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In today's ever-changing landscape of pharmaceutical R&D, drug development program and portfolio management, portfolio prioritization, capacity management, resource forecasting, risk mitigation, and strategic decision-making are paramount. Cambridge Healthtech Institute's Biopharma Strategy Series presents Executive Decision Making for Pharma and Biotech which offers a comprehensive platform for high-level discussions, interactive sessions, networking opportunities, breakout roundtables, and personalized 1:1 meetings. Attendees will leave with new tools and organizational strategies to optimize project planning, portfolio insights, and decision making; and to align resource planning, allocation, and capacity management with portfolio prioritization.



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KEYNOTE PROGRAM

Unlock the Power of Change: Elevate Your Leadership Journey

*Mary Lou Panzano, Founder and CEO, Panzano Enterprises LLC; Former Vice President, Internal Communications, Bayer
Michelle Shogren, CEO & Owner, Innovate in What You Do; former Senior Director of Innovation, Pharma R&D Clinical Operations, Bayer*

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Employing AI to Increase R&D Productivity

Helen Merianos, PhD, Head, R&D Portfolio Strategy, Sanofi

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PANEL DISCUSSION: Simplifying Portfolio and Resource Management Processes in the Age of Analytics

Moderator:



Michael Myers, PhD

Associate Vice President, LRL Project Management – Due Diligence, Eli Lilly and Company

Panelists:



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Tuesday, October 8

8:00 am Registration and Morning Coffee

8:50 Organizer's Welcome Remarks

MORNING MEET & GREET ICEBREAKER

8:55 Chairperson's Remarks

Michael Ferrante, Executive Director, Business Analytics, Global Regulatory Affairs & Clinical Safety, Merck

9:00 Networking Meet & Greet

Michael Ferrante, Executive Director, Business Analytics, Global Regulatory Affairs & Clinical Safety, Merck

Jumpstart your conference experience with a lively morning speed networking! This informal networking session is the perfect chance to meet fellow participants and connect with your conference peers right from the start. Grab a cup of coffee, engage in conversations, and kick off the conference with a bang. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to make new connections, share insights, and lay the groundwork for a memorable conference journey.

PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT STRATEGY AND PROCESSES

9:30 Transforming from a Distributed to a Centralized Portfolio Management Function: Considerations and Lessons Learned

Stephen Cho, PhD, Senior Vice President & Head, Portfolio Strategy & Analytics, Strategy & Growth, Novartis

As Novartis transformed to a focused, pure-play innovative medicines company, portfolio management was consolidated across Research, Development, and Commercial to build lasting impact and achieve long-term business success. Since mid-2022, we have focused on building a stronger, focused pipeline, streamlined enterprise governance, centralized long-term revenue forecasts and valuations, and created an aligned strategic framework. Key learnings include importance of change management, flexibility, and streamlined processes and systems.

10:00 The Partnership between Decision Sciences and Project Management to Enable Decision Quality in Drug Development at Eli Lilly

Charles Persinger, Executive Director, R&D Strategy & Decision Sciences, Eli Lilly and Company

Lilly Decision Sciences and Project Management organizations partner to deliver decision quality on decisions across research and development—and Lilly Research Labs has won the Raiffa-Howard Award from the Society of Decision Professionals for achieving organizational decision quality. Explore which roles the decision sciences experts and project managers take and which approaches are put in place in those organizations to deliver decision quality for individual projects and the portfolio.

10:30 Coffee Break with Exhibit Viewing

11:00 Case Study: The Intention and Reality of Leveraging External Data to Inform Project and Portfolio Decisions

Elayne Ko, Director, Portfolio Decision Sciences, GlaxoSmithKline

This presentation outlines the intention of waiting for external clinical data prior to investment decision-making. An illustrative example—including an overview of the quantitative inputs needed to generate outputs and insights—is used to frame the decision of invest now or invest later pending external data read-out. While leveraging external data may appear appealing, the presentation will review potential challenges to the decision alternative of waiting.

11:30 Luncheon Presentation (Sponsorship Opportunity Available) or Enjoy Lunch on Your Own

12:00 pm Session Break

PORTFOLIO PRIORITIZATION METHODOLOGIES

12:55 Chairperson's Remarks

Charles Naaman, Vice President, Global Portfolio & Project Management—Oncology, AstraZeneca

1:00 Portfolio Prioritization in the Real World

Gregory Wayne, PhD, Senior Director, Decision Sciences Group, AbbVie, Inc.

There are several theoretical approaches to portfolio prioritization, based on value metrics, costs, and pareto curves. In the real world within the pharma industry, prioritization needs to align with multiple stakeholders who have different priorities, and to address multiple constraints. A framework will be presented that addresses these limitations and provides transparency in order to make tradeoffs within the portfolio.

1:30 FIRESIDE CHAT: Comparing Alternative Approaches to Portfolio Prioritization, Benefits, and Trade-Offs

Charles Naaman, Vice President, Global Portfolio & Project Management—Oncology, AstraZeneca

Charles Persinger, Executive Director, R&D Strategy & Decision Sciences, Eli Lilly and Company

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Explore alternative portfolio prioritization methods and strategies. Discuss tactics to align portfolio prioritization with short- and long-term corporate goals. Uncover how alternative strategies can be leveraged to foster resilience, mitigate uncertainties, and bolster innovation in pharmaceutical portfolio management, paving the way for more robust and adaptable pipelines.

2:15 Level up Your Strategic Portfolio Decision-Making with AI



Why AI needs to be part of your toolkit and how it fits into current workflows for strategic portfolio planning.

The need for purpose-built data for transparent and accurate probability of success (PoS) assessments to enhance decision-making. Real-world scenarios and applicable use cases where AI-driven PoS can be leveraged to your advantage.

2:45 Refreshment Break with Exhibit Viewing

3:15 Analyzing Ten Years of Clinical Trial Data with Causal Inference and Discovery

Gary J. Summers, PhD, Director Oncology Portfolio Decision Sciences, Strategy Portfolio Management, GSK

Traditional statistics analysis discovers correlations while yielding biased results. New techniques, called causal inference and discovery, identify causal relationships. Using these techniques, inspired by how statistics transformed baseball (see the movie Moneyball), we analyze ten years of clinical trial data to identify opportunities to improve trial design and PTRS.

BREAKOUT DISCUSSIONS

3:45 Breakout Discussions

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4:45 Networking Reception with Exhibit Viewing

5:45 Close of Day

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Wednesday, October 9

7:45 am Registration and Morning Coffee

COMBINING PROCESSES AND ANALYTICAL INSIGHTS IN DECISION-MAKING

8:15 Chairperson's Remarks

Joe Stalder, Vice President, Program Management, Zentalis Pharmaceuticals

8:20 Mirror, Mirror, on the Wall—Is This a Good Deal? Navigating Bias(es)

Michael Myers, PhD, Associate Vice President, LRL Project Management—Due Diligence, Eli Lilly and Company

In helping to support decision-making on complex opportunities, setting the table for the decision should include some elements that serve as mitigation for any potential bias. Consistently leveraging a process OR building one to generate an aligned set of key inputs can sometimes be challenging. Which biases might be at play for your opportunity? Which processes might you have (or may need to set up) to leverage?

8:50 Sponsored Presentation (Opportunity Available)

9:20 Coffee Break with Exhibit Viewing

9:50 Beyond the NPV: Valuing Pipeline Assets for Portfolio Decision-Making

Caroline Dewing, Executive Director, Head of Portfolio Planning, Ionis Pharmaceuticals

NPV and eNPV estimates are the cornerstone of financial modeling for many portfolio teams. The simplicity is alluring. All the complexity of a program gets distilled in one number, making it an easy way to compare and prioritize programs. Don't get fooled. During this talk, we'll discuss when and why NPVs can lead to unideal investment decisions—and alternative approaches to value programs and portfolios to make better decisions.

10:20 PANEL DISCUSSION: Right-Sizing Your Project Management Methodology to Match Company Maturity: Lessons Learned in Small and Large Biopharmas

Moderator: Joe Stalder, Vice President, Program Management, Zentalis Pharmaceuticals

Panelists will address differences in approaches and lessons learned in managing R&D projects at large vs. small biopharma companies. Given available resources and pressures from internal and external stakeholders, which trade-offs are made when managing R&D projects? What are the differences in team structures, governance models, and decision rights? Which advantages does a large company have over a small company, and vice versa?

Panelists:

Kundini Amin, Head, Portfolio Leadership, Analytics & Insights (PLAI), Biogen
Paul B. Cook, PhD, Senior Director, Program Management, Generation Bio
Alexander Rucci, Director, Project Management, Sumitomo Pharma America

11:05 RAID Logs Are Stale; GRIDALL Is Fresh

Joe Stalder, Vice President, Program Management, Zentalis Pharmaceuticals

The RAID Log is a commonly used tool for capturing project information. However, it lacks key project information, does not link between key artifacts, and it does not allow for feedback loops that enable continuous improvement. The GRIDALL model offers a more comprehensive model for capturing project information. A PMO that uses the GRIDALL method will provide value to project teams by being more complete, connected, and continuous.

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1:00 Chairperson's Remarks

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Moderator: Michael Myers, PhD, Associate Vice President, LRL Project Management—Due Diligence, Eli Lilly and Company

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5:15 Close of Program & Portfolio Management Conference

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Wednesday, October 9

12:00 pm Registration Open

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5:15 Close of Day

Thursday, October 10

7:30 am Registration Open

8:00 Morning Coffee

8:25 Chairperson's Remarks

Sean Gallagher, Director, Capacity Management and Business Analytics, Johnson & Johnson

8:30 Linking Portfolio Intent to Resource Deployment: Best Practices to Enhance Operational Efficiency and Effectiveness

Michael Ferrante, Executive Director, Business Analytics, Global Regulatory Affairs & Clinical Safety, Merck

Effective resource allocation is crucial for achieving organizational goals and optimizing project success. This presentation explores the strategic alignment of portfolio intent with resource allocation, emphasizing the importance of ensuring coherence between company objectives and resource distribution. By leveraging data analysis and forecasting techniques, organizations can make informed decisions to balance resource demand and capacity, thereby enhancing operational efficiency and effectiveness.

9:00 Implementation of Resource/Capacity Management through Integration with Portfolio Management

Stuart Fort, Senior Director, Project Management Strategy and Capabilities, Eli Lilly and Company

Common challenges in capacity management systems involve maintaining real-time demand data while also dealing with the differing structures and needs of each function in the R&D value chain. This presentation highlights a solution that leverages an existing project and portfolio management system and layers in the resource structure in a flexible and sustainable manner, and putting real-time resource and capacity management analyses in the hands of each functional leader.

9:30 Sponsored Presentation (Opportunity Available)

10:00 Networking Coffee Break

10:20 Expanded Use of AI and Data Science in Resource Forecasting and Planning

Thomas De Vis, Associate Director Capacity Management, Johnson & Johnson
Sean Gallagher, Director, Capacity Management and Business Analytics, Johnson & Johnson

Embark on a journey into the future of resource forecasting and planning in pharmaceuticals and biotech with Thomas De Vis. Discover how AI and data science revolutionize decision-making and optimize resource allocation for efficiency. Gain insights into leveraging advanced analytics for strategic resource management. Join us for an exploration, including a case study from Johnson & Johnson. Don't miss this chance to unlock AI-driven resource optimization's full potential.

10:50 Opportunities to Drive Value: Implementing Fit-for-Purpose Resource Forecasting Capabilities in a Dynamic Environment

Chris Kaster, Director CDO Portfolio Analytics & Governance, CDO Portfolio Analytics & Governance, Moderna Inc.

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11:20 Firm Boundaries and Incentives: Evidence from the Biopharmaceutical Industry

Christopher Larson, Director Portfolio Program Management, AbbVie

It is well-documented that in-licensed drug projects have higher likelihood of approval than internal-drug projects. We show this result holds when controlling for heterogeneity across projects. We further show that this success rate difference is partly driven by agency problems: internal R&D teams may bring forward less promising projects due to monetary and career incentives. We also show that this mechanism is distinct and coexists with previously proposed mechanisms.

11:50 Networking Luncheon

12:50 pm Chairperson's Remarks

Alexander Rucci, Director, Project Management, Sumitomo Pharma America

12:55 Increasing Employee Efficiency Post-Portfolio Re-Prioritization and Company Transformation

Alexander Rucci, Director, Project Management, Sumitomo Pharma America

In early 2024 SMPA announced a major organizational restructuring, including a rationalization of workforce along with major changes to our biggest partnership. The Global Corporate Strategy team needed to develop new processes that track key strategic metrics across the finance, resource, and milestones spaces. This presentation will show our team's approach to this opportunity, along with a strategy to implement results.

1:25 Optimizing Resource Allocation—Approaches for Internal, External, and Regional Sourcing

Sabine Lenders, Associate Director, Capacity Management, Johnson & Johnson Innovative Medicine

This session will delve into strategies to maximize organizational efficiency through internal collaboration, strategic external partnerships, and regional considerations. Discover insights, case studies, and decision frameworks essential for executives navigating complex resource allocation challenges. Join us to unlock the potential of your resource management endeavors.

1:55 Presentation to be Announced

2:25 Closing Remarks

Alexander Rucci, Director, Project Management, Sumitomo Pharma America

2:30 Close of Strategic Resource Management Conference

“ The Resource Management community within pharma is such a small group of people that it is always wonderful when we can get together, learn, share, and return to our companies energized. No one in our respective organizations knows as much about our discipline as these peers, so this time sharing best practices is beyond valuable. ”

— Michael Ferrante, GRACS Business Analytics, Merck

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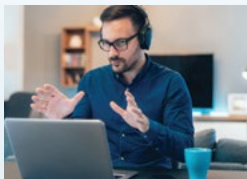


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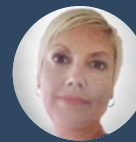
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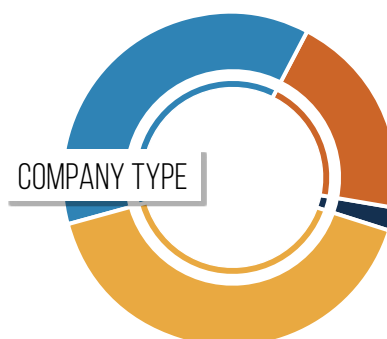


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