



Dear colleagues,

A rather unusual Spring semester is over. It has been a challenging time, and much of what we had planned could not materialize. No conference attendances, no meetings with good colleagues and friends, no direct interactions with students. However, we have learned and implemented quite a few new things into our daily lives, including counting the seconds when washing our hands...

Nevertheless, with great efforts by all of you, we have managed not only to cope, but to progress and develop. Once again, we are proud of our master students that just finished their studies, and we wish them all the best for their way forward!

Summer is here, as we note by the long, warm days. Perhaps, this holiday season might also become somewhat unusual – but, in the end, this might give us some extra excitement, too.

We wish you all a very nice and relaxing Summertime!

Janne

Amélie

Olle

André

Malin

Human Resources

Events
for UiB employees

Benefits
for employees at UiB

Vacant positions
at the University of Bergen

We wish farewell to this colleague:



Liv Grimsdottir
Kvalvik will resign from her position as Post Doctor on 31 July to start teaching at IGS. We wish her all the best!

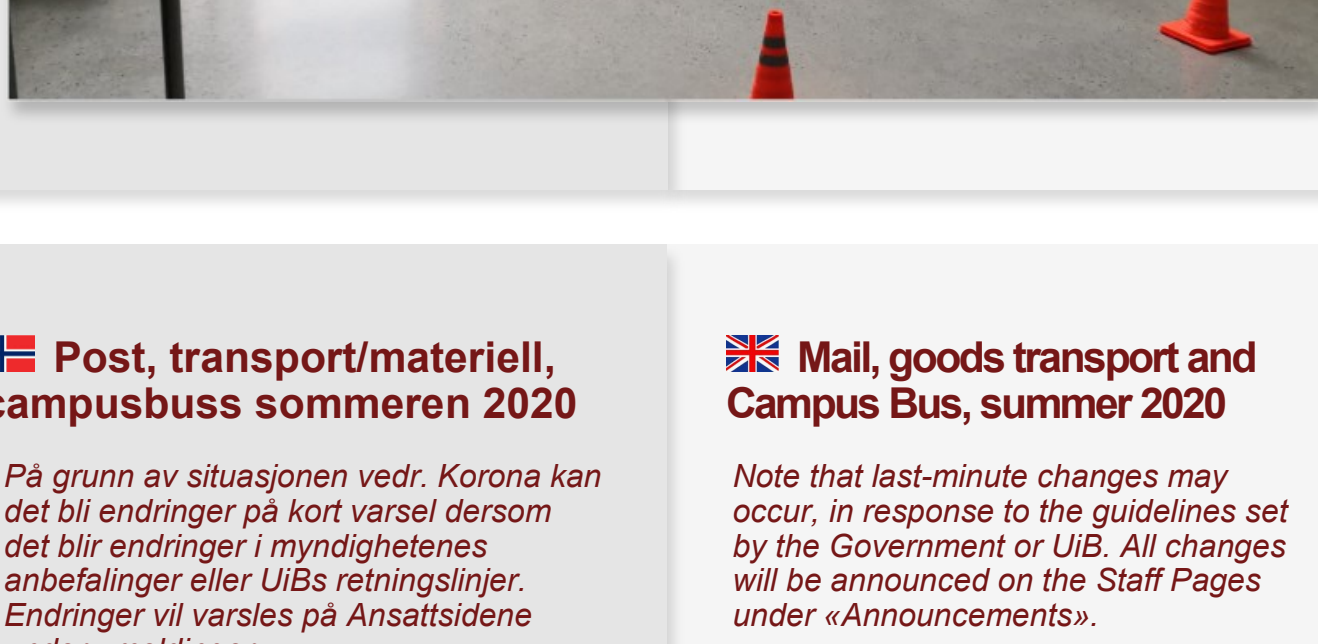
Operations, Health, and Safety

OPPDATERING: Vrimleareal

Stengningen av vrimlearealet i 3. etasje vil vare frem til **6. august**.

UPDATE: Atrium

The atrium will continue to be closed off until **6 August**.



Post, transport/materiell, campusbuss sommeren 2020

På grunn av situasjonen vedr. Korona kan det bli endringer på kort varsel dersom det blir endringer i myndighetenes anbefalinger eller UiBs retningslinjer. Endringer vil varsles på Ansattsidene under «meldinger».

Post (både intern og ekstern)

Fra og med mandag 22. juni til og med fredag 14. august vil det kun bli kjørt én post runde per dag, grunnet ferieavvikling.

Spørsmål om dette kan rettes til postansvarlig Knut-Egil Larsen. Tlf kontor: 55 58 20 71 Mobil: 905 04 899

Campusbuss

Campusbussen er stengt inntil videre. Det vil bli gjort en vurdering etter ferien om den skal gå i rute igjen fra slutten av august. I så fall vil dette bli bekjentgjort medio august på Ansattsidene.

Transport- og Materielleksjonen

Avvikler ferie i juli og første halvdel av august. Inntil videre praktiseres kun en sjåfør pr bil, og løsning av oppdrag vil derfor bli tilpasset dette. Det vil kun være én ansatt tilgjengelig for oppdrag i denne perioden. Kun enkle monteringsoppdrag og transportoppdrag vil bli gjennomført. Større flyttinger som krever mer enn 2 personer må da enten bestilles hos vår rammeavtalepartner Relokator, eller vente til medio august.

Relokator:
Merethe.Sandvik.Hjortland@relokator.no
Mobil: 416 74 844

Mail, goods transport and Campus Bus, summer 2020

Note that last-minute changes may occur, in response to the guidelines set by the Government or UiB. All changes will be announced on the Staff Pages under «Announcements».

Mail services (internal/external)

Between Monday 22 June and Friday 14 August, mail will be distributed only once per day.

Questions can be directed to mail and transport coordinator Knut-Egil Larsen. Phone, office: 55 58 20 71 Mobile: 905 04 899

The Campus Bus

The Campus Bus is out of service until further notice. The possibility of a startup will be assessed after the vacation season. Whether the Campus Bus service continues will be announced mid -August on the UiB Staff Pages.

The Section for Transport and Materials

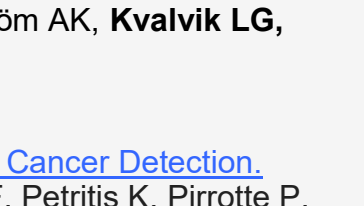
The section has reduced capacity due to summer vacation from July until the second half of August. Currently, only one driver per car is allowed, and transport assignments will be adapted to this regulation. Only one employee will be available for assignments in this period, which means that only simple assembly tasks and transport jobs can be carried out. Larger moving projects and transportation tasks requiring more than one employee must either be postponed until mid-August or ordered through our moving partner Relokator.

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Research, Science, and Seminars

Publications

The following list is the PubMed search result for "Bergen AND Biomedicine" since the last newsletter. Authors who attribute the Department are shown in bold.



[Sequential bortezomib and temozolomide treatment promotes immunological responses in glioblastoma patients with positive clinical outcomes: A phase 1B study.](#)

Rahman MA, Brække J, Arnesen V, Hannisdal MH, Navarro AG, Waha A, Herfindal L, Rygh CB, Bratland E, Brandal P, Haasz J, Oltedal L, Miletic H, Lundervold A, Lie SA, Goplen D, Chekenya M.

Immun Inflamm Dis. 2020 Jun 24. doi: 10.1002/iid3.315.

[Involvement of the 14-3-3 Gene Family in Autism Spectrum Disorder and Schizophrenia: Genetics, Transcriptomics and Functional Analyses.](#)

Torricio B, Antón-Galindo E, Fernández-Castillo N, Rojo-Francás E, **Ghorbani S**, Pineda-Cirera L, Hervás A, Rueda I, Moreno E, Fullerton JM, Casadó V, Buitelaar JK, Rommelse N, Franke B, Reif A, Chiochetti AG, Freitag C, **Kleppe R, Haavik J**, Toma C, Cormand B.

J Clin Med. 2020 Jun 13;9(6):E1851. doi: 10.3390/jcm9061851

[Insomnia, Alcohol Consumption and ADHD Symptoms in Adults.](#)

Lundervold AJ, Jensen DA, **Haavik J**. Front Psychol. 2020 May 27;11:1150. doi: 10.3389/fpsyg.2020.01150.

[Interpregnancy weight change and recurrence of gestational diabetes mellitus: a population-based cohort study.](#)

Marie Sorbye L, Cnattingius S, Skjaerven R, Klungsoyr K, Wikström AK, **Kvalvik LG**, Morken NH. BJOG. 2020 Jun 13. doi: 10.1111/1471-0528.16364.

[Identification of a Blood-Based Protein Biomarker Panel for Lung Cancer Detection.](#)

El-Khoury V, Schritz A, Kim SY, Lesur A, Bertamo K, Bernardin F, Petritis K, Pirrotte P, Selinsky C, Whiteaker JR, Zhang H, Kennedy JJ, Lin C, Lee LW, Yan P, Tran NL, Inge LJ, Chalabi K, Decker G, **Bjerkvig R**, Paulovich AG, Berchem G, Kim YJ. Cancers (Basel). 2020 Jun 19;12(6):E1629. doi: 10.3390/cancers12061629

[Attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder and smoking habits in pregnant women.](#)

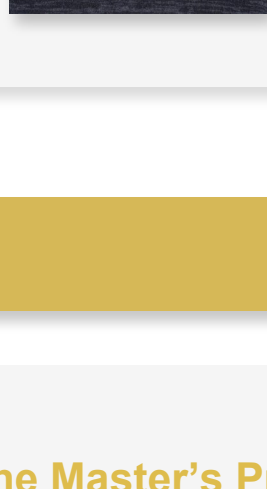
Andersson A, **Hegvik TA**, Chen Q, Rosengqvist MA, **Kvalvik LG**, Almquist C, D'Onofrio BM, Hartman C, Klungsoyr K, **Haavik J**, Tuvblad C, Larsson H. PLoS One. 2020 Jun 18;15(6):e0234561. doi: 10.1371/journal.pone.0234561.

[The Progression of Acute Myeloid Leukemia from First Diagnosis to Chemoresistant Relapse: A Comparison of Proteomic and Phosphoproteomic Profiles.](#)

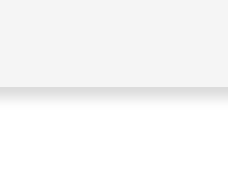
Aasebø E, Berven FS, Hovland R, **Døskeland SO**, Bruserud Ø, **Selheim F, Hernandez-Valladares M**. Cancers (Basel). 2020 Jun 4;12(6):E1466. doi: 10.3390/cancers12061466.

PhD and Post Docs

New doctoral degree: Johanne Telnes Instanes



Johanne held a trial lecture and defended her thesis on 16 June. We congratulate her to the approved defense and wish her all the best for her future career!



Academic Affairs

The Master's Programme in Biomedical Sciences: Upcoming final Master's exams, spring semester 2020

Sayintha Jeyendran

Title and place: Wednesday 05 August at 09:00, via Zoom

Title: «*Studies on the molecular mechanisms of the bystander effect in HSV-TK suicide gene therapy*»

Supervisor: **Md Jubayer Al Hossain** and **Hrvoje Miletic**, Department of Biomedicine

External examiner: **Kai-Ove Skaftnesmo**, Institute of Marine Research

Internal examiner: Donald Gullberg, Department of Biomedicine

<https://uib.zoom.us/j/69212565143?pwd=a291V2UybnFR0ThWRTVRV1BxRitkQT09>

Funding Announcements

Current funding announcements/deadlines

NOTE:

If you plan to apply for external funding, **please always send a short notice** to the Department administration: <https://skjemaker.app.uib.no/view.php?id=8157307>

For applications for international funds (EU, EEA, others) you will need approval from the Head of the Department and the University's division of research- and innovation. **Fill in this short statement (PDF)** and send it to the Department administration:

Janne.Gotaas@uib.no, cc: Margarethe.Bittins@uib.no

Horizon 2020 – European Research Council ERC Frontier research grants

ERC Advanced Grant - This year is the last call for ERC Advanced Grant in Horizon Europe and ERC will have approx. 15% more funds available - this means that the success rate may exceed the usual 11-13%. Active researchers who have a track-record of significant research achievements in the last 10 years. The Principal Investigators should be exceptional leaders in terms of originality and significance of their research contributions. Up to €2.5 Million for 5 years. **Deadline: 26 August 2020**



Horizon 2020 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) [Individual Fellowships](#)

For experienced researchers (post doctoral level)

European Fellowships

Global Fellowships

Deadline: 9. September



Research Council of Norway

NEW Collaborative and Knowledge-building projects

The projects are to encourage and support collaboration between research organisations and stakeholders from outside the research sector that represent societal and/or industry needs for knowledge and research competence.

Selected topics:

• NOK 35 million for research on [oral health, multimorbidity and patient safety](#)

• NOK 50 million for research on [antimicrobial resistance](#), applying a One Health perspective

• NOK 50 million for research on [women's health and gender perspectives](#)

Deadline: 2 September 2020



Norwegian Centres of Excellence – SFF-V – Stage 1

NOK 1.75 billion for the fifth generation of SFFs are now announced. The call has two stages.

Stage 1 is open to all applicants at approved Norwegian research organizations and has a deadline on 18 November. Stage 2 will be a closed call where only applicants selected in stage 1 can apply.

Deadline: 18. November 2020, 13:00 CET

Cancer Society (Kreftforeningen)

Krafttak mot kreft: Cancer types with low survival rates

A call to build two national *Groups of expertise*, respectively on **brain and oesophageal cancer**

Time frame up to 5 years, Funding scale 15 million NOK per group

See full call announcement and apply through the [ApplicationWeb](#)

Application deadline: 10 September 2020



Nordic Cancer Union: Strategic projects concerning research projects on Covid-19 and cancer in the Nordic region

A research call on Covid-19 and cancer

Time frame 2 years, Funding scale maximum 200.000 Euro per project

See attached call announcement <https://helse-vest.no/en>

Apply through the Danish Cancer Society [NCU – Strategic projects](#).

Application deadline: September 1, 2020

NEW Helse Vest

Call for proposals 2021

Helse Vest's research funding is to contribute to research activity in the health trusts in the region.

• **Open project support:** Max NOK 1.5 million per year up to 3 years. Applicants who are employed by universities can apply if an agreement of support with a health trust is attached. Applications for PhD fellowships or postdoctoral fellowships must be submitted with a separate application. It is not possible to apply for research fellowships/research positions.

• **PhD fellowships:** personal, 3-years

• **Postdoctoral fellowships:** personal, 2-12 years. It is possible to apply for a postdoctoral fellowship before the doctoral thesis is defended and approved. The fellowship can be extended by 6 or 12 months if the candidate pursues a fellowship abroad of an equivalent length. [Career fellowships:](#) The career fellowship is the next rung on the career ladder after postdoctoral and/or research periods and requires the candidate to have demonstrated a high degree of independence. The career fellowship is to cover the salary of one's own position (four years, 100 % position), an appointant fellowship (PhD or postdoctoral fellowship, three years, 100 %), and additional operating funds.

Deadline 15 September 2020



Viking Olov Björk's scholarship in applied biomaterial research

275 000 Swedish Crowns to be given to a **young researcher at a Nordic university** with strong links to Uppsala University who has shown scientific skills in the field and shown aptitude for leadership. Should be used to finance the recipient's costs for a longer visit to a high ranking international research institute. Intersection between medical technology and clinical applications. **Tissue engineering, nanotechnology or biomaterial research.**

Download the call text ([PDF](#))

Deadline: 30 September



Olav Thon Foundation

The Olav Thon Foundation's International Research Award for Mathematics/Natural Sciences and Medicine 2021

5 000 000 NOK. [Announcement International Research 2021](#) (english, PDF, 328 kB)

The Olav Thon Foundation – support for Nordic research projects in medicine 2021

[Announcement Nordic Research 2021](#) (english, PDF, 428 kB)

Olav Thon Stiftelsen nasjonale faglige priser innen natvitenskap og medisn 2021

[Utsyningsnasjonal sette 2021](#) (norsk, PDF, 181 kB)

Deadline (all calls) 15 September

EEA-Norway grants

Call for NOK 2 billion through the EEA funds - Interested in research collaboration with Poland, Romania, the Baltic States, the Czech Republic or Portugal? Estimates indicate that about 200 research projects with Norwegian partners may be supported. A typical research project with EEA funding has a duration of around 3 years, a budget of about NOK 10 million and is managed by a research institution in the recipient country. It must also have at least one Norwegian partner. More information on the calls and priorities in the various programs can be found on the [Research Council's website on EEA funding](#).

Nasjonalforeningen for folkehelsen— research projects, PhD– and post doct fellowships

Nasjonalforeningen for folkehelsen er en frivillig organisasjon som arbeider for å bekjempe demens og hjerte- og karsykdommer gjennom informasjon, forebygging, lokalt arbeid, politisk påvirkningsarbeid og støtte til forskning. Vår innsats er basert på innsamlende midler og gaver.

• Gjennom **Nasjonalforeningen for folkehelsens Demensforskningsprogram** er det nå anledning til å **søke om postdoktorstipend** der kandidaten selv står som søker

• Forskere er også velkommen til å søke om **forskningsmidler innen hjerte- og kar** (stipendiat- og postdoktorstillinger, samt drift)

Søknadsfrist: tirsdag 1. september 2020 kl. 13.



NCMM Associate Investigators

Open call for Associate Investigators at Centre for Molecular Medicine Norway (NCMM), Nordic EMBL Partnership, University of Oslo - Fifth Call

Deadline: 25 August 2020

Personal Grants

[Research Council of Norway TRAVEL GRANT](#)

Scholarship for research stays abroad for 3 -12 months for PhD candidates and Post Doctors in projects with funding from the Research Council. **Deadline: continuing**

[Helse Vest TRAVEL GRANT](#)

granted for 6 or 12 months. Postdoctoral fellowship applicants are especially encouraged to apply for an overseas fellowship over the course of their fellowship period. **Continuing deadline**

[ERASMUS+ staff mobility TRAVEL GRANT](#)

Subsidising mobility of up to two months, for UiB staff including PhD-candidates and post docs, to attend courses or individual laboratory visits. Also have a look at the list of organized [staff mobility weeks](#).

Deadline: 20 August and 20 January

