Database of R&D groups participating in the COST Action

The integration of multidisciplinary teams working in various disciplines developing new and existing electroporation-based technologies is the main objective of the TD1104 Action. Considering the number of partners that have already expressed their wish to participate in at least one of the working groups (more than 330 individual members belonging to 30 countries), the Action has proven to be very attractive to the researches and companies working in this field. However, achieving the objectives of the Action does not only depend on the number of participants, but also (if not even more so) on the effective interdisciplinary exchange of knowledge between researchers from disparate research disciplines. Therefore, one of the most important commitments of the Action is to provide effective mechanisms of networking and coordination.

With the purpose of promoting and facilitating close collaboration not only between teams working in a specific field, but especially among partners from different disciplines, the creation of a database of the research groups involved in the Action was proposed at the first Management Committee meeting. This searchable database in digital form will be available on the web page www.electroporation.net for all parties interested in electroporation, as well as for those future visitors that are seeking partners for new projects and establishing new collaborations.

Considering the high number of partners involved in the action and their multidisciplinarity, this database will consist of mandatory and optional data fields in order to provide a friendly and useful instrument, and to facilitate the introduction of the information from the member groups.

Mandatory fields should be filled by all partners and correspond to those relevant aspects that are directly related to the topic of electroporation (details of the group, main research topics and techniques related to electroporation, keywords).
The purpose of optional fields is to provide additional information about the partner (other research topics and techniques, on-going projects, etc.).

Every partner involved in the Action will receive a unique URL address that will enable them to edit their own entry in the database. We encourage all groups involved in the Action to provide, in short, the same information that you expect to be able to learn about other partners. We expect the database will contribute positively to the development of synergies between specialists of different disciplines, with the purpose of obtaining a better fundamental understanding of the electroporation process, and improving and developing new applications utilizing this technique. The institutions database should therefore represent a strong tool when in need of new partners, specific techniques, or know how. Browsing by type of institution, keywords, or countries, will enable fast search through the database and will result in new contacts being swiftly established.

Please read the instructions on how to enter your data into the database, they may be found in this PDF document: http://www.electroporation.net/GetFile.ashx?id=536

Forthcoming activities

COST TD1104 Training school
Electroporation based technologies and treatments school
Ljubljana, November 18-24, 2012
http://www.ebtt.org

12th Topical Meeting of the International Society of Electrochemistry & XXII International Symposium on Bioelectrochemistry and Bioenergetics of the Bioelectrochemical Society

Symposium on Electroporation and Biomedical Applications and MC Meeting
Bochum, 17-21 March, 2013
http://topical12.isel-online.org

7th Conference on Experimental and Translational Oncology co-organized by COST TD1104
Portoroz, April 20–24, 2013
http://www.ceto.si