

MINUTES OF THE FINAL CONFERENCE IN BITOLA 11th and 12th November 2016

The final conference was held on 11th and 12th November 2016 at 12:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. respectively, at Hotel "Theatre" - Bitola and at the premises of the REMEDIC Laboratory, University St. Kliment Ohridski in Bitola.

In attendance (11th November 2016):

- Elizabeta Bahtovska, Deputy Rector, University in Bitola
- Adnan Emini, Antenna officer, JTS
- Stefanovski Petar, University in Bitola
- Kolondzovska-Korlevska Aneta, University in Bitola
- Pandovska Morena, University in Bitola
- Ristevska-Dimitrovska Gordana, Higher Medical School – UKLO
- Kritis Aristeidis, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki – Medical School
- Vavilis Theofanis, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki – Medical School
- Angelidou Eleni, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki – Medical School
- Maria Chnaraki, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki – Medical School
- Smaragada Arvanitidou, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki – Medical School
- Guests
- Journalists (TV TERA, TV ORBIS, TV MEGA, TV KANAL 5, UKLO Radio)

In attendance (12th November):

- Stefanovski Petar, University in Bitola
- Pandovska Morena, University in Bitola
- Kolondzovska-Korlevska Aneta, University in Bitola
- Ristevska-Dimitrovska Gordana, Higher Medical School – UKLO
- Kritis Aristeidis, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki – Medical School
- Vavilis Theofanis, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki – Medical School
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1st Day 11/11/2016

At the opening ceremony, the welcoming speech was taken by the deputy Rector of University St."Kliment Ohridski"-Bitola, Ms. Bahtovska, who expressed satisfaction with the implementation of the IPA project and she mention that among the collaborators in the project developed scientific, professional and friendly cooperation, which will greatly contribute to further promising cooperation center in the scientific segment.

In the beginning the LP2 gave a full presentation of the project overview, the project background, objectives and the results of the project activities. As a final product was mention that the citizens from now will have the opportunity to get closer to contemporary European scientific and medical developments through the established laboratory in Bitola which is dedicated and specialized manipulation of cell cultures of stem cells.

The LP1 also had opportunity to take a welcoming speech where was mention that the center in Thessaloniki is of the same caliber as LDL in Bitola. LP1 take care to ensure that international and European standard for work with stem cells are implemented at LP2 and also the infrastructure, the technology and protocols are install at the same level with the laboratory in Thessaloniki .

In the last part of the opening ceremony it where presented 3 informative videos from "REMEDIC" project, created by LP2.

The first working session contend 2 presentations, the first one was from Prof. Kritis, expert at LP1 with theme "STEM CELLS ISOLATION, POTENTIAL CLINICAL APPLICATION" and the second presentation from Prof. Stefanovski, expert at LP2, with theme " STEM CELLS AND CANCER".

Both professors discussed several issues focusing on a stem cells, GMP cell isolation and culture techniques. It was mentioned that with development of the laboratory research protocols will be available to isolate stem cells from the patients and to be implemented to be made in order to improve their quality life. Stem cells are a very important segment because they are associated with the



development of malignant diseases. Established laboratory in Bitola will allow protocols for the isolation of mesenchymal stem cells from fat tissue of a patient, the development of scientific research in cell cultures of various types and development of research with stem cells.

At the second working session it was realized workshop on a theme "POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATION AND RESEARCH CROSS-BORDER". After excellent experience and cooperation from the both sides, collaborates where agreed to prepare a new proposals and upgraded activities for continuation of REMEDIC project with support of EU programs.

2nd Day 12/11/2016

The second day was practical training at the Laboratory Facility in Bitola. REMEDIC LP1 experts, on stem cells isolation and culture educated LP2 team. The equipment were also tested and impressions were very positive from the both sides. Also experimental protocols were discussed aiming towards a fully functional unit.. The teams exchange information about biological materials, difficulties that this ensues and differences between the legislative actions in the two countries.

Attached:

List of participants for both meetings
Agenda

