

CEMBO Meeting Minutes

1.2.2023, 15:00 p.m., MS Teams

Attendees:

Moter A. (AM), Bujdáková H. (HB), Zaat B. (BZ), Riool M. (MR), Radochová B. (BR), vd Ploeg K. (KVP), Czuz Varga J. (JV)

Program

- Discussion about ongoing deliverables & milestones
1. Suggestions for next EV and SE
 2. The 1st draft for D3.2: Workshop on possibility to create a strategic plan for building or developing cooperation with enterprises (CHAR)
 3. A possibility for an extra workshop planned for the end of June 2023, location: Slovakia (CU)

Deliverable 2.1: Expert visit report

Relevant Milestone M4 Annual report on annual visits of experts

Responsible institution: AMC

Deadline for deliverable: 30th Nov 2021

- Another expert visit took a part before the beginning of the IC, in the morning on Wednesday the 7th of Dec. AM & MR visited CU Team at the university.
- KVP sent a round table presentation to MR. The report will be prepared by MR shortly and amended for the final reporting, as well as for M4.
- Suggestions for next EV: MR visiting CU in summer 2023 before/after workshop in High Tatras.

Deliverable 2.3. Staff Exchange program report

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

Responsible institution: CU

Deadline for M6: 30th 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 PhD. students from AMC can visit CU for a short stay. The purpose of a short lab training at CU will be mixed biofilm culturing. The program may include lecturing, a seminar, etc.
- After T3 in May 2023 a short visit of PhD. students from CU to AMC is suggested (*in vivo* models). The suggestion for SK to watch experiments in June/July. MR suggested a possible tour of animal facility. 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, PO will consult it internally.
- HB and KV will participate in the workshop at CHAR.
- HB can participate at AMC in TS3 for a shorter time.

Deliverable 3.2: Workshop on possibility to create a strategic plan for building or developing cooperation with enterprises (Workshop on possibility to create a strategic plan for building or developing cooperation with enterprises [M28]. BSQ will be responsible for organizing this workshop.)

Responsible institution: CHAR

Deadline for D3.2: 31st March 2023

- The workshop will be likely hybrid; on-line with a small group of CEMBO participants localized at CHAR (5 CU members, MR).
- Preliminary date is from 13.3 – 17.3.2023.
- Program will consist of talks about “How to move idea to practice”.
Options: Technical Department guided from Berlin. “How did we do it from the very beginning?”, MADAMTHERAPEUTICS B.V. (<https://madamtherapeutics.com/>) or Nostics B.V. (<https://nostics.com/>), etc.
- The workshop will be combined with a writing of joint publication (the review) or processing samples for FISH if there will be any.
- The first draft of the workshop will be offered shortly.

Deliverable 3.6. Organization of T3 “Models for (anti)biofilm infection studies”

Responsible institution: AMC

Deadline for deliverable: 28th of February 2023 postponed to 15th of June 2023

- T3 is scheduled for the 24-26th of May 2023 at AMC laboratories.
- TS will be combined with the DARTBAC consortium
- In total, about 40-50 Phd. students are planned to attend the TS.

Deliverable 3.7 Organization of T4

Responsible institution: CU

Deadline for deliverable: 31st of May 2023

- T4 can be proposed for the week from 11 - 15. September 2023.
- Suggestion of the topic: the preparation of mixed biofilms *in vitro* and *in vivo* in *Galleria mellonella*.
- CU Team will prepare an explanation and justification of a delay for this task. Afterwards, KV will communicate postponement to 30th of September 2023.

Extra workshop in process: “Conventional and alternative approaches combating antimicrobial resistance”

Responsible institution: CU

The dates: 28th of June – 1st of July 2023

Location: Hotel Sorea Trigán *** Štrbské pleso, High Tatras

Total number of participants: 35

Target group: young scientists, PhD. students and experts in the field of microbiology, biofilm, and project management.

- Learning, seminars, brainstorming of young talents in an interactive way: quizzes e.g.
- Cooperation at European level, guidelines for career success.
- Presentations of students will be only oral (not posters).
- Registration fee of 130 eur together with CEMBO (covers accommodation, half-board, coffee breaks, social events, workshop materials, etc.).
- KV will communicate an approval from the EC and afterwards we can start organizing.

Tasks resulting from the meeting:

- Important dates of workshops and training schools were proposed.
- New suggestions for EV and SE were planned. MR will prepare a short report from Bratislava EV with AM, as well as for “*in vivo* experiments” activities.
- Trainings schools are in progress.
- Workshop in progress: partners will be informed, plus the 1st scheme for CHAR has been established. Once PO will approve the budget from CEMBO, CU Team will invite the workshop participants.
- Discussion with prof. Šoltys for a possibility in the training of NGS data processing.