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- COVID-19 Genesene gesucht - June 2020
- ORF TV: High security laboratory for highly infectious biosamples - June 2020
- KTM Journals: Safe examination of highly infectious samples - June 2020
- New on BBMRK at website: Video "What are Research Infrastructures?" - July 2020
- Another cohort meets CEN/TS requirements: "PoCSteo Cohort from Biobank Graz - July 2020 (BBMRI.at)
- BBMRI-ERIC Self-Assessment Surveys (SAS) News – 15 June 2020 (BBMRI-ERIC)


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**Global Biobanking News**




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- The 'Expiry Problem' of broad consent for biobank research - And why a meta consent model solves it – 2020 (Journal of Medical Ethics)  
Debate about the best consent model for biobank research: The article touches the expiry problem that affects broad consent models because of changes over time in methods, purposes, types of data used and governance structures ...




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- Should biobanks be used in criminal investigations? – 21 July 2020 (bioedge.org)  
A new article in the Journal of Medical Ethics explores some of the ethical considerations involved in the forensic use of specimens from biobanks.  
Publication DOI: 10.1136/medethics-2020-106133: [Accessing medical biobanks to solve crimes: ethical considerations](#)




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- UK Biobank signs DNAnexus for informatics platform – 13 July 2020 (ukaauthority)  
UK Biobank has awarded DNAnexus a three-year contract to provide an informatics platform as a managed service letting researchers easily and quickly explore and analyze this rich dataset. The deal is valued at £2 million.




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- Data detectives track the pandemic – 1 June (Sutter Health Biobank)  
In a COVID-19 Seroprevalence and Surveillance Study researchers explore ways to detect Sars-CoV-2 before it spreads, by assessing exposure rates in patients ...




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- Expanding precision medicine's potential for humans, dogs – 15 June 2020 (Cornell Chronicle )  
Dogs are an excellent species for the study of human cancer, because they share the same environment as humans....




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- Hospital records hold valuable Covid-19 data. Making it usable is time-consuming work – June, 2020 (STAT)  
To help scientists around the globe study Covid-19, researchers in Boston have shared genetic and other clinical data from thousands of patients with an international consortium.



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- Artificial Intelligence–powered search tools and resources against COVID-19 - June (publication in eJIFCC)




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- FinnGen study makes new dataset publicly available for genome researchers around the world – 17 June 2020 (EurekAlert)  
The new dataset is based on aggregate and de-identified information from more than 135,000 Finnish biobank participants. "We are grateful to the ...

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**Upcoming Events**



- IVDR, pre-analytics & standards (BBMRI.at & LISAVienna) | Oct 20, 2020 | Vienna, AT
- Precision Diagnostics Europe 2020 conference | postponed to spring 2021 Prague/Biocev Vestec, CZ
- EBW2020 | 17-20 Nov 2020 | virtual | **Deadlines: abstracts 3 Aug/early bird fee:16 Aug**

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