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Dr. Saharah Moon Chapotin joined the Foundation for Food & Agriculture Research as the executive director in August 2022. Chapotin is a plant scientist who is passionate about sharing the importance of plants and agriculture. She has more than 15 years of experience in federal leadership, using science to inform policy and advancing agriculture research. Most recently, Chapotin served as the executive director of the United States Botanic Garden, a position she held from 2018 to 2022.



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