

A Funder's Role: Advancing Science through Effective Communication

Advancing Effective Communication



Communication Skills-Building

e.g., Alan Alda Center Training; COMPASS tools



Platforms for Practice

e.g., Annual Symposium; The Conversation



Learning from Effective Communicators

e.g., Joe Palca; SciLine



Field Building

e.g., NAS; Support Systems for Scientists' Communication and Engagement



Building Capacity with Cross-Disciplinary Partnerships

e.g., Human Nature; Civic Science Fellows

This is a story about

A scientist

A journalist

A philanthropist

A social scientist

Scientists

...and You

A Scientist

**Ron Vale, 1989 Rita Allen Foundation Scholar
Winner, 2017 Shaw Prize in Life Science and Medicine
Executive Director–elect, HHMI Janelia Research Campus
Founder, iBiology**

A Journalist



Dan Rather, Board Member, iBiology
CRISPR: "The most important story of my career"
Photo from SXSW Premiere of *Human Nature*

A Philanthropist



**Rita Allen Cassel,
Founder of the Rita Allen Foundation,
with Chairman of the City Center,
1953**



**Howard Hiatt,
Founder of Rita Allen
Scientific Advisory
Committee, with RAF
President Elizabeth
Christopherson, 2018**



A Social Scientist

**Dietram Scheufele, University of Wisconsin–Madison
Co-Chair, NAS Standing Committee on Advancing
Science Communication Research and Practice**

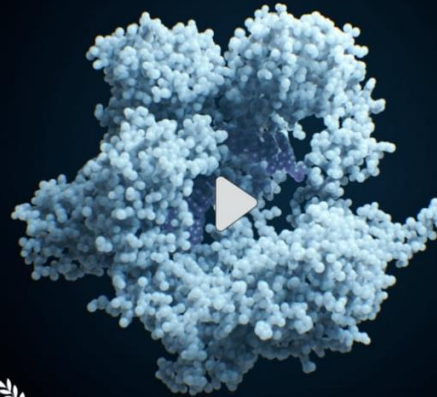




Scientists Engaging



HUMAN NATURE



You

PARTICIPANTS



(The who)

MOTIVATIONS



(The why)

OUTCOMES



(To what end)

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Resources: <http://ritaallen.org/app/uploads/2019/03/Sci-Comm-Resources.pdf>

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