

2023-2024 Kunal Patel Catalyst Awards Selection Committee



Ioana Aanei, PhD, is an Associate Director of Business Development and Alliance Management at Scribe Therapeutics, a gene editing spinout company from the Doudna lab at UC Berkeley. Their CRISPR by Design platform encompasses an array of gene modulators based on a proprietary and evergreen CRISPR CasX platform. Ioana was involved in setting up and managing the partnerships between Scribe and Biogen and more recently, Sanofi. Prior to Scribe, Ioana worked as the Entrepreneurship Program Manager at QB3 and the Deputy Director at the UCSF Rosenman Institute, where she helped Bay Area biotech startup companies refine their stories and build their strategies for fundraising and growth. Ioana holds a BS from Caltech and earned her PhD from UC Berkeley in Chemistry.



Isabel Elaine Allen, PhD, is Professor of Biostatistics and Epidemiology and Mentor in Quantitative Biosciences at UCSF and Emeritus Professor of Statistics and Entrepreneurship at Babson College. She founded and led several biotechnology companies, serves on the board and advises several non-profit organizations and analytic & biotechnology start-ups. She is Co-Director of the Babson Survey Research Group and has received multiple research grants to design and conduct surveys on online education and entrepreneurship. She is a Fellow of the American Statistical Association and has received the UCSF CTSI consultant of the year award in the past four years. She has published widely on statistical issues in metaanalysis, analytics, survey research, and clinical research methodology as well as authoring several articles and book chapters on women's entrepreneurship. She consults in the entrepreneurship, pharmaceutical, biotechnology and sports industries and has served on several NIH panels on best practices in statistics and evidence-based research.



Valery Antonenko, MD, PhD, has more than 40 years of experience in the fields of Drug Discovery and Drug Delivery, including novel combinatorial technologies as well as traditional ways of discovering new medicines. He started his career with Professor Murray Goodman at UCSD under the mentorship of key biotech industry founder Alejandro Zaffaroni. Valery led large teams and initiatives at biotech companies such as Affymax Research Institute, Arqule, and Threshold Pharmaceuticals. At Glaxo Smith Kline and Johnson and Johnson, he directed therapeutic programs aimed at improving clinical trial success rate by combining new discovery and delivery technologies with established practices. Throughout his career, Valery has also partnered with teams to raise capital for stem cell-based cancer therapies and consulted on ventures in the biotech field.



Nathan Bachtell, MD, MS, is currently the acting CMO of IHP Therapeutics, an early stage biotherapeutics company focused on disease modifying therapies in Sickle Cell Disease and Oncology. He is also a consultant to early stage gene therapy companies and mentor to physicians coming into the life science industry. Prior to this Nate served as senior vice president at Astellas Gene Therapy (AGT), where he led all development functions across a multi-platform GT franchise targeting rare neuromuscular diseases. Prior to AGT, he was the CMO of Symic Bio, from its inception in 2014 through 2019, taking a benchtop platform technology through late-stage clinical development in multiple therapeutic areas. Nate's early experience was at Genzyme (now part of Sanofi) where he worked on drugs, biologics, first generation cell therapies and medical devices where he led teams in pharmacovigilance, clinical research and medical affairs. His therapeutic area development experience includes rheumatology, immune mediated diseases, orthopedics, dermatology, neurology, cardiovascular and neuromuscular diseases. Prior to industry, Nate practiced internal medicine as an inpatient attending physician and served as a principal investigator and advisor to early-stage life science companies. He received his MD from UC San Francisco, completed residency at Oregon Health Sciences University and earned a masters in management from Harvard University's Extension Program.



Shreya Badhrinarayanan, MD, is the Medical Director for Clinical Development Oncology at Genentech, a subsidiary of Roche. In this role, she provides strategic direction for the development of new Immuno-Oncology drugs by leading cross-functional teams and conducting medical monitoring of clinical trials. Prior to her current position, she served as a Physician with the National Health Service (NHS) in the UK, where she made significant contributions to clinical and research initiatives. During her time there, she also played an active role in the RECOVERY Trial, the world's largest clinical trial for COVID-19 treatments. Thriving in the field of medical leadership and management, Dr. Badhrinarayanan received the Edward Jenner Award from the NHS Leadership Academy. She has helped shape early-stage digital health and biotechnology startups in her capacity as a scientific advisor at the UCSF Health Hub. Her wide range of interests varies from AI in health care to D&I initiatives that have been embodied through her contributions to print and media as well as at conferences across the globe



Chris Baker, MD, has been at Children's Hospital Oakland (now UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital) as an attending in the department of Emergency Medicine. He has a research interest in concussion and bronchiolitis. He founded his own company in the ENT space, developing a portable nasal wash and specimen collection system for babies. It received funding from the BARDA division of US Health and Human Services. Finally, he has also worked with Aphelion Capital, a medical technology venture firm in evaluating new medical technology.



Pam Baker, MBA, is a life sciences professional with 17 years of experience in pharma, biotech and diagnostics in a series of commercial roles across marketing, new product commercialization, reimbursement, pipeline and sales management. She started her healthcare career 17 years ago, beginning with Johnson & Johnson (Janssen, Ortho and Mc Neil), followed by Genentech. Ms Baker started out in sales, then moved into sales training, sales leadership and to multiple marketing roles, from product launch, to in-line marketing. She then moved into the reimbursement arena, leading the Program Strategy & Management team for Genentech Access Solutions. Pam received a Bachelor of Arts, Political Science and Asian Studies from Northwestern University and a Master, International Management from Thunderbird School of Global Management. She is a mom of twin girls.



Priya Balachandran, PhD, is a leader in the life science technology space with a passion for improving human health. She has deep experience in commercializing disruptive innovations impacting outcomes in health and wellness. Her expertise in Product and Go-To-Market strategies has a global span, across portfolios of varying sizes in genomics, diagnostics, healthcare, sports medicine, and consumer markets (including regulated products). Her product portfolios include consumables, hardware, and software. Dr. Balachandran is a successful researcher with peer-reviewed publications and patents.



Rick Beberman, MBA, MAcc, is an investment and corporate development professional with an extensive background in health information technology and digital health. He is currently a member of the advisory board of Trinity Health, an early stage company that has developed a virtual meeting room to assist multidisciplinary medical teams deliver more effective team-based care. Rick was a venture associate with Health Care Investment Visions, an organization that invests in seed stage health information technology companies and led business development for one of its portfolio companies. Rick was a founder of a digital health company that developed software to help primary care doctors make more effective patient diagnoses. For fifteen years, Rick was an investment banker with the North American affiliate of NM Rothschild & Sons and later with Banc of America Securities. Rick has an MBA from New York University and a Master's degree in accounting from the University of Southern California.



Ellen Berg, PhD, is a senior scientific leader in translational human biology for drug discovery, consumer product and chemical safety applications. Experience in the development and commercialization of new technologies for translational research including business unit responsibility. Broad understanding of drug efficacy and chemical toxicity mechanisms. Skilled in the analysis of complex phenotypic assay data sets connecting in vitro data to in vivo outcomes. Lead inventor of BioSeek's BioMAP human primary cell-based

profiling platform, now a service of DiscoverX Corporation. Areas of interest include phenotypic drug discovery, alternative methods to animal testing, and computational methods for predictive biology using chemical biology tools.



Beth Berrean, MBA, is Deputy Director for Design and Discovery with UCSF's Information Services Unit (ISU). Beth works with faculty and leadership throughout the enterprise to help shape their ideas into digital products and services. She is leveraging ISU's full solution architecture team and UCSF's enterprise technology groups. Beth helps internal innovators identify executable product roadmaps. Beth has a background in user-centered design, an MBA from CCA's Design Strategy program and 15 years of experience working across various technologies.



Mike Billig co-founded Experien Group in 2003 with his wife and business partner Darlene Crockett-Billig as a full-service consulting firm for the medical device industry. As CEO, Mike provides strategic regulatory guidance to the firm's clientele, frequently representing companies in FDA interface, notified body negotiations, board of directors' meetings, due diligence activities and more. Mike's entire professional career has been involved with regulatory affairs, quality systems, clinical research and general management for medical device companies. He entered the industry in 1973 at Medtronic and went on to work for a number of other successful companies, including Guidant, Oximetrix, Abbott and Syntex. Mike held executive-level positions for over 20 years at early stage start-up companies, including Converge Medical, Systems, CardioThoracic Systems, Cardiometrics, and Timi3 Systems where he was President and CEO. Mike has secured U.S. and international regulatory approval for hundreds of medical devices. He has been involved with a variety of product areas, including sterile disposables, electronic instruments, capital equipment and wireless health. Mike has been instrumental with multiple successful IPOs, as well as substantial fundraising and corporate acquisitions.



Robert Blazej, PhD, directed Novozymes' Digital Biotechnology unit in San Francisco and their global biotechnology scouting team for the past four years. Previously, Robert was CEO of Allopartis Biotechnologies, a company he co-founded with the vision that mircrodoplets would transform the scale and pace of life science research. Allopartis was acquired by Novozymes in 2013. Robert earned his Ph.D. in 2006 in Bioengineering jointly from UC Berkeley and UC San Francisco. His graduate research focused on the design, implementation and characterization of microfluidic systems for next-generation DNA sequencing. Blazej is a published contributor to the human, drosophila, and canine genome projects, with his work on integrated microfluidic DNA sequencing featured on the cover of PNAS and in Nature.



Sarah Bodary-Winter, PhD, is the Founder and Principal of Darwin Bodary Consulting. Previously Dr. Bodary served as New Ventures Lead at Johnson and Johnson Innovation, California. She is experienced in drug and business development as well as company creation and venture investing. Previously, Sarah was a Venture Partner as SV Life Sciences where as a member of the therapeutic investing team, she was involved in evaluating investment opportunities, starting Arsanis Biosciences and served on the board of Itero Biopharmaceuticals. Prior to venture capital Sarah was a member of the management team at Schering Plough Biopharma as a Director of Business Development, where she helped transform DNAX Research Institute into the early stage biologics engine for Schering Plough and managed the biologics business development efforts. As a scientist at Genentech, Sarah led numerous therapeutic product teams targeting Integrins, from target identification and validation through Phase 1, and was a member of the Raptiva antibody late stage development, BLA filing and launch teams. She is an author on numerous peer reviewed journals and an inventor on over 30 patents., Sarah earned her B.Sc. in Molecular Biology at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland and a PhD in Molecular Biology at the University of Lausanne/ISREC, Switzerland. She was a postdoctoral scholar at UCSF in Molecular Neurobiology.



Dan Burnett, MD, MBA, received his degrees from Duke University and completed his residency at the Mayo Clinic. He has worked briefly at the FDA and was a General Partner at a medical device focused venture capital firm from 2003-05. Dr. Burnett holds a medical license in California and he is an Associate Professor in the Department of Bioengineering at UCSF where he also acts as Industry Director for the Masters of Translational Medicine program. Since 2006 he has founded nine TheraNova spinouts which have collectively raised over \$250M in capital.

In addition to his commercial efforts Dr. Burnett has been very active in the nonprofit community. He has volunteered at the Haight Ashbury Free Clinic, participated in medical missions to Central America and formed two nonprofits, one to design medical devices for low to middle income countries (LMIC) and one to send unused supplies to LMICs.



A. Ray Chaudhuri, PhD, MBA, is a serial entrepreneur, angel investor and operator with ~15 years of experience. He currently advises five startups in the US and Asia including two digital health companies based in US, Europe and India and is also a healthcare expert for two venture funds. Most recently Ray was at Zymergen where he was leading business development of the Healthcare AI company in Europe and Asia. Previously, he was hired to be the CEO of Bontriage, a neurology focused digital health company in Silicon Valley which he grew it from a concept stage to having full scale operations. In the past, he also assisted in the growth of a precision medicine company to a \$500M valuation in 18 months - from 12 employees to 700 and \$3M ARR to \$150M and also assisted in the raise of \$55M.



Julie M. Cherrington, PhD, is an experienced life science executive with extensive insight in bringing drugs into the clinic and through to commercialization. She has been a key contributor to the successful development of multiple FDA-approved products, including SUTENT[®], PALLADIA[®], VISTIDE[®], VIREAD[®], and HEPSERA[®]. Dr. Cherrington most recently served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Arch Oncology, a clinical-stage immuno-oncology company developing novel anti-CD47 mAbs. Previously, she has served as President and Chief Executive Officer at several other oncology companies, including Revitope Oncology, Zenith Epigenetics, and Pathway Therapeutics. In addition, she served as President and Executive Vice President, R&D at Phenomix Corporation. Earlier in her career, Dr. Cherrington was Vice President of Preclinical and Clinical Research at SUGEN, a Pharmacia/Pfizer company.



Anand Chokkalingam, PhD, is Senior Director of Clinical Research at Gilead Sciences, where he leads or has led drug development initiatives for COVID-19, viral hepatitis, and other liver disease. He previously headed the Epidemiology unit for Gilead's liver disease portfolio, leading post-authorization/post-marketing studies around the globe and applying pharmaco-epidemiology methods to real world data. Anand is also an Associate Adjunct Professor of Epidemiology at the UC Berkeley School of Public Health. He came to Gilead in 2013 after eight years on faculty at UC Berkeley, where his research focused on molecular and genetic epidemiology of childhood cancers and prostate cancer. He has worked previously for several biotech and molecular diagnostics companies including Syva/Syntex, Celera, and Tethys. He has a B.A. in Biochemistry from UC Berkeley and both an M.S. in Preventive Medicine and a Ph.D. in Epidemiology from the University of Maryland Baltimore, and he completed a post-doctoral fellowship in Cancer Epidemiology at the U.S. NCI's Division of Cancer Epidemiology and Genetics.



Suzanne K. Coberly, MD, MS, is a board certified human anatomic & molecular pathologist with over 20 years of experience in the biotech, IVD, and companion diagnostics industry. Along with her husband and business partner, she is currently the Principal Pathologist & Co-founder of Chimeric Enterprises Pathology Consulting. Previously, she was Senior Director for Translational Pathology & Tissue Analytics in the Translational Oncology group at AbbVie, where she directed translational pathology research for antibody and immuno-oncology therapeutics, developed CDX prototype assays, and evaluated new pathology technologies (digital AI pathology, multiplex, and molecular spatial assays) for use in biomarker and potential clinical assays.



Zach Collins, PhD is an Associate at Mission BioCapital and Head of Academic Alliances at MBC Biolabs – an incubator and venture fund that trace their founding back to UCSF. At Mission BioCapital, Zach provides technical coverage for nine of their active portfolio companies and supports diligence on new investment prospects in the Bay Area. Previously, Zach was a Post-Doctoral Fellow at Harvard Medical School. His scientific research focused on applying cutting edge tools in genetics, genomics, and imaging to the study of stem cell differentiation in the early embryo. This work resulted in several peer-reviewed publications and was recognized by the journal *Science* as 2018's Breakthrough of the Year. Zach holds a PhD in Biological and Biomedical Sciences from Harvard University and a Bachelor of Science in Biology from The George Washington University.



Douglas Crawford, PhD, is a General Partner at BioInnovation Capital. He is Managing Director of Mission Bay Capital and runs QB3@953, the San Francisco shared laboratory. Formerly, Doug was Associate Director at QB3, an activity in the UC system. In the last ten years, Doug has built an entrepreneurial ecosystem that helps launch more than 75 companies per year and created an incubator network with five sites and 86 companies. In addition, Doug has founded two seed stage venture funds, Mission Bay Capital Fund I and Fund II. Companies in the combined portfolio have raised more than \$500 million and created greater than 500 jobs. Doug is the primary partner, overseeing all investments, managing fund operations, and overseeing the funds' support of their portfolio companies. To date, he has been responsible for over twenty investments, of which three have been exited (Redwood BioSciences, iPierian, and Calithera). He is a Board member or observer at Delpor, Magnamosis, Magnap, Ocular Dynamics, Avexegen, and Zephyrus.



Maureen Cronin, PhD, acts as CSO at HTG Molecular Diagnostics and is an independent biotechnology consultant. She took retirement from Celgene Corporation as Executive Director of Strategic Information Management in 2017. In this role, she worked cross-functionally within Research and Early Development, with outside collaborators and Celgene IT business partners to create the scientific computing and data management environment necessary for conducting drug development as a knowledge-driven enterprise across multiple, global R&D sites. Prior to joining Celgene, Maureen served as SVP of Research and Product Development at Foundation Medicine in Cambridge, MA where she led development and validation of FoundationOne[™], an NGS technology-based oncology clinical diagnostic test. Before joining Foundation Medicine, Maureen was Vice President of Translational Research at Genomic Health, where over her nine-year tenure she built R&D analytical and laboratory capabilities for developing, validating, and launch of the OncotypeDX[™] breast and colon cancer tests.



Roxanne Croze, PhD, is a Cell Biologist with a background in Cell and Gene Therapy for a variety of disease indications including, lung, retina and cardiac. She completed a Ph.D. from UCSB in Cell and Molecular Biology with a focus on retinal stem cell biology followed by a post-doctoral fellowship at UCSF examining mesenchymal stromal cells and lipid mediators as a therapy for lung disease. She is a Bay Area native with 5+ years industry experience at a leading gene therapy company, 4D Molecular Therapeutics. Currently she is the Director of Vector and Product Development and runs a team of scientists to support the discovery of novel tropic AAV capsids and progress product candidates through the pipeline towards IND filing in a wide range of therapeutic areas. She is passionate about discovering therapies in areas with unmet medical need to help the millions of suffering patients.



Nipun Davar, PhD, MBA, is the Senior Vice President of Pharmaceutical Development and Manufacturing at Astex Pharmaceuticals, Inc. He had joined Astex in February 2016. He has 22 years of experience in product development in the pharmaceutical industry, particularly process chemistry, formulation development, drug delivery, CMC regulatory, quality assurance, analytical sciences, and manufacturing. He joined Astex from Threshold Pharmaceuticals where he was a Corporate Officer, Senior Vice President and a member of the executive management team from 2011 to 2016, and led the pharmaceutical development of the company's lead oncology product, TH-302. From 2006 to 2011, he was Vice President of pharmaceutical sciences with Transcept Pharmaceuticals where he led the technical product development of Intermezzo[®] (low dose sublingual zolpidem tartrate), approved by the FDA for the

treatment of middle-of-the-night insomnia. He has authored 13 issued or pending patents and multiple publications in the area of drug delivery and product development. Dr. Davar holds a Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Sciences from the University of Maryland and an MBA from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.



Derick En'Wezoh, MD, MBA, is an entrepreneurial physician and investor at Susa Ventures where he specializes in AI/ML-powered technologies and the cutting edges of healthcare. Prior to becoming an investor, Derick started a medical device company in the drug delivery space and was an early team member at <u>Viz.ai</u> where he led growth for nearly four years. Derick was a surgical resident at Stanford Hospital. He completed his MD at Harvard, his MBA at Stanford, and is an alumnus of Stanford Biodesign.



Kenneth Fang, MD, has extensive corporate experience and a proven track record in biomarker discovery and applications for the development and commercialization of diagnostic products for diverse indications, including cardiovascular disease and inflammation. Dr. Fang served as CMO at Diadexus from 2014 to 2016. Prior to joining Diadexus, Dr. Fang served as CMO and VP, Translational Research and Clinical Development, for Integrated Diagnostics, Inc., a molecular diagnostics company, and was head of translational medicine and clinical development for Modus BioMedicine, a start-up company developing monoclonal antibodies targeting lymphocytes as therapeutics for immune-mediated diseases. In 2004-2009, Dr. Fang was senior director, clinical development at XDx, Inc., a molecular diagnostics company. Dr. Fang received a B.A. in biochemistry from the University of Pennsylvania and his M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. He is Board-Certified in Pulmonary Diseases and Critical Care Medicine. In addition, Dr. Fang was an assistant professor of medicine in the Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at the University of California, San Francisco.



Tony Fields, MS, MSc, served as the Chief Operating Officer of Claret Medical, having joined as the 7th employee in August 2011. Tony managed all aspects of the development of the Sentinel Cerebral Protection System, a catheter designed to protect the brain from stroke during structural heart procedures. Claret was acquired by Boston Scientific in August of 2018. Prior to Claret, he served for two years as the Vice President of Research & Development and Operations for Voyage Medical, managing the development of an image-guided cardiac ablation catheter and system to treat complex arrhythmias. For over eight years prior to Voyage Medical, Tony was the first employee and Vice President of Research and Development for Emphasys Medical, a startup focused on developing a one-way valve mounted on a selfexpanding stent for implantation in the airways of the lung to treat emphysema. Prior to Emphasys, he spent over two years as the Vice President of Engineering at Reconstructive Technologies, a startup attempting to grow human skin in vitro, and eight years at IDEO Product Development managing numerous consulting projects in medical devices from infusion pumps to clinical lab instrumentation to drug delivery systems. He is currently working with and advising several early stage medical device companies in addition to working as a patent expert witness. Tony holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from U.C. Berkeley, a M.S. in Mechanical Engineering from M.I.T., and a M.Sc. in Electrical Engineering from Imperial College in London. Tony is an inventor on 26 granted US patents, and numerous other granted OUS patents and pending US/OUS applications.



Bret Foreman, MSEE, is formally trained as an electrical engineer with a BSEE from the University of Southern California and a Masters from UC Berkeley. His engineering specialties are sensors, embedded processors, realtime, nano-power, analog electronics, signal processing, and radio communication. His medical device specialties are in neurostimulators, implanted electronics, surgical robots, and system design in regulated industries. He now works part time as an independent consultant. He enjoys time hiking with his dog, organizing dinner parties, and tricking out his "overland" Tesla Model Y.



Stephen B. Freedman, PhD, is Director of the Gladstone Center for Translational Research (GCTR) and Vice President for Corporate Liaison and Ventures at the Gladstone Institutes. Through Dr. Freedman's leadership, GCTR has facilitated a number of significant strategic relationships and alliances—across all of Gladstone's research areas—with biotech and pharmaceutical companies, venture capital firms and foundations. GCTR is always looking for new opportunities to advance Gladstone's research through both traditional and non-traditional collaboration models. Dr. Freedman has more than 25 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry, including senior positions at Merck & Co. and Elan Pharmaceuticals. Dr. Freedman earned a bachelor's degree in physiology and biochemistry and a PhD in pharmacology from the University of Southampton. He received the G. Kerkut Prize for Physiology in 1978 and completed postdoctoral studies with Professor Richard Miller at the University of Chicago.



Jonathan Freudman, MD, has over thirty years of experience in healthcare. He founded Freudman Healthcare Consulting in 2002 to bring his clinical, administrative, and business experience to healthcare firms. Jon helps his clients understand and navigate the US healthcare reimbursement system. Clients include medical device manufacturers, disease management companies, telehealth entrepreneurs, and investment firms. Core competencies include identification of drivers for new technology adoption as well as planning and implementation of effective reimbursement strategies.



Ron Garren, MD, is a board-certified internist, and has been practicing medicine for over 40 years. He is a graduate of Harvard Medical School and completed his residency at New York Hospital. In 1994 Ron completed a three-year postdoctoral fellowship in molecular biology at Stanford in Dr. Paul Berg's lab, studying the effects of the nef gene from the HIV virus. An additional year was spent as a visiting scholar in the Biochemistry Dept. at Stanford. Dr. Garren has continued to practice hospital-based oncology as well as consult for biotechnology companies in the San Francisco Bay area. He has a founder equity position in Rigel Pharmaceuticals (RIGL), a public biotech company in South San Francisco. He was also the Chairman of the Board of Kinexis, a private biotech company in San Diego specializing in Alzheimer's disease. Garren was also the CEO of Amplimed, a private biotech company in Tuscon specializing in developing cancer drugs. He was the editor of Biotech Insight, a small-cap biotech newsletter for 20 years. Dr. Garren currently consults for a group of small-cap biotech investors.



Michi Garrison, MS, is a seasoned, hands-on medical device executive, specializing in developing groundbreaking new devices and clinical procedures. She has over twenty-five years of experience in areas ranging from catheters, disposable devices, vascular implants, surgical instruments and medical instrumentation as well as a history of creativity and innovation, with a strong knowledge of intellectual property development.



Marlene Grenon, MD, MBA, is the Chief Medical Officer of Evry Health, a start-up health care insurance as well as a staff physician and Volunteer Associate Clinical Professor in the Department of Surgery at UCSF. She has more than 20 years of experience in the health care industry. Prior to joining the team at Evry Health, Dr. Grenon held a position of Associate Professor in the Department of Surgery at UCSF, staff surgeon at the VAMC San Francisco and Adjunct Faculty at the International Space University. She was heavily involved in research and education, acting as lead investigator for several clinical trials funded by the NIH, NASA/NSBRI, and other organizations. Dr. Grenon holds an M.D. from McGill University, a M.M.Sc. from Harvard Medical School, an M.B.A. from Brown University / IE Business School, and a diploma in Space Sciences from the International Space University.



Elizabeth Gress, MPA, is a graduate of Williams College and has held various research development and program management roles in the Department of Surgery since 2007. In 2017, she earned a Master of Public Affairs degree from UC Berkeley. As Program Manager, Liz plays a key role in goal-setting, strategic planning, and execution of Surgical Innovations' programs and activities. Liz has been involved in Surgical Innovations since its inception, helping develop and launch the initiative in 2012 and now managing its operations. Working closely with faculty leadership, Liz oversees Surgical Innovation's accelerator and seed funding program, organizes project teams, performs program outreach, and coordinates with stakeholders across campus to develop policies and resources to improve the climate for surgical innovators at UCSF. Liz came to her present position after several years as the administrator of the UCSF Pediatric Device Consortium, an FDA-funded "think tank" for pediatric medical device development that has incubated over 15 new pediatric devices and led to six spin-out companies. A successful grant writer, Liz has helped raise over \$9 million in government and private funding for medical research, device development, and innovation infrastructure at UCSF. She is also experienced with FDA regulatory submissions, UCSF laboratory and clinical research protocols, and technical writing and editing.



J. Russel Grove, PhD, has worked for 30 years in the biopharmaceutical industry, at companies including Affymax, Abgenix, Amgen, and Boehringer Ingelheim, prior to his joining Coherus BioSciences, where he is Vice President, Regulatory Affairs CMC. His experience includes discovering and developing small-molecule drugs and biologics; leading bioinformatics; evaluating and developing new technologies; developing, transferring, and overseeing biologics manufacturing processes; leading global development teams; and driving regulatory submissions. He earned his AB in Biochemistry from UC Berkeley and his PhD in Pharmacology from Stanford University.



Martyn Gunning has more than 30 years of international pharmaceutical industry experience. A successful background in research, development, project and alliance management of ethical pharmaceuticals. Martyn combines a background in working with major pharmaceutical companies, alongside co-founding several start up biotech companies. Martyn is a biologist and currently runs his own consultancy company assisting pharmaceutical and biotech companies on product development.



Shalabh Gupta, MD, founder, CEO, and President of Unicycle Therapeutics, Inc. since August 2016. Since June 2013, Dr. Gupta has also served as the founder and Chief Executive Officer of Globavir Biosciences, Inc., a company focused on commercializing novel therapeutics and powerful diagnostics for treating global infectious disease. Dr. Gupta has also served in various other capacities including founder and Chief Executive Officer of Biocycive Inc.; Strategy, Genentech Commercial at Genentech, Inc.; Equity Research, Pharmaceuticals at UBS Investment Bank; Attending Physician at NYU Medical Center; clinical faculty member at NYU School of Medicine; and Equity Research, Biotechnology at Rodman & Renshaw, LLC. In addition, he has served on the board of directors of Beall Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship since 2018. Dr. Gupta has also served as an advisor to SPARK, Stanford University School of Medicine since 2012, a charter member of TiE, a not-for-profit network of entrepreneurs fostering entrepreneurship, mentoring and education, since 2013.



Ken Haas, JD, is a business and biotechnology consultant. He spent 15 years as a Partner at Abingworth, a global life sciences venture capital firm, prior to which he spent 25 years in the management of both early-stage and public technology and biotechnology companies. He was Co-Chair of the Advisory Council to the Neuroscience Institute at Stanford, was part of the founding management team at IntelliGenetics, one of the world's first bioinformatics companies, and served for 10 years as CEO of IntelliCorp, a publicly-traded enterprise software company. At the beginning of his career, he practiced as an attorney in the business and technology group of Heller, Ehrman, White & McAuliffe. Ken's directorships include or have included Aculys, eFFECTOR, Gynesonics, Intellikine, SFJ Pharmaceuticals, Sonitus Medical and Zogenix. He received his BA from Harvard College, an MA from the University of Sussex, a JD from Harvard Law School and attended the Advanced Management Program at Harvard Business School.



Kevin Hacker, PhD, is serving as R&D Scientist, Advanced, in the Emerging Technologies Group in Genomics R&D at Agilent Technologies. He is assisting in IP and FTO inquiries and supporting lab based POC and evaluation efforts. He has worked for Complete Genomics, Cepheid, Molecular Probes, Protein Simple, and Applied Biosystems and was co-founder and CEO of a diagnostic startup. He has aided in the development of 4 instrument platforms and launched 5 products. He received his Ph.D. from UCSF with Bruce Alberts as his advisor.



Karl Handelsman, MBA, MS, in collaboration with scientific founders and entrepreneurs Karl fosters early stage life science innovation. He focuses on early stage pre-clinical therapeutic companies and synthetic biology. The startup search by entrepreneurs and the biotech industry to translate science into products is an evolving practice. In addition to working with science research organizations, such as UCSF and NIH, on translational programs he also makes angel investments in seed and series A startups.



Rami Hannoush, PhD, serves as General Partner at Mubadala Capital. He is an early stage biotech and life science investor with operational experience in pharma R&D. Additionally, Rami has served in various leadership roles in drug discovery and development at Genentech, overseeing the pre-clinical scientific strategy from early stage discovery to development for multiple drug candidates. His focus disease areas are in immunology, ophthalmology and oncology.



Dave Harrison, MD, MBA, is a practicing Emergency Medicine physician and MedTech entrepreneur. He has experience commercializing academic technologies and is the Co-founder and Chief Operating Officer of Theseus AI. In the past, Dave has supported university startups and helped incubate academic projects while working at the UCLA Technology Development Group. Dave was also responsible for MedTech investments at the UCLA Innovation Fund. He has a clinical background as a board certified Emergency Medicine physician with a part time appointment at the Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital. He received his B.A. in Economics and MD/MBA from Tufts University and completed his residency at L.A County / University of Southern California.



Chris Haskel, PhD, is the Vice President and Head at the Bayer West Coast Innovation Center with a focus on developing partnered research programs between Bayer's global research activities and early programs in academia and biotech. His focus is on developing innovative business and collaboration models that drive the project to clear decision points based on solid science.



Dan Hayes, PhD, is graduate of the Penn State Engineering Science and Mechanics Doctoral program and is the current Department Head and a Professor in Biomedical Engineering at Penn State University. Dan also serves the as the Director of the Center of Excellence in Industrial Biotechnology at Penn State. His research activities are focused at the intersection of engineered materials and biological systems, with applications in healthcare diagnostics, tissue engineering and drug delivery. His current research is supported by grants from NIH, NSF and DOD. Dan is active in translational research and tech transfer and is the co-founder of several university spin-outs including Illuminate Therapeutics Inc, Osteosynth LLC. and NanoHorizons Inc. Dan has authored over 100 peer-reviewed publications and is an inventor on more than 20 pending and allowed patents.



Andrew Hertz, MD, is an Innovative and visionary physician executive who inspires both physicians and organization leaders to transform operations, increase market share, and optimize the quality and value of care delivered. He is skilled in utilizing clinical and financial data to provide actionable insights to drive change and promote a culture of data driven decision making. Dr. Hertz has a proven track record of engaging physicians and advanced practice providers and leading through rapid changes in the healthcare environment utilizing supportive IT solutions. He has repeated success at developing leadership teams that

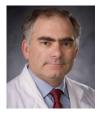
embrace transformation, implement novel care delivery models and achieve results. Dr. Hertz is a pioneer, change agent and physician leader who achieves operational success while striving to optimize the well-being of children.



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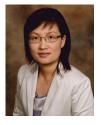
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