



Dear Colleagues,

I would like to draw your attention to the possibility of participating as collaborative partners to the Inherited Neurometabolic Diseases (InNerMed) Project and invite you to join a growing network.

InNerMeD has been funded by the Executive Agency for Health & Consumers (DG-SANCO) under the Second Programme of Community action in the field of Health, 2008-2013 to be the first European Network on neurometabolic diseases.

InNerMeD's goal is to create a network of information targeted on diagnosis and treatment of inherited Neurometabolic Diseases (iNMDs) based on the collection and exchange of validated information among scientific community, health professionals, patients, patient associations and all interested stakeholders.

The project aims to increase and harmonise the current knowledge on iNMDs, at the benefit of patients and their families. In fact, InNerMed aims at helping the patients and the families affected by rare diseases by understanding the meaning of the rare disease which they suffer from, providing all validated information needed (from the description of the disease to the legislation of patient's right) and avoiding the confusion that is created by a random fishing of news from the web. The network will also favour biomedical research, straightening research capacities and fostering innovative therapeutic tools derived from the recent scientific advancements based on biomarkers use and personalised approaches.

InNerMeD is a very ambitious program. With the proper network of experts and the coordination of the information that will be uploaded in the artificial-intelligence information platform which is under development, we think that we can achieve our goals.



This is why we would need your help as expert in the field of the neurometabolic diseases. We would greatly appreciate if you could provide the attached questionnaire which is designed to achieve all the information necessary to implement the network on a pilot group of disorders we thought might be useful to test our strategy and the results of the projects.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for any information you may need, we value your help and really appreciate your collaboration.

Best wishes

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Direct link to the website:

<http://www.innermed.eu/index.php/cms/en/home>

Direct link to the questionnaire:

<http://survey.innermed.eu/index.php/survey/index/sid/161692/newtest/Y/>



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