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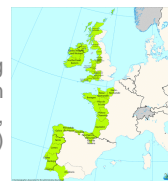
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### ShareBiotech in brief

ShareBiotech's main goal is to strengthen the biotechnology sector through facilitating access to technological core facilities for researchers and companies within the European Atlantic Area. Led by French organisations, the project is being implemented since 2010, by a consortium of 10 partners from 4 Member States (France, Ireland, Portugal and Spain) and 7 regions.



### SECOND PUBLIC EVENT Fostering Open Innovation in Biotechnology: NEW APPROACHES IN BIOPHARMACEUTICAL DELIVERY and BUILDING NETWORKS IN BIOTECHNOLOGY

DATE 10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> May 2012

VENUE CEIN. Noain-Pamplona, Spain

"Fostering Open Innovation in Biotechnology: New approaches in biopharmaceutical delivery and building networks in biotechnology" will take place at CEIN-Navarra Factori, in Noain-Pamplona, Spain, on the 10th and 11th of May. The programme includes prominent speakers from the Atlantic Area and UE representatives. Innovative nano and microsystems for drug delivery will be discussed on the 10th of May. The session on the 11th of May, "Building networks in biotechnology", will address two topics: tools for collaboration in biotechnology and challenges and experiences in networking giving researchers, industry and policy makers the opportunity to share their ideas to foster the biotech sector. [More info...](#)

### Partner Networking

Partners met in Rennes, France on the 27th and 28th of November 2011 and in Nantes, France, on the 25th and 26th of April 2012 to define mechanisms to improve technology service offer in ShareBiotech regions and "instruments to foster technology transfer". In this context the audit results of selected Technological Core Facilities (TCF) in the partners region were presented and actions to support TCF professionalization considered.



ShareBiotech consortium in Nantes

### Study on laboratory information management systems (LIMS)

The main objective of the study was to understand the current status and IT quality of data management tools implemented in the life science market (industry and academic). It is one of the measures evaluated by ShareBiotech as a means to improve quality management in Technology facilities and companies [More info...](#)

### ShareBiotech launches a study about technology facility business models

A ShareBiotech survey in 2010 revealed that TCFs in the Atlantic area may be run as private companies, spin-off companies from Universities, or research infrastructures operating within Universities and Research centres and have diverse cost-recovery strategies. The objective of the present action is to survey and analyze the business models commonly used by european TCFs, by looking at examples in different countries. The results will be presented at the ShareBiotech final event in Nantes, France, on the 23rd of October 2012.

### An emerging technology facility and business model in the South Atlantic Area

ShareBiotech partner CCMAR launched in March 2012 a National competition to develop a Business model for the TCF at the Centro de Ciências do Mar, Algarve. The aim is to better serve marine biotechnology and European Marine Research via ASSEMBLE ([www.assemblemarine.org](http://www.assemblemarine.org))



## ShareBiotech Final Event

ShareBiotech announces its 3rd Transnational Final Event, scheduled to October 23rd, in Nantes, France. This conference will present the most interesting results of ShareBiotech obtained to date and will invite stakeholders, TCFs managers and politicians.

## ShareBiotech participation in Gen2Bio 2012 biotech congress

Gen2Bio is the annual congress organised by Biogenouest, the life science and environment technology core facility network in Western France. The event gathered 400 people in Lorient, France on the 29th of March. ShareBiotech had a booth and invited two speakers: Stuart Mc Elroy, from Dundee University and SULSA, Scotland (ShareBiotech associated actor). The ShareBiotech partner from the National University of Ireland, Galway, Ilaria Nardello, presented Ireland's Marine Biotechnology programme and NUIG's participation in ShareBiotech.



ShareBiotech partners in Gen2Bio

## Local Technology Meetings

Regular local technology meetings (LTMs) to promote biotechnology applications to regional stakeholders are organized in the framework of the ShareBiotech project. Upcoming LTMs:

- **An Ocean of Opportunity for Advancements in Healthcare**, May 1st 2012, Dublin, Ireland This was organized in the context of the 10th Annual Cardiovascular Biomarkers Symposium. [More info...](#)
- **Workshop FOODBIOTECH**, organized by CCMAR, May 8th 2012, Faculdade de Economia da Universidade do Algarve The aim of this workshop is to promote access to technology and infrastructures in life sciences and marine biotechnology in the Atlantic Area. [More info...](#)
- **Biotechnology in Action**, May 21st-26th 2012, CCMAR, Portugal [More info...](#)
- **BioPharmaceuticals**, June 6th 2012, CCMAR, Portugal [More info...](#)
- **Animal Health Sector & Biotechnology**, June 2012, CCMAR, Portugal [More info...](#)
- **Molecular Biology**, July 2012, CIMAR, Portugal [More info...](#)
- **Biostatistics Training**, September 5th - 7th 2012, University of Nantes, France [More info...](#)

## Biotech Success Stories in the ShareBiotech regions

**Successful collaborations between technological core facilities and companies or research groups.** ShareBiotech case studies of the current issue include:

- [Bioalvo \(Portugal\)](#) [Read more...](#)
- [Sparos \(Portugal\)](#) [Read more...](#)
- [Hemarina \(France\)](#) [Read more...](#)
- [BlueWorks \(Portugal\)](#) [Read more...](#)
- [IdentiGEN \(Ireland\)](#) [Read more...](#)

## Apply for our Mobility Grants, in your region

**Interested in getting some training abroad? Benefit from the ShareBiotech mobility grant!**

This grant is intended for any life science and biotechnology player in research centres and companies. Your priorities must fall in any of these topics:

- Acquisition of knowledge and know-how regarding advanced technologies in life sciences.
- Acquisition of management, innovation and business skills to foster technology penetration, promote start-up companies and facilitate access to technologies and development of capacities to enable sharing of technology facilities.

More information on the [Mobility plan](#) page or by email at [contact@sharebiotech.net](mailto:contact@sharebiotech.net).

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### Upcoming Events:

- Raising the visibility of your facility in Europe, Barcelona, May 23rd, 2012 [Read more...](#)
- Scottish Universities Life Sciences Alliance annual Symposium, Edinburgh, Scotland, June 11th, 2012 [Read more...](#)
- 20th European Biomass Conference and Exhibition, Milan, June 18th-21st, 2012 [Read more...](#)
- 6th European Congress of Pharmacology EPHAR 2012, July 17th-20th, 2012 [Read more...](#)

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