

## ::: BBMRI.at Biobanking eNews – Aug 2020 :::

### BBMRI.at & BBMRI-ERIC News



- **Another BBMRI.at Biobank Sample Cohort meets CEN/TS requirements** - Aug 2020 (BBMRI.at)
- **Kurt Zatloukal (Instand-NGS coordinator) talks to siliconrepublic.com**  
See article “Challenges of bringing NGS to patients”
- **Webinar: Registering with the BBMRI-ERIC Directory & Negotiator for non-BBMRI biobanks** – 3 Aug 2020 (BBMRI-ERIC)  
With contribution of experts and ISO members from BBMRI.at

### Global Biobanking News



- **IBBL and LNS launch MIRABANK in Luxembourg** - Aug 2020 (News-Medical.net)  
Under the coordination and responsibility of IBBL, the biobank will be tasked with collecting bacterial strains. The project was selected following an EU call tender by the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC).



- **Need for sustainable biobanking networks for COVID-19 and other diseases of epidemic potential** – 27 July (The Lancet)  
The authors present a sustainable model for a global network of biobanks with standardised methods for collection, characterisation, and archiving of specimens and pathogens for COVID-19 and other diseases of epidemic potential.



- **A prototype Sample Locator for the German Biobank Alliance** – 27 July 2020 (Biobanking.com)  
Researchers wishing to access biosamples within the GBA biobanks currently directly contact a particular biobank location or gain access options via a mailing list. Sample requests are usually [...]



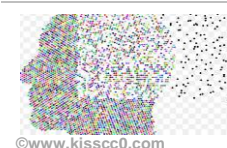
- **“Biosample Hub” directory launched by a UK not-for-profit company** – July 2020 designed to be user-friendly and to optimise search efficiency. For both data entry and for searching,



- **Biobanking.com creates “Global Biobank Directory”** - (Biobanking.com)  
“Biobankers, if you wish to increase the visibility of your biobank/biorepository at the global level, join now!”



- **ISBER and ASCP BOC announce qualification in biorepository science (QBRS) for biobankers** – 29 July 2020 (PR Web)  
Given the global growth in the field of modern biobanking, there is a demand for ongoing education. Applications are now open.



- **Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation (ADDF), pharma firms form Biobank Alliance** - 29 July 2020 (GenomeWeb)  
Under the biobank agreements, Roche, Shionogi, Janssen Pharmaceuticals, and Eisai will provide ADDF with specimens, including blood and ..



- **Grant launches Dog Aging Project biobank at Cornell** – Aug 2020 (Cornell Chronicle)  
Cornell Vet biobank - the first to meet ISO's rigorous international standard for biobanks – received \$2.5 million federal grant to process, store and distribute samples for this national aging project ..

### Upcoming Events



- **IVDR, pre-analytics & standards (BBMRI.at & LISAvienna)** | Oct 20+21, 2020 | virtual
- **Precision Diagnostics Europe 2020 conference** | postponed to spring 2021  
Prague/Biocev Vestec, CZ
- **EBW2020** | 17-20 Nov 2020 | virtual | **Deadlines: abstracts 28 Aug/early bird fee: 16 Aug**