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The office focuses on monitoring European policies and instruments to support Slovak researchers and innovators, with an emphasis on the current EU Framework Programme for Research and Innovation – Horizon Europe.

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THE BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH CENTER OF THE SLOVAK ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

BMC SAS is a multidisciplinary institution devoted to basic, translational and clinical research in biomedicine, focused on understanding and combating metabolic, neurological, oncological, endocrine, genetic, and infectious diseases. It also prioritizes educating young scientists and offering public services. BMC SAS aims to become nationally leading and internationally recognized institution known for its discoveries and impact on society.

The BMC SAS researchers provide comprehensive care for metabolic disorders at Slovakia's first EASO-certified obesity management center.

BMC SAS has also participated in EU-funded consortia in **virology** (European Virus Archive, EVAg and EVA GLOBAL, ISIDORe, ZOE), **oncology** (HISTENTS, VISION, iPAAC, UNCAN, CCI4EU), **physiology** (DevelopAKUre, ADDIT-CE), and other areas (MSCA, ERA-NET and COST projects), and takes part in the Alliance4Life and CoARA initiatives to improve research quality, governance, and assessment.



PAPER AND PULP RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Established in 1947, the Institute focuses on development of the Czech and Slovak pulp and paper sectors, technological research, industrial application, technical assistance to mills and converting plants. It played a key role in professional training and information dissemination and has earned international recognition receiving awards for significant research achievements. The Institute is a member of global pulp and paper associations (CEPI, TAPPI, FEFCO).

Ligno Silva Centre of Excellence of Forest-based Industry

Established under the Horizon 2020 project, LignoSilva aims to innovate the forest-based sector in Slovakia. Collaborating with the National Forest Centre and Fraunhofer Institute for Wood Research, the Centre focuses on sustainable wood production, biomass and bioenergy, pulp-paper technologies and wood recycling. It integrates research and development to enhance the industry, in line with Slovakia's RIS3 strategy and Green Economy goals.





KEMPELEN INSTITUTE OF INTELLIGENT TECHNOLOGIES

KINIT is an independent, non-profit research institute focusing on supporting scientific excellence by bridging the industry and academia. KINIT encourages knowledge spreading, talent development, and responsible innovation. Its activities focus strongly on the society, from research topics (e.g. language, disinformation, environment), through advising and commenting on Slovak and EU policies, popularizing science, to nurturing young talent.

KInIT builds on the long-standing academic excellence of three AI research groups from the Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava, with strong support from the private sector, being inspired by similar institutes abroad. In just four years, KInIT launched PhD and internship programs and is implementing 11 European projects. We engage with more than 20 industry partners and publish 50% of scientific outputs on top venues (A/A*,Q1/Q2).

Acknowledged by the Slovak government, KInIT gains recognition for being a new institutional model for R&I in Slovakia, demonstrating alignment to the Slovak and European strategies.



