



AGENDA

Scientist Mentoring & Diversity Program for Biotechnology (SMDP Biotech) Outreach & Planning Committee

Video Conference Call: Tuesday, February 6, 2024, 12:00 noon Eastern | 9:00 AM Pacific
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- Welcome & Introductions - **BOLD ITEMS WILL BE COVERED DURING THE CALL;** For a more in-depth briefing contact Scott May at smay@icpdprograms.org or +1 (202) 441-7370
- **Scholar updates**
- Planning for the 2024 SMDP Biotech training program, June 1-6 in San Diego
 - **Mentor Selection - Partner companies select their own mentors; guidance for mentors is here:** <https://smdp.icpdprograms.org/mentoring/>; **plan to select the mentors by April 12;** request mentors or surrogate mentors from the sponsor companies be available in-person at the training program
 - **Scholars Thank you to the committee for input on academic focus areas of prospective scholars in this Google document:** <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LtnPKcthvX12B8NbBaOK3n6juUdanvAUHotpQ476ISg/edit> and additional edits are welcome by **February 9;** please send Selection Committee member names and email, addresses to Elisabeth Valerio (evalerio@icpdprgrams.org) and Scott May by **April 5;** ICPD staff and scholars continue to attend professional and university meetings for scholar recruitment; virtual Fireside Chat scheduled for **March 8;** ICPD is accepting applications for the 2024 programs at: <https://smdp.icpdprograms.org/>; please share the call for applicants: https://smdp.icpdprograms.org/assets/y1lyu45dj3qh/page_widgets/2024-SMDP-Call-for-Applications.pdf; the application deadline is April 5, 2024
 - **Speaker needs - Please refer to this document for speaker needs:** <http://www.icpdprograms.org/assets/media/docs/committees/smdp-biotech/attachments/2024-SMDP-Biotech-Speaker-Opportunities.pdf>; send speaker recommendations to Elisabeth Valerio and Dustie Savage (dsavage@icpdprograms.org) by **April 26**
 - **Venues - ICPD is seeking meeting space for 220 people all day Sunday on June 2 and for morning sessions on Monday, June 3, ICPD is also checking on university facilities; casual dinner will be at Social Tap**
 - **BIO International Convention - SMDP will be partnering with the Women in BIO organization during the convention;** ICPD seeks to grow its partnership with the Biotechnology Industry Organization; ICPD requests that sponsors/partners provide introductions to key staff at BIO for Scott May
- Partner Support
 - **Thank you to the partner companies that have confirmed the number of scholar/mentor pairs they will support as part of SMDP Biotech and SMDP MedTech in 2024; 71 are confirmed for SMDP Biotech and ICPD will accept up to 110; if you have not confirmed the number of scholar/mentor pairs you intend to sponsor, then please confirm this with Scott May by**

February 16; After February 16, we will begin securing sponsorship from “wait listed” companies



- Sponsorship information available here:
<http://www.icpdprograms.org/sponsorship/>
- Portal Orientation for recruiters at partner companies - schedule with Scott May
- Virtual programming
 - **2022 SMDP MedTech virtual end-of-year reunion was December 7**
 - **SMDP Biotech and SMDP MedTech Career Networking virtual event will be March 6 and 7, respectively - Incyte, Kenvue, and Smith+Nephew are confirmed; to reserve a spot, email Scott May**
 - Project pages; SMDP Gateway membership program
- Sponsor updates
 - SMDP related announcements
 - **J&J Innovative Medicine Open House was November 7-8 in Springhouse, PA - Scott May attended**
 - **Lilly hosted a program for their SMDP Peer Mentoring Network on December 12**
 - **Diversity and inclusion activities**
- Alumni program - **Developing a cohesive alumni program; staff dedicated to alumni activities; update of survey of past scholars**
https://smdp.icpdprograms.org/assets/y1lyu45dj3qh/page_widgets/SMDP-Biotech-Report-2010-2019.pdf; **DISCUSSION ITEM - what additional alumni information would be helpful for the report?; no dedicated in-person alumni programming is being planned in conjunction with 2024 SMDP Biotech and 2024 SMDP MedTech training programs**
- Other ICPD program updates:
 - ELISA - **ELISA Scholars program will be November 13-14, 2024, in Hwange, Zimbabwe (arrival in Victoria Falls)**; Online tours and briefings about ELISA are available by contacting Scott May
 - 2024 SMDP MedTech will be October 12-17 in Toronto, Canada

Upcoming SMDP Biotech O&P Committee calls:

- **Tuesday, April 2, 2024, 12:00 noon Eastern / 9:00 AM Pacific**
- **Tuesday, July 23, 2024, 12:00 noon Eastern / 9:00 AM Pacific**
- **Tuesday, September 10, 2024, 12:00 noon Eastern / 9:00 AM Pacific**
- **Tuesday, November 5, 2024, 12:00 noon Eastern / 9:00 AM Pacific**