

Division of mental health and addiction (DMHA)

The DMHA's action plan for research is developed based on its overall action plan for 2021-2022, the research strategy 2021-2025 for Oslo University Hospital (OUS), and the action plan for research 2021-2023, OUS. Items 1-5 stipulated below, delineate the main goals in the OUS's Research Strategy 2021-2025, operationalized through specific measures to be taken (primary actions). <u>Item 6 indicates highlighted priorities in the research strategy at PHA.</u>

The division's ambition is to be a nationally leading center for research and knowledge development within mental disorders and addiction. An increased number of clinical studies and innovations are the primary goals.

1. Enhance the focus on clinical research in collaboration with user representatives, industry and the public sector.

Primary action:	Result indicator	Responsibility
 1a Implement the National Action Plan for clinical studies/trials by prioritizing clinical studies/trials as an integral part of patient care in PHA improving procedures for fostering industry collaboration and commissioned research establishing more clinical studies/trials in collaboration with the primary health care services 	 15% yearly increase in number of clinical studies /trials (sum for research- initiated and industry- initiated studies) Yearly increase in number of patients in clinical studies /trials 	HoD, HoR, DH
 An interdisciplinary and personalized approach is to be considered in all large clinical studies 	 Interdisciplinarity and a personalized approach has been considered in all major grant applications/research applications 	HoR, R&I Dept. head, RAB
 Apply grants for the establishment of a Research Centre for Clinical Studies/Trials (FKB) (Norwegian Research Council) at the DMHA Work towards more clinical studies/trials integrating somatic health, addiction treatment (TSB) and psychiatry Establish a CRU (Core Resource Unit) at the DMHA for data collection, registration of consent, and data access for researchers Work to solidify core funding across all disciplines (adult psychiatry, child- and adolescent psychiatry and substance use treatment) Enhance the role of user councils in research 	 One FKB application from DMHA Increased number of applications in collaboration with somatic departments Central CRU established within 2022 Revised mandate for DMHA's user council also including research 	HoD, HoR, DH
 1d Encourage and support collective initiatives relevant as applicants for national (KLINBEFORSK, NorCRIN) or international multicenter studies 	 More applications for muliticentre studies and projects (KLINBEFORSK, NorCRIN) 	HoD, HoR, DH

2. Strengthen translational research as an important link between basic research and clinical practice

Primary action:	Result indicator	Responsibility
2a		Responsibility
 Investigate opportunities and make collaborative plans for establishing combined positions with the Faculty of Medicine and the Department of Psychology at the University of Oslo and OsloMet (Olso Metropolitan University) Organize regular research seminars for clinicians with information on translational research providing opportunities for feedback Make research delivery and allocation of time for research an important topic during yearly performance assessment interviews with leaders Research activities and research dissemination are included as topics in regular meetings between head of the division and the department heads 	 Increase in number of combined positions (clinic and research/academic) Seminar series organized Research and facilitation of research discussed in yearly performance assessment interviews with leaders Research on the regular agenda in regular follow up between head of the division and department heads 	HoD, HoR, DH, HR head
 2b Implement broad consent/general biobank in all clinical departments for all disciplines Establish more local quality registries in collaboration with Registry Support and contribute to the National Quality Registry 	 Increased number of patients with broad consents obtained More quality registries established Established a common quality registry for adult psychiatry and work towards a similar registry for all disciplines 	HoD, DH, R&I Dept. head
 2c Create and support excellent research environments Facilitate data accessibility from general biobank for researchers across groups 	 New Centre of excellency (CoE) granted by the Norwegian Research Council (NFR) to PHA More research groups have utilized data from the general biobank 	HoD, HoR, DH
 2d Secure access to Relevant laboratories for sample collection and analysis of biological material including genotyping MRI brain imaging for use in research Digital tools for data collection including actigraphy and apps 	 Intention/collaboration agreements with relevant clinics Support for collaborative applications for new equipment Increased number of clinical units that collect biological samples and utilize MRI and digital tools 	HoD, HoR, R&I Dept. head

3. Advance opportunities for data management, data analyses and data sharing

Primary action	Result indicator	Responsibility
3a,b,c		HoD, HoR, R&I
 Implement an openly accessible, user-friendly, shared registry solution with the capability for high-performance computing and data processing Establish procedures for data withdrawal from registries and the Health Analysis Platform 	 Implementation of a registry solution 	Dept head, DH
 3d integrating data from electronically collected feedback tools and assessment instruments (using Checkware) with the clinic's quality- and research registries 	 Technical data solution safeguarding privacy is in place 	HoD, HoR, R&I Dept head, DH

4. Implement systematic career development for researchers and targeted recruitment to research

Primary action:	Result indicator	Responisbility
 4a Encourage clinicians with research expertise to apply for external funding Employees with a PhD combining clinical work and research are linked to active research groups Strengthen career development for young researchers by providing eligible employees at DMHA an opportunity to participate in the UiO postdoctoral program, mentorship scheme, and research leadership program 	 Increased number of grant applications including internal grants from the DMHA Increased number of applications for external grants Increased number of employees attending the postdoctoral and research leadership programs at UiO 	HoD, DH
 4b Advocate for more combined positions (clinical work and research) in the clinic Employees with a PhD combining clinical work and research are linked to active research groups (allocation of time for participation in group meetings) Provide an opportunity for getting up to 50% time for research for the employees obtaining external research funding Explore the possibility for departmental funding of clinical research of 50 000-100 000 NOK 	 Increased number of combined positions Increased research activity in the clinical units Increased number of applications initiated by clinicians/clinical departments 	HoD, DH, Head of HR and head of finance
 4c Participate at relevant research conferences and in research networks Facilitate internships and inernational collaboration 	 More presentations at international conferences and co-authorship on international publications More international applications including EU applications 	HoD, DH

5. Secure research activities leading up to and within the new buildings at Oslo University Hospital (OUS) and the Life Science building at the University of Oslo

Primary action:	Result indicator	Responsibility
 5a Active involvement in reallocation and the "New OUS" project including temporal replacements Ensure sufficient allocation of space for clinical research activities within the New OUS (Aker) facility during the planning phase 	 Clear involvement and influence in new building and reallocation projects 	HoD, HoR, R&I Dept. head, New OUS project head
 5b Secure access to research laboratories at New OUS 	 Establishment of a research laboratory at Nye Aker 	HoD, HoR, R&I Dept. head, New OUS project head
 5c Ensure that DMHA obtains sufficient space to meet its needs for a research biobank, storage facilities, incorporating options for effective security procedures for these 	Establishment of an infrastructure for biobank	HoD, HoR, R&I Dept. head, New OUS project head

PUNKT 6: Main priorities at DMHA

- 1. Implement the National Action Plan for Clinical studies at DMHA
- 2. Establish a CRU (Core Resource Unit) for data collection, registration of consent, and data access for researchers

- 3. Implement broad consent/general biobank in all clinical departments
- 4. Implement an openly accessible, user-friendly, shared registry solution with the capability for highperformance computing and data processing
- 5. Establish more combined positions (clinical work and research) in the clinic
- 6. Ensure sufficient allocation of space for clinical research activities within the New OUS (Aker facility) during the planning phase
- 7. Ensure sufficient space for DMHA at the New OUS (Aker facility) to meet its needs for a research biobank, storage facilities, incorporating options for effective security procedures for these

Abbreviations: HoD: Head of the Division HoR: Head of Research HR: Human Resource DH: Department Heads R&I: Research & Innovation Department RAD: Research Advisory Board