Industrial contributions to innovation in the hospitals

KinN Therapeutics AS – Rakel Brendsdal Forthun
KinN Therapeutics AS initially started as vehicle for developing preclinical models of leukemia for own research in 2003. It was developed as a CRO by the help of UniFob in 2007 with the first year resulting in net profit, with four active contracts running. In 2008 the name KinN Therapeutics AS was established, and the company is now based on Haukeland Campus. The company runs large EU projects with companies and scientific groups, and does preclinical work for pharma companies as well as smaller biotech- and startup companies.

BerGenBio AS – James Lorens
Prof. Lorens has a unique background of combined of academic and biotech industry cancer research and development. He will describe his experiences in translating basic research results from his UiB laboratory through the innovation and commercialization landscape to the establish the biotechnology company BerGenBio AS and the development of a first-in-class cancer treatment.

NordicNeuroLab AS – Marte Thuen
NordicNeuroLab AS was founded in 2001, as a start-up company based on ideas coming out of Bergen fMRI group at the University of Bergen and Haukeland University Hospital. The focus of the company is to deliver easy-to-use and robust tools for functional MRI, both MR-compatible hardware equipment, as well as advanced analysis tools for post-processing and evaluation of MR data. Today, the company has more than 1000 installations in over 65 countries, and collaborate with major players in the market. Recently, the company was awarded with the international price ‘Most Innovative Neuro-Imaging Solutions Provider 2015’ by The New Economy. The talk will elaborate on the history of NordicNeuroLab, were we are today, and our experience in the transition of being a small start-up company, to become an international leading company within our field.

Oslo MedTech AS - Kathrine Myhre
Oslo Medtech is a health technology cluster, dedicated to accelerate and support the development of new Medtech, eHealth and digital health products, services and innovative solutions for the Norwegian and global health care market.

The clusters mission is to develop and industrialize world class health technology products and solutions that enables sustainable and high quality treatment and care, and Norwegian health technology industry growth.