CONSORZIO PER VALUTAZIONI BIOLOGICHE E FARMACOLOGICHE

INFORMATION SECURITY POLICY

The Clinical Validation from Biopharmaceutical Findings (CVBF) is a non-profit organisation founded in 2000 with the aim of promoting innovative research initiatives in Europe and, in particular, strengthening all phases of paediatric research, from drug discovery to the development of new formulations and clinical trials.

Registered with AIFA as a non-commercial sponsor of clinical trials and as a contract research organisation (CRO) since 2009, CVBF provides scientific, methodological and regulatory support to European institutions and companies committed to innovation in the pharmaceutical and biotechnological fields.

CVBF has two offices in Italy (Pavia and Bari) and one in Albania (Tirana), which opened in 2015 to manage clinical trials for pharmaceutical companies seeking to develop their market, as well as to support Albanian institutions and research organisations wishing to promote innovation and align themselves with European standards. This Information Security Policy applies to all CVBF offices.

Given the nature of its activities, CVBF considers information security to be an essential requirement for the protection of its own information assets, those of its customers and partners, and a factor of strategic importance that can easily be transformed into a competitive advantage. Furthermore, it pays particular attention to issues concerning information security during the various phases of clinical research and the need to ensure the production of reliable and robust data of a high scientific standard, guaranteeing patient safety.

The Information Security Management System (ISMS) applies to the following field of applicability: **'Research activities and educational services in the health sector, provision of clinical research services for any type of sponsor**'.

For this reason, CVBF adopts both the technical and organisational measures necessary to best ensure the integrity, confidentiality and availability of its own information assets as well as those relating to all stakeholders who play a specific role in the company's mission.

The CVBF's security policy represents the organisation's commitment to all parties with whom CVBF exchanges information to ensure the security of information, of the physical, logical and organisational tools used to process information in all activities, and is a fundamental part of the measures implemented for the protection of personal data.

The Management promotes effective information security management in the following ways:

- Establishing a culture of information security and an effective information security programme and the role of all staff in protecting information and data, systems and corporate infrastructure;
- Defining and clearly communicating roles and responsibilities in the area of information security management and data protection throughout the company;
- Providing adequate resources to effectively support the security programme;
- Voluntarily choosing ISO/IEC 27001 as the reference standard for its Information Security Management System, also as a guarantee to stakeholders of the security of the data they provide;
- Ensuring compliance with legal, regulatory and contractual requirements and with the principles of GCP and GDPR;
- Adopting a risk assessment and management approach aimed at identifying threats, vulnerabilities and appropriate mitigation measures;
- Implementing a structured security incident management process and ensuring adequate business continuity measures;
- Promoting an organisational culture that integrates information security, process quality and individual responsibility;
- Regularly monitoring the effectiveness of the ISMS through internal control and verification activities, and the management review.

The Information Security Policy is reviewed regularly or in the event of significant changes, with the aim of ensuring its continued suitability, adequacy and effectiveness.

The Management appoints Luca Forlani as the contact person for its information security management system.

Mr Luca Forlani is required to update the Management on the application of the ISMS and will also, through communications, and information and training activities, raise awareness among all staff of the contents of the Information Security Policy in order to increase awareness of the role played by each individual in the organisation.

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The Management

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