

Dear Mr. Peter (Chair, Communications Committee, ISBM),

We would like to draw your attention to a European Commission FP7 project called "DIAMAP, Road Map for Diabetes Research in Europe". The mission of DIAMAP is to undertake a wide survey of the current European diabetes research landscape from which expert opinion can identify gaps and highlight strengths, to guide a Road Map strategy for diabetes in Europe.

The DIAMAP committee of leading experts in diabetes research and people with diabetes would like to invite input from investigators (group leaders/principal investigators) and health professionals working in diabetes research. This is essential for the DIAMAP project and is an important opportunity for diabetes researchers to make sure that their specific area of research and institution are appropriately represented in the DIAMAP survey of diabetes research in Europe.

The major findings and recommendations of DIAMAP will be used by the European Commission and other public and private funding agencies to inform future decision making on allocation of diabetes research funding and to help coordinate European diabetes research. The compiled findings from the research and funding questionnaire will be made public in scientific journals, through presentations at conferences and on the DIAMAP website.

We kindly ask you to help us publicise the DIAMAP project by (for example):

- * an insertion in your communication (journal or newsletter) to the members of your society. We are happy to provide you with a text
- * a link and/or description of the project on your society's website
- * distribution of printed material at your next meeting

Completion of the research questionnaire (available on www.diamap.eu <http://www.diamap.eu/>) will contribute to this major European initiative and help to assure a secure future for diabetes research in Europe.

Please visit our website to learn more about the project. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

On behalf of the DIAMAP project coordinator and teams,

Thank you!

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