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  **keynote 1**  
**Dr. Julia Maeve Bonner**  
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