

# Director's report

# BELLVITGE BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

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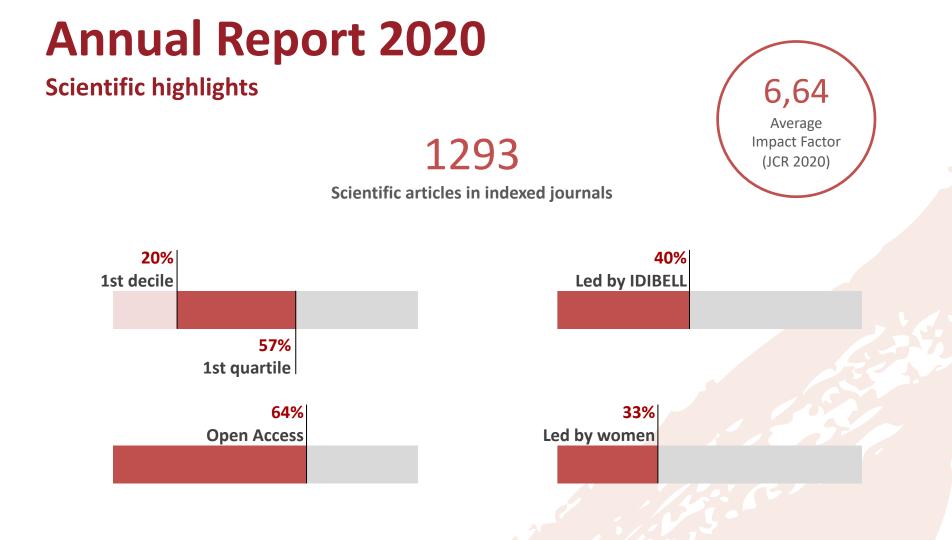
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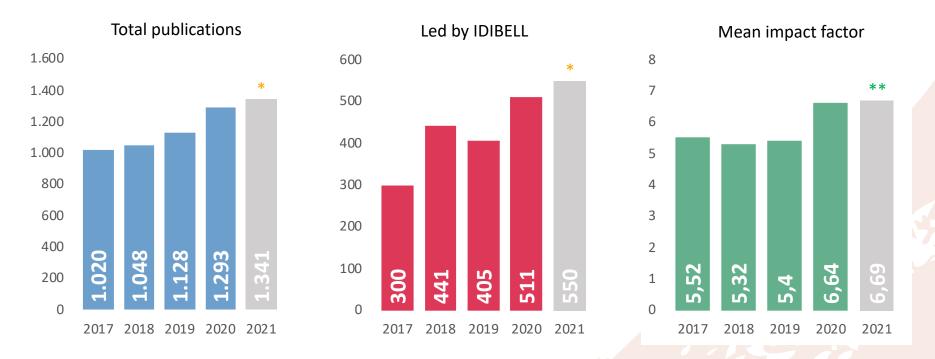


# **Research indicator's overview**



# **Annual Report**

### Scientific highlights evolution



\* Extrapolated from Jan 1 to Dec 15 data \*\* Preliminary data from Jan 1 to Dec 15

# **Annual Report 2020**

Activity





National International

### **GRANTED COMPETITIVE PROJECTS**

**2019 FIGURES** 



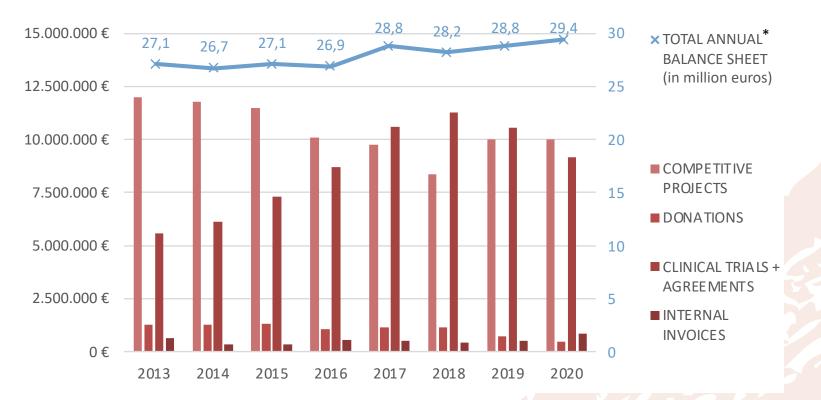


National

International

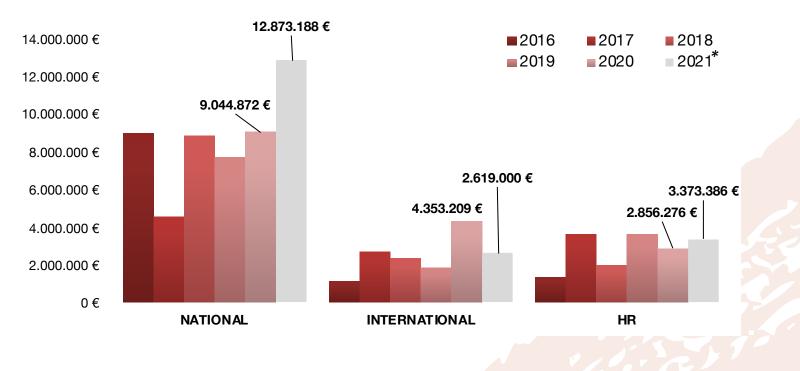


# **Evolution of funds** Annual balance sheet



\* Total annual balance sheet figures include funds from the different sources stated in the chart plus the contributions made by the trustees, depreciation and other expenses not linked to the activity (rentals, financial interests and others).

# Raised funds 2016-2021: competitive calls



\* 2021 data is preliminary

# **2021 Project Highlights:** European Commission



### Cluster Health -- HORIZON-HLTH-2021-CORONA-01-01 PI: Antoni Riera-Mestre IDIBELL budget: 112.500,00€



#### 4 MSCA-Individual Fellowships

PIs: Ángel Raya (2), Mireya Plass, Alessandra Giorgetti IDIBELL budget: 784.829,28 €



### HP-JA-2020: Joint action.

PI: Esteve Fernández (Competent Spanish Authority) IDIBELL Budget 136.607,00 €

# **2021 Project Highlights: Other International**



2 US Department of Defense (as subawardee) PIs: Bárbara Rivera and Conxi Lázaro IDIBELL Budget: 189.857,00 €

# **#ERAPerMed**

2 ERA-NET in Pres Medicine PIs: Víctor Moreno and Josep Ma Cruzado IDIBELL budget: 506.851,00 €



Ecto-GPR37: a potential biomarker for Parkinson's disease PI: Francisco Ciruela IDIBELL Budget: 123.252,00 €

# **2021 Project Highlights: National calls**



### AES 2021

### Projects

27 projectes concedits1 projecte DTS concedit2 projectes Clínica Independiente

### HR grants

3 contractes intensificació
2 contractes Miguel Servet
1 contracte Juan Rodés
5 contractes Río Hortega
2 contractes Sara Borrell
5 contracte PFIS
1 contracte Gestión investigación
4 ajuts de mobilitat M-AES
1 ajut de mobilitat M-BAE

### **TOTAL AES 2021:**

3.106.675€ 149.600€ 1.980.610€ 2.064.276 € 90.000€ 617.200€ 180.000€ 325.000€ 190.000€ 449.500€ 80.700€ 101.876€ 30.000€

5.236.885€

### 7.301.161 €



**COVID-19** 2021 Call

### **2 coordinated projects** C. Lázaro, A. Mas (CSI)

**4 projects in collaboration** L. Lladó, X. Corbella, A. Pujol, V. Moreno

TOTAL La Marató 467.739,79 €

# **2021 Project Highlights:** National calls



# Projects 1.159.177 € 1 innova (O. Casanovas) 180.000 € 2 proyectos estratégicos (C. Ochoa, A. Agudo) 360.000 € 2 proyectes generales (I. Fabregat) 299.814 € 1 ayuda lab AECC (A. Aytés) 299.363 € 1 ideas semilla (R. Moreno) 20.000 €

#### HR grants

2 c. postdoctorales (A. Aytés, A.Gentilella)1 c. clínico junior (R. Alemany)

**TOTAL AECC 2021:** 

220.000€

90.000 € 130.000 €

1.379.177€

# **2021 Project Highlights:** National calls



**RETOS / Generación conocimiento** 

#### 9 projects awarded

PIs: F Vinyals , A Giorgetti, J Guiu, L Valle, J Cerón, P Muñoz, E Cámara, R Alemany

Total IDIBELL: 1.663.750,00 €



**4 PIF-Salut grants** PIs: C Lázaro, B Rivera, MA Pujana, P Ciruela

**4 support personnel grants** PIs: MA Pujana, JM Cruzado, V Moreno, R Zamora

TOTAL IDIBELL: 666.592,24 €

# Internal call for COVID projects

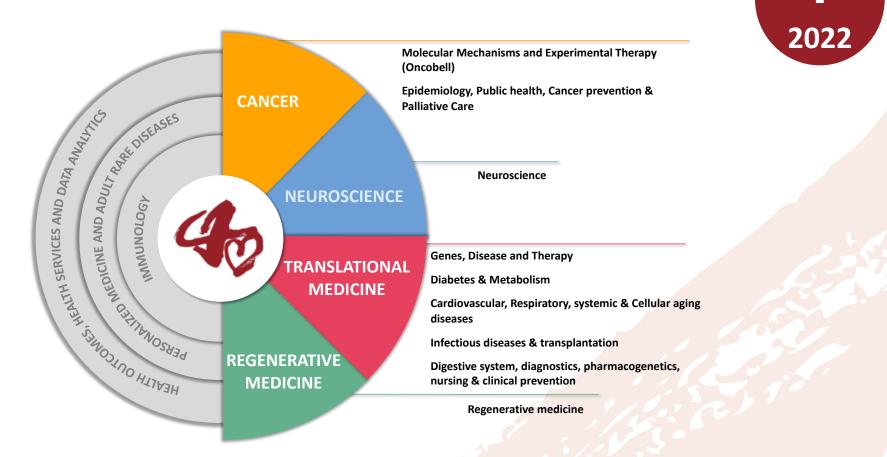
The aim of the call is to fund for innovative translational research projects in the field of infectious diseases and public health, about SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19, which might have a short/mid-term potential scientific and clinical implications.

### SELECTED PROJECTS

Autoantibodies against type I interferons continue to confer a higher risk of severe COVID-19 in fully vaccinated population? (PI: Xavier Solanich Moreno)

The role of empathy in the development of moral distress and its implications in the work performance of health care professionals during Covid-19 (EMDIC) (PI: Antoni Rodríguez Fornells)

# **Research organization**



2019





(2) Epidemiology, Public Health, Cancer **Prevention and Palliative Care** 

ESTEVE

FERNANDEZ

MONTANYA (5) Diabetes and Metabolism Program

> VIRGINIA NUNES (6) Genes, Disease and Therapy

EDUARD



JORDI CARRATALÁ (9) Infectious disease and transplantation Program

(7) Cardiovascular, Respiratory and Systemic Diseases and cellular aging

JOSEP M. LLOP

(8) Digestive system, diagnostics, pharmacogenetics, care support and clinical prevention

ANGEL CEQUIER

16



(4) Regenerative Medicine

ANGEL RAYA

FRANCISCO CIRUELA

(3) Neuroscience

NEURO

# New international exchange program for predoctoral researchers with Shenzhen Bay Laboratory

Initially focused in Regenerative Medicine

The program contemplates the mobility of 5-10 students per year who will carry out stays of at least 6 months.

The signing ceremony was accompained by a scientific symposium with close to 20 presentations by principal investigators from both sides



Shenzhen Bay Laboratory & Bellvitge Biomedical Research Institute Bilateral Academic Symposium



Alessandra Giorgetti



Angel Raya



Esteban Hoijman



Jordi Guiu



Meritxel Rovira



**Carolina** Florian



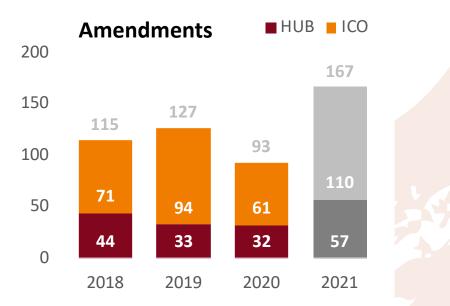
Mireya Plass



# **Clinical research and innovation**

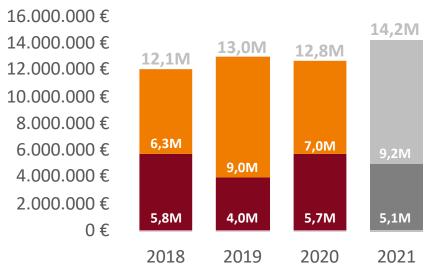
# **2021 Legal Unit Clinical trials**





\* 2021 is a forecast based on 9-month activity

# **2021 Legal Unit** Clinical trials

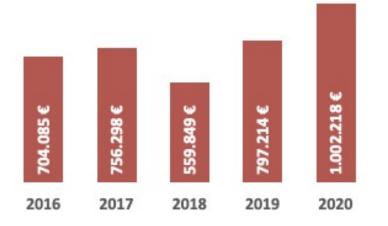


### Potential income ■ HUB ■ ICO

\* 2021 is a forecast based on 9-month activity

**Formula to estimate potential income:** Maximum budget per completed patient multiplied by the number of patients included in the contract. In the case of several branches, it is calculated on the largest branch.

# **Raised funds 2016-2021:** collaborative innovation projects

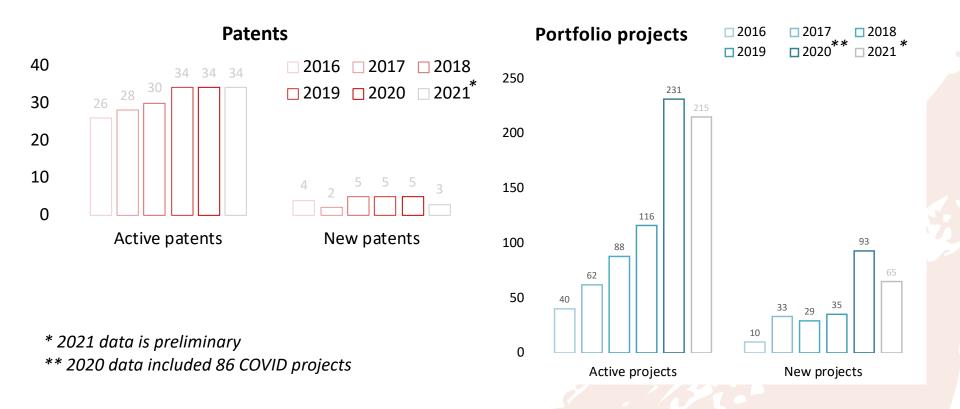


### 2021 activity:

**60** meetings with Venture capital and investors

50 meetings with companies





# **Active spin-offs at IDIBELL**

XENOPAT

Founding year: 2014

Preclinical services including Orthoxenograts<sup>®</sup> generation and access to OrthoXenoBank<sup>®</sup>. It also offers personalized treatment services to select the best cancer treatments.



Founding year: 2016

Development of customizable stents (using 3D technology) and bioactive coatings (antibacterial and / or drug release).



Development and commercialization of a new Kit for the early detection of Alzheimer's by means of an epigenetic analysis in blood, measuring methylcytosines in the mitochondrial DNA.

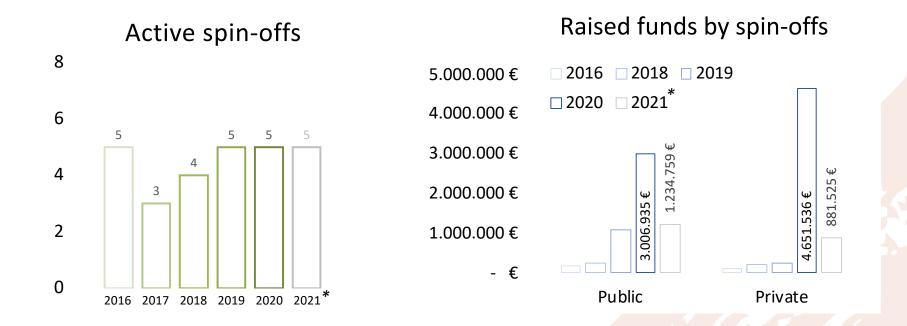
REM Therapeutics Founding year: 2018

Development of a new molecule to prevent ultra-resistant gram-negative nosocomial infections in Intensive Care Units (ICUs).



Development of a new platform for targeted therapy against cancer based on aptamer technology that consists of nanoparticles loaded with therapeutic agents, such as RNA molecules or chemotherapeutic drugs, targeted to different tumors, currently focused on Ewing Sarcoma.





\*2021 data is preliminary

# Internal call for innovation projects

The aim of the call, funded by the **PECT grant 4LocaLHealth**, is to accelerate projects with at least **TRL 4** in **personalized medicine** in pilot phases that might have a short/mid-term high potential for technology transfer of results

### SELECTED PROJECTS

Purpose.Prp-ho family: novel biologic immunomodulators and inflammation resolvers against autoimmune diseases (PI: Josep Maria Aran Perramon)

GAME4HEALTH. Therapy in your pocket: effectiveness of serious games in behavioral addictions (PI: Susana Jimenez Murcia)

MYSURGERY. Perioperative mobile application (PI: Esther Méndez Arias)

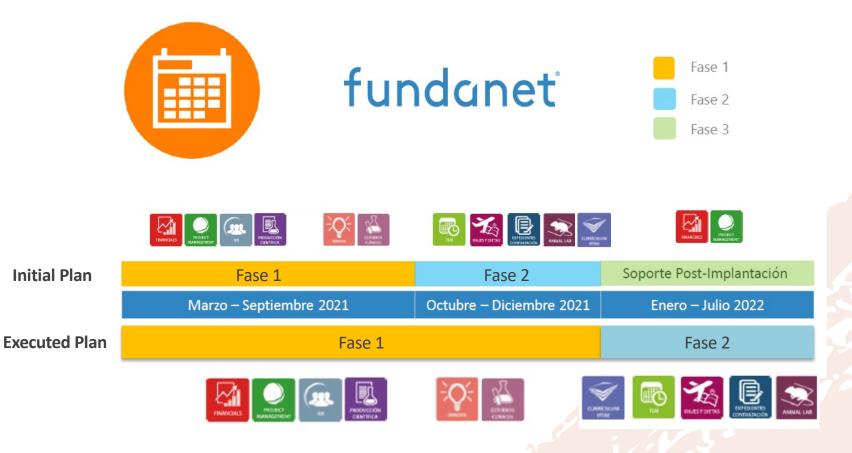
Total allocation of 100,000 €



# **ERP** implementation



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# **Smart Health Community**



# SMART HEALTH COMMUNITY

















# SMART HEALTH COMMUNITY



### Personalized medicine

Improve the health and quality of life of citizens by accelerating the transformation to a Personalized Medicine model centered on the patient.



#### Digital Health and Health Data

Improve the efficiency and sustainability of the health system by moving towards a digital health model, cleaner, sustainable and accessible, and of greater efficiency, based on an efficient use of health data.

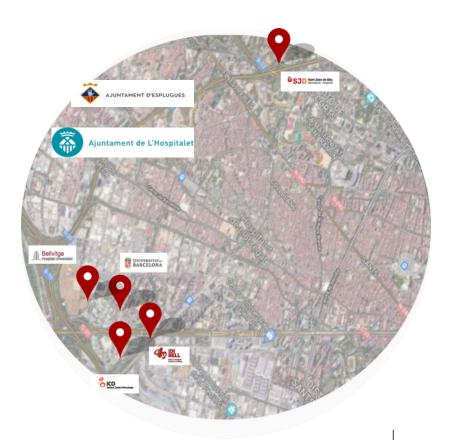


### Emerging technologies and the knowledge economy

Accelerate the economy through the incorporation of emerging technologies, improve the growth of companies based on the generation of knowledge, the creation of start-ups and the attraction of investment, and create quality employment contributing to the attraction and retention of talent.

# SMART HEALTH COMMUNITY

HEALTH, MEDICINE AND OPEN INNOVATION FOR CITIZENS



BAIX LLOBREGAT: L'Hospitalet & Esplugues

- ✓ 1,1M population
- ✓ Biomedical Cluste
- $\checkmark$  Health sector with big economy impact
  - ✓ 54 Companies
  - ✓ 2,275 M€

# SMART HEALTH COMMUNITY

#### PARTICIPANTS

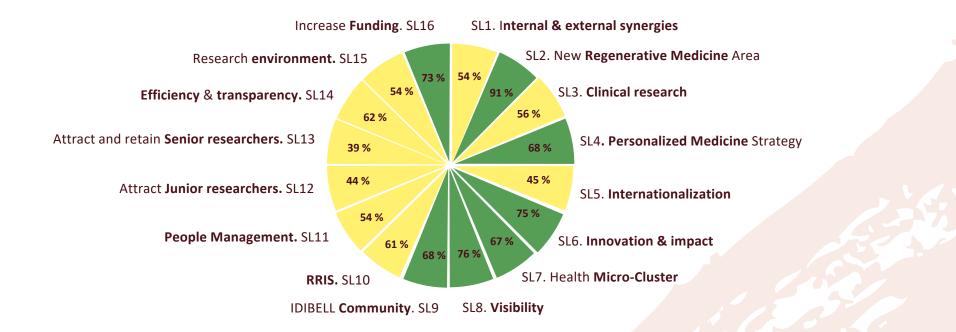




# New strategic plan

# 2018-22 Strategic plan

Performance up to May 2021



### Average Strategic Plan Performance: 61 %

# New strategic plan 2023-2027





### **TELEWORK CONDITIONS** Technicalities

- At least 3 months working in IDIBELL premises
- Having agreed the working plan with responsible
- IDIBELL-inventoried computer
- Sufficient internet connection and a safe environment endorsed
- Risk evaluation approved by the PRL Department after self-reporting
- Expenses reimbursement
  - No reimbursement of connectivity or other related-expenses.
  - After risk evaluation purchase of ergonomic equipment may be considered
- Mandatory training to be completed

### **IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD:**

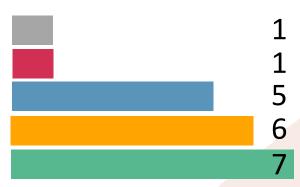
- 4 November 2021: Applications welcome
- End of December 2021: First approvals by the Evaluation Commitee
- **2.01.2022:** Teleworking officially implemented.
- From 01.07.2022:
  - Interim evaluation by the Direction
  - Discussion with Working Council in order to evaluate further steps

# **IDIBELL Seminar Series 2021**



No. refers to attendees at each event

No. of webinars by research area



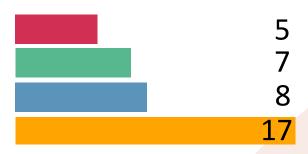
4 #IDIBELLconnect 16 #IDIBELLseminars 46 attendees on average 7 women 13 men

All events have been held online through Microsoft Teams Meeting

### **IDIBELL Seminar Series 2021**



No. of webinars by research area



**37** #IDIBELLfellows speakers 55 attendees on average/event 23 women 14 men

Organized by

All events have been held online through Microsoft Teams Meeting **Areté Program – Training and Professional Development** 

# New training offerings

**178** hours of training +**650** members trained

30 courses organized by Talent
7 courses by Scientific & Technical Services
4 course by Pre-Award
1 course by Post-Award
1 course by Communications & Fundraising
1 course by Information Technologies

# **ARETÉ LMS platform**

2 ongoing online courses 6 courses under development



### PhD Day 2021





Organized by



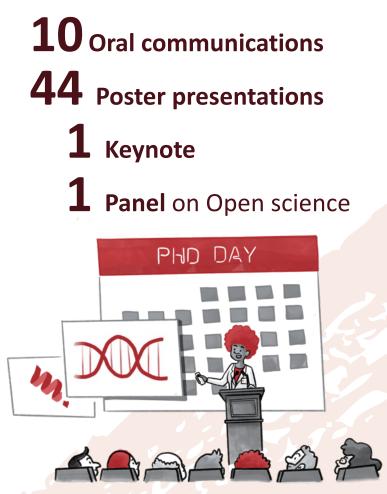
With the support of



This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under grant agreement No 101006544

# **172** registered participants

Hybrid event



# Career Day 2021

# RICAREER

### Building a culture of innovation

18 – 19 November 2021 L'Hospitalet de Llobregat

Partners:





**RemAb** Therapeutics





AtG Therapeutics

**XENOPAT** 

Xenopat

Panel I: Careers in R&I

#### Panel II:

How to make an academic spin-off successful

**Keynote:** How to sell your idea to your prospects – Persuasion and impact

Workshop: Business model canvas

51 registered participants 9 speakers/trainers 5 women 4 men

This event has been held online through Microsoft Teams Meeting, except for the workshop

Aptadel Therapeutics

VCNBioesciences

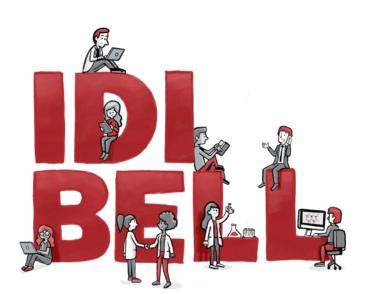
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Tractivus

# **HRS4R Award Renewal**



### We put people at the heart of our strategy•





Gabriel Capellà R4 | Director



Fernando Fernández-Aranda R4 | Scientific Director



Francisco Ciruela R4|Program Coordinator

R4 | Program Coordin



Isabel Fabregat R4 |Program Coordinator

Francesca Matteinni



Angel Raya R4 | Program Coordinator



Anna Veiga R4 | As Ombudsperson

R EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

Leadership and Researchers who participated in the interviews with assessors of the European Commission





Laura Valle

R2

R3



# **HRS4R Award Renewal**

Suggestions and recommendations by the assessors include:

- make sure that all staff (payroll and non-payroll) are **recruited and treated equally**
- make sure R1/R2 have good supervision
- put in place more actions to **drive internationalization** and attract international researchers
- revise evaluation and appraisal systems to take into consideration mobility, public engagement, OA publication, data management, citizen science efforts
- strive for the golden route in Open Access
- invest more energy on the **implementation of the OTM-R policy**, by developing accurate guidelines for selection committees and transparent criteria for the appointment of selection committees
- advertise all positions on EURAXESS

### We put people at the heart of our strategy•



## **Recruitment and Selection**



# 265 job openings

59 Research

170 Scientific Support

36 Management Support

### **TEAMTAILOR, NEW JOB PORTAL**

### **MAIN OBJETIVES:**

- Provide a better service to the Hiring Managers and candidates.
- Improve the hiring procedures and make the process in the IDIBELL community comfortable and agile.
- Compliant with GDPR regulations
- Attract talented candidates.

# **SINERGIA 2021** Festa de la recerca i la innovació en salut de L'Hospitalet

# Del 15 al 20 de novembre

Activitats en viu i propostes virtuals en el marc de la 26ª Setmana de la Ciència.

**sinergia.l-h.cat** #SinergiaLH



# **Open day**

- Visits
- Scientific talks
- Escape room in the labs

# Specific audiences

Medicine students: visits to the SCTs,
 HUB Operating rooms and ICO robotics pharmacy

- Patients: dialogues between professionals and associations
- Tàndem INS Bellvitge: visits

# Digital

- Translation of all contents (including the virtual IDIescape) to Catalan, Spanish and English
- 7 new Stand-up science monologues
- 3 Quinaciència capsules