

## CEMBO Meeting Minutes

### 27.10.2022, 15:00 p.m., on-line *via* MS Teams

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**Attendees:**

Moter A. (AM), Bujdáková H. (HB), Bujdák J. (JB), Zaat B. (BZ), Riool M. (MR), Radochová B. (BR), vd Ploeg K. (KV), Vargová J. (JV)

**Program**

- Discussion about progress for D2.4. Organization of the IC
- Discussion about ongoing deliverables & milestones
- Remarks from our PO

**Deliverable 2.4: International conference at CU “Hot topics in Microbiology” (IC)**

**Responsible institution:** CU

**Deadline for deliverable:** 15<sup>th</sup> of Dec 2022

- IC is scheduled for the 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> of December 2022 in Bratislava, Hotel Sorea Regia in the old town. The proposed start is the afternoon on the 7<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday) and finish on the 9<sup>th</sup> (Friday) evening. On the 10<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) round table will be planned for members of CEMBO team only (9:00 – 11:00 am).
- Text in logo of the conference has been modified as per following: “Hot Topics in Microbiology, Keywords: Resistance, Biofilm, Antimicrobial materials”.
- The IC will be organized in cooperation of the Czechoslovak Society for Microbiology.
- The IC has been spread through social media: Twitter, LinkedIn, Facebook. The IC has been also listed in the events of our National Office of Horizon in Slovakia.
- 6 invited senior speakers from CEMBO team or externally, at least 2 of them have been proposed by each institution (CU, AMC, and CHAR). Each group has ensured contacting them and speakers have confirmed their participation, names, and titles for our tentative IC agenda. The proposed presentations of the senior speakers will be for max. 20-25 minutes, followed by 5-minute discussion.

**CU Team:** Maria Luísa Jordão, PhD. (PT); assoc.prof. Dr. Katarína Šoltys (SK); Prof. Dušan Galusek (SK); Ing. Petra Olejníková (SK); Dr. Soňa Kucharíková, PhD. (SK); + 34 PhD. Students (SK, CZ, PT, HR, AT).

**AMC Team:** Dr. Gopala-Krishna Mannala (DE); Dr. Viorica Patrulea (UK); Dr. Sebastian Zaat (NL); Dr. Martijn Riool (NL) + 4 PhD. students.

**CHAR Team:** Dr. Pjevac (AT); Prof. Dr. Daims (AT); Prof. Dr. med. Annette Moter; + 2 students (MD & PhD.)

Each of the session of the key invited speakers will be chaired by a skilled person (to be confirmed in a tentative program shortly).

- Target group of the IC will be young scientists, PhD. students and their supervisors, 63 participants confirmed. 30 PhD. students will have oral presentations and 11 PhD. students’ poster presentations. As the target group are young scientists, the priority is to practice oral presentation.

- Registration & abstract submission has been planned until the 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2022, sent to CEMBO email, the forms have been posted on CEMBO page. All scientific participants registered and sent their abstracts. The abstract book will be available only for IC participants through QR code.
- The registration fee must be paid by the 15<sup>th</sup> of November 2022. The fee covers the accommodation 3 nights, full board, a special event, conference materials. It doesn't cover the travel expenses.
- The tentative agenda is being prepared as participants register.

**Deliverable 2.1: Expert visit report (Short term exchange between partners with visit reports incl. in annual reports M24)**

**Relevant Milestone M4 Annual report on annual visits of experts**

**Responsible institution:** AMC

**Deadline for deliverable:** 30<sup>th</sup> Nov 2021

- For M24 it was submitted in SyGMA.
- Another expert visit will take a part before the IC. AM & MR will visit CU Team at the university in the morning on the 7th of December.

**Deliverable 2.3. Staff Exchange program report**

**Relevant Milestone M6 Final Staff exchange report incl. courses & seminars**

**Responsible institution:** CU

**Deadline for M6:** 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022 (incorrectly scheduled in SyGMA system, it cannot be changed manually, it will be mentioned in the final CEMBO report).

- A small group of 4-5 PhD. students from AMC can visit CU for a short stay of 1 week in spring April/May 2023 (mixed biofilm/in vivo models).
- After T3 in May 2023 a short visit of PhD. students from CU to AMC is suggested (in vivo models).
- Another short visit of 1 AMC student to Berlin, incl. a student from CU Team if so + BR is always welcome for a short visit in Berlin.

**Deliverable 3.5: Organization of Training School 'FISHing for biofilms' (T2)**

**Relevant milestone M9 Output from training, organization of T2 by the 31<sup>st</sup> of May 2023**

**Responsible institution:** CHAR

**Deadline for M9:** 31<sup>st</sup> of May 2023

- T2 was split into 3 parts: visit of JK of CU BA Team in March, followed by additional very late summer school "Next Generation Sequencing (NGS)" that will be completed by the end of November.
- 4 students from CU have been registered, AMC to be confirmed.
- The report should be provided from JK after the 3<sup>rd</sup>. part of T2 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> element, so the paperwork can be documented for the final CEMBO report and amended in M9.

### **Deliverable 3.6. Organization of T3**

**Responsible institution:** AMC

**Deadline for deliverable:** 28<sup>th</sup> of February 2023

- T3 is scheduled for the 24-26<sup>th</sup> of May 2023. KV will communicate postponement with PO until the mid-June by 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023.
- MR will provide an explanation report with the focus on why the fusion with DARTBAC is relevant for CEMBO. Perhaps the justification of a delay needs to be provided for the final CEMBO report in Section 5 of Deviations (in discussion with PO).

### **Deliverable 3.7 Organization of T4**

**Responsible institution:** CU

**Deadline for deliverable:** 31<sup>st</sup> of May 2023

- KV will communicate postponement with PO: the proposed organization will take a part in September; therefore, the new due date is suggested by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023.
- The short explanation with how to follow the sequentiality of the training schools for CEMBO project is followed and discussed furthermore with PO.
- Once MR will provide with AMC plan for T3, CU Team will agree on T4 and discuss with partners.

### **Deliverable D4.3. Progress in publishing papers**

**Responsible institution:** AMC

**Deadline for deliverable:** 30<sup>th</sup> of September 2023

- Mutual ideas for joint publications of all partners: CHAR has got 1 publication under review.

### **Milestone M12 Appointment of external advisors**

**Responsible institution:** CU

**Deadline for M12:** 31<sup>st</sup> of August 2023

- The process has been initiated as per suggestions of CU Team: 1 researcher of medical faculty, 1 teacher of Highschool and 1 member of a private company. These people will be informed about goals and objectives of the CEMBO project during the meeting with CU team. The output will be discussed with partners.

### **Tasks resulting from the meeting**

- We're completing agenda for the IC, finalizing registrations, abstracts & payments.
- Once all speakers & participants of the IC confirm the participation, CU team will share the scientific program with AMC, CHAR.
- MR will put "in vivo experiments" into context (i.e., the experiments type, the relevance within CEMBO activities, a justification explaining the added value, which WP/task will be affected). Thereafter, Costanza will consult it internally.