

Developmental Biology Alumni Symposium: Exploring Careers Beyond Dev Bio

8:50 am Registration and welcome

Session 1 (careers beyond the ivory tower)

- 9:00 am **Dr. Chloe Rose**
Forensic Scientist, Biology Section, Centre of Forensic Sciences
Previously: PhD student in Ciruna lab - 2015-2022
- 9:20 am **Dr. Lara Skwarek**
Investment Associate, Life Sciences @ Invest Nova Scotia
Previously: PhD student in Boulianne lab – 2001-2009
- 9:40 am **Dr. Louisa Ho**
Research and Innovation Development Officer, NSERC
Previously: PhD student in Alman lab – 2005-2012
- 10:00 am **Dr. Jes Adams**
Senior Medical Director, MEDiSTRAVA, USA
Previously: PhD student in Egan lab – 2006-2012
- 10:20 break
- 10:40 am **Dr. Sili Liu**
Program Director, Regulatory Affairs, Genentech, Bay area
Previously: PhD student in Boulianne lab – 2008-2013
- 11:00 am **Dr. Sivani Paskaradevan**
Director, Global Medical Affairs Lead - Sarepta Therapeutics, USA
Previously: PhD student in Scott lab – 2006-2013
- 11:20 am **Dr. Erica Nieuwenhuis**
CEO Bio Sculpture Canada Inc.
Previously: PhD student in Hui lab – 2000-2008
- 11:40 pm - 12:20 pm** **Dr. Julia Maeve Bonner**
keynote 1 Principal Scientist, Lab Head, Rare and Neurological Diseases, Sanofi,
USA
Previously: PhD student in Boulianne lab – 2007-2014
- 12:20 pm - 2:00 pm** **Lunch and panel/round table discussions**
lunch break
- 2:00 pm **Dr. Tanner Scidmore**
Senior Research Associate, Deep Genomics
Previously: PhD student in Pearson lab – 2018-2020

Session 2 (careers in academia)

- 2:20 pm **Dr. Katie Cockburn**
Assistant Professor - McGill University
Previously: PhD student in Rossant lab – 2009-2015
- 2:40 pm **Dr. Amanda Ali**
Assistant Professor - Henry Ford Center
Previously: PhD student in Alman lab – 2007-2014
- 3:00 pm **Dr. Joanna Smeeton**
Assistant Professor – Columbia University
Previously: PhD student in Rosenblum lab – 2006-2013
- 3:20 pm break
- 3:40 pm **Dr. Marco Gallo**
Associate Professor, Baylor College of Medicine
Previously: Postdoctoral Fellow in Dirks lab – 2010-2015
- 4:00 pm **Dr. Ted Erclik**
Associate Professor – University of Toronto, Mississauga
Previously: PhD student in Lipshitz/McInnes labs – 1997-2007
- 4:20 pm - 5:00 pm** **Dr. Pleasantine Mill**
keynote 2 Group Leader, University of Edinburgh
Previously: PhD student in Hui lab – 1999-2004
- 5:00 pm closing remarks
- 5:15 pm – 7:00 pm wine & cheese trainee networking reception
- 7:30 pm informal lab reunions to be organized by alumni groups