

CEMBO Meeting Minutes 19.10.2023, 15:00 p.m., MS Teams

Attendees:

Bujdáková H. (HB), Bujdák J. (JB), Kikhney J. (JK), Radochová B. (BR), vd Ploeg K. (KVP), Bilská K. (KB), Cucz Varga J. (JCV)

Program

• Discussion about ongoing deliverables & milestones

Summarizing tasks from the previous meeting:

Deliverable 3.3: Exploration and commercialization road map – submitted on time (Judith, Barborka) till 31st of July 2023

Deliverable D4.3 Progress in publishing papers (M13) – submitted on time (Martijn, Barborka) till 30th September 2023

MR will prepare a summary of EV (December 2022 D2.4 IC Bratislava – all except of Judith + June 2023 Extra workshop Tatras - Martijn) – update for the Final reporting RP2

Deliverable 2.3. Staff Exchange program report

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

Responsible institution: CU

Deadline for M6 (+ D2.3): 30th November 2022 (incorrectly scheduled in SyGMa system, it cannot be changed manually, it'll be mentioned in the final CEMBO report). The correct deadline till 30th November 2023.

- BR and MR will collect SE and prepare D2.3
- BZ suggested to design a small project within the CEMBO group. It would be aimed at the
 comparison of methods for persisters detection (Comparison of metabolic staining, FISH and
 PMA to detect and quantify persister cells of Staphylococcus aureus).
- The meeting on this issue were online on the 3rd of August 2023 after 3 pm., 4th of September 2023 and another one 20th of September 3 pm
- The scientific outcome as planned:
- CU PhD. student K. Bilská will be likely travelling to UMC Amsterdam in the dates between 4th
 12th November or 18th to 26th November 2023. There is also possibility to travel to CHAR after the visit of UMC, however, it needs to be discussed with BZ asap.

Deliverable 3.7 Organization of T4

Responsible institution: CU

Deadline for deliverable: postponed till 30th of September 2023, submitted on time.

- T4 took a part in the week from Monday 11th Thursday 14th of September.
- The main topic: The possibility of using Galleria mellonella model for biofilm research and treatment of microbial infection by photodynamic therapy.
- The participation of invited speakers Dr. Jordão from Portugal, prof. Borghi from Italy, prof. Torrents from Spain; Assoc. prof. Nakonieczna from Poland (online) & assoc. prof. Junqueira from Brazil (online).
- On Monday a theoretical preparation for upcoming days of practical laboratory trainings by the organizer and CEMBO coordinator prof. Bujdáková; followed by a practical training on



Tuesday; on Wednesday prof. Bujdák and Dr. Pribus has a lecture, followed by a practical training.

• Total number of participants: 26 members, from which 11 CU students (Slovakia), 3 from Slovak Technical University (Slovakia), 1 from Università degli Studi di Milano (Italy), and 3 from University of Regensburg Medical centre (Germany).

Deliverable 3.8: Promotion of gender equality

Relevant Milestone M15: Promotion of gender equality (CU)

Responsible institution: CU

Deadline for deliverable: 30th November 2023

- Gender balance is maintained in compliance with recommendation of EU commission. We
 are also trying to involve women at maternity leave for partial job positions; elderly
 academic members. Thanks to the restrictions due to COVID-19, we started to use online
 meetings or HO more.
- AM have given us an overview how they involve women in science.
- Few examples provided: role model HB in the science; proportion of female & male at CU and the IC e.g.; at which level in labs numbers we match.
- KVP will look at the EC 2021 Gender Equality in the EU

Ongoing milestones:

M11 Website and social media (CU) till 30th November 2023 (KVP, Martijn)

M18 GDPR plan (CU) till 30th November 2023 (CU Team)

- Training has been a part of our institutional customs, all CEMBO Team members have been notified about the rules.
- It defines a core objective of CEMBO and its sharing & archiving. As the 1st step DMP has been made, so data is collected, managed, and stored during & after the project.
- At CU: General Data Protection Policy (i.e., Data Protection Officer) sets the obligations to protect data for research purposes.
- Few remarks from partners: to always ask for data protection on social media/copyright free images and to document everything; to set up the guidelines for this deliverable; to keep in mind that ethics & data protection are the most important; and level of understanding is very low in general.

Tasks resulting from the meeting:

- Cooperation of partners to complete ongoing deliverables & milestones on time till the end of RP2 (30th November 2023).
- MR will prepare a summary of EV (December 2022 D2.4 IC Bratislava all except of Judith + June 2023 Extra workshop Tatras Martijn) update for the Final reporting RP2
- BR and MR will collect SE and prepare D2.3