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NEO breakfast meeting

Petter Höglund

Chair Neo steering group and Head of MedH

2026-02-11

Welcome!

Agenda

- Report from the chair of the Neo Steering group and Campus South, Petter Höglund
- Update by Neo manager, Elisabeth Raschperger
- *Neo work environment, Vanessa Lundin*
- Common isotope lab in Neo, Amit Kumar

- Q&A

Information from Neo Steering group and Campus South

Petter Höglund

Neo steering group and KI South – update

- Neo common cost budget 2026 is decided. Predicted costs for 2026 **9 145** MSEK. In 2025 it was **11 155** MSEK (reduction with 18%).
 - New laundry agreement, N2 from liquid nitrogen, dry ice.
- Rent for free space in Neo (10 % in 2026) are compensated by 70% (2 500 SEK) from the KI south dean and prefects.
 - I hope we can get an additional 14 % (500 KSEK) from this year's KI south budget...
- The KI South dean appointed a group to investigate if a common Facility Management (FM) organization could be established at KI South.
 - Modeled from Biomedicum
 - Towards more integrated experimental environments at KI South
- KI South dean and prefects have received 45 MSEK in common resources for 2026
 - Task: To compensate departments for rent increase and unexpected effects of the new resource allocation system. Remaining funds for strategic investments at KI South.

Two new Associate University Lecturers (BUL) have been recruited to Neo following the central recruitment process we completed during the fall.

There will be a new BUL recruitment round in the spring, with possibilities for additional new recruitments to Campus South.

New BUL recruitment to NVS: Giuseppe Barisano

- **Giuseppe Barisano MD, PHD:** Neuroimaging researcher from Stanford. His research primarily focuses on the cerebral vasculature, perivascular spaces (PVS), and the blood-brain barrier (BBB) in the context of cognitive impairment and dementia.



- **Education**

- PhD, University of Southern California, Neuroscience (2022)
- Diploma, Padua University, Aerospace Medicine (2017)
- Internship, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University, Neurosurgery (2017)
- MD, Vita-Salute San Raffaele University (2016)

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New BUL recruitment to MedH: Martin Wohlwend

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)
Cambridge, MA

Drugging hidden domains in non-messenger RNA molecules

- **Subject area:** Molecular sports medicine, metabolism, translational medicine
- **Research aim:** To explore the role of non-coding RNAs (ncRNA) in disease.
- **Education:** PhD training Medicine, Norwegian University of Science and Technology. Postdoc since 2021 at EPFL in Lausanne and MIT-Broad Institute.
- **Publications:** A total of 26 (*Sci Trans Med, Adv Sci, Nat Metab, Nat Aging*), 8 as first author
- **Funding:** Has received some recognitions and awards.
- **Strengths:** High discovery potential in ncRNAs through a broad, scalable approach led by an experienced applicant.



Cast your vote in the election for new deans!



- **Today** is the **last day** to vote.
- If you are entitled to vote, you have received a link in your email.
- On the KI staff portal you can watch recordings from the hearings of candidates.

Make your voice heard and participate in shaping KI's future!

Update by Neo manager

Elisabeth Raschperger

General Neo information

- Access form – please fill out properly and get all signatures before sending it to the service team
- Eye and body showers – checked and rinsed quarterly by the service team
- Biological waste bins – new routines from March 1st:
 - Label and put on the lid properly and take them to the lab recycle stations on floor 6 room 6360 or floor 7 room 7361.
 - The service team will take the bins to the cold room on floor 3 on regular basis.
- Neo pub today starting at 5 pm, Neo lunchroom

Q&A



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