Discover the Vall d’Hebron Institute of Research

The research of today, the medicine of tomorrow
Vall d’Hebron Barcelona Hospital Campus

The Vall d’Hebron Barcelona Hospital Campus is an international institution in healthcare, research, education and innovation. It is composed by four centres: the Vall d’Hebron University Hospital, the Vall d’Hebron Institute of Research (VHIR), the Vall d’Hebron Institute of Oncology (VHIO) and the Multiple Sclerosis Center of Catalonia (Cemcat), working together with the same pioneering spirit and a common goal: to improve health and wellbeing of citizens.

We have specialized units with frontline professionals trained to deal with the most complex cases in all stages of life, from before birth to elderly age. This is how we contribute to society, adding talent at the service of patients of today and tomorrow.

- 9,000 professionals
- 1,200,000 patients per year
- Training in 47 medical specialities and in biomedical research
- 1,100 scientific publications
- 22 buildings
- 80 research groups
- 2,000 researchers
- 900 active clinical studies

(2016 data)
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VHIR promotes research and biosanitary innovation. Its aim is to find and to apply solutions to people’s health problems. VHIR takes a chance on disruptive research based on daily health problems arising from the hospital, with an international outlook. We transfer to society the knowledge developed in our research lines and we are one worldwide reference in clinical trials.

- 4.328 impact factor
- 57 research groups
- 1,500 researchers
- 70% of researchers are clinical staff
- 800 scientific publications
- 884 active clinical studies

Distribution in Research Areas

- Oncology
- Infectious Diseases
- Research in Surgery
- Vascular Biology and Metabolism (VAM)
- Digestive and Liver Diseases
- Obstetrics, Paediatrics and Genetics
- Neurosciences
- Sicardpath
Innovation and excellence are two fundamental pillars for VHIR. It is present in the daily life of all its research, which is aimed at finding solutions to unmet clinical needs, with the commitment to contribute to the scientific, social and economic development of the country.

VHIR has become a reference center in driving open innovation projects based on public-private partnerships with companies with numerous success stories in the development of new diagnostic technologies, therapeutic tools and medical technologies, among others.

Our business development strategy is to work closely with the industry, focusing on developing collaborations through:

- Training and Consultancy Services in Healthcare Management
- Co-development of R&D projects
- Promotion of own technology portfolio, through licensing
- Spin-off and start-up creation
- Contract research services
- Establishment of strategic alliances

“Create innovative solutions for unmet clinical needs”
Clinical Research

Vall d’Hebron Barcelona Hospital Campus leads clinical research in Spain and Europe, both in number of clinical trials (900 active CTs and 350 new on 2016) as in complexity (54% in Phase I-II). Among others, the main fields of expertise are Oncology, Neurosciences, Infectious diseases, Cardiology, Pneumology, Immunology, Nanomedicine, Vascular Biology and Metabolism, and Liver & Digestive diseases. Below is a sample of the metrics related with CTs.

Core Facilities

Laboratory Animal Service  Support Unit for Clinical Research  High Technology Unit

Biobank  Statistics and Bioinformatica Unit  Academic Research Organisation
All of our ability at the service of our patients

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