



Bridges to Industry

Past, present and future of Life Science innovators

A **round-table** event aiming to share personal experiences in entrepreneurship and scientific trajectories, specially intended for researchers working in the **life sciences**.

This event will provide insights into **different career paths** among academia and beyond. Outstanding scientists, recipients of Pioneer Awards, and/or IRB Barcelona Alumni will be sharing their journeys, providing valuable perspectives on navigating careers within **academia** and **beyond the bench**.

Programme:

10:00-10:10

Welcome & brief introduction by the moderator, **Cristina Horcajada**, PhD

10:10-11:00

Bridges to Industry Round table:

- **Benjamí Oller-Salvia**, PhD, Principal Investigator at IQS-URL
- **Daniel Massó**, PhD, Medical Scientific Liaison at Mural Oncology
- **Georgina Sorrosal**, PhD, Innovation and Entrepreneurship Director at CoMB
- **Mateusz Biesaga**, PhD, Co-founder and Head of Technology at Nuage Tx

Moderator: Cristina Horcajada, PhD, Head of Innovation at IRB Barcelona

11:00-11:30

Coffee Networking Session



15 February 2024



Dolors Aleu Room, Parc Científic de Barcelona,
Baldri Reixac, 4-10, Barcelona



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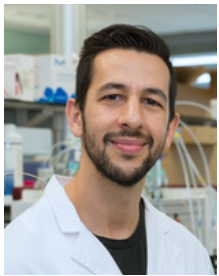


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Speakers:



Benjamí Oller-Salvia, PhD, PI of Chemical & Synthetic Biology for Biotherapies lab at IQS-URL
Benjamí is an ERC researcher, "la Caixa" fellow, and associate professor at IQS School of Engineering - Ramon Llull University. He leads the ChemSynBio research group, which combines chemical and synthetic biology to study transport across the blood-brain barrier (BBB) and generate smart biotherapeutics, especially for brain diseases. He completed his PhD at IRB Barcelona addressing the potential of a component of bee venom as a shuttle to transport drugs across the BBB and into the brain, which was awarded by the University of Barcelona in 2015.



Daniel Massó i Vallés, PhD, Medical Scientific Liaison at Mural Oncology
After completing his PhD and a short postdoc on cancer research at the Vall d'Hebron Institute of Oncology, Daniel joined the spin-off company Peptomyc, contributing to the initiation of a clinical trial testing the safety and efficacy of a first-in-class MYC inhibitor. Three years later, he decided to explore new avenues in drug development. To this end, he joined a pharmaceutical company headquartered in the US as Medical Science Liaison, supporting the development of a novel immunotherapy agent across Phase 1-3 trials in several European countries.



Georgina Sorrosal de Luna, PhD, Innovation and Entrepreneurship Director at CoMB
Georgina is currently the Director of Innovation and Entrepreneurship department at *Col·legi de Metges de Barcelona* (CoMB). She holds a PhD in Genetics from the University of Barcelona. She has more than 12 years of experience in health innovation, science management and project management working as Head of Operations in two biotechnological companies (Advancell and Nuage Therapeutics), Business Development and Technology Transfer at VHIR, and as a Senior analyst in venture capital health investment funds Healthequity and Invivo Capital.



Mateusz Biesaga, PhD, Scientific co-founder and Head of Technology at Nuage Therapeutics
Mateusz Biesaga is a Scientific Co-founder and Head of Technology at Nuage Therapeutics, where he leads the development of the platform for identifying modulators of intrinsically disordered proteins. He holds a Master's degree in Biomedical Engineering (INP Grenoble) and a PhD in Biomedicine (Pompeu Fabra University), the latter conducted at IRB Barcelona under the supervision of Xavier Salvatella.



Cristina Horcajada, PhD, Head of Innovation at IRB Barcelona
Cristina is responsible for the leadership and coordination of the technology transfer activities at IRB Barcelona, which include the implementation and development of the institute's innovation-related Strategic Plan. She holds a PhD in Biotechnology from the University of Barcelona. In addition, she has completed specialised courses in business, innovation, leadership, and management. She has held previous positions in the public and private sectors and has more than 10 years of experience in Innovation.