

Summary IMpACT PI meeting March 13, 2014

Present: Phil, Henrik, Andreas, Jonna, Tetyana, Alysa, Bru, Alejandro, Barbara, Angelien

Agenda:

1. Update to do list last meeting
2. Special Issue on ADHD in American Journal of Medical Genetics Part B
3. ETN preparation
4. Other business
 - a. Upcoming Congress: 12th World Congress of WFSBP from 14-18 June in Athens
 - b. IMpACT meeting

1. Update to do list last meeting:

Agenda point	Task	Who	
2	Send contact information for website	Henrik, Claiton and Eugenio	Angelien has received the information
2	Open website regularly to improve ranking	All	Continuously
2	Send information for the phenotypic database of IMpACT	Andreas, Alysa, Jan, Stefan, Bru	Deadline end of March. Janneke will send a reminders
5	IMpACT contract update	All	Comment by end of March
4b	ETN preparation, contact companies for collaboration	Andreas, Phil, Jan H., Alejandro	Point 3 on the agenda
6a	Distribute table with findings to all	Tetyana	Done
6b	Send Nina the information available in your samples for the selected variables and genetic variants	All	Before next meeting
6b	ECNP network proposal	Barbara	ASAP

2. Special Issue on ADHD in American Journal of Medical Genetics

The topic of this issue will be ADHD Genetics focussed on adult ADHD, an IMpACT issue. All IMpACT members have ideas for papers they can contribute to this issue. The deadline for the submission is at the end of September. Barbara will send more information.

3. ITN preparation

Companies for collaboration

- Henrik- Swedish company, Scandinavian Development Services, design and registry-based studies.
- Andreas- Eurofins for NGS and statistical analysis, internship of 3 months. They have a similar project running on schizophrenia data.
- ESR2: Nanda and Christine on cognitive biomarkers.
- At some universities students must spend at least 1 year on site to be eligible for a PhD-degree from this university. This might also be the case for KCL. Jonna will explore this.
- A company can be involved in more than one work packages.
- Alejandro will get in touch with Eurofins for ESR7 if no food company can be found.
- If the company gets money this depends how they are involved in the project. If they are involved as a beneficiary, they will get money directly. If they are associated partners, they can get money through the beneficiary that sends its ESR to the company.
- We have 12 beneficiaries. The rule is that 6-10 companies should be involved.

International training

- Example: Host of ESR1 is Henrik. A PhD employed by Henrik can be sent out to e.g. Phil
- The rules for the length of a PhD-project might be different per country. In The Netherlands, a PhD-project normally takes 4 years. As only 3 years will be funded by the ETN, one year has to be financed by the PI.

Training component

Training is through the research work as well as through courses. These can be existing courses and the ESRs could follow equivalent courses at their own site. All sites have Graduate Schools, for the selection of existing courses for the ETN. Some courses will be designed newly for the ETN. Some will be obligatory, others WP-specific or elective. E-learning and Journal club via internet make collaboration easy between the students.

Funding

- Researcher unit costs: this is the salary of the student
- Institutional unit cost: A part of this money will be used for central training. The other part will be used for lab-expenses.

People selection

- All students start at the same time, centralized selection with a meeting in month 3. Work package-wise committees for the selection of the students should be formed.
- At KCL you need to pay fees to be a PhD student, Jonna will explore this.

4a.Upcoming Congress: 12th World Congress of WFSBP from 14-18 June in Athens

Contribution from the IMpACT group for this congress by all sites. Andreas and Alejandro will lead this proposal. On this moment we have one speaker from Nijmegen, Norway and Germany. This will be followed up by Alejandro to get more speakers.

4b: IMpACT meeting

We decide to hold an airport meeting or a meeting at the University of Frankfurt, which is nearby the airport. This will be used to prepare the next EU project. Andreas will organize this meeting.

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2	Adult ADHD special issue in Am. J. Med. Genet. Part B → send more information regarding submission of papers	Barbara	ASAP
3b	ETN preparation	All	Deadline April 9
4a	Symposium proposal submission for World Congress of WFSBP	Alejandro	Deadline April 7
4b	IMpACT airport meeting for preparation of EU project proposal	Andreas	ASAP
1	Send Nina the information available in your samples for the selected variables and genetic variants	All	Before next meeting
1	ECNP network proposal	Barbara	ASAP