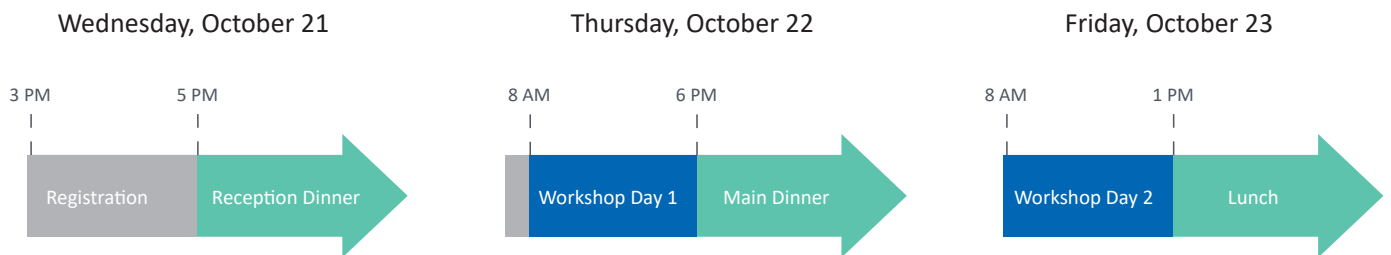


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Program at a Glance



The agenda will be finalized a few weeks prior to the event.

Join us at the Workshop in Seattle!

Register to attend

The 27th Planova™ Workshop

\$200 per person

<https://www.accelevents.com/e/PlanovaWorkshop2026>

[Click here to Register](#)

Book your hotel (marriott.com)

Seattle Marriott Waterfront

2100 Alaskan Way, Seattle, WA 98121

For inquiries, please reach out to us at WS2026@ak-bio.com

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April 21, 2026

Dear Valued Customers,

We are pleased to invite you to attend the upcoming Planova™ Workshop.

The 27th Planova™ Workshop
Seattle Marriott Waterfront
Seattle, WA, USA
October 22-23, 2026
Reception Dinner on Wednesday, October 21

In the city where innovations emerge and go on to change the world, we look forward to sharing the latest developments from our global team as well as users of Planova™ virus removal filters and BioOptimal™ hollow fiber microfilters.

At the 27th Planova™ Workshop, distinguished speakers will share their experiences and expertise in upstream and downstream process development, along with regulatory updates. Attendees of our workshop are bioprocessing professionals, from scientists to process engineers and managers, all focused on the purification and pathogen safety of biopharmaceuticals.

Registration for attending the Workshop and related events is open. Workshop participants are welcome to utilize a special rate at the Seattle Marriott Waterfront hotel during and around the Workshop dates. Links to both registration and hotel booking are available here:

<https://www.accelevents.com/e/planova-workshop-2026>

We look forward to you joining us and the confirmed chairs and speakers shown on the next page. More information will be forthcoming in our next announcement and on our Workshop website.

Sincerely,

Sachio Asanagi
Executive Vice President
Asahi Kasei Bioprocess America, Inc.



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Confirmed Chairs

Kevin Brower, Ph.D.

Global Head,
Purification Development
Mammalian Platform
Sanofi

Valerie Cusick

Director
Preclinical Manufacturing and Process
Development (PMPD)
Regeneron

Confirmed Speakers and Presentation Topics (tentative titles)

Andy Bailey, Ph.D.

CEO
Bionique Testing Laboratories

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*Enhancing Viral Safety: Prior Knowledge and Platform
Virus Clearance Strategies in the Era of ICH Q5A (R2)*

Kang Cai, Ph.D.

Director
Biopharmaceutical Development
AstraZeneca

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*Viral Clearance Capability of Monoclonal
Antibody Purification*

Marcus Fiadeiro

Associate Director
Purification/Mammalian Platform
Sanofi

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*Advancing Virus Filtration: Pilot and GMP
Implementation of Planova FG1 across Diverse
Antibody Therapeutics*

Sam Marzolf

Scientist II
Downstream Process Development
Lundbeck

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*Planova FG1 Viral Filter Application: Enabling Robust
Viral Clearance for Diverse Antibody Formats*

Patrick Romann, Ph.D.

Bioprocess Innovation Manager
R&D
Levitronix

-
*Scaling and Trends in TFF
Perfusion Processes*

Etienne Utiger

Senior Scientist
Biopharmaceutical Development
AstraZeneca

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*Development of a Continuous Virus
Filtration Process*

Russell Van Buskirk

Senior Principal Scientist
Bioprocess Development
Amgen

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*A Comparative Evaluation of the
Planova S20N and 20N Virus Filters*