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Director's Letter

Greetings ,

Many people believe that the BTER Foundation exists primarily for health care professionals. Indeed, the majority of our members are doctors, nurses, physical therapists, and other health care professionals or researchers. But our mission extends to helping patients and the general public, which is why many of our members and followers are not health care professionals at all.



What's more, we health care professionals need you non-professionals to help us help you. We need to hear your experiences and expectations regarding biotherapy, in order to serve you better.

Therefore, we are looking for patients, recipients, and non-professional care givers with experience in biotherapy to share those experiences with us, on a future episode of **BioTherapy Live!** If you are a patient or former patient or friend/relative of a patient, please share your experience with us - good or bad.

If you are a health care professional, please invite your current and former biotherapy patients to share their stories with us (and let them know that we don't bite, either).

Maggot therapy, leech therapy, helminthic therapy, BVT, or other biotherapy . . . we are looking forward to hearing from you in the coming weeks.

Advancing healthcare through education and research in biotherapy,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Thern". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Biotherapy Live! (and recorded!)

The next broadcast of Biotherapy Live! will be on April 19 at 11:00 am Pacific Time (2:00 pm Eastern Time). Future webinars are tentatively scheduled to air live on the third Tuesday of each month (unless otherwise noted). Programs will be posted on our [Facebook](#) page and [YouTube](#) channel shortly thereafter.

- April 19, 2022: BioTherapy Live! with Ronald Sherman
Topic: TBD

- May 17, 2022: BioTherapy Live! with Dr. Kosta Mumcuoglu
Topic: Leech Therapy (Hirudotherapy)

To join the meeting on Zoom, go to:

<https://uci.zoom.us/j/93862239768?pwd=cXl0K3FtMnJKT1htZ1Q4ZDZEa295dz09>

Meeting ID: 938 6223 9768

Passcode: 504239

To join by phone, find your local number at:

<https://uci.zoom.us/j/amFtlUUF>

Want to suggest a topic or speaker? [let us know!](#)

Got Phage? Your Assistance is Requested

Phage.directory sent out urgent requests for assistance in searching for bacteriophages to assist in patient care:

- Morganella phages for a patient in the USA
- Mycobacterium avium phages for a patient in Belgium

If you have access to such phages, or can assist in testing phage, or if you would like additional information, please email staff@phage.directory.



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