

Colloqui della Classe di Scienze

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*From Innovation to Impact:
A Journey from Science to Entrepreneurship*

ABSTRACT:

Scientific research is often driven by curiosity and the pursuit of fundamental understanding. Transforming scientific understanding into real-world impact requires an understanding of clinical needs, as well as a specific set of skills and perspectives. In this colloquium, I will share my personal journey from academic research to founding and building a company in the medical device field. Using a number of case studies, I will discuss how ideas developed in the laboratory can evolve into technologies that improve patients' lives, highlighting the challenges, trade-offs, and unexpected opportunities encountered along the way. The talk is aimed at a broad audience and will touch on themes relevant across disciplines, including innovation, risk-taking, collaboration between academia and industry, and the role of scientific thinking outside the university setting. I hope this perspective will be particularly useful for students and researchers who are considering career paths that bridge science, technology, and entrepreneurship.

