

# Biotech & Informatics Career Panels – Spring 2021

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**Dr. Tricia Thornton-Wells**

Director of Translational Medicine at Alkermes  
(Boston, MA)  
Pronouns: She/her/hers

**Dr. Tricia Thornton-Wells** received her BA in Philosophy, MS in Biomedical Informatics, and PhD in Neuroscience and Statistical Genetics from Vanderbilt University. She was a Postdoc Research Fellow in Neuroimaging & Genetics of Neurodevelopment Disorders, Research Instructor, and later promoted to Assistant Professor at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. She transitioned to industry as an Investigator III/Clinical Genetics Expert for Biomarker Development and Translational Medicine at the Novartis Institutes for BioMedical Research (NIBR) while maintaining an Adjunct Assistant Professor role with Vanderbilt University. She was promoted to Neuroscience Portfolio Leader and Senior Investigator during her time. Recently, Dr. Thornton-Wells was Director at Vertex Pharmaceuticals and is currently Director of Translational Medicine at Alkermes.



**Dr. Rishika De**

Senior Product Manager at Sanofi Genzyme  
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**Dr. Rishika De** received her BS in Biology with a Chemistry Minor from the University of Miami. She completed her PhD in Genetics with a Bioinformatics Concentration at Dartmouth College. During her PhD, Dr. De served as the International Residence Program Coordinator in the Dartmouth Office of Pluralism and Leadership. There, she managed an annual budget and executed academic, cultural, social, and leadership development for 380 international students. She also completed an internship at Celdara Medical. After graduation, Dr. De transitioned to industry as a Senior Analyst at Health Advances where she was promoted to Consultant during her time. She took additional courses at Tuck Business School at Dartmouth and Harvard Business School. She continued her career as a Manager of Business Intelligence and Analytics for US Oncology and Transplant division at Sanofi Genzyme. Dr. De was promoted to, and currently holds the position of Senior Product Manager at Sanofi Genzyme.

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