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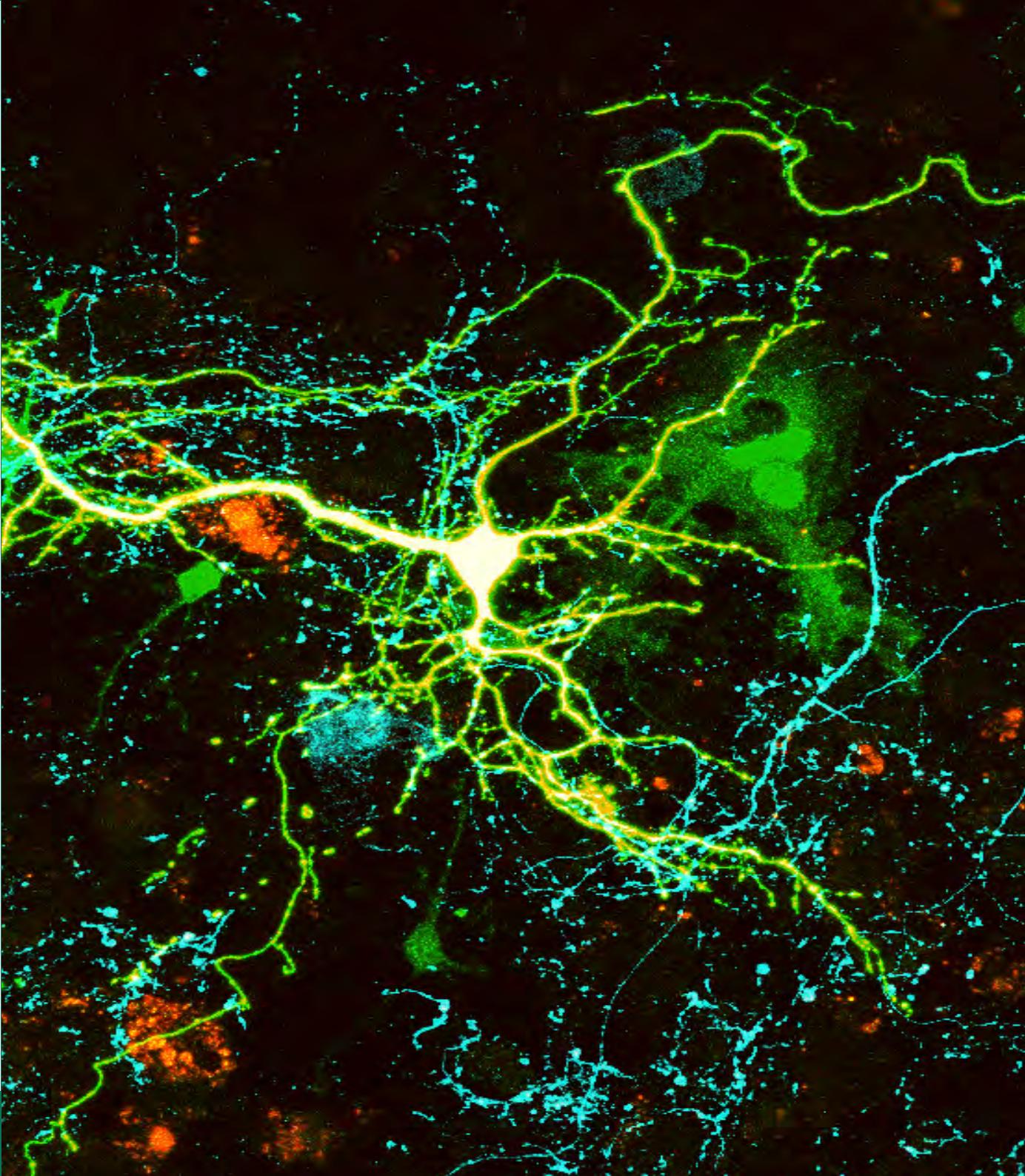
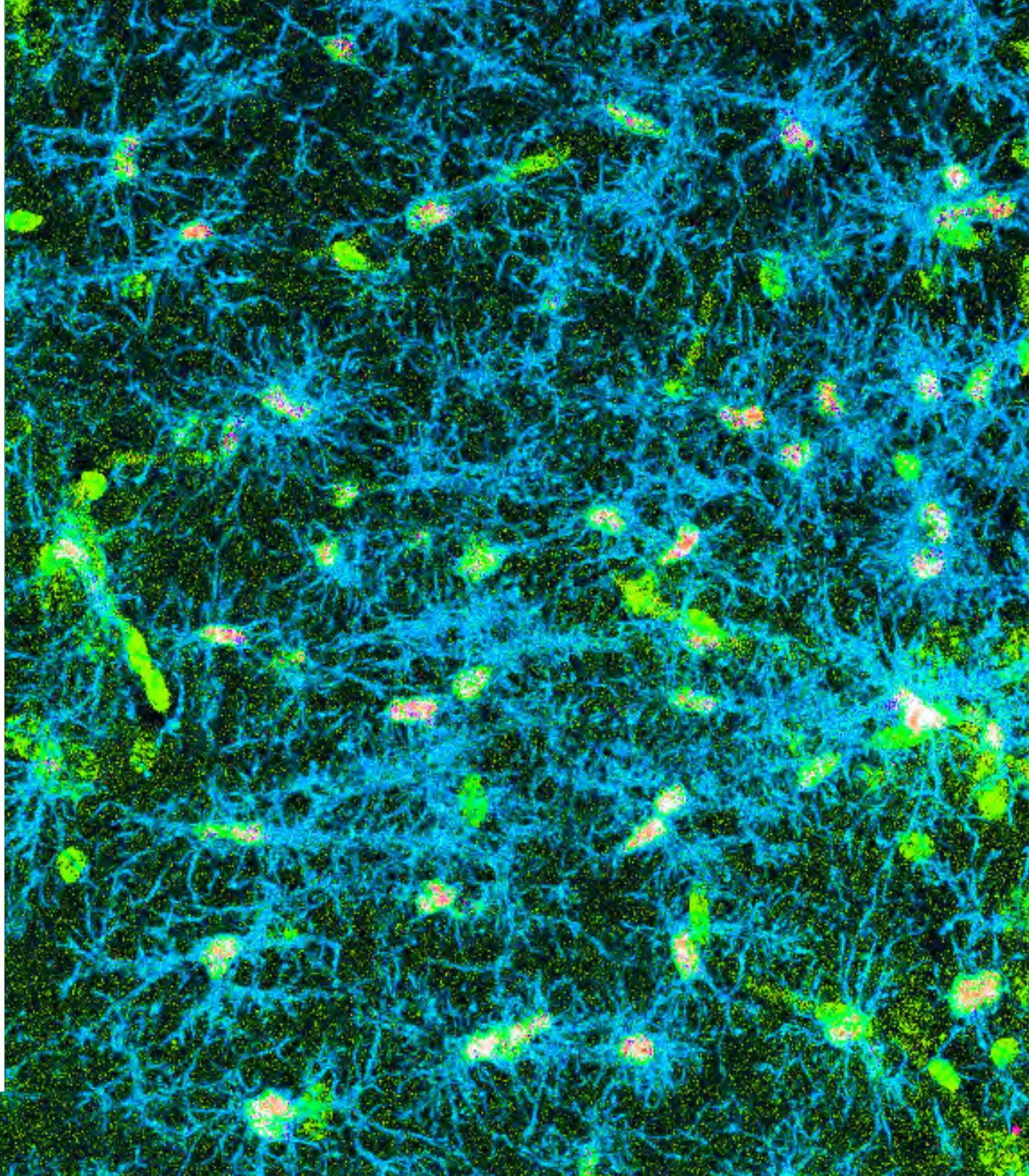


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FOREWORD

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Foreword

Institute of Neurosciences

The **Institute of Neurosciences** (UBneuro) was launched in 2015 under the premise to gather all research at the University of Barcelona that focused on a common goal: understanding the nervous system as a whole to **give response to society challenges**. It is a frontrunner in international neuroscience research, being one of the few institutes in the world that investigates the brain at every level. This includes research groups in neurobiology, neuropharmacology, pathophysiology, neurology, psychiatry, clinical psychology, neuropsychobiology and cognitive neurosciences.

The Institute has been awarded with the María de Maeztu Excellence Unit accreditation, and gathers more than 450 researchers from the University of Barcelona, in the multicultural city of Barcelona. We encourage and welcome collaborations with international research groups and organisations!

Our members enjoy benefits such as being part of a close community, learning from some of the best neuroscience researchers in the world, collaborating in both the private and public sectors, and state-of-the-art facilities.



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and Behaviour

Foreword



Dr. Jordi Alberch
Director

Message from the Director

I hope this message finds you in good health and high spirits.

It is my pleasure to release the 2022 edition of the Annual Report of the Institute of Neurosciences of the University of Barcelona (UBneuro). As the Director, I am honored to address you and reflect on the remarkable achievements and exciting opportunities that lie ahead.

The Institute has achieved an international research leadership in Neuroscience with an outstanding scientific contribution over the past few years. We are proud to rank 39th in the Neuroscience and Behaviour in the US News Best Global Universities Ranking (out of 400). This result would not have been possible without our researchers and their investigation that using multidisciplinary approaches, have obtained novel findings in understanding brain function and pathology from the molecular levels to cognition and behaviour. Many of these fascinating discoveries have only been possible thanks to the wide international collaborative networks of the researchers of the Institute.

UBneuro provides an excellent environment for translational research, keeping a close interaction between basic and clinical research. Hence, we are very proud that UBneuro has been selected, once again, as the Maria de Maeztu Unit of Excellence by the Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation for the next 4 years.

To harness the full potential of these opportunities, I encourage each of you to continue pursuing excellence in your respective areas of expertise, while also embracing collaboration and interdisciplinary approaches. Let us nurture an environment that fosters innovation, inclusivity, and intellectual curiosity.

Looking ahead, I am filled with great optimism for the future of our institute. We stand at the precipice of remarkable opportunities that will shape the landscape of neuroscience

for years to come. Exciting times are coming in brain research, since emerging technologies, such as advanced neuroimaging techniques, artificial intelligence, and neuroengineering, offer unprecedented avenues to explore the complexities of the brain. By embracing these cutting-edge tools, we will uncover new frontiers and pave the way for transformative breakthroughs in our understanding of cognition, mental health, experimental neuroscience and pathological disorders, and of course UBneuro wants to be part of this new exciting era.

In closing, we keep working toward scientific excellence and strive to advance neuroscience research at all scientific levels, from discovering new innovative strategies to identifying new therapeutical approaches for neurological and psychiatric disorders, gathering knowledge and building collaborations across disciplines to ultimately tackle current and future challenges and together build a better world. Together, we have accomplished great things, and I am confident that our collective efforts will continue to propel us towards new horizons.

With warm regards and sincere gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JA".

Jordi Alberch

MD, PhD, Director, Institute of Neurosciences University of Barcelona

Foreword

Governing and Advisory Bodies

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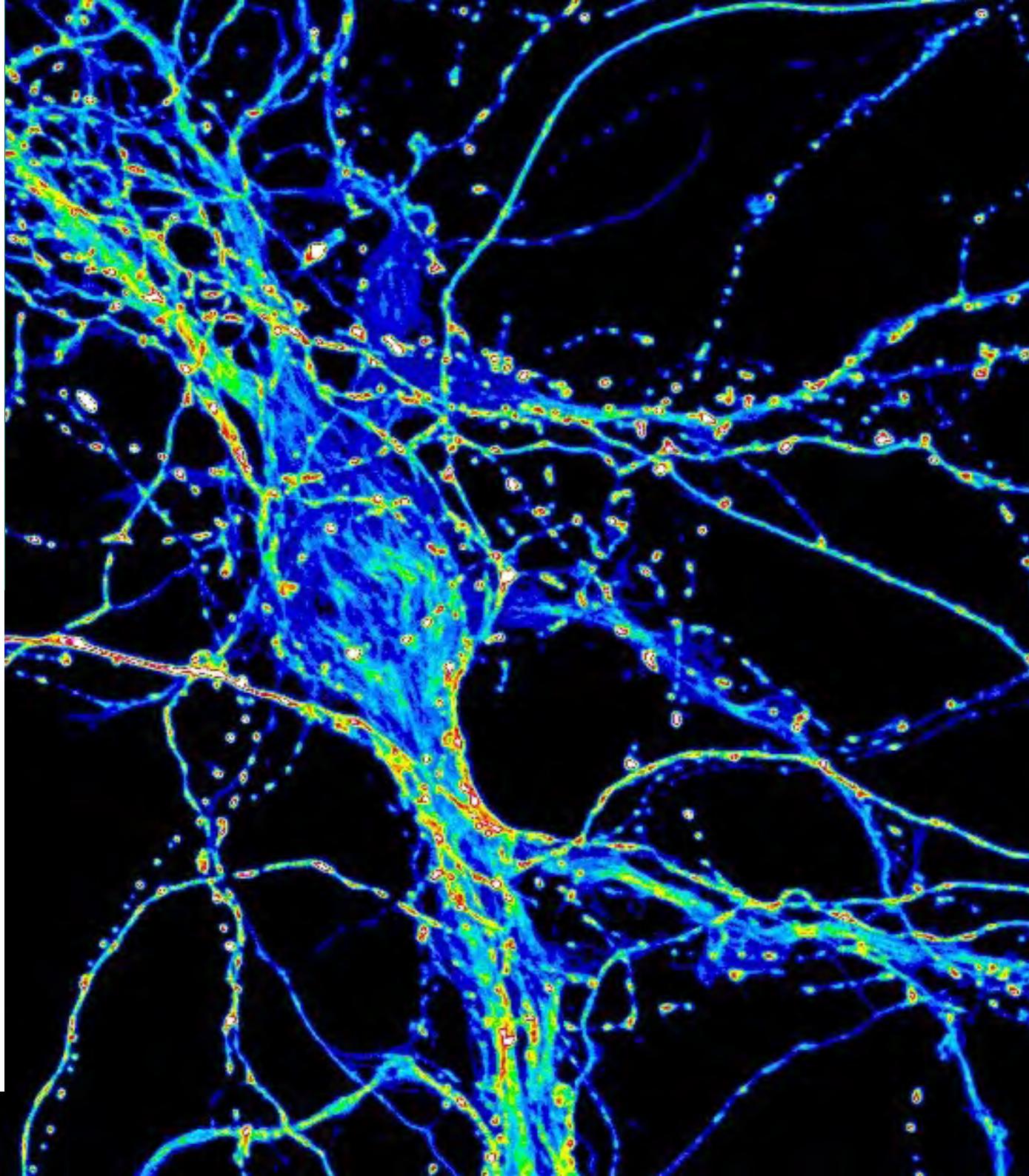
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KEY FIGURES

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OUTPUTS

550
Total
articles

1

- Cell
- Nature Neuroscience
- Nature Aging
- Lancet Neurology
- JAMA Neurology
- JAMA Psychiatry
- JAMA Network Open
- Nature Metabolism
- New England Journal of Medicine
- Journal of the American Chemical Society
- Acta Neuropathologica
- Arthritis & Rheumatology
- Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

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- JAMA Neurology
- Eclinicalmedicine
- Alzheimers & Dementia
- Neurology

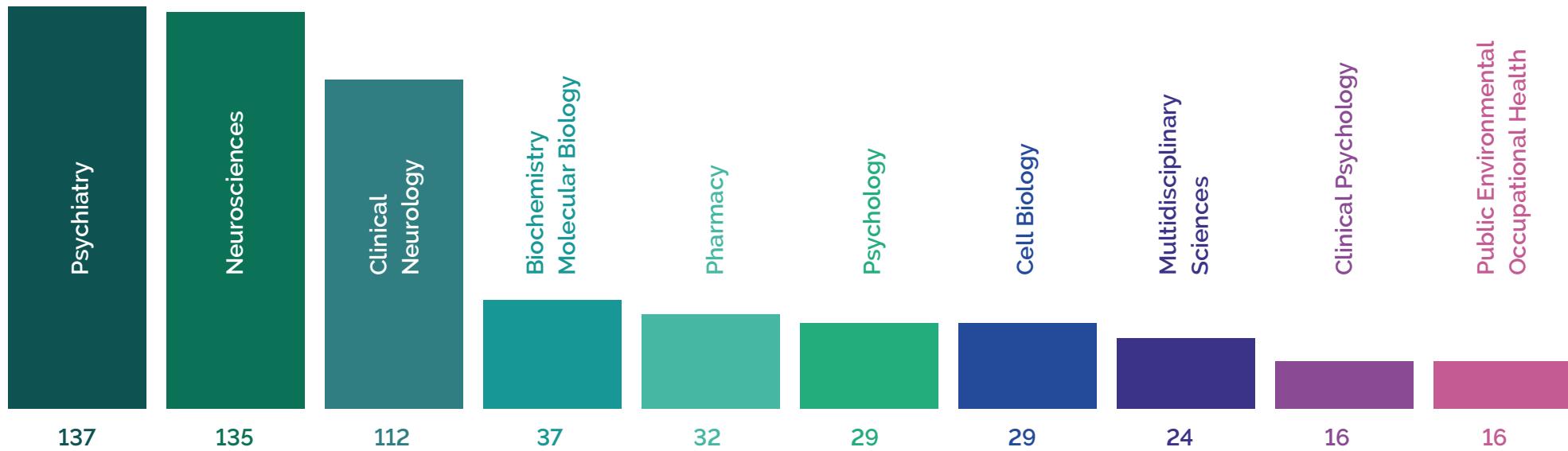
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- Nature Communications
- Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America - PNAS

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- Brain
- Molecular Psychiatry

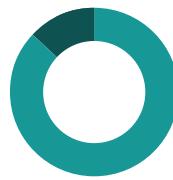
This years articles can be summed up in the following science categories



432 Ongoing Projects | 54 M€



76% National projects
42M€
24% International projects
13M€



87% Public Funding
47M€
13% Private Funding
7M€



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MDM-2017-0729. Ministerio de Economía, Industria y Competitividad. Institute of Neurosciences of the University of Barcelona 2,000,000€



2 Advanced Grants



4 Research professors
5 Academia professors



2 Postdoctoral
Fellowships
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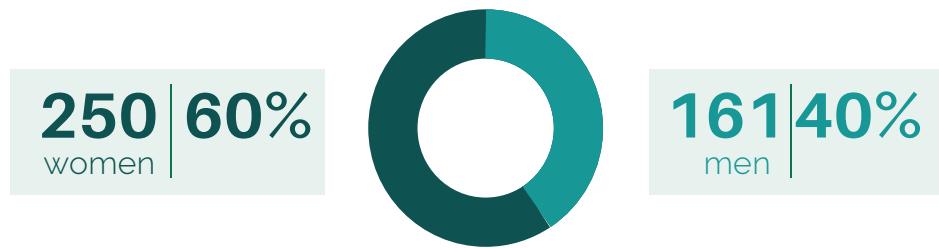
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Patents
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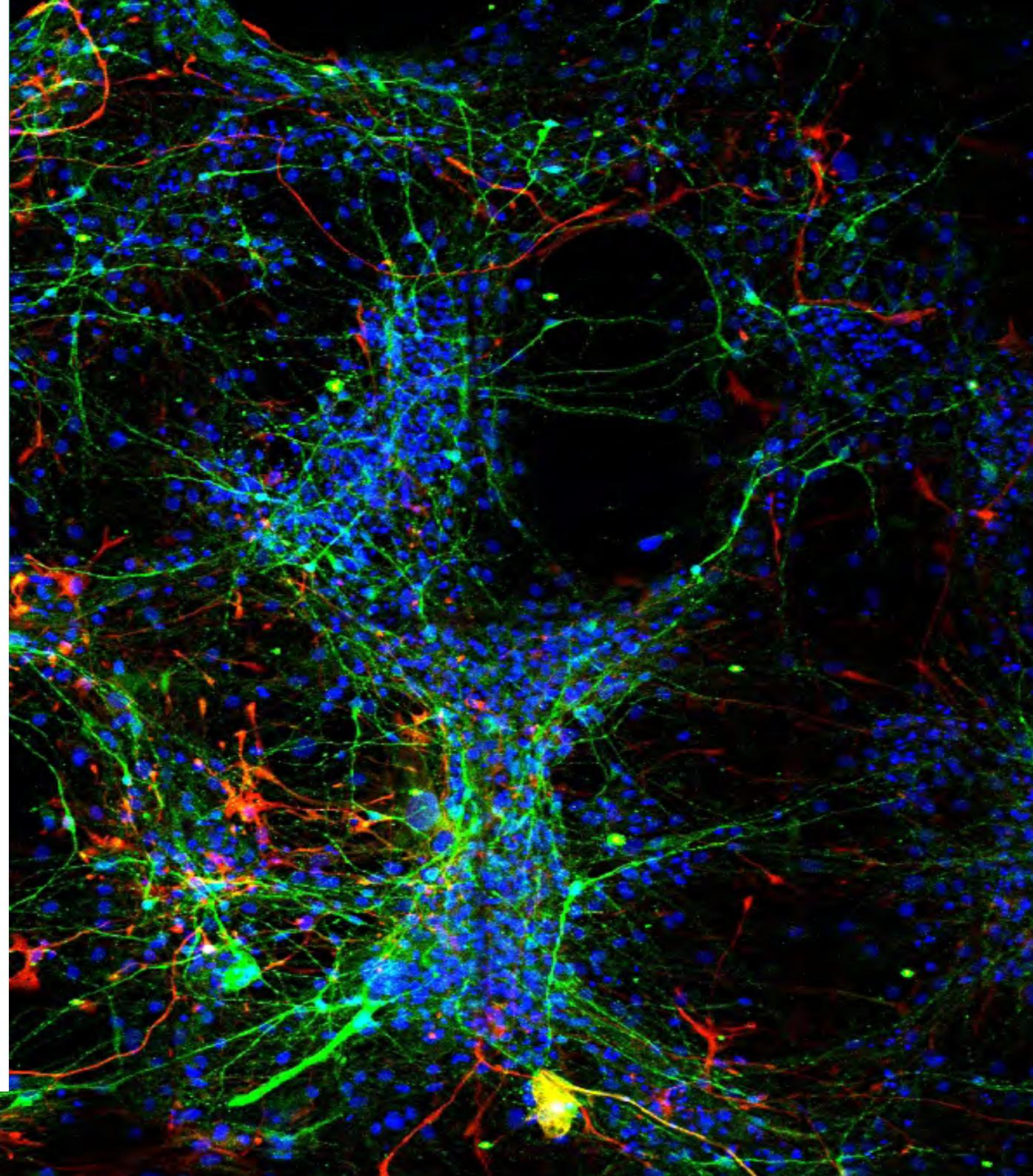
Spin-offs
ongoing

411 Total human resources



UBNEURO ACTIONS AND ACTIVITIES

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UBneuro actions and activities



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Once again, the Institute of Neurosciences has been selected as **Maria de Maeztu Unit of Excellence** for the following 4 years. Besides the 2 M€ and the 6 PhD fellowships, this recognition guarantees that we will continue to enjoy the international prestige of the seal. We will keep promoting the scientific strategy that positions the Institute as world leaders in the field of neuroscience and behaviour.

The several actions performed during 2022 under the frame of the strategic research plan established since the María de Maeztu Excellence Award aim to push research at UBneuro at the frontiers of knowledge.

The main objectives of the strategic research plan of UBneuro were:

- 1)** to promote technological and knowledge transfer towards improving health and well-being of our society,
- 2)** to support high-quality training activities through Master and PhD Programs in Neuroscience and Cognition,
- 3)** to support research at the frontiers of knowledge, which attracts highly talented personnel with a multidisciplinary approach,
- 4)** fostering synergies among the different areas of brain research, moving from genetic and cellular aspects to cognition/behaviour and virtual reality, and
- 5)** to align our research activities with the Responsible Research and Innovation guidelines fostered by the European Commission.

Below we briefly describe the most relevant UBneuro actions during 2022 according to these objectives.

UBneuro actions and activities

1) Technological and knowledge transfer promotion

Neuroscience has a crucial role in addressing some of the most pressing challenges we face today. One of these challenges involves bridging the gap between fundamental research and advancements in the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of brain disorders.

At UBneuro, our primary focus is on transferring our scientific and technological knowledge to benefit society. We actively collaborate with industry partners and engage with the entrepreneurial ecosystem to establish strong connections that facilitate the exchange of knowledge. Our goal is to contribute to figuring out unresolved problems in the field of neuropsychiatric diseases.

During the year 2022, at UBneuro, we expanded our intellectual property portfolio with the addition of three new patents, for a total of 15 active patents. Furthermore, our own 6 Spin-offs have continued their successful journey.

Spin-offs

- **Braigaze:** Technology-driven detection and digital treatment for cognitive disorders. [More information](#)
- **Cytes Biotechnologies:** Offers services based on cell isolation and cell solutions for in vitro models. [More information](#)
- **Virtual bodyworks:** Applies immersive virtual reality to health improvement both, mental and physical (diagnosis of dyslexia, autism, adult ADHD and early onset detection of Alzheimer's disease). [More information](#)
- **Neurekalab:** Science to overcome learning difficulties. [More information](#)
- **AIGecko Technologies** Image recognition and analysis services based on algorithms, and artificial intelligence. [More information](#)
- **Mind & Identity:** Virtual reality to revolutionize psychological treatments. [More information](#)

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Patents

- 1. Method of measuring attention.** AVCR147. Hans Super
- 2. Method for predicting the onset of extrapyramidal symptoms (EPS) induced by an antipsicotic-based treatment.** AVCR196. Sergi Mas Herrero; Patricia Gassó Astorga; Cristina Malagelada Grau; Miquel Bernardo Arroyo; Amalia Lafuente Flo
- 3. Diagnosis of a neurological disease.** AVCR1233-E. Francesc Graus; Josep Dalmau
- 4. Mitochondrial markers of neurodegenerative diseases.** AVCR1247-E. Marta Barrachina Castillo; Isidre Ferrer Abizanda; Marta Blanch Lozano
- 5. Motor training.** AVCR1263-E. Mavi Sánchez Vives; Mel Slater
- 6. Physiological response.** AVCR1264-E. Mavi Sánchez Vives; Mel Slater; Jorge Arroyo Palacios
- 7. Phenoxyphenoxyhexylurea derivatives for use in reducing accumulation of amyloid plaques and/or hyperphosphorylation of tau protein.** UBTTo307a. Codony Gisbert, Sandra; Griñán Ferre, Cristian Gaspar; Leiva Martínez, Rosana; Pallàs Lliberia, Mercè; Vázquez Cruz, Santiago
- 8. Compounds as soluble epoxide hydrolase inhibitors.** UBTTo307d. Codony Gisbert, Sandra; Griñán Ferré, Cristian Gaspar; Pallàs Lliberia, Mercè; Vázquez Cruz, Santiago
- 9. Synthetic I₂ imidazoline receptor ligands for prevention or treatment of human brain disorders .** UBTTo327. María Carmen Escolano Mirón; Mercè Pallàs Lliberia; Christian Gaspar Griñán Ferre; Sònia Abás Prades; Luis-Felipe Callado Hernando; Jesús A. García Sevilla
- 10. Methods and pharmaceutical composition for the treatment of neurodegenerative disease.** UBTTo329-E. Jean-Antoine Girault; Albert Giralt; Verónica Inés Brito; Silvia Ginés
- 11. Methods and systems for gradual exposure to a fear.** UBTTo345. Slater, Melvyn
- 12. Measuring and improving attention.** UBTTo410. Supèr, Hendrik Anne
- 13. Combinación nutracéutica y su uso para el tratamiento de trastornos neurológicos.** UBTTo421-E. García Cazorla, Ángeles; De Oyarzábal Sanz, Alfonso Luis; Altafaj Tardio, Xavier
- 14. Secreted splicing variant of klotho for treating bone disorders.** UBTTo426-E. Roig Soriano, Joan; Chillón Rodríguez, Miguel; Bosch Merino, Assumpció; Pallàs Lliberia, Mercè; Griñán Ferré, Christian Gaspar
- 15. Bicelas encapsuladas en liposomas y su aplicación en sistemas diluidos.** ES2643496 T3. Maza, Alfons de la; López Serrano, Olga; Rodríguez Delgado, Gelen; Rubio, Laia; Barbosa-Barros, Lucyana; Soria, Guadalupe; Planas, Anna M.; Cocera Núñez, Mercedes

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Transfer Day

We are thrilled to share that our symposium, known as the "Transfer Day", was successfully held on April 28th. This event aimed to bring researchers closer to the practical aspects of knowledge transfer, drawing from the experiences of researchers who have founded spin-off companies. A total of 53 researchers attended this enlightening symposium, where they had the opportunity to learn from and interact with those who have embarked on the entrepreneurial path.

We believe that fostering a culture of knowledge transfer is crucial for turning research outcomes into real-world applications and impact. Through initiatives like the "Transfer Day," we aim to inspire researchers and provide them with valuable insights and resources for successful knowledge transfer.

In the last session, chaired by Katia Verger, five UBneuro spin-off were presented:

- [Neurekalab](#), Josep M. Serra-Grabulosa & Sergi Grau-Carrión (Co-founders)
- [AI Gecko Technologies](#), Eric Verdaguér (CEO), Petia Radeva (PI)
- [Braingaze](#), Laszlo Bax (CEO), Hans Supèr (PI)
- [Mind & Identity](#), Montse Sánchez Povedano (CEO), Guillem Feixas (PI)
- [Virtual Bodyworks](#), Charlie Pearnund (CEO), Mel Slater (PI)

The image shows a collage of materials from the Transfer Day symposium. At the top left is a blue banner with a neuron illustration and the text "28.04.22 StartUB!". To its right is a detailed agenda page listing sessions from 9:00 to 15:30, including topics like "Prueba de concepto" and "Propiedad industrial e intelectual". Below the agenda is a photo of a panel discussion with several people seated around a table in a modern office setting.

AGENDA

9:00-9:30 Recepció

9:30-9:45 Benvenuda

- Mercé Segura, Vicecòndorsa d'emprenedoria, Innovació i Transferència
- Jordi Alberich, Director de l'Institut de Neurociències
- Clàudia Ortí, Directora StartUB!

9:45-11:00 "Prueba de concepto" (ponència i taula rodona)

- Lurdes Jordà, Directora d'Innovació i transferència de coneixement, IBBG
- Mercé Pallés, Neuropharmacology in ageing and Alzheimer's disease
- Joan López-Moliner, Optic flow, visual-motor, sensory-motor decision-making, Perception and action
- Moderadora: Blanda Acosta, Funcions neurogenómiques

11:00-11:30 Pausa/Essenciar

11:30-12:30 Propietat industrial i intel·lectual (ponència i taula rodona)

- Inma Trujillo, Responsable de Valorització i Licències, IBBG
- Christian Grinols-Perry, Neurogenesis in ageing and Alzheimer's disease
- Albert Graïn, Hippocampal function in health and disease
- Moderador: Alberto Ortega, Human modeling of neurological disorders

12:30-13:45 Spin-off (Elevador pitch i taula rodona)

- Neurekalab, Josep M. Serra-Grabulosa & Sergi Grau-Carrión (Co-founders)
- AI Gecko Technologies, Eric Verdaguér (CEO), Petia Radeva (PI)
- Braingaze, Laszlo Bax (CEO), Hans Supèr (PI)
- Mind & Identity, Montse Sánchez Povedano (CEO), Guillem Feixas (PI)
- Virtual Bodyworks, Charlie Pearnund (CEO), Mel Slater (PI)
- Moderadora: Katia Verger, Knowledge Transfer Manager

13:45-13:50 Cloenda

- Jordi Alberich, Director de l'Institut de Neurociències
- Katia Verger, Knowledge Transfer Manager

13:50-15:30 Pica-pica

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LLOC: StartUB - Universitat de Barcelona <https://ubneuro.ub.edu>

StartUB

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Projecte d'Innovació

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Technological platforms

We developed a program to potentiate advanced technical and scientific platforms. The eight specialized platforms were created in 2019 and have been at full throttle 2022:

- Animal research facility
- Neuropharmacology
- Electrophysiology facility
- Clinical and experimental neurology and neuropathology
- Advanced microscopy
- Neuroimaging
- Virtual Reality biosensor platform
- Electroencephalography (EEG) and Magnetoencephalography

These technological platforms contribute to positioning the Institute at the forefront of knowledge advancement, actively participating in cutting-edge research and development.

Infrastructure

We invested in cutting-edge appliances and mechanical equipment in order to promote the established technical and scientific platforms. This past year we have acquired the following implements:

- CPUs and screens for studies.
- Specialized EEG recording equipment.
 - actiCAP slim 32-channel electrode set.
 - 8-button response keypad.
- Eye Tracker for eye movement detection.
 - Machine learning-powered eye tracking glasses.
- Refrigerator for studies.
 - Laboratory Refrigerator/Freezer Combo.
- Digitalization equipment for EEG channel localization.
 - Polhemus FASTRAK Digitizer System without Sensor 1 and Source.
- Optics for organoid studies and extraction hood.
 - Optical head.
 - Biological Safety Cabinet.
- Digitizer
 - Axon Patch Clamp equipment and PClamp Software.

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2) High-quality training activities

The research groups within the Institute of Neurosciences warmly welcome students enrolled in our programs to join their laboratories. Students will experience a stimulating international scientific environment, have access to cutting-edge experimental facilities, and gain valuable knowledge and skills to become research professionals.

Master students

Master students could apply to **6 Master Degrees**:

- 1.** Master's degree [Neurosciences](#)
- 2.** Master course of [Research in Behaviour and Cognition](#).
- 3.** Master's degree in [General Health Psychology](#)
- 4.** Master's degree in [Artificial Intelligence](#)
- 5.** Master's degree in [Introduction to Mental Health Research](#)
- 6.** Master's degree in [Cognitive Science and Language](#)

Additionally, in 2022, we implemented a Master PhD bridge program aimed at providing opportunities for talented Master's students to transition into competitive fellowship positions. Through this program, we had the privilege of hiring 9 highly skilled Master's students. We are pleased to announce that 6 of these students successfully obtained competitive fellowships, further recognizing their exceptional abilities and potential.

This program serves as a valuable pathway for motivated individuals to continue their academic and research journey at the doctoral level. By supporting their transition from Master's studies to PhD positions, we aim to nurture and develop the next generation of exceptional researchers in our field.

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PhD students

PhD students can join **4 Doctoral Programs of the UB** and **MSCA-ITN programs**

1. [PhD in Biomedicine](#), coordinated by [Esther Pérez Navarro](#)
2. [PhD in Brain, Cognition and Behaviour](#), coordinated by [Joan López Moliner](#)
3. [PhD in Clinical Health Psychology](#), coordinated by [José Gutiérrez Maldonado](#)
4. [PhD in Medicine and Translational Research](#), coordinated by [Julià González Martín](#)
5. [ASCTN-Training consortium](#), coordinated by [Josep M Canals](#)

Furthermore, we awarded a prestigious María de Maeztu PhD fellowship in the area of Cognitive Neuroscience, providing a remarkable opportunity for a promising researcher to pursue their doctoral studies in this field.

Researchers

Our aim is to provide comprehensive support that equips researchers with the necessary skills, knowledge, and guidance to thrive in their careers and achieve success.

We recognize the importance of providing targeted training and support to our researchers, considering the interdisciplinary nature of our Institute. To address their specific needs, we offer **training grants** for acquiring specialized techniques and skills. In 2022, a total of 8 training grants were awarded to researchers.

In addition, we provide **personalized mentoring** to all researchers. Our dedicated UBneuro members offer one-on-one guidance and support, assisting other researchers with their career paths and various applications. Mentoring sessions have covered prestigious programs like MSCA, INPhINIT, Junior Leader calls, and Caixa Health, fostering collaboration and synergy among researchers. This mentoring program has been further strengthened and consolidated this year, and you can find more details on our website.

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3) Support research at the frontiers of knowledge

UBneuro had participated in the preparation and application of different Next generation EU funds, for the time being no clear results are shown and we expect to get some results in 2023, we are still working on different opportunities. In this last year of the Maria de Maeztu 2017 call several actions have been implemented, together with Contracte Programa funds.

Neuroscience Conference Series

Since June 2022, our Neuroscience Conference Series has been honored to host and feature 13 distinguished speakers who are key experts in their respective fields. These renowned speakers have shared their expertise, insights, and research findings, enriching the conference experience for attendees and fostering knowledge exchange in the neuroscience community. We are proud to bring together such esteemed experts to contribute to the advancement of neuroscience through our conference series.

Coordination of excitatory and inhibitory synapses within dendrites

21/04/2022

Corette Wierenga, PhD

Utrecht University

Dance and Musical Groove in the Human Brain

07/06/2022

Virginia B. Penhune, PhD

Concordia University

Brain mechanisms in physiological and pathological cognitive processes

27/04/2022

Arnaud Busquets Garcia, PhD

Institut Hospital del Mar d'Investigacions
Mèdiques

Hemispheric specialization for speech and music: acoustical cues for two human communication systems

13/06/2022

Robert Zatorre, PhD

McGill University

Identifying and overcoming resistance to melanoma therapies

19/05/2022

Rizwan Haq, MD, PhD

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Reduced mitochondrial priming drives global resistance to leukemia therapy

16/06/2022

Shruti Bhatt, PhD

National University of Singapore

Neuroengineering solutions for restoring neuronal communication

31/05/2022

Michaela Chiappalone, PhD

Bioengineering University of Genova

The myth of aesthetic experience

27/06/2022

Martin Skov, PhD

Copenhagen University Hospital Hvidovre

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The right hemisphere and calculation

29/06/2022

Carlo Semenza, PhD

Università degli Studi di Padova

A partnership between sensation and longevity

01/07/2022

Hernán López-Schier, PhD

Helmholtz Zentrum München

Mecanismos del condicionamiento inmunológico en la infiltración tumoral del Glioblastoma multiforme

21/07/2022

Salvador Martínez Pérez, PhD

Universidad Miguel Hernández de Elche

Adult hippocampal neurogenesis in health and disease

14/09/2022

Maria Llorens-Martín, PhD

Universidad Autónoma de Madrid

Proprioceptive circuitry in Friedreich's ataxia (FRDA)

15/12/2022

Jordi Magrané, PhD

Weill Cornell Medicine

Symposium on Brain Neuroimaging Topics in Neurodegenerative disorders

19/09/2022

The contribution of Molecular imaging and newly Developed Radiotracers in Parkinson's Disease and Parkinsonisms

Antonio Strafella, PhD

University of Toronto

Carme Uribe, PhD
University of Barcelona

Anastasia Mena, MsC
University of Toronto

Sharing Brain imaging data in the Open Science era. How and Why?

Thilo van Eimeren, PhD

University of Cologne

Nanopore-derived epigenetic landscapes and reference free analysis of microbial evolution

23/09/2022

Jordi Abante Llenas, PhD

Stanford University

Predictive attenuation of self-generated touch in human somatosensory cortex and cerebellum

29/09/2022

Konstantina Kilteni

Karolinska Institute

Routine outcome monitoring of psychotherapeutic change as a strategy for generating practice-based evidence

18/10/2022

Clara Paz, PhD

Universidad de Las Américas

Cognitive deficits and recovery for patients with brain tumours

21/10/2022

John Suckling, PhD

University of Cambridge

The Minds of Medieval Murderers: Reconstructing motivations and emotions involved in 14th century London homicides

24/11/2022

Manuel P. Eisner, PhD

University of Cambridge

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Congress and Mobility Grants

The Mobility Grants call was extended until the end of December 2022, allowing 12 researchers to benefit from this program and pay a visit to 8 different countries all-together (United States, United Kingdom, Belgium, Germany, Spain, Italy, France and Chile). These grants aim to support researchers in their mobility endeavors, facilitating collaborations, knowledge exchange, and the exploration of new research opportunities.

In addition, we are proud to have awarded 42 Congress Fellowships to researchers, enabling them to attend and participate in various prestigious congresses such as FENS, EACD, ICON, APPE-SEPEX, OHBM, INS, ECNP, and many more. These fellowships provide financial support for registration fees, travel, and accommodation, allowing researchers to present their work, engage with peers, and stay updated on the latest advancements in their respective fields.

These initiatives are a reflect of our commitment to fostering mobility and providing opportunities for researchers to showcase their research, build networks, and contribute to the broader scientific community.

UBneuro actions and activities

4) Fostering synergies

International Multi-Brain Barcelona Congress

Understanding the biological bases of brain function, limiting the impact of neurodegenerative diseases and exploring the options now offered by new technologies are some of the challenges in biomedicine and public health in the 21st century that the Institute of Neurosciences of the UB (UBneuro) is tackling.

In 2022, the UBneuro successfully organized the **International Multi-Brain Barcelona Congress** with the aim of addressing the frontiers of research and scientific knowledge to decipher the complexity of human brain function from an integrative viewpoint. The congress had a dual format, with both face-to-face and online components. It took place at the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences of the UB on the 9th and 10th of November 2022, and the event gathered more than 250 on-site attendees while also attracting over 350 online participants. The congress was also streamed worldwide, allowing audiences from all corners of the globe to tune in.

The plenary session titled "Translation of neuroscience beyond academia" was led by the expert Michael Valenzuela, from the University of New South Wales (Australia). Among the attendants at the conference were experts such as Míriam Pérez Cruz, from the Sant Joan de Déu Research Institute, who presented on "Neurosonography and brain electrophysiology in fetal neurodevelopment." Nicolai Franzmeier, from the Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, delivered a presentation on



"Using multimodal neuroimaging to understand Alzheimer's disease progression." Jesús Rodrigo, representing the Spanish Alzheimer's Confederation, explored the topic of "Pathological brain. Is it only about aging?" Christoph Guger, the director of G.tec Medical Engineering, discussed "Current and future applications of brain-computer interfaces," and Xavier Boix, from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, presented on "The Neuroscience of learning Machines."

There were also round tables, talks and poster sessions where our researchers could show their research. Furthermore, 62 posters and 9 flash talks were presented, all with a great effort and teams behind them, with a high quality of research work.

The winners in this edition were:

- **Flash talk award winner:** Natàlia Gorina-Careta, Brainlab group, UBneuro, UB, Sant Joan de Déu Research Institute, Spain. "Effects of a bilingual fetal acoustic environment on the neural sound encoding of newborns".
- **Poster award winner:** (37) Esther Garcia-Garcia for her work: "Lack of corticostratial VPS13A induces hyperlocomotion and neuronal plasticity defects in a chorea acanthocytosis mouse model".

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In addition, two accessit prizes were awarded to the best poster:

- (33) Siham Ijjou-Kadiri for her poster on "Unraveling the anatomical basis of the neonatal frequency-following response: a combined MRI-EEG study"
- (23) Stefanie Sturm for her poster on "Neural signatures of memory gain through active exploration in an oculomotor-auditory learning task"



We had the participation of NeuroTech companies that explained the applications of the research on neuroscience from bench to bed.

We could also count with the participation of patient's advocacy representatives.

This meeting was supported by Sociedad Española de Neurociencias (SENC), CIBERNED, Ajuntament de Barcelona, Bionic, Intelimed Iberica, GTec, InBrain, Neuroelectrics, Minoryx, Tobii and Biogen.

The inaugural edition of this groundbreaking scientific summit brought together neuroscientists from around the world. It was a pioneering initiative in the realm of brain research, orchestrated by a committee from the Institute of Neurosciences of the UB (UBneuro). The committee was led by distinguished experts, including Sílvia Ginés, Jordi Alberch, and David Bartrés-Faz from the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences of the UB, as well as Mercè Pallàs from the Faculty of Pharmacy and Food Sciences, Petia Radeva from the Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science, and Mel Slater from the Faculty of Psychology.

Further information (<https://www.ub.edu/UBneuroCongress2022/>) .

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SOMMa membership

The Managers Meeting of the SOMMa took place in Granada in July 2022, bringing together the Head team of Severo Ochoa and María de Maeztu of the Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI). During the meeting, crucial discussions surrounding funding management were held, addressing various challenges such as the difficulties in hiring personnel under the new law, limitations on accommodation expenses in major cities, and the need to ensure competitive fellowship salaries. These issues were of particular importance considering the Agencia's emphasis on internationalization and fostering synergies among researchers.

In November, the General Assembly of the SOMMa gathered in Barcelona, with the participation of all the Severo Ochoa and María de Maeztu Units. This assembly served as a platform for collective discussions and decision-making, facilitating collaboration and coordination among the participating units.

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Support Scientific Activities

XII Simposio de Neurobiología 2022

The **XII Neurobiology Symposium: Towards translational Medicine**, co-organized by Analía Bortolozzi (IIBB, CSIC-IDIBAPS), Francisco Ciruela (Institut de Neurociències, IDIBELL, Universitat de Barcelona), Joaquim Egea (Institut de Recerca Biomèdica, Universitat de Lleida), Silvia Ginés (Institut de Neurociències, Universitat de Barcelona, IDIBAPS), Josep Saura (Universitat de Barcelona, IDIBAPS) and Carles Saura (Institut de Neurociències, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona), was the most important biennal Neuroscience research event in Catalunya with 220 participants, 50 oral presentations, 75 posters and 4 keynote speakers A

FRR Workshop

After a worldwide hiatus of in-person conferences and workshops due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we seized the opportunity to help hosting the fourth edition of the **Frequency-Following Response (FFR)** Workshop from June 8th to 10th at the University of Barcelona in Catalonia, Spain. The primary objective was to convene the FFR community and engage in discussions about the various facets that define this intriguing evoked potential. The workshop featured a diverse program, encompassing oral presentations, three plenary talks, poster sessions, and a concluding roundtable discussion. Furthermore, several researchers and experts delivered presentations, delving

into both classical and novel aspects of this rapidly evolving research domain. These discussions questioned the origins and interpretations of the FFR response, and also explored emerging recording and analysis techniques.

The best poster award was given to Siham Ijjou Kadiri by her contribution entitled *Anatomical underpinning of the neonatal frequency-following response: a combined MRI-EEG study*.



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Physics in Biology and Medicine 2022

We contributed to the organization of the **XXXVII Trobades Científiques de la Mediterrània** – Josep Miquel Vidal event, particularly the Physics in Biology & Medicine 2022 workshop. This workshop served as a platform for experienced experts and emerging researchers in related fields to gather and exchange views on recent advancements in areas including biophysical tools and analysis, physical biology, systems biology, medical diagnosis and treatment, as well as the role of physics in public Health. The event provided a platform for in-depth discussions on these topics

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5) Responsible research and innovation actions

Open Access actions

Peer-reviewed scientific research articles are published on gold open, or following the European Commission's strategy, opting for green open access when the gold open access is not achievable due to economical restriction. University of Barcelona has an institutional repository (<http://diposit.ub.edu>) publicly accessible to anyone with a research data collection (<http://hdl.handle.net/2445/56611>). Any researcher can upload datasets and get a unique handle as a permanent identifier. Moreover, data can be released using any of the required licenses (CC-BY, CCo). Inside the Digital Repository, the UBNeuro has its own collection (<http://diposit.ub.edu/dspace/handle/2445/119894>).

In 2022, to consolidate our Open Access strategy inside an Open Science (OS) Framework **Open Access Grants** to publish on Open Access were offered to our researchers to promote gold open publications. Two grants were awarded. Moreover, UBNeuro had an active participation in OS working group from SOMMa.

Research staff at the University of Barcelona can publish in open access in journals of those publishers with a transformative agreement reached individually or through the CRUE-CSIC alliance.

Gender actions

The Institute of Neuroscience is an institute committed to diversity, gender equality, and including the gender perspective in our research. As an institute, we aim to promote equal opportunities and a positive work environment where our researchers can find an ideal work-life balance and thrive as individuals.

Nowadays, the institute is made up of 59% women researchers. However, as is common in science, the "scissor effect" also happens and there are more group leaders than women. The aim is to reverse the situation and make the institute more equal at all stages of the research career. With this purpose in mind, the Institute's objectives are the following:

- 1.** Implement measures oriented at reaffirming women in their role as leaders: the aim is to be as gender equal as possible in all steps of the research career.
- 2.** Correct gender bias in research: training regarding how gender bias is present in the neuroscience research field.
- 3.** Carry through training regarding leadership from a gender-equal perspective: improve the culture at the Institute and make it more diverse and inclusive.

The aim is to implement measures and training sessions to continue this growing tendency and ensure gender equality at all levels. As for past actions, the Institute has taken active account in gender balance in decision making processes, in the gender

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dimension in Research and Innovation (R&I) content and gender balance in Project teams at all levels. We have worked to provide equal opportunities to male and female researchers at all stages, paying attention to promote gender equality in all open vacancies, respecting the rules of the Equality Plan from the UB and guaranteeing gender balance in the decision-making network.

The Institute of Neuroscience is part of the University of Barcelona, meaning it is included in the III Equality Plan and can implement the Protocol of the University of Barcelona for preventing, detecting and taking action on situations of sexual harassment or harassment on the grounds of sex, gender identity or sexual orientation, or any other sexist or anti LBTQIA+ conduct. These documents and procedures are implemented from the Vice-rectorate for equality and gender, which delegates on the Faculty's Equality Commission. Aiming to be as involved as possible in the equality actions carried out by the University, the Institute has several representees in these commissions helping develop gender actions and represent the Institute's best interests.

While being part of these commissions, the Institute members have participated in the following activities:

- 1.** Adaptation of toilets to facilitate the use of the menstrual cup: modification of toilets with a shower connected to the cistern in order to be able to clean the glass in the faculties.

- 2.** Trans visibility day at the faculty of Psychology: On the occasion of the day of trans visibility, the Xenia project organized, at the Faculty of Psychology, the viewing and subsequent debate around the film "Paris is Burning. A walk through the Ballroom culture".
- 3.** International Women's Day: in several faculties and from both the commissions and the equality vice-rectorate activities such as the viewing of different documentaries or meetings where women could come together and share their views on equality in their fields.
- 4.** International Day of Women and Girls in Science: like the 8M, several faculties, like pharmacy, hosted activities such as a theater play with a debate or hosting the visit of teenage girls in the laboratories.

Furthermore, one of the main gender actions done in 2022 is the hiring of a gender and equality officer, meaning some specific actions can be designed and implemented in the future. In conclusion, the institute is growing towards an equal in all research career stages tendency and its members are participating in different actions and activities that make our Institute and University a more equal and diverse space.

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Outreach NeuroArt

The **NeuroArt** 21-22 edition garnered tremendous interest and participation, with over 1.400 students registered from 23 different educational centers. This overwhelming response highlights the enthusiasm and engagement of students in exploring the intersection of neuroscience and art.

The "NeuroArt" Gala was event held in March 2022 at CCCB, with over a 100 attendees from 10 schools.

We are proud to have provided a platform for students to showcase their artistic talents and express their unique perspectives on the fascinating world of neuroscience. The NeuroArt Gala serves as an inspiring celebration of creativity, scientific curiosity, and the vibrant fusion of art and science. of Barcelona, Museum of Contemporary Art of Barcelona, CosmoCaixa, Fundació la Caixa, Pasqual Maragall Foundation, Edinburgh University and Facebook VR, and we are in the process of establishing new collaborations with other institutions such as Novartis.

The awarded works of art were:



Most Popular | Qui Sóc?

Escola Canigó represented dissociative disorder, which occurs in those people who have more than one personality. They did this through the case of Billy Milligan, who was studied and they observed that he adopted up to 24 different personalities.



Most Creative | Déjà-vu!

Collegi Sant Josep portrayed Déjà vu, also known as paramnesia, which makes the subject feel like they are experiencing something familiar but, at the same time, it feels strange to them. In general, despite people's beliefs, the supposed previous experience is attributed to dreamlike creations.

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Best Oral Presentation | La percepció emocional de la vida

Col·legi Jesús María Claudina depicted a scenario where we find a mask behind the curtain, surrounded by images of emotional states of life as seen through its eyes. Handmade flowers are the color of feelings, and candies represent the neurotransmitters involved. The colorful roulette and lanterns represent the nerve impulses stimulated by these neurotransmitters. As the roulette spins, the eyes of the mask display the color of a specific mood associated with each neurotransmitter. It's because life is always colored by how we perceive it.



Best Scientific Concept | El túnel de les identitats!

Escola Pia Granollers aims to exemplify Dissociative Identity Disorder (DID). In the play, the dominant color is black because DID originates from traumatic experiences. The brain-shaped lantern illuminates five drawings that represent the different identities of the person.

Besides que presentations, the schools also participated in a Cine-forum debate. This activity consisted in visualizing short films provided by the Brain Film Festival on themes about mental health, afterwards they did an opened discussion with researchers from our Institute where the students could talk about their doubts and concerns. The discussion was guided by Alba Ortega, José Valenzuela and Esther Pérez



You can check all the videos of the artworks of this year in our [Youtube](#) channel.

We want to thank all the volunteers that helped in the organisation of this event. We also want to thank the CCCB, the Pascual Maragall Fundation, La Caixa Foundation and the Brain Film Fest for sponsoring the NeuroArt Gala of this year.

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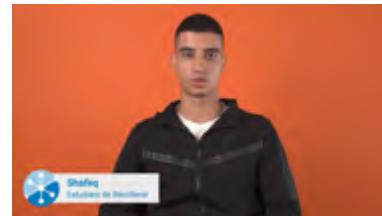
Tres Pilars de la Recerca al Cervell

The “**3 Pilars del Cervell**” offers an informative and accessible platform to learn about the Institute’s researchers and their valuable scientific endeavors, through short videos focused on answering specific questions provided by students from around Catalonia.

These videos are available for free at our YouTube channel @ UBneuroscience, and got almost 2000 views.

Playlist:

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Meet the Brains

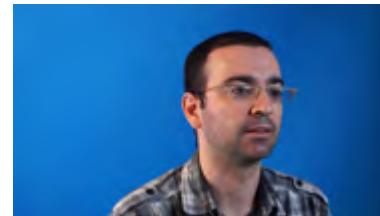
“**Meet the Brains**” is a captivating series of videos presented by the Institute of Neurosciences. This series introduces viewers to the talented researchers of the institute and provides a glimpse into their impactful research and its relevance to society. Through engaging storytelling, each video highlights the researchers’ work, shedding light on their contributions to the field of neuroscience.



Maria Mataró, Healthy aging and cerebrovascular disease



David Bartrés, Brain health and Neuromodulation



Daniel del Toro, In vivo reprogramming during cortex development



Silvia Gines, Neuron and glia crosstalk in Huntington’s disease

Playlist:

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Cerebrotes and Mentes Covalentes

During 2022, we obtained a grant from Ajuntament de Barcelona to develop an outreach program consisting in the sponsorship of 5 YouTube videos in the channel called **Cerebrotes** from Clara Garcia Gorro and 5 podcasts in the Mentes Covalentes broadcast podcast. According to the podcast download demographics for 2022 the **Mentes Covalentes** had more 16.000 downloads in all the world.

In the videos Clara explained, citing scientific articles published by our researchers, different Neuroscience concepts as Alzheimer's disease, Neurotechnology, Musical vs food pleasure, bipolar disorders and the amygdala. The podcasts were from citing articles and commenting on the research done by our institute. Clara also interviewed three of our researchers: Christian Grinán, David Bartrés and Lluís Fuentemilla.

Playlist:

<https://www.youtube.com/@Cerebrotes>



100tífiques

The image consists of two parts. On the left is a dark blue rectangular banner with white text. It reads "Trobada de #100tífiques Meet-up" in large font, "FEBRER / FEBRUARY 4, 2022" and "9.30h – 13.00h" in smaller font, and "Parc Científic de la Universitat de Barcelona" at the bottom. On the right is a circular inset photograph showing four women seated on a stage, facing an audience. The audience is visible in the foreground, looking towards the stage. The background of the inset shows a wall with text and logos.

In the 2022 edition of the **100tífiques** program, we are proud to highlight the participation of nine of our esteemed researchers. The 100tífiques program recognizes and celebrates the contributions of scientists from various disciplines. Their involvement in the program is a testament to their dedication and expertise in their respective fields. We congratulate these researchers for their outstanding achievements and for being recognized as influential contributors to the scientific community through the 100tífiques program.

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Cajalidades



"Cajalidades" is a delightful addition to the "Cerebro(s)" exhibition at CCCB (Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona) during the 12th and 26th of November 2022. It's an enriching experience for both young minds and adults alike. Esteemed organizers Esther Gratacós from the Institute of Neuroscience (UBneuro) and Sandra Rossi Ferrer have curated this show and workshop that introduces us to the life of Santiago Ramón y Cajal, the father of modern neuroscience, allowing us to explore his human, scientific, and artistic legacy. It's a workshop focused on Cajal's discoveries and how to create neuron-like shapes using natural dyes.

Media presence

In 2022 we reached more than 30,500 visits to our [website](#). Our website is visited from all over the world, with 81% of views from Europe, 11% from America, 7.5% from Asia, and 0.5% from the rest of the world, which shows the international impact of our communications. In addition,

Moreover, we achieved the sum of 3,340 followers on [Twitter](#) (opened in May 2018). We have 330 subscribers to our [Youtube](#) channel (created in April 2020) and we count with more than 72,614 visualizations. From mid-year 2022 the [LinkedIn](#) channel has been reinforced with more publications of our activities and available vacancies, there was an increase of more than 200 followers since the beginning of actions reaching the 833 followers at the end of the year.

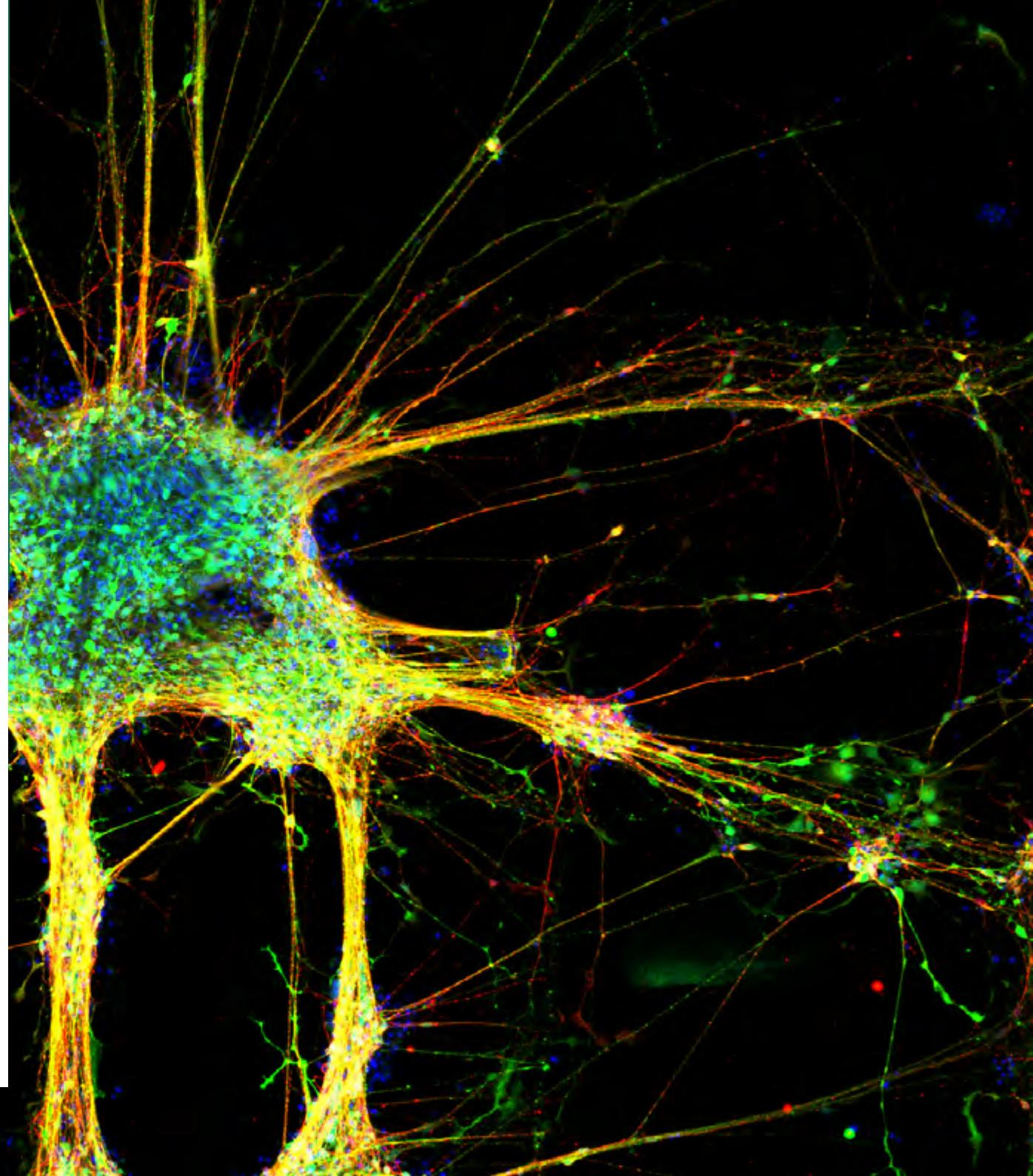
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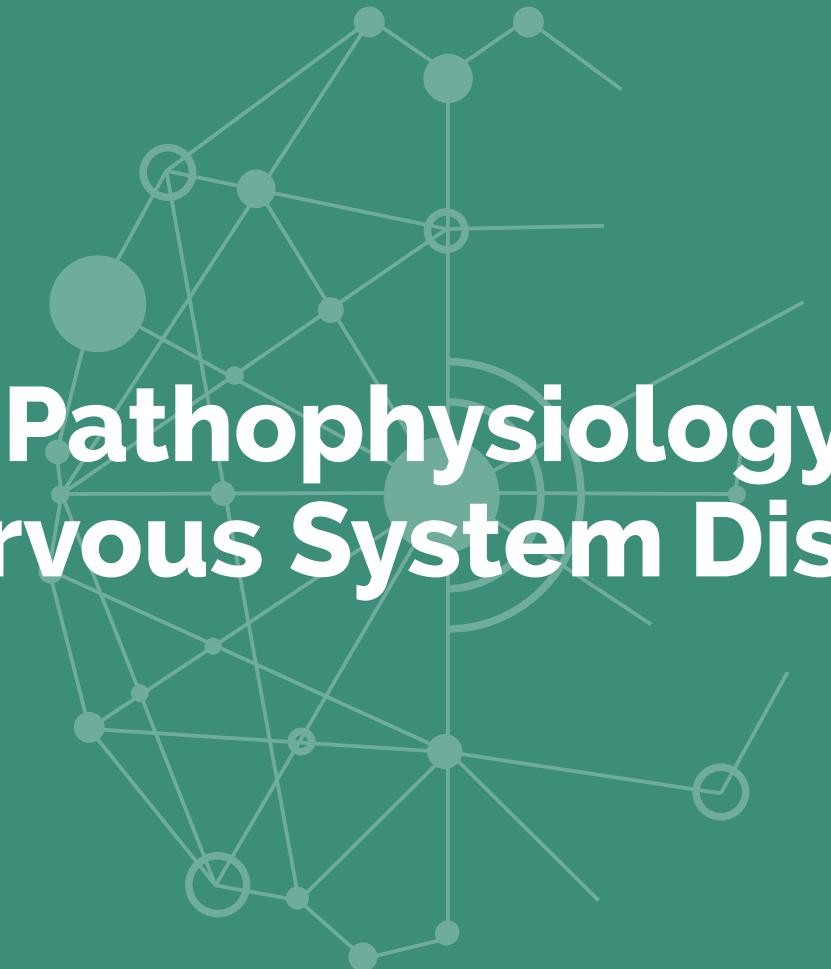
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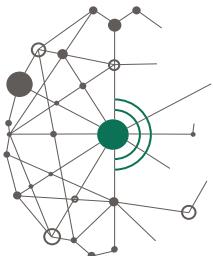
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Annual Report
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Pathophysiology of Nervous System Diseases



Pathophysiology of Nervous System Diseases

THE STUDY OF THE PATHOPHYSIOLOGY OF NERVOUS SYSTEM DISEASES IS AN IMPORTANT CHALLENGE IN BIOMEDICINE TO DEVELOP NEW SUCCESSFUL THERAPIES.

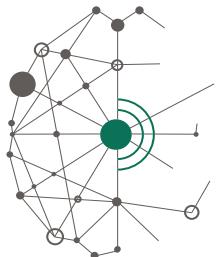
Neurological and psychiatric disorders can disrupt molecular pathways, synapses, neuronal and glial subpopulations, and local circuits in specific brain regions, as well as higher-order neural networks. Therefore, research must range from the study of large-scale brain network alterations to the microscopic and/or genetic abnormalities. Improving our knowledge of the pathophysiology of these conditions will enable not only to identify new potential therapeutic targets but also biomarkers, whose usefulness can range from detecting diseases in very early stages more likely to respond to disease-modifying treatments than advanced stages, to differentiate among similar conditions and to monitor response to treatments.

Research in this area focuses on defining the pathophysiological mechanisms involved in the loss of normal and neuronal plasticity related to these diseases. A deeper understanding of neuronal connectivity and dynamics, signaling molecules, cell-cell interaction and epigenetic factors in the nervous system will enable us to devise new pharmacological targets for therapeutic strategies to prevent or delay nervous system diseases.

Another therapeutic approach for nervous system disorders is neuroregenerative medicine. The institute is also interested in mimicking neural development on stem cells for replacing strategies as new therapies for diseases affecting the brain and spinal cord.

Thus, the current structure and expertise of the Institute of Neurosciences constitute the best environment to conduct multidisciplinary and translational research to find therapeutic approaches for motor and cognitive dysfunctions.

Cell biology of neurodegeneration



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Neural and endocrine secretory pathways in normal and pathological conditions

FRANCESC X. SORIANO

Inter-organelle communication

Members

Irene Sanchez, Raquel Larramona Arcas, Guillem Rique Pujol, Paula Tena Morraja.

Highlighted projects

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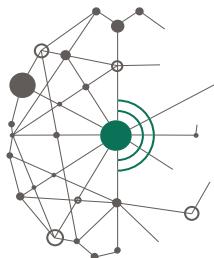
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Thesis

- **Secretory and synaptic proteins in brain and cerebrospinal fluid in normal and alzheimer's disease animal models.** Irene Sánchez Domínguez. Supervisor: Fernando Aguado Tomas.

Cellular and molecular basis of sensory disorders



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Hair cell damage mechanisms in the zebrafish lateral line

JORDI LLORENS

Mechanisms and physiological impact of hair cell loss
in the mammalian vestibular system

ANA MENDEZ

Mechanisms underlying the light response in photoreceptor
cells of the retina, light adaptation and inherited blindness

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Highlighted projects

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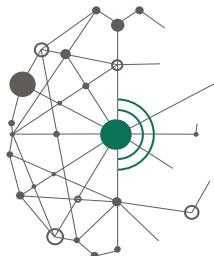
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Developmental neurobiology and regeneration



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Developmental genes and neural plasticity

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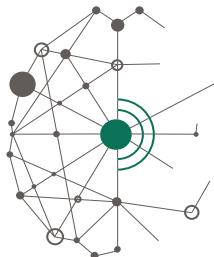
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Thesis

- **Characterization of a new animal model of Alzheimer's disease: relevance of Tau phosphorylation in hippocampal interneurons.** Eva Dávila Bouziguet. Supervisor: Marta Pascual Sánchez.

Mechanisms of synaptic transmission



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Highlighted projects

- **Neurobiología Celular i Molecular.** Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR). 2021SGR01075. Artur Llobet
- **La toxina épsilon de Clostridium perfringens: Mecanismo de acción y su relación con un efecto desmielinizante mediante la formación de vesículas extracelulares.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2021-126677NB-I00. Juan Blasi
- **Identificación de nuevos mecanismos presinápticos usados para aumentar la fuerza sináptica y compensar disfunciones del sistema nervioso.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2021-124536NB-I00. Artur Llobet

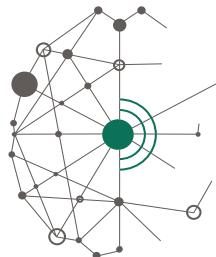
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Molecular and cellular neurobiotechnology



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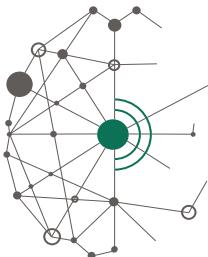
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- **Deciphering the roles of the cellular prion protein (PrPC) and GPR133 in neural development and neurodegeneration (tauopathies) (PRPCDEVTAU).** Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (MICINN). PID2021-123714OB-I00. Jose Antonio del Rio
- **Molecular and cellular neurotechnology.** Ministerio de Sanidad y Consumo . CB06/05/1115. Jose Antonio del Rio
- **Gamma-péptidos basados en cis-4-amino L-prolina como terapia farmacológica en la enfermedad de Alzheimer (ALZHEPEP).** Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación. PDC2022-133268-I00. Jose Antonio del Rio
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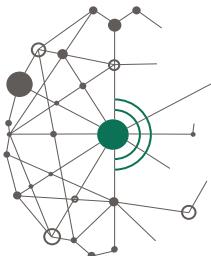
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- **Factores físicos y moleculares implicados en la migración celular y en el desarrollo de la corteza cerebral.** Ana López-Mengual. Supervisor: Jose Antonio del Rio
- **Activity-dependent mechanisms of axonal growth.** Francina Mesquida Veny Supervisor: Jose Antonio del Rio



Molecular bases of rare brain diseases and channelopathies

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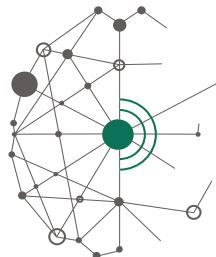
Highlighted projects

- **Conocimientos estructurales y moleculares de las proteínas de MLC que regulan canales de cloruro astrocitarios: Búsqueda de terapias para MLC y epilepsia.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2021-126246NB-I00. Raul Estevez
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Neurodevelopmental disorders



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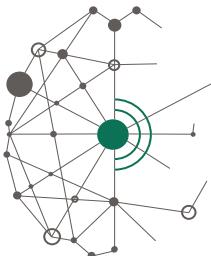
- Descifrando la patogénesis del Síndrome de Dravet: del genoma a la función neuronal mediante el uso de organoides cerebrales. Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2021-128208NB-Ioo. Sandra Acosta
- Neurodegeneration triggered by SARS-CoV-2: brain organoids as an analytical and predictive model (NeuroCOVID). Fundació La Marató de TV3. 772/U/2021. Sandra Acosta
- Caracterización proteómica de los microambientes de la corteza cerebral humana durante el desarrollo: implicaciones evolutivas y clínicas. Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (MICINN). PID2020-114407RA-Ioo. Alberto Ortega
- Modelado del control ambiental de la diferenciación de los progenitores neurales: un punto de encuentro entre los trastornos del desarrollo y la regeneración neural. Ministerio

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- Defining the spinal cord matrisome to design more effective ALS models and treatments. Association Française contre les Myopathies (AFM). #23648. Alberto Ortega
- Boosting personalized medicine in neurological disorders with patient-derived brain organoids and artificial intelligence (Cl20-00002) (CAIXAIMPULSE VALIDATE). Fundació Caixa de Pensions 'La Caixa'. Cl20-00002. Sandra Acosta
- Molecular analysis of the non-cell autonomous effects in Down syndrome cortex using mouse ESC-derived brain organoids. Fondation Jerome Lejeune. 1917. Sandra Acosta
- Defining the ALS spinal cord matrisome to develop more translational ALS in vitro models and treatments. IDIBELL. Neurobell Program. Alberto Ortega
- Ajut per a la intensificació de les activitats de transferència per al curs 2022-23. Modalitat A. Universitat de Barcelona . Sandra Acosta
- Fisiologia i patologia de la relació funcional glia-neurona. Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR). 2021SGR00344. Soledad Alcantara

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- **Optimització d'una família d'inhibidors selectius de Gga per**

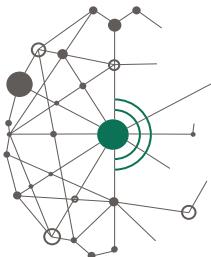
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- **Modulación de la epóxido hidrolasa soluble (sEH)en cerebro y tejidos periféricos: papel del eje intestino-cerebro en la neurodegeneración.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2019-106285RB-C21. Merce Pallas
 - **Examinando los cuerpos amiláceos del cerebro humano.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2020-115475GB-I00. Carme Pelegri
 - **Mecanismos de acción de los cannabinoides sobre la propagación de agentes patogénicos en amiloidopatías y sinucleinopatías.** Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (MICINN). PID2020-113430RB-I00. Gemma Navarro
 - **Validación de un candidato first in class inhibidor de la epóxido hidrolasa soluble para el tratamiento de la enfermedad de Alzheimer. Tratamiento y evaluación cognitiva .** Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (MICINN). PDC2021-121096-C21. Merce Pallas
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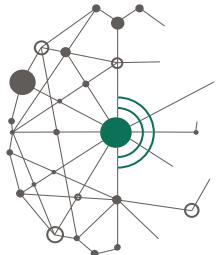


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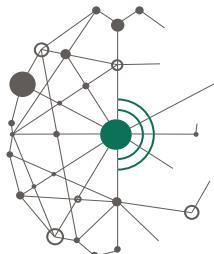
- Phenoxy cyclohexylurea derivatives for use in reducing accumulation of amyloid plaques and/or hyperphosphorylation of tau protein. UBTTo307a
- Secreted splicing variant of klotho for treating bone disorders. UBTTo426-E
- Synthetic I2 imidazoline receptor ligands for prevention or treatment of human brain disorders. UBTTo327

Thesis

• **From corpora amylacea to wasteosomes.** Marta Riba Baques. Supervisor: Carme Pelegrí Gabaldà & Jordi Vilaplana Hortensi

• **Nous antagonistes del receptor NMDA pel tractament de la malaltia d'Alzheimer: Caracterització farmacològica 'in vivo'.** Júlia Companys Alemany. Supervisor: Christian Griñán Ferré & Mercè Pallàs Lliberia

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Highlighted projects

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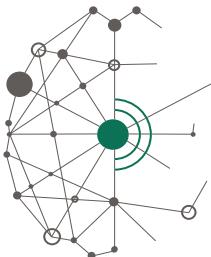
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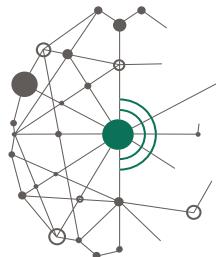
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Knowledge and transfer innovation

- Combinación nutracéutica y su uso para el tratamiento de trastornos neurológicos. UBTT0421-E.

Pharmacological strategies for neuroprotection



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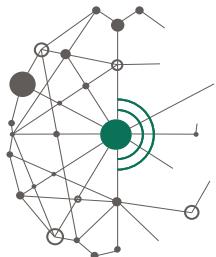
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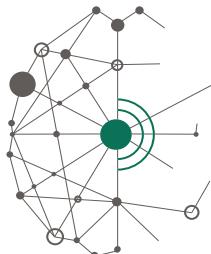
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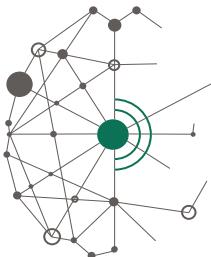
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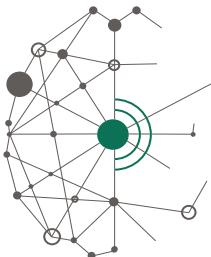
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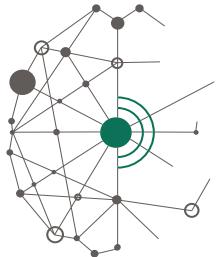
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- **Training for Advanced Stem Cell Technologies in Neurology (ASCTN-Training).** Unió Europea. 813851. Josep M. Canals
- **Métodos in vitro alternativos humanos para el estudio de enfermedades neurodegenerativas.** Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación. PLEC2022-009401. Josep M. Canals
- **Aproximación terapeútica para la enfermedad de Huntington basada en el trasplante de progenitores neuronales.** Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (MICINN). PID2021-126961OB-Ioo. Josep M. Canals

- Mejora de la integración funcional de progenitores neurales derivados de hiPSC trasplantados tras ictus cerebral. Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (MICINN). PID2020-118120RB-Ioo. Daniel Tornero
- **Redes de Investigación Cooperativa Orientadas a Resultados en Salud 2021: RICORS TERAV.** Instituto de Salud Carlos III. RD21/0017/0020. Josep M. Canals
- **Validación de aproximaciones de terapia celular para enfermedades neurodegenerativas.** Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación. PDC2022-133783-Ioo. Josep M. Canals
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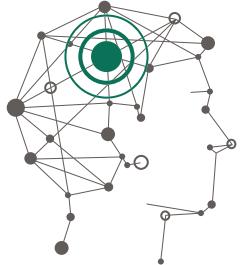
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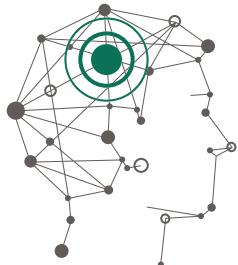


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NEURODEGENERATIVE DISEASES ARE USUALLY LINKED WITH AGING. THUS, NOWADAYS THERE IS AN IMPORTANT INCREASE IN THESE DISORDERS WITH A STRONG SOCIAL AND ECONOMICAL IMPACT IN OUR SOCIETY.

Unfortunately, the majority of therapeutic interventions available are merely symptomatic, often with very limited response, whereas disease-modifying and neuroprotective or neuroregenerative treatments are only experimental with precedents in human clinical trials having been unsuccessful so far.

The research area of Experimental Neurology is focused on the study of the nervous system in normal conditions and during neurologic disorders. A close collaboration between basic neuroscientists and clinical neurologists is already established in the Institute of Neurosciences. The Institute, together with the university hospitals, provides a good environment to perform studies about the correlation between genetic markers, cerebrospinal spinal fluid biomarkers and structural, functional and molecular imaging in patients with movement disorders, dementia, autoimmune synaptic disorders and other neurological disorders. Furthermore, the study of the molecular and biological bases of Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's chorea, and multiple sclerosis in preclinical stages can provide information for diagnosis, prevention and treatment for these neurological diseases.



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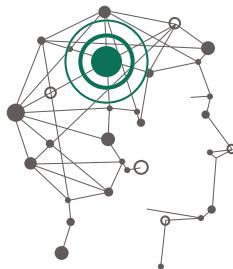
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- **Plataforma Traslacional para la AMS: Descubriendo mecanismos patológicos y nuevas dianas terapéuticas: PTra-ADPT.** Instituto de Salud Carlos III. AC21_2/00018
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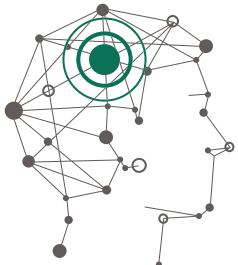
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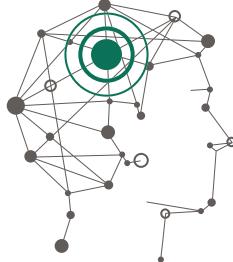
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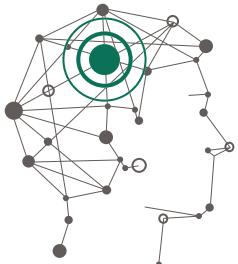
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- **Multi-Brain BCN Congress.** Ajuntament de Barcelona. 22S01062-001. Silvia Gines
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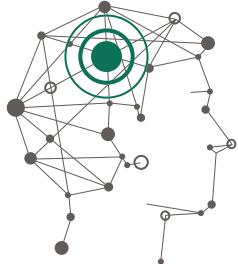
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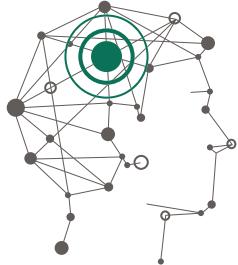


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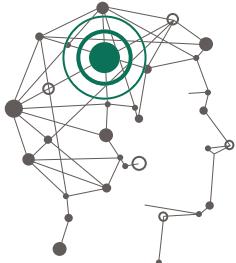
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- Method for predicting the onset of extrapyramidal symptoms (EPS) induced by an antipsychotic-based treatment. AVCRI196
- Methods and pharmaceutical composition for the treatment of neurodegenerative disease. UBTT0329-E

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- **Exploration of the m6A-epitranscriptomic signature in Huntington's disease: Implications of a new underlying molecular mechanism in HD therapeutics.** Anika Pupak. Supervisor: Silvia Gines & Veronica Brito
 - **Mitochondrial dynamics and quality control mechanisms in Huntington's disease.** Laura Celina Lopez Molina. Supervisor: Silvia Gines & Albert Giralt

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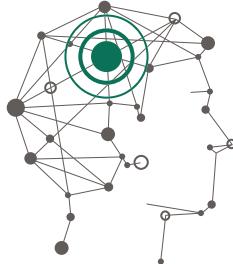
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- EpigeNetic CLOck in Schizophrenia- in Aged adults. Fundació La Marató de TV3. 358/U/2022. Barbara Segura
- Cambios en la conectividad cerebral funcional y estructural después de la Rehabilitación Digital en pacientes con síndrome post-COVID-19 con deterioro cognitivo. Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (MICINN). TED2021-130409A-C52. Barbara Segura
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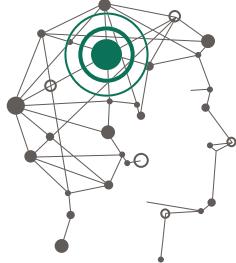
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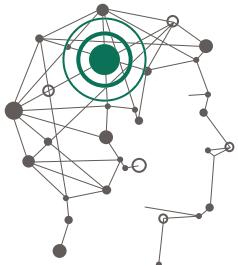
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- **Resonance imaging, cognition and sex differences in Parkinson's disease with RBD.** Javier Oltra González. Supervisor: Carme Junqué & Bàrbara Segura
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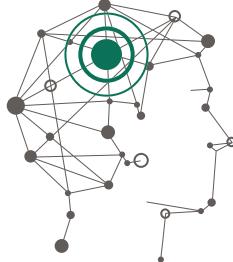
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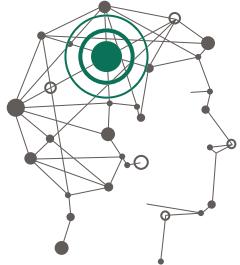
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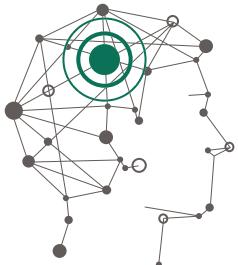
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Thesis

- **Involvement of Foxp2 in the alterations of the basal ganglia circuitry in Huntington's Disease.** Ened Rodriguez Urgellés. Supervisor: Albert Giralt & Jordi Alberch
- **Mitochondrial dynamics and quality control mechanisms in Huntington's Disease.** Laura López Molina. Supervisor: Albert Giralt & Sílvia Ginés



Pathogenesis of immune-mediated neuronal disorders

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- **Impacto social y psicológico a largo plazo de la encefalitis anti receptores NMDA.** Instituto de Salud Carlos III. AC21_2/00053. Josep Dalmau
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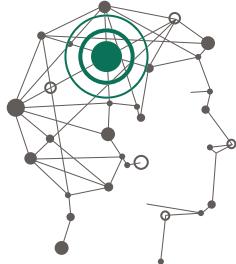
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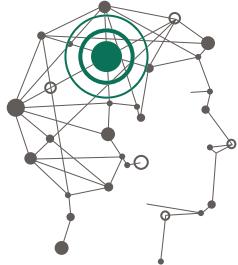
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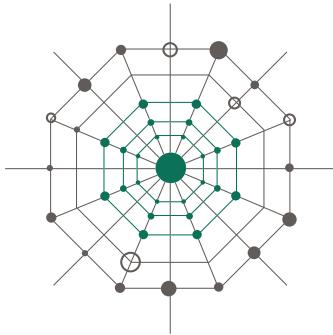
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Thesis

- **Aplicaciones de la telemedicina en el seguimiento clínico de pacientes con enfermedades autoinmunes del sistema nervioso central.** Solà-Valls, N. Supervisor: Albert Saiz & Yolanda Blanco
- **Caracterización clínica y biológica de la neuromielitis óptica, e identificación de factores pronósticos.** María Sepúlveda Gázquez. Supervisor: Albert Saiz & Francesc Graus
- **Investigations in animal models of antiNMDAR encephalitis.** Anna Garcia Serra. Supervisor: Josep Dalmau
- **Spatial learning in the network of hippocampal place cells: Altering memory using a mouse model of anti-NMDAR encephalitis.** AmirPasha Zamani. Supervisor: Josep Dalmau
- **Contributions of anti-NMDAR encephalitis to Neurology and Psychiatry.** Mar Guasp Verdaguer. Supervisor: Josep Dalmau



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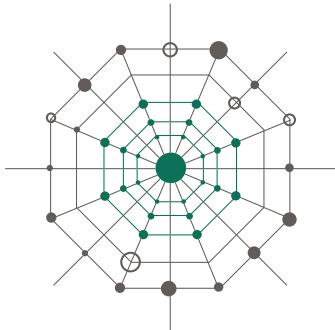


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PSYCHOTIC AND AFFECTIVE DISORDERS ARE AMONG THE MOST DISABLING MENTAL DISORDERS IN THE WORLD .

Depression, schizophrenia and bipolar disorder have a substantial economic impact in mental health and social services. They are a major contributor to increasing direct healthcare system costs (e.g., hospital inpatient stays, prescription drugs), direct social system costs (e.g., pensions, guardianship) and indirect costs (e.g., loss of productivity from unemployment, reduced work productivity among family caregiver). Recently, there has been a paradigm shift in the way we understand mental disorders, moving from pursuing a clinical remission (i.e., symptom-free periods) to a full recovery (i.e., good performance in everyday life). Under a multidisciplinary approach, the Institute actively embraces the challenge of advancing mental health knowledge around underlying neurobiological mechanisms, cognitive and daily life functioning, and new treatments and therapies in psychotic and affective disorders in childhood, adolescence, and adulthood.

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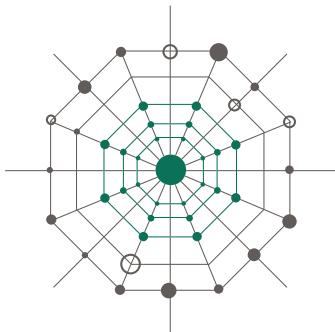
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Highlighted projects

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 - A New Intervention for Implementation of Pharmacogenetics in Psychiatry. Unió Europea. 945151. Eduard Vieta
 - Psych-STRATA - A Stratified Treatment Algorithm in Psychiatry: A program on stratified pharmacogenomics in severe mental illness. Unió Europea. 101057454. Eduard Vieta
 - Safety intervention for improving functioning in suicidal attempts. Fundació Clínic per a la Recerca Biomèdica. FCRB_PB1_2022. Iria Grande Fullana
 - Enhancing Cognitive Function in Older-Age patients with Bipolar Disorder. Fundació Clínic per a la Recerca Biomèdica. FCRB_PB2_2022. Ana Isabel Martínez Aran
- Completed suicide as an extreme phenotype for understanding suicidal behavior: an integrative approach based on the interplay between genomics and epigenomics. Fundació La Marató de TV3. 202203-30. Antonio Benabarre Hernandez
 - Brain and blood coexpression networks using DDR1 as a seed gene in bipolar disorder. Brain and blood coexpression networks using DDR1 as a seed gene in bipolar disorder. Identification of new biomarkers.. Fundació La Marató de TV3. 202235-33. Ana Isabel Martínez Aran
 - Disentangling clinical, neurobiological, and genetic correlates of first-episode mania in Bipolar Disorder: The NOTION Project. Fundació La Marató de TV3. 202234-30. Eduard Vieta
 - Prevención e Intervención en Suicidio (SURVIVE): estudio de cohorte y ensayos clínicos controlados anidados de programas de prevención secundaria para intentos de suicidio. Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PI19/00954. Iria Grande Fullana
 - Biomarcadores de neuroimagen de la reserva cognitiva en pacientes con un primer episodio psicótico/maníaco (NeuroBioCoRe). Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PI21/00787. Eduard Vieta
 - Salud Mental (CIBERSAM). Ministerio de Sanidad y Consumo . CB07/09/0004. Eduard Vieta
 - Clinical validation study for EDIT-B test: an aid for differential diagnosis of bipolar disorder, based on RNA editing blood biomarkers. Unió Europea. 220628. Eduard Vieta
 - Descifrando la base genética y epigenética de la conducta suicida: desde los intentos de suicidio hasta el suicidio completo. Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PI22/01048. Antonio Benabarre Hernandez
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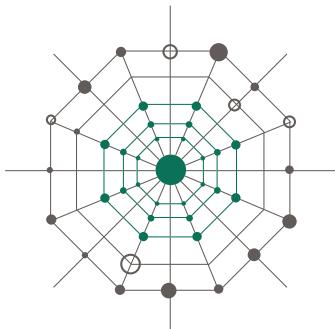


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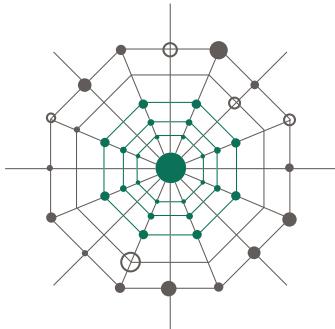
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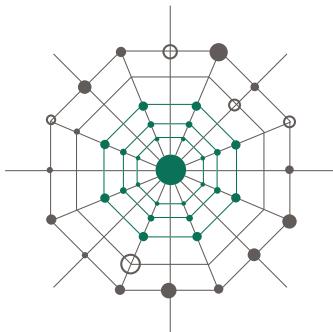
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Highlighted projects

- **AUTISM INNOVATIVE MEDICINE STUDIES-2-TRIALS.** Unió Europea. 777394. Rosa Maria Calvo Escalona
- **Evolución clínica y funcional a los 12 meses en adolescentes con trastorno por estrés postraumático secundario a una agresión sexual: estudio de predicción multimodal basado en aprendizaje automático de datos clínicos y de neuroimagen.** Fundación Alicia Koplowitz. A.KOPLOWITZ22_06. Olga Puig Navarro
- **Estudio longitudinal de pacientes con trastorno psicótico de inicio temprano: cambios epigenéticos y su asociación con variables clínicas, cognitivas y de neuroimagen.** Fundación Alicia Koplowitz. A.KOPLOWITZ22_02. Inmaculada Baeza Pertegaz
- **Early intervention to improve cognitive reserve in subjects at risk and early stages of psychosis.** Fundació Clínic per a la Recerca Biomèdica. FCRB_PB2_2020. Josefina Castro-Fornieles
- Clinical, cognitive, neuroimaging and epigenetic characteristics of the child and adolescent offspring of patients diagnosed with schizophrenia or bipolar disorder: a predictive model of psychopathology and functioning at ten-year follow-up. Fundació La Marató de TV3. 202222-10. Josefina Castro-Fornieles
- Prospective study of biomarkers and clinical predictors of longterm outcome and response to treatment in obsessive-compulsive disorder: the Barcelona OCD COHORT. Fundació La Marató de TV3. 202201-32. Maria Luisa Lazaro Garcia
- Influencia de las vacunas, biomarcadores infecciosos e inmunológicos y análisis de las redes transcriptoma-interactoma en el curso de los trastornos de tics: un estudio longitudinal (COURSE-CAT). Instituto de Salud Carlos III. PI20/01056. Maria Astrid Morer Liñan
- Fenomenología y vías neuroinmunes de los comportamientos repetitivos y restrictivos. Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PI19/01122. Maria Luisa Lazaro Garcia
- Interacción genética y ambiente en hijos de pacientes con esquizofrenia o trastorno bipolar. Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PI21/00519. Josefina Castro-Fornieles
- Estudio multicéntrico longitudinal sobre marcaadores de predicción de la transición a psicosis en niños y adolescentes con riesgo de psicosis: El papel del estrés intrauterino. Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PI21/00391. Inmaculada Baeza Pertegaz
- Salud Mental (CIBERSAM). Ministerio de Sanidad y Consumo. CB07/09/0005. Inmaculada Baeza Pertegaz
- 1/7-Collaborative Genomics Studies of Tourette Disorder. National Institutes of Health (NIH). 671128. Maria Astrid Morer Liñan
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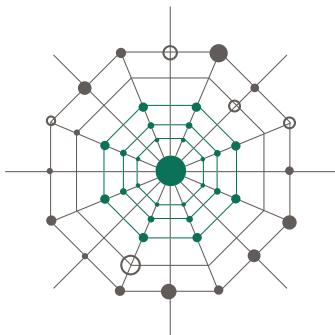


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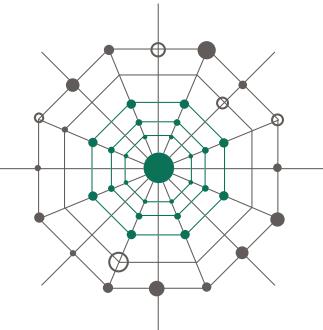
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Thesis

- **La reserva cognitiva en niños y adolescentes con primer episodio psicótico y en hijos de pacientes con esquizofrenia o trastorno bipolar.** Patricia Camprodón Boadas. Supervisor: Josefina Castro-Fornieles & Elena de la Serna.

Research



Mental Health

Epidemiology of mental health disorders and ageing

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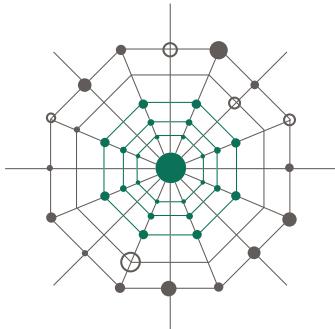
Highlighted projects

- **EDHEN: European Health Data and Evidence Network.** European Health Data & Evidence Network. (EHDEN) PFE00082. Josep M. Haro
- **SYNCHROS: SYNergies for Cohorts in Health: integrating the Role of all Stakeholders.** Unió Europea. 825884. Josep M. Haro
- **Improving the Preparedness of Health Systems to Reduce Mental Health and Psychosocial Concerns resulting from the COVID-19 Pandemic (RESPOND).** Unió Europea. 101016127. Josep M. Haro
- **EDIT-B: The RNA blood test for bipolar disorder.** Unió Europea. 220628. Josep M. Haro
- **MIO: Migration Impact On Health.** Fundació Caixa de Pensions 'La Caixa'. SR21-00779. Josep M. Haro
- **Factores sociales, de estilo de vida, comorbilidad física y factores genéticos como causas de depresión en una población envejecida.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PI19/00088. Josep M. Haro
- **Xarxa d'Innovació de Noves Tecnologies en Salut Mental – TECSAM.** Departament d'Empresa i Coneixement. Generalitat de Catalunya. 2018 XARDI 000102 confidential agreements. Josep M. Haro

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Gerontology: Health and ageing



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Highlighted projects

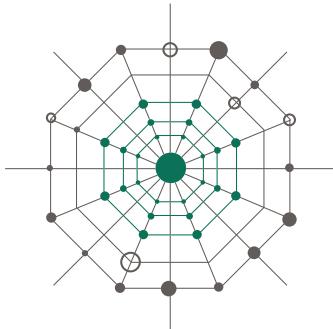
- **Grup d'Investigació en Gerontologia (GIG).** Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR). 2021SGR00250. Feliciano Villar
- **Trayectorias asociadas al género en la exclusión de las relaciones sociales en la vejez y sus consecuencias para la salud y bienestar: una perspectiva de ciclo vital.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PCI2019-103627. Feliciano Villar
- **Envejecer en los márgenes: hacia una visión más inclusiva del envejecimiento activo.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2020-116117GB-I00. Feliciano Villar

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Interpersonal Violence



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Assessment and management of risk of violence

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Neural basis of personality, situational perception, and violence

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Highlighted projects

• **Violence, behaVior, Individual differences and Technology Studies group (WITS).** Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR). 2021SGR00709. David Gallardo-Pujol

• **Step by step standing up a Barnahus in Catalonia: A simulation-based training program to avoid secondary**

victimization in the assessment and treatment of child sexual abuse (STEPS). Uniò Europea. 881749. Noemí Pereda

• **Multiplying Educational Capacities to Combat Sexual Violence Against Children (EDUCAP).** Uniò Europea. 101005439. Noemí Pereda

• **Does violence beget violence? Victim-offender overlap in Spanish adolescents (SOCIAL RESEARCH 2021) (SR21-00381).** Fundació Caixa de Pensions 'La Caixa'. SR21-00381. Noemí Pereda

• **Inferencias causales en modelos de ecuaciones estructurales: modelado del comportamiento violento.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2020-119755GB-I00. David Gallardo-Pujol

• **Violencia psicológica para la dominación en contextos interpersonales y grupales.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2021-123418NB-I00. Alvaro Rodriguez-Carballeira

• **Desarrollo de un ecosistema digital de salud mental para entornos laborales.** Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (MICINN). CPP2021-008590. David Gallardo-Pujol

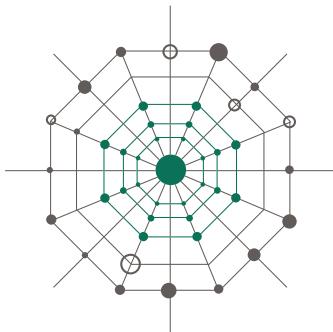
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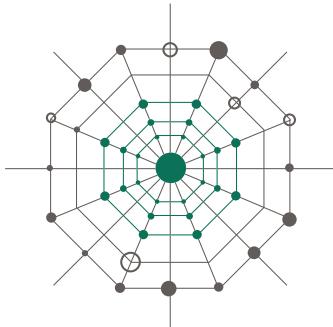
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Thesis

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- **Polivictimización y síntomas psicopatológicos en adolescentes mexicanos.** Claudia Méndez. Supervisor: Noemí Pereda
 - **Psychometric approaches for designing personality inventories for large scale assessment.** Rouco, Victor. Supervisor: David Gallardo & Filip de Fruyt
 - **Non-invasive brain stimulation, personalitu and cognition.** Domínguez Martín de la Torre, O. Supervisor: David Gallardo

Measurement and research designs



Mental Health

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Longitudinal data analysis: Monte Carlo simulation studies and empirical applications

JUANA GOMEZ-BENITO

Functioning and recovery in mental health

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Development and validation of psychological tests

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Observational methodology

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Highlighted projects

- **Grup d'Estudis d'Invar(GRID)ància de la Meusa i Anàlisi del Canvi en el àmbits social i de la salut (GEIMAC).**

Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR). 2021SGR01071. Georgina Guilera

- **SEEP Student Engagement en educació superior: Eines per al Professorat. Institut de Ciències de l'Educació (ICE)**

- Universitat de Barcelona (UB). REDICE22-3200. Ma. Teresa Anguera

- **Hacia la recuperación en personas diagnosticadas con trastorno mental severo: Definición, evaluación e intervención.**

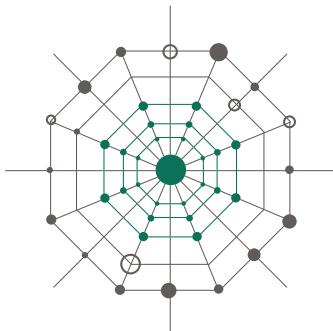
Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2019-109887GB-Ioo. Juana Gomez-Benito

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- **Grup de recerca e innovació en dissenys (GRID).** Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR). 2021SGR00718. Ma. Teresa Anguera
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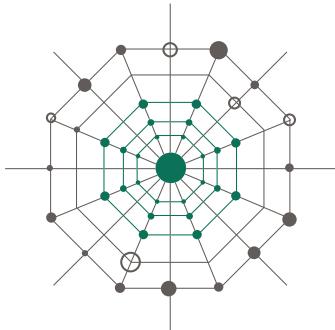
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- **Funcionamiento Diferencial del ítem: un abordaje desde la perspectiva bibliométrica, experimental y empírica.** Ángela Berrio Beltrán. Supervisor: Juana Gómez Benito

Schizophrenia



Mental Health

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- **The retinal structure as a potential biomarker in schizophrenia spectrum disorders.** Fundació La Marató de TV3. 202205-10. Miquel Bernardo
- **Deep brain stimulation for patients with treatment-resistant schizophrenia: a multicentre prospective study.** Fundació La Marató de TV3. 202206-30. Miquel Bioque
- **Testing the accelerated aging hypothesis in schizophrenia: an epigenetic clock analysis in chronic and elderly patients: the ENCLOSE-Age Study (EpigeNetic CLOck in SchizophrEnia - in Aged adults).** Fundació La Marató de TV3. 202225-30. Rafael Penades
- **El efecto de los eventos perinatales en los primeros episodios psicóticos.** Instituto de Salud Carlos III. PI20/00661. Clemente Carlos Garcia

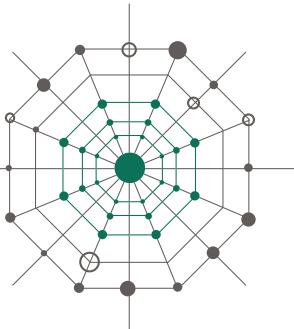
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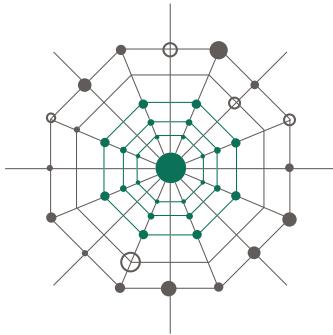
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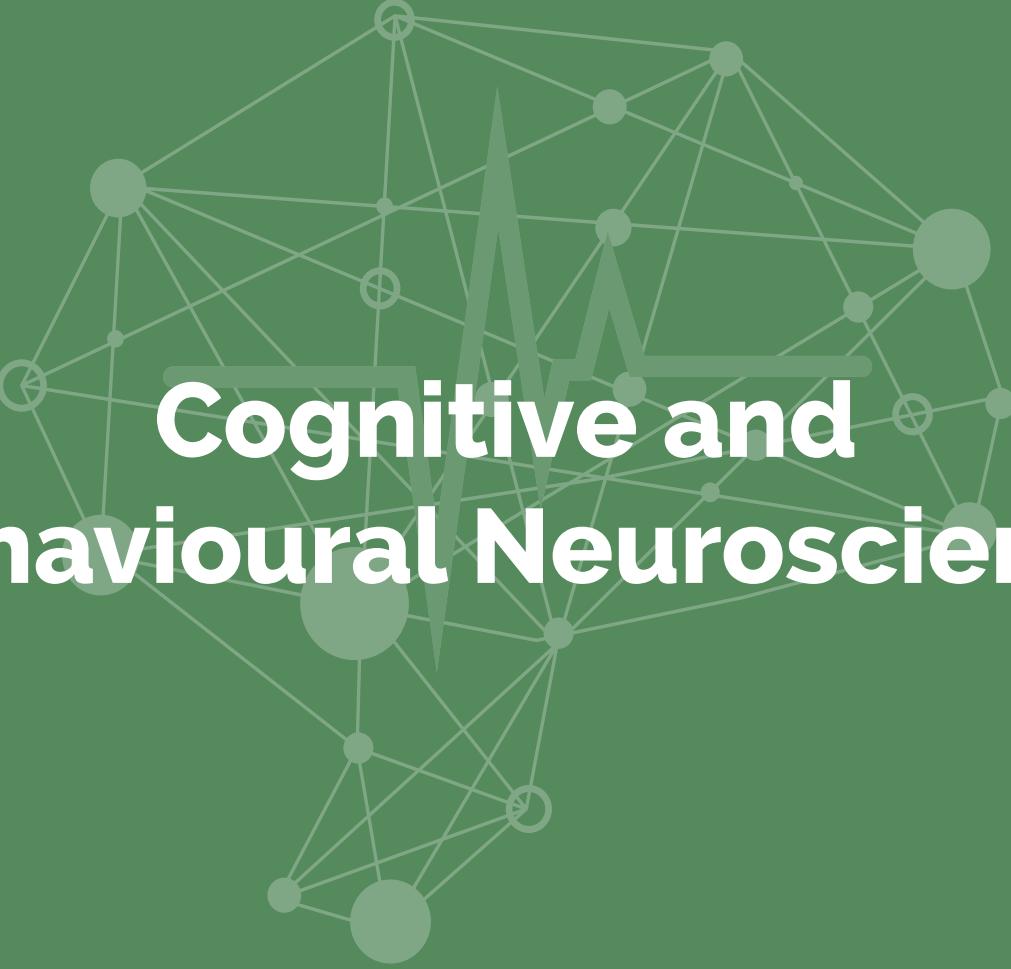
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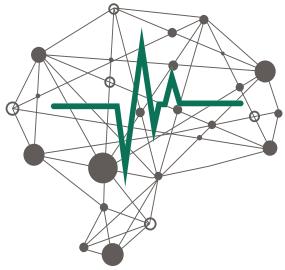
- Method for predicting the onset of extrapyramidal symptoms (EPS) induced by an antipsychotic-based treatment. AVCR196.

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- **Interindividual variability of brain activity in schizophrenia.**
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Cognitive and Behavioural Neuroscience



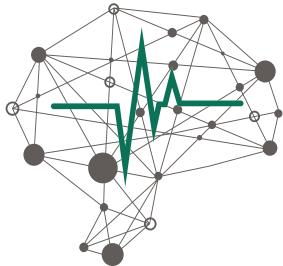
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THIS AREA FOCUS ON THE CEREBRAL CIRCUITS, NETWORKS, PROCESSES AND COMPUTATIONAL MECHANISMS THAT UNDERPIN A PLETHORA OF FUNCTIONS, SUCH AS PERCEPTION, ATTENTION, MEMORY, LANGUAGE, DECISION MAKING, EMOTION AND THE CONTROL OF ACTION, TO NAME A FEW.

These functions are at the essence of cognition and give rise to the uniqueness of our human nature, a rich mental activity that can even generate the subjective phenomenon of consciousness.

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Highlighted projects

• **Brain Dynamics and Structure of Human Cognition (BraCo).** Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR). 2021SGR00352. Ruth de Diego-Balaguer

• **Grup de Cognició i Plasticitat Cerebral.** Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR). 2021SGR01099. Antonio Rodriguez-Fornells

• **The Adapting Brain: Preparing for Parenthood.** Fundação BIAL. 184/20. Lluís Fuentemilla

• **Brain Correlates of Socially Interactive Language Learning (BraSILL).** Unió Europea. 101062671. Antonio Rodriguez-Fornells

• **Ajut per incentivar i consolidar la recerca d'excel·lència ja existent a les universitats públiques de Catalunya. Programa ICREA Academia 2018.** Fundació Institució Catalana de Recerca i Estudis Avançats (ICREA). Josep Marco-Pallares

• **Ajut per incentivar i consolidar la recerca d'excel·lència ja existent a les universitats públiques de Catalunya. Programa ICREA Academia 2018.** Fundació Institució Catalana de Recerca i Estudis Avançats (ICREA). Lluís Fuentemilla

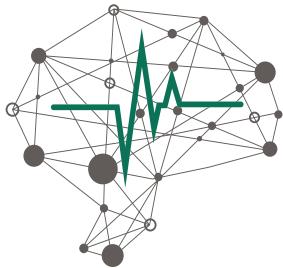
• **Cognición estructurada en eventos.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2019-111199GB-Ioo. Lluís Fuentemilla

• **Predicciones temporales en el sistema motor y su relación con el aprendizaje del lenguaje.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2021-127146NB-Ioo. Ruth de Diego-Balaguer

• **La lengua extranjera como factor de distancia psicológica.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2021-127053NB-Ioo. Mireia Hernandez

• **El papel de la incertidumbre en las propiedades reforzadoras de la información.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2021-126477NB-Ioo. Josep Marco-Pallares

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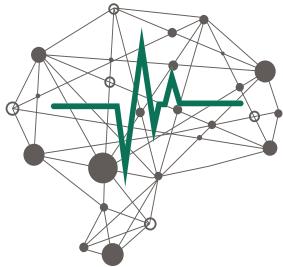
- **Indexical representation and lexical learning in audiovisual contexts: A challenge or an advantage for typically developing infants and clinical populations?.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2021-128159NB-Ioo. Ferran Pons
- **Investigación neurofisiológica de la interacción de la recompensa y la función inhibitoria en la formación de hábitos alimentarios no saludables en humanos adultos.** Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (MICINN). PID2021-127743OB-Ioo. Toni Cunillera
- **NEURAL EVIDENCE ON THE INVOLVEMENT OF SELF-MONITORING AND INTRINSIC VALUE IN INFORMATION SEEKING AND AVOIDANCE.** Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (MICINN). PID2021-127130NB-Ioo. Antonio Rodriguez-Fornells
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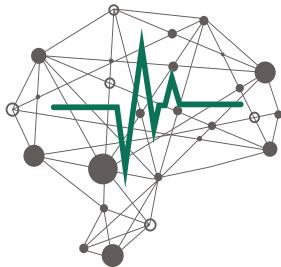
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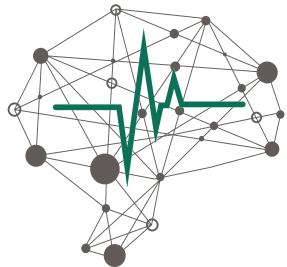
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- **Multiple-level predictors of resilience during the COVID-19 pandemic. Lessons towards a precision preventive medicine.** Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR). 2020PANDE00043
- **Healthy minds from 0-100 years: Optimising the use of European brain imaging cohorts (Lifebrain).** Unió Europea. 732592
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- **Characterization and modulation of brain networks to promote brain resilience for the COVID-19 pandemic.** Fundació La Marató de TV3. 592/U/2021
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- **Estudio de los cambios cerebrales inducidos por estimulación cerebral no invasiva, como predictores del estado de salud cerebral futuro en personas de edad avanzada.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. RTI2018-095181-B-C21
- **CARACTERIZACIÓN DE LA ADICCIÓN Y LA PATOLOGÍA DUAL. EFICACIA DE LA CRONOTERAPIA COADYUVANTE EN PACIENTES CON RESPUESTA PARCIAL.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2020-117767GB-I00

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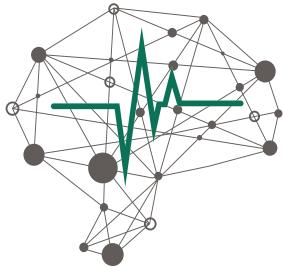
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- **Ajut per a estada Salvador Madariaga.** Ministerio de Educación, Cultura y Deporte. PRX21/00690
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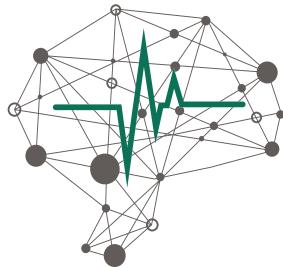
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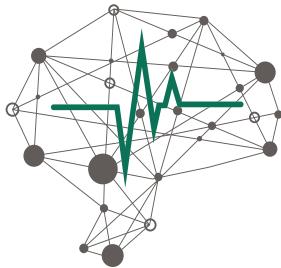
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- **Doctorats industrials 2019. Empresa: Consorci Sant Gregori.** Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR). 2019DI69. Joan Guardia-Olmos
- **Qualitat de Vida Familiar (QdVF) de l'estudiantat universitari: relació amb el rendiment acadèmic.** Institut de Ciències de l'Educació (ICE) - Universitat de Barcelona (UB). REDICE22-3362. Maria De Les Salines Carbo
- **Psicologia Quantitatativa.** Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca (AGAUR). 2021SGR00366. Joan Guardia-Olmos
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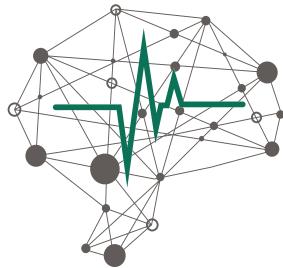
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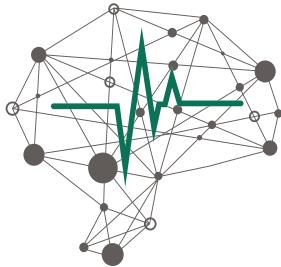
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- **Trastornos del espectro alcohólico fetal (TEAF): Identificación precoz y biomarcadores de riesgo para alteraciones neurocognitivas mediante el potencial de seguimiento de frecuencia (PSF).** Fundación Alicia Koplowitz. Carles Escera
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- **Amenaça d'estereotips de gènere, motivació i ansietat matemàtica: impacte sobre el rendiment acadèmic de les dones en educació superior.** Institut de Ciències de l'Educació (ICE) - Universitat de Barcelona (UB). REDICE22-3222. María Isabel Nuñez-Peña
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- **El sistema noradrenérgico del locus-coeruleus en la interfaz entre los procesos motores y auditivos.** Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. PID2021-128790NB-Ioo. Iria SanMiguel
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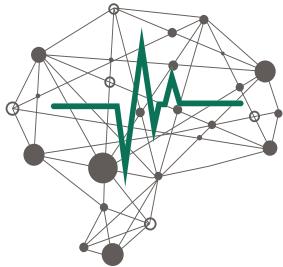
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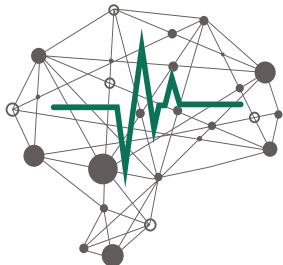
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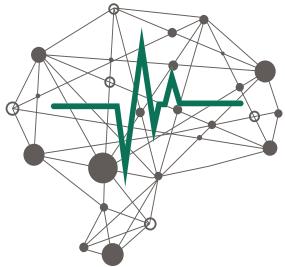
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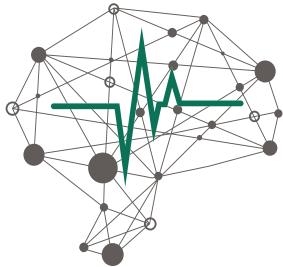
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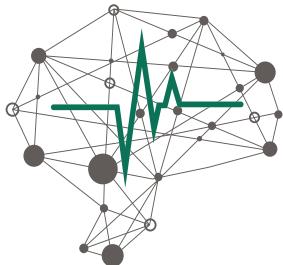
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Knowledge and transfer innovation

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- Methods and systems for gradual exposure to a fear. UBTTO345
- [Virtual Bodyworks](#). Mel Slater.
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Vision and control of action



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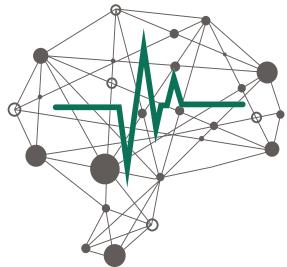
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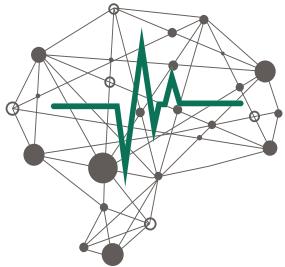


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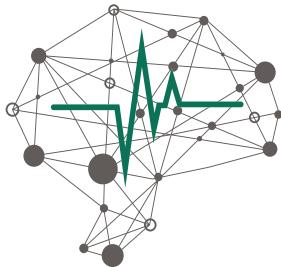
Knowledge and transfer innovation

- Method of measuring attention. AVCR147
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- [Braigaze](#). UB spin-off Hans Super

Thesis

- **Estimating motion and time-to-contact in 3D environments:**
Priors matter. Borja Aguado. Supervisor: Joan López-Moliner

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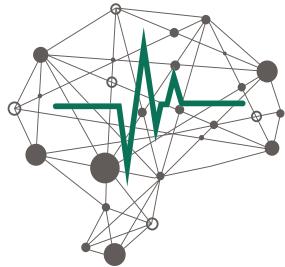
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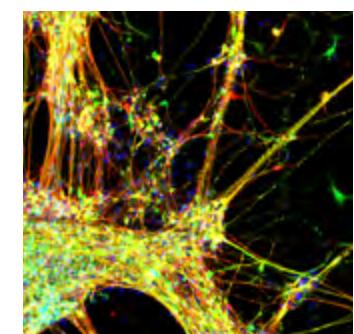
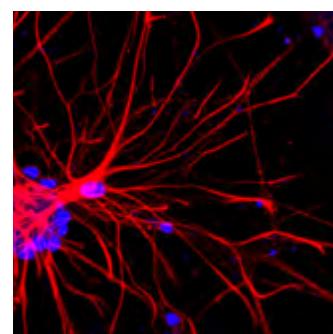
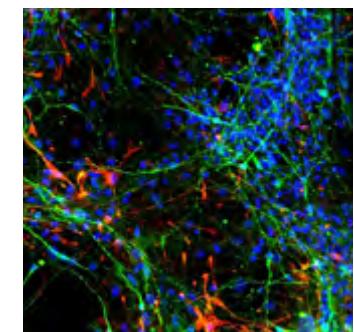
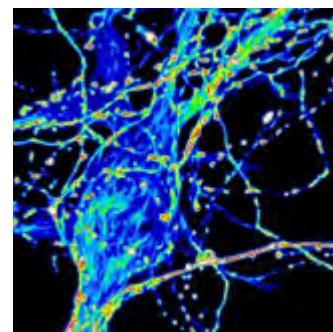
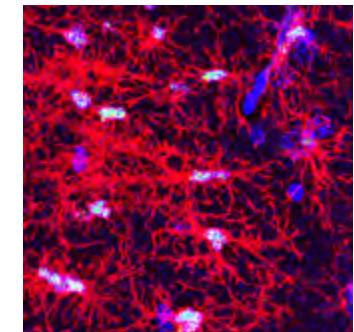
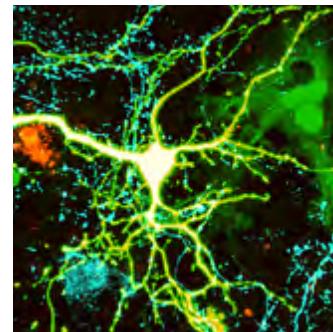
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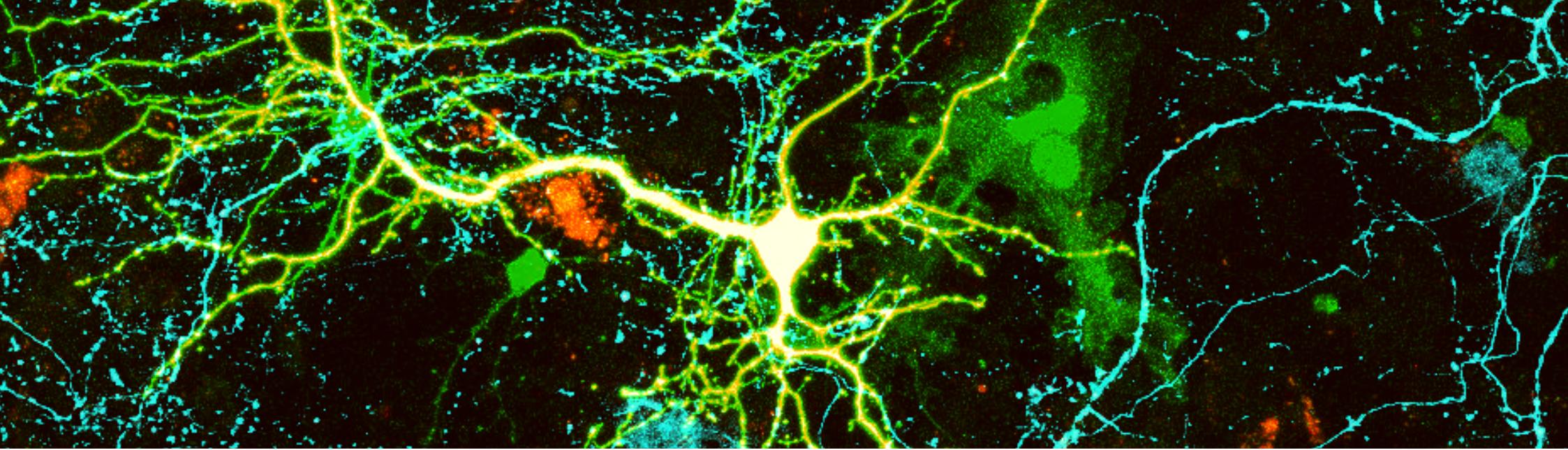
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