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Deborah Bronk is President and CEO of Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences. She previously served as Director of the Division of Ocean Sciences at the National Science Foundation, President of the Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography, President of The Oceanography Society, Chair of the Council of Scientific Society Presidents, and Chair of the University-National Oceanographic Laboratory System Council.

Dr. Bronk is an internationally recognized oceanographer whose research focuses on the biogeochemistry of nitrogen and how it controls productivity within marine and aquatic systems. She has participated in or led more than 50 oceanographic expeditions.

As Treasurer of RECOs, she works to strengthen federal support for ocean science, workforce development, and research infrastructure. She also founded the Maine Marine Science Consortium and serves on several statewide innovation boards.

Dr. Bronk has a B.S. from University of Miami and a Ph.D. from the University of Maryland. Her honors include election as a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Sustaining Fellow of ASLO, the Virginia Outstanding Faculty Award, , and MaineBiz's 2025 Innovator of the Year.