SAM V
Status Report of the RECOOP HST Consortium

American Science Information Center, Prague, Czech Republic
Based on the mutual understanding we did not renew the MoU

Faculty of Military Health Sciences, University of Defense, Hradec Kralove
The Faculty accepted the Implementation Plan and to make the Technology Transfer more operational they will transfer the TT activities to the Faculty’s existing Research Foundation (NGO) and amend the registration and the bylaw of the NGO and will add the Innovation Management and Technology Transfer activities.

They will host the Summer School Innovation Management and Technology Transfer from August 25 to September 2, 2007 in Hotel ILF (Hotel of the Institute for Postgraduate Medical Education, web site http://www.hotel-ilf.cz/vypis_en.asp?item=313& )

They will host SAM VII on April 4-5-6 in 2008 in Prague.

School of Medicine University J. J. Strossmayer Osijek, Croatia
They attended the In-House training (December 2 -13, 2006) and started the RIM implementation, started the full scale RIM implementation.

They will host SAM VIII October 3-4-5, 2008 Dubrovnik, Croatia.

University of Debrecen, Hungary
They attended the In-House training from December 2 to 13, 2006 and completed the RIM implementation.

They will transfer know – how of their PhD program to Institute of Molecular Biology and Genetics, National Academy of Science of Ukraine and they will write an EU FP7 Tempus proposal to get financial support for the restructuring of the PhD program in Ukraine.

They are planning compose a consortium to submit a proposal for the EU FP7 in the field of genetic profiling and sequencing neurodegenerative diseases based on the work at Institute of Molecular Biology and Genetics, National Academy of Science of Ukraine. HEALTH-2007-2.2.1-7: Restorative approaches for therapy of neurodegenerative diseases. Collaborative project (Small or medium-scale focused research project). Deadline: September 18, 2007

Also they will investigate the opportunity to collaborate with Department of Cardiology in the development of the technology for cellular cardiomyoplasty with using adult mesenchymal stem cell lines and experimental models of myocardial infarction.
They completed the Implementation Plan and they are working hard to get more disclosures.

They are supporting the RIM implementation at School of Medicine University J. J. Strossmayer Osijek, Croatia.

They will review to renew their Sister University relation with Danylo Halytsky Lviv National Medical University, Lviv, Ukraine (they had it for twenty years, but after the political changes in CEE it dried out and nothing happened in the last 15 years. With the help of the RECOOP Consortium they would like to revitalize their relation and they are planning to write an EU FP7 Tempus proposal to get financial support for the restructuring of the Medical Education at Danylo Halytsky Lviv National Medical University using the experience of the School of Medicine University J. J. Strossmayer Osijek, Croatia.

Pecs will host SAM VI on October 5 (RECOOP Scientific Meeting), 6 and 7, (SAM VI) and October 8 and 9, 2007 Research and Innovation Management Training Courses. The Workshop will be a joint venture of CSMC – RECOOP HST, Interfaceurope (IE) (http://www.interfaceurope.net/) and WIPO (http://www.wipo.int/portal/index.html.en) for the Hungarian Higher Education and for the region: Austria, Croatia, Macedonia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Romania. RECOOP members and WIPO sponsored participants will participate free of charge the rest for registration fee.

RECOOP Scientific Meeting:

Goals:
Explore research activities in what the Consortium will have cooperative platform for FP7 and NIH proposals

Key steps:
Complete Research Activity Inventory April 16, 2007
Form Scientific Committee – recommended members the RECOOP Advisory Board’s Members April 30, 2007
Two invited presentations per member organization May 25, 2007
Submission of abstract from young scientist – no limitation per organization June 15, 2007
Selection of final list of presentations July 20, 2007
Submission of Abstracts August 30, 2007
University of Szeged, Hungary

They completed the Implementation Plan.

They are planning to submit a proposal for FP7 People Marie Curie Initial Training Networks. Deadline: May 7, 2007

They composed a template for Research Activity Inventory and offered for the Consortium.

FP7 People Marie Curie Evidence – based Laboratory Medicine Group

1. CALLS 2007
ACTIVITY 1: "INITIAL TRAINING OF RESEARCHERS" 1.

Carol Davila University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Bucharest, Romania

They formed their Research and Innovation Management Office and started a thorough implementation plan.

They have a strong team with the involvement of the Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Faculties.


They organized the first RECOOP Scientific Meeting on Low Birth Weight.

They will submit a proposal for FP7 Cooperation:

3.5. SPECIFIC INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ACTIONS FOR HEALTH SYSTEM RESEARCH

HEALTH-2007-3.5-1: Epidemiological investigations into term trends of population health as consequence of socio-economic transitions, including life-
style induced health –SICA or Collaborative project (Small or medium-scale focused research project)

Low Birth Weight

Coordinator: "Carol Davila" University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Bucharest, Romania

Participating organizations:
University of Pecs, Hungary
Slovak Medical University, Slovakia
Danylo Halytsky Lviv National Medical University, Lviv, Ukraine
School of Medicine University J. J. Strossmayer Osijek, Croatia
Cedars – Sinai Medical Center

Slovak Medical University, Bratislava, Slovakia
From June 2006 we are planning to renew or LoA, nevertheless we had to postpone the renewal until they elected a new Vice Rector for Science Professor Katka Sebekova.

We hope they will continue our bilateral agreement and after a year long struggle they will start the implementation of the RIM program.

They are willing to submit a proposal to EU FP7 Cooperation 2007 First Call.

4. OTHER ACTIONS ACROSS THE HEALTH THEME

4.1. HEALTH-2007-4.1-4: Identifying patients' needs in the clinical trials context. Coordination and support action (Coordination or support action)

Coordinator: Slovak Medical University

Participating organizations:

University of Szeged, Hungary
University of Pecs, Hungary
University of Debrecen, Hungary
Slovak Medical University, Slovakia
"Carol Davila" University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Bucharest, Romania
Danylo Halytsky Lviv National Medical University, Lviv, Ukraine
School of Medicine University J. J. Strossmayer Osijek, Croatia
Cedars – Sinai Medical Center
As we learned in Kyiv the Institute formed their Research and Innovation Management Group and the leadership committed to complete the RIM implementation plan until October 2007.

They are very active and productive in several scientific fields and in each research area they are looking for partners in the Consortium to submit proposals to FP7 or NIH.

Newly developed high-throughput gene profiling technologies for diagnostics and gene therapy of human brain tumors. Professor Vadim M. Kavsan, Dr. Sc., Corresponding Member of NASU

Potential partner: *University of Debrecen is Interested*

Proteomic research of the components of translation machinery in mammalian cells during the human cancer development. Boris S. Negrutskii, Dr.Sc.

Potential partner: *Faculty of Military Health Sciences, University of Defense, Hradec Kralove*

The molecular basis of decoding of genetic information, RNA-protein recognition and development of novel classes of antibiotics. Professor, Mykhailo A. Tukalo, Dr.Sc.,

Potential partner: *Faculty of Military Health Sciences, University of Defense, Hradec Kralove*

New techniques and molecular markers for DNA -analysis for genotypic identification are being elaborated and offered for practical use in forensic medical examination. Dr. Ludmila A. Livshits

Potential partner: *School of Medicine University J. J. Strossmayer Osijek, Croatia*

Studies on the nature, origin, DNA diagnostics and prevalence of the mutations, that cause monogenic hereditary diseases such as mucoviscidosis, phenylketonuria, Hoffmann's muscular atrophy, muscular Duchenne and Becker dystrophy, haemophilia A, Huntington's chorea, Martin-Bell syndrome, hemochromatosis, corneal dystrophy etc. Dr. Ludmila A. Livshits

Potential partner: *University Debrecen – Ceratoconus*

Development of the technology for cellular cardiomyoplasty with using adult mesenchymal stem cell lines and experimental models of myocardial infarction. Lubov L. Lukash, Dr.Sc., (biol.), senior staff scientist

Potential partner: *University of Debrecen,, Department of Cardiology*

Professor, Mykhailo A. Tukalo, Dr.Sc., Deputy Director for Science would like to the restructuring of the PhD program at the Medical University with the help of the IMBG and the Consortium Members.
Potential partner: Prof. Laszlo Matyus, MD, PhD, Dr. Sci. Head of the PhD program at the Faculty of Medicine and they could apply for EU FP7 Tempus proposal to get financial support. The objective of the TEMPUS trans-European cooperation scheme for higher education is to promote the development of higher education systems for the eligible countries. Ukraine is eligible see web site: http://leonardo.cec.eu.int/

It seeks to strengthen cooperation between these eligible countries and partners in all Community Member States. TEMPUS III submission deadline December 15, 2006 unfortunately we missed this opportunity, we could apply in 2007. Web site: http://leonardo.cec.eu.int/ click on TEMPUS

We have other option the ERASMUS MUNDUS; The Erasmus Mundus programme is a co-operation and mobility programme in the field of higher education which promotes the European Union as a centre of excellence in learning around the world. It supports European top-quality Masters Courses and enhances the visibility and attractiveness of European higher education in third countries. It also provides EU-funded scholarships for third country nationals participating in these Masters Courses, as well as scholarships for EU-nationals studying in third countries. Web site: http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/mundus/index_en.html

Palladin Institute of Biochemistry, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Kyiv, Ukraine

Completed the first part of the Implementation Plan they formed the Research and Innovation management Team. They are revising their institutional policies and procedures for Innovation Management and Technology Transfer. They will adopt the CSMC forms and will use the MTA and Sponsored Research Agreement to develop their own.

Institute of Cell Biology, National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, Lviv, Ukraine

The Institute established their Research and Innovation Management Team, they are working on policies and procedures and forms (IDX, MAT, NDA).

They are very productive and they have strong industrial relation in the USA with Archer Daniels Midland Co. (http://www.admworld.com/). ADM has three patents from Prof. Andriy Sibirny, Director of the Institute. Prof. Sibirny will have two disclosures for the Patent Warehouse.

Professor Myhaylo Gonchar, Deputy Director of the Institute already submitted a IDX to the PW.
Danylo Halytsky Lviv National Medical University, Lviv, Ukraine

The Pharmaceutical Faculty started to build a team for RIM at the Pharmaceutical Faculty.

They would like to reactivate the Sister University relation with University of Pecs and planning to restructure the Medical and Pharmaceutical education. They would like to apply for TEMPUS or ERASMUS MUNDUS.

RECOOP HST Consortium

Partners agreed to proceed with the draft of the Consortium Agreement and the Drafting Team revised the agreement.

The list of the members of the WOGs completed and the JCTM, PW and Research Resources WOGs started to work.

The Research Resource WOG struggled to collect the reviewed Research Tools Inventory the new deadline is April 16, 2007. Robert Ancuceanu, managing director enounce his resignation but he will continue his work in the WOG, so until SAM VI we should find a new.

The RIM Training Group suffered from the uncertainty of the Managing Directors, in 2006 November AMVIS made the decision and mutual agreed with CSMC to do not renew the MoU. Therefore we had to replace Simona with Iuliana.

The Research Networking Group (Managing Director is Ivan Ciznar) still pending due to the unfinished business at the Slovak Medical University. The WOG willing to collect data on research activities and would like to complete the Research Activity Inventory until April 16, 2007.

SAM VI Meeting will be in Hungary at University of Pecs on October 5, 6 and 7, 2007. On October 5 we are planning to organize a Scientific Forum for the RECOOP HST Consortium.

We are planning to have a secure web site at the RIM site to provide detailed information on the ongoing research programs at the partner organizations. Using the list of the research projects they could find common grand for EU FP7 proposals and for Marie Curie Actions.

WIPO
The RECOOP HST Consortium will ask for a trial period to use of IP Dictionary

www.IPDictionary.org
We had the first PCT Workshop with WIPO on March 2, 2007 in Bucharest.

The 2007 Summer School for Innovation Management and Technology Transfer will take place in Prague from August 25 (arrival) to September 2, 2007 (departure) will take place in Prague, Hotel ILF (Hotel of the Institute for Postgraduate Medical Education. We will organize it with Interfaceurope [IE] (http://www.interfaceurope.net/) RECOOP and CSMC are expecting 20 participants from WIPO University Initiatives (10 free of charge and additional 10 for tuition fee – around 1200 Euro) mainly from Western Balkan (Montenegro, Albania, Bosnia- Herzegovina, Macedonia, Serbia) also from Bulgaria and Romania. The organizing anticipates five to 10 participants from other EU member states and around 5 trainees and from RECOOP HST also free of charge.

On January 22, 2007 I am planning to visit Prague to visit the ILF Hotel and finalize the reservation and following that on January 24 and 25, 2007 I am planning to visit WIPO to finalize the training program and the preparation plan and promotion – marketing plan.

Also we finalized the evaluation plan of the WIPO distance learning program:
- DL-001 Primer on Intellectual Property
- DL-101 General Course on Intellectual Property
- DL-201E Copyright and Related Rights
- DL-204E Biotechnology and Intellectual Property

by the following participating organizations
- University of Szeged, Hungary
- University of Pecs, Hungary
- University of Debrecen, Hungary
- Carol Davila University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Bucharest, Romania
- School of Medicine University J. J. Strossmayer Osijek, Croatia

EU FP7
The first call will be enounced at the end of December and the closing day will be April 17, 2007.

I would like to attend a training session for FP7- proposal's writing- legal & financial aspects between January 16 and 18, 2007 in Brussels (http://www.interfaceurope.net/). On January 19, 2007 Theodore Papazoglou will organize meeting with the representatives of the Marie Curie Actions Unit.

At this moment we have five FP7 proposals under development: