Rare Drug Development 2024 Media Kit
Innovative Ideas from Next Generation Change-Makers

The RARE Drug Development Symposium (#RDDS), hosted by Global Genes and the Orphan Disease Center of the University of Pennsylvania, equips advocates with the knowledge, skills and connections they need to advance therapy development for their communities. This media kit is designed to assist you in sharing this event with your network. We hope to see you in Philadelphia this year!

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Content Included:
- Event Information and URL
- Global Genes and Orphan Disease Center Social Media Accounts
- Social media language that you can copy and paste to share on your accounts
- Links to social media posts from Global Genes that you can easily reshare or retweet
- Images to use on social media and in emails
- Email copy to use in your newsletters or emails
- Media Language

Event Information
Webpage: https://go.globalgenes.org/rdds2024
Summit name: RARE Drug Development Symposium
Summit Date: April 29 - May 1, 2023
Summit Location: Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown, North 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA
Hashtags to use: #RDDS #CareAboutRare #RareDisease #GlobalGenes #ODCUPENN
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Social Media Language

RDDS images to accompany your social media post can be accessed here.

General Post #1: RARE Leaders Don't Want To Miss This Event! The RARE Drug Development Symposium is designed to empower advocates like you to become next-generation change makers in the field of rare disease drug and therapy development. Learn more about #RDDS here: https://go.globalgenes.org/rdds2024 #RDDS #CareAboutRare

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Email Language

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Email (Short)

Hi,
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Aside from innovative keynote and session topics, key interactive highlights, this year the event brings more interaction sessions for participants to get the most out of their experience. This includes:

- Group sessions will allow you time to engage with experts and peers in small groups to discuss session topics further, innovations in rare drugs, and therapy development process.
- One-on-One Expert Office Hours are back by popular demand! Get answers to your questions by scheduling a one-to-one session with one of our experts on topics such as data collection, research strategy, therapy development, and engaging with the FDA. Lunch and Facilitated Table Topics will allow you time to enjoy lunch over conversations with those who are interested in similar topics. Specific topics will be labeled by table and facilitated by an expert.
- Rare Resource Fair is new this year! Whether you’re creating a research strategy - or putting an existing one into action, this session will help you build knowledge, ask providers of products and services the questions you have about your specific situation, and make informed decisions on which companies you want to work with. If you’re new to research, you can request a mentor to guide you through the fair.
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This year’s event focuses on bringing participants interactive opportunities to collaborate and meet with experts and other advocates. This opportunities include unique features like:

- Group sessions will allow participants time to engage with experts and peers in small groups to discuss session topics further, innovations in rare drugs, and therapy development process.
- One-on-One Expert Office Hours are back by popular demand. Participants can schedule one-to-one 15 minute sessions with an expert on topics such as data collection, research strategy, therapy development, and engaging with the FDA.
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Learn more about RDDS [here](#).

About Global Genes
Global Genes is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to eliminating the burdens and challenges of rare diseases for patients and families globally. In pursuit of that mission, Global Genes connects, empowers, and inspires the rare disease community to stand up, stand out, and become more effective on their own behalf — helping to spur innovation, meet essential needs, build capacity and knowledge, and drive progress within and across rare diseases. Global Genes serves more than 400 million people around the globe, and nearly one in 10 Americans affected by rare diseases. If you or someone you love has a rare disease or are searching for a diagnosis, contact [Global Genes](#) at 949-248-RARE or visit the [Resource Hub](#).
About Orphan Disease Center of the University of Pennsylvania
The Orphan Disease Center will develop transformative therapies using platform technologies that can be deployed across multiple rare diseases. We will emphasize disorders with substantial unmet need independent of their incidence and will strive to assure access to patients of all populations. Each type of orphan disease affects such a small subset of the population, so the need for research and funding in this area is largely unmet. Our Center, the first of its kind, works closely with patient groups and foundations, pharma and biotech, and the academic community. We bring a unique set of programs to the table, enabling us to add value at any stage - from building the initial knowledge base to enabling therapeutic development. Through our grants, Programs of Excellence, JumpStart programs, and a number of new initiatives, the ODC seeks to drive therapeutic development for rare diseases. We help identify and fund the most promising therapeutics while also tackling obstacles present in rare disease drug development.