

The ICCC is a research centre integrated by the Autonomous Government of Catalonia, the Autonomous University of Barcelona, and the Santa Creu and Sant Pau Hospital. The ICCC was created by the government of Catalonia under the scope of a program directed to provide a new impulse for research, development, and innovation and started its activities in 2005. Today, the ICCC has more than 70 researchers with a multidisciplinary background, including: senior scientists, responsible for the research programmes in the cardiovascular area or for the different areas of technology, postdoctoral fellows and predoctoral students. The ICCC investigators have expertise in a wide range of areas, ranging from molecular biology to pre-clinical and population-based studies.

The ICCC is provided with state of the art infrastructures to develop fundamental and translational research, always with the view of transferring the scientific results to clinical practice in order to develop new therapeutic strategies, improve diagnosis, and ultimately increase the prevention of cardiovascular disease. The ICCC, mainly supported by public funding and competitive research projects, leads a strategic plan in cardiovascular science pursuing scientific excellence, international presence, and networking at national and international levels.

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