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Launching of the first EQIPD video

We have prepared a series of nine videos to show you what the EQIPD project is about.

In this series of "EQIPD video blasts", you will discover more about the project and how EQIPD can support your work in preclinical research! Start with this introduction video by Thomas Steckler, the project leader of EQIPD.



Would you like to watch the complete series? Every week we will be launching a new EQIPD video on our social media channels. Follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and on the [EQIPD LinkedIn group](#).

Register now for the Summer School

The second edition of the EQIPD Summer School on "Improving preclinical data quality and robustness" is taking place on 16-19 September 2019 in Nijmegen, the Netherlands.

The four main topics of the 2019 edition, among lectures and practical sessions, are:

- Improving robustness of animal studies: rationale, study design and study execution
- Improving robustness of animal studies: data analysis and reporting
- Hands-on training in systematic review and meta-analysis of animal studies
- Implementation of measures to improve research rigour

View the complete programme [here](#).

Register online via [this form](#).



EQIPD session at the ECNP Congress

Join the brainstorming session that will be held at the ECNP Congress in Copenhagen. The session entitled "[Improving preclinical data quality in neuropsychopharmacological research: is the glass half empty or half full?](#)" will be on Sunday 8 September 2019 (07:45-08:45, room B1) in the Bella Center Copenhagen. It is open to all congress attendees.



EQIPD at the FELASA Congress

Thomas Steckler (Janssen), Hanno Würbel (UBERN), Merel Ritskes-Hoitinga (RUMC) and Glenn Begley (EQIPD SEAB member), among others, presented during the FELASA Congress on 10-13 June 2019 in Prague, the Czech Republic. Thomas highlighted the goals and achievements of the EQIPD project consortium (see picture below) and Merel presented a poster on the training platform developed by EQIPD).



Presentations at BIO 2019

EQIPD was also part of the programme at the BIO 2019 meeting in Philadelphia, USA from 3 to 6 June 2019. Emily Sena, Shai Silberberg and

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- Pierre Meulien, Innovative Medicines Initiative
- Emily Sena, University of Edinburgh
- Shai Silberberg, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)
- Thomas Steckler, Janssen Pharmaceutica NV

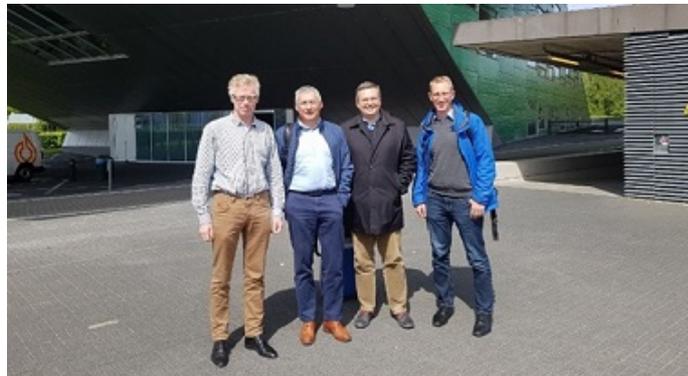
Presentations available online!



Kicking off the implementation of the QMS

EQIPD is developing a flexible quality-management framework that aims to improve conduct and reporting of preclinical research in both the public and the private sectors. We are glad to announce that the EQIPD team has reached a consensus on the design and core features of the EQIPD QMS and has developed an implementation strategy, with support materials and dedicated implementation tools. The launching of the pilot implementation was in 14 May 2019 at one of the partner sites, the University of Groningen in the Netherlands. This pilot phase aims to collect critical feedback, analyse errors and implement improvements.

[Read Nature correspondence piece](#)



Save the dates!

The 3rd EQIPD General Assembly (GA) will take place on 22-24 September 2019 in La Hulpe Brussels, Belgium. The meeting will be hosted by [UCB Biopharma SPRL](#), one of the 29 partners of the EQIPD project. UCB is a global biopharmaceutical company, with a focus on neurology and immunology.



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