

Academic Partnerships External Innovation at Novartis.

Leads Global Sponsorships for Novartis Biomedical Research and Early Career Investigator Program

Senior Business Operations Lead

Education - MBA, MS – University of Massachusetts Boston Bachelor of Arts in Economy of Tourism, Bulgaria

What keeps me energized: **Travel** – I love experiencing different cultures, i.e. the combination of languages, food, music, dance and art. I have been to Japan and India and my next dream destination is Singapore.



Head, Biomedical Education & Innovation Academic Partnerships External Innovation at Novartis

Education – MBA—Boston College PhD– Louisiana State University (Biological Sciences) BS—Southern University (Biological Sciences)

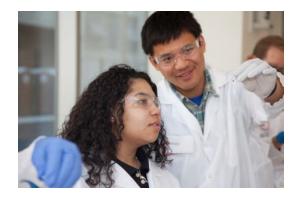
What keeps me energized: **Stories** – complex ones with a plot twist and unpredictable endings are the best. Good Will Hunting and Kung Fu Panda are my favorite movies, while 100 Years of Solitude is my favorite book by Gabriel Garcia Marquez. I love salsa dancing and pilates. Summer Internships and Postbaccalaureate Internships



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Commitment to equity along the entire STEM career path



Community Exploration & Learning Lab (CELL)

STEM programs for local youth (800 – 1000 middle and high school students each year)



Summer and Postbac Internships

Research training for college students who plan to attend graduate school (30 summer interns and 8 postbac interns each year)

Postdoctoral Training Program

Cutting-edge research opportunities (80-90 postdoctoral fellows each year)



Early Career Investigator Program



Connecting academic innovators to NBR drug hunting expertise (US based)

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Early Career Investigator Program

- Work alongside a Novartis Scientist
- Develop drug hunting skills
- Expand networks withing the Boston/ Cambridge biomedical ecosystem

Investigator Profile

•PhD, MD, or MD-PhD degree

•Conduct research in a biomedical science field related to Novartis' areas of interest

