



# OTSS/MDCPSS VIRTUAL CAREER PANEL

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## Moderators

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# Schedule

- Introduction of panelists
  - From the areas of academia, government, industry, and consulting
- Panel interview
  - Questions from moderators
    - Round 1: general career questions
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    - Round 3: general career questions
  - Time check
    - Questions from audience (open Q&A)
  - Return to questions from moderators, if time permits
    - Round 4: area-specific career questions

# Introduction of Panelists

- Name, profession, number of years in profession

Area	Name
Academia	Mindy Reynolds, PhD
	Neera Tewari-Singh, PhD
Government	Elissa Wong, PhD
	Alan Hood, PhD
	Ron Brown, PhD, DABT (retired)
Industry	James (Jim) Kleinedler, PhD
	Ed Reverdy, PhD
	Hiroshi Hosako, PhD, DABT
	Bob Przygoda, PhD (retired)
Consulting	Joel Cohen, ScD, DABT
	Andrea Rodrigues, PhD, DABT
	Bill Wustenberg, DVM

# Questions from Moderators

- Round 1: general career questions

Name	Question
Mindy Reynolds, PhD	How did early career decisions shape your career path and lead to where you are today?
Alan Hood, PhD	
Ed Reverdy, PhD	
Hiromi Hosako, PhD, DABT	
Ron Brown, PhD, DABT (retired)	What mistake in your career has been the biggest lesson learned for you?
Bob Przygoda, PhD (retired)	
Bill Wustenberg, DVM	
Alan Hood, PhD	How important are advanced degrees (PhD) or other credentials (DABT) for a successful career?
Joel Cohen, ScD, DABT	
Neera Tewari-Singh, PhD	How do you avoid being complacent in your role and set yourself apart from others in your field/career?
James (Jim) Kleinedler, PhD	
Andrea Rodrigues, PhD, DABT	

# Questions from Moderators

- Round 2: area-specific career questions

Area	Name	Question
Academia	Mindy Reynolds, PhD	What do you think is a common misconception about academic careers in toxicology?
	Neera Tewari-Singh, PhD	
Government	Elissa Wong, PhD	Can you describe some of your earliest impressions of the FDA and what it is like to work there? Tell us one of the best things about working at the FDA.
	Alan Hood, PhD	
	Ron Brown, PhD, DABT (retired)	
Industry	James (Jim) Kleinedler, PhD	What advice would you give to someone interested in a career within the Medical Device Industry?
	Ed Reverdy, PhD	
	Hiromi Hosako, PhD, DABT	
	Bob Przygoda, PhD (retired)	
Consulting	Joel Cohen, ScD, DABT	What past experience or personality trait do you think helped you be a successful consultant?
	Andrea Rodrigues, PhD, DABT	
	Bill Wustenberg, DVM	

# Questions from Moderators

- Round 3: general career questions

Name	Question
Mindy Reynolds, PhD	How do you develop a network and utilize that network to help you in your career development?
Ron Brown, PhD, DABT (retired)	
Bill Wustenberg, DVM	
Elissa Wong, PhD	What are three things one should do when transitioning from academic training to a position in government, industry, or consulting to be successful?
James (Jim) Kleinedler, PhD	
Joel Cohen, ScD, DABT	
Ed Reverdy, PhD	How can you exceed in your career but also have work-life balance?
Andrea Rodrigues, PhD, DABT	
Neera Tewari-Singh, PhD	What's the hardest challenge you have overcome in your career and how did you do it?
Bob Przygoda, PhD (retired)	
Elissa Wong, PhD	What's the most challenging part of your job on a regular basis? Where do you see the most pressure?
Hiromi Hosako, PhD, DABT	

# Time Check

- Questions from the audience
  - Open Q&A

# Questions from Moderators

- Round 4: area-specific career questions

Area	Name	Question
Academia	Mindy Reynolds, PhD	Is the adage of "Publish or Perish" true?
	Neera Tewari-Singh, PhD	
Government	Elissa Wong, PhD	How does your current role incorporate or benefit from your past [academic/government] regulatory experience?
	Alan Hood, PhD	
	Ron Brown, PhD, DABT (retired)	
Industry	James (Jim) Kleinedler, PhD	Do you feel like you have job security?
	Ed Reverdy, PhD	
	Hiroshi Hosako, PhD, DABT	
	Bob Przygoda, PhD (retired)	
Consulting	Joel Cohen, ScD, DABT	Describe how you decided to get into consulting. What are some of the day-to-day responsibilities of a consultant?
	Andrea Rodrigues, PhD, DABT	
	Bill Wustenberg, DVM	



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  - Ron Brown
  - James (Jim) Kleinedler
  - Ed Reverdy
  - Hiromi Hosako
  - Bob Przygoda
  - Joel Cohen
  - Andrea Rodrigues
  - Bill Wustenberg