

**June 3 & 4 - FaceBase 2025 Community Forum**  
**Information Sciences Institute**  
**Room 1014**  
**4676 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292**

Zoom link available upon [registration](#). Email [help@facebase.org](mailto:help@facebase.org) for assistance.

## Meeting Objectives

The theme of the FaceBase 2025 Community Forum is **“Enabling and Expanding the Reach of Craniofacial Research: Building Connections and Supporting Reuse”**

This year's focus will center on three key themes:

1. **Targeting the Entire Data Lifecycle to Maximize Data Reuse in Research:** Demonstrating FaceBase's role in facilitating the planning for and the sharing of original and derived data to maximize data reuse in the context of the data lifecycle.
2. **Promoting Use of Multi-dimensional Preclinical and Clinical Data:** Enhancing pre/clinical data contribution and use. Strengthening the connection between human diseases and relevant animal models.
3. **Expanding and Connecting Scientific Dental, Oral, Craniofacial and Inner Ear (DOCIE) Data with Anatomically and Biologically Relevant Health and Disease Models:** Engaging more thought leaders, investigators, clinicians, organizations, and funders to explore FaceBase's unique offerings.

## Day 1 - Tuesday, June 3

### Information Sciences Institute - Room 1014

PDT	All times are in Pacific Daylight Time
8:00 AM	<b>Registration and Breakfast</b> <i>Gather your meeting materials and badge and enjoy a light breakfast (with coffee, tea and water)</i>
9:00 AM (10 min)	<b>Introduction</b> <i>Yang Chai, D.D.S., Ph.D. (USC)</i>
9:10 AM (20 min)	<b>Opening Remarks</b> <i>Jennifer Webster-Cyriaque, D.D.S., Ph.D., Acting Director, National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR/NIH)</i>
9:30 AM (40 min)	<b>FaceBase 4</b> (25 min talk/15 min Q&A) Preview of the roadmap for the next five years of FaceBase. <i>Carl Kesselman, Ph.D. (USC) and Rob Schuler, Ph.D. (USC)</i>
<b>Keynote Talk</b>	
10:10 AM (40 min)	<b>The need for high quality data for data reuse and machine learning</b> (30 min talk / 10 min Q&A) <i>Helen M. Berman, Ph.D (USC, co-founder of the Protein Data Bank (PDB))</i>
10:50 AM (15 min)	<i>Break - Refreshments available</i>
<b>Scientific Talks A: Studies Comparing Normal and Abnormal Craniofacial Development</b> Examples of researchers and clinicians who have compared normal vs. abnormal development	
11:05 AM (25 min)	<b>Title TBD</b> (20 min talk / 5 min Q&A) <i>Justin Cotney, Ph.D. (Children's Hospital of Philadelphia)</i>
11:30 AM (25 min)	<b>Title TBD</b> (20 min talk / 5 min Q&A) <i>Samantha Brugmann, Ph.D. (Cincinnati Children's Hospital)</i>
11:55 PM (1 hour)	<i>Catered Lunch – 60 min</i>
<b>Panel A: Incorporating relevant clinical elements (EMR/EDR, etc) into FaceBase to effectively facilitate clinical research</b> <i>Moderator: Vidhya Venkateswaran, B.D.S., M.P.H., Ph.D. (NIH/NIDCR)</i>	
12:55 PM (50 min)	<i>Panelists:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <i>Parish Sedghizadeh, D.D.S, M.S. (Herman Ostrow School of Dentistry/University of Southern California) (chair)</i></li> <li>● <i>Jeff Lotz can help recommend</i></li> <li>● <i>BigMouth representative</i></li> <li>● <i>NIDCD community representative</i></li> </ul>

	<p><i>Dr. Sedghizadeh's lab is contributing data from a clinical database at USC - patients with oral/facial pain, heart issues, TMD as a pilot project for demonstrating incorporating elements of EMR/EDR into FaceBase.</i></p> <p><i>Talking points:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>How such an offering can answer user's research questions</i></li> <li>• <i>Ways to make such a database accessible online at facebase.org (this is a new type of offering)</i></li> <li>• <i>AI-readiness in clinical data for reuse in research</i></li> <li>• <i>What data elements should or should not be included for an initial pilot project to be useful? For example, pharmaceutical metadata is incredibly complex</i></li> <li>• <i>Consent issues</i></li> </ul>
<p align="center"><b>Scientific Talks B: Broad impact of FaceBase Data</b> Showing how FaceBase is useful beyond DOCIE use cases.</p>	
1:45 PM (25 min)	<p><b>Bridging Facial Data and Chronic Pain Research: Expanding the HEAL Initiative's Reach</b> (20 min talk / 5 min of Q&amp;A)</p> <p><i>Jeffrey Lotz, Ph.D. (UCSF)</i></p>
2:10 PM (35 min)	<p><b>TMJ Anatomy and Pathology and collaboration with TMD IMPACT</b> (15 min talk each / 5 min of Q&amp;A)</p> <p><i>Glenn Clark, D.D.S., M.S. and Anette Vistoso Monreal, D.D.S., M.S. (USC)</i></p>
2:45 PM (25 min)	<p><b>The Potential for Dynamic MRI to study TMD and other craniofacial and oral conditions</b> (20 min talk / 5 min of Q&amp;A)</p> <p><i>Krishna S. Nayak, Ph.D. (USC)</i></p>
3:10 PM (20 min)	<p><i>Break – Refreshments available</i></p>
<p align="center"><b>Poster Session</b></p>	
3:30 PM (90 min)	<p><b>Onsite Poster Session and Reception (with cash bar available)</b></p> <p>Opens with Lightning Talks of posters</p> <p><i>11th floor - Room TBA</i></p>
5:00 PM	<p><b>Adjourn for the day</b></p>
7:00 PM	<p><b>Group Dinner</b> <b>Playa Provisions</b> 119 Culver Blvd, Playa Del Rey, CA 90293</p>

## Day 2 - Wednesday, June 4th

### Information Sciences Institute - Room 1014

PDT	All times are in Pacific Daylight Time
8:00 AM (60 min)	<b>Breakfast</b> Enjoy a light breakfast (Coffee, tea and water also available) and mingle with fellow attendees.
9:00 AM (15 min)	<b>Recap of Day 1</b> <i>Yang Chai, D.D.S., Ph.D. (USC)</i>
<b>Keynote Speaker</b>	
9:15 AM (40 min)	<b>Vision for Data Science: Advancing Research Through Integration, Accessibility, and Innovation</b> (30 minutes talk, 10 minutes Q&A) <i>Axel Visel, Ph.D. (Lawrence Berkeley National Lab)</i>
<b>Scientific Talks C: Reuses of FaceBase Data</b> Examples of the FaceBase community's reuse of FaceBase data	
9:55 AM (25 min)	<b>How FaceBase Data Helped Develop Designs for Pediatric Respirators</b> (20 min talk / 5 min of Q&A) <i>Christopher Nemeth, Ph.D. (Applied Research Associates, Inc) and Benedikt Hallgrímsson (Univ of Calgary) (Remote)</i>
10:20 AM (25 min)	<b>Viability of FaceBase Data for AI/ML work</b> (20 min talk / 5 min Q&A) <i>Peter Claes, Ph.D. (KU Leuven, Belgium) (Remote)</i>
<b>FaceBase in Related Health Domains</b>	
10:45 AM (25 min)	<b>Title TBD</b> (20 min talk / 5 min Q&A) <i>Jennifer Kalish, MD, PhD (Children's Hospital of Philadelphia) (Remote)</i>
<b>Panel B: FaceBase in Related Health Domains</b> Exploring connections between DOC research and relevant systemic health and disease models. Demonstrating FaceBase for sharing diverse datasets and multidisciplinary collaborations. <i>Moderator: Helen Berman (tentative)</i>	
11:10 AM (50 min)	<b>Panelists: Yang Chai (USC, FaceBase), other panelists pending</b> <i>Potential discussion points:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What insights can the FaceBase data provide for and beyond DOCIE?</li> <li>• Conversely, how can data from related biological, health, and disease areas inform DOCIE research?</li> <li>• What is the role of FaceBase in sharing data across NIH institutions and encouraging interdisciplinary research?</li> </ul>

12:00 PM (5 min)	<b>Closing Thoughts</b> <i>Carl Kesselman, Ph.D. (University of Southern California)</i>
12:05 PM	<b>Adjourn/Lunch</b> Lunch available while attendees can mingle and talk about the meeting before they travel home.
1:30 PM (60 min)	<b>Internal Meeting for FaceBase NIDCR and NIDCD External Scientific Panel and the NIH FaceBase staff</b> Room TBD, plus virtual attendance