



Finance and Accounting for Bioscience

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Pharma/Biotech Industry's Essential Forum for Advancing Financial and Commercial Success of Innovative Life Sciences Companies

Key Insights on Strategic Growth From Early-Stage Runway Management to Commercial-Phase Revenue Optimization

Esteemed Leaders Delivering Practical Strategies and Actionable Insights, Featuring:



Nikita Mody-Patel
Executive Director, FP&A,
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Adam Mostafa
Chief Financial Officer,
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Ethan Holdaway
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Justin Renz
Chief Financial Officer,
Zevra Therapeutics

About the Event

Finance and Accounting for Bioscience is the premier conference for CFOs, Chief Accountants, Controllers, and senior-level Finance and Accounting professionals from emerging, small and mid-sized biotech and pharma companies. Designed with a focus on the needs of both pre-commercial and commercial organizations, this event provides cutting-edge solutions, expert guidance and innovative approaches to tackle the unique challenges faced by growth-stage companies throughout the product lifecycle and commercialization process.

Experience In-Depth Discussions on Timely Topics, Including:

- Financial Reporting Standards
- Geopolitical Challenges Impacting Finance
- Revenue Recognition & GTN Strategies
- Capital Markets Outlook & Trends
- Clinical Trials Finance
- CFO and Controllership Perspectives
- Operational Strategies to Scale Sustainably
- Strategies for Funding Opportunities & Investor Relations
- Cashflow Management
- Leveraging AI & Optimizing ERP Systems

PLUS!

Customize your experience by choosing from two tracks based on your organization's stage AND two breakout sessions based on your current role to collaborate, benchmark, and grow your network:

- Pre-Commercial Track
- Commercial Track
- Industry-Only Executive Think Tank
- Empowering Collaboration: Dynamic Benchmarking and Roundtable Insights



Attendees have the opportunity to earn up to 16.2 **CPE credits*** at **Finance and Accounting for Bioscience**.

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Extended Access!

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Who Attends?

You will benefit from attending this event if you are a CFO, CAO, Controller or senior-level accounting/finance professional from a pharmaceutical or biotech manufacturer with responsibilities or involvement in the following areas:

- **Technical Accounting**
- **Financial Planning & Analysis (FP&A)**
- **Financial/External Reporting**
- **Revenue Accounting/Revenue Recognition**
- **Financial Strategy/Forecasting**
- **R&D Finance**
- **Audit/Risk/Controls**
- **Business/Corporate Development**



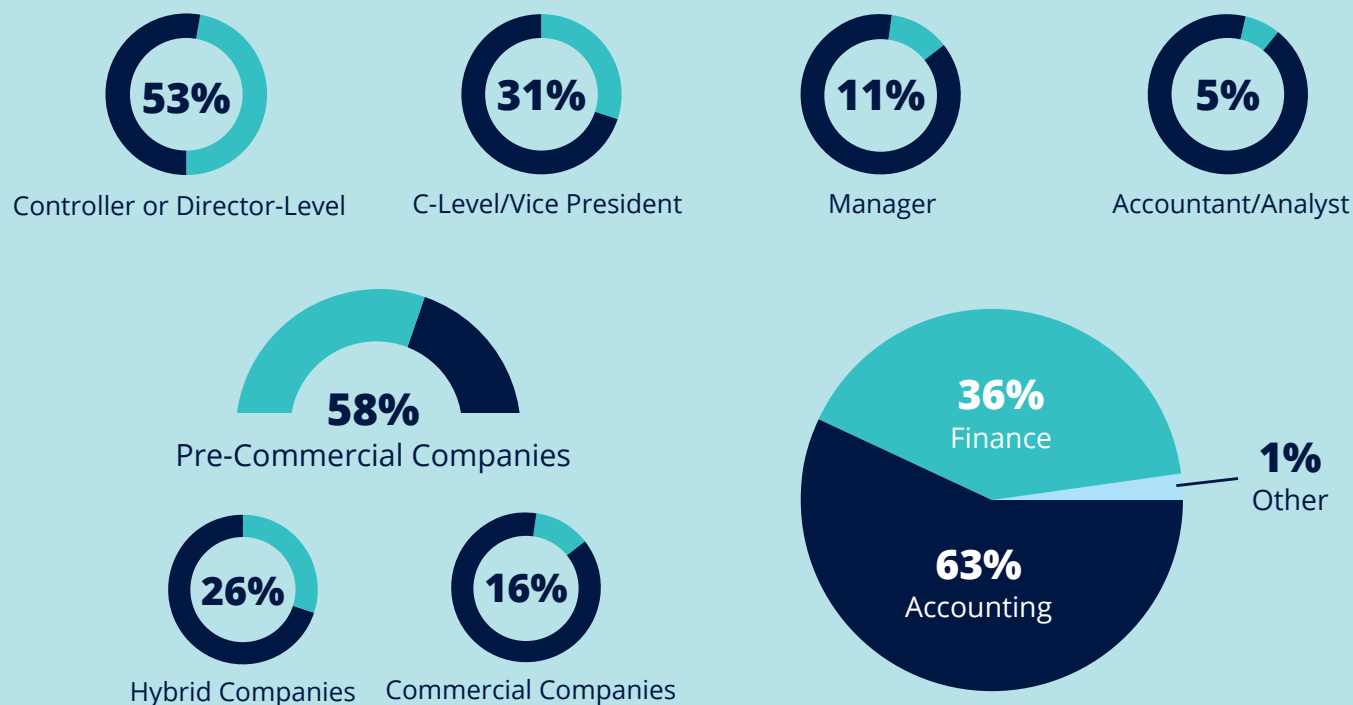
Hear from Past Attendees Why Finance and Accounting for Bioscience is a Must-Attend Event!

"This event perfectly addressed the issues facing my company. Information presented was relevant, on point and delivered by industry experts. The event is a 'must attend' for CFOs and finance leaders in the bioscience space."

"Timely topics, excellent presenters, lively engaged audience and excellent networking opportunity!"

"This was a great conference. I enjoyed the technical learning sessions, then followed up with the industry panel discussions for participants to understand how these issues are incorporated into the real world."

A Breakdown of Our 2025 Primary Audience



Wednesday, September 23, 2026

*All times are listed in EDT

5:00 PM **Registration**

6:00 PM **Pre-Event Evening Welcome Reception**

Day One — Thursday, September 24, 2026

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7:15 AM **Registration and Networking Breakfast**

8:15 AM **Informa Welcome**
Aiko Laski, Portfolio Manager, Informa

8:20 AM **Chairperson's Welcome and Opening Remarks**

8:30 AM **Controllershship Panel: Driving Operational Excellence in a Transforming Landscape** CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2

- Explore how to operationalize recent regulatory changes, including practical strategies for adapting to the FASB's disaggregation standard (DISE), potential impacts on financial reporting and compliance with evolving audit and reporting requirements
- Gain insights into leveraging AI tools and ERP systems to streamline processes, enhance accuracy and prepare for commercialization
- Hear lessons learned from transitioning from clinical to commercial operations, including inventory management, government pricing, and supply chain complexities
- Discuss approaches to talent development, workload management and fostering adaptability in lean finance teams

Sean Godbout, Chief Accounting Officer, Global Controller, Biogen
Scott Godsoe, Executive Director, Assistant Corporate Controller, Vertex Pharmaceuticals
Richard C. Malabre, Senior Vice President & Chief Accounting Officer, Akebia Therapeutics

9:30 AM **Networking and Refreshment Break**

10:00 AM **SEC and FASB Town Hall** CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2

- Hear directly from governing bodies as they provide critical updates on SEC and FASB reporting standards
- Understand the significant implications of these changes and how they may impact your organization's compliance and financial reporting strategies

Jennifer Deng, Practice Fellow, FASB
SEC Speaker (invited)

11:00 AM	Geopolitical Challenges in Biotech Finance: Pricing Models, Trade Barriers and Global Market Dynamics CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 - Explore the financial implications of Most Favored Nation (MFN) policies and develop response strategies to mitigate risks and optimize pricing structures - Quantify the impact of tariffs and trade barriers on clinical supply chains, inventory management, and cost of goods sold (COGS), and learn strategies to minimize disruptions - Understand the influence of evolving regulations on operations, financial planning and disclosures and compliance, including climate change reporting requirements and other legislative changes - Examine the evolving landscape of global biotech research and licensing opportunities, and assess how international competition is reshaping market dynamics <i>Jacqueline Greene, Consulting Principal and Chief Economist, ITR Economics</i>	
12:00 PM	Networking Luncheon	12:15-12:45 PM Solution Summit <i>Erin Warner Guill, President & COO, Auxilius</i>
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	Pre-Commercial Track	Commercial Track
1:00 PM	Pre-Commercial Operational Excellence: Strategies to Scale Smartly and Sustainably CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 - Explore strategies to optimize operations and preserve cash runway through automation and cost-effective, scalable systems - Learn best practices for integrating compliance reporting responsibilities into lean operations while ensuring accurate financial reporting and audit readiness - Discover approaches to right-size organizations, including strategic cost allocation for ERP systems and audits while building resilient teams - Gain insights from real-world examples and finance leaders on navigating resource constraints <i>Soufiane Younoussi, Corporate Controller, BPG Bio</i> <i>Milton Pires, Controller, Korsana Biosciences</i> <i>Amy Garbarino, Senior Director, Accounting & Finance, Bicycle Therapeutics</i>	Navigating Medicare Pricing Changes: Financial Implications for Commercial Biotechs CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 - Evaluate the financial impact of Maximum Fair Prices (MFP) under the Inflation Reduction Act, including revenue recognition, ASC 606 and compliance reporting requirements - Analyze MFN pricing pathways, addressing legal uncertainties and operational challenges related to forecasting, budgeting, financial planning, accounting, and reporting - Implement strategies to integrate pricing changes into financial systems and processes, ensuring SOX compliance and audit readiness
2:05 PM	Preparing for Long-Term Growth: Strategies for Funding Opportunities and Operational Readiness CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 - Discover how to strategically position your organization to attract investors and secure funding to ensure cash flow in a competitive and evolving financial landscape - Learn practical approaches to securing partnerships, navigating M&A due diligence costs, and building scalable systems for financial growth - Gain insights into crafting compelling investment narratives and optimizing investor communication to capitalize on future funding events <i>Adam S. Mostafa, Chief Financial Officer, Sitryx Therapeutics</i> <i>Bill Steinkrauss, Chief Financial Officer, ILiAD Biotechnologies</i>	Revenue Recognition & GTN Strategies: Optimize Processes and Build Scalable Systems CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 - Learn how to build scalable GTN frameworks by establishing robust controls and teams during clinical trials and pre-commercial phases to ensure a smooth transition to commercialization - Explore strategies to streamline GTN workflows to address Medicaid, Part D redesign, and commercial contract complexities - Understand how to ensure compliance with critical audit matters (CAMs) and evolving regulatory requirements - Discover ways to leverage ERP systems, advanced analytics and AI tools to enhance efficiency and forecasting accuracy Moderator: <i>Ryan McNally, Business Process, Risk and Controls Senior Manager, Crowe</i> <i>Katie Phillips, Senior Director of Accounting, Alnylam Pharmaceuticals, Inc.</i> <i>Meagan Caldwell, Senior Director of Technical Accounting, Sumitomo Pharma America, Inc.</i> <i>Lydia Wu, Head of Finance, US, PharmaEssentia USA</i>

3:05 PM	Networking and Refreshment Break	
3:35 PM	Financial Readiness for Commercialization: Forecasting, Modeling and Product Launch Strategies CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 • Develop robust financial models and forecasting strategies to support the transition from pre-commercial to commercial phases • Evaluate market opportunities and ROI to assess launch feasibility and financial sustainability • Prepare for regulatory, supply chain, and operational requirements to meet the demands of a successful product launch • Gain practical insights into cross-functional alignment and resource optimization to ensure launch excellence • Learn from real-world case studies on overcoming common pitfalls in commercialization, including managing overhead costs, VAT compliance, and trade regulations <i>Derek Thomas, Principal, Financial Assurance, Wolf & Company, P.C.</i> <i>Juan Betanzo, Vice President, Strategic Finance, EyePoint</i> <i>Alaina Ownbey, Vice President, Finance & Accounting, Elicio Therapeutics, Inc.</i> <i>Hikmete O'Brien, Controller, Laxxon Medical</i>	Achieving Global Launch Excellence: Insights, Strategies and Lessons Learned CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 • Develop tailored strategies for successful product launches, addressing unique challenges in supply chain, inventory management, and overhead cost control • Explore best practices for VAT compliance and trade regulations to ensure smooth market entry and impact on disclosures and reporting • Learn from real-world case studies on overcoming pitfalls in commercialization, including cross-functional alignment and resource optimization • Discuss the role of AI and advanced analytics in enhancing forecasting, clinical trial accruals, and post-launch operational efficiency <i>Maricel Apuli, Chief Accounting Officer, BridgeBio</i>
4:40 PM	Industry-Only Executive Think Tank CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 This open forum allows senior-level executives to exchange ideas and best practices for driving internal and organizational success through efficiencies, technology and new innovations. <i>*Attendees must be Head of/VP/C-Suite-level and currently employed by a life sciences manufacturer. Informa reserves the right to qualify participants for this session.</i>	Empowering Collaboration: Dynamic Benchmarking and Roundtable Insights CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 This dynamic and inclusive session invites participants from all levels and roles within the biotech industry to engage in open discussions and share diverse perspectives. Through benchmarking and roundtable conversations, attendees will explore innovative strategies, practical solutions, and emerging trends that drive operational success and efficiency. Whether you're navigating challenges in finance, operations, or technology, this session provides a collaborative platform to exchange ideas, learn from peers, and uncover actionable insights to enhance your organization's performance. Facilitators: <i>Pete Paras, Assistant Controller, Biogen</i> <i>Soufiane Younoussi, Corporate Controller, BPG Bio</i> <i>Meagan Caldwell, Senior Director of Technical Accounting, Sumitomo Pharma America, Inc.</i>
5:40 PM	Close of Day One and Networking Reception	

Day Two — Friday, September 25, 2026

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7:30 AM	Networking Breakfast
8:00 AM	Chairperson’s Review of Day One
8:10 AM	Patient Keynote Address CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 0.6 This keynote session offers a transformative perspective, shifting the focus from numbers and financial frameworks to the realities of the patient experience. Through the lens of a patient, attendees will gain valuable insights into the patient journey and explore how a patient’s lived experience intersects with and is impacted by the financial decisions and strategic investments in the life sciences sector.

8:40 AM	Biotech Financing Insights: Navigating Dynamic Capital Markets CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 - Dissect the latest trends in capital markets and implications for biotech funding strategies - Explore what investors prioritize across pre-commercial, clinical, and commercial stages, and learn how to align organizational goals with these expectations - Discover strategies to leverage the recent upswing in capital markets to support growth, innovation and long-term success - Examine non-traditional funding options, such as venture capital, private equity, and strategic partnerships and their role in driving financial sustainability <i>Adam S. Mostafa, Chief Financial Officer, Sitryx Therapeutics</i> <i>Ethan Holdaway, Vice President, Strategic Finance & IR, ProKidney</i>
9:40 AM	Mastering Capital Allocation: Strategies for Successful Commercialization and Product Launches CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 - Explore real-world strategies for balancing capital allocation across R&D, commercialization, and portfolio management - Learn best practices for managing costs, optimizing resources and scaling operations in today's funding environment - Gain practical tools and frameworks to make smarter financial decisions and ensure successful commercialization outcomes <i>Melissa Bradford-Klug, Chief Financial & Business Officer, NorthSea Therapeutics</i> <i>Nikita Mody-Patel, Executive Director, FP&A, Moderna Therapeutics</i>
10:40 AM	Networking and Refreshment Break
11:10 AM	CFO Panel: Redefining Financial Leadership for Organizational Success CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 - Explore how today's biotech CFOs are transforming their roles to become catalysts for innovation by driving finance function evolution to enable sustainable growth and operational excellence - Gain unique insights from seasoned CFOs as they share their career journeys, lessons learned and actionable advice for emerging finance leaders - Engage in dynamic discussions on overcoming industry challenges, fostering team resilience, and leveraging data-driven strategies to maintain a competitive edge in a rapidly evolving business landscape <i>Justin Renz, Chief Financial Officer, Zevra Therapeutics</i> <i>Mark Mullikin, Chief Financial Officer, Ensem Therapeutics</i> <i>Kory Wentworth, Chief Financial Officer, Entrada Therapeutics</i>
12:10 PM	Networking and Refreshment Break
1:10 PM	Navigating Clinical Trials Finance: Accruals, Automation, and AI Integration CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 - Delve into the complexities of clinical trial accruals and their critical role in bridging finance for commercial professionals and clinical teams - Discover how biotech companies are leveraging innovative accounting tools and automated systems to transform budgeting, forecasting, and clinical trial management to reduce risks and improve operational efficiency - Gain actionable strategies for designing processes that anticipate inaccuracies, ensuring accurate accrual recording while staying audit-ready <i>Jennifer Kyle, Founder and CEO, Condor Software</i>

2:10 PM	AI in Action: Practical Use Cases Transforming Biotech Finance Operations CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 • This dynamic session will feature three use case presentations from biotech professionals, each highlighting a unique, real-world example and outcome of AI application and adaptation strategies to improve efficiency and productivity in finance and operations. • Explore how AI is transforming workflows in forecasting, GTN operations, clinical approval, and expense reporting • Learn how AI adoption impacts financial reporting accuracy and strategies to address compliance concerns, including IP leakage, data security, and audit implications of AI adoption • Discover how AI enables predictive finance models, driving proactive decision-making and operational agility <i>Martin Hildebrand, Senior Solutions Consultant, Sage Software</i>
3:10 PM	Optimizing ERP Systems: Tools and Strategies for Biotech Growth CPE CREDITS AVAILABLE 1.2 • Discover how to apply practical lessons from ERP implementations and transitions to advanced systems as organizations grow • Explore ways to align ERP tools with company size, operational needs, and cross-departmental IT requirements • Master the process of selecting and integrating essential software, including equity administration platforms and procurement-to-payment systems • Uncover strategies to address implementation pain points and optimize post-implementation efficiency and financial reporting accuracy <i>Kyle Mandala, Life Sciences Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Strategy Director, RSM US LLP</i> <i>Maggie Berkeley, Biopharma Sector Leader and Risk Advisory Principal, RSM US LLP</i> <i>Michelene Taptich, Vice President, Commercial Accounting, Priovant Therapeutics</i> <i>Gina Tracey, Vice President, Corporate Controller, Alnylam Pharmaceuticals</i>
4:10 PM	Chair's Closing Remarks and Close of Conference

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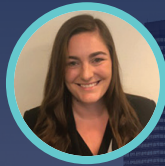
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