

Alps Bio Cluster

Biotech and Medtech in Alpine Space

- AS priority area: Competitiveness and Attractiveness
- Duration: 01/10/2008 - 30/09/2011
- [Project webpage](#)
- [Project on the website of the Alpine Space Programme](#)

Project Partners

- **Lead partner:** [ADEBAG for the Rhône-Alpes Bio Cluster](#)

Project summary

The ALPS Bio Cluster will establish a transnational cluster network in the biotech and medtech sector by involving actors from 6 alpine regions in research, training and industry, especially small and medium-sized companies, in order to boost joint economic development by reaching a critical mass of key players. The envisaged transnational cluster builds on strong regional cluster structures and will improve innovation capabilities and deepen collaboration by implementing two thematic and sustainable networks: one on “Autonomy and healthcare” and one on “New diagnosis and therapies” with the two cross-sectoral approaches of linking green and red biotech with environmental health on one side and on bridging ICT and medical devices with healthcare at home on the other side. A “Healthy life at home in the Alps in a natural environment worth to be preserved” will be promoted through marketing of the Alpine brand.

Hypotheses

- [Partnerships & trade-offs between inner- and outer-Alpine areas](#)
- [Competition between global and regional economic cycles](#)

Keywords

- [connectivity](#)
- [accessibility](#)
- [SME support and networks](#)

Topics

- [Access to information and knowledge](#)

Project results

Result	Category	Language(s)	Target group	Remark
Transalpine Search Engine	Tool	EN, FR, German	Specific institutions	In line with the mission of the Alps Bio Cluster network to enhance the visibility of our regions and promote partnerships, especially in the field of Life Sciences, BioAlps developed a search engine dedicated to Life Sciences in the Alpine Space: www.alpslifesciencesearch.com . This tool centralizes the URLs of all actors in the regions of the cluster active in Life Sciences. The eight partners contributed to feed the data and keep the search engine up-to-date. Search of specific companies, research centers or laboratories can be carried out either with generic terms (oncology, research...) or with a combination of targeted keywords for a more precise search. The tool aims at facilitating the identification of potential partners and fostering cooperation between our regions.
Mindbrowser	Tool	EN	Scientists	This is an easy tool that has been developed to facilitate several types of collaboration in research and innovation activities.

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