TRANSLATIONAL BIOMARKERS IN DRUG DEVELOPMENT:
Bench to Bedside and Back Again

*In vitro* diagnostic assays, whether companion or complimentary are an essential part of drug development, optimal patient stratification and outcomes management.

The presenters will discuss the uses of translational biomarkers in drug development, including examples of the more conventional “Bench to Bedside” role of biomarkers, as well as examples of “Bedside to Bench.”

As today’s translational biomarkers are tomorrow’s companion diagnostics, attention will be paid to biomarkers in this transition state and to the options for companion diagnostic development and commercialisation.

**Topics:**

- Biomarker use in preclinical disease models
- Exploratory biomarkers for predictive safety
- New approaches to translation: *ex vivo*-derived biomarkers
- Alternatives approaches for companion diagnostic development

**About the Presenters**

**Dr. Katherine T. Landschulz, Ph.D.** – Associate Director, Covance Translational Biomarker Solutions
Katherine Landschulz received her Ph.D. in Human Genetics from Johns Hopkins University. She has 19 years of experience in drug development and biomarkers, serving in scientific roles from Drug Discovery through Translational Medicine at three major pharmaceutical companies. Dr. Landschulz joined Covance in 2010 as principal scientist, and assumed responsibility for the Translational Biomarker Solutions Laboratory in 2015.

**Dr. Mark J Roberts Ph.D.** - Senior Director, Diagnostics Development, Covance Drug Development
Mark Roberts received his PhD in Pharmaceutical Sciences from the University of Nottingham (UK) and has worked in the clinical diagnostics arena for over 20 years, holding senior positions in both the *in vitro* diagnostic and reference laboratory industries. He joined Covance in 2012 to lead the companion diagnostics initiative, designed to assist pharmaceutical and diagnostic companies in drug / companion diagnostic co-development.

**Thursday, 23rd Feb 2017**
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Agenda
13:30 – 14:00 Welcome & registration
14:00 – 17:00 Workshop (including coffee break)
17:00 – 17:30 Networking & snack buffet

Audience
Drug developers working in the targeted / tailored therapeutics space. Of particular interest to drug developers less experienced in the field biomarkers and diagnostic development.

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