SPANISH NANOMEDICINE PLATFORM

The Spanish NanoMedicine Platform (SNMP) is an initiative of industries and research centres applying nanotechnologies for medical applications, supported by the Spanish government through the Centre for Industrial Technology Development (CDTI), in the context of the “nanotechnology action” of the Spanish Ministry of Education and Science (MEC), Ministry of Industry, Tourism and Trade (MICTyT) and Ministry of Health. More than 70 groups are actually members of the Platform.

Participation in the Spanish Platform on Nanomedicine

The policy objectives of the Spanish NanoMedicine Platform are:

- Set-up a “unique window” for the Nanomedicine community in Spain,
- Improve the collaboration of the Spanish Nanomedicine community in international initiatives, from transnational cooperations to European projects, especially regarding the establishment of the European Technology Platforms,
- Establish recommendations concerning strategic research lines in the Nanomedicine field,
- Act as a community regarding the whole society concerning Nanomedicine aspects.

The Spanish NanoMedicine Platform has divided its activity in five strategic priorities:

3rd NanoSpain Workshop 20-23 March, 2005 Pamplona-Spain
1- Nanodiagnostics
2- Regenerative Medicine
3- Drug Delivery
4- Toxicity and Regulation
5- Training and Communication

Each working group is drawing up a report focused on the state of Nanomedicine in Spain in order to establish the areas where Spanish competences and expertise are well positioned at European level. The objective of those papers is also to open recommendations to the Spanish government which aim is to strongly support Nanomedicine initiatives.