

Minutes of the IMpACT PI meeting in Wuerzburg, June 19, 2010

Present: Andreas, Peter, Phil, Toni, Claiton, Bru, Barbara (summary), and guests Anne Halmoy, Elisabeth Landaas, Martha Ribases, Tobias Renner, Cees Kan, Marten Onnink

Agenda:

1. Regular phone meetings of IMpACT PIs (every 2 months)
2. IMpACT contract
3. Database of phenotypes
4. Database of genotypes
5. IMpACT Meeting in 2011
6. Review ADHD
7. White paper to EU and potential meeting with EU representatives
8. Other EU efforts
9. Collaborative papers/projects

Ad 1. Regular phone meetings: we agree to plan regular meetings every two months. Barbara will send suggestions for dates for the following 6 months.

Ad 2. IMpACT contract: A final version has now been compiled based on all suggestions. This one will be send for signing by Joris Bod, shortly.

Ad 3. Database of phenotypes: So far, Marten has only received data from the US and Spain. Please remember to send in your data to Marten as soon as possible. Marten will send an Excel version of the format to Claiton, as well.

Ad 4. Database of genotypes: Eric Mick might be able to house the database at his site. Bru will inform about the state of affairs.

Ad 5. IMpACT meeting 2011: Jan Haavik got funded to house the meeting at Bergen. Barbara will ask him to provide us with date suggestions as soon as possible. In conjunction with that, we also decide that this year's meeting had a very good size, including also the junior researchers from the different IMpACT nodes. We would want to stimulate our PhD students to come to the next meeting, too. Also the educational day has been very good.

Ad 6. Review adult ADHD: we will split the review into a concise one, giving a short summary of the field and an outlook into the future, and a more elaborate one. For the shorter one (with a focus on genetics, being short on phenotype, and with an outlook also mentioning the overlap between disorders), we will try to approach Mol. Psychiatry. Bru, Andreas, Peter and Barbara will form the team for the first paper. We will publish under the IMpACT consortium acronym.

Ad 7. EU white paper: We have a brainstorm on this. Barbara, Peter and Andreas meet later to put this into a first draft, which will be circulated shortly. On the basis of this, we will try to get an appointment in Brussels.

Ad 8. Other EU efforts: Shortly before or after the summer, the different countries will again have a deadline for suggestions for projects to the EU for the call of 2012. We should try to all put in the same (or similar) project proposals, based on the white paper.

Ad 9. Collaborative papers/projects:

- The GWAS project was turned down by the DFG. Andreas is still waiting for the review reports, perhaps we can send a revision.
- DRD4 paper Spain: all comments from the different countries are in, the paper will be revised accordingly and sent to Journal of Psychiatric Research.
- DRD1 paper, Spain: this will include only the German sample as a replication.
- SNARE pathway, Spain: will include GxE. Based on timing considerations, replication in IMpACT will only be performed in a second paper. However, the Spanish group may check the GWAS data from IMAGE and IMAGE II to find if there is informative SNPs in the SNARE genes and may include a meta-analysis of SNAP25 including published literature.
- We might want to check our pet-genes for effects on brain volume in the Brain Imaging Genetics (BIG) study of the Dutch group. Interesting candidates at the current time may be the BAIAP2, DIRAS and NOS1 genes (the latter also has a functional SNP).
- CDH13 paper, Germany: The paper will include a meta-analysis of adult ADHD as well as other psychiatric disorders. It is in the final stages of drafting.
- DIRAS paper, Germany: in the final stages of drafting.
- GLUT3 paper, Germany: The Wuerzburg group will genotype the common CNV in the Norwegian and Spanish samples.