

## OCS Life Sciences and SAS deliver their first joint training programme for Clinical Programming.

In October 2018 SAS and **OCS Consulting**, with its specialised business unit **OCS Life Sciences**, launched their joint training programme: **SAS® Academy for Clinical Programming** in Europe. With a combination of e-learning courses, instructor-led classroom sessions and two certification exams, the full training programme prepares participants for the world of clinical and statistical programming in the life sciences industry. Customers can choose to embrace either the complete training programme or can select specific modules that are of immediate relevance to their audience.



**Biotronik AG** in Switzerland is the first organisation to take delivery of the SAS® Academy for Clinical Programming. Hosted by SAS in Zürich, six delegates from Biotronik, data managers, clinical and statistical programmers, and clinical system managers, attended the courses from the Applied Clinical Data Management & Analysis track of the programme. This track includes an introduction to the fundamentals of clinical trials, an overview of CDISC data standards, and a deep-dive into the CDISC SDTM and Define-XML V2 standards.

This highly interactive, three day training session, led by OCS Life Sciences' instructor **Lieke Gijbers**, received praise from the attendees. "We're extremely pleased with the training that Lieke provided, she really did a fantastic job", says **Johan Kwaaitaal**, Manager Clinical Data Operations at Biotronik. Additional sessions on the topics of CDISC ADaM and Analysis Results Metadata are planned to take place early in 2019.



If you want to learn more about the SAS® Academy for Clinical Programming please visit [the website](#) or view [a recording of the webinar](#) in which the various topics comprising this training programme are detailed.

