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Marine Bioresources Interested Colleagues NEWS BULLETIN June 2015

New BioBridge website

We are pleased to have launched our new website. Do visit us at www.biobridge.co.uk

PharmaSea news

9TH EUROPEAN CONFERENCE ON MARINE NATURAL PRODUCTS - Glasgow

PharmaSea is jointly organizing with BlueGenics and SeaBioTech ECMNP 2015
31st August to 2nd September 2015 (pre-conference workshop 30th August limited to 60 people but a
few spaces left) www.pharma-sea.eu/ecmnp-workshop.html
Please visit http://ecmnp2015.com/ for programme and registration

This will also be the PharmaSea project's 2015 Annual Conference — details to follow

Awards and publications

The PharmaSea project, in which BioBridge is a partner, won the CommNet Impact Award 2014 in the category "Engaging citizens" and was praised for the high volume of media attention it had generated. http://www.pharma-sea.eu/pharmasea.html

Also another project partner, Lixin Zhang of
Institute of Microbiology, Chinese Academy of Sciences, China won the Chinese Young Investigator
Award in 2014, given by Roche and the Royal Society of Chemistry.

Phycotoxins, 2nd ed, LM Botana and A Alfonso, University of Santiago de Compostela, Spain (PharmaSea partner) Available at http://eu.wiley.com/WileyCDA/WileyTitle/productCd-1118500369.html

News from the Marine Biotechnology ERA-NET, which followed the preparatory action CSA MarineBiotech project http://www.marinebiotech.eu that was managed by **BioBridge**:

<u>ERA-MarineBiotech 1st transnational call – high response</u> "The development of biorefinery processes for marine bioresources".

"37 pre-proposals were received requesting a total funding of € 42 million. The 5x oversubscription reveals a high interest and importance of this topic, and will give a good competition for high quality projects" http://www.marinebiotech.eu/news-and-events/era-news/high-response-first-era-mbt-joint-call-proposals Projects are expected to start at the end of 2015.



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Other news

Policy vacancy at eCOAST in Belgium

http://www.ecoast.be/content/documents/vacancy%20biotech%20policy%20expert.pdf

3 year PhD project is funded through the IBiolC programme

(http://www.ibioic.com/) and Highlands and Islands Enterprise, to examine ways to extract valuable co-products from seaweeds used primarily for alginate production. Application details at http://www.findaphd.com/search/ProjectDetails.aspx?PJID=63793&LID=1374.

Urban Algae Canopy at Expo Milano

http://www.expo2015.org/en/news/tutte-le-news-/urban-algae-canopy--the-micro-algae-system-designed-for-future-food-district

South Korean Seaweed Farms image

http://earthobservatory.nasa.gov/IOTD/view.php?id=85747

Smart Microfarms

The latest information on developments in algal farming, including articles on demo plants <u>http://www.smartmicrofarms.com/</u>

New Carotenoids report

The market is estimated to grow to over \$1.4B by 2019 – scope for algal industry here! http://www.marketsandmarkets.com/ and search using "carotenoids"

Dates for your diary

Phyconet Commercialising microalgae: Determining industry needs, Birmingham, 16 June 2015 http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/commercialising-microalgae-determining-industry-needs-tickets-16519472186

9th ECMNP (European Conference of Marine Natural Products) 30 August-2 September 2015, Glasgow, Scotland http://ecmnp2015.com/

6th BioMarine International Business Convention, 12-14 Oct 2015, Wilmington, NC, USA http://www.biomarine.org/wilmington2015/usa-2015/

'Rendez-vous de Concarneau - where Industry meets Science' 2015, 15-16 October 2015

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First European Marine Observation and Data Network (EMODnet), 20 October 2015 De Grote Post, Oostende, Belgium http://www.emodnet.eu/registration

EFIB 2015, 27-29 October 2015, in Brussels http://www.efibforum.com/

WOC 2015 "SUSTAINABLE OCEAN SUMMIT" 9-11 November, Singapore http://www.oceancouncil.org/site/summit 2015/