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INVITATION TO THE  
**SEMINAR ON THE INNOVATIVE  
MEDICINES INITIATIVE**  
8 MAY 2017

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## WELCOME TO THE SEMINAR ON THE INNOVATIVE MEDICINES INITIATIVE

The Innovative Medicines Initiative (IMI) is Europe's largest public-private partnership in life science. It is jointly run and funded by the European Commission and the European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations (EFPIA). Its aim is to speed up the development of better and safer medicines for patients.

The seminar will bring together representatives from the IMI executive office, Industry (EFPIA) and academia with the aim to showcase and discuss how IMI supports collaborative research projects and builds networks of industrial and academic experts that can help boost pharmaceutical innovation in Europe.

The seminar is an opportunity to learn about the important research and funding opportunities offered under the IMI2 and to network with potential consortia partners. The target audience is research institutions, hospitals, small and medium sized companies and other stakeholders in the area of medicine development. The seminar will particularly focus on IMI's initiatives in the areas of immunology, diabetes/metabolic disorders, neurodegeneration and oncology, but participants within all **IMI's priority areas** can benefit from the day.

The event is organized by Aarhus University and the Danish Agency for Science and Higher Education.

## PROGRAMME MONDAY 8 MAY 2017

<b>13.00 – 13.10</b>	<b>Welcome</b> Ole Steen Nielsen, Vice Dean, AU Health
<b>13.10 – 14.00</b>	<b>Introduction to IMI – how to engage with IMI</b> Elisabetta Vaudano, Principal Scientific Officer, IMI Executive Office
<b>14.00 – 14.30</b>	<b>IMI from an industry perspective</b> Jørgen Dirach, Director, LEAR, R&D Academic Partnerships, Novo Nordisk
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<b>14.30 - 14.45</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
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<b>14.45 – 15.05</b>	<b>Joining IMI – experiences from an IMI project</b> Nanna B. Finnerup, Professor, Department of Clinical Medicine, AU
<b>15.05 - 15.25</b>	<b>IMI from a national perspective</b> Kim L. Kryger, IMI States Representatives Group, Special Advisor, Agency for Science and Higher Education
<b>15.25-15.30</b>	<b>Closing remarks</b> Ole Steen Nielsen, Vice Dean, AU Health
<b>15.30-16.30</b>	<b>Meet the speakers and networking</b> Speakers will be present and you will have the possibility to have a dialogue with them or to network with other participants from other sectors. There will be organized meeting points for immunology, diabetes/metabolic disorders, neurodegeneration and oncology.

## Practical information

### WHERE

Aarhus University, The Conference Centre,  
Preben Hornung Stuen & Richard Mortensen Stuen,  
Fredrik Nielsens Vej 2-4, bldg. 1422,  
8000 Aarhus C

### WHEN

Monday 8 May 2017 from 13.00 to 16.30.

### REGISTRATION

The seminar is free, but registration is necessary. Please register [here](#).  
Deadline for registration is 1 May 2017.  
You are welcome to forward the invitation.

### MORE ABOUT IMI

The goal of the Innovative Medicines Initiative, IMI2, is to develop next generation vaccines, medicines and treatments, such as new antibiotics.

It brings together companies, universities, public laboratories, innovative small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), patient groups and regulators in collaborative projects that will pave the way for novel treatments to tackle Europe's growing health challenges, and secure the future international competitiveness of Europe's pharmaceutical industry.

You can read more about IMI [here](#).