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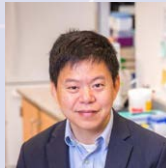


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Science Meets Scale: My Journey to Building a Trusted Biotech Brand

Carissa Jones, a Business Development and Operations leader experienced in driving revenue growth and market expansion in pharmaceutical research and diagnostics, will discuss the significant role played by the combination of social capital and scientific know-how in building a successful U.S. biotech subsidiary from the ground up. Jones is CCO of Capitainer AB and founder and CEO of Ventus, LLC. She excels at identifying long-term growth opportunities, executing transformative strategies, and building high-performing international teams. Her expertise in identifying long-term growth opportunities, strategic planning, complex contract negotiation, and cultivating client and partner relationships has consistently generated new revenue streams.

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Ultrasound Control of Genetics and Epigenetics for Disease Treatment

Dr. Peter Yingxiao Wang, Chair of the Biomedical Engineering Department at USC, will lead a discussion on revolutionary advancements in precision medicine, exploring emerging technologies for targeting gene and cell therapies against solid tumors and the aging processes. He holds the Dwight C. and Hildagarde E. Baum endowed professorship at USC, and is a Fellow of the American Institute of Medical and Biological Engineering (AIMBE). A pioneer in ultrasound-activated CAR T-cell therapy, Dr. Wang has developed innovative, noninvasive approaches that enable highly personalized interventions. His work is unlocking new possibilities for treating complex cancers and modifying the biological mechanisms of aging.

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