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ARE YOU AN SME AND WILL YOU ATTEND BIO-EUROPE IN BERLIN THIS YEAR?

Please feel free to apply for a travel voucher through the Boost4Health website.

The Boost4Health website is up and running and all requests for travel- or internationalisation vouchers should go through the website - please use this link to read more about the project and vouchers <http://boost4health.eu/>

Bio-Europe in Berlin is coming up on 6-8 November this year and Boost4Health is ready to support you with a voucher of 500 EUR to cover travel expenses in cars you want to attend the conference.

If you register for the conference 1 delegate per company is invited to join a networking session organised by Boost4Health partner Atlanpole, on Monday 6th November at 15:30, at Atlanpole Biotherapies booth

At this session you can discover the opportunities of the Boost4Health project, meet other SMEs from 11 regions of Europe and find new collaborations and commercial opportunities!

Each delegate will have the opportunity to pitch their company for 1 minute. and then to participate in a networking coffee to exchange business cards with the other participants.

[Read more about the networking session and free registration](#)

Please register before the 20th of October



BOOST4HEALTH AT BIOMEDICA, EINDHOVEN



Boost4Health Vouchers

If you wish to visit experts or events abroad you can apply for travel vouchers. If your application is successful, travel costs will be reimbursed (up to €500) to your company after the trip.

Internationalisation vouchers

If you would like to move forwards with the internationalisation of your innovation Boost4Health offers two kinds of vouchers:

Market expertise vouchers (up to €3.000) to explore a new market and, Product validation vouchers (up to €5.000) which can cover technical advice, prototyping, demonstration, regulatory support, usability validation or scaling-up

The cut off dates for calls for internationalisation vouchers are:

30 September, 2017
15 January 2018
1 March 2018
30 June 2018

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BIOMARKER AGORA 2017:

KEYNOTE AT THE BIOMARKER AGORA 2017: BIOMARKERS WITHIN NEUROLOGY AND PSYCHIATRY

We look forward to seeing you at this year's AGORA, which has a strong focus on dementia, psychiatry and neurology, but also on biomarkers related to other diseases.

The AGORA will present two keynotes as well as a workshop, with a focus on ICT related to psychiatry and led by DTU Compute.

Ruth Frikke-Schmidt, Rigshospitalet, will open the AGORA with her speech on biomarkers and Alzheimers disease and Birgitte Søgaaard , Divisional Director – Clinical and Quantitative Pharmacology, H. Lundbeck A/S, will give a speech after the workshop in the afternoon.

Birgitte Søgaaard has worked with Clinical Pharmacology for more than 25 years with focus on the establishment of biological models to be able to quantify and describe biological responses to support drug development. This includes bio-marker development within a number of therapeutic areas, bio banking and collaborations with consortia with the aim at selecting the right patients for the right treatment.

Birgitte Søgaaards keynote speech at the Biomarker AGORA 2017 is titled Developmental consequences of biomarkers within neurology and psychiatry.

"In strong contrast to decades of reductionist biology, which involves taking the pieces apart, approaches to understand the larger picture at the level of the organism, tissue or cell by putting its pieces together, has become possible due to increased computer power," she says.

"Within accepted indications it makes sense to believe that it is possible to find sub-groups of patients with "homogeneous" bio-types/phenotypes/endophenotypes likely to represent target populations in "contrast to one size fits all". To be successful here, a strong collaboration is needed both from an international perspective but as much between public/private interties," Birgitte Søgaaard says.

Read more about the AGORA, the exhibitors and keynotes at <https://bioagora.dk>

If you want to join the AGORA, (no entrance fee) please sign up as guest here or exhibitor here.



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PROMISING BINATIONAL COLLABORATIONS IN BIO BANKING

Sharing of best practices between Israel and Denmark in bio banking and in the development of personalised medicine

Biopeople led a Danish delegation to Israel earlier this year in collaboration with the Danish Innovation Centre in Tel Aviv. Contacts established during this visit now paves the way for more formal collaborations and sharing of best practices in bio banking and in the development of personalised medicine. Following the meeting in Tel Aviv, Yehudit Cohen, Scientific Director of the Israel National Biobank (MIDGAM), visited the Danish joint regional infrastructure of biobanks at Herlev Hospital, the Bio & Genome Bank Denmark, in September 2017.

International collaboration

Biobanks and biomarker research and development play a pivotal role in advancing innovation in personalised medicine, and thus, the visit from Israel promoted the sharing of best practices for establishment, maintenance and usability of the high quality bio and data banks of Israel and Denmark. Among topics discussed was the testing of novel technologies and related research topics.

"The discussion with the Israeli biobanks further our vision to support research in close collaboration with clinical databases and clinical cancer research units internationally. We believe that it also facilitates knowledge sharing and faster implementation in everyday clinical practice", said the leader of the Danish delegation, Professor Estrid Hoegdall, Director of Bio and Genome Bank Denmark and Head of Molecular Unit, Department of Pathology Herlev Hospital, University of Copenhagen. "In particular, this binational collaboration could add value to the work with diagnostic product candidates in Israel and Denmark, respectively," she said.

Dr. Yehudit Cohen stated that the Israel National Biobank wants to support studies to improve treatment options for patients by identification of biomarkers and development of tools for diagnosis and early detection of disease: "We encourage collaborations between medical centres and researchers from academia and industry between Israel and Denmark".

One point of entry

The Bio and Genome Bank Denmark, which collect, store and track biological material from Danish patients, suitable for present and future research projects, is one point of entry for biological material. The Bio and Genome Bank envisions becoming an attractive partner both nationally and internationally and the bio bank also a collaboration with the National Bio Bank at Staten's Serum Institute.

The Danish Regions see personalised medicines as a highly prioritised health care area, which has a particular political focus. The Bio and Genome Bank Denmark is an important part of the foundation for development of personalised medicine.



Customised to individuals
Personalised medicine is customised to individual patients through the individual information related to the individual patient.

Useful links

[Regional Bio- and Genome Bank Denmark](#)

[National Strategy on Personalised Medicine](#)

[Biomarkers as emerging Danish growth area](#)

[Israeli MIDGAM biobank](#)

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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PERSPECTIVES IN PRECISION MEDICINE IN COPENHAGEN IN FEBRUARY 2018

We are facing a paradigm change with challenges. Research and commercial development in the cross field between public health, health records, bio banks, biomarkers, information and communication technologies, user perspectives and the established fields of the pharmaceutical industry are emerging growth areas.

The conference on Perspectives in Precision Medicine will deal with challenges in the cross field between pharmaceutical development, user involvement and ICT.

New cross-disciplinary research fields

The conference will introduce new cross-disciplinary research fields and bring together key opinion leaders in the three converging disciplines; Pharmaceutical development, user involvement and ICT. It will all take place by combining key note speakers, panel discussions, thematic round tables, site visits and relevant matchmaking of new partnerships.

Present at the conference will also be the steering committee of the current project: Biomarkers as an emerging growth area, which specifically focus on the cross disciplinary interaction between pharmaceutical development, ICT and user involvement.

Looking for new insight and knowledge?

Everyone with an interest in precision medicine, especially in the cross field between pharmaceutical development, user involvement and ICT, are welcome to attend the conference on precision medicine.

The conference especially targets SMEs, researchers or others who are looking into new insight and knowledge on personalised medicine and want to discover new business and research opportunities, meet potential partners, expand their network and be inspired by a world leading pharmaceutical hub in the heart of Copenhagen.

Unique platform

With Denmark's strong focus on personalised medicine, the country's strong health research traditions and the unique way of organising the health data of its citizens, the conference in Copenhagen will be a unique platform for addressing the challenges within the area of personalised medicine, which many SMEs, researchers and other stakeholders are facing.

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DENMARK AND SWEDEN TO DEVELOP NATIONAL LIFE SCIENCE STRATEGIES

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This year's Annual Meeting of Medicon Valley Alliance will address the Danish-Swedish perspective in these national strategies.

Medicon Valley Alliance has decided to keep the focus and invite for discussions of funding of innovation and the challenges relating to start-up, scale-up and commercialization of innovation.

The Annual Meeting 2017, which takes place on 10 November 2017 at Crown Plaza, is inspired by the Danish life science growth team's recommendation for a life science strategy (please find the report for download below), which was published in March 2017. This recommendation emphasized better health, more wealth and growth and more world class R&D within life science.

The focus of the annual meeting will be on the parallel processes where Denmark and Sweden both develop national life science strategies. The hope is that the unique bi-national Danish-Swedish perspective is reflected in both national strategies.

This perspective that will also be addressed in the presentation of "State of Medicon Valley 2017 – an analysis of life science in Greater Copenhagen". The analysis will be distributed at the meeting.

Meet the following speakers (the list will be updated at Medicon Valley Alliance's website)

- Patrick Aebischer Prof. Dr. med. École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne/ Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Lausanne
- Elisabeth Björk VP, Late Clinical Development AstraZeneca
- Søren Bregenholdt, Chairman of the board Corporate Vice President, R&D External Relations Novo Nordisk A/S
- Anna Gran New Ventures Lead, Nordics Johnson & Johnson Innovation
- Jonas Jendi Investment Manager Industrifonden
- Petter Hartman CEO Medicon Valley Alliance
- Britt Meelby Jensen President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Zealand Pharma
- Anna Nilsson Vindefjärd Founder and Secretary General of Research!Sweden Member of the Swedish governments expert board on life science
- Henrik Rindel Gudbergsen Chief Medical Officer IBM Nordic
- Morten Sommer Professor Technical University of Denmark

[Read more and sign up for the meeting](#)



The meeting takes place at Crowne Plaza on 10 November 2017

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JOIN CONFERENCE ON 11 OCTOBER IN RINGSTED AND LEARN ABOUT RECRUITMENT MODELS FOR PRODUCTION COMPANIES IN REGION ZEALAND

A two-year project on how to recruit qualified workforce for regional companies is about to end. Students, educational institutions and companies will share their experience

The conference at 11 October 2017 will share conclusions and experience from the two-year project which has focused on establishing collaboration models for companies and educational institutions.

The conference aims at production companies in Region Zealand, regional business organisations, regional educational institutions including teachers and students as well as all other stakeholders with an interest in recruitment of qualified workforce.

Jens Stenbæk, Chairman Region Zealand and Claus Astrup Seidelin, Senior Economist in DEA will talk about the project from each their angle and students, teachers and companies will give their view and experience from the project.

Participants will get a chance to speak directly with the companies, teachers and students involved in the project and explore new fruitful collaboration opportunities which may foster new staff, new competences and ideas, growth and innovation.

Everybody interested is invited.

[Register as participant here.](#)

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2 October 2017	Copenhagen Centre for Regulatory Science 3rd Annual Conference
4 October 2017	Medicon Valley Alliance Microbiome Summit 2017
10 October 2017	BIOTECH Cluster SME Mission & BioJapan, Japan (EU Delegation)
10 October 2017	Hospital + Innovation Congress
10 October 2017	WHIIN
11 October 2017	Conference KAP Sjælland
1 November 2017	Biomarker AGORA 2017
6 November 2017	BIO-Europe® 2017- 23rd Annual International Partnering Conference
6 November 2017	Boost4Health networking session at Bio-Europe
10 November 2017	Medicon Valley Alliance Annual Meeting
11 November 2017	Launch of BioXolver- a new in-house SAX instrument
27 November 2017	Future Week Denmark
27 November 2017	Fundingmuligheder i EU til MedTech og BioTech
22 January 2018	Training Course in Safety Sciences- Regulatory Requirements and Guidelines (IMI SafeSciMET), Lisbon
28 February 2018	International conference on perspectives in precision medicine