


SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

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ASPIRE Annual Career Symposium



Friday, May 29, 2020 • Virtual Event

Sponsored by the BRET Office of Career Development ASPIRE Program
and the Training Grants in Biomedical Sciences

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The BRET Office of Career Development ASPIRE Program
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are proud to announce the:

[2020 ASPIRE Annual Career Symposium](#)
[Choose Your Own Adventure:
Exploring Careers in Industry](#)

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Much like the beloved [book series *Choose Your Own Adventure*](#),
your decisions are the guide to your career story. With so
many jobs to choose from in industry, a PhD scientist can
explore all career options at the 2020 ASPIRE Career
Symposium. Learn from alumni and visitor speakers as they
share their adventure!

SCHEDULE

Keynote Kickoff Zoominar A (9:00-10:30am)
[\[Register for Zoominar A: Keynote\]](#)

**“Navigating Career Opportunities and
Optimizing Your Career Search”**

Featuring Lauren Celano, CEO, Propel Careers

This talk will provide an overview of career opportunities in the life sciences sector for Ph.D.'s and postdocs with emphasis on the various skills, aptitudes, competencies, and personalities that thrive in various roles and organizations in this sector. Both research and non-research career paths will be highlighted. Additionally, tips will be provided in order to effectively engage your network to empower your search. Advice will be given for how to “break into” industry and tips will be provided for how to effectively engage with recruiters. Lastly, this talk will close with a few insights regarding how to track progress, focus your time and lessen the feeling of being overwhelmed.

Morning Panel Zoominar B (11:00-12:30pm)
[\[Registration for Zoominar B: Morning Panel\]](#)

Ben Doranz, PhD, President and CEO, Integral Molecular
Becca Senter, PhD, Associate Director, Non-Clinical Research, Flexion Therapeutics
Brian Yaspan, PhD, Senior Scientist, Human Genetics, Genentech
Larry Zeitlin, PhD, Co-Founder, Mapp Biopharmaceutical

Afternoon Panel Zoominar C (1:00-2:30pm)
[\[Registration for Zoominar C: Afternoon Panel\]](#)

- **Uade da Silva, MBA, PhD, Associate Director, Global Regulatory Affairs, Merck**
- **Kim Riley, PhD, Senior Clinical Research Associate, PPD**
- **Todd Townsend, PhD, Regional Medical Scientific Director, Merck**
- **Rebecca Dise, PhD, Head of IP Operations Strategy and Manager Docketing, AstraZeneca**

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[Visit the Career Symposium site](#) to read speaker bios, register, and thank the training grants supporting this effort.

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