

Cooperation with other authorities and organisations

Co-committee with the Danish Council of Ethics

Under Section 5(2) of the Committee Act, the Danish National Committee on Biomedical Research Ethics and the Danish Council of Ethics have to cooperate on fundamental issues concerning biomedicine. The cooperation takes place through meetings and common activities.

There is a current mutual orientation, and the meetings focus on issues of common interest, as legislation, ethics and clinical trials on dead people.

Coordination group with the Danish Medicines Agency

Projects that include clinical tests of medicinal products and medicinal devices must be approved both by the committee system on research ethics and by the Danish Medicines Agency. It has therefore been decided to set up a permanent coordination group to ensure current contact.

The cooperation mainly concentrates on common issues and coordination of the administration of handling of applications for clinical trials.

Gene therapy group

At secretariat level the Danish National Committee on Biomedical Research Ethics participates in a coordination group concerning gene therapy. In addition to the secretariat of the committee, the members of the group are representatives of the Danish Medicines Agency, the National Board of Health, the Danish Forest and Nature Agency and the Danish Working Environment Authority.

The Ministry of Health and Prevention

The Danish National Committee on Biomedical Research Ethics has a good cooperation with the Ministry in the interpretation of the law of the committee system. Furthermore the committee with accept from the Ministry works out Guidelines about Notification etc. of a Biomedical Research Project to the Committee System on Biomedical Research Ethics.