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of Biological Phenomena in Drug Discovery: Emerging Tools and Next  
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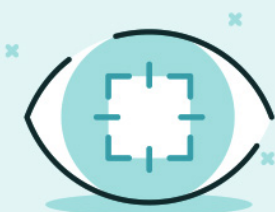


# Proventa International's Strategy Meetings are a completely unique experience.

  
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## Our Vision



To be a platform for creating life-saving therapies and to facilitate the creation of a completely patient centric pharmaceutical industry.

## Our Mission



By encouraging key leaders and their companies to put the patient at the very heart beat of every innovation. Sharing valuable insights and strategies to assist in the discovery, development and commercialisation of life saving therapies.

## Our Unique Meeting Format



### ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

These interactive and informal discussion groups are the hallmark of the meeting. The brightest minds in the industry are brought together in 60-minute sessions that enable participants from all over the world to share ideas, challenges and lessons learned.



### PERSONALISED AGENDA

Each delegate receives a personalised agenda with the roundtable discussions that you choose. You only attend sessions and meetings that fit your challenges and interests, ensuring your time spent is focused and well-utilised.



### INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS

The most effective and time efficient way to assess potential partners at a strategic level. Identify key solution providers that can take your business to the next level and we will help arrange private meetings so you can connect.



### STRATEGIC NETWORKING

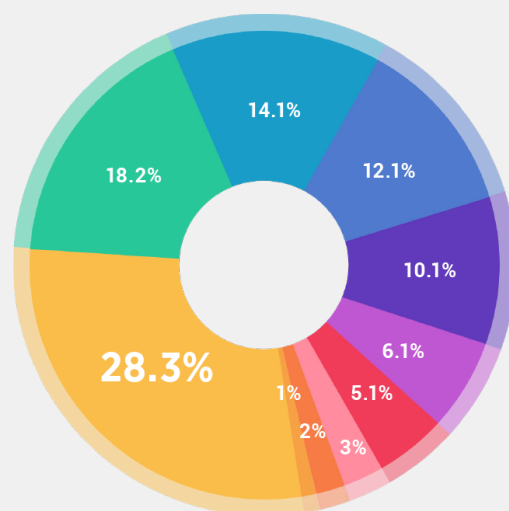
Strategic networking opportunities form a key benefit of the meeting. Our proven format for building and strengthening alliances to make lasting connections that benefit you.

There is an increasing need to sort, understand and utilize novel approaches to leverage the value of data generated by industry and academia towards generating new ideas and applications to its full potential. In doing so, we hope to replace costly techniques with the future alternatives and maximize predictive technologies in drug discovery programs spanning all stages of preclinical, clinical and beyond. At **Proventa's 4th Annual Drug Discovery Biology Strategy Meeting in Boston**, senior leaders in biology drug discovery will gather for candid and strategic discussions to ensure the most impactful challenges are being addressed and solutions uncovered.

## Join Your Peers and Leave With Practical Benchmarking Opportunities in:

- ☒ Understanding recent advances and alternatives for drug discovery stages discovery, development and preclinical stages that could lead to cost cutting, efficiency and early detection
- ☒ Leveraging multi-omics analysis data, its advantages and limitations to further the possibilities for drug discovery applications
- ☒ Exploring computational modeling in the drug discovery process to optimize data, safety dosage and precision for future use and replications
- ☒ Understanding and interpreting vast amount of free data and how to utilize it in each track on drug discovery for further studies in computation and modeling
- ☒ Optimizing strategies and methods for druggable targets, target identification and validation to enhance compounds and transcend limits
- ☒ Pharmacological modalities that transcend the limits while retaining their key advantages on difficult to drug proteins
- ☒ Exploring the discrepancy in drug metabolism between different genders and ethnic diversification that could lead to understanding the pharmacokinetics distinction between genders and ethnicity
- ☒ This strategy meeting is a closed door round table discussion with 10-12 industry leaders that delves in current issues, practical ideas, timely concepts, hot topics, challenges and possible solutions
- ☒ Collaborative approaches and networking opportunities with different top-tier industry solution providers

## SENIORITY OF ATTENDEES



- Director Level
- President / VP
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- Team Lead
- C-Level
- Scientist
- Academia
- Manager
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- Other



# Facilitator Faculty

  
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Join as many as four roundtable discussions, each with up to 20 other subject experts, networking with top-level peers in an informal, relaxed and sociable environment.

Simply follow the steps below to select your roundtable discussions and we'll create your own personalised agenda for the day:

01

## EXPLORE THE FULL AGENDA

Select which roundtable discussions you would like to join. Our sessions are divided among 6 themed tracks for easy selection - you can choose to join any session you like.

02

## COMPLETE YOUR SCHEDULING FORM

Select your preferred roundtable discussion for each time slot. We will send this form out via email a few weeks before the event - be sure to get your first choice by completing the form quickly.







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## ENJOY YOUR PERSONALISED EXPERIENCE

Join your selected roundtable sessions on the day. We will give you your personalised agenda containing the time and room assignments of your chosen roundtable discussions so you won't miss it.

# Agenda at a Glance

Drug Discovery Biology Strategy Overview 14th of November, 2022 – Cambridge, Boston - Le Meridien Hotel

	TRACK 1	TRACK 2	TRACK 3	TRACK 4	TRACK 5	TRACK 6
TIME	HIT IDENTIFICATION & VALIDATION	STRUCTURAL BIOLOGY & BIOPHYSICS	DMPK, ADME & TOXICOLOGY	IN VIVO & IN VITRO PHARMACOLOGY	IN SILICO & RNA BIOLOGICS	STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP & COLLABORATION
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ROOM ▶	Jerome C. Hunsaker C	Jerome C. Hunsaker C	Jerome C. Hunsaker C	Lan Jen Chu	Margaret L.A. Macvicar	Edward Pennell Brooks
08:00 - 08:30	REGISTRATION AND WELCOME					
08:30 - 09:00	OPENING KEYNOTE PRESENTATION ADME Challenges and Strategies for Protein Degraders					
09:00 - 10:00	Optimizing The Target Identification and Validation Processes: Select Novel and Human Disease Translatable Targets Through Genetics, Cellular, Molecular, Omics, and Other Approaches	Biomolecular Condensates: Structural and Biophysical Approaches for Drug Discovery	PB/PK Toxicity Modeling: Lowering The Risk Of Drug Discovery Failure Due To Low Efficacy Rate And High Toxicity Rate	Strengths and Limitations of Animal Models in Drug Development	Big Data and AI: Integration and Harnessing the Full Potential of Massive Data Sets to use in Small Molecule Drug Discovery	Collaborative Approach of Industry and Academia for Accelerated Development and New Breakthroughs
10:00 - 10:10	REFRESHMENT BREAK					
10:10 - 10:30	NETWORKING / 1-1 MEETINGS					
10:30 - 10:50	NETWORKING / 1-1 MEETINGS					
10:50 - 11:10	NETWORKING / 1-1 MEETINGS					
11:10 - 12:10 SOLUTION	Leveraging the Power of Multi-Omics in Drug Discovery: Maximizing the Potential in Target Identification and Safety Profiling  WUXI APPTec 	The Future of Protein Structure Prediction: Advantages, Applications and Limitations in Drug Discovery  WUXI APPTec 	Utilizing Specialized Non-Clinical Resources to Support Drug Development  BIOIVT 	Addressing the current challenges of in vitro cell models and their translation into the clinic  BIT.BIO 	In vitro bioassays and in vivo pharmacology to support RNA biology  WUXI APPTec 	
12:10 - 13:10	NETWORKING LUNCH					
13:10 - 13:40	AFTERNOON KEYNOTE PRESENTATION The New Frontiers of DNA Encoded Library Technology 					
13:40 - 14:40	Identifying Potential Drug Targets through Integrating Structural Characterization, Biological Data and Literature	Structural Biology and Biophysics for the next generation of First-in-Class targets	Maximizing And Improving DMPK Accuracy For Efficiency And Cost Effectivity	Engineering The Next Generation Of Organoids And 3D Cell Models For Testing And Predicting In Pharmacology	A Computational and Systems Biology Based Approach to Investigating Disease Biology in Drug Discovery for Efficacy, Safety, Translation to the Clinic and Efficiency of Trials and Improved Likelihood of Success	Funding Vehicles for Partnerships and Collaborations
14:40 - 14:50	REFRESHMENT BREAK					
14:50 - 15:10	NETWORKING / 1-1 MEETINGS					
15:10 - 15:30	NETWORKING / 1-1 MEETINGS					
15:30 - 15:50	NETWORKING / 1-1 MEETINGS					
15:50 - 16:50	Expanding The Druggable Genome: How Can We Access Greater Target Space To Better Treat Disease	Emerging Strategies for Targeted Protein Degradation through Small Molecule: Pharmacological Modality that Induce Protein Degradation to Transcend the Limits while Retaining their Key Advantages on Difficult to Drug Proteins	Predicting Toxicity In Drug Development Through AI/ML A Cheaper And Time Efficient Approach Compared To Animal Testing	A More Extensive Approach to Pre-clinical Study for Drug Development: Utilization of Novel Strategies for In Vivo & In Vitro Methods		Strategic Guide To Maximizing Value Through Partnerships: 3 Pillars For Long-Term Success In Drug Discovery And Development
16:50 - 17:50	DRINKS & CANAPES RECEPTION					

## OPENING KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

8:30 – 9:00 EST

### ADME Challenges and Strategies for Protein Degraders

- Degraders as a subset of Beyond rule-of-five (bRo5) compounds
- In Vitro–In Vivo Correlation (IVIVC) and In Vitro–In Vivo Extrapolation (IVIVE)
- In-Vivo PK and PK/PD studies -mitigation of potential roadblocks



**Prasoon Chaturvedi**  
Vice President, Head of DMPK  
C4 Therapeutics, Inc.

## AFTERNOON KEYNOTE PRESENTATION

13:10 – 13:40 EST

### The New Frontiers of DNA Encoded Library Technology

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**Letian Kuai Ph.D**  
Executive Director of HitS-RSD & CSO of Crelux  
WuXi AppTec



## TRACK 1: HIT IDENTIFICATION & VALIDATION

*Improve efficiency in finding novel therapeutic targets continues to be an immediate priority & hurdle in the pharma and biotech industry. This track aims to explore the undruggable space: Utilizing AI/ML, optimizing target identification pathway and more. Where is the next druggable target frontier to stay viable?*

09:00 – 10:00 EST

### ROUNDTABLE 1: Optimizing The Target Identification and Validation Processes: Select Novel and Human Disease Translatable Targets Through Genetics, Cellular, Molecular, Omics, and Other Approaches

- Employing methods in selecting the optimal pathways/targets, and in generating novel insights for human disease relevance, with the focus on translatability
- Recent success stories: Omics and other approaches such as phenotypic screens, to identify and prioritize pathways/targets for drug intervention
- Discussions on small molecule druggability: An ever expanding space with protein degraders, splicing modulators and other strategies



**Jing Li**  
Executive Director Biology  
PTC Therapeutics, Inc.

11:10 – 12:10 EST

### SOLUTION FOCUS ROUNDTABLE 2: Choosing the right tool(s) for early hit discovery

- What is your trusted tool in hit discovery?
- How to increase the success rate in hit discovery?
- In an AlphaFold and machine learning era, can the order of drug discovery funnels be changed?



**Letian Kuai Ph.D**  
Executive Director of HitS-RSD & CSO of Crelux  
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13:40 – 14:40 EST

### ROUNDTABLE 3: Identifying Potential Drug Targets Through Integrating Structural Characterization, Biological Data And Literature

- What strategies are currently being employed?
- Does the strategy differ by therapeutic area?
- Can machine learning aid in the integration?
- Is there value in open source sharing of target assessments?



**Diane Joseph-McCarthy**  
Executive Director, Bioengineering Technology & Entrepreneurship Center  
Boston University

15:50 – 16:50 EST

### ROUNDTABLE 4: Expanding The Druggable Genome: How Can We Access Greater Target Space To Better Treat Disease

- Advances in therapeutic targeting of RNA
- Developing therapeutics targeting disordered proteins
- Evaluating target specificity of novel therapeutic modalities



**Brent Cezairliyan**  
Vice President, Biology  
Octagon Therapeutics



*Intimate format  
events where  
senior leadership  
discuss the  
biggest challenges  
facing the industry.*

## TRACK 2: STRUCTURAL BIOLOGY & BIOPHYSICS

*A key idea in biology is that structure, to a large extent, dictates function. The rapid development of sensitive biophysical methods and emerging technologies that interrogate compound properties and mechanisms of action is transforming drug discovery.*

🕒 09:00 – 10:00 EST

### ROUNDTABLE 1: Biomolecular Condensates: Structural and Biophysical Approaches for Drug Discovery

- Successes, experiences, and challenges in drugging IDPs/IDRs: reasons, possibilities, new approaches
- Characterization of IDPs and IDRs through biophysical approaches
- Predicting IDR structure that could lead to future advancement
- Novel approaches and recent advancement in targeting of IDPs and IDRs; small molecules and novel modalities



**John Reilly**  
Chief Scientific Officer  
Nereid Therapeutics

🕒 11:10 – 12:10 EST

### SOLUTION FOCUS ROUNDTABLE 2: The Future of Protein Structure Prediction: Advantages, Applications and Limitations in Drug Discovery

- What are the most promising applications for predicting protein structures
- Validation of protein structure predictions and the role of X-ray Crystallography
- How far are we away to predict protein structures including ligand binding



**Andreas Schoop**  
Head of Medicinal Chemistry  
WuXi AppTec

WUXI APPTec



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### ROUNDTABLE 3: Structural Biology and Biophysics for the next generation of First-in-Class targets

- What information and insights from Structural Biology will be most critical to the field of drug discovery over the next 5 years
- Approaches to study multi-subunit and physiologically relevant assemblies
- Applying medium resolution biophysical tools to inform mechanism of action
- Building efficient tools through protein engineering



**Matthew Calabrese**  
Senior Director and head of Structural and Molecular Sciences  
Pfizer

🕒 15:50 – 16:50 EST

### ROUNDTABLE 4: Emerging Strategies for Targeted Protein Degradation through Small Molecule: Pharmacological Modality that Induce Protein Degradation to Transcend the Limits while Retaining their Key Advantages on Difficult to Drug Proteins

- Finding new degrader modalities for enabling targeted degradation and discovery of new small molecule degraders targeting the difficult to drug protein and the undruggable
- Exploring the possibilities of targeted protein degradation to the undruggable space through small molecule
- PROTAC advantages compared with traditional small molecule



**Rob Foti**  
Senior Director, Preclinical Development (ADME & Discovery Toxicology)  
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## TRACK 3: DMPK, ADME & TOXICOLOGY

A primary source of drug candidate trial failure is attributed to inadequate efficacy and safety profiles. This track serves to highlight key topics and pressing challenges within the areas of drug metabolism, biotransformation, and drug toxicity.

🕒 09:00 – 10:00 EST

### ROUNDTABLE 1: PB/PK Toxicity Modeling: Lowering The Risk Of Drug Discovery Failure Due To Low Efficacy Rate And High Toxicity Rate

- Preclinical advancements in reducing the drug discovery failure rate
- PB/PK Toxicity Modeling
  - Advantages
  - Disadvantages
  - Limitations
  - Cost effectiveness
  - Time efficiency
- What's next and how to combine with other technologies for drug safety



**Prasoon Chaturvedi**  
Vice President, Head of DMPK  
C4 Therapeutics, Inc.

🕒 11:10 – 12:10 EST

### SOLUTION FOCUS ROUNDTABLE 2: Utilizing Specialized Non-Clinical Resources to Support Drug Development

- Performing in vitro ADME studies with a trusted expert adds value, reduces risk, bolsters pipelines, and strengthens approval odds
- Most new drugs fail because of ADME/Tox
- Non-Clinical ADME testing is proven to reduce failures
- XenoTech has demonstrated VALUE with proven expertise and experience



**Scott Heyward**  
Leading Product Development and Scientific  
Engagement  
BioIVT Inc

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### ROUNDTABLE 3: Maximizing And Improving DMPK Accuracy For Efficiency And Cost Effectivity

- Selecting the appropriate testing funnel and when to pivot to a different assay type for your scaffold
- RRR: adding PK modeling for rodent/higher species informed dose selection
- ADME modeling, how good are the in silico prediction tools out there?



**Nisha Perez**  
Senior Director, Head of DMPK  
ROME Therapeutics.

🕒 15:50 – 16:50 EST

### ROUNDTABLE 4: Predicting Toxicity In Drug Development Through AI/ML - A Cheaper And Time Efficient Approach Compared To Animal Testing

- In this session we will discuss the use of in silico tools and mining of preclinical and clinical datasets to improve the algorithms and reduce preclinical testing. We will also evaluate the value of utilizing AI/ML approach in reducing toxicity risk in animal testing and giving appropriate weight to toxicity prediction.



**Vibha Jawa**  
Executive Director, Nonclinical Disposition and Bioanalysis  
Bristol-Myers Squibb

## TRACK 4: IN VIVO & IN VITRO PHARMACOLOGY

This track will focus on challenges and solutions, innovative approaches, and technologies associated with modeling human disease through in vitro and in vivo assays to progress your early pharmacological research.

🕒 09:00 – 10:00 EST

### ROUNDTABLE 1: Strengths and Limitations of Animal Models in Drug Development

- Comparing animal models vs human cells/tissues in terms of :
  - Confidence in rationale for target selection
  - Dose projection
  - Cost effectiveness and time efficiency
  - Human translation
- Evaluation of other ex vivo substitutes in validation to cover for new modalities and efficiency of drug trials
- Gauging the industry preparedness in using other alternative tools to improve efficiency and advancements



**Cara Williams**  
Vice President Head of Preclinical Biology: Inflammation & Immunology  
Research Unit, Pfizer

🕒 11:10 – 12:10 EST

### SOLUTION FOCUS ROUNDTABLE 2: Addressing the current challenges of in vitro cell models and their translation into the clinic

The roundtable discussion will focus on the main challenges associated with in vitro human cell models as a platform for disease modelling and drug discovery, addressing issues such as:

- Benefits and problems of using human iPSC-derived cells
- The importance of consistent, scalable manufacturing process for iPSC-derived cells
- How next generation approaches such as precision cellular reprogramming, can accelerate in vitro drug discovery and translation into the clinic



**Dominic Hussey**  
Territorial Head-EMEA Sales  
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## ROUNDTABLE 3: Engineering The Next Generation Of Organoids And 3D Cell Models For Testing And Predicting In Pharmacology

- Tackling the promises of organoids/technological advancements such as faster and better outcomes, due to lesser risks associated with research and development trials
- Evaluating the current significance and future of organoids and 3D cell models in the potential harnessing of cost-efficient personalized medicines
- Advantages and disadvantages in using organoids vs 3D cell models for toxicology pharmacology and comparison in culture condition, structure, maintenance and genomic stability
- Advantages of organoids as Living Biobanks for research purposes



**Matthew Lech**  
Principal Research Scientist  
Pfizer

🕒 15:50 – 16:50 EST

## ROUNDTABLE 4: A More Extensive Approach to Pre-clinical Study for Drug Development: Utilization of Novel Strategies for In Vivo & In Vitro Methods

- Predictive toxicity and Drug safety predictions for pre clinical study
  - Pros and Cons
  - Advantages and Disadvantages
  - Strengths and Limitations
- New developments in In Vivo/In Vitro pharmacology methods



**Jing Li**  
Executive Director Biology  
PTC Therapeutics, Inc.

## TRACK 5: IN SILICO & RNA BIOLOGICS

*The utility of computational methods is widely used in various stages of drug discovery and development. From aiding target ID & validation, limiting the use of animal models in pharmacology to aiding rational drug design, this track will explore novel approaches and applications of in silico techniques to maximize productivity towards clinical success.*

🕒 09:00 – 10:00 EST

## ROUNDTABLE 1: Big Data and AI: Integration and Harnessing the Full Potential of Massive Data Sets to use in Small Molecule Drug Discovery

- Challenges to incorporating data from data collection of biological (Drug target data, Exoms, Gene expressions, Cellular data and Omics), chemical, pharmacological (ADMET, In Vivo and In Vitro Assay) and clinical domains
- How and where can the massive data be used in drug discovery and development?
- What AI technologies are most appropriate for drug discovery
- Exploring data combination for different fields such as:
  - Omics for target discovery and compound optimization
  - Virtual Screening of ultra-Large libraries
  - DMPK / ADMET
  - In Vitro and In Vivo Pharmacology



**Govinda Bhisetti**  
Vice President and Head of Computational Chemistry  
Cellarity

🕒 11:10 – 12:10 EST

## SOLUTION FOCUS ROUNDTABLE 2: In Vitro Bioassays and In Vivo Pharmacology to Support RNA Biology

- What are typical cell based assay systems used in RNA Biology research?
- In vitro assays for off-target profiling and for cytotoxicity and immunotoxicity analyses
- For in vivo evaluation of RNA-targeting new modalities for Hepatitis B, neurodegenerative diseases, metabolic diseases, what are the clinically relevant models?



**Henry Lu**  
VP & Head of Discovery Biology  
Wuxi AppTec

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## ROUNDTABLE 3: A Computational and Systems Biology Based Approach to Investigating Disease Biology in Drug Discovery for Efficacy, Safety, Translation to the Clinic and Efficiency of Trials and Improved Likelihood of Success

- How data sciences, computational modeling and systems biology for investigating disease biology is useful in new drug discovery and development?
  - Pros and Cons
  - Advantages and Disadvantages
  - Strengths and limitations
- How can data sciences, computational modeling and systems biology help with safety, efficacy and efficiency of drug discovery
  - Time Wise
  - Budget Wise
  - Efficiency
- Sharing your experiences with data sciences, computational modeling and systems biology for drug discovery and development
- How to start if I want to apply data sciences, computational modeling and systems biology to investigate biological processes for our future drug discovery endeavour



**Karim Azer**  
VP, Head of Platform & Discovery  
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## TRACK 6: STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP & COLLABORATION

*The pharma and biotech sector continues to seek ways to address challenges in R&D productivity, spending cuts, and volatile market conditions. Strategic partnerships and alliances have grown in importance to reduce cost, share risks and rewards while maximizing learning opportunities resulting from successful collaborations.*

🕒 09:00 – 10:00 EST

### ROUNDTABLE 1: Collaborative Approach of Industry and Academia for Accelerated Development and New Breakthroughs

- Addressing the advantages and disadvantages of Collaboration
- Bridging the industry gap to foster effective collaborations
- Leveraging data efficiency and knowledge sharing for more effective, faster and diverse research
- Where and how to start the Decentralization of research and trials
- Addressing the possibilities of research and trial collaborations for future costs and efficacy



**Li Peng**  
Chief Scientific Officer  
Palleon Pharmaceuticals

🕒 11:10 – 12:10 EST

### SOLUTION FOCUS ROUNDTABLE 2: Drug Development Acceleration through Collaboration and Decentralization of Research and Trials that could Lead to Cost Cutting, Safety and Efficacy



🕒 13:40 – 14:40 EST

### ROUNDTABLE 3: Funding Vehicles for Partnerships and Collaborations

- Funding academic research – emerging science to co-discovery models
- The importance of venture capital funding in early innovation
- Build-to-buy startups



**Terri Almos**  
Executive Director, Emerging Science & Innovation  
Inflammation & Immunology  
Pfizer

🕒 15:50 – 16:50 EST

### ROUNDTABLE 4: Strategic Guide To Maximizing Value Through Partnerships: 3 Pillars For Long-Term Success In Drug Discovery And Development

- Begin with the end in mind: Choosing a partner to build the most value for your company
- Create a strong foundation: Best practices for negotiation and contracting, clarity is key
- Get to work: Execution is essential to unlocking potential value, we will discuss resources and processes you need to stay on track



**Carla Bauer**  
Associate Director, Strategic Transactions,  
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