

Sirtris Makes Two Key Appointments

Sirtris, a GSK Company, has appointed Ross Stein, Ph.D., to the position of Vice President, Head of Discovery Research and Eric Jacobson, M.D., to the position of Chief Medical Officer.

“We are pleased to announce the key additions of Dr. Stein and Dr. Jacobson to the Sirtris team,” said George Vlasuk, Ph.D., President and Head of Sirtris, a GSK Company. “They bring a wealth of scientific and medical expertise, and each will play an integral role in building the future of Sirtris as we advance our pipeline of revolutionary medicines to treat diseases of aging.”

Dr. Stein joins Sirtris from the Harvard NeuroDiscovery Center, where he most recently held the role of Director of the Laboratory for Drug Discovery in Neurodegeneration. Dr. Stein has more than 25 years of experience in all aspects of drug discovery research. Prior to his role at Harvard, he held various positions at DuPont Pharmaceuticals, ProScript, Inc. and Merck. Dr. Stein earned a B.S. in chemistry and mathematics from Southern Illinois University and his Ph.D. in biochemistry and organic chemistry from Indiana University.

Dr. Jacobson's professional career spans 20 years and encompasses private practice, academic and industrial positions. He most recently held the position of Senior Vice President of Clinical Research and Regulatory Affairs and Chief Medical Officer at Synta Pharmaceuticals. He has also served in various roles at Millennium Pharmaceuticals, Serono, and the University of Massachusetts Medical Center. Dr. Jacobson holds a B.S. in biology from the University of Illinois, and he earned his M.D. from Rush Medical College.