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Paulina Krzyszczuk is currently a scientific writer at Bristol Myers Squibb. She has been working there full time since May, 2020. Prior to this, she was an intern/contractor for 8 months within the same group. She has experience coordinating the development of clinical protocols and clinical study reports in the areas of oncology, cardiovascular disease, and fibrosis. In October 2019, she received her PhD in Biomedical Engineering from Rutgers University.



Ina Nikolaeva, PhD
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I graduated with my PhD in Molecular Biology from Rutgers University in 2016. I set my sights on medical communications because, while I enjoyed bench work, I found that I enjoy scientific writing even more! I immediately joined ClinicalThinking, a subsidiary of Nucleus-Global as a medical writer, where I stayed for 3 years, followed by nearly 2 years at ProEd Communications, Inc. I am currently an Associate Scientific Director of Oncology Publications at Merck & Co, Inc. My roles have included creating scientific content (manuscripts, conference presentations, training slide decks, medical education events, etc), mentoring other medical writers, and liaising with clients, statisticians, and doctors to ensure the quality of the scientific materials I oversee. On the side, I have volunteered for multiple organizations focused on teaching accurate and effective research communication to aspiring scientists and I love sharing my knowledge of the medical communications field with PhD candidates.



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Natascha joined Flywheel Partners as a Medical Writer/Content Developer in April 2020 after completing postdoctoral training in cardiovascular function and regulation at Rutgers NJMS. She has vast experience conducting scientific research, writing and reviewing journal articles. At

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Apoorva Halikere, PhD received her doctorate in May 2018 in neuroscience from Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey within the neuroscience department of the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. She has over 6 years of experience in translational neuroscience research, spanning fields of addiction biology, Parkinson's disease, and nerve regeneration using human patient-derived stem cells and human neuron differentiation. Dr. Halikere entered the industry of medical communications in June 2018 as a medical writer with HealthLogiX in Parsippany, NJ. Her work focused on development of branded and disease state medical content for HCPs ensuring that it maintained stringent scientific accuracy in accordance with FDA regulations. Dr. Halikere joined *p-value communications* as Associate Medical Director in August 2019 and has been leading the development of medical education material for HCPs and working cross-functionally to develop strategic medical tactics based on emerging data and scientific intelligence. She has a strong interest in continuing to develop her scientific and medical knowledge and continue to contribute to the field of healthcare communications.



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I grew up in Greece and studied Biology at the University of Athens. I moved to New Jersey in 2013 and enrolled in the Behavioral and Neural Sciences PhD program at Rutgers-Newark, where I studied the role of neuronal oscillations in memory. After graduating from Rutgers in 2019, I moved to Atlanta, GA and spent a year working at Emory University as a postdoctoral fellow. In mid-2020, I started working as a medical writer at ICON plc, a clinical research organization. My role is mostly focused on publications, which includes drafting manuscripts, abstracts, and poster presentations for medical conferences.



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Pinelopi Kyriazi graduated from Rutgers - Newark with her PhD in Behavioral and Neural Sciences in May 2020. Since then, she has been working as a medical writer at 21GRAMS NY. She works on several neurology accounts focusing on medical education. While at Rutgers, she attended many iJOBS events which helped her identify her path after graduation.