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Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Enterprise Europe Network</a>
Short Description	The Enterprise Europe Network helps businesses innovate and grow on an international scale. It is the world's largest support network for SMEs with international ambitions. Teams of Network experts in each member organisation offer personalised services to businesses, including for instance support in establishing international partnerships, CE marking, expand the products/services to new markets, IP issues, EU funding and application support, among others. SMEs should find on the website a local Network contact point to ask for the support.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">COCIR</a>
Short Description	COCIR is the European Trade Association representing the medical imaging, radiotherapy, health ICT and electromedical industries. It provides a wide range of services on regulatory, technical, market intelligence, environmental, standardisation, international and legal affairs. To benefit from the COCIR's support, companies should associate as members.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">EIT Health</a>
Short Description	EIT Health is part of the EU body European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) and promotes entrepreneurship and innovation in healthy living and active ageing, providing Europeans with new opportunities and resources. EIT Health has several programmes to support start-up and SMEs, including for instance EIT Health Catapult, Mentoring and Coaching Network, EIT Jumpstarter, different Bootcamps, etc.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">EIT Digital</a>
Short Description	EIT Digital is a leading European digital innovation and entrepreneurial education organisation driving Europe's digital transformation. It invests in strategic areas to accelerate the market uptake and scaling of research-based digital technologies (deep tech) focusing on Europe's key societal challenges: Digital Tech, Digital Cities, Digital Industry, Digital Wellbeing, and Digital Finance. Their programmes include for instance DeepHack, Innovation Factory, Venture Program, EIT Digital Accelerator, etc.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">EIC Accelerator</a>
Short Description	<p>Supports companies (principally SMEs, including start-ups) to scale up high impact innovations (TRL 5/6 or higher).</p> <p>Next deadlines: 15/06/2022 and 05/10/2022</p>
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">BGI Accelerator</a>
Short Description	<p>BGI Accelerator is a 11 year deep tech international Accelerator - Spin out of MIT Portugal Entrepreneurship Initiative. The accelerator provides to the startups: (i) Training and Workshops covering the following topics: Fundraising, Business Modeling, Markets and Marketing, Sales and Distribution, Human Resource, Legal and Regulations, Intellectual Property, Preparing Go-to-market strategy Pitch Clinics - practice sessions with expert feedback and peer reviews; (ii) Support in the Pitch to Investors, Clients and the General public; (iii) Business Development support; (iv) Mentorship; (v) Completed Go-to-Market Plan and Pitch Deck. There are Open Calls every year.</p> <p>*BGI takes 3% equity via SAFE, as a success fee when they help you reach a valuation of €3 Million Post Money valuation.</p>

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">EIT Health Catapult</a>
Short Description	Competition and training programme that showcases biotech, medtech and digital health start-ups to leading experts and investors across Europe. Participating companies are able to enlarge their network, benefit from specific services, receive mentoring support, and have the chance to receive a prize of up to €40K. The deadline for the 2022 year is already closed, but new calls should open in the future.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">European IPR Helpdesk</a>
Short Description	The European IPR Helpdesk supports cross-border SME and research activities to manage, disseminate and valorise Intellectual Property (IP) assets at EU level. Its goal is to support IP capacity building, from awareness to strategic use and successful exploitation. This strengthening of IP competencies focuses on EU SMEs, participants and candidates in EU-funded projects, and EU innovation stakeholders for an increased translation of IP into the EU innovation ecosystem.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">SME Fund</a>
Short Description	The SME Fund provides financial support to EU-based SMEs for the protection of their intellectual property (IP) rights. SMEs can apply until 16 December 2022 for vouchers that will provide access to a partial refund. Funds are limited and available on a first come, first served basis.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">EUIPO</a>
Short Description	Free personalized IP support for EU-based SMEs. Companies should fill out and submit a form, and based on the information supplied, the case is matched with potentially suitable providers.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Horizon IP Scan</a>
Short Description	Horizon IP Scan Service is a pilot service of the European Innovation Council and SME Executive Agency (EISMEA). It aims to support European start-ups and SMEs in defining strategies and appropriate measures to a) give access to existing IP, b) to protect, c) to share and d) to exploit IP created in research and innovation collaborations. Horizon IP Scan builds on an EU-wide network of IP experts providing tailored support and recommendations.



Program/Opportunity	<a href="#"><u>ISIDORe - Integrated Services for Infectious Diseases Outbreak Research</u></a>
Short Description	Coordinated by the research infrastructure ERINHA, ISIDORe is an EU-funded project under the Horizon Europe program that unites a multidisciplinary consortium of 17 European research infrastructures to offer integrated services for combatting current and future infectious disease outbreaks. TNA (Transnational Access) Calls are launched and open as long as funds remain available. The first call is focused on COVID-19 and it is divided into six main sections which are: Surveillance & Epidemic Risk Management; Understanding SARS-CoV-2 & Covid-19; Diagnostics; Therapeutics; Vaccines; and Social Sciences & Epidemiology.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#"><u>EU-OPENSREEN</u></a>
Short Description	EU-OPENSREEN is a not-for-profit European Research Infrastructure Consortium (ERIC) for chemical biology and early drug discovery. It integrates high-capacity screening platforms throughout Europe. These platforms use several specially selected EU-OPENSREEN compound collections, which are centrally stored and managed at the EU-OPENSREEN laboratory facility on the Research-Campus Berlin-Buch (Germany).

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">iNext Discovery</a>
Short Description	iNEXT-Discovery aims to enable access to structural biology research infrastructures for all European researchers, and especially also for non-experts in structural biology. For that reason, it brings together a diversity of large research facilities and other groups in a single consortium. Funded by Horizon2020 from February 2020 for a period of four years.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Bionanopolys</a>
Short Description	OITB directed towards the development of safe nano-enabled bio-based materials and polymer bionanocomposites.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Codex4SMEs</a>
Short Description	Codex5SMes funds the development of innovative diagnostics for improved personalised healthcare in Europe. The programme has recently launched an open call for SMEs with the objective to offer any additional valuable support to SMEs in their efforts in moving towards better diagnostics solutions for COVID-19. The max project budget is 25,000€ per project.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">TBMED</a>
Short Description	TBMED is an OITB aiming to increase patients' access to high-risk medical devices, by helping SMEs to minimize time-to-market and the reimbursement process time, thus optimizing the process of transforming a prototype into a valuable innovative medical devices. TBMED consists of a connected network of labs providing a single-entry point to services along the whole value chain from preclinical development to clinical testing. The entire process is based on a Quality-by-Design concept.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">SAFE-N-MEDTECH (SNMT)</a>
Short Description	OITB that offers to companies and laboratories, the capabilities, knowhow, networks and services for the development, testing, assessment, upscaling and market exploitation of nanotechnology-based Medical and Diagnosis Devices. SNMT's mission is to build an open-access platform with a Single-Entry Point to offer services from initial characterization of nano-enabled medical devices through to commercialization, including business and regulatory support.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">MedPhab</a>
Short Description	Open Call aims to provide technology development services for the companies that are adopting advanced photonics technologies in the medical diagnostics solutions. Interested companies can apply for the support to development, manufacturing and upscaling of photonic-based medical devices products enabled by one or more following photonics technologies: fibre optics, microfluidics, surface functionalisation, instrumentation, opto-electronic integration and miniaturisation for micromodules and wearables. The call will be open until December 2022.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">MDOT</a>
Short Description	Offers services to SMEs in medtech regarding regulatory affairs and technology development in the fields of inhalation technologies and environmental sensors. It gives support in the process which new medical devices must go through to prove compliance to regulation and market standards with the purpose to ensure quality and safety of medical devices circulated on the market.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#"><u>Pfizer GMG: Treatment of acute SARS-CoV-2 infection and management of post-COVID conditions in outpatient settings</u></a>
Short Description	<p>Pfizer's grant that aims to support projects that will address at least one of the following: (i) Further the understanding of the treatment of acute COVID-19 in outpatient settings; (ii) Increase understanding of post-COVID conditions in terms of epidemiology, management and outcomes in patients with persistence of signs and symptoms.</p> <p>Deadline: 13/07/2022</p>
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#"><u>Pfizer's Grant - Improving COVID-19 Outpatient Management</u></a>
Short Description	<p>Support projects focus on improving COVID-19 disease management including, but is not limited to, disease diagnoses, patient risk stratification and leveraging new and emerging data to improve outpatient management, and increasing HCP awareness to successfully implement interventions to improve follow up of non-hospitalized patients to avoid progression to severe illness. Projects implementing health care technologies (mobile or web-based tools) to guide HCPs on COVID-19 patient risk characterization progressing to severe diseases, will be given higher priority.</p> <p>Deadline: 03/05/2022</p>

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">BLUE KNIGHT™ QuickFire Challenge: Next-Generation Preparedness Solutions</a>
Short Description	<p>BLUE KNIGHT is a joint initiative between J&amp;J and BARDA. This call aims to support solutions that will enhance preparedness towards future known and unknown infectious disease threats, addressing at least one of the following areas: Targeting the host response to known and unknown future infectious disease threats; Enabling streamlined manufacturing of therapeutics and/or vaccines; Leveraging the host microbiome. Up to four innovator(s) will receive funding up to \$200,000 and access to JLABS ecosystem through Blue Knight residency with mentorship from experts at the Johnson &amp; Johnson Family of Companies and BARDA.</p> <p>Deadline: July 22, 2022</p>

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Eurostars</a>
Short Description	<p>Funding instrument that supports innovative SMEs and project partners (large companies, universities, research organisations and other types of organisations) by funding international collaborative R&amp;D and innovation projects.</p> <p>Deadlines: one in February/March and other in September/October.</p>
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">SHAPES Open Call 2 and 3</a>
Short Description	Supports medical devices and digital solutions to be integrated in the SHAPES platform.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Health Technology Assessment (HTA)</a>
Short Description	<p>Program funded by the NIHR that supports technologies to be used in the treatment, prevention or diagnosis of a disease. The program aims to perform a HTA study to establish the clinical and cost-effectiveness for the NHS in comparison with the current best alternative(s). Technologies may be for instance new procedures, drugs, devices, diagnostic tests, settings of care or screening programmes. The technology doesn't necessarily need to exist in current NHS practice, but a study would need to show that it could.</p>

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">HEurope: Innovation investments Strand 1 – DIGIT (I3-2021-INV1)</a>
Short Description	<p>Supports projects in the following fields: digital economy and innovation, digitalisation of the public administration, and digitalisation of healthcare.</p> <p>Deadlines: 18/10/2022</p>
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">HEurope: Digital and emerging technologies for competitiveness and fit for the green deal (HORIZON-CL4-2022-DIGITAL-EMERGING-02)</a>
Short Description	<p>New technology solutions exploiting the unique properties of 2D materials (2DM) that would reduce cost and increase the efficacy of diagnostics or therapies or provide new diagnostics or therapies for which there is currently no solution. It would strengthen Europe's industrial position in, early diagnostics, disease prediction and prevention, disease monitoring and reducing hospitalization time.</p> <p>Deadlines: 16/06/2022 and 16/11/2022</p>
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">HEurope: Testing and Experimentation Facility for Health (DIGITAL-2022-CLOUD-AI-02)</a>
Short Description	<p>Foster the integration of state-of-the-art AI and robotics technologies in the healthcare domain.</p> <p>Deadline: 17/05/2022</p>



Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">HEurope: Pandemic preparedness (HORIZON-HLTH-2022-DISEASE-07)</a>
Short Description	<p>This topic aims at supporting activities that are enabling or contributing to one or several expected impacts of destination 3 “Tackling diseases and reducing disease burden”, therefore contributing to some of the following outcomes: (i) the scientific community has better understanding of the biology of the pathogens (virus, bacteria etc.), its transmission, its interaction with humans, animals and plants, in particular in view of emerging threats to human health, such as infectious diseases and anti-microbial resistance; (ii) health care providers and practitioners have access to and use appropriate medical countermeasures, e.g. vaccines, diagnostics, therapeutics and digital solutions; (iii) Health authorities have the evidence-base and tools for better public health measures.</p> <p>Deadline: 21/04/2022</p>

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">COST - European Cooperation in Science &amp; Technology</a>
Short Description	<p>COST Action is an interdisciplinary research network that brings researchers and innovators together to investigate a topic of their choice for 4 years. COST Actions are typically made up of researchers from academia, SMEs, public institutions and other relevant organisations or interested parties. Open to all science and technology fields, including new and emerging fields; COST Actions offer an inclusive, pan-European environment for individuals of all levels of seniority to grow their professional research networks and boost their careers.</p> <p>Deadline: 20/10/2022</p>
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Invention for Innovation (i4i)</a>
Short Description	<p>Translational research funding scheme aimed at de-risking early-to-late stage medical devices, in vitro diagnostics and high-impact patient-focused digital health technologies that have demonstrated proof-of-concept, for ultimate NHS use. i4i has three funding streams: Product Development Awards (PDA), Challenge Awards and Connect. PDA and Challenge run two funding competitions a year, launching in autumn and spring, whereas Connect runs one funding competition each year.</p>

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">LSV Asset Management</a>
Short Description	Life science venture capital firm that invests in breakthrough medical device and biopharmaceutical companies. The firm essentially invests in early stage therapeutics that lead innovations in life science to medicines, and participates in venture-backed healthcare exits. LSV currently manages approximately \$109 billion in value equity portfolios for approximately 350 clients as of December 31st, 2021.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">New Enterprise Associates (NEA)</a>
Short Description	Global venture capital firm that focuses to invest in health care and technology industries. The company invests in all stages of a company's lifecycle, from seed stage through IPO. NEA mainly invests in the following sectors: Life Sciences, Digital Health, Software & Services, Systems, and Consumer & Internet.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Serena Capital</a>
Short Description	Venture financing firm focused on early growth capital investments in a variety of technology sectors including AI & Data, Consumer, Fintech & Insurtech, Gaming, Healthtech, Marketplace and SaaS. Serena Capital invests from Pre-Seed to Series A, with check size ranging from €100K to €15M.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">XAnge Capital</a>
Short Description	European team of venture capital investors that manages €600 million and invests in digital, deeptech and impact startups. Xange Capital likes to partner early with entrepreneurs and typically invest between €250k and €10 million in financing rounds.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Advent International</a>
Short Description	Advent International is global private equity firm focused on buyouts of companies in Western and Central Europe, North America, Latin America and Asia. It has already invested \$64 billion in over 390 private equity investments across 41 countries. It invests in five core industry sectors: Business & Financial Services; Healthcare (including Healthcare services & IT and Pharmaceuticals, life sciences & medical devices); Industrial; Retail, Consumer & Leisure; and Technology.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Apax Partners</a>
Short Description	British private equity firm that invests essentially in 4 sectors: Tech, Services, Healthcare and Internet/Consumer. In the Healthcare sector, Apax Partners already did 89 investments, and it is interested in four core sub-sectors, including medical technology, pharmaceuticals, healthcare IT and healthcare services.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Auriga Partners</a>
Short Description	Venture capital firm based in Paris that prefers to invest in seed-stage, early-stage, and later-stage companies operating in software and life sciences sectors. It has a seed fund, AURIGA IV Bioseeds, that is focused on projects in the areas of infectiology and microbiology.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Karista</a>
Short Description	Early-stage venture capital management company specializing in Health, Digital, Technology and NewSpace. Through its six funds, including two active funds and another one in the process of being raised, Karista has supported more than 85 start-ups in Europe.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Cross Road Biotech (CBR)</a>
Short Description	Private venture capital management firm specialized in life sciences investing in innovative early stage start-ups in biotech, med tech, digital health and medical technologies. With more than €50M under management, CRB portfolio includes healthcare technology based companies in Spain.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Earlybird Venture Capital</a>
Short Description	The firm offers investment and assets management services. It invests in all development and growth stages on IT technology and health technology European companies. Earlybird offers finance on health technology segment has been on firms in the fields of diagnostics, imaging, healthcare services and medical devices.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Forbion Capital Partners Management Services</a>
Short Description	Venture capital firm which invests in life sciences and biomedical technology companies across Europe and the US. It is interested in the biotech, medtech and diagnostics sectors for oncology, respiratory, cardiovascular/metabolic and orphan/rare diseases.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">HealthCare Ventures</a>
Short Description	Life science focused venture capital firm that invests and helps manage companies with the potential to transform patient care. Over the past 35 years it has invested \$1.6 billion in more than 100 therapeutic, diagnostic, device, and technology companies.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Gilde Healthcare</a>
Short Description	Gilde Healthcare is a specialized healthcare investor managing with two fund strategies: Venture&Growth and Private Equity. While the Venture&Growth fund invests in innovative companies active in healthtech and therapeutics in Europe and North America, the Private Equity fund participates in profitable European lower mid-market healthcare companies including healthcare providers, suppliers of medical products and service providers to the healthcare sector.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Gimv</a>
Short Description	European investment company that invests in Consumer, Health & Care, Smart Industries and Sustainable Cities sectors. Within the Health & Care sector, the firm is interesting in Care Providers and Patient Services (diagnostic, digital health, homecare, etc), Healthcare products (medtech consumables, devices, equipment, etc), Medica Devices & Diagnostics, among others.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Careventures</a>
Short Description	Healthcare-focused European private equity firm, with over 100 investments executed within healthcare services over two decades.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#"><u>High-Tech Grunderfonds Management (HTGF)</u></a>
Short Description	HTGF is a venture capital investor for German-based innovative technologies and business models - from seed to exit. It has already financed more than 650 start-ups in the industrial tech, digital tech, life sciences and chemicals sectors.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#"><u>Hoxton Ventures</u></a>
Short Description	Venture capital firm specializing in start-ups and early stage investments. Hoxton Ventures is anti-thematic, and focuses on European startups seeking to invent new market categories or transform large, existing industries. It has already invested in companies in the Cosumer, Deep Tech, Digital Health, Enterprise, Fintech and Tech x Bio sectors.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#"><u>Novalis Biotech</u></a>
Short Description	Early stage venture capital investor in life sciences US or Europe-based companies. Focus areas are: innovative research and manufacturing tools, bioinformatics, genomics, diagnostics and digital health. Focused on early-stage start-ups, from (pre)-seed stage to series A.



Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Seventure Partners</a>
Short Description	Seventure Partners is an European venture capital firm with €850 million net commitments under management as of the end of 2020. It actively funds innovative companies, from seed to growth capital, within Digital technologies and Life sciences fields.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">TA Ventures</a>
Short Description	International venture capital firm that invests in early-stage technology start-ups working in the following sectors: Mobility, Digital Health, Enterprise Tech, Consumer Tech, and others. It invests from Seed to Series A in companies based in Europe and North America.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Think.Health</a>
Short Description	Venture Capital firm that invests in early-stage healthcare ventures, typically with investments ranging from €500k to €10m. It seeks innovations and disruptive business models in digital healthcare, medical technologies and health service providers.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">UNIQA Ventures</a>
Short Description	Venture capital arm of UNIQA Group that invests on the later Seed and early Growth stage, targeting Digital Health, FinTech, and InsurTech propositions as well as relevant enabling technologies (i.e., big data, advanced analytics, blockchain, etc.). Interested in Austria and Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) markets.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">imec.xpand</a>
Short Description	The fund targets nanoelectronics-based innovation early-stage projects in smart applications for a sustainable society such as smart health, smart mobility, smart cities, and smart cities industries, smart energy.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Quest for Growth</a>
Short Description	Quest for Growth focuses on innovative European companies in areas such as digital (information and communication technology), health (technology for the healthcare sector) and cleantech (clean technology).
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Credo Ventures</a>
Short Description	Venture capital company focused on early stage investments in Central Europe. Its industry focus is IT, Internet & Health.

Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Kurma Partners</a>
Short Description	Venture capital group that invests in innovative Healthcare and Biotechnology European companies, from pre-seed to growth capital. It is interested in the Biotech, AgTech, MedTech, Diagnostic Digital and Diagnostic sectors.
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Quadrille Capital</a>
Short Description	Independent investment firm focused on technology and healthcare in the United States, Europe and China. It has four investment solutions: investments in private companies, commitments in growth equity and venture capital funds, secondary investments in funds and private companies, and long-only public equity funds. Target sectors are IT/Software, Consumer and Life Sciences.

# PROCUREMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">Big Buyers Initiative in Health</a>
Short Description	Designed to help drive market demand for innovative and sustainable products and services in Europe. They establish working groups (WG), which focus on a specific unmet public procurement need, that meet regularly. Through participating in these groups, participants benefit from a number of joint activities, providing networking opportunities and promoting collaborations. WG launched in April include "Digital solutions in the healthcare sector".
Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">1st Pan-European Healthcare Procurement Summit</a>
Short Description	2-day event in Brussels (20-21 September) that brings together professionals from the European Procurement market, hospitals and healthcare providers. Attendees can benefit from practical workshop sessions and networking activities.

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Program/Opportunity	<a href="#">CareMatrix</a>
Short Description	<p>Pre-Commercial Procurement (PCP) project to support the development of innovative technology for people with multimorbidity. The Carematrix PCP project supports the innovative solutions in close collaboration with healthcare providers, in line with an approach based on pre-commercial procurement that includes co-creation processes, contract management, evaluation and testing, as well as business development support. Companies can register for Open Market Consultation (OMC).</p>