

November 9th, 2015 in Paris

The SIMV organizes the second edition of the R&D dating for Animal Health and Innovation

December 1st and 2nd, 2015 in Strasbourg

Les Rencontres de recherche en santé animale

The success of the first edition led the French association of animal health industry (SIMV) to organize once again the R&D dating for animal health and innovation which takes place on 1 and 2 December 2015 in Strasbourg. Hosted within BioFIT, these meetings aim to initiate high-level exchanges between teams from private and public research and biotechnology companies, in veterinary and human medicine in Europe. Already more than fifty organizations and companies registered for this second edition. They are organized in partnership with the Animal Health Carnot Institute, The technology transfer SATT Idflinnov, the cluster Atlanpôle Biothérapie, the European Manufacturers of veterinary diagnostics (EMVD) and Provax of the Ghent University.

To catalyze commitment to research and development of veterinary pharmaceutical and diagnostic companies, the SIMV created the "R&D dating for Animal Health and Innovation". The second edition will be held on December 1st & 2nd, 2015 in Strasbourg, France, similar to last year in the heart of Biofit.

The objective of these meetings is to initiate high-level exchanges between research departments of the health industry (veterinary and human), and public research, as well as biotechnology companies (start-ups) to promote European expertise in animal health, leading to partnerships (public-private and private-private) and to promote innovation.

Once again, these meetings provide a unique opportunity for public and private researchers to meet and exchange on innovative projects to create new synergies in veterinary and human medicine in a "One Health" atmosphere.

Converging the two events "Biofit" and "R&D dating for Animal Health and Innovation", the actors of the Human and Animal Health will have the opportunity to meet and interact on subjects affecting each of them.

This event is organized in partnership with the Animal Health Carnot Institute, The technology transfer SATT Idflinnov, the cluster Atlanpôle Biothérapie, the European Manufacturers of veterinary diagnostics (EMVD) and Provax of the Ghent University.

All actors involved in animal health innovation or with animal health applications are invited to attend these meetings, which are organized in the form of a business convention to benefit from the European expertise in this sector.

In order to broaden the possibilities of encounters and particularly exchanges in "One Health" ecosystem, the SIMV chose to host its event within the event BioFIT on December 1st and 2nd, 2015 in Strasbourg, at the same place and during the same period thereby benefitting from its European set-up.

With over 1000 international players of the sector and Health Sciences Expected Living Biofit has become one of the largest business conventions in Europe in the field of open innovation, technology transfer and collaborative research. Biofit federates a major European and international public from 30 countries such as: industrial Health, young biotechnology companies, public research institutions, technology transfer agencies.

14 round tables, 70 speakers, 80% international and 1 conference on the "One Health" concept

Find our participants of the R&D dating for Animal Health and Innovation in the conference: "**How can Open Innovation be a powerful driver for the OneHealth dynamics?**" Including Thierry Pineau (ICSA / INRA), Isabelle Dieuzy-Labaye (zoetis) and Sven Arnouts (Provaxs).

PRACTICAL INFORMATIONS

The [registration platform](#) of the 2015 edition is open!

Preferential rates: Benefit from -25% off the regular/BioFIT price with the promotional code: 25mbr_SIMV_BF15

For more information please visit the website rdd.simv.org.

SAVE THE DATE « Press conference »

The Biofit press conference will be held on Tuesday, December 1st at 9:30 am in the press room at Palais de la Musique et des Congrès of Strasbourg (FR) in the presence of industrial and academic leaders. An invitation will be sent shortly.

Let's commit ourselves to animal and public health innovation together!

About the organizer - SIMV: www.simv.org

The **SIMV** represents manufacturers and marketers (on the French market) of medicines and reagents for pets and for farm animals. It is the DNA that runs through our entire industry, at the core of many of our interactions.

France is the European leader in research and manufacture of veterinary medicines and reagents with 50 production sites in France and many research centers. The global attractiveness of France in matters of animal health lies in the density of this industrial, veterinary, and professional fabric, in its recognized scientific and technical expertise, and in the capacity of its manufacturers to invest in managing networked R&D projects and international projects. The veterinary medicines industry invests 10 to 12% of its share of turnover to R&D.

To contribute to the competitiveness of its member companies, the SIMV federates laboratories around joint projects, proposes collective strategies in response to the expectations of society and represents the views of its members in its decision-making environment.

The first edition of "R&D dating for animal health and innovation" brought together over two days, December 2nd and 3rd, 2014:

180 researchers, [41 companies¹](#) and [37 academic research teams](#).
Seven European countries were present: England, Germany, Belgium, Spain, Finland, France and the Netherlands.

414 appointments were organized

Watch the best of the 2014 event on rdd.simv.org.

About the Steering Committee:

Atlanpôle Biothérapie
CVT Aviesan via son DVS "Innovation en vaccinologie"
European Manufacturers of Veterinary Diagnostics (EMVD)
Eurasanté
Eurobiomed
Fist SA
France Biotech
Institut Carnot MICA (Matériaux innovants et fonctionnels)
Institut Carnot Santé Animale (ICSA)
Réseau Français pour la Santé Animale (RFSA)
SATT Nord
SATT Conectus Alsace
SATT Pulsalys
SATT Idflinnov
SATT Ouest Valorisation
Plataforma Tecnológica Española de Sanidad Animal (Vet+i)

About Partners :

- **Animal Health Carnot Institute (ICSA)**

ICSA, the French research network dedicated to the health of livestock, was labeled "Carnot Institute" by the French Ministry of higher education and research in May 2011. This label is awarded to academic research networks that collaborate efficiently with socio-economic stakeholders.

The mission of ICSA is to support innovation, technology transfer and public-private partnership in the fields of infectious diseases, nutrition and genetics of livestock. For this, the network provides its industrial partners:

- A single point of contact dedicated to companies with access to the wide range of skills to conduct collaborative research

- A simplified contracting process to ensure listening, traceability, reliability and speed in the processing of contracts.

Key figures of ICSA: 923 research personnel (full-time equivalent) including 130 PhD students, 14 units / laboratories, 38 patent families, 72 active licenses. Per year, about 30 European projects and 80 projects ANR ongoing, 700 publications, 8 200 k€ partnership research incomes, 130 contracts with the private sector, 80 industry partners.

- **Accelerating the Technology Transfer (SATT) – SATT idflnnov**

The Companies for Accelerating the Technology Transfer (Les Sociétés d'Accélération du Transfert de Technologies or SATT) are French semi-public institutes for the development and commercialization of public research and innovation products. They are part of the measures implemented by the French National Research Agency (ANR) for the "Investment for the Future" program (program with a public funding of 35 B€, and additional private investments), whose ambition is to meet the innovation gap.

- **Cluster : Atlanpôle Biothérapie**

Atlanpole Biotherapies is one of the seven competitiveness french clusters dedicated to health, accredited by the French government in 2005. It gathers 92 companies, 56 research units, 2 Hospital Universities and 1 veterinary school, and has 28 european partners in international collaborations.

- **European Manufacturers of veterinary diagnostics (EMVD)**

The EMVD, a European association, was funded in March 2006 by manufacturers of Animal Health Diagnostics who aimed to reunite forces in order to defend their interests. In particular, the members are acting to improve the current context of lack of harmonization regarding Animal Health Diagnostics in Europe, its simplification and the unfair competitive position of public laboratories.

Today, the EMVD is the only professional organization that represents uniquely the industry of veterinary diagnostic manufactures. They cover a global market, estimated to be around 90% of the total market for Animal Health Diagnostics.

- **Provaxs of the Ghent University.**

PROVAXS offers access to a network of laboratories at Ghent University with a focus on infectious diseases and immunity that unite their expertise for the development of innovative vaccines, targeted therapeutics, feed additives and diagnostics.

We offer in depth academic expertise and research capacity on selected animal pathogens and the interaction with their host.

Our focus is on animal health but some technologies and know how can be used for or translated to applications in human medicine.

About BioFIT:

Eurasanté, the economic development agency for Biotech & Healthcare in Northern France, the Nutrition Health Longevity cluster, Conectus Alsace and Alsace BioValley are glad to announce their partnership. They will co-organize the 4th edition of the BioFIT business convention, in Strasbourg, on the 1st and 2nd December, 2015.

More than 1 100 delegates will this year benefit from BioFIT to identify licensing activities and launch new collaborative research projects, identify new partners for their innovation projects. BioFIT is the major event for public/private research collaboration and tech transfer with more than 1 100 participants. As a true European epicenter of Open Innovation and Tech Transfer, BioFIT is a real platform for research collaboration between public and private actors. BioFIT aims to intensify licensing flows and encourages the creation and break-out of innovative products, processes and services in the field of Life Sciences. More than 1 100 participants, amongst who over 50% are international, are expected in Lille for the 2014 edition.

Thanks to this success and because BioFIT has reached the status of the European leading event for tech transfer and collaborative research, the founders of BioFIT have decided to make it an annual event. Starting from 2015, this convention will take place every year alternatively in Lille and in Strasbourg.

You wish to participate? Contact us!

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