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NCI Biospecimen Best Practices Forum

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Bethesda, Maryland

AGENDA

Moderator: Dr. Carolyn Compton

- 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
Carolyn C. Compton, M.D., Ph.D.
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Part 1: NCI Best Practices for Biospecimen Resources

- 8:45 a.m. - 9:05 a.m. **NCI Best Practices for Biospecimen Resources**
Rationale and Development
Carolyn C. Compton, M.D., Ph.D.
- 9:05 a.m. - 9:25 a.m. **Overview of Technical and Operational Best Practices**
Mark Sobel, M.D., Ph.D.
Executive Officer
American Society for Investigative Pathology
- 9:25 a.m. - 9:35 a.m. **Audience Questions and Comments**
- 9:35 a.m. - 9:55 a.m. **Overview of Ethical, Legal, and Policy Best Practices**
Karen Thiel, Ph.D., J.D.
Associate
Patton Boggs, LLP
- 9:55 a.m. - 10:05 a.m. **Audience Questions and Comments**
- 10:05 a.m. - 10:25 a.m. **The Importance of Best Practices to Patients and Advocates**
Paula Kim
President and Chief Executive Officer
Translating Research Across Communities (TRAC)
- 10:25 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. **Audience Questions and Comments**
- 10:35 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. **Break**

Part 2: Bioinformatics and Evidence-Based Best Practices for Biospecimen Resources

- 11:00 a.m. - 11:20 a.m. **Tools for Tracking and Accessing High-Quality Biospecimens**
caBIG™, caTissue, and Achieving Silver-Level Compatibility
Kenneth H. Buetow, Ph.D.
Director
NCI Center for Bioinformatics
National Cancer Institute
- 11:20 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. **Audience Questions and Comments**
- 11:30 a.m. - 11:40 a.m. **Demonstration of caTissue**
Ian Fore, D. Phil.
Senior Biomedical Informatics Program Manger
Center for Bioinformatics
National Cancer Institute
- 11:40 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. **Audience Questions and Comments**
- 11:50 a.m. - 12:10 p.m. **Updating the NCI Best Practices for Biospecimen Resources:**
Toward Evidence-Based Best Practices
Importance of Stakeholder Participation in Updating the NCI Best Practices for Biospecimen Resources
Carolyn C. Compton, M.D., Ph.D.
- 12:10 p.m. - 12:20 p.m. **Audience Questions and Comments**
- 12:20 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. **Closing Remarks**
Carolyn C. Compton, M.D., Ph.D.
- 12:30 p.m. **Adjournment**