

CODE OF GOOD SCIENTIFIC PRACTICE

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Executive summary

In order to promote the incorporation of ethical standards and good scientific practice into daily clinical use, in 2012 eight IDIBAPS researchers wrote the first edition of the institution's "Code of Good Scientific Practice". The aim of this Code was to provide researchers and other research personnel a comprehensive set of regulations to improve the quality of research practices, and to define an ethical behavioural framework, with particular emphasis given to integrity in scientific research.

The changes that have taken place not only on an institutional level during the last seven years – e.g., adoption of *The European Charter for Researchers & Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers* or the establishment of the *Ombuds Committee* – but also on an external level – e.g., regulatory changes and the promulgation of statements on Research Integrity such as those of Singapore and Montreal – have necessitated an updating of the "Code of Good Scientific Practice". This version of the document also incorporates the "Code of Conduct" that CERCA Institutions like IDIBAPS are required to adopt. We hope that this new edition reflects these goals and will facilitate both the knowledge and implementation of it among all personnel who conduct their work at IDIBAPS. **Code of Good Scientific Practice**

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This document reflects, and is based on, current research conditions and the legal framework set forth in May 2019, updating the previous guidelines of July 2012. The “Code of Good Scientific Practice” remains an ongoing initiative that will be updated, according to any changes that occur or at the request of the IDIBAPS Management Team, within the next 1 to 3 years.

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Researchers’ portal, <http://portal.fcrb.es/>, in the section “Institutional policies”