk and Lunch at Steri-Tek"

Speaker: Larry Nichols, CEO, Steri-Tek

Date and Time: Tuesday, Jan. 9, 2018, 11:30 am

Location: Steri-Tek, 48225 Lakeview Blvd. Fremont

Cost:

\$6 - Students/In-transition - Members only

\$6 - Members who pre-registered (Special Event)

Register at <http://bio2devicegroup.org/content/tour-talk-and-lunch-steri-tek-larry-nichols-01092018-1130am>

Event Details:

As we kick off Bio2Device Group's 15th year, we are doing something totally different. And please NOTE: we are LIMITED TO 30 ATTENDEES, so pre-registration is a must!!!

Our evening meeting on January 9, 2018 will be a NOON type field-trip meeting to Steri-Tek in Fremont! This timing is an attempt to avoid the late afternoon and evening rush-hour mayhem in the East Bay. We will gather at Steri-Tek at 11:30Am for check-in, a light lunch, and networking. At 12PM will have a tour of Steri-Tek's new e-Beam and X-Ray sterilization facility. Upon completion of the tour (about 12:30pm), Larry Nichols will give an introductory presentation on sterilization of pharmaceuticals, biologics and medical devices.

Some of what he will cover is:

E-Beam and X-Ray Sterilization

What materials are compatible

Medical Device

Pharma

Biologics

Tricks to make radiation work for sensitive materials

Split Dosing

Temperature controlled processing

Shielding the beam

Attenuating the beam

Modified Atmosphere Packaging

Why E-Beam

Quick processing time

Most gentle on materials

Most cost effective

Why X-Ray

Deep product penetration

Gentle on materials

Dose uniformity

We will then wrap up the event with one-on-one discussions and questions and networking.

Sign-up below for the January 9, 2018 Event:

Speaker Bio

Larry Nichols is the CEO of Steri-Tek, located in Fremont, CA.

Larry began working in the medical device sterilization industry at Nutek Corp in 1996.

During his tenure at Nutek, he was involved with operations, quality and management.

He has been in charge of validating all of the customer's products at the facility. He

coordinated the validations with the customers and advised them of their responsibilities to

conform with ISO, the FDA, Japanese and European regulations. In 2009, Larry join the

committees for ISO/AAMI Radiation Sterilization Working Group (ISO/TC 198/WG 02) and

ASTM Committee E61 on Radiation Processing. Larry gives talks at industry events such as

Medical Device and Manufacturing Conferences, Texas A&M workshops and the International

Irradiation Association.

Larry earned his BS degree in Business Management from Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo, CA.

Simon+Kucher Partners, Friday, Jan. 11, 2018

Forum: "Redefining Value in the Life Sciences"

Date and Time: Friday, Jan. 11, 2018, 12:00-5:00 pm

Location: InterContinental San Francisco

Panel Description:

This year's panel discussions will focus on addressing pharma innovations, digitalization of healthcare, and emerging value models. Panelists include:

- Durga Bobba, Chief Business Officer, SutroVax Inc.
- Justin Kao, Co-founder & Senior Vice President, Helix
- Marc Schwabish, US Head Pharma Business Development & Licensing, Bayer

During this program, you will have the opportunity to build connections with fellow leading industry professionals and gain new insights into current and evolving trends including novel healthcare delivery initiatives and value-based care models, and how these advancements will impact the life sciences landscape in the near future.

For more details or to RSVP, please go to: <http://www.simon-kucher.com/en-us/events/redefining-value-life-sciences>.

Full speaker list and detailed agenda are forthcoming.

PBSS, Monday, Jan. 22, 2018

Event: Workshop: Preclinical development & IND/CTA Filing

Speakers: Tracy Chen, Jim Zhang, Peter Staehr, Anne Bonneville, Xingrong Liu

Date and Time: 1/22/2018, 8:30-17:00

Location: SF Bay Area: Foster City Crowne Plaza

Registration fee (USD): Regular: \$195; Academic: \$125; For unemployed or students: \$30;

Registration: <http://www.PBSS.org>

Registration deadline: 1/22/2018 (it will close sooner if the seating cap is reached)

Precision Medicine World Conference (PMWC) Silicon Valley 2018, Jan. 22-24, 2018

Event: Medical Conference

Date and Time: January 22, 2018, 8:00am to January 24, 2018 5:00pm

Location: Computer History Museum, 1401 N Shoreline Blvd, Mountain View, California, 94043

Cost: \$1350 by December 13th, 2017

Registration: 3-Day Access to Talks, Exhibition & Reception:

Learn more at: <http://www.pmwcintl.com/2018sv-info/>

Event Description:

Precision Medicine World Conference (PMWC) Silicon Valley is organized by Precision Medicine World Conference (PMWC) and will be held during Jan 22 - 24, 2018 at Computer History Museum, Mountain View, California, United States Of America.

The preeminent Precision Medicine World Conference (PMWC) series is recognized as a vital cornerstone for all constituents of the healthcare and biotechnology community and considered an exceptional forum for the exchange of information about the latest advances and topics in technology, clinical implementation, research, and the regulatory and reimbursement sectors. Learn first-hand from the experts in precision medicine: recognized leaders and innovators, top researchers, medical professionals, and more, catalyzing cross-functional fertilization and collaboration.

PMWC 2018 SV, co-hosted by Stanford Health Care, UCSF, Intermountain Healthcare, Duke Health, and Duke University will cover all facets of Precision Medicine including current hot topics like immunotherapy, the Precision Medicine Initiative (All of US), liquid biopsy, the human microbiome, big data, and cancer & companion diagnostics.

Session Themes :

- Metabolomics Proteomics Applications
- Medical Health Apps
- Cancer Immunology, Immunotherapy
- Patient Recruitment for Clinical Trials
- Cancer Stem Cells
- Infectious Disease Monitoring, Pathogen Identification
- The Economics and Financial Impact of Bringing PM to the Clinic
- Addressing Disparities and Public Health

- Reimbursement - the Payer Perspective
- Liquid Biopsies
- Biobanking
- Telemedicine
- Large-scale integrated genomics, phenotype, and clinical data analysis
- Data Sharing
- Interoperability in Healthcare.

Speakers:

- Sir John Bell, Regius Professor of Medicine, Oxford University
- Dame Sally Davies, Chief Medical Officer, Department of Health, UK Government
- Elizabeth Blackburn, Nobel Laureate, President, Salk Institute for Biological Studies
- George Sledge, Professor, Division Chief, Stanford University Medical Center
- Jeffrey Bluestone, CEO and President, Parker Institute for Cancer Immunotherapy
- Christopher Ianelli, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, iSpecimen
- Kenneth J. Pienta, Director, Brady Urological Institute, Johns Hopkins Medicine
- Roy Beveridge, Senior Vice President & Chief Medical Officer, Humana
- Kimberly Blackwell, Professor of Medicine, Assistant Prof. of Radiation Oncology, Duke Cancer Institute
- Joshua Denny, Professor of Biomedical Informatics & Medicine, Vanderbilt University Medical Center
- Edward S. Kim, Chair, Solid Tumor and Investigational Therapeutics, Levine Cancer Institute
- Howard L. McLeod, Medical Director, Personalized Medicine Institute, Moffitt Cancer Center
- Lee Newcomer, SVP, UnitedHealthcare Oncology and Genetics
- Vinod Khosla, Partner and Founder of Khosla Ventures
- Troy Brennan, Executive VP & CMO, CVS Health
- Ira Mellman, VP, Cancer Immunology, Genentech

WIB Webinar, Wednesday Mid-Day, Jan. 24, 2018

Event: WIB-National Webinar "Speak up and Succeed! How to Find and Use Your Voice to Deliver Impact"

Date and Time: January 24, 2018, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. EST; noon-1:00 pm PT

Contact: Women In Bio, info@WomenInBio.org

Pricing: Members free, nonmembers- \$30

Online registration is available until: 1/24/2018

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Register at https://www.womeninbio.org/events/unable_to_register.asp?id=1048355

Event Description

As an organizational leader, there are many opportunities to have a positive impact, but to do so, you need to speak up and be heard. During this webinar Kristin Backstrom, Ph.D., will share strategies to manage yourself, your voice, and your message. Wouldn't you like to be in full control of yourself and your message so you know you are heard? Wouldn't you like to overcome anxiety related to sharing your ideas and input? And deliver effective, impactful feedback or input? Learn how to find and use your voice so that you are able to build rapport with others, insert value, and get credit for your own ideas.

Speaker Bio

Kristin Backstrom, Ph.D., helps rising executives and seasoned leaders take on new challenges and succeed. With a Ph.D. in business psychology, a masters degree in marketing, and

years of experience aligning human capital motivation with business objectives, Kristin helps her clients advance in their career paths through improved self-management, strategic thinking, collaboration, personal resilience, and assertiveness. As an applied research practitioner, her methods are derived from what research says works to create and sustain positive change in people and the places they work.

Walk-Ins Accepted?

Walk-ins are not accepted – be sure to register early!

Pricing Information

Members: Free

Non-Members: \$30

* - Registrants will be sent a specific GoToMeeting link to access the webinar. Please be sure to click on the link before the webinar to ensure the program is properly installed on your computer.

Registration Deadline

January 16, 2018

Event Date/Time

Wednesday, January 24, 2018

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (noon – 1:00 pm PT)

*- Please note this webinar's time is listed in Eastern Standard Time.

Venue

Webinar link to be provided in confirmation email

JLABS, Thursday Morning, Jan. 25, 2018

Topic: "Who's Who in 2018: A Strong Finish to 2017 Healthcare Investing?"

Speaker: Jonathan Norris | Managing Director, Silicon Valley Bank

Date and Time: Thursday, January 25, 2018 from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM (PST)

Agenda:

8:00 AM | Registration, Breakfast & Networking

8:30 AM | Presentation - Q&A

9:30 AM | Networking

10:00 AM | Program Close

Location:

JLABS @ SSF

329 Oyster Point Blvd - 3rd Floor

South San Francisco, CA

Fees:

\$12 | General Public

\$8 | Student/Academic

\$25 | At the door

Details and registration at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/whos-who-in-2018-a-strong-finish-to-2017-healthcare-investing-tickets-36706212269?aff=weekly>

Event Details

2017 saw a banner first half, driven in part by advancements in artificial intelligence and machine learning for healthcare applications and a surge in Series A

investments. With 2017 in the review mirror, Jon Norris takes a look at – and makes sense of – the past trends to provide an informed look into 2018.

As the 2018 investment market takes shape, what can we expect for the IPO and M&A markets? Jon will share his expertise and provide insight into:

How the 2017 healthcare landscape compares to previous years

Current and total healthcare and sector investments

Which Biopharma indications attracted the most funds

Which venture firms are most active

Changes in the past crossover phenomenon

Exits: the trends in IPOs and M&A's

At the end of this talk you should be informed as to who is investing, and the type of deals and exits that are likely to be executed in 2018.

Presenter's Biography:

Jonathan Norris | Managing Director, Silicon Valley Bank

Jon Norris is a managing director for SVB's Healthcare practice. Norris oversees business development efforts for banking and lending opportunities as well as spearheading strategic relationships with many healthcare venture capital firms. He also helps SVB Capital through sourcing and advising on direct equity co-investment and limited partnership allocations.

In addition, he has authored numerous thought leadership pieces examining the flow of capital into healthcare, including detailed analysis of venture-backed M&A and IPOs. Norris has more than thirteen years of banking experience working with life science companies and venture capital firms.

Norris earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of California, Riverside and a juris doctorate from Santa Clara University.

About Jon Norris spends most of his non-banking time with his family in Los Altos, attending and coaching many youth sports. An avid baseball fan, he still plays baseball in a men's baseball league in San Jose.

SBIR Workshops, Winter 2018, Available at UC Berkeley and UCSF

Class: "Get non-dilutive funding for your startup. Take the QB3 SBIR workshop."

Available at UC Berkeley and UCSF

UCSF: Six sessions, on Thursdays

Dates: Starts Feb. 1, ends Mar. 29

Location: Genentech Hall, UCSF Mission Bay

See the individual workshop pages for details.

Instructors

Shauna Farr-Jones, PhD, UCSF/QB3 grant writer

Ioana Aanei, PhD, Entrepreneurship Program Manager, QB3

Kaspar Mossman, PhD, Director of Marketing & Communications, QB3

Fee Structure

General Admission: \$750

Startup in a Box members: \$150

Note: Startup in a Box fee for UC founder: \$250, non-UC founder: \$350. More information on the program is available here.

Register at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/qb3-sbir-workshop-at-ucsf-spring-2018-tickets-41020922684?mc_cid=c26b42b0f4&mc_eid=cb4c38a44a

Email Ioana Aanei with any questions.

About the Instructor

Shauna Farr-Jones, Ph.D., has a record of writing successful government grant and contract proposals on diverse life science topics, providing strategic input on both research and business plans. She has helped companies secure over \$200 million in grant and contract funding from numerous government and philanthropic organizations, including BARDA, NIH, DTRA, USDA, DARPA and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. For 17 years, she has consulted for life science companies and universities, identifying funding opportunities, preparing research plans, marketing plans, technical reports INDs, NDAs, white papers and proposals. She is also the Project Manager of the Antibody Technology Research Center at UCSF. Previously, she was Senior Writer at BioCentury Publications, where she analyzed and wrote about the biotechnology industry. She was a post-doctoral fellow at UCSF and has a Ph.D. in Biochemistry from Tufts University.

UC Berkeley: Four sessions, on Wednesdays

Dates: Starts Feb. 14, ends Mar. 14

Location: Stanley Hall, UC Berkeley

For entrepreneurs looking for non-dilutive federal funding to get life science startups off the ground. Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) grants from US federal agencies can provide up to \$225k (Phase I) or \$1.5M (Phase II) for startup R&D. But applying can be a complex, frustrating affair if you are not ready for it. We get you ready. Our instructors walk you through your NSF or NIH SBIR grant application to ensure you complete everything properly and submit by the April NIH or June NSF deadlines.

Did you know that entrepreneurs applying through the QB3 workshop are 3x more likely than the nationwide average to get funded?

Location is 177 Stanley Hall, UC Berkeley. All classes are on Wednesdays. Class

dates: Feb. 14, Feb. 21, Mar. 7, Mar. 14

The chances of your SBIR getting funded are vastly improved if your proposal is well written and packaged. In fact, many great ideas fail to get funded simply because of poor "grantsmanship." In addition, first-time applicants are often daunted by the intricacies of the grant submission and review process, and unsure about how to interact with funding agency staff.

This workshop will help you develop a compelling, well-organized research plan, and to explain your ideas in clear, engaging writing that will win over your reviewers. We will focus on the Research Plan sections of NIH and NSF SBIR proposals, and one full session will be devoted to helping you craft your Specific Aims (the most important section of your application). We will also provide guidance on filling out your budget,

Biosketch and other forms, and tips on how to most effectively navigate the NIH and NSF application and review processes.

The workshop will consist of four 2.5 to 3 hour sessions. Specific topics to be covered will include:

- Introduction to the NIH and NSF SBIR funding processes
- Identifying funding opportunities
- Developing a logical, compelling Research Plan
- Facing and conquering the blank page
- Writing for your reviewers
- Instructor and peer feedback on your Specific Aims
- Making the most of graphics
- Electronic registration and submission
- Communicating with NIH and NSF staff

This class is designed for applicants planning to submit for the April 5, 2018 NIH and/or the June 2018 NSF deadline. The science writing skills taught in this class will serve you well in writing not only grant applications, but also manuscripts and public relations materials.

Fee Structure

General Admission: \$750

Startup in a Box members: \$150

Note: Startup in a Box fee for UC founder: \$250, non-UC founder: \$350. More information on the program is available [here](#).

Register at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/qb3-sbir-workshop-at-berkeley-spring-2018-tickets-41022444235?mc_cid=c26b42b0f4&mc_eid=cb4c38a44a

Email [Ioana Aanei](mailto:Ioana.Aanei) with any questions.

About the Instructor

Gabrielle G. Leblanc, Ph.D. is a grant consultant and science writer with over 15 years of previous experience as both an NIH grant program director and an NIH- and NSF-funded PI. She has worked with numerous grant applicants in both academia and biotech, and as a science writer for NIH institutes, non-profit foundations, and the popular press. She has a B.A. in Biology from Harvard University and a Ph.D. in Neuroscience from Stanford University.

JLABS, Thursday Morning, Feb. 2, 2018

Event: "Meet With...Versant Ventures"

Speakers: Graham G. Walmsley | Investment Professional, Versant Ventures and Lev Osherovich | Director of Innovation Sourcing, Versant Ventures

Date and Time: Thursday, February 1, 2018 from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM (PST)

Agenda:

10:30AM | Registration and Networking

11:00 AM | Presentation and Q&A

12:00 PM | Networking Lunch

1:00-5:15 PM | One-on-One Meeting* (30 - minute meetings)

*Companies must have applied for a one-on-one meeting ahead of time and been approved. Applications are due January 4, 2018. Apply Here.

Location: Johnson & Johnson Innovation, JLABS, 329 Oyster Point Blvd, 3rd Floor South San Francisco, CA

Fees:

Presentation

\$25 | General Public

\$35 | Onsite

Details and registration at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/meet-with-versant-ventures-tickets-36705327623?aff=weekly>

One-on-One Meeting

FREE | Application

FREE | Accepted Companies

Apply to meet one-on-one with Graham Walmsley of Versant Ventures. Your application will be reviewed and you will be notified of acceptance on Wednesday, January 18th, 2018. Acceptance of a one-on-one meeting is not guaranteed as all applications must be approved.

Event Details

Committed to transforming the healthcare landscape through innovation, Versant Ventures is eager to help you make an impact in healthcare. Graham Walmsley, MD, Ph.D. and Lev Osherovich, Ph.D. of Versant Ventures will be visiting JLABS @ SSF on February 1, 2018 to provide an overview of Versant's unique investment strategies and meet 1-on-1 with pre-selected companies.

*The one-on-one application process is separate from the event registration process. Companies must have applied for a one-on-one meeting ahead of time and been approved. Applications are due by January 4th. Apply Here.

Program Overview:

Versant Ventures is a leading healthcare investment firm committed to helping exceptional entrepreneurs who are building the next generation of great healthcare companies. The firm invests across the healthcare sector and at all stages of company development, with an emphasis on the discovery and development of novel therapeutics. With \$2.3 billion under management and offices in North America and Europe, Versant has built a team with deep investment, operating, and scientific expertise that enables a hands-on approach to company building. Since the firm's founding in 1999, nearly 70 Versant companies have achieved successful acquisitions or IPOs.

Graham Walmsley, MD, Ph.D. and Lev Osherovich, Ph.D. will be in attendance to provide an overview presentation of their firm's area of interest. They will be on hand to meet with a handful of applicants 1-on-1 after the presentation. To be considered

for a 1-on-1 meeting complete the information required here. Applications due by January 4, 2018.

Speakers' Biographies:

Graham G. Walmsley | Investment Professional, Versant Ventures

Graham G. Walmsley, M.D., Ph.D. is an Investment Professional at Versant Ventures focused on biotechnology and healthcare investments. Graham joined Versant after completing his training as a Physician Scientist Fellow at Stanford University School of Medicine. At Versant, Graham helped build and launch BlueRock Therapeutics, a regenerative medicine company formed in collaboration with Bayer through one of the largest series A investments (\$225M) in biotech history.

Graham received his M.D. and Ph.D. in Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine from Stanford University and earned his B.A. in Molecular and Cell Biology with summa cum laude honors from the University of California, Berkeley. He conducted his thesis work in the laboratories of Irving Weissman and Michael Longaker with a focus on regenerative medicine, stem cells, and therapeutic approaches to fibrosis. This work was featured in TIME Magazine and resulted in several patents as well as over 60 peer-reviewed publications in journals such as Science and Cell.

Lev Osherovich | Director of Innovation Sourcing, Versant Ventures

Lev Osherovich, Ph.D. is Director of Innovation Sourcing at Versant Ventures, where he focuses on early stage therapeutic investment. Lev trained in Molecular and Cell Biology at UC Berkeley (undergraduate) and in Biochemistry at UCSF, and completed postdoctoral training at University of Kent at Canterbury and UCSF. After leaving academia, he worked as a biotech industry analyst and science journalist at BioCentury and Nature Publishing Group. Since 2014, Lev has worked at Versant and its discovery engine, Inception Sciences, to evaluate academic research with translational potential and to create new portfolio companies.

JLABS, Tuesday Morning, Feb. 6, 2018

Topic: "The Art and Science of Productive FDA Meetings"

Speaker: Ron Farkas, MD PhD, Vice President, Technical, PAREXEL Consulting

Tuesday, February 6, 2018 from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM (PST)

Agenda:

10:30 AM | Registration & Networking

11:00 AM | Presentation

11:40 AM | Q&A

12:00 PM | Networking Lunch

1:00 PM | Program Close

Location: JLABS @ SSF, 329 Oyster Point Blvd - 3rd Floor, South San Francisco, CA

Fees:

\$25 | General Public

\$10 | Student/Academic

\$35 | At the door

Details and registration at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-art-and-science-of-productive-fda-meetings-tickets-37017978771?aff=weekly>

Event Details

Getting solutions to patients can be a long and complicated process. Working with the FDA is a key part of the sequence. Preparing for and understanding the FDA's needs is essential to smooth the way and shorten your time to approval.

Johnson & Johnson Innovation, JLABS is happy to be hosting Ron Farkas, MD PhD, Vice President, Technical, PAREXEL Consulting, to discuss the ins and outs of FDA meetings. Ron will pull from his vast experience which includes a decade plus run at the FDA to help guide us through these vital interactions. Topics will include:

- Understanding the FDA's position; not just what it wants but why
- What to agree on now and later; What does agreement mean?
- The key to proceed
- Understanding the dynamics within the FDA
- Flexibility and norms and what they mean
- Experts, Patients and Advocates at Meetings
- Meeting minutes and follow up

Understanding the process will help you better prepare for your meetings and build confidence in and ability to adjust your own plan. Come prepared with your questions!

Speaker Bio

Ron Farkas | Vice President, Technical, PAREXEL Consulting

Dr. Ronald Farkas is a senior regulatory professional with over 15 years of experience in all phases of drug development from preclinical development through marketing application, advisory committee meetings, labeling negotiations, and the post-approval period. Dr. Farkas has in-depth cross-disciplinary expertise in clinical safety and efficacy, clinical pharmacology and pharmacogenomics, preclinical development, statistical analysis, and biomarker/surrogate endpoint development and utilization.

Dr. Farkas uses his extensive scientific, drug development and regulatory experience to assist clients in negotiating with regulatory authorities across the entire product life cycle to achieve their company objectives.

Prior to joining PAREXEL, Dr. Farkas was a Cross-Disciplinary Team Leader at FDA in CDER's Division of Neurology Products, with prior assignments to the Office of New Drugs Guidance and Policy Team and the CDRH Office of Device Evaluation. Prior to joining the FDA, Dr. Farkas was an assistant professor and attending surgeon at the Johns Hopkins University Wilmer Ophthalmic Institute.

Dr. Farkas completed residency training in ophthalmology at the Harvard University School of Medicine Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, subsequent to earning dual MD and PhD degrees in neuroanatomy and neuropharmacology from the University of Illinois at Chicago School of Medicine.

PBSS, Thursday, Feb. 22, 2018

Event: Workshop Metabolite Detection Identification and Qualification for Drug Development

Speakers: S. Cyrus Khojasteh, Bill Fitch, Shichang Miao, Ryan Takahashi, Raju Subramanian, Shuguang Ma
Date and Time: 2/22/2018, 8:30-17:00
Location: SF Bay Area: Foster City Crowne Plaza
Registration fee (USD): Regular: \$195; Academic: \$125; For unemployed or students: \$30; For vendor-show rep: \$35; For major-sponsor rep (incl lunch): \$0; Registration deadline:2/22/2018 (it will close sooner if the seating cap is reached)
Register at <http://www.pbss.org/asp/asp/login01.aspx?iURL=>

PBSS Workshop, Monday, March 12, 2018

Topic: "Clinical Trials Essentials: An Intensive One-Week Course (register for the full week or half day sessions)"

Speakers: Edward Rozhon, Mike Huston, Narinder Singh, Gerri O'Riordan, Pete Shabe, Savita Sinha, Clarisa Tate, Frances Ann McKenney
Date and Time: 3/12/2018, 8:30-17:30
Registration fee (USD): One-week full course: \$1865; Mon AM: Drug Development Process: \$200; Mon PM: Science of Clinical Trials Design: \$200; Tue AM: GCP & ICH Investigator & Clinical Research Site: \$200; Tue PM: Global Clinical Trials Perspective & Applied Statistics in Clinical Trials: \$200; Wed AM: Monitoring Clinical Trials: \$200; Wed PM: Medical Devices: \$200; Thur AM: Clinical Data Management: \$200; Thur PM: Clinical QA/Compliance Audits and the FDA: \$200; Fri AM: Good Manufacturing Practices and the Transition to Full Scale Manufacturing: \$200; Fri PM: Business of Clinical Research; Study Site Perspective: \$200;
Location: SF Bay Area: Foster City Crowne Plaza
Registration: <http://www.PBSS.org>
Registration deadline:3/9/2018 (it will close sooner if the seating cap is reached)

Topic Description

Clinical Trials Essentials: An Intensive One-Week Course
A joint course between UCSC Extension Silicon Valley and Pharmaceutical and Bio Science Society -- San Francisco

Monday March 12, 2018 – 8:30 am—12:30 pm

Drug Development Process 4 hours – Edward Rozhon

Major players in drug development
Assay development and discovery of new medical entities
Non clinical and clinical development of new drugs
History and regulatory oversight of FDA
Structure of Phase I, II, & III clinical trials
FDA review of New Drug Application.
Monday March 12, 2018 – 1:30 pm—5:30 pm

Science of Clinical Trials Design 4 hours – Mike Huston

Phases of drug development
Objectives of clinical studies
Basic clinical trials designs
Underlying science for clinical trials designs.
Tuesday March 13, 2018 – 8:30 am—12:30 pm

GCP & ICH Investigator & Clinical Research Site 4 hours – Narinder Singh

Historical and legislative roads to Good Clinical Practices (GCP)

Principles of GCP and the research-care conflict

Role of various stakeholders in Clinical Trials

Elements of informed consent.

Tuesday March 13, 2018 – 1:30–3:00 pm

Study Site Perspective 1.5 hours – Gerri O’Riordan

Translational research in an academic center: fundamental strengths and weaknesses

Research Process and Operations management as the success of a trial

Essential conversations between academia, biomedical and pharmaceutical companies, venture capitalists and consultants

Data Integrity and well-supported metrics (Case Studies).

Tuesday March 13, 2018 – 3:15 pm–5:30 pm

Applied Statistics in Clinical Trials 2.25 hours – Pete Shabe

The role statistics plays in clinical research

Basic data summarization techniques

Estimation and Hypothesis Testing Introduction

Estimation and Confidence Intervals

Statistical Hypothesis Testing.

Wednesday March 14, 2018 – 8:30 am–12:30 pm

Monitoring Clinical Trials 4 hours – Savita Sinha

Review the basic regulatory requirements of monitoring a clinical research study

Describe the tasks that should be performed before, during, and after a monitoring visit

Learn how to track all key parameters involved in monitoring a site

Know how to complete visit reports and follow-up on action items after each site visit.

Wednesday March 14, 2018 – 1:30 pm–5:30 pm

Medical Devices, An Overview 4 hours – Clarisa Tate

What is a medical device, a general overview of regulations

Medical devices regulatory pathways: 510(k), PMA, and HDE

Medical device clinical trials: Focus on Investigational Device Exemptions

Post-market surveillance: Focus on 522, complaints, and recalls

Globalization and changing regulatory environment.

Thursday March 15, 2018 – 8:30 am–12:30 pm

Clinical Data Management 4 hours – Instructor TBA

Key data management activities for study startup, conduct, and closeout

Regulations applicable to data management activities

Clinical data management systems and electronic data capture (EDC)

Working with contract research organizations (CROs) for data management.

Thursday March 15, 2018 – 1:30 pm–5:30 pm

Clinical QA/Compliance Audits and the FDA 4 hours – Frances Ann McKenney

Qualifications needed for GXP auditors and FDA Inspectors
Objectives of sponsor audits and regulatory inspections
Similarities and differences between sponsor audits and regulatory inspections
General approach to hosting an audit or inspection
Types of findings that cause concern for auditors or inspectors.
Friday March 16, 2018 – 8:30 am–12:30 pm

Good Manufacturing Practices and regulatory trends 4 hours – Narinder Singh

Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) for drugs
GMP for biologics and related products, including Good Tissue Practices
Considerations for Quality Systems.
Friday March 16, 2018 – 1:30 pm–3:00 pm

Global Clinical Trials Perspective 1.5 hour – Narinder Singh

Trends in global clinical trials.
Role of FDA and local regulatory culture.
Friday March 16, 2018 – 3:15 pm–5:30 pm

Business of Clinical Research 2 hours – Mike Huston

The Market Players – Pharma, Biotech, Contract Research Organizations (CROs)
Cost of Doing Business – Cost of conducting clinical research
Outsourcing and CROs – It costs money to make money
Innovative Ways to Reduce Cost – Business Strategies and Process Innovations.

JLABS, Thursday Mid Day, March 29, 2018

Event: Meet With... Frazier Healthcare Partners
Speakers: James W. Brush, M.D. | Senior Associate, Frazier Healthcare Partners and
Patrick Heron, MBA | Managing General Partner, Frazier Healthcare Partners
Date and Time: Thursday, March 29, 2018 from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM (PDT)
Agenda:
10:30AM | Registration and Networking
11:00 AM | Presentation and Q&A
12:00 PM | Networking Lunch
1:00-5:15 PM | One-on-One Meeting* (30 - minute meetings)

*Companies must have applied for a one-on-one meeting ahead of time and been approved. Applications are due February 22,, 2018. Apply Here.
Location: JLABS @ SSF, 329 Oyster Point Blvd - 3rd Floor, South San Francisco, California

Fees:
Presentation
\$25 | General Public
\$35 | Onsite

One-on-One Meeting
FREE | Application

FREE | Accepted Companies

Apply to meet one-on-one with Jamie Brush of Frazier Healthcare Partners. Your application will be reviewed and you will be notified of acceptance on March 13th. Acceptance of a one-on-one meeting is not guaranteed as all applications must be approved.

Details and registration at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/meet-with-frazier-healthcare-partners-tickets-36705859213?aff=weekly>

Event Description

With over 26 years of exclusively investing in over 170 healthcare companies, Frazier Healthcare Partners has a great deal of experience building successful life science businesses. On March 29, 2018, Jamie Brush MD, and Patrick Heron, MBA will be visiting JLABS @ SSF to provide an overview of Frazier Healthcare Partners' unique investment strategies and meet 1-on-1 with pre-selected companies.

*The one-on-one application process is separate from the event registration process. Companies must have applied for a one-on-one meeting ahead of time and been approved. Applications are due by February 22nd. [Apply Here.](#)

Program Overview:

Frazier Healthcare Partners is committed to helping great healthcare companies who are working hard to make a difference in the future of life sciences. The firm has partnered with exceptional entrepreneurs at all stages and focuses on therapeutic development. With \$3 billion under management, investments in over 170 companies and 35 IPOs, Frazier Healthcare Partners has built a team with deep knowledge and scientific expertise that enables company building.

Jamie Brush, MD and Patrick Heron, MBA will be in attendance to provide an overview presentation of the firm's areas of interest. They will be on hand to meet with a handful of applicants 1-on-1 after the presentation. To be considered for a 1-on-1 meeting, please complete the information required here. Applications due by Feb 22, 2018.

Speakers' Biographies:

James W. Brush, M.D. | Senior Associate, Frazier Healthcare Partners
Jamie joined Frazier Healthcare Partners in 2016 and focuses on investment identification, due diligence, and deal closing.

Before joining Frazier, Jamie was a management consultant with the Boston Consulting Group, where he was a core member of the Healthcare Practice. In this capacity, he led projects involving Biotechnology mergers and acquisitions, R&D, manufacturing and business development strategy.

Jamie received his M.D. from the University of Southern California, where he was inducted into Alpha Omega Alpha honors society, and his B.A. from Middlebury College. He completed his postgraduate training in Internal Medicine at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston. He has co-authored several papers in top-tier journals on genomic instability and its role in cancer, and is a member of the board of directors of Longwood Symphony Orchestra.

Patrick Heron, MBA | Managing General Partner, Frazier Healthcare Partners

Patrick is a Managing General Partner of Frazier's Life Sciences team. He joined the firm in 1999 and opened Frazier's Menlo Park office in 2003. Throughout his 12 years as General Partner, Patrick has led or co-led investments across nearly 20 companies.

Patrick has successfully partnered with entrepreneurs across a range of company types and stages, from early – stage anti-infectives companies to >\$100M commercial-stage dermatology companies. Patrick has also been active in company formation around both early – and later – stage assets. He has led and served as director for many successful Frazier Life Sciences investments, including Tobira Therapeutics (acquired by Valeant), MedPointe (acquired by Meda), and Collegium (NASDAQ: COLL). He currently serves on the boards of Imago BioSciences, Iterum Therapeutics, Silvergate Pharmaceuticals, SutroVax and Zavante Therapeutics.

Prior to joining Frazier, Patrick helped develop McKinsey & Company's West Coast biotechnology consulting practices, where he led projects involving mergers and acquisitions, product launches, sales force optimization, corporate partnering, and research prioritization.

Patrick received his M.B.A. from Harvard Business School. He also holds a B.A. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate and Morehead Scholar.

PBSS Workshop, Tuesday Afternoon, April 24, 2018

Topic: "Regulatory Authority Inspection Preparation and Outcomes"

Speakers: Kim Burson (Achaogen)

Date and Time: Tuesday, 4/24/2018, 12:30-17:00

Location: SF Bay Area: Foster City Crowne Plaza

Registration fee (USD): Regular: \$125; Academic: \$75; For unemployed or students: \$25; For vendor-show reps: \$25; For major-sponsor rep (incl lunch): \$0;

Registration: <http://www.PBSS.org>

Registration deadline:4/24/2018 (it will close sooner if the seating cap is reached)