

## Open call for cell-based medicine project ideas

### Information to data subjects

according to Articles 13 and 14 of [Regulation \(EU\) 2016/679 \(GDPR\)](#)

#### I. Policy key definitions:

- "We", "our", or "us", refers to Virchow 2.0
- "You", "the project team", "the applicant(s)" refer to the person(s) submitting collaborative R&D projects ideas
- GDPR means the General Data Protection Act, May 2018
- "Personal data" is all information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person (hereinafter referred to as "data subject"). Identifiable is a natural person who can be identified directly or indirectly, in particular by assignment to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, an online identifier or one or more special characteristics that express the physical, physiological, genetic, psychological, economic, cultural or social identity of that natural person.
- "Data subject" is any identified or identifiable natural person whose personal data are processed by the controller.
- "Processing" means any operation or series of operations carried out with or without the aid of automated procedures relating to personal data, such as the collection, collection, organization, filing, storage, adaptation or modification, retrieval, querying, use, disclosure by transmission, dissemination or any other form of provision, reconciliation or linking, restriction, deletion or destruction.
- "Processor" is a natural or legal person, authority, institution or other body that processes personal data on behalf of the data controller.
- "Controller" shall be the natural or legal person, authority, body, office or other body which alone or jointly with others decides on the purposes and means of processing personal data. Where the purposes and means of such processing are laid down by Union law or by the law of the Member States, the controller or the specific criteria for his appointment may be laid down in accordance with Union law or the law of the Member States.
- Acceptance is any informed and unequivocal statement of intent, in the form of a statement or other clear affirmative act, voluntarily given by the data subject for the particular case, that the data subject indicates his or her consent to the processing of personal data concerning him or her.

#### II. Introduction of the Virchow 2.0 project

**Who we are:** Virchow 2.0 is a growing research and innovation network in the German capital region. It brings together a unique constellation of regional players which are global leaders in complementary technology fields. The four initial academic partners are: The Max Delbrück

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Center for Molecular Medicine (MDC); the Berlin Institute of Health (BIH); the Charité; the Berlin Institute for the Foundations of Learning and Data (BIFOLD). The initiative is supported by pharmaceutical and biotech companies as well as AI start-ups and investors.

**Status:** In the second round of the BMBF competition, scientists were called on to submit proposals from their chosen field, such as robotics, energy or biomedicine, for the creation of Future Clusters. An independent jury of experts has selected the best 15 of the 117 cluster ideas to be further developed in a 6-month conception phase. The only finalist from Berlin is Virchow 2.0. Starting on October 1st 2021, we will develop a detailed cluster strategy including the projects for the first implementation phase. In Mid-2022, up to seven Future Clusters (50% chance) will be selected to implement their concepts for up to nine years. Up to 5 million € in funding is available per cluster and year.

### III. General information about data processing

#### 1. The purpose of the processing of data

The purpose of processing your personal data is to select the project teams that will be included in the Virchow 2.0 cluster strategy, and if positively evaluated, realize their project idea in the implementation phase. Personal data which concern you are categorised in Section 2 (“Your personal data”).

Any information sent to Virchow 2.0 will go only to the personnel responsible for processing it. The processors include personnel at the Virchow 2.0 coordinating institute MDC, and relevant members of Virchow 2.0 working groups. All information will be treated with utmost confidentiality and outsiders have no access to the data.

In addition to the above-mentioned Virchow 2.0 participants, collaborative R&D project idea applications will be sent to external reviewers, who have signed a **declaration of compliance with Virchow 2.0 Conflict of Interest and Non-Disclosure Rules**, stating that they will maintain the confidentiality of the proceedings and associated materials. They will not disclose information related to the review, and they will destroy the documentation upon completing the review.

Once a collaborative R&D project idea application has been reviewed and accepted by the selection committee for inclusion in the cluster strategy, the project team will proceed to work with the Virchow 2.0 core team on the finalization of the cluster strategy, including but not limited to finalization of the selected projects for the first implementation phase.

The applicant agrees that information about his/her/their application, its review process and post-project feedback are stored on the MDC servers and can be used in an anonymized form for general Virchow 2.0 statistics and similar purposes.

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### 2. Your personal data:

#### Categories of data subjects

- (1) Applicants who apply to the Virchow 2.0 Call
- (2) Reviewers of such applications.

#### I. Categories of personal data concerning (1) above

A. During proposal submission via email to the Virchow 2.0 Open Call Managers provided by data subjects:

- Name (mandatory),
- Position (mandatory),
- Organisation (mandatory),
- Sector (mandatory),
- Phone (mandatory),
- Email address (mandatory),
- Address (Street name, #) (mandatory)
- Postal code (mandatory)
- City, Region (mandatory)
- Background and expertise (mandatory, provided by data subjects),
- Application for a collaborative project idea in a given topic category for the Virchow 2.0 cluster strategy (mandatory)

B. During proposals review:

- Opinion on the merits of the proposal (not provided by the data subjects),

#### II. Concerning data subjects under (2) above

During proposal evaluation via email to the Virchow 2.0 Open Call Managers provided by data subjects:

- Name (mandatory),
- Position (mandatory),
- Organisation (mandatory),
- Email address (mandatory),
- Opinion on the merits of the proposal (mandatory)

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### 3. Recipients of your data

We will disclose personal data listed under I. to the following recipients, who will process them under our instructions:

- External reviewers, so that they may evaluate the merits of the proposals,
- Virchow 2.0 Parties so that they may evaluate the merits of the proposals,
- Persons working within the Virchow 2.0 consortium and tasked with moderating such proposals and providing administrative support to applicants

We will disclose personal data listed under II. to the following recipients, who will process them under our instructions:

- Virchow 2.0 Open Call Managers Persons working within the Virchow 2.0 consortium and tasked with moderating such proposals and providing administrative support to applicants
- Virchow 2.0 Parties so that they may evaluate the merits of the proposals,

### 4. Legal basis for processing activities

Legal basis for the processing of the personal data is the consent given by the data subjects according to Art. 6 par. 1 lit. a) GDPR.

### 5. Storage time

The data will be deleted as soon as they are no longer required to achieve the purpose for which they were collected. The data are required for reporting demand and for selection of projects to be included in the Virchow 2.0 cluster strategy and the potential subsequent implementation phase(s). They are no longer required after a minimum of 5 years after the payment of the final balance of the Virchow 2.0 grant agreement and no legal regulations require the data to be stored.

## IV. Controllers of your data and your rights

This personal data processing activity is controlled by the Max Delbrück Center for Molecular Medicine (MDC).

At MDC, the officer in charge is currently the Industry and Innovation Manager, Dr. Marie Vidal. You may address to her a request to exercise your rights according to GDPR, e.g. to access (right to obtain from the controller confirmation as to whether or not personal data concerning you are being processed, Article 15), to rectify (Article 16), to erase your personal data (Article 17), to restrict the processing (Article 18), to object to their processing (Article 21) and to data portability (to receive in a structured, commonly used and machine-readable format the personal data

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concerning you, Article 20). You can do so by email at [marie.vidal\(at\)mdc-berlin.de](mailto:marie.vidal(at)mdc-berlin.de), by telephone at +49 30 9406 4330 or by post at:

Max Delbrück Center for Molecular Medicine  
BIMSB  
Hannoversche Str. 28  
10115 Berlin  
Germany

## **V. Data protection officer**

Advice regarding your rights can also be obtained from the Data protection officer of MDC, Mrs. Ulrike Ohnesorge, under Article 39(1)(a) of GDPR. She be reached by email [Datenschutz\(at\)mdc-berlin.de](mailto:Datenschutz(at)mdc-berlin.de), by telephone at +49 30 9406 4252 or by post at:

Max Delbrück Center for Molecular Medicine  
Robert-Rössle-Str. 10  
13125 Berlin  
Germany

## **VI. Supervisory authority**

If you wish to complain under Article 77(1) of the GDPR, you may do so with the Berliner Beauftragte für Datenschutz und Informationsfreiheit. It can be reached by email at: [mailbox\(at\)datenschutz-berlin.de](mailto:mailbox(at)datenschutz-berlin.de), by telephone at + 49(0)30 13889-0, or by post at:

Berliner Beauftragte für Datenschutz und Informationsfreiheit  
Friedrichstr. 219  
Besuchereingang: Puttkamerstr. 16 – 18 (5. Etage)  
10969 Berlin

## **VII. Amendments**

We may update this policy from time to time by publishing a new version on our website. You should check this page occasionally to ensure you are happy with changes to this policy. We may notify you of significant changes to this policy by email.