

## 2022 Biomedical Innovation and Entrepreneurship Training Course for European Students

### General Information

**Date:** October 10<sup>th</sup> – October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022

**Time:** Full-time  
Requires attendance from 9 am – 4 pm (GMT+2)

**Venue:** Online via Microsoft Teams & Zoom

**Cost:** €450 per person (VAT inclusive)

**Open to Masters and PhD students, and PhDs (exceptions possible, please ask)**

Each SPARK program is asked to send the number of students they will commit for the course by **August 26th, 2022**, to Dr. Dorota Gierej-Czerkies at:  
[d.gierej-czerkies@nencki.edu.pl](mailto:d.gierej-czerkies@nencki.edu.pl)

**The Goal:** To provide an understanding of how biotechnology projects (including drugs, medical devices & general medical science) & companies are created, established, managed, and funded in order to develop the students creative, innovative and entrepreneurial skills. This is taught through lectures, group work and presentations. During the course, each student group will develop a new project/product, which they will pitch to potential interested parties. This can potentially lead to the formation of real start-up companies that can arise from this course.

### Course Information

**Course Design and Coordinator:** Professor Michael Wallach, SPARK Oceania.

**Course Leaders:** Professor Michael Wallach, Professor Daria Mochly-Rosen and Professor Kevin Grimes (Co-Directors of SPARK Stanford)

**Course Organizers:** Dr. Dorota Gierej-Czerkies (SPARK Poland) and Dr. Isabella Hajduk (SPARK Oceania)

**Payment:** The mechanism of payment (non-refundable) for the course will be provided once participants are confirmed.

*"I had an inspiring and very instructive BIE 2020 SPARK course with skilled lectures, encouraging mentors and best teammates. During the intensive course I often found myself out of my comfort zone and as a result my mindset was modified, and I learned new things. Thank you for a great experience."*

*"Have you ever wondered what steps to take from a scientific discovery to a full-blown scientific company? This can be for a drug candidate you discovered during your PhD, or an idea for a medical device you imagined during your PostDoc. It can be an app you think would have some value that you thought of during an internship. When we started, we didn't know either!*

*Equipped with the knowledge of the course, taught by experts in their fields, ranging from Design Thinking and Regulatory hurdles to Drug Discovery and Intellectual Property, we went on our own entrepreneurial journey. For us it was a two weeks journey with plenty of "AHA" moments.*

*With our idea developed during the Biomedical Innovation and Entrepreneurship Training course we are now working on its realization. And you can do it too - just apply."*

*"This course teaches you concepts that you do not learn in the lab! Course contained valuable information how to broaden your research to the business world."*

