



Wageningen, Utrecht, 19 December 2005. **Keygene N.V., Genome Diagnostics B.V. and UMC Utrecht obtained SenterNovem grant for an *Innovative Collaboration feasibility* study**

SenterNovem has awarded a grant to the tripartite collaboration aiming at a technology for fast, accurate and affordable HLA typing.

Genome Diagnostics B.V. is a spin off of the UMC Utrecht and aims to offer accurate and affordable diagnostic tools to facilitate donor/recipient matching, ultimately leading to higher success rates of bone-marrow, cord blood and stem cell transplantations. For more information visit <http://www.gendx.com>

University Medical Center Utrecht is a leading institute on HLA research and diagnostics and is the reference center for Sequencing Based Typing HLA Typing strategies

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