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A network supporting SMEs developing companion diagnostics

What is Codex4SMEs?

The Interreg project Codex4SMEs (Companion diagnostics expedited for small and medium-sized enterprises) aims at improving healthcare by the enhanced adoption of Personalised Medicine. The objective is to establish a network, which supports SMEs along the value chain of companion diagnostics development.

Companion diagnostics (Cdx) are an indispensable tool for optimum application of Personalized Medicine: they enable the determination of the molecular causes of a disease before starting a treatment. However, thus far the development of Cdx has been highly time-consuming and costly. As a result, at present these tools are only used in the context of very few treatments.

Codex4SMEs will establish a transnational network of nine partners and two sub-partners from seven countries and expedite the development of the SMEs' products in the field of Cdx. There is a need to improve the innovation capabilities and raise the international competitiveness of North-West Europe SMEs in a global market currently dominated by US companies - Codex4SMEs will directly address this challenge.

Partners

Lead Partner: BioRegio STERN Management GmbH, DE

Project Partners:

- University of Leicester (and subpartner), UK
- BOM Holding BV, NL
- · WestBIC, IE
- InnovationQuarter (and subpartner), NL
- · MEDICEN PARIS REGION, FR
- Integrated BioBank of Luxembourg, LU
- Biobank Graz at the Medical University of Graz, AT
- CÚRAM Centre for Research in Medical Devices, IE

Associated Partner: EATRIS European infrastructure for translational medicine, NL

Find your regional contact person on our website: www.nweurope.eu/codex4smes

Are you interested in sample access, knowledge transfer and/or biomarker validation services?

Get in contact with one of the biobanks:

Sample access/knowledge transfer service:

Biobank Graz at the Medical University of Graz codex4smes@medunigraz.at www.medunigraz.at

Biomarker validation service:

Integrated BioBank of Luxembourg codex4smes@ibbl.lu www.ibbl.lu

Benefits for SMEs

Are you a small and medium-sized enterprise (SME) working in the field of companion diagnostics? This is what Codex4SMEs offers you:

- Sample access service
- Biomarker validation service
- Knowledge transfer regarding biomarkers/ biobanking
- · Networks/ecosystems from in seven countries
- Transnational roadshows with venture capitalists and large pharma companies
- Expert advice regarding business model, business growth and upscaling

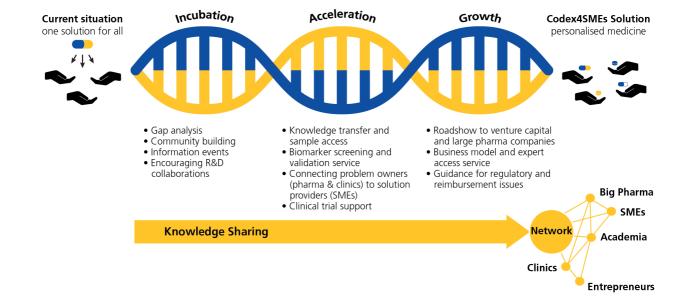
Support services will be tailored according to the SME's current stage of development.

How can I participate?

Join the Codex4SMEs network and get involved:

- Participate in our survey on the companion diagnostics landscape.
- Join us at one of our roadshows or networking events in your region.
- Apply for the support scheme to benefit from valuable services.
- Get in touch directly with one of our partners listed on the right.

Please visit our website for more information: www.nweurope.eu/codex4smes



"On the way to the right drug, at the right dose, at the right time, to the right patient with companion diagnostics"

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