



CENTER FOR BIOTECHNOLOGY ANNOUNCES DEE DAO, PHD, AS ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT & INVESTMENT

Seasoned biotechnology veteran tapped to lead innovation acceleration efforts

Stony Brook, N.Y. - April 8, 2024 - The Center for Biotechnology has announced the appointment of Dr. Dee Dao as Associate Director for Business Development and Investment. In her new role, Dr. Dao will serve as the primary contact on issues related to research, technology development and commercialization for the Center for Biotechnology. Additionally, Dr. Dao will foster new collaborative relationships in order to bolster sponsored research agreements and strategic alliances.

Prior to joining the CFB, Dr. Dao served as a Venture Associate for the NYU Innovation Venture Fund, where she focused on investment opportunities in life science and healthcare. Prior to NYU, Dr. Dao was at the Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research where she contributed to early oncology therapeutic development planning and oversaw intellectual property (IP) strategy to support the clinical development of the Institute's therapeutics. Before that, Dr. Dao investigated bacterial virulence and immunity to identify new vaccines against Tuberculosis as a postdoctoral fellow in an HHMI laboratory at Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

Currently, Dr. Dao also serves as a mentor for entrepreneurs participating in the Entrepreneurship Lab, a NYCEDC initiative. Dr. Dao received a Ph.D. in Molecular Genetics/Developmental Biology at Columbia University and a B.S. in Chemistry from University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Dao is also an alumnus of the Center for Biotechnology's Fundamentals of the Bioscience Program in 2010.

"We are thrilled to have Dee join the Center for Biotechnology to lead our technology and business development efforts on behalf of innovators and emerging companies in New York" Diane Fabel, Director of Operations at the Center for Biotechnology said. She continued "Dee brings deep experience working with and funding innovation to her role at the Center which our clients and community will greatly benefit from."

"I am very happy to join the team at the Center for Biotechnology. I've admired the work the Center for Biotechnology has done when it comes to supporting and accelerating the development of biomedical technology in New York State" Dr. Dao said. "I'm looking forward to helping lead the technology and business development efforts of the Center and increase the impact the organization can have on the wealth of innovations in the region".

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About the Center for Biotechnology at Stony Brook University

Established in 1983, the Center for Biotechnology (CFB) at Stony Brook University is an Empire State Development Division of Science, Technology and Innovation (NYSTAR) Center for Advanced Technology. The Center for Biotechnology serves as an important catalyst in the development of new biomedical technology and emerging companies in New York State.

Through groundbreaking initiatives, the CFB supports technology commercialization and company formation by bridging the gap between discovery and commercial success and training the next generation of biomedical leaders. The Center for Biotechnology also supports New York's biotechnology industry by providing access to scientific and business expertise and creating strategic infrastructure that promotes the growth of the life sciences industry in the state. The CFB has contributed to the development of more than a dozen FDA approved products including ReoPro®, Xiaflex®, Oracea®, Cavistat®, V3D®-Colon Virtual Colonoscopy and Exogen® Bone Healing System, among others, as well as supported the formation or development of dozens of emerging bioscience companies.