

Bavarian Biotech News

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Innovation

*Tradition
meets*

Bavaria

Dear readers,

we look back on an exciting year, especially the last weeks were full of successful events from which we take so much inspiration for 2020. We hope you do so as well and wish you a relaxed end to the year.

You will meet us here in 2020 – all the best, your Bio^M team.



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BioEntrepreneurship Summit 2019



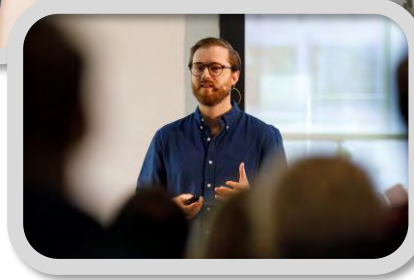
The 2nd BioEntrepreneurship Summit on October 15/16 in Munich gave an inspiring outlook on the medicine of the future... [read more](#)



Lectures, Panel Discussions, Networking and Exhibition



Take home message: **“Just do it”**



www.bioentrepreneurshipsummit.org



m⁴ Award 2019

2.5 million euros for the fight against cancer and antibiotic resistance

The preseed competition [m⁴ Award](#), initiated by Bio^M and funded by the Bavarian State Ministry for Economic Affairs, Regional Development and Energy supports the further development and validation of academic project ideas in order to set up a spin-off.

Three of the winning teams are developing novel therapies against different forms of cancer, two research groups address the urgent medical need in the field of antibiotic resistance. The scientists not only receive up to 500.000 euros for two years but also active support from Bio^M and other partners as well as industry experts.

In this fifth m⁴ Award call, more than 30 top-class applications were received from academic institutions throughout Bavaria. [Read more](#)



Prof. Dr. Horst Domdey moderated the m⁴ Award ceremony at Munich Residence

m⁴ Award ceremony & party

Bavarian Ministry of Economic Affairs,
Regional Development and Energy



Happy winners of the m⁴ Award 2019



m⁴ Award 2019 – the winner teams

The five winner teams of the m⁴ Award 2019 with Dr. Ulrike Wolf (Department Head of the Bavarian State Ministry of Economic Affairs) and Prof. Horst Domdey (Managing Director, Bio^M). More information about the teams and their projects can be found [here](#).

aBacter

Preclinical development of a resistance-free antibiotic

Prof. Dr. Stephan Sieber

Dr. Franziska Mandl

Dr. Mathias W. Hackl

Dr. Christian Fetzer

Technical University of Munich



CARMOUFLAGE

Development of a T-cell therapy platform

Prof. Dr. Sebastian Kobold

Bruno Cadilha

Prof. Dr. Stefan Endres

Hospital of the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München

FraBiotics

Development of novel antibiotics

Dr. Hannelore Meyer

Julia Krämer

Dr. Grzegorz Popowicz

Dr. Krzysztof Zak

Technical University of Munich



FUSIX Biotech

Commercialization of oncolytic viruses

PD Dr. Jennifer Altomonte

Teresa Krabbe

Klinikum rechts der Isar,
Technical University of Munich

LOGIBODY

Development of a nanoswitch for antibodies

Dr. Benjamin Kick

Dr. Klaus Wagenbauer

Dr. Jonas Funke

Technical University of Munich



The first DigiMed Bayern Symposium took place at the German Heart Centre Munich on November 6. The event highlighted the broad spectrum of digital medicine in various sessions: from the ethical and legally responsible handling of personal patient data via digitization in clinical research to the ecosystem of digital health.

More than 150 participants discussed with national and international trendsetters the opportunities of digitization in medicine - for patients, the healthcare system and the economy.

Melanie Huml, Bavaria's Minister of Health, emphasized the importance of the lighthouse project *DigiMed Bayern* for P4 medicine, which is funded with 22,5 million euros by the State of Bavaria. She particularly sees a great potential of digital medicine for the benefit of the patient.

The next DigiMed Bayern Symposium is planned for the end of 2020.



From left: Prof. Heribert Schunkert (Director German Heart Centre Munich), Melanie Huml (Bavaria's Minister of Health, StMG) and Prof. Horst Domdey (Managing Director BioM)

www.digimed-bayern.de



Start.Smart.Global - Business trip to Japan and Korea

Bio^M, and [Medicen](#) (Paris Region), teamed up in the “[Start.Smart.Global 2019](#)” project to prepare 10 European life science SMEs for the Japanese and Korean market. The training and market preparations were put into practice during a mission to both countries in October 2019.



Participants of the Asia trip

Main events in Japan were the **European Biotech & Pharma Partnering Conference in Osaka** and **BioJapan in Yokohama**. Moreover, meetings with preferred customers, business consultants and agents, JETRO and governmental agencies were arranged according individual wish lists to accelerate market entry and success. A visit including B-2-B meetings to BioM’s cluster partner of the Tokyo-area, Kawasaki King Skyfront, rounded up the intensive week. In the following the participants travelled to South Korea.

Highlights included a seminar by Korean Pharmaceutical and BioPharma Manufacturer Association (KPBMA) and Korea Bio with BioPharma representatives and investors, as well as appointments at Samsung Biologics, Seegene and Gachon Gil Hospital. A visit with partnering talks at the Chuncheon BioIndustry Foundation, north of Seoul, rounded off the trip to Korea. One of the participants, Michiel Jannick, CEO of Scinus Cell Expansion from the Netherlands, sums up: “It was great to get an overall landscape: network activities, collaboration with the government, support of government. In addition to that we spoke to KOL’s, CDMO’s and potential distributors which led to a concrete follow up.”

“Start.Smart.Global” is funded by [EIT Health](#), which is supported by the EIT, a body of the European Union.



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EIT Health Innovation Day at Bio^M

The yearly **EIT Health Innovation Day** took place at Bio^M in Martinsried/Munich on November 8. Students, postdocs and young professionals together with Bio^M mentors designed innovative product ideas against neurological diseases and presented their work in a short pitch in front of a jury.



Smiling faces at the winning team

The winning team will now get to travel to Paris to take part in the European EIT Health i-day Winners’ Event.

[EIT Health i-days](#)’ aim is to boost students’ entrepreneurial spirit and kick-start European health innovation.

[Read more](#)



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WTC San Diego visits Munich

A delegation from *World Trade Center San Diego* visited the Munich Biotech Cluster end of October with the aim of strengthening global life science partnerships. In a round table at Bio^M, the progress and future potential of personalized medicine were discussed together with about 20 representatives of the Munich life science scene. [Read more](#)



Round table discussion on personalized medicine at Bio^M

BIO-Europe - from Hamburg to Munich

BIO-Europe, the Partnering Conference of the biotechnology industry took place in Hamburg from November 11-13. At the Bavarian pavillon of the Bavarian Biotechnology Cluster, 14 companies presented themselves and took the chance to make national and international business contacts. During the Bavarian Reception Prof. Horst Domdey, Managing Director Bio^M, received the baton for the next BIO-Europe, which will take place in beautiful Munich in 2020.



Save the Date: **BIO-Europe 2020, 26 – 28 October, Munich**

Save the Dates 2020



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