The national board of Science for Life Laboratory

Minutes from board meeting no 63, April 12, 2023

Present members
Ylva Engström (SU)(chair), Henrik Cederquist (SU), Mats Larhed (UU), Carina Mallard (GU, §§ 1-4), Christoph Varenhorst (AstraZeneca)

Other participants
Olli Kallioniemi (Director), Mia Phillipson (Co-Director), Annika J Jensen (Infrastructure Director), Jenny Alfredsson (Head of Operations/OO), Lars Johansson (OO), Anna Höglund Rehn (OO, secretary)

1. Meeting formalities

Ylva Engström welcomed all members and opened the meeting.

Decisions:
The SciLifeLab board appointed Christoph Varenhorst to approve the minutes of the meeting in addition to the chair.

The SciLifeLab board approved the minutes from meeting no. 61 and no. 62.

No other item was included on the agenda.

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Mats Larhed did not take part in the decision.
In order to establish the quorum Lena Eliasson, Mikael Lindström and Katrine Riklund have sent in their approval of the decision (appended).

3. **Assignment of members in the SciLifeLab International Advisory Board, IAB**  
   VC-2022-0069

According to the “Arbetsordning för SciLifeLab” (2022) the board should appoint the International Advisory Board, IAB. The main task for the IAB is to give input regarding the development of SciLifeLab. Every second year the IAB is invited to SciLifeLab for a presentation of an update of SciLifeLab developments and discussions on active topics and meetings with key groups of individuals. The next visit is planned for January-February 2024.

The mandate period for the members of the previous IAB has ended and new members need to be appointed.

At the meeting no. 60, December 6, 2022, the board decided to nominate Jan Ellenberg, EMBL, to continue as a chair of the SciLifeLab IAB and to mandate to the chair of the board, together with the SciLifeLab Director and the chair of the IAB, to explore the composition of the SciLifeLab IAB, including possible re-nominations of existing members, but also looking for new names.

Olli Kallioniemi informed about the work done. New suggested nominations (3-5 new members) will be presented for a board decision in the May 2023 meeting.

**Decision:**
*The SciLifeLab board decided to nominate the following members of the SciLifeLab IAB for the period from 2023-04-12 until 2026-12-31:*

- Jan Ellenberg, Chair, EMBL Heidelberg, Germany
- Sören Brunak, Technical University of Denmark, Denmark
- Jo Bury, VIB, Belgium
- Sirpa Jalkanen, University of Turku, Finland
- Janet Jansson, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, USA
- Svante Pääbo, Max Planck Institute for Evolutionary Anthropology, Germany
- Sarah Teichmann, EMBL-EBI & Wellcome Sanger Institute, UK

4. **Cellular immunomonitoring unit**  
   VC-2023-0019

During and after the mid-term checkup of all infrastructure units, it has been discovered that good infrastructure practice in line with SciLifeLab’s expectations for national infrastructure units (terms and conditions for funding) may have not been met at the Cellular Immunomonitoring (CI) unit.
Olli Kallioniemi informed about the background and presented the main points of concerns and suggested that an external analysis of the situation should be conducted. The next update and an in-depth discussion of the topic will take place at the May 2023 board meeting.

**Decision:**
The SciLifeLab board approved the suggestion of an independent analysis as to what has happened.

The SciLifeLab board gave the mandate to the chair to guide the process in between board meetings and to appoint independent expert(s) to perform the analysis.

### 5. SciLifeLab IT budget 2023

IT is a critically important operational area at SciLifeLab. Ever since SciLifeLab started to operate, IT has been scattered, and budgeted for, across several units. There is a need for a coordinated budget process combining the national needs for the infrastructure and the DDLS program, as well as the local need at Campus Solna. SciLifeLab Data Centre has employed an IT manager starting in May 2023, formally placed in the KTH IT line organization, reporting directly to the KTH IT director and who will lead SciLifeLab Data Centre activities for IT, including consolidated operational planning and budgeting for IT. The aim is to have a joint IT budget for 2024 that includes the IT services parts of Campus Solna IT, Data Centre national infrastructure funding, and DDLS funding all in order to make the best use of the funding to meet the SciLifeLab needs for IT at all levels.

Jenny Alfredsson informed about the suggestion.

**Decision:**
The SciLifeLab board expressed its support to work towards a consolidated IT budget and IT operational plan, spanning national, DDLS, and Campus Solna specific activities, for the 2024 budget and onwards. The work shall be done in close coordination between Campus Solna management and Data Centre, following the ordinary financial processes at SciLifeLab as organized by the Operations Office.

### 6. Other issues

No other issues were raised.

**Upcoming meetings**

- Wednesday May 24, 11.00-17.00 in Uppsala
- Tuesday September 26, 8.30-12.00 Zoom
- Wednesday November 8, 10.00-15.00 in Solna
Minutes approved by:

Anna Höglund Rehn, secretary

Ylva Engström

Christoph Varenhorst
Hej,
Jag röstar JA till beslutet.

Allt gott,
Lena

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Subject: Sv: SciLifeLab styrelsemöte 230412 - beslutsmässighet

I am in favor för the suggested decision.

Med vänlig hälsning
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Hej Anna!

KTH stödjer nedan förslag till beslut.

Bästa hälsningar

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