

iCANPOD Newsletter - March 2026

Dear iCANPOD member,

Warm greetings, and welcome to the first iCANPOD newsletter! We hope this edition brings practical information, and a sense of connection across our community. There is plenty happening, and we're excited to highlight what's ahead.

1. 2026 Call for salary support

As part of the program, iCANDOC affiliated postdocs can apply for salary support to commit share of work to direct contribution of iCANDOC pilot goals. You are welcome to apply for salary support **from 16 March to 31 March 2026**. More information is available in the [call text](#) and [application form](#).

2. Explore our newly opened webpages

We are delighted to announce the very first launch of our webpages! Explore the new site to discover our activities, events, and resources and stay tuned for more updates as we continue developing [the pages](#). If you receive salary support, please add your details via the Teams group so we can update your information on the webpages if you have not yet done so.

3. Upcoming training

Career mentoring

Ready to grow your confidence, skills, and direction, but not sure where to start? Please **apply for iCANPOD career mentoring from 16 March to 31 March 2026!** **First mentoring group will start in May, 2026.** More information and registration are available in the mentoring [announcement](#).

Preparing Cancer Research for Commercialisation workshop

Do you want to explore entrepreneurial career options, learn how to secure your ideas, understand the road from research to commercialization, and get inspired by real startup stories. Please join Bridging Science and Business: Preparing Cancer Research for Commercialisation workshop on **Fri 17.4.2026 at 12-16, Biomedicum**

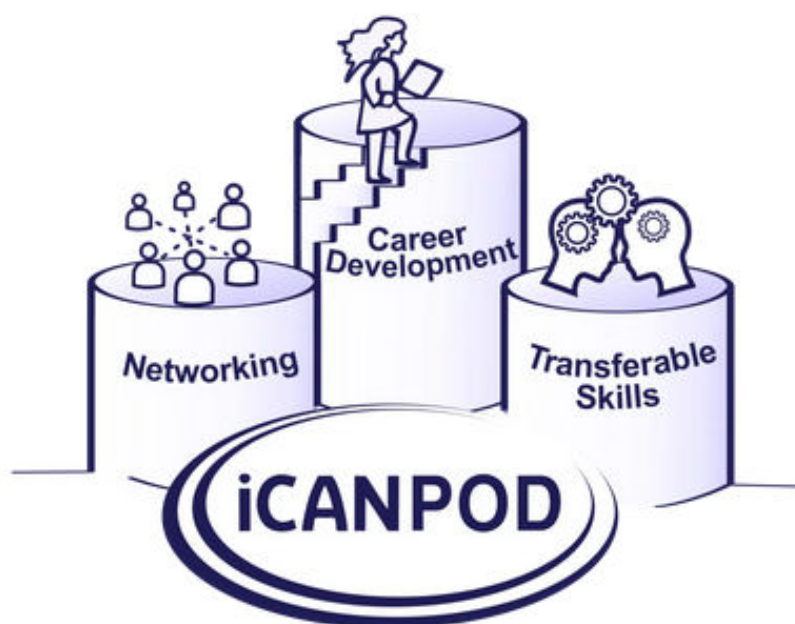
1, Seminar Room 3. [More information](#) and [registration](#).

Bayer Drug Development Pipeline Simulation workshop

Are you interested in seeing how discoveries move through the drug development pipeline from target identification to clinical development, how real drug development decisions are made and why do promising projects fall? Join the Drug Development Pipeline Simulation facilitated by Bayer's experts on **Thu 23.4.2026 at 9-12, Biomedicum 1 Opetusbasari**. [More information](#) and [registration](#).

Patient Involvement in Research Workshop

Do you want to explore the benefits and challenges of patient involvement in cancer research? Please join the Patient Involvement in Research Workshop on **Fri 29.5.2026 at 12-16, Biomedicum 1, Seminar room 1-2**. [More information](#).



Thank you for being part of our growing community. We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events and continuing this journey together.

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