



INSIGHTS INTO SCIENCE PHILANTHROPY: SCIENCE PHILANTHROPY ALLIANCE RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS MEETING – MARCH 8-9, 2023

Day 1 – March 8, 2023 (9 a.m. to 1 p.m. PST / 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. EST)

9:00 AM Welcome and overview

What is the Science Philanthropy Alliance?

Presenters: France Córdova (Science Philanthropy Alliance) and Marc Kastner (Science Philanthropy Alliance)

Learn about the Science Philanthropy Alliance’s work to increase philanthropic funding for discovery science and make it more effective. Funding data and examples will be shared to illustrate philanthropy’s increasing role as a key player of the scientific enterprise.

10:00 AM

Why do philanthropic funders support discovery science?

Moderator: Rachel Jackson (Science Philanthropy Alliance); Panelists: Dan Linzer (Research Corporation for Science Advancement), Maria Pellegrini (W. M. Keck Foundation), David Spergel (Simons Foundation)

A panel of foundation leaders will provide insight into why they support discovery science as part of their philanthropic portfolios.

10:50 AM

Break

11:10 AM

How do foundations determine their priorities?

Moderator: Harvey Fineberg (Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation); Panelists: Adam Falk (Alfred P. Sloan Foundation), Lou Muglia (Burroughs Wellcome Fund), Caroline Montojo (Dana Foundation)

Hear foundation leaders discuss how they establish their funding priorities and their advice to grantseekers.

12:00 PM

Closing remarks and transition to breakout sessions

Breakout Sessions: Q&A with foundation leaders

Join a discussion with foundation leaders and Alliance representatives to ask questions and gain insights for engaging with science philanthropy.

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Day 2 – March 9, 2023 (9 a.m. to 1 p.m. PST / 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. EST)

9:00 AM Welcome and overview

How are philanthropic funders promoting equity in science?

Moderator: Shirley Tilghman (Science Philanthropy Alliance); Panelists: Isaac Agbeshie-Noye (Howard Hughes Medical Institute), Cyndi Atherton (Heising-Simons Foundation), Lorelle Espinosa (Alfred P. Sloan Foundation)

Learn about philanthropic initiatives to support diversity, equity, and inclusion in science and increase equity in philanthropic grantmaking.

10:00 AM How can institutions position themselves for science philanthropy?

Moderator: Margaret Leinen (Science Philanthropy Alliance); Panelists: Jonelle Bradshaw de Herndanez (University of Texas at Austin), Helene Gayle (Spelman College), Mari Ostendorf (University of Washington)

Hear examples of how three universities have engaged science philanthropy, with perspectives from a university president, a research leader, and a development leader.

10:50 AM Break

11:10 AM How are philanthropic funders thinking about science and society?

Moderator: Fleming Crim (Science Philanthropy Alliance); Panelists: Elizabeth Christopherson (Rita Allen Foundation), Sam Gill (Doris Duke Charitable Foundation), Matthew Walhout (John Templeton Foundation)

Explore how philanthropic funders are supporting innovative programs at the intersection of science and society.

12:00 PM How are philanthropic funders advancing science communication?

Moderator: Tom Cech (Science Philanthropy Alliance); Panelists: Ivvet Modinou (Simons Foundation), Claire Pomeroy (Albert and Mary Lasker Foundation), Brooke Smith (The Kavli Foundation)

Learn about philanthropic initiatives to support public engagement in science and consider how science communication can encourage funding.

12:55 PM Closing Remarks