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**BioAlps Networking Day 2025**

**Programme**

**“New Trends in Pharmaceutical Manufacturing”**  
*11 November 2025 | Theâtre du Crochetan | Monthey*

**INTRODUCTION TO VALAIS’ LIFE SCIENCES INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM**

**9.00 am**  **BADGE COLLECTION**

**9.15 am** **WELCOME ADDRESS**   
**Prof. Antoine Geissbühler** | President | BioAlps Association  
**Mr. Jean-Marc Tornare** | Managing Director | BioArk Monthey

**9.30 am** **PRESENTATIONS FROM THE STARTUP INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM**

**BioArk**  
**Mr. Paul-André Vogel** | Managing Director | BioArk Visp

**Ninsun Biotech**

**Dr. Sylvain Gnaho** |Chairman

**ImmunSkills**

**Mr. Adolfo Gonzalez** | CEO & Founder

**Ibex Therapeutics**

**Dr. Pierre A. Morgon** |Co-founder & CEO

[**Stämm Vegh (VS)**](https://www.stamm.bio/)

**9.45 am**  **PRESENTATIONS FROM THE ACADEMIC INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM**

**Moderation by Prof Antoine Geissbühler**  
**HES-SO Valais-Wallis**

**Prof. Nils Hanik** |Professor UAS | HES-SO Valais-Wallis

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**Prof. Marc Pfeifer** |Professor UAS |

**Idiap Research Institute**

**Dr. André Freitas** |Research Group Leader

**CRR SUVA & EPFL**

**Prof. Friedhelm Hummel** |Full Professor | EPFL

**Dr. Bertrand Léger** |Head of Research at Suva Clinics | CRR SUVA

**10.30 am**  **NETWORKING BREAK**

**11.00 am** **PRESENTATION OF S.M.A.R.T CONFLUENCE**

**Mr. Sébastien Mabillard** | CimArk | Digital Health Initiatives

**11.10 am** **PRESENTATION OF THE INDUSTRY INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM**

**Regen Lab**

**ExcellGene**

**11.50 am** **BIOALPS AWARDS CEREMONY**

**NEW TRENDS IN PHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURING**

**12.15 pm** **NETWORKING LUNCH AND EXHIBITION**

**1.30 pm** **AFTERNOON OPENING REMARKS**

**Prof. Antoine Geissbuhler** | President | BioAlps Association  
**Mr. Christophe Darbellay** | State Councillor for the Economy and Education | Canton of Valais  
**Mr. Fabrice Thétaz** | President | Ville de Monthey

**1.45 pm** **KEYNOTE**

**Moderation by Prof. Yogeshvar N. Kalia**

**Merck**  
**Dr. Jonathan Souquet** | Vice President, Head of Global Drug Substance Development

**2.15 pm** **SESSION 1 | FROM LAB TO LINE: EMPOWERING HIGH-VALUE PHARMA & BIOTECH PRODUCTION**

**Moderation by Prof. Nicolas Mermod**

**Siegfried  
 Dr. Marcel Signer** | Head of Production  
 **Dr. Thomas Belser** | Head of R&D and Pilot

**Debiopharm Research & Manufacturing**   
**Dr. Cédric Sager** | CEO  
**Mr. Marco Salvagni** | Executive Director of Operations  
  
*A series of presentations by leading actors, followed by an interactive roundtable.*

**3.00 pm** **NETWORKING BREAK**

**3.45 pm** **SESSION 2 | NEW TRENDS IN PHARMA & BIOTECH**

**Moderation by Dr. Carmen Jungo Rheme**

**Transforming the lab paradigm**  
**Dr. Loïc Roch** | CEO & Co-founder | Atinary Technologies  
**Mr. Bernd Gleixner** | Division President Automation | Bruker

**Transforming the manufacturing paradigm  
 Mr. François Carruzzo** | Co-founder & CTO | Bioscibex **Dr. Florence Pojer** | Head of Unit, Protein Production and Structure Core Facility | EPFL

*Presentations highlighting the new trends in pharma and biotech, followed by conversations*

**4.45 PM** **SESSION 3 | SMART SCIENCE, SMARTER MANUFACTURING**

**Moderation by Mr. Federico Sasso**

**Siemens**

**Mr. Vincent Meyer** | Head of Life Sciences   
**Ceidos (VS)**  
**Mr. Sébastien Walpen** | CEO

**Plair (GE)  
 Dr. Svetlana Kiseleva** | CPO & Co-founder

*A series of presentation highlighting the Swiss Health Valley’s innovations.*

**5.15 pm** **NETWORKING AND DINNER COCKTAIL**