

CEMBO Meeting Minutes 8.10.2021, 11:00 a.m., on-line *via* MS Teams

Attendees:

Bujdáková H., Conte C., Moter A., Kikhney J., Zaat S.A.J., Riool M., vd Ploeg K., Vargová J., Radochová B.

Program

- Introduction of new EU project officer, Ms. Costanza Conte
- Biosparq company left the project
- Discussion about deliverables and ongoing tasks for this year
- Dr. Riool provided an overview of the recent activities on social media and an overview of the current possible funding options within Europe
- Organization of the next meeting will be in November 2021

Biosparq company has left the project

BioSparq B.V. was declared bankrupted by the court on the 28th of September 2021. BioSparq B.V. hasn't been declared as beneficiary, therefore, AMC will be responsible to carry out the tasks. AMC will provide an alternative of invited speakers/experts with a required expertise in the respective topics of the courses. The budget has been allocated to the AMC and no money has been transferred to the company till now.

The Consortium wishes to remove the third party BioSparq B.V. from CEMBO project *via* simplified approval procedure.

Participation of BioSparq B.V. was planned as follow:

- 1. Expert visit report (WP2 Short term exchange between partners with visit reports included in annual reports [M12, M24, M36])
- 2. Organization of Training School T1 "Standardization of biofilm evaluation: current trends" (WP2 [M11])
- 3. Workshop on possibility to create a strategic plan for building or developing cooperation with enterprises (WP3 [M28] BSQ was supposed to be responsible for organizing this workshop).

It will be necessary to prepare an official justification, the reasons why, and how the tasks, in which BioSparq B.V. has participated, will be fulfilled by AMC. (The document – a section of deviations.)

Deadline – till the 31st of December 2021

Deliverables planned until the 31st of December 2021

D2.2 Organization of Training school 1 - "Standardization of biofilm evaluation; current trends"

Responsible institution – AMC

Deadline – Training School (T1); the deliverable till the **31**st of October **2021 Discussion**:

- The consortium agreed on the postponement of T1, no later than February 2022.
- For keeping transparency, an official explanation by AMC is needed.
- The idea of joined training schools from two different EU projects might be possible; EU officer will provide information, whether the deliverable from the same activity could be used for 2 projects.

D2.1 Expert visit report (Short term exchange between partners with visit reports included in annual reports [M12, M24, M36])

Responsible institution – AMC

Deadline – till the 30th of November 2021

Discussion:

 In November/December 2021, dr. Riool from AMC will visit CU and focus on possibilities in experiments, research discussion with PhD. students, preparation of joint publication (e.g. CVD focus paper), discussion about possible funding options, etc.

D3.1 Definition of intellectual property and research vision (Development of a medium and long-term vision for CU that will include e.g. shared research goals, agreements on access to scientific equipment, shared education plan, the plan for specific objectives of grant proposals, approach to increase the number of publications [M12])

Responsible institution – CHAR **Deadline** – till the 30th of November 2021 **Discussion:**

The deliverable will be a report, which should contain shared research goals, agreements on access to scientific equipment, shared education plan, and the plan for specific objectives of the grant proposals. The main goal of this activity is to increase the number of publications. This report will be discussed during staff-exchange visits.

D3.4 Workshop on possibilities (Workshop on possibilities [M13])

Responsible institution – AMC

Deadline – till the 31th of December 2021

Discussion:

- The intention of this workshop is focused on creation of new funding opportunities particularly within H2020, target group are ESR and YCI. It could be conducted on-line in the same form as the previous workshop from July 2021.

D2.3 Staff exchange as an ongoing task within CEMBO (Staff exchange program report, Final report on the staff exchange program including attended courses and seminars)

Responsible institution – CU

Deadline – till the 30th of November 2023

Discussion:

- In November 2021, dr. Radochová and MSc. Dadi from CU will visit CHAR and complete FISH experiments.