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The Faculty of Medicine Innovation Strategy Plan 2023-2026

Introduction

At the Faculty of Medicine, we have expertise and research with great potential to improve patients' lives and health, and we therefore have a responsibility to translate this into products and solutions for the benefit of society and patients¹. It is a goal that our research results should lead to medical applications in diagnostics, treatment, and services that lead to added value for end-users.

The plan has the following goals and measures:

Goal area: Culture for innovation

Why: A good culture for innovation will over time lead to more and better ideas and to increasing realization of the ideas, as well as making us an effective and sought-after partner for industry, start-up environments, and external capital environments. Good innovation culture also involves a widespread perception that research and innovation are linked and represent different stages in the same business.

Subgoal	Measures	Main responsible
Increased attention around innovation and entrepreneurship	Reward and highlight innovation at MED.	Faculty management/Department management
	Put innovation in your own research on the agenda in established meeting arenas.	Communication Department MED/Department management
	Continue the Innovation Summer Scholarship for students.	Faculty management
	Create a culture with greater acceptance of failure within innovation/entrepreneurship, for example by following up rejected applications with supervisor resources.	Faculty management/Department management
	Stimulate discussion around innovation potential in doctoral defence presentations.	Faculty management/Department management
Increased innovation competence at MED	Recruit innovation mentors with industry or capital background.	Faculty management/Department management
	Emphasize innovation experience at recruitment for scientific positions.	Faculty management/Department management

¹ [Strategy 2023–2030 | University of Bergen \(uib.no\)](#)

Teaching offer in innovation and entrepreneurship	Offer training in innovation and entrepreneurship to interested students and employees, as well as establishing post-education offers.	Faculty management/Department management
	Ensure that interested students and employees have access to teaching offers regionally (for example Bergen Entrepreneurship Academy), nationally and internationally.	Faculty management

Goal area: Quality in innovation projects

Why: Projects with high quality have greater opportunities to succeed and provide social value. Good support for projects with high potential is therefore over time the most effective use of resources, but at the same time, breadth in early phases is important to contribute to more projects with commercial realization.

Subgoal	Measures	Main responsible
More projects that lead to social realization	Increase the quality and then the number of applications to the national and international support system.	Faculty management in collaboration with the UiB management
	Connect the faculty's innovation projects to the environments in Eitri, and especially Haukeland University Hospital and VIS Innovation, but also other institutions and private actors.	Faculty management
Capacity to apply for and operate larger consortium projects	Strategic development of SFI candidates and candidates for corresponding national and international centers.	Faculty management/Department management

Goal area: Ecosystem for innovation

Why: Developing a health product all the way to something useful for the patient requires collaboration and support from many actors. We will build a strong ecosystem for the faculty and society that ensures access to necessary competence.

Subgoal	Measures	Main responsible
Establishment and implementation of guidelines, processes, and roles	Establishment of guidelines and agreements for projects with shared IPR.	Faculty management in collaboration with Department management, UiB management, collaborating hospitals, and other external actors
Access to relevant and competent support in all project phases	Establish a process and a meeting place (physical and/or virtual) in Eitri for receiving new innovators. This includes help with agreements, IPR management,	Faculty management in collaboration with Eitri, Helse Bergen, and VIS Innovation

	regulatory barriers, business development, and mentoring.	
	Establish financing systems in early-phase innovation in collaboration with public and private actors.	Faculty management in collaboration with the Division of Research and Innovation
	Establish legal innovation competence at the faculty level.	Faculty management
Infrastructure for collaboration and social implementation	Organize academy-industry days.	Faculty management
	Prepare the ground for storage and use of health data across public institutions (hospitals and primary health care) and private actors.	Faculty management
	Further develop test arenas for innovative solutions.	Faculty management
Communication for visibility of innovation	In collaboration with Eitri and MED's communication advisors, inform externally and internally about innovative research results, processes, and the implementation of health-promoting solutions for new health services to society.	Faculty management in collaboration with Eitri and MED's Communication Department
	Disseminate User Manual for Innovation to students and researchers.	Faculty management