



Department of Biomedicine Newsletter



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Dear colleagues, IMBers

Sometimes, things happen that are more important to communicate than what one might have had in mind before. After an initial information in November last year, we just learned that on Monday, a delegation led by the Norwegian Minister of Health, Bent Høie, will visit UiB. In fact, they will come, together with our Rector, to our Department and hold a meeting related to opportunities in health and innovation – in a very relevant environment. We can be very proud that these topics will be discussed by Norway's top level politicians with local stakeholders at our Department! It is certainly a strong indication that our efforts and successes in both science and innovation are noted and recognized! Of course, we hope that this will be a very constructive and successful meeting and we will do all we can to provide an appropriate venue.

Still very important for us, the Department's budget for 2018 has been assembled and was approved by the Department Council (Institutttrådet). Thanks to a number of successful grant applications during the last two years, we can maintain high activity and we have all reason to be optimistic that we will have a very productive year. For those who are interested in more details, the budget document (in Norwegian) can be found [here \(PDF\)](#).

Vennlig hilsen,
Mathias

Human Relations

This page gives an overview of courses, seminars, information meetings and similar events organized at UiB.

This page gives an overview of welfare offers for employees at UiB, such as cinema tickets, cultural events, guest accommodation, etc.

Welcome to those who have joined us:



Mingzhi Han is originally from China, and has started a 3-year position as Post Doc on 11 January. The position is financed by NFR under the project "Identifying molecular targets on human glioblastoma", with Rolf Bjerkvig as mentor.



Nibal Betari from Syria started a three-year Post Doc position on 17 January. The position is part of the Horizon 2020 project "Comorbid Conditions of Attention deficit / hyperactivity disorder; CoCA" with Jan Haavik as mentor.

Research, Science, and Seminars

New Publications

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



If your article is missing, please send the reference to the editor: Margarethe.Bittins@uib.no.

Also remember to inform us in advance of publications and to register in Cristin (DEADLINE 31 JANUARY)!

[Preservation Method and Phosphate Buffered Saline Washing Affect the Acute Myeloid Leukemia Proteome.](#)

Wangen R, Aasebø E, Trentani A, **Døskeland SO**, Bruserud Ø, **Selheim F, Hernandez-Valladares M.**
Int J Mol Sci. 2018 Jan 19;19(1).

[Ultrasound-mediated delivery and distribution of polymeric nanoparticles in the normal brain parenchyma of a metastatic brain tumour model.](#)

Baghirov H, Snipstad S, Sulheim E, Berg S, Hansen R, **Thorsen F**, Mørch Y, Davies CL, Åslund AKO.
PLoS One. 2018 Jan 16;13(1):e0191102.

[Enhancement of iodine solubility by encapsulation into cyclodextrin nanoparticles.](#)

Prandina A, Herfindal L, Radix S, Rongved P, **Døskeland SO**, Le Borgne M, Perret F.
J Enzyme Inhib Med Chem. 2018 Dec;33(1):370-375.

[Blood phenylalanine reduction corrects CNS dopamine and serotonin deficiencies and partially improves behavioral performance in adult phenylketonuric mice.](#)

Winn SR, Scherer T, Thöny B, **Ying M, Martinez A**, Weber S, Raber J, Harding CO.
Mol Genet Metab. 2018 Jan;123(1):6-20.

[Endothelial heparan sulfate deficiency reduces inflammation and fibrosis in murine diabetic nephropathy.](#)

Talsma DT, **Katta K**, Ettema MAB, Kel B, **Kusche-Gullberg M**, Daha MR, Stegeman CA, van den Born J, Wang L.
Lab Invest. 2018 Jan 12.

[A Genetic Investigation of Sex Bias in the Prevalence of Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder.](#)

Martin J, Walters RK, Demontis D, Mattheisen M, Lee SH, Robinson E, Brikell I, Ghirardi L, Larsson H, Lichtenstein P, Eriksson N; 23andMe Research Team; Psychiatric Genomics Consortium: ADHD Subgroup; iPSYCH–Broad ADHD Workgroup, Werge T, Mortensen PB, Pedersen MG, Mors O, Nordentoft M, Hougaard DM, Bybjerg-Grauholm J, Wray NR, Franke B, **Faraone SV**, O'Donovan MC, Thapar A, Børglum AD, Neale BM.
Biol Psychiatry. 2017 Dec 2

[Human Tumor Tissue-Based 3D In Vitro Invasion Assays.](#)

Åström P, **Heljasvaara R**, Nyberg P, Al-Samadi A, Salo T.
Methods Mol Biol. 2018;1731:213-221.

[CHCHD10 mutations p.R15L and p.G66V cause motoneuron disease by haploinsufficiency.](#)

Brockmann SJ, Freischmidt A, Oeckl P, Müller K, Ponna SK, Helferich AM, Paone C, Reinders J, Kojer K, Orth M, Jokela M, Auranen M, Udd B, Hermann A, Danzer KM, Lichtner P, Walther P, Ludolph AC, Andersen PM, Otto M, **Kursula P**, Just S, Weishaupt JH.
Hum Mol Genet. 2018 Jan 5.



Etikkfrokost om forskningsfusk

Våren 2018 arrangerer UiB en serie frokostseminarer om forskningsetikk.

I 2015 rystet Macchiarini-skandalen Sverige, da kirurg og forsker Paolo Macchiarini ble anklaget og gransket for uredelighet i sin forskning. Til årets første frokostmøte kommer leder av utredningen, professor Margaretha Fahlgren, for å snakke om håndtering av etikk og uredelighet i forskning i Sverige.

Les mer og registrer [her](#).

Tirsdag 30 januar, 8:30-10:30, Christie Café



Ethics seminar on scientific misconduct (Norwegian)

The UiB board for scientific misconduct arranges a breakfast seminar series on science ethics in spring 2018

On the agenda for the first meeting is the outfall of the Swedish science fraud around Paolo Macchiarini in 2015. Margaretha Fahlgren, who led the investigations into the case, will talk about how suspected scientific fraud will be handled in Sweden henceforth, and how Universities are working to strengthen good science ethics.

Read more and sign up (for breakfast) [here](#).

Tuesday 30 January, 8:30-10:30, Christie café

Live Webinar: 3rd EU Health Programme

Information day on the 2018 Annual Work Plan and calls

The Annual Work Plan 2018 and the 2018 calls will be presented by the Directorate General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE) and the Consumers, Health, Agriculture and Food Executive Agency (Chafea), during a live webinar hosted by the EU Health Policy Platform.

This specific online information-day is an "open" event, to which all Health stakeholders can participate. The floor (chatting tools) will then be open for participants to interact and discuss with DG SANTE and Chafea.

<http://ec.europa.eu/chafea/news/news564.html>

Tuesday 30 January 2018, 10:30-16:30



Foredrag: Hjernens vannveier

Norges Tekniske Vitenskapsakademi, NTVA, og Tekna inviterer til åpent foredrag i Bergen:

Foredrag av: Marie Rognes, avdelingsleder, Simula Research Laboratory. Møtet er åpent for alle interesserte.

Nærmere informasjon finnes [her](#).

Tirsdag 30. januar, 19:00, Nansensenteret på Marineholmen, Thormøhlens gate 47



NTVA
NORGES TEKNISKE VITENSKAPSAKADEMI



Waterways of the Brain (Norwegian)

Norges Tekniske Vitenskapsakademi, NTVA, and Tekna invite you to their open lecture in Bergen:

Lecture by: Marie Rognes, Department Leader, Simula Research Laboratory. The meeting is open for anyone who is interested.

More information about the lecture can be found [here](#).

Tuesday, January 30, 19:00, The Nansen Centre at Marineholmen, Thormøhlens gate 47

IAESTE-foredrag: Kvinner i ledelse

For første gang arrangerer "International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience" ([IAESTE](#)) foredraget «Kvinner i ledelse». Her har de fått med fire supre ledere fra næringslivet i Bergen som skal snakke om sine erfaringer og tanker om ledelse. Kveldens foredragsholdere er:

- Elisabeth Baird, Avdelingsleder bygg og anlegg, Sweco
- Linn Mevold Skogheim, Partner/kommunikasjonsrådgiver, NOR PR
- Aina M. Berg, Managing Director, Uni Research
- Kathleen Mathiesen, Director HR & internal communication, Grieg Seafood

Foredraget er ment som en kontrast til en ellers teori-preget skolehverdag, et innblikk i arbeidslivet og en kilde til inspirasjon.

30. januar kl. 17.00-19.00, auditorium 1, Realfagbygget

Women as leaders (lecture in Norwegian)

For the first time, the International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience ([IAESTE](#)) arranges the lecture «Women as leaders». Four great local women in leading positions in the Bergen area business life will speak about their experiences and thoughts on management and leadership. The lecturers are:

- Elisabeth Baird, Division leader for construction, Sweco
- Linn Mevold Skogheim, Partner/communications adviser, NOR PR
- Aina M. Berg, Managing Director, Uni Research
- Kathleen Mathiesen, Director HR & internal communication, Grieg Seafood

The lecture is meant as a contrast to an otherwise theory-heavy educational life, a look at the business worklife, and a source of inspiration.

30 January, 17:00-19:00, Auditorium 1, Realfagbygget

MIC expert lecture on STED

Presented by Leica specialist Ulf Schwarz

We're happy to invite you to **two interesting talks** primarily about STED (stimulated emission depletion) microscopy, and a **workshop** for users that have some experience with Leica SP8.

MIC will have one Leica's best application specialists, Ulf Schwarz, visiting and we really encourage you to come to his talks. He has long time experience in Leica and been involved in STED from the beginning. The talks will have a practical approach and will cover the work flow when doing STED (sample prep, optimization, resolution, deconvolution etc.). He will also cover applications both with live and fixed cells. The lecture is free for everyone. There will also be a workshop for registered participants.

- STED Microscopy 1 - Tips & Tricks for Sample Preparation & Image Acquisition (Brief Intro to principle, Fluorophores, Mounting Media, Deconvolution, Resolution)
- STED Microscopy 2 – Applications: Fixed Samples and Live Cell Imaging

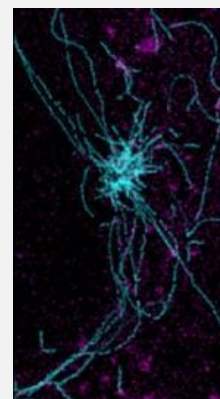
6 February, 12:45-15:00, Auditorium 4, BBB

MIC confocal microscopy course

Save the date

Each year, MIC arranges a hands-on workshop in confocal microscopy. This workshop is for anyone who has just started to use their microscopes, or who wants to learn more about the science and techniques behind confocal microscopy. More information will come later.

20-23 March 2018, BBB



BBB and CCBIO seminar

Helge Wiig from the Department of Biomedicine will give a talk about "Lessons from a black box – The extracellular microenvironment and lymphatics in malignant tissue"

Helge Wiig is professor in the Cardiovascular research group, Department of Biomedicine. One of his research interests is the interstitial fluid, i.e. the fluid bathing the cells of the interstitial matrix, in skin, muscle and tumors. Another area of interest has been the role of lymphatic vessels in fluid volume regulation.

Traditionally, pizza will be served after the CCBIO seminar

1 February 14:30, Auditorium 4, BBB

BBB Seminar: Paul Rainey

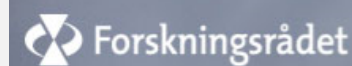
Paul Rainey from the MPI for evolutionary biology in Plön, Germany, will give a lecture entitled "Exploring the limits of evolutionary forecasting"

Dr. Rainey has excelled in the field of experimental evolution, where he has made significant contributions to the understanding of the evolution of complex properties, including the course of diversification, bet hedging multicellularity and its nemesis, cancer.

8 February 14:30, Auditorium 4, BBB

NFR applicant seminar (Norwegian)

EU and NFR health-related calls



Haukeland hospital, NFR and UiB arrange a seminar for the health programs.

NFR will inform about the calls under the programs BEDREHELSE, BEHANDLING and HELSEVEL, in addition to health-related EU calls with application deadline in April 2018. [Program](#) PDF - 387 KB. The seminar will be streamed. PS! You can also sign up for a private session discussing a specific EU call you are interested in.

Read more and register [here](#).

Wednesday, 7 February 2018, 10:30-15:00, Bikuben, Haukeland University Hospital

Centre for Digital Life in Norway – spring events

The Centre for Digital Life in Norway hosts a series of events relevant to many of our staff this spring:

[Annual Conference: Digital Life 2018](#) (20-21 March, Bergen)

[Biotech Industry Career Day](#) (29-30 May, Trondheim)

[Science, Technology and Society – RRI Course](#) (11-13 April, Bergen and Trondheim)



Operations, Health, and Safety

Påminnelse: HMS-kartlegging

Det er tid for den årlige kartleggingen av helse, miljø og sikkerhet ved instituttet.

Det er viktig at flest mulig av dere fyller det ut, ettersom dette vil gi oss best mulig grunnlag før vernerunden.

[Her er en link til årets skjema.](#)

Skjemaet vil være åpent frem til **2 februar**.

Reminder: HSE-survey

It is time for the annual survey of health, safety and environment at the department.

It is important that as many of you as possible complete the form, as that will give us the best foundation for the HSE-round.

[Here is a link to this year's form.](#)

The form will be open until **2 February**.

EVU-midler

Instituttet støtter etter- og videreutdanning av ansatte i tekniske og administrative stillinger.

Den samlede tildelingen settes til 145.000 kr. Vi tar imot søknader om støtte av kompetanseutvikling og lignende utdanningsrelaterte formål. Det vil ikke være anledning til å få tildelinger overført til påfølgende budsjettår. Hvis man likevel ikke kan benytte tildelte midler skal de komme andre til gode. Det forutsettes at gruppene delfinansierer ansatte knyttet til egne grupper.

Søknader sendes til Janne Gotaas. Ved spørsmål, ta gjerne kontakt med henne.

Søknadsfrist: 15. Februar

EVU-support

The Department supports Continuing Education of the technical and administrative personnel.

The total allocation for this year will be 145,000 kr. We ask for applications to use these funds for competence building and similar educational purposes. Note that the money needs to be spent before the end of this year. Unused funds will be retracted and provided to others. It is expected that the groups contribute to the funding of educational activities to enable as many as possible to benefit from this opportunity.

Applications should be sent to Janne Gotaas. Should you have any questions, please contact her.

Deadline: 15 February

PhD Updates

Mobility seminar

The International Centre UiB invites researchers and PhD candidates who are planning to go on research mobility in 2018 to this mobility seminar.

The seminar will cover the following topics:

- Information regarding UiB routines
- Forms to the Norwegian government
- Financing possibilities
- Insurance
- Practicalities

This is a nice opportunity to get to know other outbound researchers and share experiences. There will be time to address your specific questions.

Link to calendar: <http://www.uib.no/en/out/114513/mobility-seminar>

Sign up here: <https://skjemaker.app.uib.no/view.php?id=4515818>

22 February, 9:00-11:00, Student Centre, 3rd floor

Funding Announcements

From this week, the announcements for funding and education will be published online. The links below will take you to a list of announcements compiled by the research advisors at the Faculty of Medicine. The lists are updated every second week.

External funding opportunities: <http://www.uib.no/en/med/112772/external-funding-opportunities>

Funding opportunities for education: <http://www.uib.no/med/113987/funding-opportunities-education>

Following is a **selection** of the calls that are most relevant for the Department of Biomedicine.

Current funding announcements/deadlines

Norwegian Research Council (NFR)

- **BIOTEK2021** Up to 50 million in funding for optimisation projects within biotechnology. An "optimisation project" is a project designed to further develop, optimise and investigate application areas for results and concepts from previous biotechnology research with a view to developing a future product, process or service. **Deadline: 14 February 2018**
- **FRIMEDBIO**: The funding scheme for independent projects (FRIPRO) comprises a national competitive arena for research funding for projects in all fields and disciplines. There will be funding for Researcher Projects, Young Research Talents, FRIPRO Mobility Grants and Support for Event. **Deadline: 25 April 2018**
- **NEW BEHANDLING** 115 million NOK for applications in intervention studies that combine clinical data with health data in existing registries and / or biobanks will be prioritized. Projects awarded funding by the programme must have patient and service-relevant endpoints and incorporate user involvement. Diseases that pose major societal challenges will comprise a key area of focus. **Deadline 25 April 2018**
- **NEW HELSEVEL** 100 million NOK for Funding is available for Researcher Projects that will help to achieve the objectives set out in the [HELSEVEL work programme](#) PDF - 984 KB . This call for proposals is limited to the service areas and the six cross-cutting themes described in the work programme:
 - management, leadership and organisation;



- vertical and horizontal interaction;
 - service innovation and implementation;
 - technology and digitalisation;
 - economics and resource utilisation;
 - ethical, legal and social aspects of technology (ELSA).
- **NEW** Pre-announcement [BEDREHELSE](#) Until 150 million kroner to environmental support for research towards better public health.

Deadline: 25 April 2018

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Applicant seminar

Haukeland, NFR and UiB arrange [a seminar for the health programs](#) on Wednesday, **February 7, 2018** in the Bikuben, Bergen. You can sign up for the seminar [here](#).

Horizon 2020 – European Research Council ERC Frontier research grants

- **NEW** [Consolidator Grant](#) The aim of this grant is to give the most prominent junior researchers the opportunity to consolidate their research, and to expand and broaden their research activities.
Deadline: 15 February 2018
- **NEW** [Advanced Grant](#) 5 years funding for an established, leading principal investigator who wants to pursue a ground-breaking, high-risk project. 2,5 million € in total. The PI can have any nationality and work in any research field.
Deadline: 30 August 2018



ERC Advanced course in Bergen

March 21st at Ørnen. The registration link is [here](#). **Course content:** ERC basics and terminology; Technical rules & regulations; PI Profile – What constitutes the “ERC Material”?; Application & submission processes; What constitutes Scientific Excellence?; The unique nature of ERC: High risk, high gain non-incremental work; Hypothesis for ERC – how to do it right; How to write a convincing methodology chapter; Review Panel selection; The panel-application reciprocal effect; Ethical issues; The evaluation process.

Horizon 2020 – Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions (MSCA)

Excellent and innovative research training plus attractive career and knowledge-exchange opportunities through cross-border and cross-sector mobility, no thematic priorities.

- **NEW** [Research and Innovation Staff Exchange \(RISE\)](#). The RISE scheme promotes international and cross-sector collaboration through exchanging research and innovation staff, and sharing knowledge and ideas from research to market (and vice-versa).

Deadline: 21 March 2018

Horizon 2020 – Societal challenges (SC):

Collaborative breakthrough research and radical innovation

SC1-2018-2020: Health, demographic change and wellbeing

- **Call:** Better health and care, economic growth and sustainable health systems
[SC1-BHC-02-2019: Systems approaches for the discovery of combinatorial therapies for complex disorders \(Two-stage\)](#)
[SC1-BHC-05-2018: International flagship collaboration with Canada for human data storage, integration and sharing to enable personalised medicine approaches](#)
[SC1-BHC-09-2018: Innovation platforms for advanced therapies of the future](#)
[SC1-BHC-14-2019: Stratified host-directed approaches to improve prevention, treatment and/or cure of infectious diseases \(Two-stage\)](#)
[SC1-BHC-15-2018: New anti-infective agents for prevention and/or treatment of neglected infectious diseases \(NID\) \(Two-stage\)](#)
[SC1-BHC-16-2018: Global Alliance for Chronic Diseases \(GACD\) - Scaling-up of evidence-based health interventions at population level for the prevention and management of hypertension and/or diabetes](#)
[SC1-BHC-26-2018: HTA research to support evidence-based healthcare](#)
[SC1-BHC-27-2018: New testing and screening methods to identify endocrine disrupting chemicals](#)
[SC1-HCO-04-2018: ERA-NET to support the Joint Programming in Neurodegenerative Diseases strategic plan \(JPND\)](#)
Deadline: 18 April 2018. Deadline for pre-projects in two-stage proposals is 2 October 2018

Horizon 2020 – Complementary Calls

1. Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI) –relevant future topics

- [Mitochondrial dysfunction in neurodegeneration](#)
- Support and coordination action for the projects of the [neurodegeneration](#) area of the innovative medicines initiative
- Human [tumour microenvironment](#) immunoprofiling
- Translational [safety biomarker](#) pipeline (TRANSBIOLINE): enabling development and implementation of novel safety biomarkers in clinical trials and diagnosis of disease
- Federated and privacy-preserving [machine learning in support of drug discovery](#)
- Pilot programme on a [clinical compound bank for repurposing](#) This programme includes the following topics: Cardiovascular diseases and diabetes; Respiratory diseases; Neurodegenerative diseases; Rare/orphan diseases

IMI held a series of [webinars on IMI2 - Call 13](#).

Deadline: 28 February 2018

2. [JPND call for multi-national research projects on health and social care for neurodegenerative diseases](#). JPND is inviting to submit proposals for ambitious, innovative and multi-disciplinary collaborative projects that address health and social care at both the macro level of systems and infrastructures and the individual level of patients, carers and families.

Deadline: 6 March 2018

3. [ERA-NET NEURON JTC 2018](#) "Research Projects on **Mental Disorders**". The aim of the call is to facilitate multinational, collaborative research projects that will address important questions related to mental health and mental disorders.

Deadline: 8 March 2018

4. [ERA-CVD JTC 2018](#) "Transnational **Cardiovascular** Research Projects driven by Early Career Scientists". The call aims to promote cooperation and interchange between Early Career Scientists and thus enable international collaboration and new consortia establishment in cardiovascular research.

Deadline: 15 March 2018

5. **NEW** [COST Action](#): COST (European Cooperation in Science and Technology) brings together European researchers, engineers and scholars from different COST countries to jointly develop their own ideas and new initiatives across all science and technology fields through trans-European cooperation. COST does not fund research itself, but provides exciting opportunities for cooperation and networking on an European Level.

Deadline: 25 April 2018

6. Pre-announcement [ERA HDHL \(a healthy diet for a healthy life\)](#). The aim of this call is to support transnational, collaborative research projects that gain a better understanding of the **diet- epigenome** relationships and their effect on human health. The launch of the new call is planned on 6 February 2018

Bergen Forskningsstiftelse [BFS Starting Grant 2018](#)

[BFS supports young scientists](#) to work at UiB in a scheme similar to ERC starting grants. For details about eligibility etc., see here: <http://www.bfstiftelse.no/calls/bfs-starting-grant/?lang=en>. It is a two-step application procedure, the first deadline being in March. The Department can forward up to two candidates to the faculty, who will finally decide which candidates it will support. Depending on the suggestions received, the Department of biomedicine will decide whom of the potential candidates the Department will prioritize and invite them to write a full application. The proposals should contain a CV and publication list of the candidate, a list of major achievements and a short outline (~1/2 page) of the project to be applied for. Proposals for candidates should be sent to Frits.Thorsen@uib.no and Mathias.Ziegler@uib.no

Deadline: February 10, 2018



[Novo Nordisk Foundation:](#)

- Excellence projects for young researchers doing excellent research projects within the fields of basic, translational and/or clinical **endocrinology or metabolism** research. The Foundation will award up to four 5-years projects.

Deadline: 30 January 2018

- **NEW:** Pre-announcement [Exploratory Pre-Seed Grants](#): The Exploratory Pre-seed Program is a stimulus fund established to accelerate **commercialization of biomedical research** findings and development of novel technologies within the life sciences. The goal of an Exploratory Pre-seed Grant is to stimulate entrepreneurship and to explore the potential of research findings at a very early stage (pre-seed), and to prepare the project for a full pre-seed grant at a later stage. The application system will open 2 February.
- **NEW:** Pre announcement [Project Grants in Endocrinology and Metabolism - Nordic Region](#): The objective of this call is to support young and promising researchers as well as established scientists, to carry out research projects of 1 to 3 years' duration within basic and clinical research **in endocrinology and metabolism**.

Deadline 6 April 2018 at 2 pm

Application opens 4 April with **final deadline 1 June 2018 at 2 pm**

NEW [Extrastiftelsen](#)

support for research on health challenges faced by the Norwegian population. The foundation supports actions and projects on **physical and mental health**, life quality, living conditions, etc.

Deadline: 1 June at 15.00

Fellowships and Personal Grants

Norwegian Cancer Society

NEW: Travel stipend: Researchers, postdoctoral candidates and doctoral candidates who are financed by Norwegian Cancer Society can apply for stipend to cover a research stay abroad until one year (2-12 months). **Deadline 15 March**

NFR **Scholarship for research stay abroad for PhD candidates and Post Doctors** (Link in Norwegian)

The offer for a scholarship for research stays abroad applies to PhD candidates and Post Doctors in projects with full or partial funding for the Research Council for a minimum of 24 months. The research stays abroad may last for a minimum of 3 months and a maximum of 12 months.

Novo Nordisk Foundation: postdoctoral fellowships

within endocrinology/metabolism at international elite research environments. The fellowship offers an opportunity to carry out a research project where a minimum of 3 years are dedicated to work at a university, hospital or other research institution abroad, followed by up to 1 year at a university, hospital or other research institution in a Nordic country.

Deadline February 1st, 2018

Funding for Cooperation in Higher Education

Erasmus

- 1. Erasmus+ Mobility for Students and Staff:** Student Affairs manages and coordinates student and staff mobility. Staff members can apply for Erasmus + mobility funds by August 20, and on January 20. Information about student grants and other information can be found at www.uib.no/student/erasmus and employee websites: <http://www.uib.no/foransatte/86439/studentmobilitet> (Link in Norwegian) **Deadline: August 20th, 2018**
Seminar for applicants to Erasmus+ Strategic Partnerships 2018 (Link in Norwegian) Takes place: 29 January 2018 in Oslo (10.00-15.00)
- 2. Erasmus+ Global** (Link in norwegian) Erasmus + Global mobility allows Norwegian higher education institutions (HEI) to send and receive students and staff to / from partner countries outside the EU / EEA. The application must be submitted by a HEI in Norway. Individuals can not apply directly. Student and/or employees must apply to their home institution. **Deadline: 1 February 2018 (12.00)**
- 3. Nordplus Higher Education** (Link in Norwegian) Nordplus higher education is the Nordic Council of Ministers education program for support for cooperation in higher education in the Nordic and Baltic countries. The program supports cooperation between educational institutions, such as mobility for students and employees, and project/networking. **Deadline: 1 February 2018**
- 4. Capacity Building in the Field of Higher Education 2018** This action which aims to support the modernisation, accessibility and internationalisation of higher education in the Partner Countries is to be carried out in the context of the priorities identified in the Communications "Increasing the impact of EU Development Policy: an Agenda for Change" and "European Higher Education in the World". **Advisory body: SIU** (Link in Norwegian). **Deadline: 8 February 2018**
- 5. Erasmus+ Knowledge Alliances** Knowledge Alliances between higher education institutions and enterprises aim to foster innovation, entrepreneurship, creativity, employability, knowledge exchange and/or multidisciplinary teaching and learning. **Advisory body: SIU** (Link in Norwegian) **Deadline: 28 February 2018 at 12.00**
- 6. E+ Joint Master Degrees (Link in Norwegian):** E+ Joint Master Degrees aims to promote cooperation to increase academic quality and that this in turn will increase attractiveness towards students, primarily from countries outside Europe. **Deadline: 15 February 2017**

More funding opportunities with continuing deadlines, compiled by the Faculty of Medicine:

<http://www.uib.no/med/113987/funding-opportunities-education#continuing-deadlines>