

Integrating transplantation research in Europe



Perspectives for public-private partnerships

On November 3rd 2008, the conclusions and future projects emerging from T.R.I.E. (Transplantation Research Integration across Europe) will be presented in Brussels to the press, the general public and stakeholders in the transplantation field.

Over the last two years the T.R.I.E. initiative, supported by the European Commission, has mobilised stakeholders in Europe's academic, industrial and patient communities to focus on the future priorities of European transplantation research. A high level meeting presenting the conclusions of this initiative and a roadmap translating these conclusions into future concrete actions will take place in Brussels on 3 November 2008 with the participation of Janez POTOČNIK, John BOWIS and Philippe BUSQUIN.

T.R.I.E. aims to define a common approach to respond to important questions that cannot be addressed independently but require scale of research across multiple centres and countries. The priorities of TRIE are focused on themes common to cell and solid organ transplantation for which integration is critical and that will add value to the development of novel clinical therapies.

A large consultation process has been launched among scientists, clinicians and industry representatives of the field with the support of a dedicated Advisory Council chaired by Prof. Kathryn WOOD from Oxford University and immediate Past President of the Transplantation Society. Answers were collected from sixteen Member States, the USA and Canada. A consensus was reached on 3 priority topics:

1. Biomarkers (donor & recipient) to define risk profiles and tailor pre/post-transplant therapies in haematopoietic stem cell and solid organ transplantation
2. Novel cell-based therapies for haematopoietic stem cell and solid organ transplantation
3. Innovative training programmes for physicians, surgeons, scientists and related health care staff involved in clinical and translational research on cell and solid organ transplantation

The Transplantation Community agrees that progress on these topics necessitates a closer collaboration with industry in any further initiative to ensure patients are the final beneficiaries of research progress. Members of the Innovative Medicine Initiative have been invited to discuss the opportunities in this field.

To have your say, we invite you to join us on November 3rd at the TRIE public information meeting. For further information and registration or to contribute through the online stakeholders forum, please go to www.transplantation-research.eu



I N V I T A T I O N

Over the last two years, TRIE, an initiative of the Directorate-General for Research of the EU Commission, has mobilised stakeholders in Europe's academic, hospital, industrial and patient communities to focus on the future priorities for research in transplantation.

On behalf of the leaders of this initiative, we have great pleasure in inviting you to attend a high level meeting presenting the conclusions and future perspectives of this initiative.

This meeting will bring policy-makers and scientists together with leading industry and patient representatives, all committed to progress in the field of transplantation research.

We look forward to meeting you on this occasion,

Yours sincerely,

John Bowis
Philippe Busquin,

Members of the
European Parliament

Directions



The metro station closest to the Bibliotheque Solvay is Maelbeek (Metro lines 1A and 1B). Take Chaussée d'Etterbeek exit. Turn right and walk 10 minutes on Chaussée d'Etterbeek. Cross Rue Belliard, enter into the Parc Léopold and follow signs to Bibliotheque Solvay.

The Schuman Metro station is also close by Metro (lines 1A and 1B). Take Justus Lipsius exit, turn right onto rue Froissart. Turn right onto rue Belliard and follow it until you see the entrance to the Parc Léopold on your left.

Entrance by car to the Parc Léopold is not allowed. The closest parking facilities are at the Place Jourdan and rue Van Maerlant. The "Parking Arts/Loi", (25 Chaussée d'Etterbeek) is also possible.



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PROGRAMME

- 16.00 Introduction**
Janez POTOČNIK,
EU Commissioner for Science and Research
- John BOWIS
Philippe BUSQUIN,
Members of the EU Parliament
- 16.30 Priorities in transplantation research: lessons from the T.R.I.E. initiative**
Michel GOLDMAN,
Université Libre de Bruxelles, Coordinator of T.R.I.E.
- Kathryn WOOD,
Oxford University, Chair of T.R.I.E. Advisory Council
- 17.00 The Innovative Medicines Initiative: a new model of public-private partnership in medical research**
Alain VANVOSEL
IMI Executive Director
- 17.20 Address on behalf of the Patient Community**
Noela and Dimitris NAKOS
NAKOS Foundation, USA
- 17.30 Roundtable with the participation of**
Alejandro MADRIGAL (*Nolan Institute, UK*),
Frans CLAAS (*Leiden University, NL*) and
representatives of pharmaceutical companies and scientific societies
- 18.30 Cocktail Reception**



Registration

To confirm your attendance, please register online at:

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