



Biospecimens beyond border

"Biological material and data on diseases lay the foundation for the advancement of medicine," says Professor Kurt Zatloukal of the Medical University Graz, the coordinator of the preparatory phase project to establish BBMRI.

"The problem is that these key resources are currently dispersed throughout a highly fragmented research landscape. And the challenge was finding a way to bring these resources together and make them more easily accessible to academic and industrial research."

EU funding has enabled major repositories to link up, share these resources and build up a pan-European biobanking and biomolecular research infrastructure.

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