The Novo Nordisk Foundation Center for Stem Cell Biology (DanStem) is an international research center that strives to unravel fundamental issues in stem cell and developmental biology with the overall aims of advancing new therapies for cancer and chronic diseases such as diabetes and liver failure and utilizing findings through translational research. By fostering a synergistic critical mass in research and training programs, technology platforms and collaborations, DanStem aims to achieve four strategic goals.

DanStem started its activities in 2011 and through a series of donations from the Novo Nordisk Foundation which has also supported the establishment and growth of DanStem.

### Strategic Goals 2018-2023

- Conduct research with high international impact and position the Center and University at the forefront of stem cell and developmental biology
- Recruit international talent and train excellent scientists
- Attract significant external funding and capitalize on national and international collaborations to foster synergy in the research areas
- Engage the public with stem cell and developmental biology and contribute actively to a knowledge based society

### Action Plans 2019

**Research**
- Develop NNF self-evaluation and renewal application
- Identify and address strengths and weaknesses of the Center
- Recruit a new group leader and on-board smoothly

**Education**
- Organize and co-organize courses, seminars and lectures
- Enhance network opportunities and skills development for junior scientists
- Recruit excellent, dedicated students both internationally and from Denmark

**Collaboration, societal commitment and outreach**
- Initiate and develop new international partnerships
- Develop and continue outreach program and social media presence
- Contribute to large scale outreach activities

**Employees, administration and framework**
- Participate in development of HR, finance and local implementation
- Develop and offer a symposium about chronic stress and follow-up workshops
- Focus on recruitment policy and procedures

**Research**
- Stem Cell Biology
- Developmental Biology
- Diabetes
- Cancer

**Educational Programmes**
- Medicine
- Odontology
- Molecular Biomedicine

**Key Figures (2018)**

**Publication (2017):**
Peer reviewed 25

**Staff (FTE):**
- Professors 4
- Associate Professors 5
- Assistant Professors 10
- Additional VIP 45
- TAP 22

**Finances**
- Turnover (mio. DKR) 75,4