

# Oncology/Haematology and Transplantation



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## Main Lines of Research

- ▶ Study of the molecular and cellular pathophysiology of haematological cancers.
- ▶ Study of the prognostic value of clinical and biological parameters in haematological malignancies.
- ▶ Design of new modalities of chemotherapy, biotherapy and drug treatment targeting molecular mechanisms.

- ▶ Design of new modalities of haemopoietic stem-cell transplantation and cell therapy.
- ▶ Psychological intervention and quality of life in patients with haematological malignancies.

## Challenges

- ▶ Identify new prognostic parameters for risk and therapeutic stratification.
- ▶ Evaluate targeted therapy in cell lines and animal models (with the Oncogenesis and Antitumour Drugs group).
- ▶ Reduce toxicity and increase availability of allogeneic transplants.
- ▶ Molecularly characterize acute myeloid leukaemia and determine the prognostic value of known genes and other genes of uncertain significance (with the Haematology Laboratory).

- ▶ Model leukaemia and lymphoma in animals to better understand cell physiopathology and test new drugs (with the Oncogenesis and Antitumour Drugs group).
- ▶ Molecularly characterize and determine the prognostic significance of cell physiopathology and immunotherapy for lymphoproliferative diseases and evaluate antitumour immunotherapy in animals and humans.

## Collaborations

### Collaborations with other IIB Sant Pau Groups

- ▶ Oncogenesis and Antitumour Drugs (Dr. Ramon Mangues).
- ▶ Haematological Diagnosis (Dr. Josep Nomdedéu).
- ▶ Microbiology and Infectious Diseases (Dr. Pere Coll).

### External Collaborations

- ▶ Carlos III Health Institute Cooperative Cancer Research Network (RTICC): J. Sierra, co-ordinator.

- ▶ European Research Initiative on Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (ERIC): C. Moreno, coordinator.

- ▶ Spanish lymphoma transplantation groups (GELTAMO): J. Briones, S. Novelli.

- ▶ Spanish hematologic malignancies consortium (PETHEMA): J. Sierra, M. Granell, S. Brunet.

- ▶ Spanish CETLAM acute myeloid leukaemia and myelodysplasia group hospitals: co-ordinator, S. Brunet.

- ▶ European Leukaemia Network of Excellence groups.

## Active Grants

- ▶ Jordi Sierra Gil. Red Temática de Investigación Cooperativa en Cáncer (RTICC). RD12/0036/0071. Instituto de Salud Carlos III. Duration: 2013-2017. 321,500.00 €.
- ▶ Javier Briones Meijide. Memory stem T cells transduced with a chimeric antigen receptor targeting CD30 for the treatment of hodgkin lymphoma. 20130710. Fundació La Marató de TV3. Duration: 2014-2017. 153,970.00 €.
- ▶ Jordi Sierra Gil. Grup de diagnòstic i tractament de les neoplàsies hematològiques. 2014 SGR 1281. Agència de Gestió d'Ajuts Universitaris i de Recerca. Duration: 2015-2017. 18,000.00 €.
- ▶ Jordi Sierra Gil. Terapia dirigida de Auristatina E o Ara-C a células de leucèmia mieloide aguda que expresan CXCR4, receptor implicado en adhesión al estroma y quimiorresistencia. PI14/00450. Instituto de Salud Carlos III. Duration: 2015-2018. 191,500.00 €.
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- ▶ Carolina Moreno Atanasio. Long-term survivors in Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia. AECC 2015-2. Associació Espanyola Contra el Càncer. Duration: 2016-2018. 20,000.00 €.
- ▶ Javier Briones Meijide. Memory stem T cells with optimized chimeric antigen receptors targeting CD30 for the treatment of peripheral T cells lymphomas. DJCLS 10R/2016. Fundació Josep Carreras Internacional. Duration: 2017-2020. 135,000.00 €.
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- ▶ Jordi Sierra Gil. Red de Terapia Celular (TerCel). RD16/0011/0028. Instituto de Salud Carlos III. Duration: 2017-2021. 3,945.00 €.
- ▶ Carolina Moreno Atanasio. Geriatric assessment in elderly patients with chronic lymphocytic leukemia. GLD16/00153. Gilead Sciences, S.L.U. Duration: 2016-2018. 32,000.00 €.
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