

September 23, 2021, 11:00am – 12:15pm

Our monthly Women in Science Speaker Series provides a powerful forum and supportive environment for emerging and advanced women leaders to share best practices, provide their insights and experience and offer advice on leadership and professional development. Join us as we educate, empower and inspire women to advance as leaders and change agents.

Meet two outstanding women leaders and champions in science and discover what inspired them to pursue their career path, the challenges they faced, and the advice they offer for those interested in the field.

#### MODERATORS

**Carol Malysz**, RI Bio

**David Tanklefsky**, The Castle Group

#### SPEAKERS



##### **Jillian Sheeran**

An engineer at Snapdragon Chemistry, Jill has been with the company for over six years, starting as an associate scientist before being promoted to senior scientific associate in 2018 and engineer in 2020. Previously she was a synthetic chemistry technician at RainDance Technologies and a chemical development intern at Vertex Pharmaceuticals. Currently pursuing her master's degree in chemical engineering at Columbia University, Jill also co-leads Snapdragon's internal employee advocacy group. Earlier this year she was published in *Organic Process Research and Development's* special edition, "Celebrating Women in Process Chemistry."



##### **Grace Russell, PhD**

A senior scientist at Snapdragon Chemistry, Grace began at the company in 2019 and was recently promoted. While earning her PhD in organic chemistry at MIT, she worked on developing new methods and technology for continuous flow synthesis. Along with colleague Jillian Sheeran, she contributed to "Scalable On-Demand Production of Purified Diazomethane Suitable for Sensitive Catalytic Reactions," which appeared in *Organic Process Research and Development* earlier this year. She co-leads Snapdragon's internal employee advocacy group and has been a mentor and leader for young women looking to break into the life sciences industry.