## Minutes Board Meeting MultiPark Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> of September 2012; 10.10 – 12.05 am BMC A10 Seminar room

**Present:** 

Pia Berntsson

Anders Björklund Oskar Hansson

Susanne Iwarsson (Chair)

Emma Roybon Zuzanna Kurowska

Elisabet Londos (10.10-11.42) Cecilia Lundberg (10.43-12.00)

Per Odin (via Skype)

Roger Olsson (10.28-12.05)

Absent:

Hjalmar Bjarmarz Jens Schoenborg Karl Obrant

## § 1. Meeting starts

Susanne Iwarsson opened the meeting at 10.10 am and welcomed everyone.

## § 2. Designation of the "Justeringsperson"

Oskar Hansson was appointed as "Justeringsperson"

## § 3. Approval of the agenda

The agenda was approved.

## § 4. Delegated decisions (enclosure 1)

Delegated decisions regarding travel grants and other strategic grants since last board meeting, see enclosure 1.

## § 5 Information

#### a) Update on recruitments

- **a. Clinical positions** –Maria H Nilsson, Sebastian Palmqvist and Åsa Wallin each were granted funding for 50% research time during 2 years, to be followed by evaluation and then potentially extended with another 2 years. As all of them prefer part time funding of their permanent positions, the employment procedure for new positions has been cancelled.
- **b. Professor in clinical neuroscience** Four applicants, decision due in December 2012.
- **c. Professor in chemical biology-** one applicant only; R. Olsson has been offered the position.

#### b) Coordinator, assistant coordinator & board

Oskar Hansson has declared that he wants to quit as the assistant coordinator; a replacement is needed from Oct 1, 2012. Since the assignment as coordinator terminates by Febr 28, 2013, it is necessary for

MultiPark to suggest also who will be the coordinator for the remaining funding period (until Dec 31, 2014). This applies also for the Board of MultiPark, and S. Iwarsson has initiated discussions with the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine as well as with the Vice-Chancellor's office.

- c) Upcoming evaluations (Sven Pålhagen, statistical support) there is an upcoming evaluation of Sven Pålhagen's 30% funding from Multipark (terminates Aug 20, 2013) and for the statistical support (terminates Dec 31, 2012).
- **d) Outcome of the SFO call from the Vice-Chancellor** R. Olsson with co-applicants applied for 2,000,000 SEK for infrastructure screening equipment, whereof 750,000 SEK was granted for 2012, with an expressed intention for additional funding (for the depreciation costs) during 2013-2014.
- **e) Graduate School cooperation** S. Iwarsson is the PI for a 3,000,000 SEK proposal to FAS, for continued funding of the CASE Graduate School. In order to strengthen the collaboration with MultiPark in graduate education, Helena Jernström is one of the co-applicants.
- f) **MultiPark Retreat 2012** will take place on October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> at Hven Island and approx. 70 co-workers will participate.
- **g) Steering Group composition** C. Lundberg has resigned and G. Gouras has replaced her since June 2012.
- h) Working group on strategy for the experimental node G. Gouras has been assigned as the chair of a working group to develop a strategic plan for the experimental node, with A. Cenci-Nilsson as the co-chair. An interim report will be presented at the next board meeting.

## § 6. Decision on the biobank plan

- O. Hansson presented the biobank initiative. The board accepted the composition of the biobank steering group as presented in the biobank plan, and it was *decided* to fund the biobank by the requested amount = 2,675,000 SEK.
- O. Hansson and P. Odin did not participate in the decision.

# § 7. Decision on the assignment as study coordinator for the Lund University Neuroscience Graduate School, 2013-2014

The board  $\emph{decided}$  to assign H. Jernström as Study Coordinator for 2013-2014, 30% of full time.

## § 8. Evaluation and decision, Ruben Smith

The board expressed their appreciation of the report delivered for the 6-month period funded during 2012, and *decided* to fund an additional 18-month period, 50% of full time clinical research salary for R. Smith, to be used no later than 2014-12-31. It was also *decided* that in future strategic initiatives, Ruben Smith should be considered in an equal way as those offered the 50 % clinical positions.

P. Odin has a conflict of interest and did not take part in the decision.

## § 9. Update regarding SWEPAR developments

P. Odin gave an update on the 'Parkinson registry' according to the enclosure. In addition, he informed the board that the funding from SKL will cover part of Ulrika Mundt Petersens salary from 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2012 and until 2014, resulting in a major reduction of the MultiPark funding for her position. Since Region Skåne can be assigned as the CPUA only after 2014, when SWEPAR can be an independent registry, there is a definite need for a formal agreement with the Karolinska Institutet to govern the CPUA process. In addition, there is a need to set the plans for the future, specifying the build-up process as well as maintenance process. The Board supports the ongoing developments, but emphasizes the requirement to maintain the formal registry responsibility in Lund. Moreover, it is necessary to take this development into account when evaluating the current funding period for S. Pålhagen. It was emphasized by the board that the formal LU affiliation for Pålhagen, as a "registerhållare" for the Parkinson registry, is a key component for continued support from MultiPark. Continued reporting to the Steering Group and Board is imperative.

#### § 10. Decisions on applications: PhD student salaries

All present members except S. Iwarsson, R. Olsson and Z. Kurowska have a conflict of interest. Consequently, the Board there was no *quorum* to make a decision. Board members with a conflict of interest did not participate in the discussion that followed.

After discussion, S. Iwarsson, R. Olsson and Z. Kurowska recommended funding of the two applications (T. Deierborg, G. Paul-Visse) based on the requested amounts, totaling 2,080,000 SEK. S. Iwarsson will consult with the Faculty Office on how to proceed towards a decision.

S. Iwarsson raised two formal point that have to be adjusted by the applicants: 1) the budget in G. Paul-Visse's application must be revised, stating 100% faculty financing during the first two years; 2) since no PhD student's name can be mentioned in a project description, T. Deierborg's application must be revised.

#### § 11. Decision on applications: Research time

All present members except E. Londos and Z. Kurowska have a conflict of interest. As anticipated already prior to the meeting, there was no *quorum* to make a decision. Consequently, S. Iwarsson had already consulted with the Faculty Office on how to proceed towards a decision, and the plan is that the Faculty Board will make the decision at their ordinary meeting on Sept 20. Board members with a conflict of interest did not participate in the discussion that followed.

One applicant, Lars Jacobsson, was found not eligible, since he did not present any collaboration between the nodes within MultiPark. After discussion, E. London and Z. Kurowska recommended funding based on the ranking from external reviewers, totaling 2,000,000 SEK. The recommendation is that applicants ranked 1-3 (i.e. Gesine Paul-Visse, Marie Grey, Maria Haak and Reena Murmu) will receive the requested amounts, and the three applicants ranked 4-5

(i.e. Kerstin Buck, Tomas Deierborg and Davide Tampellini) will each receive 69,000 SEK (approx. one month salary each).

Directly after the meeting, E. Roybon will report this recommendation to the Faculty Office.

§ 12. Decision on applications: Infrastructure

Since all present board members except for S. Iwarsson have a conflict of interest, the decision was postponed until further notice. The budget allocated for the infrastructure call is 6,000,000 SEK. S. Iwarsson will consult with the Faculty Office and the Dean on how to proceed towards a decision.

## § 13. Budget principles 2013

Postponed to the next board meeting.

## § 14. Other issues

Last board meeting for Z. Kurowska, and the Board expressed sincere gratitude to her for the time spent on the assignment as a PhD student representative.

§ 15. End of meeting

S. Iwarsson therewith declared the meeting closed.

Susanne Iwarsson

Chair

Pia Berntsson

**Meeting Secretary** 

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Oskar Hansson

## **Enclosure 1**

# **Delagated decisions**

## **Travel Grants**

Name	<b>Granted amount</b>	Conference / Course & dates	Decision	Date granted
Ulrich Pfisterer	15000	Cold Spring Harbour Laboratory Course – Single Cell Analysis (6 – 19 June, 2012)	S Iwarsson	4/26/12
Maria H Nilsson	7000	16 <sup>th</sup> International Congress of Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorders (17-21 June 2012)	C Lundberg	5/7/12
Malin Åkerblom	7000	Regulation of adult neurogenesis: from epigenetics to behavior (12 July-13 July 2012) & FENS Forum of Neuroscience (14-18 July 2012)	S Iwarsson	5/7/12
Stina Bladh	7000	Course "The interview as a method for data collection – techniques and strategies" (travel dates 26-30 August 2012 & 9-12 Jan 2013).	O Hansson	5/10/12
Erik Ahlm Cederfjäll	14400	The annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience; New Orleans, USA; 2012-10-13 to 2012-10-17	S Iwarsson	8/26/12
Liana Fasching	15000	Orleans, USA; 2012-10-13 to 2012-10-17	S Iwarsson	8/26/12
Rohit Sachdeva	15000	The annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience; New Orleans, USA; 2012-10-13 to 2012-10-17	S Iwarsson	8/26/12
Hélène Hall	14860	The annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience; New Orleans, USA; 2012-10-13 to 2012-10-17	S Iwarsson	8/26/12

Josefin Malmevik	15000	The annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience; New Orleans, USA; 2012-10-13 to 2012-10-17	S Iwarsson	8/26/12
Hanna Lindgren	14895	Attending a short course called: An Introduction to Behavioral Research Protocol Programming: Getting Started with MED-PC® New Orleans, USA; 2012-10-14 to 2012-10-16	S Iwarsson	8/26/12
Luis Quintino	6 910	The Annual Meeting of the European Society for Gene and Cell Therapy, Versailles, France; 2012-10-25 to 2012-10-29	S Iwarsson	8/26/12
Erika Elgstrand	7 000	The Annual Meeting of the European Society for Gene and Cell Therapy, Versailles, France; 2012-10-25 to 2012-10-29	S Iwarsson	9/10/12
Shane Grealish	8 630	The 42nd annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience (SFN) in New Orleans, USA; 2012-10-12 to 2012-10-17	S Iwarsson	9/10/12
Olof Torper	15 000	The 42nd annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience (SFN) in New Orleans, USA; 2012-10-11 to 2012-10-18	S Iwarsson	9/10/12
Gabrielle Callander	7 000	Computational Methods in Massively Parallel Sequencing' offered by SciLifeLabs in Uppsala, Sweden. 2012-09-22 to 2012-09-28	S Iwarsson	9/9/12

# Other Strategic grants

Maria H Nilsson	Participation in reading group during the development of the European Physiotherapy Guidelines for Parkinson's Disease	R Olsson	5/3/12
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