Dr. John J. Kopchick Research Symposium  
*Failure and Perseverance in Science*  
Monday, November 8, 2021  
Virtual

AGENDA

9:45 am  Welcome and Opening Remarks  
*Emcee Tristen Tellman [2019-2020 K-Fel]*  
*Michael Blackburn, PhD, GSBS Dean / Dr. John & Mrs. Char Kopchick + Fellows*

10:00 am  *Success is Not the Same as Failure Avoidance: Lessons from a Mid-Career Faculty*  
*C. David Fuller, MD, PhD, Associate Professor, Radiation Oncology, MD Anderson*

10:30 am  K-Fel Student Panel Discussion  
*Marimar de la Cruz Bonilla, MD, PhD [2018-2019]; Archit Ghosh [2021]; Soleil Hernandez [2021]; Alexis Mobley [2019-2020]; Deborah Silverman [2020-2021]*  
*Moderator: Medina Colic [2020-2021 K-Fel]*

11:00 am  *Failure is an Opportunity*  
*Guillermina Lozano, PhD, Chair & Professor, Genetics, MD Anderson*

11:30 am  2020 Kopchick Research Award Presentation  
*Actin Tyrosine Phosphorylation as a Novel Regulator of PI3K Signaling*  
*Amelie Albrecht, PhD (Advisor: Xuetong Snow Shen, PhD)*

12:00 noon  Lunch – Join the K-Fels for interactive virtual competitions during the break!

1:15 pm  Faculty Panel Discussion  
*Francesca Cole Bergemann, PhD, Associate Professor, Epigenetics & Molecular Carcinogenesis, MD Anderson*  
*Georgios Karras, PhD, Assistant Professor, Genetics, MD Anderson*  
*Amina Qutub, PhD, Associate Professor, Bioengineering, The University of Texas at San Antonio*  
*Moderator: Brigid McDonald [2020-2021 K-Fel]*

2:15 pm  *Academia to Failing Forward into Industry*  
*Jaymie Estrella, PhD, Global Marketing Director, Merck & Company*

2:45 pm  2021 Kopchick Research Awardees' Recognition  
*The Role of the Paraventricular Hypothalamus in Rhythmic Mediation of Feeding and Metabolism*  
*Rachel Van Drunen, PhD Candidate (Advisor: Kristin Eckel-Mahan, PhD)*
Our deepest appreciation to Dr. and Mrs. Kopchick for their generosity!

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3:00 pm  KEYNOTE

Dancing Lessons, A Marching Band and a Trip to the Desert:
The Path to an Ebola Vaccine and Novel Technology Aimed to Break the Cold Chain
MARIA A. CROYLE, RPh, PhD
Glaxo Wellcome Endowed Professor of Pharmaceutics,
The University of Texas at Austin - College of Pharmacy

4:00 pm  Closing Remarks
Tristen Tellman, Dean Blackburn, Dr. & Mrs. Kopchick