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BRIDGES TO BIOTECH - For Interested STEM Students & Post-Docs

What is Bridges to Biotech? Bridges to Biotech is a collaboration between the University of Maryland Systems, Johns Hopkins University, the National Institutes of Health, and the Maryland Department of Commerce to provide senior STEM and PhD students and post-doctoral fellows with additional training and networking within the state industry to support their continuity in Maryland. Each Bridges to Biotech session is hosted by a different Maryland biotech business. Each session allows companies to discuss the skills needed to be successful in the science sector, as well as help students understand the variety of employment opportunities available throughout the company and the state. By hosting a session, companies are given the chance to raise their profile in the region and stand out among other workplaces in the life sciences industry. Participating companies also receive resumes from each attending student, which helps the host find all-star candidates for future employment.

Why do we partner with Bridges to Biotech? This collaboration brings together all-star candidates in the STEM field with FDA to continue to build a pipeline of stellar talent; hence, this is a partnership that cannot be overlooked. By partnering, FDA gets the chance to share with attendees the type of work FDA does and what type of positions may be a good fit for them. Additionally, we provide guidance on how the hiring process works and what to expect. FDA has made connections and hires from past Bridges to Biotech events and FDA is excited to continue our partnership with this organization.

How long is the event? This is a one-day event and will take place on Monday, December 13, 2021, from 9:00am to 3:30pm. There will be a 1-hour break from 12:00pm to 1:00pm. Please see the agenda for specifics.

If I can't participate this year, can I attend next year? Absolutely! The event is typically held August/September in person, but this year's unique circumstances required some additional planning.

Is the event *always* virtual? We love welcoming students onto our White Oak Campus and meeting them in person, however due to COVID-19 restrictions this year's event will be virtual. We are hopeful that next year we can host the event in person once again.

How can I participate? If you are a Maryland-based STEM workforce ready student or postdoctoral fellow interested in attending this event, please send your resume/CV to Jobs@fda.hhs.gov by COB December 6, 2021. Please use the subject '**Dec2021B2B**' In the email you must include:

- Name
- Degree and Credentials
- Major
- Citizenship Status

You will receive a Zoom link via email prior to the event which will allow you to log into the virtual event on

Monday, December 13, 2021





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Agenda

9:00-9:20am	Welcome & FDA Overview La’Nissa Brown-Baker, PhD, DABT Associate Director for Scientific Staffing
9:20-10:00am	Building a Federal Resume La’Nissa Brown-Baker, PhD, DABT Associate Director for Scientific Staffing
10:00-10:30am	Job Application Roadmap LuDrean Peterson, M.B.A., M.S. Senior Policy Advisor, Human Resources
10:30-10:40am	BREAK
10:40am-12:00pm	FDA Center Overviews Various Center Representatives
12:00-1:00pm	LUNCH BREAK
1:00pm-2:00pm	FDA STEM Professionals Panel of FDA Employees and Staff Fellows Discussion of Career Paths
2:00pm-3:30pm	Career Fair Visit the Zoom link of the Center you are most interested in learning more about & for info on non-US citizen opportunities!



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