PATSAFE: Developing the University of Tartu to a well-networked Patient Safety research center in Estonia

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**Aim of the project:** To improve and strengthen knowledge and skills in methods, technics and experiences for patient safety research among the early stage researchers (ESRs) and staff from the Institute of Clinical Medicine of the University of Tartu (ICM-UT)

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**Abstract:** The project aims to strengthen and raise the research profile of the ICM-UT academic staff and early stage researchers (ESRs), by implementing the hands-on training on the methods, techniques and experience in patient safety research. In addition, the aim is to encourage the active participation of ESRs in patient safety research by increase their soft skills, to ensure the continuity and sustainability of patient safety research in ICM-UT and to develop the research strategy on patient safety and establish the Estonian Patient Safety Research Network for the long-term sustainability of patient safety research in Estonia. To implement these activities, PATSAFE foresees a comprehensive strategy consisting of knowledge exchange (training materials, seminars, staff visits), soft research skills capacity building, strategic planning and strong dissemination and exploitation efforts.