

Procedure for admission and accession of new partners to the hDMT Consortium.

The hDMT Consortium is open for new partners.

The procedure for admission and accession of new partners is described below.

1. Scientists/researchers of a potential new partner organization express their interest to become hDMT partner or vice versa.
2. The hDMT managing director(s) visit(s) the applicant and discuss the following topics:
 - hDMT: mission, research and organization structure
 - Added value of the applicant organization for hDMT and vice versa
 - Uniform hDMT partner agreement: rights and responsibilities
 - Commitment of Executive board of applicant organization
 - Procedure for decision-making by hDMT Consortium
3. The applicant prepares a document (max 2 A4) for introduction to the hDMT Consortium. This document contains the following aspects:
 - Expertise and facilities of the applicant, relevant for Organ-on-Chip technology
 - Added value for hDMT and vice versa
 - Relevant (inter)national collaborations, in public and private sector
 - Embedding of Organ-on-Chip technology in research policy
 - Three relevant key publications (PDF)
 - Three relevant grants
 - Other relevant documents
4. Representatives of the applicant organization are invited to present the organization, focus and expertise, and the importance for hDMT, at a joint meeting of the Consortium Assembly, the Executive Board and the Supervisory Board of hDMT.
5. The hDMT Consortium Assembly gives approval for admission of the applicant organization taking into account the criteria for hDMT partners (appendix).
6. The hDMT Executive Board decides about admission in the next board meeting.
7. The hDMT Partner Agreement is signed by the Executive board of the new hDMT partner organization and the Executive Board of hDMT.

Appendix

Criteria for hDMT partners

The following criteria apply for all hDMT partner organizations:

1. hDMT partners are (non-)academic institutions or companies.
2. Commitment to the aims of hDMT.
3. Compliance to the hDMT Partner Agreement, including the rights and obligations
4. There is no conflict of interest regarding partnerships, inside and outside hDMT.
5. Scientific integrity, transparency and reliability.
6. Unique knowledge and expertise that is of added value for the hDMT Consortium and vice versa.
7. Willingness to cooperate and share expertise and facilities with other hDMT researchers.
8. Each partner is represented by one or two hDMT coordinators who take care that the researchers within their organization adhere to the hDMT partner criteria.