

**Press Release**

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**Triangle Biotech Research Symposium III:
Innovating Through Partnerships and Collaborations
Emerging Paradigms in Collaboration IV**

(Tinton Falls, NJ) UNC and RTI International will participate on a panel, Emerging Paradigms in Collaboration IV, at the Triangle Biotech Research Symposium III: Innovating Through Partnerships and Collaborations, October 28, 2014. The Symposium is hosted by the BioPharma Research Council and the NC Biotechnology Center in Triangle Research Park.

Panelists will address successful examples and lessons learned as partnership models evolve and commercialization goals are sought.

Moderator Frances Ligler is the Lampe Distinguished Professor of Biomedical Engineering in the Joint Department of Biomedical Engineering in the College of Engineering at North Carolina State University and School of Medicine at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She is currently working in the fields of biosensors and microfluidics, and has performed research in biochemistry, immunology, and proteomics.

Bradford Walters, MD, PhD, MBA, is a vice president and the chief medical officer of RTI International. Dr. Walters has brought three new chemical entities into five Phase I clinical trials, and established the radiosurgery program and the epilepsy surgery program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine.

Brian Smith is a lead representative at NC State serving to support existing research relationships with external partners, as well as helping to recruit and establish new collaborative partnerships. Brian is a hands-on expert who represents the breadth of research capabilities and intellectual capacity at the university.

The BioPharma Research Council (BRC) offers this education program and conference as part of its mission to stimulate interaction among functional silos across the biomedical research and development community.

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