



11th Annual US Bioassay Conference

March 8-10, 2027

All times are in Eastern Time
Hybrid Conference | College Park, Maryland

Day 1 | Monday, March 8

8:00 Check-In for in-Person Attendees

Session 1: US Regulatory Insights

(All Attendees Welcome)

Session Chair: *Laureen Little, BEBPA*

9:00 Welcome and Logistics

9:15 Session Chair Introduction and Audience Survey

9:30 **CBER Perspective on Bioassays**
Invited US FDA Speaker

10:00 **Recognizing a Mistake the Second Time You See It! - 60 Combined Years of Bioassay “Prior Knowledge”**
Chana Fuchs, Retired, US FDA & Nadine Ritter, President, Global Biotech Experts, LLC

10:30 Connection Break ☕

11:00 **Update on USP Bioassay Chapters**
Walter Hauck, US Pharmacopeia

11:30 Q&A Panel Discussion

12:00 Scientific Poster Session

12:45 Hosted Lunch 🍴

Session 2: Developing, Validating and Transferring Biological Assays

(All Attendees Welcome)

Session Chair: *To Be Announced*

2:00 Session Introduction

2:15 **Development, Qualification, and Validation of Filovirus (EBOV, SUDV, MARV, and BDBV) ELISAs**
Tom Rudge, Senior Research Scientist, Battelle

2:45 **A Novel Multiplexed Target Binding Method for Potency Evaluation of Multi-Specific Biologics**
Long Zheng, Senior Scientist, Bristol Myers Squibb

3:15 Connection Break ☕

3:45 **The Ins and Outs of Ratios in Bioassays: Statistical Problems vs Biological Problems**
Invited US FDA Speaker

4:15 Q&A Panel Discussion

4:45 Platinim Exhibitor Introduction

5:00 Conference Day Adjourns

5:00 Welcome Mix & Mingle Reception 🌟



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Day 2 | Tuesday, March 9

- 8:00 Check-In for in-Person Attendees
- 9:00 Concurrent In-Person Education Sessions

Education Session 1:
Bioassay Technical Transfer to a Quality Control or Contract Laboratory

Leaders: *To Be Announced*

- 9:00 Introduction and Audience Survey
- 10:30 Connection Break ☕
- 12:00 Education Session Adjourns

Education Session 2:
Statistical Process Control

Leaders: *To Be Announced*

- 9:00 Introduction and Audience Survey
- 10:30 Connection Break ☕
- 12:00 Education Session Adjourns

- 10:30 Connection Break ☕
- 12:00 Hosted Lunch 🍴

Session 3: Establishing Product Potency Specification

(All Attendees Welcome)

Session Chair: *To Be Announced*

- 1:30 Welcome, Logistics and Audience Survey
- 1:45 Potency Assay Considerations for Biotechnology Products
Invited US FDA Speaker
- 2:15 Challenges and Considerations in Establishing DP Potency Specifications for ATMPs
Gregory Wood, Director, Autolus Therapeutics plc
- 2:45 Life Cycle of Your Reference Material and Other Critical Rare Reagents
Invited US FDA Speaker
- 3:15 Q&A Panel Discussion
- 3:30 Connection Break ☕

Session 4: Control Strategies for Various Therapeutic Modalities

(All Attendees Welcome)

Session Chair: *To Be Announced*

- 4:00 Structure-Function Studies Enable a Phase-Appropriate Potency Control Strategy for Therapeutic Antibodies
Speaker To Be Announced
- 4:30 Potency Assurance Strategy for iPSC-Derived Therapies
Speaker To Be Announced
- 5:00 Q&A Panel Discussion
- 5:30 Conference Day Adjourns



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Day 3 | Wednesday, March 10

8:00 Check-In for in-Person Attendees

9:00 In-Person Education Sessions

Education Session 3:
FDA Reviewer Hot Topics

Leaders: *To Be Announced*

9:00 Introduction and Audience Survey

10:30 Connection Break ☕

12:00 Education Session Adjourns

10:30 Connection Break ☕

12:00 Hosted Lunch 🍴

Session 5: Commercial Readiness

(All Attendees Welcome)

Session Chair: *To Be Announced*

1:30 Welcome, Logistics and Audience Survey

1:45 Late-Stage Bioassay Development -
Avoiding Post Registration Changes
**Lasse Waehrens, Senior Research Scientist,
Novo Nordisk**

2:15 From ELISA to FRET: A Case Study in
Transitioning a Potency Assay for
Late-Stage Development and Commercial
Readiness
Emma Walen, Scientist I, Biogen

2:45 Connection Break ☕

3:15 Navigating Analytical Method Transfer
for Biologics: Scientific and Regulatory
Alignment with USP <1224>
Invited US FDA Speaker

3:45 Q&A Panel Discussion

4:15 Closing Comments

4:45 Conference Day Adjourns