# Core Exchange

**Scientific & administrative skills-building for**

**Vanderbilt Shared Resource**

**February 17, 2020**

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| 3:00 – 3:05pm | Opening Remarks                                    | Jenny Schafer, Ph.D.  
Managing Director (CISR), Research Assistant Professor                |
| 3:05 – 3:15pm | Core Talk: Flow Cytometry Shared Resource         | Dave Flaherty  
Managing Director, Flow Cytometry Core                           |
|             |                                                   | The Vanderbilt Flow Cytometry Shared Resource houses state-of-the-art digital  
instrumentation maintained at the highest standards they can attain. This quality  
control allows researchers to sort cells at high efficiency and purity under the  
proper conditions or to run analytical experiments with as many as 17 different  
fluorochromes simultaneously. They are dedicated to providing the best service and  
training possible to ensure the best results attainable for our research scientists  
and physicians.  
Visit: [https://www.vumc.org/flowcytometry/](https://www.vumc.org/flowcytometry/) |
| 3:15-3:25pm | Core Talk: Innovative Translational Research Shared Resource | Kim Dahlman, Ph.D.  
Assistant Professor, Hematology/Oncology Division, Cancer Biology      |
|             |                                                   | The Innovative Translational Research Shared Resource (ITR) at the Vanderbilt-  
Ingram Cancer Center partners with oncologists, and laboratory and non-laboratory  
researchers, to guide, manage, and facilitate pre-clinical and clinical trial laboratory  
discoveries. Their goal is to advance the translation of research into improved anti-  
cancer therapies.  
ITR’s broad experience in cancer clinical trials, genomics, biochemistry, and cell  
biology allows us to pursue your unique research project. They leverage ITR  
resources, other Vanderbilt Shared Resources, other academic institutions, and/or  
companies to achieve your goals. Their success is founded upon the ability to draw  
resources together, understand a breadth of research technologies, and engage  
teams from various backgrounds in a timely manner to achieve common goals.  
Visit: [https://www.vumc.org/ITR/](https://www.vumc.org/ITR/) |
| 3:25-3:45pm | Communications                                    | Lorena Infante Lara, Ph.D.  
Communications Consultant, Vanderbilt University, Office of the Dean of Basic Sciences  
She was a graduate student in the lab of Neil Osheroff in the Department of Biochemistry. During graduate school, she discovered science writing as a passion and wrote for a variety of on- and off-campus outlets, culminating in her participation in the AAAS Mass Media Fellowship in the summer of 2017. After earning her doctorate in January 2019, she was brought on as Communications and Social Media Manager for the Office of the Dean of Basic Sciences, where she directs the dissemination of research carried out by all Basic Sciences-affiliated faculty through several media, including a monthly newsletter, articles for lay audiences, an upcoming magazine, and social media. Twitter handles: @VUBasicSciences, @linfantel. |
<p>| 3:45-3:50  | Questions                                         |                                                                         |
|            | Refreshment Break                                |                                                                         |</p>
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<td>Associate Professor, Management and Entrepreneurship</td>
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His career spans over 30 years and includes work at all levels of management with Fortune 1000 companies, as well as the founding of and leadership of early stage start-ups. Mr. Rando has managed companies through the early years of development, during fast-paced years of explosive growth, through the challenges of acquisitions, and through the later stages of maturity, optimization, and stabilization.

Mr. Rando has held the title of GM, SVP, COO, CEO and Founder in numerous companies in industries such as computer software, high-tech consulting, market research consulting, management consulting, insurance, manufacturing, wireless, real estate, restaurants, and retail. As an investor in several seed capital and growth capital funds, he has advised dozens of start-ups and high growth companies through the early years of formation and high growth.

Today, Mr. Rando is the Director of Vanderbilt’s Managerial Studies Program and is an Associate Professor of Management and Entrepreneurship. Past and present board service consists of for-profit and non-profit boards including the Middle Tennessee YMCA in Brentwood, the TJMartell Cancer Research Foundation, the Dunkin Brands Community Foundation, the Wrigley Foodservice Advisory Board, Vanderbilt Student Media, and Learning Matters Inc.

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