

Biotechnet Meet-Up 2025: Aging and Biotech

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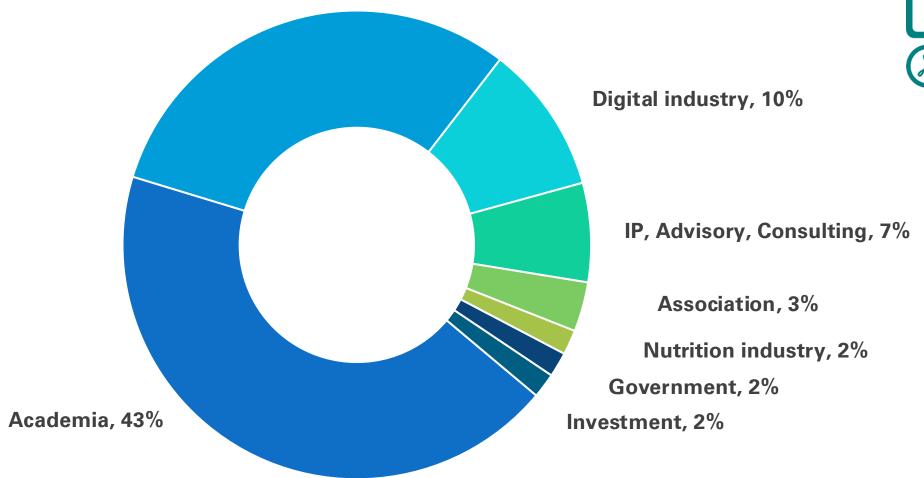
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Sattw it's all about technology

Who's here today?

Biotech/biopharma industry, 31%







Why aging?

- Reach a common scientific understanding and separate facts from hype: invited speakers share expertise
- Explore potential interactions between biotech and data science
- Enable academic and industry researchers to meet and initiate new collaborations: networking
- Bring back the latest concepts to our teaching activities: education



Biotechnet Switzerland is a hub that encompasses the top Swiss partners from academia, university hospitals, and research organizations.

We conduct collaborative research with industry, to advance biotechnology in Switzerland.



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* Superlab Suisse

Bring together top expertise across Switzerland

Combine core competences of renowned research organizations

Concentrate knowledge and technology around thematic platforms

Organize and promote scientific and networking events

Facilitate partnerships between industry and research organizations

Ideal partner for SMEs and large firms

Support biotech education in Switzerland

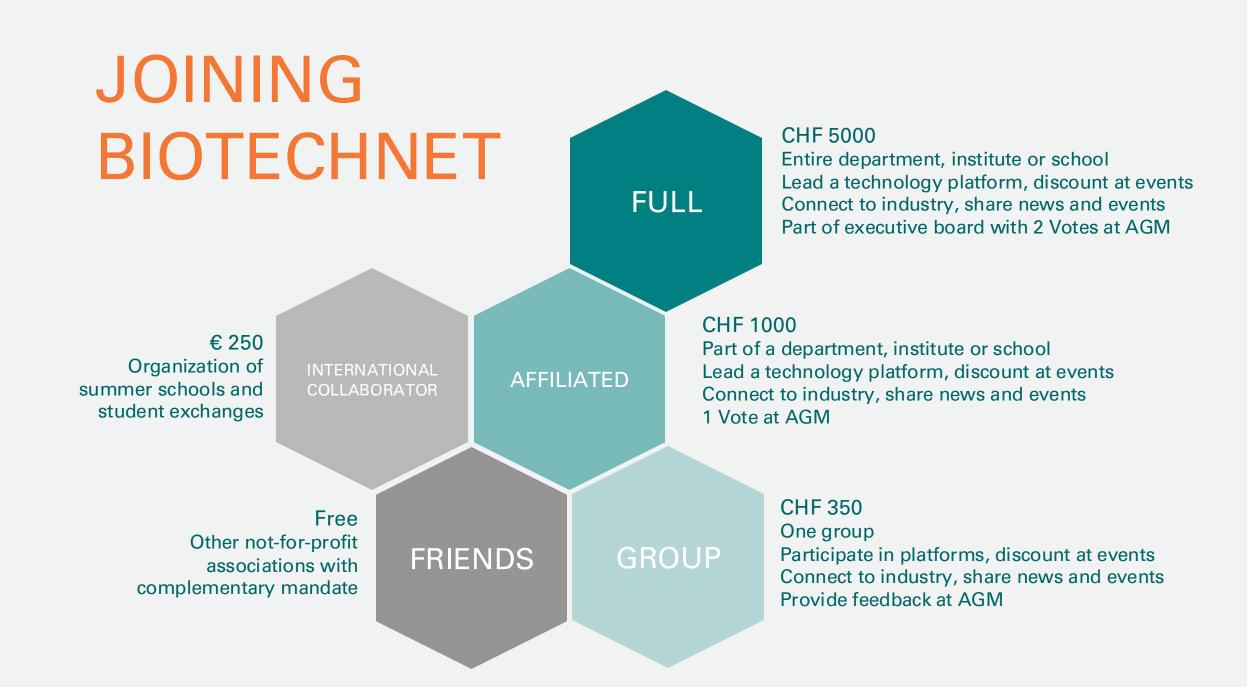
Support acquisition and development of talent from Switzerland and abroad

How can we help you do biotech?



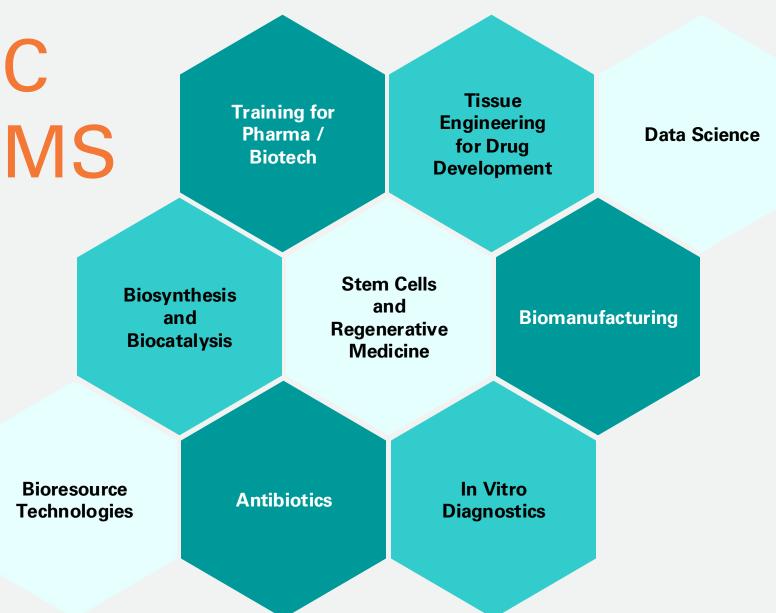


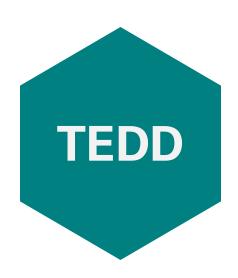
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THEMATIC PLATFORMS

Networking makes the difference!





Tissue Engineering for Drug Development



Dr. Markus Rimann



Dr. Kasia Kopanska

Education, R&D and networking platform promoting 3D organotypic technologies for therapies development

Aims to replace animal experimentation according to 3Rs (Replacement, Reduction and Refinement)

Organizes company, university, and other site visits, as well as scientific conferences

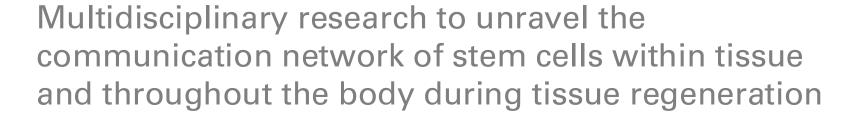


Stem Cells and Regenerative Medicine





Prof. Dr. Andreina Schoerberlein



Aims to efficiently and rapidly transfer basic research findings into clinical applications, with a focus on cell therapy





Prof. Dr. Amig Gazdhar



Data Science





Prof. Dr. Abdullah Kahraman



Dr Carine Poussin

Fosters networking and collaborations between scientists interested in solving cutting-edge problems using data science-related tools

Applies data science to cancer diagnostics, next gen sequencing, protein modelling and design, drug development, virtual screening, and bioprocess modeling and optimization



In Vitro Diagnostics





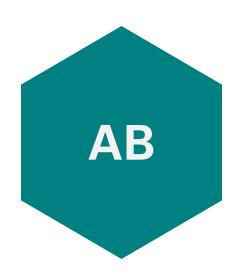
Dr. Samantha Paoletti

Promotes advances in in vitro diagnostics, using molecular biology, biochemistry, micro-/nanotechnology, bioanalytics, miniaturization, automation, data management, and regulatory affairs



Prof. Dr. Marc Pfeifer

Unites key stakeholders from industry, medicine and research organizations at its annual Swiss Symposium in Point-of-Care Diagnostics



Antibiotics





Prof. Dr. Markus Seeger

Brings together expertise of antibiotic research in Switzerland, with a focus on developing new antibiotics to treat multidrug resistant bacteria, and rapid diagnostics

Organizes an annual meeting and participates in international missions related to antimicrobial resistance (AMR)



Biocatalysis and Biosynthesis



Prof. Dr. Rebecca Buller



Dr. Kathrin Hecht

Promotes biocatalysis and biosynthesis as a complementary method to classic synthesis

Develops enzyme libraries and methods for biocatalytic and biosynthetic processes, and transfers them to the chemical and pharmaceutical industries



Biomanufacturing (**)





Prof. Dr. Regine Eibl



Prof. Dr. Thomas Villiger

Develops biopharmaceutical production processes for protein, cell, and gene therapeutics, and vaccines

Covers upstream and downstream processing, formulation, and fill & finish, and transfers processes to industry

Organizes visits to member labs and fosters interinstitution R&D projects



Bioresources (





Prof. Dr. Marco Rupprich



Recovers valuable inorganic and organic chemicals and materials from biowaste, wastewater, sideproducts of industrial processes and transforms them into products of value for society

No poster here today, but Marco and Patrick are here!

Prof. Dr. Patrick Shahgaldian



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Researchers and innovators in Switzerland can participate in Horizon Europe.

Dr. Katharina Hoffmann Company and Grants Advisor

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During the break:

- Visit platform posters
- Collect stamps
- Win a goodie bag!



AGENDA

- 13.45 Dr. Ina Kramer, Novartis. Diseases of aging and regenerative medicine.
- 14.10 Dr. Aksana Labokha, Centenara. Live longer, age better.
- 14.35 Prof. Dr. Deborah Stroka, Uni Bern. Why some organs age faster than others.
- 15.00 Networking break Visit Biotechnet platform posters, get stamps
- 15.30 Prof. Dr. Birgit Weinberger, Universität Innsbruck. *Immunosenescence: When the immune system gets old.*
- 15.55 Panel discussion
- 16.30 Dr. Christian Moser-Nikles, IPI. Patent landscape: Aging and biotech.
- 17.00 Apéro and networking

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Diseases of aging and regenerative medicine





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PANEL DISCUSSION:

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Dr. Aksana Labokha Centenara

Dr. Birgit Weinberger Universität Innsbruck

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Dr. Christian Moser-Nikles Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property (IPI) Intellectual property landscape – Biotech and aging





Thank you!

Networking Apéro

