

Crafting a Career in Breakthrough Innovation: A Chat with Hemai Parthasarathy from X, Alphabet's innovation engine

1:30PM FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27TH 2023

Location: Harvard Business School campus (specifics TBD)

Timing: 1:30PM-2:30PM

Are you a graduate student or post-doc interested in understanding and navigating the many emerging career pathways in the world of breakthrough innovation? Are you interested in the world of science-oriented business or possibly becoming a scientist-entrepreneur?

Come join Hemai Parthasarathy, from [X, Alphabet's moonshot factory](#), for a discussion about plotting the course of your scientific career. She has developed a vast knowledge of the many ways in which young scientists can become engaged with entrepreneurs and businesses to amplify their impact on the world.



If you are interested, please RSVP here

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If you have any questions, please e-mail Kyle Myers at: kmyers@hbs.edu

About Hemai

Hemai Parthasarathy leads the Rapid Evaluation team at X. This team probes the horizons of science and engineering to create radical solutions for some of the world's biggest challenges. Hemai was the Scientific Director of the Thiel Foundation and its program to support science entrepreneurship, Breakout Labs. She was also a Founding Partner in Breakout Ventures, investing at the intersections of technology, biology, materials, and energy. Hemai was the North American Editor for Nature and a founding editor of the open-access publisher, PLOS. Hemai has served on several startup boards and is a member of the Activate Leadership Council, the CZI Imaging Advisory Board, and the Moore Foundation Inventor Fellows advisory panel. She holds a Ph.D. in Brain and Cognitive Sciences from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a B.A. in Biophysics and Russian from Johns Hopkins University.

About X, the moonshot factory

X's job is to invent and launch breakthrough technologies and businesses to solve some of the world's most pressing problems. Some of X's best known "moonshots" include Waymo autonomous cars, Wing delivery drones and Google Brain. Current work and early-stage investigations include projects focused on [ocean health](#), decarbonizing [the electric grid](#), projects in synthetic biology, the future of computing, wildfire awareness, waste reduction and sustainable agriculture.

