

EADGENE_S Newsflash

Strengthening the durable integration of EADGENE

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EADGENE_S Kick-off Meeting

The European Research Group 'EADGENE_S: Strengthening the implementation of durable integration of EADGENE' was formed this spring!

The official Kick-off Meeting took place on 9 and 10 November at the CLORA Building in Brussels

During the meeting, members discussed how the success of EADGENE could lead to concrete and new successful and durable outcomes in EADGENE_S. The main goal was therefore to discuss the research priorities of EADGENE_S.

The Working Packages and Groups presented their first ideas and made these open for discussion.

Industry members presented the point of view from industry and they provided a valuable contribution to the discussions regarding the priorities.



Kick off meeting delegates

The presentations are available on the website

Some important outcomes of the kick off meeting:

- EADGENE_S Research priorities are animal health and industry orientated
 - Bring information together!
 - Topics of interest are:
 - disease resistance, reduced susceptibility, reduced impact of diseases or environment.
 - Adapted behaviour and animal welfare
 - Health monitoring
 - Herd management
- One of the concrete and durable advantages of EADGENE_s is sharing information, in particular:
 - IT platforms
 - Live data transfer
 - Results of tests that do not work (to avoid this being done twice!)
 - Knowledge on tools
- There are funds available to exchange genomic resources
- EADGENE_S should take the chance to cooperate with other projects
- Mobility grants are an opportunity to share knowledge and skills
 - PhD students and young scientists
 - Open to industry members
 - Exchange people between European laboratories

Short Term Stays opportunities!

Europe has a large research community in animal disease genomics. By providing financial support to young researchers for short-term stays in other laboratories, EADGENE_S will help overcome fragmentation, orientate research priorities and strengthen trans-national interactions between member institutes. EADGENE_S also seeks to exploit the multidisciplinary expertise of the member institutes, thus helping individual scientists to develop their career by widening their personal expertise.

The short-term stay (STS) enables young researchers to visit EADGENE_S member organisations, promoting mobility of researchers and the exchange of ideas and technical expertise.

Up to **€ 3000** per application (depending upon the duration of the stay) can be awarded as support for a stay of up to six weeks (minimum stay: two weeks) at an EADGENE_S partner research institute or industrial member of the EADGENE Club of Interest.

First application deadline is 15 December 2011. Next deadlines: 15 March 2012, 15 June 2012. Please find [more information about the application procedure](#) including the list of the industrial members and [partners](#) on the website.

Biological resources and technological facilities

Ingrid Olsaker is updating of the biological resources and technological facilities databases.

The databases will be restructured and made available through a convenient searching tool on the EADGENE website.

Questionnaire on oligo-set annotation and bio-informatic training

A [questionnaire](#) is available on the EADGENE website.

This questionnaire gathers information about

- Your interest in updates of oligo-set re-annotation files
- The possibility to share NGS data processing training material
- The possibility to share genome annotation related training material
- Your interest in a joint training session on genome annotation

