

AGENDA

Day 1: April 15th, 1:00-5:00 p.m.(EDT), Friday

1:00-1:15 p.m. Opening Remarks & SAPA-GP 20-Year Celebration **Grand Ballroom**

Yang Yuan, President-Elect of SAPA-GP 2023-2024; Sr Principal Scientist, Bristol Myers Squibb

Plenary Session: A New Era of Vaccinology: COVID and Beyond **Grand Ballroom**

Session chair **Yongchao Su**, President of SAPA-GP 2021-2022; Principal Scientist, Merck & Co., Inc.

1:15-2:00 p.m. **Shan Lu**, Professor, Department of Medicine, University of Massachusetts

2:00-2:15 p.m. **Coffee Break**

Scientific Track: Redefining Pharmaceutical Innovation: from Bench to Bedside **Grand Ballroom**

Beating COVID with Pivoting Science: Implication for Future Diagnostic and Therapeutic Development

Session chairs **Jian (Jason) He**, CMC lead, Senior Director, WuXi Biologics

Jun He, Assistant professor, Thomas Jefferson University

2:15-2:50 p.m. **Zhuoming Liu**, Faculty Instructor, School of Medicine, Washington University in St. Louis

“Discovery Therapeutics for Pan COVID19 Variants”

2:50-3:25 p.m. **Zi-Xuan (Zoe) Wang**, Associate Professor, Thomas Jefferson University

“COVID19 Testing and Genomic Sequencing in an Academic Molecular Lab in the Midst of Pandemic”

Business Track: Unleashing the Power from Scientific Breakthroughs and Entrepreneurship **Centennial Ballroom I**

Maximizing Shareholders Value in Changing Market Environment (co-branding with BioKatalyst)

Session chair **Seamus Jiang**, Managing Director, China/US. Cross-border deals Leader, PwC US

2:15-4:00 p.m. **Derrick Li**, Managing Director, Baird

Geert Cauwenbergh, Founder & Senior Managing Partner, Phases123, LLC

Panel discussion

4:00-5:00 p.m. Networking & Reception

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Day 2: April 16th, 8:30-5:00 p.m. (EDT), Saturday

Plenary Session: Latest Advances in Development of Therapeutic Treatment **Grand Ballroom**

- Session chair** Fang Shen, President Immediate-Past of SAPA-GP (2020-2021), VP, Research & Translational biology, Immunome
- 8:30-9:45 a.m.** Chris Chen, CEO, WuXi Biologics
“Developing Covid-19 Therapeutic mabs at the Speed of Light”
Jingsong Wang, Founder, Chairman & CEO, Harbour BioMed
“Leveraging Industry Leading Technology Platforms to Build Next-gen Novel Therapeutics”
- Panel Discussion** James Fendrick, President & CEO, Rockland Immunochemicals
Chris Chen, CEO, WuXi Biologics
Jingsong Wang, Founder, Chairman & CEO, Harbour BioMed
- 9:45-10:00 a.m.** Coffee break

Scientific Track: Redefining Pharmaceutical Innovation from Bench to Bedside

Grand Ballroom

Nonclinical development and CMC: New Strategies and Innovative Approaches for Novel Modalities

- Session chairs** Ying-Ying Zhou, Senior Principal Scientist, Merck & Co., Inc.
Yan Yuan, Professor, University of Pennsylvania
- 10:00-10:35 a.m.** Yong Liu, Senior Principal Scientist, Merck & Co., Inc.
“Managing Organic Impurities through Deep Understanding of Chemistry and Innovative Analytical Solutions”
- 10:35-11:10 a.m.** Yun Zhang, Drug Safety Team Lead, Global Portfolio Safety, Pfizer Inc.
“mRNA-Based Vaccines: Non-Clinical Safety Assessment Strategy”
- 11:10-11:45 a.m.** Julia Gao, Director, CMC Team Leadership, Bristol Myers Squibb
“Considerations of Establishing Comparability for Lipid Nanoparticle Products Containing siRNA”

Business Track: Unleashing the Power from Scientific Breakthroughs and Entrepreneurship

Centennial Ballroom I

Transitioning from a Scientist to an Entrepreneur: Steps and Lessons in Starting the First Company

- Session chair** Lora Feng, Founder & CEO, LFI Solutions
- 10:00-12:00 p.m.** Bin Yuan, CEO & Co-founder, OnCusp Therapeutics
- Panel Discussion** Lily Zou, Cofounder & CEO, Degron Therapeutics
Xi Qin, COO & CFO of NeuExcell Therapeutics
Louis Liu, Founder & Partner, Liu, Chen & Hoffman LLP

Stella Xu, Managing Director, Quan Capital

12:00-1:00 p.m. **Lunch Break** (lunch provided to in-person attendees)

12:00-1:00 p.m. **Meet-in-Person Session, SAPA GP's Mentor/Mentee program (by invitation only)**

Scientific Track: Redefining Pharmaceutical Innovation from Bench to Bedside

Grand Ballroom

Innovation in Clinical Trials

Session chairs Yufeng Li, Executive Director, Clinical Development, Qilu Pharma

Dongjing Fu, Director, Clinical Development, Janssen R&D

1:00-1:35 p.m. Alex Morozov, VP & Head of Digital Health, Global Drug Development, Bristol Myers Squibb

“The Promise of Digital Health: from Clinical Trials to Clinical Practice”

1:35-2:10 p.m. Vinay Parikh, Psychology & Neuroscience Professor, Temple University

“Reimagining Neuroscience Drug Development Using a Digital Companion Strategy”

2:10-2:45 p.m. Jennings Xu, Director, Data Science Portfolio Management, Janssen R&D

“Data Science Driven Acceleration of the J&J Covid-19 Vaccine Phase III Trial”

Business Track: Unleashing the Power from Scientific Breakthroughs and Entrepreneurship

Centennial Ballroom I

Building and Growing a Life Science Company (co-branding with BioKatalyst)

Session chairs Seamus Jiang, Managing Director, China/US. Cross-border deals Leader, PwC US

1:00-3:00 p.m. Yuhang Zhao, SVP, CGE

Jimmy Hao, Partner & Chair, Fox Rothschild

Dahai Guo, Chairman and CEO, Zennova Pharma

Joanne Jiang, CEO, LeaderMed Group

Panel discussion

Career Development: Do You Need an Executive Coach?

Centennial Ballroom II

Session chair David Cragin, Director, Quality Assurance, Merck & Co., Inc.

1:00-3:00 p.m. Marie Leithauser, Executive Coach & Consultant, BioPharma R&D

SAPA-GP Leadership and Volunteer Awards & Closing Remarks

3:00-3:10 p.m. Yongchao Su, President of SAPA-GP 2022; Principal Scientist, Merck & Co., Inc.
Haichen Yang, President-Elect of SAPA-GP 2022-2023; VP, Clinical Research, Amicus Therapeutics

3:10-5:00 p.m. **Networking & Reception**