



**Loraine V. Upham, Chief Operating Officer and Project Team Leader for Human Prolslet Peptide (HIP)**, has 26 years of experience in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries. As a former member of the Molecular Genetics Research Department at **Eli Lilly and Company** working on the expression of the insulin A and B chains, her career has focused on the business of biotechnology with special focus on diabetes. Subsequent to Lilly, Lori joined **Merck and Co.** where she managed a high volume sales territory in Manhattan as the first statins were launched. After Merck, Lori ventured into the realm of smaller companies both in the device and biotechnology areas to further build out her career orientation. Therein, her success as Product Manager and Project Team Leader at **Packard BioScience** developing drug discovery research instrumentation and reagents led to their explosive growth and supported an eventual public offering. Playing key roles in both process development engineering and business development at **Prolexys Pharmaceuticals** (a spin-off of Myriad Genetics) provided critical exposure in the field of human proteomic biology that ultimately formed the basis for the CureDM discovery platform and the identification of the Human prolslet Peptide.

Teaming up with two other founders, Ms Upham founded **CureDM** and co-invented many of the CureDM patents. As the founding CEO of CureDM, she successfully obtained start up financing and engineered partnerships to conduct basic research and establish the preclinical proof of concept for HIP, which allowed progression into preclinical development. With the engagement of H. Joseph Reiser, PhD as the new CEO of CureDM, Upham took on a more focused role as the Chief Operating Officer to successfully manage and execute all preclinical activities required for IND. She has been a key and integral part in every facet of CureDM's business, science and technology.

Ms. Upham holds a BA in Biology from the University of Pennsylvania and an MBA from Arizona State University. Lori is an active runner and previously qualified for and competed in the 1988 US Olympic Trials in the Marathon event.