



MBG Management Team – Minutes

Meeting Monday 29 November 2021 at 9:00 – 10:40

Microscopy room 3140-0.3

Present:

Birgitta R. Knudsen (BRK), Christian Kroun Damgaard (CKD), Dugald Reid (DR), Erik Østergaard Jensen (EØJ), Ernst-Martin Füchtbauer (EMF), Esben Skipper Sørensen (ESS), Gregers Rom Andersen (GRA), Inge Danielsen (ID; via zoom), Mette Kirkegaard (MK), Simona Radutoiu (SR), Torben Heick Jensen (THJ), Dorte Abildskov (DA, minutes).

Absent: Charlotte Rohde Knudsen (CRK) og Poul Nissen (PN).

Agenda	Minutes	Follow-up
1.	Approval of the agenda The Agenda was approved.	
2.	Approval of minutes Attachment 1: Minutes from last meeting 25 October 2021. After corrections the minutes were approved.	
3.	Dimensioning at AU <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussion about the possible consequences for MBG. The dimensioning of our two educations and the consequences for MBG was discussed and this discussion will be continued at the next group leader meeting on December 8, at 3 pm	ID – for the agenda of the next group leader meeting
4.	Status on economy <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Budget As three positions will be postponed to 2023 we have a balance in budget in 2022. It is difficult to foresee the consequences of the dimensioning of student uptake and EØJ has asked Economy for new budget models that will include this.• Bench fee Novo Nordisk Foundation has accepted that 8,000 DKR per scientific man month can be included in the budget as a bench fee. The only condition being that the bench fee is included in all budgets. There are ongoing discussions with Economy on how to calculate the actual costs to be included in the bench fee, but we expect that it will be in place for the January calls.	



5.	Status on the relocation process Still on time despite some challenges. MBG Campus (Biokæden) will start moving on 10 January 2022. The two new autoclaves will not arrive until after summer 2022. The old autoclave from MBG Campus (Biokæden) will be moved and should be in place mid January. The old autoclaves in the Science Park may be used as long as we need it according to agreement with BFC. New lab ware washing machines will be installed mid February. We borrow one or two machines from the student lab in builing 1120-1122. The zebrafish will not be moved until the contaminated concrete has been removed from building 1875. Removing of the concrete may cause some disturbance but the work will take place during weekends and late afternoons. The affected room is in building 1875, west end, towards Nørrebrogade. LH Laboratory Service will be in charge of moving the -80° C freezers. There will be enough storage place.	
6.	Rector visits MBG 7 December 2021. Agenda: It was discussed what we should ask rector about on his visit. Topics that could be discussed with Rector <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support for YIP fellows (start up packages etc, extension of the period)• Use AUFF funding for talent development and recruitment• How will the central administration save money to ease the effect of “cut and move”.• Dialogue with companies to facilitate student project• Raise awareness among local politicians in relation to dimensioning of educations and “cut and move”• Invite the minister of research and education to the opening of our new building • Reminder of how the number of Faculty members at MBG have decreased significantly during the last 6 years due to cuts in the budget.	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bias against life sciences in the faculty management over the years• Promote life science candidates to various funding boards including Danish National Research Foundation• Support for NNF large centers in RNA biology and membrane proteins.	
8.	<p>A.O.B.</p> <p>In the Management Team, DR will as per 1 January 2022 be replaced by someone else (will be notified shortly) and SR will be replaced by Stig Uggerhøj Andersen. EØJ will approve new members.</p> <p>Corona: As per 29 November 2021 all AU staff members must be able to present a valid Covid passport when they come to campus. EØJ will ask group leaders to check if all group members have a valid covid passport in the weeks to come. They will do random checks. For the safety of all colleagues and their families EØJ kindly asks all employees to get vaccinated if not already done.</p> <p>The meeting ended at 10:40</p>	