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The potential of joint Nordic research in health and well-being

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Many things are going on within NordForsk



Potential to take international lead

- Nordic Trial Alliance (NTA)
- BBMRI Nordic
- Joint Nordic Programme on Arctic Research
- eScience Globalisation Initiative
- Nordic Programme on Health and Welfare

Nordic cooperation on register-based research

Unique opportunities for health and welfare research lie in the increased use of the existing data bases and registers at the Nordic level. There are associated challenges that need to be confronted; legal, ethical, technical, and organizational.

The high level group strongly support launch of Nordic pilot projects aiming to build and harmonise joint Nordic data sets, in order to test out the research environment and identify remaining obstacles. Pilots should start as soon as possible.

It is of utmost importance to secure the personal integrity of the individual when exploring possible future Nordic frameworks for data sharing. The opportunities of technological solutions enabling secure data transfer and handling without facing national boundaries, that at the same time is respecting individual privacy, should be explored. Ethical and legal frames should simultaneously be addressed.

Overcoming societal challenges with the help of knowledge







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