Emplicure has received a research grant from Vinnova

Emplicure AB (publ) has received a research grant of SEK 1.0 million from Vinnova, Sweden's Innovation Authority, within the framework of the competence center SweDeliver.

The project "Ceramic drug carrier for tamper resistant oral drug delivery" has a total budget of SEK 2.6 million, of which Vinnova contributes SEK 1.0 million. The project aims to develop a formulation and manufacturing method for mechanically hard drug-loaded ceramic carriers with intended use for opioid use disorder or moderate to severe pain.

Each prescription of opioids carries an inherent risk of addiction. The abuse and misuse of prescription opioids frequently serve as the starting point for a lifelong struggle with addiction, emphasizing the urgent need for multiple measures to prevent addiction and overdoses.

"We are very happy about this contribution for the further development of our bioceramic material and the collaboration within SweDeliver, which strengthens the knowledge exchange in the pharmaceutical delivery area in a very positive way," says Emplicure's CEO Håkan Engqvist.

The project is a collaboration with Uppsala University, the Department of Materials Science and the competence center SweDeliver. SweDeliver is a world-leading research and competence center in drug delivery that promotes interdisciplinary collaboration between academia and industry.

"This financial reinforcement to SweDeliver's consortium provides further opportunities to conduct innovative research, of great importance and benefit for patients who are currently without optimal treatment," says Christel Bergström, director of SweDeliver.

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