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4:10 p.m. / GBSF 1005 Auditorium
Refreshments / Free Admission

Presentation

“Biomedical Innovation: A Transformation from Phenomenon to Proven Process”

Innovation in medicine and surgery over past centuries has historically happened episodically with chance discoveries in the lab or clinic, or during unique moments in time where opportunity, talent and technology phenomenologically combined to produce significant advancements in patient care. More recently, the question has been asked whether we can we purposefully direct innovation and intentionally drive it to occur in spaces where there is the most clinical need. Answering this question and addressing it with a process that can taught, learned and perfected has been one of the central foci for Dr. Josh Makower’s career. Dr. Makower will discuss the origins of what is now called “The Biodesign Process” and walk through its structure and evolution through the creation of the Stanford Biodesign Innovation Program, which he co-founded with Dr. Paul Yock, to the stories of several innovations produced by students, fellows and faculty of the program, and several companies which he has produced through his own incubator, ExploraMed, in collaboration with New Enterprise Associates.