



## Media Release

# Biotechgate welcomes three new partners in Norway to further complete the Nordic Life Science Database

**Switzerland /Norway, November 2014 – Biotechgate welcomes the three Norwegian partners Innovation Norway, Oslo Cancer Cluster and Nansen Neuroscience Network. This partnership further completes the Nordic Life Sciences Database which allows users to search for companies in the Biotech, Pharma and Medtech area.**

More than 170 Norwegian companies can currently be found in the Nordic Life Sciences Database ([www.nordic-lifesciences.com](http://www.nordic-lifesciences.com)). All profiles are updated continuously and the database will be further completed with new profiles over the next months. Due to the partnerships with Innovation Norway, Oslo Cancer Cluster and Nansen Neuroscience Network, the database can be used free of charge. It is also possible for companies to publish their profile at no cost.

Thanks to additional partners from Sweden and Denmark, also Swedish and Danish profiles can be found and viewed for free on the Nordic Life Sciences Database. The portal is part of Biotechgate, a global life science directory which provides information such as product pipelines, management contact details, financing information and much more of more than 30,000 companies in the Biotech, Pharma and Medtech space. Thanks to various search features the information is easily accessible.

“Being the primary government agency for industry development, it is a priority for Innovation Norway to promote our prosperous life science community. Norway has close to 200 companies depending on biotechnology in their daily business and a total of more than 400 companies when looking at life sciences at large. We are very pleased to enter into this collaboration with Biotechgate together with our most prominent biomedical clusters in oncology and neuroscience, respectively.”

*Ole Jørgen Marvik, Sector Head, Health and Life Sciences, Innovation Norway*

“Oslo Cancer Cluster is very pleased to have teamed up with Venture Valuation to profile our members through Biotechgate. We are reassured that this gives our SME-members a great exposure to the international VC and pharma milieu, which is important in our work to build a Norwegian Healthcare Industry.”

*Ketil Widerberg, General Manager, Oslo Cancer Cluster*

“Our companies work to address important and complex challenges. Success will require collaborations and partnerships, and we believe that Biotechgate can be a powerful tool to help build those. We look forward to offering this to our members.”

*Leif Rune Skymoen, CEO of Nansen Neuroscience Network*

“We are more than happy to close this gap in the Nordic Life Science Database. We are sure that having the Norwegian company profiles available on the database, will be a great contribution to all kind of actors active in the life sciences field – inside and outside of Norway and Scandinavia.”

*Jost Renggli, COO, Venture Valuation / Biotechgate*

## **About us:**

### **Biotechgate ([www.biotechgate.com](http://www.biotechgate.com))**

The Biotechgate Database is property of Venture Valuation AG, Switzerland. Biotechgate is a global Life Science Database containing over 30,000 company profiles and providing the user with information on life science companies, licensing products, financing rounds as well as key data on management structures and technology platforms. It also contains a database on licensing deals and a directory with Biotech, Medtech and life science investors.

### **Venture Valuation AG ([www.venturevaluation.com](http://www.venturevaluation.com))**

Venture Valuation specializes in independent, third party assessment, valuation and monitoring of emerging high growth companies in industries such as biotechnology, med-tech and high-tech. Services are provided in the form of independent Valuation Reports to entrepreneurs (seed to pre-IPO) and investors. With offices in Switzerland, Germany, Canada and Asia, Venture Valuation has an experienced team of scientists and business professionals with expertise in finance, biotechnology, pharmaceutical and high technology industries.

### **Innovation Norway ([www.innovationnorway.no](http://www.innovationnorway.no))**

Innovation Norway is the main Government agency for stimulating innovation and development of new businesses in Norway. We offer advisory services and help young companies reach out to new markets through our more than 30 offices world-wide. With close to 800 mill € under management, we also provide a broad spectrum of grant programs and loans to stimulate technology and product development.

### **Oslo Cancer Cluster ([www.oslocancercluster.no](http://www.oslocancercluster.no))**

Oslo Cancer Cluster is an oncology research and industry cluster dedicated to accelerating the development of new cancer diagnostics and medicines. We gather almost 70 members from Norway and Northern Europe representing the entire oncology value chain.

As a Norwegian Centre of Expertise, the Norwegian government partially funds the cluster. An evaluation from 2013 states that Oslo Cancer Cluster is a strong biotech cluster well positioned in the global oncology industry. Major industry trends now offer a unique opportunity to strengthen the cluster's position as a global knowledge and innovation centre. In 2015 we open the Oslo Cancer Cluster Innovation Park and Incubator.

### **Nansen Neuroscience Network ([www.nansenneuro.net](http://www.nansenneuro.net))**

Nansen Neuroscience Network is an innovation network that focuses on neuroscience. Our members are research institutions, start-up companies, established industry and technology transfer offices. Our goal is for research and development to result in products which patients, their relatives and the society can benefit from, and for neuroscience research and development to contribute to establish a viable health industry in Norway.

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