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**PROJECTES DE RECERCA  
EN EL MARC DE LA UNIÓ EUROPEA**

**UNIVERSITAT DE LES ILLES BALEARS**

**Referència:** NNE5/2001/293.

**Modalitat:** Energy, environment and sustainable development.

**Títol:** *Grid-connected Pv systems integrated in educational and cultural facilities.*

**Acrònim:** UNIVERSOL.

**Investigador responsable:** MOYÀ NIELL, Gabriel.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Ecologia).

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

Universitat Rovira i Virgili (Espanya)  
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Espanya)  
Institut Català d'Energia (Espanya)  
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Ecole National de Travaux Publics de l'Etat (França)  
Université Claude Bernard Lyon 1 (França)  
Groupement d'Etablissements de Formation a l'Energie (França)  
Municipality of Ria-Sirach (França)  
Region Languedoc-Roussillon (França)  
Ecole National Supérieure d'Arts et Métiers (França)  
Coordinador: Universitat de Barcelona (Espanya)

**Summary**

The main objective of the project is to actively participate in the Take-Off campaign aiming at doubling the share of RES in the European mix by 2010, by installing a significant number of medium-large grid-connected PV systems in educational and cultural facilities in four State-members (Spain, France, UK and the Netherlands). Wishing to establish the foundations on which the Green Campuses and Green Municipalities of the future can be built, the participants (universities, technical training organisations, regional governments and municipalites, cultural centres, utilities and enterprises) also aim at raising social awareness on energy issues and actual possibilities of PV technology. Thanks to the best architectural integration and technical design, and to a carefully elaborated monitoring and dissemination programme, the project will clearly contribute to improving the acceptance of renewable energy sources among all concerned professionals, and the general public.

**Referència:** INTERREG IIIB-MEDOC. 2002-02-1.1-F-012.

**Títol:** *Coordination euro-méditerranéenne de l'Université.*

**Acrònim:** TETHYS.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de l'Educació. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** SALINAS IBÁÑEZ, Jesús M.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Didàctica i Organització Escolar).

**Inici:** 2002.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

Université de Provence (Aix-Marseille I) (França)

Université de Droit, d'Economie et des Sciences (Aix-Marseille III) (França)

Université de Gênes (Itàlia)

Universitat de Barcelona (Espanya)

Coordinador: Université de la Méditerranée (Aix-Marseille II) (França)

**DEPARTAMENT DE BIOLOGIA**

**Títol:** *Development and evaluation of improved fruit fly attractants in the Balearic Islands.*  
**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.  
**Investigadora responsable:** ALEMANY FERRÀ, Aina.  
**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Zoologia).  
**Inici:** 2000.                   **Fi:** 2005.

**Socis:**

Instituto Nacional de Investigaciones Agrarias (Espanya)  
Centro Nacional de Pesquisa de Agroindustria Tropical (Brasil)  
Universitat de Costa Rica Rodrigo Facio (Costa Rica)  
Universitat de Tolima (Colòmbia)  
Research & Development Golan Heights (Israel)  
Programa Moscamed (Mèxic)  
Agricultural Research Service (EUA)  
University of Southampton (Regne Unit)  
University of Thessaloniki (Grècia)  
Subtropical Agricultural Research (EUA)  
Direcca de Serviços de Investigaçao Agrícola (Portugal)  
Instituto Nacional de Tecnología Agropecuaria (Argentina)  
CIRAD-FLOHR. Reunió (França)  
Ministry of Agriculture, Food Technology & Natural Resources (Maurici)  
Honduran Foundation for Agricultural Research (Hondures)  
Univesitat de Sao Paulo (Brasil)  
Coordinador: International Atomic Energy Agency

**Summary**

*Ceratitis capitata* is in Spain a key pest due to its destructive effect on so many commercial fruits as citrus, peach and apricots. Other non commercial host as *Ficus carica* and *Opuntia ficus-indica* are also key host because of their importance as medfly reservoirs. At the moment, control measures are based on repetitive insecticides bait sprays which have serious effects on natural enemies and on fruit quality. In this sense, it is important to reduce insecticide treatments using environment-friendly and cost effective techniques as an alternative to conventional insecticides. Environmental protection measures are also increasing the need for alternatives to conventional pest control, and we have to consider that Menorca island and some areas of Ibiza island have been declared Reserves of Biosphere by UNESCO. Standard and effective monitoring systems are needed for IPM strategies, reflecting precise changes in temporal and spatial distributions of the medfly. Detection and monitoring population is critical in the Balearic Islands, because the possibility to control the pest at two moments over the year when the population is very low. At this moment, selective and effective captures will reduce the pest below the economic damage level, thus reducing or even eliminating the use of insecticides. On the other hand, the olive fly *Bactrocera oleae*, is also an important pest in Spain. This monophagous pest requires as in the case of medfly, an area-wide approach. For this reason, it is also important to develop effective attractants for monitoring and for use on a mass trapping strategy basis. Finally, geographical situation of the Balearic Islands is an adequate place to study isolated populations.

**Referència:** ICA3-CT-2002-50005.

**Títol:** *Optimisation of water use by plants in the Mediterranean.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** MEDRANO GIL, Hipólito.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Fisiologia Vegetal).

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

Coordinador: IACR-Rothamsted Experimental Station (Regne Unit)

### **Summary**

Water is essential to sustaining human and environmental health. Where fresh water supplies are limited sustainable development and stability require the efficient management of water resources. Agriculture is by far the largest user of water resources accounting for around 75% of consumption. However forecasts suggest that demand for agricultural products will double to support population growth forecasts for the Mediterranean. This is compounded by the predicted change in climate as a result of global warming and salinisation of coastal aquifers. Increasing the efficiency of water use within agricultural systems is critical to ensure food security and stability of agricultural production systems. At the moment despite several initiatives there is still a gap between the research scientists and politicians and agronomists. Given that the recent advances in molecular and genetic research have added substantially to our understanding of basic biological processes that may lead to novel technologies it is vital to improve communication between research scientists and end users.

The aim of the present project is to bridge the gap between cutting edge research scientists working in molecular, genetic and physiological and environmental research and the end users of their science. As importantly this bridge will ensure that research scientists are fully aware of the needs of the end users. OPTIMISE will encourage specifically target contact with and between the EU and the following Mediterranean Partner Countries: *Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine Authority, Syria, Tunisia and Turkey*. Furthermore, the integrated and holistic approach adopted will further promote co-operation between scientists of different disciplines, in different countries, lead to development of new links between research laboratories, exchange of ideas, resources and technology. We will ensure good communication with other EU funded activities.

**Referència:** INCO-CT-2004-509140.

**Títol:** Native perennial forage plants for sustainability of farming systems in the western mediterranean.

**Acrònim:** PERMED.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** CIFRE LLOMPART, Josep.

**Categoría:** P. Col. (àrea de coneixement: Producció Vegetal).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2008.

**Socis:**

Institut Nacional de la Recherche Agronomique d'Algérie (Algèria)

Institut Nacional de la Recherche Agronomique (Marroc)

Institut des Régions Arides (Tunísia)

Consiglio Nazionale delle Richerche (Itàlia)

Instituto de Investigaçao Agraria e das Pescas (Portugal)

Universitat de Barcelona (Espanya)

Institution de Recherche et d'Enseignement Supérieur Agronomique (Tunísia)

Istituto Sperimentale per le Colture Foraggere (Itàlia)

Coordinador: Institut Nacional de la Recherche Agronomique (França)

**Summary**

The amount of water available to agriculture in the Mediterranean is declining because of increasing population pressure and greater incidence of drought. Therefore, the efficiency of the use of water for agricultural production must be maximized, and in this context perennial forage species have a number of advantages in comparison to the predominantly used annuals. They can utilize water throughout the whole year besides being able to halt rangeland degradation, restore soil fertility and enhance forage production, thereby contributing to greater sustainability of rain-fed agricultural systems in the southern European Union and North Africa.

Despite these advantages, the small size of individual national markets has so far worked against the development of a viable forage industry based on perennials. Therefore, by adopting a multi-national approach and targeting the key breeding objectives of superior drought resistance and water use efficiency (WUE), this project aims to produce commercially viable cultivars of a select number of species of broad regional interest and adaptation.

Ten research groups from southern Europe and North Africa will combine to work on species including lucerne, cocksfoot, tall fescue and sulla to enhance cultivar development across environments ranging from the sub-humid to arid. Complementary Workpackages will (i) complete North African forage germplasm collection and evaluation, (ii) assess the use of molecular genetics in breeding of drought resistant lucerne, (iii) evaluate elite forage populations across the region for high WUE and adaptation to drought as bases for new cultivars, (iv) enhance knowledge of physiological traits for drought survival and WUE, and (v) determine optimal use of perennial forages in four representative farming systems. Their results will contribute to the development of technical packages for easy on-farm adoption across the western Mediterranean, thereby ensuring a long-term interest of the seed industry.

**DEPARTAMENT DE BIOLOGIA FONAMENTAL I CIÈNCIES DE LA  
SALUT**

**Referència:** QLK1-2001-00183.

**Modalitat:** Life science: biotechnology, agricultural and food research.

**Títol:** *Dietary lipids as risk factors in development. Mechanistic issues.*

**Acrònim:** DLARFID.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** PALOU OLIVER, Andreu.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

The State Institute for Quality Control of Agricultural Products of Wageningen (Holanda)

Klinikum der Universitaet Regensburg (Alemanya)

University of Southern Denmark (Dinamarca)

The Wenner-Gren Institute Stockholm University (Suècia)

Instituto di Morfologia Umana Normale (Itàlia)

Coordinador: Jagiellonian University Medical College (Polònia)

**Summary**

The nutritional factors are not only the source of energy but also are essential for the organism growth and development. They serve as the factors regulating the expression of genes and synthesis of proteins and they also indirectly regulate hormones, physiology of development and functional tissue remodelling of the mature organism. Unfortunately, the same factors and mechanisms are involved in deep pathology of diet-mediated social threatening illnesses Beta-carotene, the source of the lipid soluble vitamin A and retinoic acid in humans was recommended for the prevention of atherosclerosis and cancer development. Unexpectedly, the recent three multicenter, randomized human trials revealed the weak protective effect against the increased incidence of myocardial infarction, and morbidity/mortality due to the lung cancer. Since the beta-carotene is commonly used as the food colorant, the influence of its metabolites together with fatty acids derivatives will be investigated in the healthy and cancer human and animal cells. The possible involvement of the new classes of proteins and genes will be followed by the most modern methods to determine the early markers of pathology.

The Consortium of 9 research Centers from 7 EU Countries is formed to realize aims of this project with the use of most advanced technology methods such as molecular biology: cDNA-microarray, proteomic: high-resolution 2D gel electrophoresis with mass spectrometry, flow cytometry). Improved knowledge of beta-carotene and food fatty acid derivatives on regulation of gene expression will serve as the scientific basis for new diagnosis of hazard, search for the new type of anticancer, antiatherosclerotic, anti-obesity or antidiabetic pharmacotherapy, enhancing European food industry competitiveness and the innovative potential of European R&D. Developing the basis for the future food product labelling system will contribute to the improvement of the quality of life of a consumer.

**Referència:** FOOD-CT-2004-506360.

**Modalitat:** Network of excellence.

**Títol:** European nutrigenomics organisation-linking genomics, nutrition and health research..

**Acrònim:** NUGO.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** PALOU OLIVER, Andreu.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2009.

**Socis:**

Nederlandse Organisatie voor Toegepast Natuurwetenschappelijk Onderzoek (Holanda)  
Rikilt (Holanda)

Nutrition and Toxicology Research Institute Maastricht (Holanda)

Rijksinstituut voor Volksgezondheid en Milieu (Holanda)

University College Cork, National University of Ireland (Irlanda)

Trinity College Dublin (Irlanda)

University of Ulster (Regne Unit)

Deutsches Institut fuer Ernaehrungsorschung (Alemania)

Technische Universitaet Muenchen (Alemania)

Institute of Food Research (Regne Unit)

Rowett Research Institute (Regne Unit)

University of Reading (Regne Unit)

Universita degli Studi di Firenze (Itàlia)

Uniwersytet Jagiellonski (Polònia)

Lunds Universitet (Suècia)

University of Newcastle upon Tyne (Regne Unit)

Instiut Nacional de la Sante et de la Recherche Medicale (França)

Universitetet I Oslo (Noruega)

European Molecular Biology Laboratory (Alemania)

Topshare International BV (Holanda)

Coordinador: Wageningen Universiteit (Holanda)

**Summary**

The primary aim of NuGO is integration, making future nutrigenomics research easier.

Twenty-two partners organisations from ten European countries form the core of The European Nutrigenomics Organisation (NuGO). The specific aims of NuGO are to:

- Strengthen the European scientific and technological excellence in nutrigenomics by bringing together the critical mass of resources and expertise needed to offer leadership in this rapidly developing field
- Define individual response to nutrients and refine the requirements for population sub-groups based on genetic variations (nutrigenetics), sex, and the different life-stages
- Determine the relative health benefits and risks of food compounds for different population sub-groups and improve public health

- Spread excellence in nutrigenomics beyond the partnership through training, sharing of methods and facilities, dissemination and exploitation, and enter into dialogue with stakeholder groups
- Support the competitive arm of the European food industry, facilitating its growth as a knowledge-based business, with a view to evidence-based healthier food production
- Promote understanding in the ethical, social, legal, economical and scientific issues of concern in nutrigenomics

There are four related activities to help this process, each with complementary tasks:

- Integration Activities which will harmonise, stimulate and facilitate new technologies, informatics and systems for common use, and underpin research activities
- Joint Research Activities, which exploit the technological and scientific innovations in a number of key areas of nutrition and health research as well as consolidate the research effort in Europe
- Spreading of Excellence will build upon the acquired knowledge, sharing it with stakeholder groups including researchers, industry, society and healthcare

NuGO is funded by the European Commission's Research Directorate General under the Food Quality and Safety Priority of the Sixth Framework Programme for Research and Technological Development. The project began in January 2004 and will be funded until December 2009, but expects to be self-funding after this date.

**DEPARTAMENT DE CIÈNCIES DE L'EDUCACIÓ**

**Referència:** ME8/AIDCO/2000/2095-05.

**Modalitat:** Euromed Heritage II.

**Títol:** *Mediterranean voices: oral history and cultural practice in Mediterranean cities.*

**Acrònim:** MedVoices.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de l'Educació. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** SUREDA NEGRE, Jaume.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Didàctica i Organització Escolar).

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

#### **Socis:**

Economic and Social History Foundation of Istanbul (Turquia)

University of Crete (Grècia)

Intercollege of South Nicosia (Xipre)

Gençlik Merkezi of North Nicosia (Xipre)

University of Malta (Malta)

Association d'Anthropologie de la Méditerranée (França)

Universitat de Granada (Espanya)

Universitat de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (Espanya)

The American University of Beirut (Líban)

Centre for Cultural Heritage Preservation of Bethlehem (Palestina)

University of Bologna (Itàlia)

Bibliotheca Alexandrina (Egipte)

Coordinador: London Metropolitan University (Regne Unit)

#### **Summary**

The principle aims of the project are to promote awareness of the cultural heritage of Mediterranean urban spaces, and to create and strengthen regional stakeholder networks. The central activity of the project is the creation of a database of oral and social history of urban neighbourhoods, collecting memories of people and places, and documents such as photographs, songs, etc. This will be made available to the general public and target groups such as local cultural and community associations, municipalities and educational institutions, through a web-site and other published outputs, and will form the basis for further activities both locally and regionally, including seminars and exhibitions. The research and related activities will draw out the cosmopolitan heritage of Mediterranean cities and the web of interconnections across the region, and at the same time contribute on not only a practical, but also a conceptual and critical level, to urban heritage management and policy.

**DEPARTAMENT DE CIÈNCIES MATEMÀTIQUES I INFORMÀTICA**

**Referència:** IST-2001-32202.

**Modalitat:** User-friendly information society.

**Títol:** *An automatic human model animation environment for augmented reality interaction.*

**Acrònim:** HUMODAN.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica. Edifici Anselm Turmeda.

**Investigador responsable:** PERALES LÓPEZ, Francisco José.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Ciències de la Computació i Intel·ligència Artificial).

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

**Socis:**

Fraunhofer Gesellschaft zur Foerderung der Arngewandten Forshung E.V. (Alemanya)

Kursaal Producciones Audiovisuales, S.L. (Espanya)

Synkronix Incorporation Limited (Regne Unit)

Systema Informatics, S.A. (Grècia)

Coordinador: Centro de Estudios e Investigaciones Técnicas de Guipuzcoa (Espanya)

**Summary**

The objective of the project is to design, develop and set up an innovative system for automatic recognition and animation of human motion in controlled environments. The most relevant and distinctive feature of this system with respect to existing technologies is that the individual being recorded will not wear any type of marker or special suit and neither will other type of sensors. By this way this system will be highly useful in a wide range of technological areas, like for example TV production, tele-presence, immersive and collaborative interactivity storytelling, medicine diagnose support, tele-operation, education and training.

An example of application of such a system is to animate easily and realistically a virtual performer in a TV set starting from recorded images of a real player. Further applications like virtual reality immersive collaboration environments and real time immersive storytelling will also be investigated. Medical issues are also interesting in the project.

The innovation and challenges of the project rely both in the recognition system to be developed and in both real-time and non real-time applications that such a system will allow. Principal goal of HUMODAN project is to produce efficiently, realistically and with low cost the virtual animation of an individual by means of processing only a sequence of images recorded from different cameras and avoiding the use of sensors, markers or special suits.

The project addresses following objectives:

To develop a new system of human motion recognition without using sensors or markers.

To obtain automatically and rapidly (real-time in some applications) a realistic animation of an individual using a sequence of images from recorded from different cameras.

To use robust biomechanical analysis.

To develop specific applications, interfaces and plug-ins.

To produce an easy-to-use, user-friendly tool.

System will be easier and cheaper to use. Also, and possibly more important, with respect to future new application areas in which the slowness of the process and the necessity of markers are actual main limitations that prevents from using motion capture technology.

In the basis, it will be developed an innovative system for recognition of human motion based on the most modern techniques of image processing, analysis and synthesis. Besides, the system will be enhanced to recognize and analyse other biped and no-biped beings, like for example pet animals, robots, etc. In addition, system will be able to focus only in a part of the body but with high detail, like for example the hands or the face.

To ensure the widest range of applications, the individual recorded will not wear any type of marker or special suit. To this end, biomechanical models will be constructed using a hierarchical and articulated structure in order to establish a correlation between each structural element of the biomechanical model with the analytical characteristics of the images obtained using different views. Innovative shape or part recognition techniques will be applied. The biomechanical model will include a knowledge database to retain high-level information of the motions.

The biomechanical model will also require developing specific kinematics and dynamic models, and analysis and synthesis tools to support firstly the recognition phase and later the reconstruction and animation phase.

To make the system usable it will be also necessary to develop specific applications and plugins to integrate the animation into end users tools such as digital TV production software, animation software and virtual environments like a CAVE. To this end all developed software from the different subsystems will be integrated using adequate interfaces in order to be able to comply with networking applications and real time requirements.

**DEPARTAMENT D'ECONOMIA APLICADA**

**Referència:** ASI/B7-301/98/679-014.

**Modalitat:** Human resource development.

**Títol:** *Professional join European Chinese cooperation in tourism.*

**Centre:** Departament de d'Economia Aplicada. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigador responsable:** SASTRE ALBERTÍ, Francesc.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Aplicada).

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2006.

**Socis:**

University of Guangzhou (Xina)

University of Nice (França)

University of Genoa (Itàlia)

Coordinador: University of Angers (França)

**Summary**

Our application is made with the aim of creating a regional multilateral network between 4 European universities and the University of Guangzhou in China with the purpose of upgrading the skills of teaching staff (existing lecturers and professors as well postgraduate students interested in a teaching career) so as to allow them to improve the quality of the training of their students in the field of tourism and hotel management. The present application corresponds to the Asia-Link Human Resource Development (HRD) type of project. Its projected length is three years.

The main activities will focus on devising teaching seminars in Guangzhou for our Chinese colleagues, organising intensive courses in the European universities of the consortium on specialised topics related to the teaching of tourism related subjects for both confirmed teaching staff involved in the development of tourism courses in the home institution (Guangzhou University) and administrators in charge of implementing the credit transfer system.

Sandwich courses and internship opportunities will be added to the above-mentioned activities with the aim of increasing the mutual knowledge of the industry of tourism, hospitality and hotel sectors for both teaching staff and advanced students in Europe for our Chinese colleagues and in China for the Europeans.

## **DEPARTAMENTO DE FÍSICA**

**Referència:** G3RD-CT-2000-00265.

**Modalitat:** Competitive and sustainable growth.

**Títol:** Autonomous inspection of subsea telecommunication cables, power cables and pipelines.

**Acrònim:** AUTOTRACKER.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** CALVO IBÁÑEZ, Óscar Alberto.

**Categoría:** TEU int. (àrea de coneixement: Tecnologia Electrònica).

**Inici:** 2001.

**Fi:** 2004.

#### Socis:

Heriot-Watt University (Regne Unit)  
Innovatum International Ltd (Regne Unit)  
SEAS Distribution AmbA (Dinamarca)  
BP Exploration Operating Company Ltd (Regne Unit)  
Alcatel Submarine Network AS (Dinamarca)  
Coordinador: Maridan AS (Dinamarca)

#### Summary

The need for fast communication (telecom and internet) and transport of energy (power, oil and gas) has resulted in an increasing amount of subsea installations (cables and pipelines). To maintain the installations in safe and reliable condition preventive maintenance inspections are needed. The subsea network is greatly developed in certain geographic areas including the European seas (Baltic, North Sea, Atlantic Ocean and Mediterranean Sea), Gulf of Mexico and East Chinese Sea. Several parts of these areas are located at deep water (500-3500 m). Current inspection technology deploys shipboard monitoring sensors either from a free-flying surface towed platform (ROTV), which significantly degrades in quality, or from an ROV which is expensive. ROV operations require a DP survey vessel with some 40-man crew (DP stand for dynamic positioning, which is required for ROV operations). Shipboard inspection technology is not economically effective in water depths greater than 500 m and with oil exploration and development activity now moving into even deeper areas an alternative approach is required. The AUTOTRACKER project will provide a new autonomous platform (the AUTOTRACKER vehicle) for subsea inspections. The new platform can be deployed from any 'ship of opportunity' and it can replace current inspection platforms in a much cheaper and safer way. The new platform is not physically connected by cables to the surface, such as ROVs and ROTVs. The sensors used today on ROVs and ROTVs can be used on the new platform giving improved data, and at reduced cost because the need for an expensive DP survey vessel is eliminated. Potential savings are dramatic: a reduction of inspection costs with a factor 10 or more! Typical cost of 20 days ROV inspection in the North Sea is approx. 1 million EURO. Typical cost of 20 days ROV inspection in the North Sea is approx. 1 million EURO. The SMEs in the consortium want to exploit the results of the project on the 1-2 billion EURO world market for subsea inspections. The project contributes to the following EU politics: employment, working conditions, environment, internatl market and standardisation (see section 4 and 5).

**Referència:** IST-2000-29683.

**Modalitat:** User-friendly information society.

**Títol:** *Optical chaos communications using laser-diodes transmitters.*

**Acrònim:** OCCULT.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** MIRASSO SANTOS, Claudio Rubén.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2001.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

University of Wales (Regne Unit)

Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (França)

Technische Universitaet Darmstadt (Alemanya)

National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (Grècia)

Università degli Studi di Pavia (Itàlia)

Opto Speed SA (Suïssa)

Consell Superior d'Investigacions Científiques (Espanya)

Coordinador: Universitat de les Illes Balears (Espanya)

**Summary**

The general objective of the proposal is the experimental demonstration of an emitter/receiver chaotic optical system capable to transmit encoded information through optical fibres. Our proposal is directed at improving the privacy in the transmission of secure data in the context of the increasing volumes of data that fibre-based optical networks carry. We concentrate on relatively high bit rate fibre-optic communication systems utilising semiconductor diode lasers as the optical sources. Our approach exploits the properties of the dynamically chaotic emitter and receiver systems that, under specific conditions are able to synchronise, and therefore allow for the encryption and decryption of messages at a device level. Our technique is complementary and fully compatible with other existing methods for encoding information.

**Referència:** INTERREG IIIB-MEDOC. 2002-02-4.3-I-079.

**Títol:** *Hydroptimet: optimisation des outils de prévision hydrométéorologique.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** ALONSO OROZA, Sergio.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Terra).

**Inici:** 2002.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

ARPA Emilia Romagna, Servizio Meteorologico Regionale (Itàlia)

Centro Interuniversitario di Monitoraggio Ambientale (Itàlia)

Regione Toscana: Dipartimento dello Sviluppo Economico (Itàlia)

Regione Calabria: I Dipartimento della Presidenza, Settore 2, Servizio 4 (Itàlia)

Servizio Agrometeorologico Regionale per la Sardegna (Itàlia)

Regione Basilicata: Dipartimento Ambiente e Territorio (Itàlia)

CNR, Istituto di Scienze dell'Atmosfera e del Clima (Itàlia)

Agenzia per la Protezione dell'Ambiente ed i Servizi Tecnici (Itàlia)

Agència Catalana de l'Aigua, Generalitat de Catalunya (Espanya)

Institut Polytechnique de Grenoble, LTHE (França)

Université Joseph Fourier (França)

Etat du Valais (Suïssa)

Coordinador: Regione Piemonte: Direzione Servizi Tecnici di Prevenzione (Itàlia)

**Summary**

The main project aims are: 1) Optimisation of the connections between the meteorological and hydrological component according to the prevention and the forecast of natural risks, in particular of floods. 2) Experimentation of the operational use of new tools, derived from the meteorological modelling, for the high resolution quantitative forecast of the precipitation. 3) Temporal search of optimisation activities of the methodologies and tools developed in a previous INTERREG II C project and their diffusion to the national and international groups.

**Referència:** EVK1-CT2001-00092.

**Modalitat:** Energy, environment and sustainable development.

**Títol:** *Towards sustainable water use on mediterranean islands: addressing conflicting demands and varying hydrological, social and economics conditions.*

**Acrònim:** MEDIS.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** ALONSO OROZA, Sergio.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Terra).

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2006.

**Socis:**

Natural Environment Research Council (Regne Unit)

University of Cyprus (Xipre)

Foundation of Research and Technology (Grècia)

Università degli Studi di Messina (Itàlia)

Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (França)

Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (Espanya)

Université de Corse Pascal Paoli (França)

National Agricultural Research Foundation (Grècia)

Regional Government of Crete (Grècia)

Coordinador: Universitaet Muenster (Alemanya)

**Summary**

The availability of water in the Mediterranean in sufficient quantities and adequate quality represents a significant problem of European dimension. This is due to a number of factors which include: the over-exploitation of existing aquifers by various users, insufficient recharge due to diminishing precipitation, excessive and inadequate use through agricultural activities or tourism, significant deficits in water management and distribution schemes and conflicting or unresolved demands and interests between various users, to name just a few. These problems are exacerbated on the islands in the Mediterranean because of their isolation and thus the impossibility to draw on more distant or more diverse aquifers in general and because of the threat of saline intrusions, which reduce the utilisation of existing, near-shore aquifers in particular. Consequently, some islands (e.g., Mallorca or Cyprus) because of the inability to cope with the existing water resources on the island have resorted to extremely costly measures such as sea water desalination or the transport of freshwater from the mainland to the island with tankers. While the availability, demand and distribution of water on each island are determined by specific conditions, there are a number of attributes common to all Mediterranean islands which call for the formulation of generic solutions to the above mentioned problems. Such solutions are also pertinent in the context of the Water Framework Directive (WFD), which came into force on 22.12.2000. Because most of these problems are mutually related and interdependent, solutions will only be derived through holistic considerations. This calls for a high degree of interdisciplinarity and renders mono-disciplinary studies almost useless. Moreover, durable solutions will only be found through recommendations and/or regulations that are based on mutually agreed principles between the stakeholders involved. This requires a stakeholder-based participatory process that builds on the results of scientific investigations on the one hand and on the consent of major stakeholders on the other. Only an approach combining interdisciplinarity and stakeholder involvement, which is central to MEDIS (Towards sustainable water use on Mediterranean Islands: addressing conflicting demands and varying hydrological, social and economic

conditions) will result in water management practices that are both sustainable and acceptable/equitable. The overall goal of MEDIS is to contribute towards the sustainable use of water on islands of the Mediterranean where conflicting demand for water is combined with a wide range of hydrological, social and economic conditions. The study will be carried out in one typical catchment each on Corsica, Crete, Cyprus, Mallorca and Sicily. Based on interdisciplinary investigations involving, hydrology, spatial analysis (geo-informatics) and geophysics, improved methodologies for the characterisation of- and basic data on aquifers and the monitoring of water consumption, recharge and safe yield will be developed/derived. Because agriculture represents the major user of water on most Mediterranean islands (except for Mallorca, where water demand is highest for tourism), improved agricultural practices that enable smaller water consumption will be recommended. A stakeholder analysis and the collection and examination of information on water demand by various stakeholders in conjunction with the physical data will be used in a decision support system employing multi-criteria analysis in order to derive various mutually agreeable water distribution schemes in a participatory bottom-up approach. This will form the basis for recommendations on equitable and sustainable water management practices under current and possibly decreased precipitation rates resulting from climate change. By carrying out this project on five islands that cover the Mediterranean from west to east and by enabling a dialogue between scientists and stakeholders as well as between principal stakeholders from each island, these recommendations will embrace generic solutions based on the collective experiences of the residents on all islands. Thus, MEDIS will not only enable improved water management practices on each of the islands considered, but will contribute to the implementation of the WFD on Mediterranean islands. It is expected that MEDIS will deliver: extensive maps, databases and electronic atlases of current water resources/supply, water demands and recharge for the islands under investigation; recommendations/ guidelines for best practices in agriculture in order to mitigate the inefficient use of water; a detailed analysis and evaluation of the social and economic impacts of current water management practices, the water demands of major stakeholders, and their perception on water and water availability in general; recommendations and/or guidelines for the implementation of an infrastructure for a stakeholder-based, participatory process leading to sustainable and equitable water distribution schemes on the Mediterranean islands. These objectives are realistic, because MEDIS will be carried out by a consortium of partners who have gained extensive experience in earlier studies addressing comparable problems. Moreover, we will seek collaboration with external experts and other ongoing projects in order to improve our investigations and to avoid undue overlap.

**Referència:** INTERREG IIIB-MEDOC.

**Títol:** *Application des methodologies de prévisions hydrometeorologiques orientées aux risques environnementaux.*

**Acrònim:** AMPHORE.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** ROMERO MARCH, Romualdo.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Terra).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Socis:**

Université Joseph Fourier (França)

METO-France/CNRM (França)

Fundació Bosch i Gimpera (Espanya)

Agenzia Regionale per la Protezione dell'Ambiente Ligure (Itàlia)

Centro Interuniversitario di Monitoraggio Ambientale (Italia)

Agenzia Regionale per la Protezione dell'Ambiente della Calabria (Itàlia)

Agenzia Regionale Protezione Ambientale Emilia Romagna (Itàlia)

Dipartimento della Protezione Civile (Itàlia)

Coordinador: Agenzia Regionale per la Protezione Ambientale del Piemonte (Itàlia)

**Summary**

The project Amphore belongs to the context of prediction and prevention of natural risks, with particular attention to risks due to intense hydrometeorological phenomena in the Mediterranean region. The project seeks a combined experience of objective methodologies directed towards the improvement of quantitative precipitation forecasts that are applied in the hydrometeorological alert systems. The main objective is the optimisation of these alert systems taking into account the particularities of the Mediterranean region. The diversity of involved partners allows the disposal of multiple scenarios of forecast rainfall owing to the different modelling and production techniques available. An essential aspect of the project is its emphasis on probabilistic forecasts rather than deterministic methods. That is, a recognition of the value of uncertainty and complexity for the hydrometeorological chain.

**Referència:** MIF1-CT-2004-003027.

**Modalitat:** Marie Curie incoming fellowships.

**Títol:** *Autonomous vehicle for underwater inspections.*

**Acrònim:** AUVI.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** CALVO IBÁÑEZ, Óscar Alberto.

**Categoría:** TEU int. (àrea de coneixement: Tecnologia Electrònica).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Socis:**

Coordinador: Universitat de les Illes Balears (Espanya)

### **Summary**

This project proposes the research in reactive path planning for mobile robots in real environment using artificial intelligence (AI) techniques. An experimental prototype will be used in a first stage as a testbed for proposals (an autonomous underwater vehicle (AUV)). Among the multiple disciplines that converge in the development of a cost effective and useful for inspections AUV, the navigation control as well as the path planning exhibits particular interest. Effectively, although a lot of proposals may be found in the literature since the last decade, there is a lack of a reliable set of tracking and obstacle avoidance systems to allow the vehicle to follow a certain pattern in the seabed. A potential application is pipeline, electric and telephone cables tracking. However, the scopes of this research are not limited to this application (i.e., study of coastal ecosystems). Thus, given the multiple possible scenarios in an underwater world, AI techniques will be used to cope with these unknown situations. To face them it requires safe navigation systems that are not yet available for autonomous operations. The main objective of this project is to design and to develop a cost-efficiency technology for autonomous navigation in complex environments. The project includes development of an autonomous tracking and a safe low-altitude navigation for an AUV prototype, which could handle sea trials. The particular objectives are: 1. To develop a software module responsible for providing the desired AUV trajectory, resorting to AI techniques, particularly knowledge-based system; 2. To apply the resulting prototype to subsea pipeline and cable inspections (in 1 and 2 this project is linked to the EU AUTOTRACKER-GRD1-2000-25150); 3. To develop a mobile robot laboratory in the outgoing host institution(Electromechanicla Department of the Engineering Faculty at UNCPBA).

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**Referència:** EVK3-CT2000-00040.

**Modalitat:** Energy, environment and sustainable development.

**Títol:** *Nutrients cycling and the trophic status of coastal ecosystems.*

**Acrònim:** EUROTROPH.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos.

**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2001.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

Université Libre de Bruxelles (Bèlgica)

Netherlands Institute of Ecology (Holanda)

Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (França)

Université Pierre et Marie Curie-Paris VI (França)

Aalborg Universitet (Dinamarca)

University of Hull (Regne Unit)

Coordinador: Université de Liège (Bèlgica)

**Summary**

EUROTROPH aims to apprehend the functioning of carbon and nutrients storage in coastal ecosystems. The objectives of the projects are: 1- to determine the trophic status of four European coastal sites using different approaches, 2- to breakdown the effects of the various nutrients and organic matter species on the trophic level, 3- to develop biogeochemical and socio-economic models in order to forecast changes and provide management tools, 4- to converse the data into information for wider use and disseminate the results at appropriate levels (end-users), 5- to provide advises for a better control for coastal areas (monitoring procedures, regulation adapted to the trophic status, cost-effective management of nutrients and their disposal).

**Referència:** EVK3-CT2000-00044.

**Modalitat:** Energy, environment and sustainable development.

**Títol:** *Monitoring and managing of european seagrass beds.*

**Acrònim:** M&MS.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos.

**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2001.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

University of Wales-Bangor (Regne Unit)

Universidade do Algarve (Portugal)

Danmarks Miljøundersøgelse (Dinamarca)

Instituto da Conservação da Natureza (Portugal)

Direcció General de Pesca del Govern Balear (Espanya)

Coordinador: Københavns Universitet (Dinamarca)

**Summary**

The objective of the M&MS project is to define the habitat requirements of European seagrass ecosystems, the present threats to their sustainability, and their resilience to disturbance in order to strengthen our forecast capacity and formulate cost-effective monitoring plans and management strategies. The objective will pursue the specific objectives: (1) to determine if isotopic composition of C, N and S in seagrasses reflects human disturbance, (2) to compile and analyse data on relationships between water column conditions and performance of different seagrass species, (3) to determine the interaction between seagrass performance and sediment conditions, (4) to determine the role of sexual reproduction and genetic diversity on recovery of European seagrass beds, (5) to investigate the dynamics of spatial occupation of seagrasses, its importance for recovery of seagrass beds and their role in coastal protection, and (6) to integrate existing and acquired knowledge into recommendations for monitoring and sustainable management of European seagrass beds.

**Referència:** Q5RS-2001-02456.

**Títol:** *Effects of nutrient release from Mediterranean fish farms on benthic vegetation in coastal ecosystems.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos.

**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2001.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

Institute of Marine Biology of Crete (Grècia)

Universitat de Barcelona (Espanya)

Department of Fisheries and Marine Research, Marine Biology and Ecology Section (Xipre)

National Environmental Research Institute (Dinamarca)

Università degli Studi di Ancona (Itàlia)

Coordinador: University of Southern Denmark (Dinamarca)

### **Summary**

The main objectives are to study the environmental impacts of fish farming on benthic vegetation (seagrasses and macroalgae) and benthic fauna and to provide new insights for monitoring purposes. The specific objectives are to explore 1) the loss of nutrients from Mediterranean fish farms, 2) the incorporation of nutrients into pelagic and benthic vegetation in the surroundings of fish farms, 3) the impact of releases nutrients and fish farm effluents on benthic vegetation and fauna. We wish to evaluate if seagrasses and benthic fauna can be used as early warning indicators of fish farming impacts. Finally the obtained information on nutrient release and effects of nutrients on pelagic and benthic vegetation will be incorporated into a dose/response model. An important objective of this project is to include exchange of knowledge between scientist and end-users through worshops and conferences.

**Projecte núm:** EVK3-CT-2001-00046.

**Modalitat:** Energy, environment and sustainable development.

**Títol:** *New strategy of monitoring and management of HABs in the mediterranean sea.*

**Acrònim:** STRATEGY.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** TINTORÉ SUBIRANA, Joaquim.

**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació CSIC.

**Inici:** 2001. **Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

FOA Ambiental, SL (Espanya)

Università degli Studi di Urbino (Italia)

Instituto Español de Oceanografía (Espanya)

National Centre for Marine Research (Grècia)

Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (Itàlia)

Coordinador: Instituto de Ciencias del Mar CSIC (Espanya)

**Keywords:** HAB Monitoring Coastal management Mediterranean.

**Summary**

In the last decades there has been a clear trend towards the exploitation of the coastline for recreational purposes causing a significant increase of confined areas. STRATEGY main goal is to provide the keys for tackling one of the main risks of coastal regions on a world scale, and specifically along the Mediterranean coastline: the increased frequency of Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) as the possible consequence of anthropogenic activities. In particular, STRATEGY aims at elucidating the importance of confined areas created or modified by human activity in HAB events. STRATEGY is centred in three species of the genus *Alexandrium* and is focused mainly through in situ studies in the Northern Mediterranean basin where blooms associated with *Alexandrium* species are recurrent and frequently cause public health, economic, and social problems. These regions have a common characteristic: the exploitation of the coastal zone for recreational use, with important highly established tourism industries or plans for development of the near future, and the same concern to conserve the quality of near-shore waters (substantial economical inputs depend on it). Effective communication and active participation of all the players involved at different levels and areas will be promoted. The outputs of STRATEGY will be essential to develop a new concept of monitoring and will provide the basis of an integrated coastal zone management in relationship with the coastal recreational waters (i.e. formulate new criteria of near-shore waters use).

**Referència:** LIFE00NAT/E/7303.

**Modalitat:** LIFE nature.

**Títol:** *Protection of Posidonia grasses in SCIs of Baleares.*

**Acrònim:** POSIDONIA.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** TINTORÉ SUBIRANA, Joaquim.

**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2002. **Fi:** 2005.

**Socis:**

Fundació Bosch i Gimpera de la Universitat de Barcelona (Espanya)

Direcció General de Pesca del Govern Balear (Espanya)

Coordinador: Conselleria de Medi Ambient del Govern Balear (Espanya)

**Summary**

Objectives: to warrant the viability and the biological richness of the habitat in the Balearic waters.

Secondary objectives: to preserve an important representation of the habitat, avoiding the main threats (overexploitation, uncontrolled public use, colonisation by exotic species...). To warrant the conservation of the species of the II annex of the Habitats Directive and the priority species of the Annex II of Birds Directive. To acquire and spread further knowledge about their ecology, and role in beach conservation and sedimentary dynamics.

**Referència:** HPRN-CT-2000-00034.

**Modalitat:** Improving human research potential and the socio-economic knowledge base.

**Títol:** VCSELs for information society technology applications.

**Acrònim:** VISTA.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** SAN MIGUEL RUIBAL, Maximino.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2000.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

UCC (Irlanda)  
CNET (França)  
EPFL (Txèquia)  
UNI\_ULM (Alemanya)  
INFM\_MI (Itàlia)  
UPMC\_LKB (França)  
KTH (Suècia)

Coordinador: Istituto Nazionale per la Fisica della Materia (INFM.RUF) (Itàlia)

**Summary**

Opto-electronics will have to play a crucial role in future development of communications and information processing and, as a consequence, will influence very much our society in the next years. The Vertical Cavity Surface Emitting Lasers (VCSEL) are likely to become much more important than standard semiconductor lasers in the near future in opto-electronic devices. In order to reach this major breakthrough, an effort must be faced for solving some problems related to the VCSEL behaviour, in particular for polarisation instabilities pattern complexity, modulation patterning effects, low power, thermal lensing and feedback effects. Even more important, VCSEL special characteristics can be fruitfully used for improving systems performance, for instance with polarisation control, by employing spatial structures for information processing, by achieving quantum-limited performance. The main objectives of the Project are the understanding of the underlying physical mechanisms relevant to VCSEL operation, the subsequent improvement of their efficiency and the transfer of this knowledge to VCSEL based systems. These objectives are achieved by exploiting new possibilities associated with VCSEL features and by novel kind of lasers and device concepts. At this purpose, a tight collaboration is necessary among laboratories with device construction facilities, laboratories with nonlinear and quantum optics and electronics expertise, theoretical groups. Indeed, the samples production requires a large research infrastructure and few European groups (and in few European countries) have this possibility. Besides, a complete characterisation and understanding of the laser behaviour implies specialised competencies and must be performed by groups with the necessary experience. This network will provide the link between the most important European groups in the involved research fields, connecting device production, characterisation and implementation in communication systems.

**Referència:** EVK2-CT2000-00074.

**Modalitat:** Energy, environment and sustainable development.

**Títol:** *Exotic plant invasions: deleterious effects on mediterranean island ecosystems.*

**Acrònim:** EPIDEMIE.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** TRAVESET VILAGINÉS, Anna.

**Categoría:** Investigadora científica del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2001.

**Fi:** 2004.

#### **Socis:**

Centre de Recerca Ecològica i Aplicacions Forestals (Espanya)

University of the Aegean (Grècia)

Università degli Studi di Sassari (Itàlia)

University of Wales-Bangor (Regne Unit)

Lund University (Suècia)

Université de Droit d'Economie et des Sciences d'Aix Marseille (França)

Coordinador: Natural Environment Research Council (Regne Unit)

#### **Summary**

To assess the relative importance of the environmental & socioeconomic factors that determine the likelihood of exotic plant invasions in order to evaluate the sustainability of management strategies directed towards reducing the risks of invasion. To quantify the impacts of exotic plants on ecosystem function & services with the purpose of incorporating assessments of the economic and environmental hazards of invasion into management priorities. To integrate assessments of risk & hazard to predict the current & future vulnerability of ecosystems to exotic plant invasions, identify optimum management strategies & highlight appropriate planning & policy development to mitigate harmful impacts. To increase awareness & understanding among the general public, stakeholders, scientists, and policy makers of the vulnerability of semi-natural ecosystems to exotic invasion, the risks posed by exotic plant species and the ecological & economic consequences of invasion in Mediterranean islands.

**Referència:** Q5RS-2001-00839.

**Títol:** *Effects of changes in fishery discarding rates on seabird communities.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** ORO DE RIVAS, Daniel.

**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2001.            **Fi:** 2005.

**Socis:**

Universität Hamburg (Alemanya)

University of Joensuu (Finlàndia)

Coordinador: University of Glasgow (Regne Unit)

**Summary**

To quantify impact of change in fishery discarding rates on seabird communities, in order better to inform fishery discard management. We will determine whether winter at-sea distribution of appropriately selected species of scavenging seabirds is influenced by distribution of fisheries generating large quantities of discards, and quantify how feeding on discards in winter affects seabird demography through influences on adult body condition, breeding and survival. We will use existing databases to determine how changes in discard rates in well-documented fisheries in northwest North Sea and western Mediterranean over many years have influenced seabird breeding season diet, demographic parameters, and populations, and how changes in discarding rates are effecting predatory impacts of scavenging seabirds on smaller seabird species, and hence altering seabird community structure. Our aim is to provide a better understanding of scavenging seabird ecology that can be used to inform policy.

**Referència:** EVR1-CT2002-40025.

**Modalitat:** Energy, environment and sustainable development.

**Títol:** European sea level service research infrastructure.

**Acrònim:** ESEAS-RI.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** GOMIS BOSCH, Damià.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Terra).

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

#### Socis:

Kort & Matrikelstyrelsen (Dinamarca)  
Natural Environment Research Council (Regne Unit)  
University of Nottingham (Regne Unit)  
Institut Espanyol d'Oceanografia (Espanya)  
Ente Público Puertos del Estado (Espanya)  
Real Instituto y Observatorio de la Armada (Espanya)  
General Command of Mapping (Turquia)  
Environmental Agency of the Republic of Slovenia (Eslovènia)  
Institute of Meteorological and Water Management (Polònia)  
Hydrographic Institute of the Republic of Croatia (Croàcia)  
University of Zagreb (Croàcia)  
Technische Universität Darmstadt (Alemanya)  
Vilnius Gediminas Technical University (Lituània)  
Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (Espanya)  
Hellenic Navy Hydrographic Service (Grècia)  
Israel Oceanographic & Limnological Research Council (Regne Unit)  
Natural Environment Research Council (Regne Unit)  
Space Research Centre (Polònia)  
National Research Council of Italy (Itàlia)  
Coordinador: National Mapping Authority (Noruega)

#### Summary

The primary technological objective of the ESEAS-RI project is to support the ESEAS research infrastructure and to facilitate the transnational coordination, the upgrading of the network of observing sites and the standardisation of the network, the operational routines, the databases and the quality-control. in the as a prerequisite for a full scientific exploitation of the present and future sea level observations. The primary scientific objective of the project is to study sea level variations at inter-annual to century time scales and to quantify potential future changes in mean sea level.

In order to reach the objective, the following main steps are necessary: 1.Quality control of the hourly tide gauge data accessible through the ESEAS. 2.Determination of vertical land movements at tide gauges in order to decontaminate the relative sea level records for this bias. 3.Determination of sea level variations on inter-decadal time scales in the North Atlantic and the semi-enclosed European seas as well as assessment of secular relative sea level trends for the European coasts. 4.Improvement of the network of ESEAS Observing Sites through upgrading of selected tide gauges and co-location of gauges with continuous GPS. Expected impacts: The availability of a quality-controlled database of hourly tide gauge data, and the successful upgrading of the ESEAS network are major milestones. The project is expected to result in an major improvement of the research infrastructure comprised in the ESEAS. The

research carried out in the project will result in an empirical model of sea level variations, which provides a unique basis for future studies of climate processes at decadal to inter-decadal time scales, particularly the North Atlantic Oscillation, as well as a coherent description of the occurrence of extreme sea levels.

**Referència:** Q5RS-2002-01610.

**Títol:** *Integrated approach to the biological basis of age estimation in commercially important fish species.*

**Acrònim:** IBACS.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** MORALES NIN, Beatriz.

**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

### **Summary**

This project is a co-operative venture to improve our understanding of the biological basis of age estimation for commercial fish species. Our objective is to integrate modelling, laboratory and field observations to provide an objective basis for interpreting the macrostructures of otoliths used for estimation of fish age. We will take a multi-disciplinary approach, including mathematical modelling, geochemical analysis of oxygen isotope ratios, experimentation in controlled conditions with live fish, and collection of biological data from field populations, to develop generic models of otolith growth. We will establish a new age estimation protocol, and enable training through a data base hosted in a web site accessible by fisheries laboratories and fishermen's organisations. The research activities are divided into 4 tasks: Task 1: Model development. Task 2: New observations from Laboratory Experiments and Field Investigations. Task 3: Generic Model refinement Task 4: Development of ageing protocols and production of an accessible database and interactive web site for fisheries age estimation laboratories and fishermen's organisations. Through the workpackages and activities associated with these tasks, we expect to achieve: Developments of a generic model of otolith formation based on existing information, including functional aspects, and identify gaps in knowledge. Results from field studies of the correlation between temperature history and otolith macrostructure. Results from laboratory studies of the correlation between otolith micro- and macrostructure and feeding, temperature, and fish growth. Refined model of otolith formation, including growth patterns and otolith shape. Improved methodology or age determination in fishes based on objective classification of otolith growth structures using trained artificial neural networks for age identification. Increased confidence in fishery management due to improved reliability (and improved perception of reliability) of data. For nearly 100 years fishery scientists have used growth patterns in the calcified structures (otoliths scales vertebrae, etc) to estimate the age of individual fish. Despite the long familiarity with the technique, our understanding of the time-keeping properties of these structures remains superficial. Growth patterns in these structures need to be interpreted by individual readers to estimate fish age. This interpretation is often based on individual experience and subjective interpretations. The biggest source of subjectivity and thus lack of precision is due to the difficulty in distinguishing between seasonal and secondary growth features. We generally believe that seasonal variations in fish growth result in identifiable patterns, but in many cases our preconceived notions have been proved wrong and cannot be generalised through the distribution range of each species. For example, we have assumed that colder winter temperature and low food availability lead to the formation of thinner, translucent otolith zones. However, direct observations of several populations indicate that these zones are also formed during warmer periods of the year. Likewise, we believe that changes in otolith shape, and characteristic features (e.g. check marks) are indicative of ontological changes in physiology, habitat, or both, corresponding to changes in inner ear function. We use these features to mark life history events without sufficient direct evidence of their significance or how they are formed. Without an understanding of the basic biological processes, the seasonality of age estimation structures requires empirical observations to test

the validity of the technique for each species and each population under study. This adds to the uncertainty in age-based analytical assessments, especially of newly exploited species, and increases the probability that assessments will miss changes in population structure. To improve the situation it is imperative to understand the growth and formation of ageing structures. There is a need for a generalised model to explain the relationship between variations in seasonal conditions, fish growth and the formation of calcified tissues. Working with otoliths, we propose to use laboratory experiments and field observations to develop and refine models of otolith growth. By studying two species within a large and commercially valuable group, the gadiforms, we will develop protocols for age estimation that can be implemented throughout European laboratories. We will evaluate these protocols by direct comparison of the population age structure resulting from traditional methods. Our project will examine, both individually and comparatively, the way in which calcified structures grow in cod (*Gadus morhua*) and European hake (*Merluccius merluccius*). Cod and hake are widespread throughout very different environments. The gadiforms represents the most valuable fishery resources both worldwide, and throughout European waters and therefore our project is also based on the economic and social importance of this group of fish. Without the knowledge of the biological mechanisms of otolith growth, fishery scientists are working with limited tools, and hampered by an antiquated, purely empirical approach. By integrating observations, experiments, and modelling our multi-disciplinary approach will result in better interpretation of the structures, better agreement between age readers, and thus better quality data to support fishery management decisions.

**Referència:** IST-2000-29683.

**Modalitat:** User-friendly information society.

**Títol:** *Optical chaos communications using laser-diodes transmitters.*

**Acrònim:** OCCULT.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** COLET RAFCAS, Pere.

**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2001.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

University of Wales (Regne Unit)

Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (França)

Technische Universitaet Darmstadt (Alemanya)

National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (Grècia)

Università degli Studi di Pavia (Itàlia)

Opto Speed SA (Suïssa)

Consell Superior d'Investigacions Científiques (Espanya)

Coordinador: Universitat de les Illes Balears (Espanya)

**Summary**

The general objective of the proposal is the experimental demonstration of an emitter/receiver chaotic optical system capable to transmit encoded information through optical fibres. Our proposal is directed at improving the privacy in the transmission of secure data in the context of the increasing volumes of data that fibre-based optical networks carry. We concentrate on relatively high bit rate fibre-optic communication systems utilising semiconductor diode lasers as the optical sources. Our approach exploits the properties of the dynamically chaotic emitter and receiver systems that, under specific conditions are able to synchronise, and therefore allow for the encrypton and decrypton of messages at a device level. Our technique is complementary and fully compatible with other existing methodes for encoding information.

**Títol:** *Mediterranean ocean forecasting system: toward environmental predictions.*

**Acrònim:** MFSTEP.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** TINTORÉ SUBIRANA, Joaquim.

**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2006.

**Socis:**

University of Bologna (UBLG.DF)

Italian Agency for new Technology, Energy and Environment (ENEA.RAM.PC)

National Centre for Marine Research (NCMRG.IO)

Collecte Localisation Satellites SA (CLS.SOC)

Instituto Nazionale di Oceanografia e di Geofisica Sperimentale (OGS.OCE)

Institut fuer Meereskunde an der Universitaet Kiel (IMUK.FOZK)

Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya (UPC.LEM)

Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS.OMP.POCT)

National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (UAT.DAP.PO)

Institute of Accelerating Systems and Applications (IASA)

Institute of Marine Biology of Crete (IMBC.PHY.MDNS)

National Research Council of Italy (CNR.ISTT)

Institut Français de Recherche pour l'Exploitation de la Mer (IFREMER)

Ministry of Agricultural and Natural Resources (MANR.DF.LPO)

Fondazione Eni- Enrico Mattei (FEEM)

Météo-France (DMN.CNRM)

National Research Council of Italy (CNR.ISAC.RM)

National Institute of Biology (NIB.MBSP)

Cesky Hydrometeorologivky Ujatv Praha (CNR.IOF)

Consorcio Interuniversitario per la Gestione del Centro di Calcolo Elettronico dell'Italia Nord Orientale (CICCE.HPS)

Consell Superior d'Investigacions Científiques (CSIC.IMEDEA)

Coordinador: Instituto Nazionale di Geofisica e Vulcanologia (INGV)

**Summary**

The Project aims to the further development of an operational forecasting system for the Mediterranean Sea based upon three main components: a) the Near Real Time Observing system, b) the numerical forecasting systems at basin scale and for regional areas; c) the forecast products dissemination/exploitation system.

The problems to be solved belong to three major categories:

1) Technology developments, connected to the new instrumentation for NRT monitoring and the provision of NRT protocols for data dissemination, comprehensive of telecommunication technology and quality control procedures;

2) Scientific development, connected to the understanding of the sampling scheme for different measuring platforms, the design and implementation of data assimilation schemes for different spatial scales, the ecosystem modelling validation/calibration experiments at the basin and the coastal areas scale and the development of data assimilation techniques for biochemical data;

3) Exploitation developments, consisting of software interfaces between forecast products and oil spill modelling, general contaminant dispersion models, emergency systems, search and

rescue models, and fish stock observing systems. In addition, the study of forecast economic value and impact will be carried out.

**Referència:** GOCE-CT-2003-505446.

**Modalitat:** Network of excellence.

**Títol:** *Marine biodiversity and ecosystem functioning.*

**Acrònim:** MARBEF.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos.

**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2009.

**Socis:**

- The Natural History Museum (Regne Unit)  
Plymouth Marine Laboratory (Regne Unit)  
The University Court of the University of St Andrews (Regne Unit)  
Stazione Zoologica Anton Dohrn (Itàlia)  
Vlaams Instituut Voor de Zee (Bèlgica)  
Ecological Consultancy Services, LTD (Irlanda)  
Natural Environment Research Council (Regne Unit)  
Senchenbergische Naturforschende Gesellschaft (Alemanya)  
Max Planck Gesellschaft zur Foerderung der Wissenschaften E.V. (alemanya)  
Universidade dos Acores (Portugal)  
Instytut Oceanologii (Polònia)  
Stiftung Alfred Wegener Institut fuer Polar und Meeresforschung (Alemanya)  
Abo Akademi University (Finlàndia)  
University of Southampton (Regne Unit)  
Nacionalni Institut za Biologijo (Eslovènia)  
Danmarks Fiskeriundersoegelser (Dinamarca)  
Institut fuer Ostseeforschung Warnemuende (Alemanya)  
Consell Superior d'Investigacions Científiques (Espanya)  
Universiteit Gent (Bèlgica)  
Consorcio Nazionale Interuniversitario per le Scienze del Mare (Italia)  
Sir Alister Hardy Foundation for Ocean Science (Regne Unit)  
National University of Ireland (Irlanda)  
Institut fuer Meereskunde an der Universitaet (Alemanya)  
Rijksuniversiteit Groningen (Holanda)  
Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche (Itàlia)  
University of Hull (Regne Unit)  
Syddansk Universiteit (Dinamarca)  
Akvaplan-Niva AS (Noruega)  
Netherlands Institute for Fisheries Research (Holanda)  
Centro Interdisciplinar de Investigação Marinha e Ambiental (Portugal)  
Universitetet i Oslo (Noruega)  
Klaipedos Universitetas (Lituània)  
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Universiteit van Amsterdam (Holanda)  
The Center for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science (Regne Unit)  
Uniwersytet Gdanski (Polònia)  
Expert Center for Taxonomic Identification (Holanda)  
Rijkinstituut voor Kust en Zee (Holanda)  
Institute of Marine Biology of Crete (Grècia)

Marine Biological Association of the United Kingdom (Regne Unit)  
Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (França)  
Nationale Natuurhistorisch Museum (Holanda)  
Goeteborg Universitet (Suècia)  
Universiteit Maastricht (Holanda)  
University of Wales (Regne Unit)  
Wageningen Universiteit (Holanda)  
Università degli Studi dei Pisa (Itàlia)  
Stichting Nederlands Instituut loor Onderzoek der Zee (Holanda)  
Havforskningsinstitutet (Noruega)  
Coordinador: Netherlands Institute of Ecology (Holanda)

## **Summary**

The creation of the network of excellence MARBEF (Marine Biodiversity and Ecosystem Functioning) aims at integrating research efforts by forming a dedicated group of marine scientists and institutes and creating a virtual European institute with a long-term research programme and dedicated links with industry and the public at large. This involves besides coordination of research the training, exchange and outreach activities in several relevant fields of science, including marine ecology and biogeochemistry, fisheries biology, taxonomy and socio-economic sciences. Better integration of research is also required to support the legal obligations of the EU and its member states and associated states for the Convention for Biological Diversity, the OSPAR and Barcelona conventions as well as several EU directives (Bird Directive, Habitat Directive, Water Framework Directive). The network will also improve links with the large and growing number of industries depending on the sustainable use and exploitation of marine biodiversity. This includes tourism, fisheries and aquaculture but also new industries that explore and commercialise marine genetic and chemical products.

**Referència:** LSHB-CT-2004-005137.

**Modalitat:** Network of excellence.

**Títol:** *Biosimulation. A new tool in drug development.*

**Acrònim:** BioSim.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** TORAL GARCÉS, Raúl.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2009.

**Socis:**

VrijeUniversiteit Amsterdam/Faculteit Aard en Levenswetenschappen (Holanda)  
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Lund University (Suècia)  
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Université Libre de Bruxelles (Bèlgica)  
Universitat de València (Espanya)  
University of Copenhaguen (Dinamarca)  
University of Warwick (Regne Unit)  
University of Sheffield (Regne Unit)  
Danish University of Pharmaceutical Sciences (Dinamarca)  
Technische Universitatet of Dresden (Alemanya)  
Institute of Experimental Pharmacology (Eslovàquia)  
Institut of Enzymology (Hongria)  
Charite Universitätsmedizin Berlin (Alemanya)  
University of Bordeaux 2 (França)  
University of Leeds (Regne Unit)  
Institut National de la Sante et de la Recherche Medicale (França)  
EML Research gGmbH (Alemanya)  
Simcyp Limited (Regne Unit)  
InNetics AB (Suècia)  
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InterActive Systems GmbH (Alemanya)  
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SOLVO Biotechnology Inc. (Hongria)  
Zealand Pharma A/S (Dinamarca)  
Novo Nordisk A/S (Dinamarca)  
Danish Medicines Agency (Dinamarca)  
Agencia Española de Medicamentos y Productos Sanitarios (Espanya)  
Medicines Evaluation Board (Holanda)  
Medical Products Agency (Suècia)  
Lasdale Limited (Regne Unit)  
Coordinador: Technical University of Denmark (Dinamarca)

**Summary**

The BIOSIM network focuses on the structuring of efforts devoted to the development of simulation models for the design, selection and testing of drugs. In silico simulation models using pharmacokinetic, function mechanism and side-effect describing parameters and interaction profiles should be developed for biological systems (cells and tissues) enabling to predict the efficacy of drugs. The integration of regulatory and industrial aspects is particularly important to the success of research under this line. International competition in the pharmaceutical industry is increasingly becoming a competition with respect to the ability to understand complex biological processes and exploit the rapidly growing amount of biological information. The methods that are currently applied in the development of new medicines suffer from the lack of effective means to evaluate, combine, and accumulate biological knowledge. Essential improvements must involve the use of computational models that can provide a dynamic and more quantitative description of the relevant biological, pathological, and pharmacokinetic processes. The BIOSIM Network of Excellence aims to restructure and strengthen the area of biosimulation by focusing on the development of professional, physiologically-based models that can help the pharmaceutical industry develop safe and effective drugs at significantly lower costs. The modelling approach is strongly recommended by the American Food and Drug Administration that already uses mathematical models in its evaluation of applications for drug approval. Academic institutions in Europe have significant expertise in biological modelling, and several groups are individually at the research front in their specific areas. At the present, however, the research is strongly fragmented, and the industry itself has relatively few qualified experts in the field. The Network will provide a new forum for collaboration across disciplinary boundaries as well as between industry, regulatory authorities, and academia.

The BioSim Network involves 26 academic organisations, 9 small and medium-sized enterprises, 1 large pharmaceutical company, and the Danish, Spanish, Dutch, and Swedish regulatory agencies. The Network collaborates with the European Federation for Pharmaceutical Sciences (EUFEPS).

**Referència:** SIP3-CT-2003-502885.

**Títol:** *Marine Environment and Security for the European Area.*

**Acrònim:** MERSEA.

**Investigador responsable:** ÁLVAREZ DÍAZ, Alberto.

**Categoría:** Investigador científic del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2008.

### **Summary**

MERSEA aims to develop a European system for operational monitoring and forecasting on global and regional scales of the ocean physics, biogeochemistry and ecosystems. The prediction time scales of interest extend from days to months. This integrated system will be the Ocean component of the future GMES system. At the core of the system is the collection, validation and assimilation of remote sensed and in situ data into ocean circulation models that allow for the self consistent merging of the data types, interpolation in time and space for uniform coverage, nowcasting (i.e. data synthesis in real-time), forecasting, and hindcasting, and delivery of information products.

The project will develop Marine Applications addressing the needs of both intermediate and end-users, whether institutional or from the private sector, with the objective to improve the safety and efficiency of maritime transport and naval operations ; to enable the sustainable exploitation and management of ocean resources (offshore oil and gas industry, fisheries); to more efficiently mitigate the effects of environmental hazards and pollution crisis (oil spills, harmful algal blooms) ; to improve contribution to ocean climate variability studies and seasonal climate prediction and its effects on coastal populations; to improve national security and reduce public health risks ; and to advance marine research with the aim to better understand the global climate, the ocean and its ecosystems.

The project will lead to a single high-resolution global ocean forecasting system shared by European partners together with a coordinated network of regional systems for European waters which will provide the platform required for coastal forecasting systems. During the project the main preoperational systems will be transitioned towards operational status and three of the centres will converge on a single ocean model framework suitable for both the deep ocean and shelf-seas.

**Referència:** STREP FP6-2003-Global-2.

**Títol:** *Life cycle transformations among HAB species, and the environmental and physiological factors that regulate them.*

**Acrònim:** SEED.

**Investigador responsable:** BASTERRECHEA OYARZÁBAL, Gotzon.

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2007.

### **Summary**

SEED aims to understand how and to what extent anthropogenic forces influence the non-vegetative stages of the life cycles of harmful algal species thereby contributing to the increase in harmful algal blooms in European marine, brackish and fresh waters systems. The overall objectives are to improve and extend our understanding of the transition between the different life history stages to identify the environmental and physiological factors that regulate those transitions, and hence the relative importance of anthropogenic versus natural causes, and to integrate the recent acquire knowledge in the development of new simulation model or refining existing ones. This will allow improved prediction, mitigation and management strategies. The approach of SEED is comparative, from species to ecosystem level. It is imperative to recognize common patterns of response among species to facilitate the development of conceptual and numerical models of HAB dynamics. SEED will focus on an array of target HAB species, ranging from marine to brackish to fresh water organisms, and covering a broad range of phylogenetic types. SEED research is multifaceted, as the problems in life history transitions are complex and processes occur over a wide range of scales. SEED will combine field studies and laboratory experiments. Field work is centered on areas where ongoing monitoring programs and much baseline information about distribution of species and physical-chemical data already exists. The innovation is to implement the most appropriate research strategies to be applied to the non-vegetative phases which determine the success of HABs and their expansion due to anthropogenic forcing. Moreover, a mitigation strategy, analogous to sterile insect releases that are an effective element of agricultural pest control on land will be investigated for the dormancy stages of HAS.

**Referència:** EVR1-CT-2002-40029.

**Títol:** *Creating a long term infrastructure for Marine Biodiversity Research in the European economic area and the newly associated states.*

**Acrònim:** MARBENA.

**Investigador responsable:** JAUME LLABRÉS, Damià.

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2005.

### **Summary**

We propose to create a European Marine Biodiversity Network of marine scientists with links to the different stakeholders in marine biodiversity issues, from the EU-EEA and the Newly Associated States, that prepares and exploits the possibilities of the next framework programme and the European Research Area, improves the infrastructure for marine research and its utilization by scientists, and increases the visibility of marine biodiversity issues for science managers, politicians and other end users, including the public at large. MARBENA will perform the following activities: To develop a network and open its activities and engages cooperation with any interested partner, including museums of natural history, universities and government laboratories; to create a long-term research infrastructure, to create visibility for marine biodiversity issues and maintain the network via: communication with other initiatives, internet, (electronic) conferences, workshops, and projects.

**Referència:** G5CA-CT-2002-01891.

**Títol:** *Towards accreditation and certification of age determination of aquatic resources.*

**Acrònim:** TACADAR.

**Investigadora responsable:** MORALES NIN, Beatriz.

**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2002.      **Fi:** 2006.

### **Summary**

The main objective is to increase the reliability of age reading procedures in the European Community, also in the light of future establishment of European wide international fisheries laboratories. TACADAR aims to increase the adoption of working procedures that include quality assurance and quality control mechanisms, for the improvement of stock assessment and environmental management techniques and to stimulate the achievement of a higher level of quality within and integration between the member institutions of TACADAR, concerning fish age determination.

**Referència:** GOCE-CT-2004-505403. Network of Excellence.

**Títol:** *Implementation of high-throughput genomic approaches to investigate the functioning of marine ecosystems and the biology of marine organisms.*

**Acrònim:** MARINE GENOMICS.

**Investigador responsable:** ROSSELLÓ MORA, Ramon.

**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2008.

### **Summary**

Experts in genomics, proteomics and bioinformatics from several Centres of Excellence in genomics in Europe will be grouped and networked with marine biologists who can make use of high-throughput genomics data. The network aims among others at sharing existing technological platforms; enabling access to major genomic centres; establishing a common DNA Stock Centre and a common Bioinformatics Centre. Marine Genomics will also develop complementary dissemination strategies, targeting public, private and institutional communities with the purpose of enhancing the integration of marine biologists in the ERA.

**Referència:** EVK3-CT-2000-00028.

**Títol:** *Satellite-based Ocean ForecasTing project.*

**Acrònim:** SOFT.

**Investigador responsable:** TINTORÉ SUBIRANA, Joaquim.

**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2001.      **Fi:** 2004.

### **Summary**

The Satellite-based Ocean ForecasTing project (SOFT) is supported by the EC, project nº EVK3-CT-2000-00028, it began on January 1st, 2001, and is planned to end on December 31st, 2003.

The knowledge of future oceanic conditions would have enormous impacts on human marine related activities such as, among others, navigation, fisheries or environmental control. For such reasons, a number of international efforts are being carried out to obtain reliable and manageable ocean forecasting systems.

The main innovation proposed by the SOFT project is to use satellite data beyond the present diagnostic stage, that is for prognostic purposes. In other words, the SOFT project plans to use satellite data to obtain quantitative predictions of future states of the ocean.

Another innovation addressed by SOFT is to merge empirically forecasted field values from satellite data with more conventional numerical simulation approaches to get a hybrid SOFT-numerical forecasting system of improved performance.

Finally, a major innovation will be the new capability that the SOFT project will bring for a scientifically-based state of the art management of the coastal zone.

**Referència:** EVK1-CT-2000-00078.

**Títol:** *Environmental regulation of mine waters in the European Union.*

**Acrònim:** ERMITE.

**Investigador responsable:** SANTAMARÍA GALDÓN, Luis E.

**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2001.      **Fi:** 2004.

### **Summary**

Events of the past decade have underlined the sensitivity of many aquatic ecosystems and water resources systems to pollution from mine waste and effluent s from active and abandoned mines. The goal of this project is to develop integrated policy guidelines to expedite European legislation and practice in relation to water management in the mining sector. This goal will be achieved by interactively addressing the multiple facets of this problem at two different levels:

(i) Integrated analysis of the variety of problems in EU Member States and potential accession states in Eastern Europe.

(ii) Integration of insights from discipline s such as law, economics, social policy, engineering and environmental sciences and management. A pan-European multidisciplinary team will work in close connection with end-user departments of the Commission and an extensive network of national and European stakeholders to deliver an integrated set of policy guidelines.

**Referència:** LIFE NAT 2002/0502. Programa LIFE.  
**Títol:** *Conservación de la gaviota de Audouin en el Delta del Ebro.*  
**Investigador responsable:** ORO DE RIVAS, Daniel.  
**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2003.           **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** LIFE02 NAT/E/8612. Programa LIFE.  
**Títol:** *Estudio fenológico de la gaviota de Audoin.*  
**Investigador responsable:** ORO DE RIVAS, Daniel.  
**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2004.           **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** LIFE02/NAT/E/8608. Programa LIFE.  
**Títol:** *Estudio de las poblaciones de aves marinas en las islas Columbretes y en los islotes de Benidorm.*  
**Acrònim:** AUDOVAL.  
**Investigador responsable:** ORO DE RIVAS, Daniel.  
**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2002.           **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** LIFE03 NAT/E/000061. Programa LIFE.  
**Títol:** *Modelo demográfico de la metapoblación de gaviota de Audouin: factores locales y repercusión de las actuaciones de conservación. Influencia de las actividades pesqueras en la dinámica de poblaciones locales y en los procesos de emigración-inmigración.*  
**Acrònim:** AUDOMUR.  
**Investigador responsable:** ORO DE RIVAS, Daniel.  
**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2004.           **Fi:** 2007.

**Referència:** LIFE2000NAT/E/7355. Programa LIFE.  
**Títol:** *Conservación de áreas con flora amenazada en la isla de Menorca.*  
**Investigadora responsable:** TRAVESET VILAGINÉS, Anna.  
**Categoría:** Investigadora científica del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2002.           **Fi:** 2004.

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TERRITORIAL**

**Referència:** INTERREG IIIB-SUDOE. S.O.4.1.E11.

**Títol:** *Sistema de información territorial municipal.*

**Acrònim:** SITMUN.

**Centre:** Laboratori de Sistemes d'Informació Geogràfica i Territorial.

**Investigador responsable:** RUIZ PÉREZ, Maurici.

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

Govern de Cantàbrica (Espanya)

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Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Espanya)

Associaçao de Municípios da Terra Quente Transmontana (Portugal)

Coordinador: Diputació de Barcelona (Espanya)

**Referència:** INTERREG IIIB-MEDOC. 2002-02-4.3-I-080.

**Títol:** *Qualité dans le territoire.*

**Acrònim:** QUATER.

**Centre:** Laboratori de Sistemes d'Informació Geogràfica i Territorial.

**Investigador responsable:** RUIZ PÉREZ, Maurici.

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Socis:**

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## **DEPARTAMENT DE BIOLOGIA**

**Referència:** BFI2001-2475-C02-02. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Exclusión, detoxificación y compartimentación como mecanismos básicos de resistencia al estrés iónico en las plantas.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigadora responsable:** CABOT BIBILONI, Catalina.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Biologia Vegetal).

**Inici:** 2001.      **Fi:** 2004.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.5.

**Keywords:** ABA, ATP-ase, exclusion, halophyte, heavy metal, ion stress, metallophyte, phytoremediation, protective substances, resistance, root exudate, salinity, subcellular compartmentation, tolerance, toxicity.

### **Summary**

Knowledge of ion stress resistance mechanisms is fundamental for improving plant productivity in regions with salinity problems ( $\text{Na}^+$  and  $\text{Cl}^-$  toxicity), acid soils ( $\text{Al}^{3+}$  toxicity), or sites affected by industrial pollution or toxic spills (heavy metal ions). There is substantial experimental evidence showing that mechanisms that allow plants to perform in environments with a high activity of toxic ions are based on three fundamental strategies: exclusion, detoxification and compartmentation. However, the different biochemical and physiological processes that, in an ion-specific manner, underlie these basic mechanisms are poorly characterized. The main objective of this coordinated project is the study of these mechanisms by using different model plants with clearly distinct behaviours. In subproject 1, tropical varieties of maize that differ in Al resistance will be used to study the exclusion of Al via root exudate analysis and to ascertain the subcellular compartmentation mechanisms with micromanipulation techniques. For the experiments that address the relative importance of exclusion and internal des-toxification of heavy metals (Cu, Ni, Zn) ecotypes of *Silene*, *Alyssum* and other metallophytes with a potential for phytoremediation will be used. Subproject 2 examines the NaCl exclusion and compartmentation mechanisms for two types of models: *Phaseolus vulgaris*, a salt sensitive glucophyte, and two species of the more salt resistant genus *Medicago* (*M. arborea* and *M. citrina*) that also clearly differ in their response to salt stress. Investigations will mainly center on the plasmalemma ATP-ase using kinetic studies, electrophoresis and Western-blot techniques. The study of the importance of heavy metal exclusion and compartmentation in the cuticle and epidermal cells, with the prospect of application to the phytoremediation of arid or semi-arid areas affected by aerial contamination (aerosols, fumes and particulates) will be examined in several species that inhabit an area exposed to pollution sources emitted by airline fuel exhaust. The coordinative character of the project will allow a fluent and continuous exchange of scientific information and experimental techniques between the partners.

**Referència:** AGL2001-1285-C03-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de recursos y tecnologías agroalimentarias.

**Títol:** *Utilización de indicadores fisiológicos para la aplicación del riego en vid: regulación de la fotosíntesis y del reparto de asimilados y efectos de la calidad del fruto.*

**Acrònim:** EFICALVID.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casanovas.

**Investigador responsable:** MEDRANO GIL, Hipólito.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Biologia Vegetal).

**Inici:** 2001.

**Fi:** 2004.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.

**Keywords:** grapevine, *Vitis vinifera L.*, drought, moderate irrigation, photosynthesis, assimilate partitioning, sap flow, quality, leaf senescence, genetic variability.

### Summary

The present project is based on previous knowledge, acquired during the development of previous projects on the effects of water stress in grapevine (*Vitis vinifera L.*) physiology. This new project has two aspects: a basic and an applied one. In its basic aspect, it is intended to improve the knowledge about the physiological responses of grapevines to water stress and moderate irrigation, as well as their modulation as a function of the studied cultivar and rootstock. Specifically, the following processes will be studied: hydraulic conductivity and embolism, stomatal regulation by embolism and abscisic acid, non-stomatal inhibition of photosynthesis (photophosphorylation, Calvin cycle and mesophyll resistance), assimilate partitioning between different plant parts, early leaf senescence and abscission, yield, grape quality (specially focussed on colour compounds), and wine quality. In a more applied aspect, it is intended to use different physiological markers to meliorate the application of moderate irrigation, with the aim of optimising the balance between fruit yield and quality. Specifically, the utilisation of sap flow meters and dendrometers will allow a continuous monitoring of plant water expenses, which will be used to control the irrigation schedule. In one of the subprojects, such a control will be supported as well by the establishment of a stomatal conductance threshold, derived from previous studies, in order to maximise water use efficiency and grape quality.

**Referència:** REN2001-3438-C07-02/HID. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de recursos naturals.

**Título:** Estado ecológico de los ríos mediterráneos en ambientes insulares. Regionalización ecológico, estaciones de referencia y métodos predictivos de evaluación de calidad.

Acrònim: GUADALMED2-Insulares.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casanovas.

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Inici: 2001 Fi: 2004

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**Keywords:** ecological status, mediterranean streams, multimetric indexes, predictive index, macroinvertebrates, reference stations.

## Summary

The European Union Water Framework Directive is now in its final step. The last version (CE 41/99, approved by the council in October 22<sup>nd</sup> 1999) will ask to all the countries to elaborate maps of the Ecological Status of freshwater ecosystems, including streams and rivers. The ecological status is based on the determination of water quality using ecological indicators. The Guadalmed working group is presently studying the application of several ecological indicator's systems in 12 mediterranean stream watersheds, from the Besòs river in Barcelona to river Guadaleo in Granada, including some temporary streams in Majorca Island. We have focused the effort in the combination of 4 multimetric indexes: habitat, riparian vegetation, macrophytes and macroinvertebrates, together with water physicochemical parameters. Our present results are still not conclusive, as we are in the second year of sampling and collection of data, but some advanced aspects cannot be studied in the Guadalmed1 project and will be the objective of this new proposal Guadalmed2.

**Referència:** REN2001-3506-C02-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de recursos naturals.

**Títol:** *Evolución de las especies vegetales y efectos de la fragmentación en las islas continentales: aspectos ecológicos y funcionales.*

**Acrònim:** EVOLUCIÓN E INSULARIDAD.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casanovas.

**Investigador responsable:** MUS AMÉZQUITA, Maurici.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Botànica).

**Inici:** 2001.

**Fi:** 2004.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.

### **Summary**

The project deals, for the first time in Spain, with one of the main issues concerning the Conservation of Biodiversity and Natural Resources: that of understanding the evolutionary origin, distribution and ability to survive of those endemic plant species inhabiting continental islands in the Mediterranean Basin. The approach followed is based on a comparative analysis of several plant species with similar distribution range but contrasting life-history traits:

(i) Two species that show both similar distribution range and dispersal ability, but occurring in different habitats: *Senecio rodriguezii* and *Crepis triasii*.

(ii) Three outcrossing species that show both similar distribution range and levels of fragmentation, but with a limited ability to disperse: *Digitalis minor*, *Hippocrepis balearica* and *Rhamnus ludoviciana-salvatoris*. While the last one does not seem to show any kind of differentiation throughout its range, *H. balearica* and *D. minor* show well-differentiated and characterized morphs throughout the archipelago.

The specific questions addressed are: (i) Which are the patterns of distribution of the genetic variability and gene flow among populations? (ii) Which is the structure and dynamics of fragmented populations, and which is the relative importance of abiotic factors that best explain the ecophysiological behaviour which might be relevant for the extinction of the species concerned? (iii) Which is the degree of agreement in the phylogeography of the endemic species that have similar distribution ranges but different dispersal abilities and levels of fragmentation? (iv) Which is the genetic variability for those traits concerning dispersal ability and physiological adaptation?

The aims of this project are designed to match and complement the objectives addressed in the European Project (*Plant Dispersal*, EVK2-199-00246), and will allow to assess which type of analogies can be established between the consequences of insularity and the effects of habitat fragmentation in continental landscapes.

**Referència:** BFI2002-00772. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Efectos del déficit hídrico sobre el metabolismo fotosintético y respiratorio de las plantas.*

**Acrònim:** FORESEC.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casanovas.

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**Categoría:** INVESTIGADOR CONTRACTAT.

**Inici:** 2002.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.

### Summary

This proposal is based on foregoing knowledge obtained from the development of previous projects and the sum of different experiences. In particular, one of the researchers of this project has a large experience on plant respiratory processes and the use of stable isotope techniques as physiological indicators; the second scientist is a specialist in studies of metabolic responses of plants to water stress; the third one is an expert in statistics and experimental design and the fourth scientist is on identification and characterization of the aquaporins' gene expression. Based in the combination of this broad interdisciplinary knowledge, this proposal intends to attain new insights on the regulation of plant metabolism in response to water stress conditions. Specifically, we intend to study the regulation of the mesophyl conductance under stress conditions, process in which the aquaporins might be involved, and its significance on the co-regulation of photosynthesis respiration. This project has a double standpoint, basic and applied. In its basic aspect, the conformation of the regulation of the mesophyll conductance under water stress conditions, process in which the aquaporins might be involved, and its significance on the co-regulation of photosynthesis and respiration.

This project has a double standpoint, basic and applied. In its basic aspect, the conformation of the regulation of the mesophyll conductance under water stress conditions would promote an important conceptual change in the comprehension of the photosynthetic response to drought, contributing to the solution of a long-standing controversy on the preponderance of the stomata and/or metabolic effects on the regulation of photosynthesis under water stress. In its applied aspect, the information derived from this project will allow the use of some physiological parameters as indicators to improve the efficiency of irrigation, and the knowledge of the coregulation of photosynthesis and respiration at the whole plant level will provide a way to improve the existing models that predict plant growth and production under different ambients.

**Referència:** BOS2001-0303. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Sistemática, ecología y evolución de Pseudomonas stutzeri*.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 2414.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia.

**Investigador responsable:** LALUCAT JO, Jordi.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Microbiologia).

**Inici:** 2001.                   **Fi:** 2004.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.5.

**Keywords:** *Pseudomonas stutzeri*, phylogeny, ecology, evolution, naphthalene, degradation, microdiversity, population genetics.

### **Summary**

*Pseudomonas stutzeri* is found very frequently in natural environments. Characteristic of the species is the enormous metabolic potential: in the carbon cycle, due to the huge amount of substrates that can be metabolized, specially for the ability to transform or degrade contaminants; in the nitrogen cycle for the ability of certain strains to fix dinitrogen and for being a very active denitrifier. Taxonomically the species is distributed in 9 genomic groups, phylogenetically close related. Main objectives of the project are: 1) Characterization of the genetic microdiversty of the species; 150 collection strains and new relevant isolates will be studied. 2) Determine the genetic structure of the species through MLST. 3) Quantify the abundance of the species in natural environments using traditional and molecular microbiological methods. 4) The evolution of metabolic pathways in *P. Stutzeri* and in the genus *Pseudomonas*, including the naphtalene degradation as a model. 5) To develop a theoretical model on the evolution of the species.

**Referència:** RTA 02-014. Programa nacional de recursos i tecnologies agràries.  
**Títol:** *Estudio bioecológico, incidencia y caracterización del nematodo dorado de la patata (Globodera sp) en las Islas Baleares. Estrategias de control integrado.*  
**Classificació UNESCO:** 2401, 3108.  
**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.  
**Investigadora responsable:** ALEMANY FERRÀ, Aina.  
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**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

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**Nombre total d'investigadors a la UIB:** 2.

*Keywords:* bioecology, *Globodera*, pathogenic characterization, potato golden nematode, solarization

### **Summary**

Potato cyst nematode (PCN) *Globodera sp.* is one of the most important nematode pests in the world causing a decline of 90 % potato productions in some cases. Sa Pobla-Muro is a main area in potato productions of Majorca island and PCN is the most expensive pest to control by chemical applications.

The aims of this research are first of all to know distribution and epidemiology of *Globodera sp.* in local area by doing soil and plant analysis. The study of biology and population dynamics is also interesting to know the adaptation of the pest to Balearic conditions. This study will be carried out in two varieties of potatoes, specially in a short cycle Maris Peer variety , may be acting as a trap cropping by being harvested very early. Another important subject in order to carry out an appropriate management of this pest is to know the different PCN pathotypes living in Majorca island. This study will be carried out in CSIC Madrid (Ciencias Medioambientales) laboratories. Finally alternative non-polluting methods to control PCN will be studied, like lower chemicals ap.

**Referència:** SAF2001-0839. Programa nacional de salud.

**Títol:** *Modulación farmacológica de la presión arterial mediante lípidos que alteran la estructura de la membrana.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** ESCRIBÁ RUIZ, Pablo Vicente.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Biologia Cel·lular).

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 8.5.

### Summary

In the present project, we propose the elucidation of a pivotal mechanism of peripheral membrane protein and cell membrane interaction. Propagation of messages is such an important phenomenon that a half of our genome is devoted to this task . In addition, the proteins that will be studied here (G protein-coupled receptors) constitute about 80% of the known hormone and neurotransmitter receptors. For this reason, the study of G protein-membrane interaction mechanisms has a great relevance. On the other hand, these receptors control a wide variety of important physiological functions, so that important human pathologies are associated with the abnormal function of these receptors. This fact makes more relevant the knowledge of their functional properties. In addition to the contribution to basic knowledge, the discovered mechanism can be used for the treatment of human pathologies. In this project we will study the hypotensive effects of a variety of lipid molecules, capable to modulate blood pressure through the new mechanism of action discovered. Finally, new molecules with potential pharmacological interest for clinical treatment of blood pressure will be designed and synthesized. Blood pressure control is very important, since hypertension is the main risk factor for developing cardiovascular pathologies. Moreover, cardiovascular pathologies constitute the main cause of death in occidental societies.

**Referència:** SAF2003-00232. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional en biomedicina.

**Títol:** *Minerval: un nuevo y potente fármaco antitumoral.*

**Acrònim:** MUNYPFA.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casanovas.

**Investigador responsable:** ESCRIBÁ RUIZ, Pablo Vicente.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Biologia Cel·lular).

**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2006.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 8.

### **Summary**

During the last few years we have discovered a new cell signalling mechanism, in which the plasma membrane structure is involved. Moreover, we have discovered that this cellular mechanism is associated with the antitumor activity of certain drugs, such as anthracycles and HMBA. From the knowledge of the cell signalling and antitumoral mechanisms, we have designed molecules that showed marked antitumor activities. 2-Hydroxy-9-octadecenoic acid (Minerval) alters the cell membrane structure, which modulates the cellular localization and activity of protein kinase C. This alteration induces an increase in cytosolic concentrations of p21<sup>Cip1</sup>, an antiproliferative protein that induces cell cycle arrest and decreases in the levels of various cyclins and cdks in transformed cells. In this project we propose a in-depth study of the cellular and antitumoral mechanisms of this molecule (patented by our group in Spain and in the rest of the world) and to determine the action spectrum of this new drug. For this purpose, different experimental models will be used, such as cell lines and animal models of cancer. The research on the mechanisms of action of Minerval will be assessed, among other experimental approaches, by genomic analyses. Our preliminary results indicate that Minerval induces reversion of various types of tumor processes. In addition, the lack of important side-effects, its low toxicity and the oral administration of this drug suggest that this molecule can be used in human therapies. The results derived from this project may bring important advances in human health and basic knowledge.

**Referència:** SAF2004-05249. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de biomedicina.

## **Título:** Bases moleculares del efecto hipotensor del ácido hidroxioleico.

**Acrònim:** BMEHAH.

**Centre:** Institut Universitari d'Investigacions en Ciències de la Salut (IUNICS).

**Investigador responsable:** ESCRIBÁ RUIZ, Pablo Vicente.

**Categoría:** TU (área de coneixement: Biologia Cel·lular).

**Inici:** 2004. **Fi:** 2007.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.5.

### Summary

The project would continue project SAF2001-0839, entitled "Pharmacological modulation of blood pressure through lipids that alter the structure of membranes". As a result of such project, we designed and patented a molecule, 2-hydroxyoleic acid (2OHOA), which has a marked hypotensive activity, lacks of side-effects and has an oral administration. In this project we propose the study of the molecular bases of the pharmacological effects mediated by this compound, which can be a valuable tool in the treatment of cardiovascular pathologies. The present study will be carried out at five levels. (1) Study of the modulation of the membrane lipid structure by 2OHOA. (2) Research on the effect of such modulation on the plasma membrane-protein interactions of signaling proteins involved in the control of blood pressure. (3) Study of the regulation of membrane lipid levels after 2OHOA treatments. (4) Regulation of the expression of signaling proteins (G protein-coupled receptor pathways) involved in blood pressure regulation. (5) Generation of an animal model (knockout for PKC $\alpha$ ) and investigation of the signaling mechanisms modulated by 2OHOA to exert its action. For these reasons, the present project has a great interest in basic science. Being cardiovascular pathologies the main cause of death in our country, the clinical implication of this project result of special relevance.

**Referència:** REN2003-00024. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Recursos naturals.

**Títol:** *Islas en el interior de islas: identificación de unidades evolutivas en insectos amenazados endémicos de Canarias.*

**Acrònim:** CEICAN.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

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**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Genètica).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.

### **Summary**

The Canary archipelago constitutes one of the 25 ‘hot spots’ of world-wide biodiversity. Of the enormous existing diversity in the islands, practically a fifth of the 6700 species of terrestrial invertebrates are endemic beetles. Numerous beetles and some grasshoppers are threatened or in danger of extinction in the Canary Islands by different causes. In the present project we focus on the study of endemic species of these groups which are particularly fragile. Fragility is produced either by their limited dispersal ability, food specialisation, or irreversible adaptation to the subterranean life, many species or taxa being considered as paleo-endemisms. Conservation does not only require to protect biodiversity, but also to obtain a knowledge of the evolutionary processes that generated it, delimiting what to conserve. Nowadays, the methodological and potential of molecular genetic analyses allows to test different hypotheses and to establish evolutionary conservation units in species or fragmented populations. The main objectives of the project refer to the study of genetic variability, evolutionary relationships and identification of conservation units in hypogean species of *Wolltinerfia*, *Trechus* and related genera (*Coleoptera*, *Carabidae*) and also in the highly endangered taxa of the endemic genus *Acrostira* (*Orthoptera*). This will be achieved using DNA sequences and phylogenetic/population based analyses.

**Referència:** REN2003-03667. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Recursos naturals.

**Títol:** *Filogenia molecular de la subfamília Chrysomelinae (Coleoptera, Chrysomelidae).*

**Acrònim:** FILCHRY.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** PETITPIERRE VALL, Eduard.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Genètica).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 2.

#### **Summary**

The higher taxonomic categories of the subfamily *Chrysomelinae*, tribes, subtribes and even some genera, are subjects of discussion and there are opposite views among the different authors. We propose a sequencing of four or five gene fragments, mitochondrial and nuclears, in roughly 70-100 species of nearly 30 representative genera of the subfamily, in order to achieve consistent phylogenetic results. A combined phylogenetic analysis using these four or five gene markers together, would allow to test the validity of the suggested higher taxa, their evolutionary interrelationships, and maybe also their biogeographic origin, with an especial emphasis in the possible Gondwanian roots of the group. All the Iberian and Balearic genera and a significant part of their species will be studied in this project, which will lead to a much better knowledge of our fauna and may provide useful tools towards their conservation too. This project is an enlargement of the previous ones, devoted to set up the molecular phylogeny and the possible intrageneric trends of chromosomal evolution in *Timarcha*, *Chrysolina* and *Cyrtonus*, genera of a complex taxonomy and all of them belonging to this same subfamily.

**Referència:** REN2003-08432-C02-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Recursos naturals.

**Títol:** *La evolución en condiciones de insularidad: estudio genético y demográfico de la biodiversidad de las poblaciones de lagartijas baleares.*

**Acrònim:** INSULAEVOL.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigadora responsable:** RAMON JUANPERE, Misericòrdia.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Genètica).

**Inici:** 2003.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 2.5.

### **Summary**

The main aims of the project are the determination of the molecular diversity existing in the different lizard populations of *Podarcis lilfordi* and *Podarcis pityusensis* from Balearic archipelago, by means the study of the sequence variability of six mitochondrial DNA regions and nuclear gene c-mos. Also, the maximum information about the size, density and structure of each population that live in the principal island and the different islets of the archipelago will be obtained.

DNA sequences will permit to make the phylogenetic inference and the determination of the genetic variability, both items are indispensable to know the evolutionary pattern for the species in Baleares and in their relation with the others species of the genera *Podarcis*. This information will be important to know the response of the species to an environmental with adverse conditions. This project aims to incorporate not only molecular data, but also that obtained from ecological studies of these insular populations. It will focus primarily on demographic aspects of each population, including size and basic age and sex structure. It will also include a morphometric study which incorporates data from all the studied populations, and uses all available museum specimens. The comparison of molecular and morphometric data will allow us to reach decisive conclusions on the systematic status of the two species and their numerous populations. However, more importantly it will also allow us to establish the primary processes that have led to the considerable biodiversity in such an apparently very short evolutionary time. The combination of molecular and demographic data will allow a precise evaluation of the situation of each population, providing a sound scientific basis for political decisions on conservation priorities.

**Referència:** PI031218. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.  
**Títol:** *Estudio farmacológico y molecular del efecto del minerval sobre la presión arterial.*  
**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.  
**Investigadora responsable:** ALEMANY ALONSO, Regina.  
**Categoría:** INVESTIGADORA CONTRACTADA.  
**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2006.

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### **Summary**

Among the several causes to develop severe cardiac pathologies, hypertension is a major risk factor, the treatment of which is one of the main aims of cardiovascular therapies. However, it has been shown that the treatment of high blood pressure is not enough to increase life span in patients with cardiovascular pathologies, and that the control of two or more risk factor is also necessary. Recently, we have designed, synthesized and patented a drug, Minerval, that is able to regulate 3 cardiovascular risk factors: hypertension, overweight and lipoprotein profile in serum. This drug has been developed based on a new mechanism of action, consisting in the control of cellular signals through the regulation of the lipid membrane structure. Minerval and its derivatives are capable of modulating the membrane structure which alters the propagation of cellular signals. The regulation of the membrane propensity to form hexagonal phases ( $H_{II}$ ) regulates the cellular localization and activity of certain membrane proteins, such as heterotrimeric G proteins and protein kinase C (PKC). Preliminary results showed that the administration of Minerval reduces blood pressure and body weight without apparent side-effects. This project proposes the pharmacological and molecular study of Minerval to evaluate its effect on blood pressure and its use for treatment of cardiovascular pathologies. For this purpose, we will first study the effect of Minerval on vascular tone and blood pressure in different experimental models. Afterwards, it will be performed an in-depth study of the molecular bases and signaling mechanisms modulated by this compound at the central and peripheral levels and in cell cultures. This study will include the genomic analysis of different tissues (vascular and neural). Likewise, the possible toxicity of this drug and its effect on body weight will be investigated.

**Referència:** SAF2004-03685. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de biomedicina.

**Títol:** *La vía de señalización del receptor FAS/FADD en la adicción a opiáceos.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** GARCÍA SEVILLA, Jesús A.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Farmacologia).

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2007.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.

### Summary

The aim of this project is to investigate the interactions between opioid receptors and the signaling pathway of the Fas/FADD (Fas Associated-Death Domain) receptor, involved in the regulation of apoptosis and neuronal plasticity. Previously, it has been shown that opiate addiction (tolerance and dependence) is associated with increases of native and glycosylated Fas in rat brain. This project postulates that opiate drugs and opiate addiction modulate key elements of the Fas receptor pathway (Fas aggregates, adaptor FADD and caspases 8 and 3) and/or other apoptotic proteins of the mitochondrial pathway (cytchrome C, Bax, Bid) in brain, and that the interactions between opioid receptors and Fas might be mediated directly (protein contacts between Gi/FADD) or indirectly through other intracellular signaling proteins (p35/cdk-5, ERK1/2). The main aims are: 1) to quantitate the acute and chronic effects of opiate drugs (agonists and antagonists of  $\mu$ -,  $\delta$ -,  $\kappa$ -opioid receptors) on the signaling pathway of Fas; 2) to identify the opioid receptor type (animals genetically deficient in opioid receptors) that modulates the effector complex Fas/FADD; 3) to localize the groups of neurones that co-express both Fas and opioid receptors; and 4) to investigate in vivo and in vitro some mechanisms related to opioid receptors/Fas and ERK-cdk5/Fas interactions.

**Referència:** CGL2004-00838/BOS. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de biodiversitat, ciències de la terra i canvi global.

**Títol:** *Análisis de secuencias multilocus en estudios de taxonomía, filogenia y evolución de pseudomonas.*

**Acrònim:** PseudoMLSA.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigadora responsable:** GARCÍA-VALDÉS PUKKITS, Elena.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Microbiologia).

**Inici:** 2004.

**Fi:** 2007.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.5.

### **Summary**

The genus *Pseudomonas* includes many species of environmental, clinical, agricultural and biotechnological interests. It is well defined phenotypically and genotypically. However, numerous new species are being described continuously within the genus. The accepted method for discriminating bacterial species is the DNA-DNA hybridization, but this method has limitations (time consuming, needs experience to be done, does not define distances between species, is not accumulative). In this project, we propose the development of a new, accumulative and reliable method for the species definition in the genus *Pseudomonas* based on the MLST (Multilocus Sequence Typing) method. Main objectives of the project are:

1. Maintenance of a well described *Pseudomonas* strains collection.
2. Construction of a sequence-based database of selected genes of members of the genus.
3. Implementation of analytical bioinformatic tools for the multi-sequence-based identification of *Pseudomonas* species.

**Referència:** 201/2004/1. Ministeri de Medi Ambient.

**Modalitat:** Pla nacional de residus i recuperació de sòls contaminats.

**Títol:** *Proyecto demostrativo para un parque integrado de depuración alternativa de aguas residuales y compostaje de lodos de depuración.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** MARTÍNEZ TABERNER, Antoni.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Ecologia).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2007.

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**Referència:** Ministeri d'Agricultura, Pesca i Alimentació.

**Modalitat:** Acció estratègica conservació dels recursos genètics d'interès agroalimentari.

**Títol:** *Caracterización, saneamiento y conservación del principal material vegetal vitícola de la isla de Mallorca (islas Baleares).*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** CIFRE LLOMPART, Josep.

**Categoría:** P. Col. (àrea de coneixement: Producció Vegetal).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2006.

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**Referència:** PRIB2004-10131. Conselleria d'Economia, Hisenda i Innovació.

**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Estudio pre-clínico y desarrollo farmacéutico del ácido hidroxioleico.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** ESCRIBÁ RUIZ, Pablo Vicente.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Biologia Cel·lular).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** PRIB2004-10144. Conselleria d'Economia, Hisenda i Innovació.

**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Variabilitat en l'eficiència en l'ús de l'aigua per les plantes: optimització del seu ús.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** MEDRANO GIL, Hipólito.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Fisiologia Vegetal).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** PRIB2004-10147. Conselleria d'Economia, Hisenda i Innovació.

**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Proteínas apoptóticas y mecanismo de acción de los fármacos opiáceos. Relevancia en la adicción a la heroína.*

**Centre:** Institut Universitari d'Investigacions en Ciències de la Salut (IUNICS).

**Investigador responsable:** MIRALLES SOCIAS, Antoni.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Biologia Cel·lular).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2007.

**Referència:** PRIB2004-10319. Conselleria d'Economia, Hisenda i Innovació.

**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Identificación y tipado molecular de mycobacterias ambientales.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** LALUCAT JO, Jordi.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Microbiologia).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** 67/2003. Conselleria de Salut i Consum del Govern de les Illes Balears.

**Modalitat:** Ajudes per a activitats relacionades amb la salut.

**Títol:** *Aïllament i caracterització molecular del paràsit Leishmania present a l'Illa de Mallorca.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** MIRANDA CHUECA, Miguel Ángel.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Zoologia).

**Inici:** 2003.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Conselleria d'Agricultura i Pesca del Govern de les Illes Balears.

**Modalitat:** Ajudes per a la investigació en matèria d'agricultura i pesca en l'àmbit de les Illes Balears.

**Títol:** *Caracterització de la malvasia a Banyalbufar.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** MEDRANO GIL, Hipólito.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Fisiologia Vegetal).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2005.

## Participacions a altres projectes

**Referència:** REN2003-01176. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** *Influencia de los factores ambientales sobre la estrategia reproductora y evolución de las larvas de atún rojo (*Thunnus thynnus* L. 1758) y especies afines en aguas de Baleares.*

**Investigador responsable:** ALEMANY LLODRÀ, Francesc X.

**Centre:** Centre Oceanogràfic de Balears.

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Moreno Castillo, Isabel.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Zoologia).

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**Categoría:** Aj. U (àrea de coneixement: Zoologia).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** CGI2004-00223/BOS. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Títol:** *Estudio filogeográfico del endemismo vegetal tirrenico.*

**Investigadora responsable:** MAYOL MARTÍNEZ, Maria.

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**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Botànica).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2007.

**Referència:** 034/2002 Ministeri de Medi Ambient.

**Títol:** *Diversidad genética y microespeciación en especies vegetales endémicas del parque nacional del archipiélago de Cabrera (Islas Baleares): implicaciones para la gestión.*

**Investigador responsable:** ROSSELLÓ PICORNELL, Josep A.

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**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

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**Referència:** BFI2002-04583-C02-02. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programes nacionals d'I+D orientada.

**Títol:** *Melatonina, triptófano, edad y sus implicaciones en los ciclos sueño-vigilia de temperatura corporal en la tortola collariza Streptopelia risoria.*

**Acrònim:** MELTIPRESU.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut. Edifici Guillem Colom Casanovas.

**Investigadora responsable:** ESTEBAN VALDÉS, Susana.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Fisiologia).

**Inici:** 2002.      **Fi:** 2005.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 2.

### **Summary**

The circadian control over most physiological functions is well recognized, being the wake-sleep and the immune function rhythms two paradigmatic examples. It is also known that melatonin is a key factor relating them. However, age causes important changes, reducing both sleep efficiency and immune capacity, factors which are accompanied with deep changes in melatonin secretion. Our previous research performed in the turtle dove (*Streptopelia risoria*) showed a positive correlation between the seric concentration of melatonin and the phasocitic function. In vitro studies also performed in our laboratory showed that melatonin, both at physiological and pharmacological concentrations, have a stimulant effect over incubated phagocytes. In addition, we have recently found that the circadian secretion rhythm of melatonin vanishes in old turtle doves. On the other hand, it is well known that the sleep suffers deep changes with age, being poor sleep one of the most common complains of old age in humans. In this respect, the powerful hypnotic and body cooling effects of melatonin are well known, the cooling further increasing the hypnogenic effects. On the other hand, in order to frame the evolution of sleep from reptiles to mammals and birds, it is felt that the avian sleep needs additional study, most specially after the new developments in the sleep of primitive mammals. This project aims at studying sleep and immunity in the turtle dove used as a model of the circadian changes produced by age. The correlation between tryptophan and melatonin with the circadian sleep, activity-inactivity and immune cycles will be studied as well as their eventual reversion after the administration of exogenous melatonin and tryptophan.

**Referència:** PI02-1339. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Títol:** *Papel de los radicales libres en la homeostasis redox. Implicaciones patológicas sobre el metabolismo energético.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** GARCÍA PALMER, Francisco José.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

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**Nombre total d'investigadors de la UIB:** 11.

### **Summary**

Nowadays, the radical oxygen species (ROS) constitute a subject of increasing interest, since many physiological and pathological responses are mediated by changes in the redox status of the cell. These molecules present a great toxicity and the main form to palliate their harmful effect is to neutralize them by means of the action of antioxidant systems.

The goal of the present project is to study redox status regulatory mechanisms with the aim of designing nutritional strategies in order to avoid the harmful effects induced by the excessive production of ROS during the aging process, as well as the enhancing effect that overfeeding produces on ROS production.

Methodology will include experiments performed both *in vivo*, with experimental animals, and *in vitro*, using primary cultures from different types of animal tissues as well as human cell lines. Experimental design includes the study of mitochondrial function (morphology, respiratory chain, uncoupling proteins, etc.) and oxidative stress (antioxidants and prooxidants) associated to aging in overfeeding and caloric restriction conditions, and the effect of antioxidant supplementation.

Given the involvement of uncoupling proteins in oxidative stress control, the observed differences between genders and the different roles that mitochondrial subpopulations seem to play in the energy status; it seems logical that these subpopulations participate in the regulation of ROS production in a differential way, and even that sexual hormones may play a certain role in this regulation.

**Referència:** PI02-1593. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Títol:** *Desarrollo de alimentos funcionales a partir de la almendra como complemento de la dieta.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

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Membres de l'equip	Categoría
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Tauler Riera, Pedro J.	B
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**Nombre total d'investigadors de la UIB:** 4.

### **Summary**

To perform physical activity yields obvious benefits but also oxidate stress together with negative consequences on health. Antioxidant nutrients are part of the first level of defense in front of oxidation, containing vitamin E and C, carotenoids, cystein, glutation, phenolic derivatives, and also secondary antioxidants as phytic acid. To intake antioxidant rich diets has been recommended in order to prevent oxidative stress, but lot of food must be intake to achieve the appropriate antioxidant concentrations to prevent oxidative stress. However, the synergistic effect of antioxidant and their positive effects on enzymatic antioxidant defenses may be useful to design foods with low antioxidant contents, but the antioxidant properties together would be higher than antioxidant individual activities. Our research team has designed a new almond-based, a typical mediterranean fruit, isotonic and energetic beverage rich on antioxidant vitamins of easy assimilation, due to high unsaturated fatty acids contents of almond.

The aim of this project is to evaluate the biological activity and bioassimilation of antioxidant contents of the almond-based beverage in front of oxidative stress associated to physical activity and its effects on the enzymatic antioxidant defenses; this purpose is going to be achieved by means of three concrete objectives: to know the effects of continuous intake of the beverage on the antioxidant defenses, to know the acute effects of the antioxidant contents of the beverage on the post-exercise recovering, and to know the improvement of antioxidant nutrients assimilation due to their intake through the almond-based beverage. After previous works, our team is devoted to hope that the designed almond-based beverage, as dietary supplement, would be useful to enjoy a positive synergy of the practice of physical activity and the moderate intake of antioxidant nutrients, in front of not desired effects of oxidate stress associated to exercise. Accordingly, another useful tool will be achieved to increased the community health.

**Referència:** G03/028. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Modalitat:** Xarxes Temàtiques d'Investigació Cooperativa.

**Títol:** *Bases moleculares y fisiopatológicas en el tratamiento de la obesidad.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** PALOU OLIVER, Andreu.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

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Oliver Vara, Paula	TEU
Rodríguez Guerrero, Ana M.	Aj. U
Miralles Barrachina, Olga	As.
Quevedo Colí, Santiago S.	As.
Ramis Morey, Joana M.	B
Felipe Legaz, Francisco	B
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### **Summary**

A thematic network that comprises nine biomedical research groups and whose objective is to address the basic mechanisms that lay the foundations of obesity treatment is herewith proposed. The research topics will be: Evaluation of neuroendocrine markers such as growth hormone, leptin and ghrelin, in different energy homeostasis states. Leptin secretion by adipose tissue and the modulation and intracellular signalling of ghrelin. Role of the adipose tissue in disease states such as insulin resistance and its role in cardiovascular complications. The systematic collection of adipose tissue will allow the study of differential gene expression. DNA samples will allow pharmacogenomics and nutrigenomics studies. Two drugs developed by network members, tungstate and oleylethanolamide, will be tested as putative treatments for obesity. The network will be endowed with coordination nodes such as the Network Centralised Database, the Bank of DNA samples, and the Bank of adipose tissue. A registry of bariatric surgery will be established. A working area will be the centre for interface with industry and to assess sanitary administrations, for the transfer of scientific knowledge to the industry and to the health system. Finally, the network will be managing a highly sophisticated training program for the members of the groups working in the topic, which will enhance the know-how and the technological knowledge dissemination among the young members of the network.

**Referència:** BFI2003-04439. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Aproximación nutrigenómica funcional a la regulación del peso corporal.*

**Acrònim:** NUTRIGEN.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** PALOU OLIVER, Andreu.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2006.

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Oliver Vara, Paula	TEU int.	0.5
Ribot Riutort, Joan	TEU int.	0.5
Rodríguez Guerrero, Ana M.	Aj. U	0.5
Miralles Barrachina, Olga	As.	0.5
Ramis Morey, Joana M.	B	0.5
Rodríguez Parrona, Enrique	B	0.5
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant: 7.**

### Summary

The project intends to contribute to the knowledge of the genetic and molecular basis involved in the control of energy balance and obesity and its regulation by nutrients. It is the continuation of the tasks of a consolidated research group, continuously supported by national and European grants during last 17 years and, in particular, it is intended to face the likely integration of the group in a European Research network of Excellence in Nutrigenomics. The social-economical interest of the subject is noticeable because of the high incidence of obesity in our society and because the development of specific functional foods for this population has a vast potential. The hypothesis behind this project is that selected nutrients (we already have identified some fatty acids and derivatives, carotenoids, retinoic acid and, likely, vitamin D) may play an important role in the regulation of energy balance promoting or preventing the onset of obesity and its medical complications. The objectives of the project are:

1. To study the effects of specific nutrients of the thermogenic system and the adipogenic process, their mechanism of action and their impact on whole body adiposity.
2. To characterize the effect of selected nutrients and/or derivatives on the expression and secretion of some adipocytokines and its relation with the medical complications of obesity, in particular, the insulin resistance.
3. To characterize the gastric leptin system and its function on the control of food intake in the short/medium term and/or on nutrient absorption; and research conducted to test the efficacy of leptin as a nutritional supplement to avoid overweight in the adult life.
4. To study the differential expression of genes in adipose tissue depots of lean and obese humans and its eventual reversion upon body weight normalization. To analyze its potential relation to specific genetics variants.
5. To develop a transcriptomic and proteomic approach to the effect of selected nutrients on adipose tissue and skeletal muscle samples.

**Referència:** AGL2004-07496/ALI. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de recursos i tecnologies agroalimentàries.

**Títol:** *Bases científicas de ingredientes alimentarios funcionales de potencial aplicación en la obesidad. Interrelaciones y aspectos mecanísticos de interés en la evaluación del balance beneficio/riesgo.*

**Acrònim:** ALIOBEN.

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 16.

### Summary

The project is envisaged to study the scientific basis of the activity of potentially functional ingredients to control body weight and of their balance benefit/risk. Scientific evidences supporting health claims, in particular those based in the knowledge of mechanistic aspects and on safety are critical aspects in the evaluation of new functional foods. This research may orientate the design and development of novel functional foods of interest in obesity, contributing to establish the molecular basis of their beneficial effects, characterizing undesirable side-effects and defining function biomarkers associated to exposure and end-points biomarkers. The socio-economical interest of the topic is enormous, particularly because of the importance of the obesity problem in our society.

The initial hypothesis, supported by previous contributions made by the research team and others, is that the enrichment of diets with specific nutrients may favour a reduction in

adiposity as a consequence of the largely confluent effects of these nutrients on key biochemical processes involved in the regulation of the energy balance. The specific aims of the project are:

- 1.- Characterization of the molecular basis of the slimming effect of dietary calcium and the influence of the dietary source of calcium on this effect.
- 2.- Study of the effects of selected nutrients (vitamin A, conjugated linoleic acid) on lipolysis in white adipose tissue and on the thermogenic capacity and fatty oxidation in target tissues. Benefit/risk of diet enrichment with these nutrients.
- 3.- Analysis of the potential of  $\beta$ -carotene on the protection against obesity. Benefit/risk of supplementation with  $\beta$ -carotene.
- 4.- Study of peptides present in maternal milk, particularly leptin. Determination of its function in the neonatal development and its repercussion in adulthood. Benefit/risk of the use of leptin as a nutritional supplement.
- 5.- Analysis of the effect of combination of the nutrients and doses selected in a dairy vehicle on the development of dietary obesity and on the slimming during caloric restriction.

The project is a continuation of the labor of a consolidated group of researchers in the field of obesity, with participation in national and EU programs since more than 17 years, with previous collaborative experience with industries and integrated in a Research European Network of Excellence in Nutrigenomics.

**Referència:** CAL02-084-C5-3. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional d'alimentació.

**Títol:** *Estudio del mecanismo de formación de acrilamida en alimentos transformados.*

*Evolución a lo largo del proceso de fabricación industrial.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigadora responsable:** PICÓ SEGURA, Catalina.

**Categoría:** CEU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2004.

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### **Summary**

The general objective of the project is to study the presence of acrylamide in foodstuffs rich in carbohydrates and amino acids, the mechanisms of formation and/or inactivation of acrylamide, as well as its bioavailability in industrially produced foodstuffs or in a pilot-plant. This includes several specific objectives:

1. Study in pilot-plant of the variables that affect to the process of acrylamide formation throughout the process of industrial production of foodstuffs susceptible of have this polluting agent. Determination of the key important points of the process.
2. Identification of factors that can act like promoters and inhibitors of the process. Food elaboration and design, and pilot processes who diminish acrylamide formation.
3. Determination of acrylamide levels in selected foods of normal consumption in Spain and comparison with other data available.
4. Studies of acrylamide bioavailability from foodstuffs that are comprised in the human diet, as well as of foods whose process has been modified based on the results of objective 2.
5. Estimation of the anticipated ingestion of acrylamide in Spain according to the habits of consumption of different populations. Estimation of population groups of risk.

These objectives frame within the priority thematic area of food quality and safety, concretely in the high-priority lines 2a and 4a.

## Participacions a altres projectes

**Referència:** SAF2002-00371. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** *Mecanismos de acción de fármacos intercalantes: efectos diferenciales sobre la transcripción y el ciclo celular.*

**Investigador responsable:** PORTUGAL MINGUELA, José.

**Centre:** Institut de Biologia Molecular de Barcelona (CSIC).

**Investigadora de la UIB:** Barceló Mairata, Francesca M.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** G03/140. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Modalitat:** Xarxes Temàtiques d'Investigació Cooperativa.

**Títol:** *Papel de los poliformismos génicos en la respuesta a una dieta cardiosaludable en pacientes con alto riesgo de enfermedad cardiovascular.*

**Centre:** IB-SALUT.

**Investigador responsable:** FIOL SALA, Miquel.

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

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**Referència:** BSO2002-02542. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *La educación intercultural en las Illes Balears. Propuesta didáctica para la educación primaria.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de l'Educació. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.33.

### **Summary**

The present research project is focused on the evaluation of the social and educational background and on the analysis of the needs as a previous step in order to put forward the educational innovation in the field of the intercultural education. It is located in the borders of the social and cultural reality of the Balearic Islands Community, which is one of the most special human environments of the Spanish country, due the arrival of immigrants –with very diverse origins-, which has been supported and increased by the development of the tourist in the recent times. The research, after analysing the last reports and surveys that have been done on the field, will be focused on the description and analysis of the social and demographic profiles of the immigrant population of the Balearic Islands; the social and educational profile of the immigrant population schooled at the primary education; an evaluation of the organisational and curricular characteristics –concerning the intercultural education- of the public and private primary school centres in the Balearic Islands, and the attitudes of the diverse educational agents with respect to the multicultural phenomenon. This project will continue by formulating a proposal of educational intervention focused, mostly, on the scholar institution (primary education levels) which will include strategies addressed to several administrations, institutions, and social-cultural groups and scenarios responsible of the reception and care of the immigrant population. In this research its expected to combine qualitative and quantitative methodology. The qualitative perspective will be based on the desk research and analysis of the document provide by the educational institutions (content analysis). The quantitative perspective will be covered by quasi-structured interviews (direction and orientation teams) and questionnaires (students, teachers and parents), which will be statistically analysed.

**Referència:** SEC2003-04206. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de socioeconomia.

**Títol:** *Modelos emergentes en entornos virtuales de educación superior. Estudio de elementos tecnológicos, organizativos, de enseñanza-aprendizaje en entornos virtuales universitarios.*

**Acrònim:** MEEVES.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de l'Educació. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 9.

### Summary

The essential objectives of this project concern the adequate exploitation of on line learning environments in teaching-learning processes. In this framework, validity of new didactics strategies and pedagogic models that explain teaching ñlearning processes in these environments require the action and integration of teaching ñ learning models suitable for e-learning, the definition and formal description, and research regarding the processes involved. The aim is to modificate the instructional focus, but also paying adequate attention to technological elements and determining factors, to the organizational models, to diverse communicative models and teaching ñlearning process schedule. The study of all this elements interconnected all together and the revision of the connections will help us to understand and to apply emergent approaches to create effective learning environments in an every time more connected world.

**Referència:** BSO2003-08717. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Prevención del consumo de drogas en la familia: programa de competencia parental para drogodependientes en tratamiento.*

**Acrònim:** PROCOPAD.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de l'Educació. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 6.

### **Summary**

The aim of this project is to create a programme than can be used by professionals working in drug-abuse treatment centres, so that it can be used in the rehabilitation of drug addicts in matters concerning their family lives. More specifically, it will be used to reinforce their parental skills and, at the same time, to avoid the development of maladjusted forms of behaviour in their children.

**Referència:** PRIB2004-9956. Conselleria d'Economia, Hisenda i Innovació.

**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Prevenció del consum de drogues en la família: programa de competència parental per a drogodependents en tractament.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de l'Educació. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigadora responsable:** ORTE SOCIAS, M. del Carme.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Teoria i Història de l'Educació).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** Conselleria de Salut i Consum.

**Títol:** *Prevenció del consum de drogues en la família: programa de competència parental per a drogodependents en tractament.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de l'Educació. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigadora responsable:** ORTE SOCIAS, M. del Carme.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Teoria i Història de l'Educació).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2004.

## **Participacions a altres projectes**

**Referència:** BSO2003-04301. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Motivación deportiva y deportividad: interacciones y efectos sobre el compromiso o el abandono en futbolistas jóvenes.*

**Acrònim:** MOT DEP Y FAIR.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 610608, 610799.

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**Dedicació (EPD):** 1.

**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** TIC2003-09288-C02-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de tecnología de la información i comunicaciones.

**Títol:** *PLANET: plataforma de colaboración aumentada para el acceso y distribución de contenidos educativos.*

**Investigador responsable:** GARCÍA LÓPEZ, Pedro Antonio.

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**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2006.

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**Referència:** BTE2002-04552-C03-02. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *El modelado kárstico y la evolución morfológica y sedimentaria del litoral en las Baleares, Valencia y Cerdeña como resultado de las oscilaciones de nivel marino.*

**Acrònim:** KALIT.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de la Terra. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** FORNÓS ASTÓ, Joan Josep.

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**Fi:** 2005.

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### Summary

The coordinate project that we present is a consequence of the close collaboration maintained during the last decade between some members of the Departments of Earth Sciences of the University of the Balearic Islands (UIB), Geography of the University of Valencia (UV), and Cartography, Geodesy and Topography of the Polytechnic University of Valencia (UPV) around a common research subject: the relationship between karstic landforms, littoral sedimentation, fluvial systems and Pleistocene/Holocene sea level changes.

The carbonate composition of the main part of the Mediterranean littoral, where are located the Balearics, the island of Sardinia and the Valencia coast, is an adequate scenery for developing pluridisciplinary investigations focused on littoral geomorphology and, more particularly, on coastal karst morphogenetics. Several research programmes have been independently devoted in the past to topics such as the study of paleo sea-level related speleothems, beach-dune systems present at the littoral as well as several geomorphological aspects as the peculiar ‘calá’-type landscape, abrasion platforms or other features present at the sea-cliffs which characterize the coast of these zones.

Within this framework, it is of interest to carry out an integrated investigation of littoral morphogenetic processes controlled by pleistocene and holocene Mediterranean sea oscillations; this would contribute to a better understanding of both the recent sea-level history and the geomorphological and sedimentary evolution of associated phenomena. The main subjects to be approached in the proposed project are as follows: a) Sampling of the phreatic speleothem alignments that record paleo sea-levels below the current Mediterranean level, by means of speleo-diving techniques. The isotope dating of the phreatic speleothem samples, in order to determine a eustatic curve that will provide data, mainly, on negative sea-level stabilizations connected with cold climatic events; b) Correlation along the Western Mediterranean with other data from Sardinia and Valencia coasts; c) Correlation of the chronological data obtained on the geomorphological evolution of both littoral endokarst and fluvio-torrential systems which originate the ‘calá’-type coast and the infillings of valleys

associated with them as well as the “albufera” infillings; d) Analysis of the role that play the tectonic structure in the littoral landscape and the tectono-eustatic evolution of the studied areas; e) Comparison between coastal morphogenesis on the Balearic Islands and in carbonate littorals of eastern Iberia, and establishment of common and/or differential trends in the tectono-eustatic evolution of both areas.

This research project will be an adequate mean of bringing out substantial information on a poorly known topic in the study of the Western Mediterranean Quaternary: the paleo sea-levels lower than the present one, the chronology of the events, and its implications on the littoral morphogenetics.

The interesting results obtained in previous projects in Balearic Islands (especially in Minorca) must be tested in other environmental systems: the valencian area. In Minorca the *calas* are the distal part of the fluvial valleys submerged during of the Holocene transgression, which circular shape is due to doline collapse associated to the changes in the sea level. The same process provokes upstream the formation of dry valleys with an entrenched meander pattern. Although the factors concerning the karst landforms and fluvial model evolution of Balearic Island aren't the same as valencian country, they can be compared: paleolevels sea registered by speleothems can be determined in this area from the lagoon sedimentary record, eolianites and geoarchaeology; limestone platforms and entrenched dry valleys also exist in the prelitoral area. Similarities and differences between the two areas will become evident with the following objectives: a) Eustatic curve will be elaborated for the valencian coast from the pre-existent bibliography. Correlation between lagoons and *calas* sedimentary records will be expected because the two environments have been affected by similar processes; b) Characterization of the Pleistocene/Holocene eolianites. An inventory of outcrops on valencian and Balearics coast will be done in order to study their sedimentary and genetic features. Outcrops located on the Torreblanca beach barrier, deserve an special interest inasmuch as over there is placed a Bronze settlement that excavated grain reservoirs in this formations. This area is the main scope of an interdisciplinary study that is being realized in collaboration with a group of archaeologist from the Valltorta Museum; c) Formation of entrenched dry valleys. Although the alluvial rivers has been studied for many years around the world, the formation of entrenched dry valleys, on a karstified limestone platform, is little known. Preliminary results obtained in previous projects in Mallorca and Minorca suggest an important relationship between *calas* and *barrancos* (dry valleys) with the karst evolution. Base level changes provoked by uplift or sea level changes started upstream entrenchement by collapse of dolines, that improve meander bends. Balearic model will be tested on valencian coastal and prelitoral areas in order to establish similarities and differences. The Valltorta Barranc, an inner gorge entrenched on limestone, where steeped-walls were covered by one of the most important assemblage of neolithic pictures, and the Caroig Platform have been selected to improve the most relevant factors for entrenchment and formation of a meander pattern.

The whole of objectives underlined will be carried out using classical methods (geomorphological surveys, field works, sedimentology, stratigraphy) and new technologies as GIS. In that sense, we will attempt to supply methods and procedures of automatized analysis –using Digital Terrain Models and systems of digital imagery processing –to the geomorphological investigation of limestone territories. This part of the project tries to provide morphometrical informations on existing landforms, obtained in an automatized and systematic way; these methodologies will allow us an increasing swiftness in the data collection, together with a greater objectivity of the results that must make easier the comparisons between different geographical areas. The envisaged works are directed to three main objectives: (1) the morphometrical analysis of limestone platforms, using Digital Terrain Models; (2) the automatic detection of particular landscape trends which have some

geomorphological significance, by means of aerial photography and satellite imagery; and (3) the achievement of a map of homogeneous geomorphological microunits in the limestone platforms studied, utilizing classification techniques of digital images. Objectives 1 and 2 will try to attain an accurate and systematic characterization of the geomorphological trends of the investigated areas. In order to achieve this purpose, it must be necessary to generate analytical tools that run on a GIS, and to check the obtained results both on the field and with the other experts participating in the project. The third objective consists in attaining the generation of geomorphological maps with known accuracy standards. This scope requires the implementation of a methodology that allows an adequate exploitation of the obtained results, coming from classic geomorphological analysis coupled together with the application of digital classification techniques.

To obtain goods results, the collaboration between groups of the University of Balearic Islands, University of Valencia and Polithecnic University of Valencia become absolutely necessary. The effort make in the last decade has been reflected by an elevated number of papers published in journals and congresses and should be continued in the future. The group interdisciplinarity (geologists, geographers, engineers, speleologists, archaeologists) has allowed to have an enriching and plural vision of the processes and forms involved.

**Referència:** BTE2001-0372-C02-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement (PGC).

**Títol:** *Anàlisis comparativo entre plataformas carbonatadas: la arquitectura de facies en función de los campos de producción de sedimento y de acomodación.*

**Acrònim:** PRODAC.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 250619.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de la Terra. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

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*Keywords:* carbonates, platforms, shelves, facies architecture.

#### **Summary**

Depositional profile and facies architecture develop in response to sediment flux and the available space for sediment accumulation (accommodation). In terrigenous systems, these two parameters are independent. In carbonates, however, they are highly interdependent: (1) Sediment input (carbonate production) highly depends on biological systems and, consequently on intrabasinal conditions (nutrients, temperature, salinity, etc). (2) Sediment dispersal depends on the production loci and on the interaction between the amount and type of sediment being produced and the hydraulic energy; additionally biological processes (binding, baffling, framework construction) and even cementation frequently modify it. (3) Accommodation is not an independent factor with respect to sediment input: type, efficiency and area of the carbonate factory depend on sea-level changes and sea-floor morphology. The base level for sediment to accumulate (accommodation) depends on the type and locus of sediment being produced. The aim of this project is to establish the relationships between carbonate production, accommodation changes and facies architecture in four examples of carbonate platforms and shelves from the Lower Cretaceous (Iberian range), Upper Cretaceous and Paleogene of the souther-Pyrenees, and Upper Miocene of Menorca (Balearic Islands). Carbonate production in these examples to different types of biota, climate and geodynamic context.

**Referència:** REN2001-0281. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de recursos naturals.

**Títol:** *Caracterización hidrológica y transporte de sedimentos bajo diferentes usos del suelo en la cuenca del torrent de na Borges (Mallorca).*

**Acrònim:** NA-BORGES.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 250507, 250801, 250806.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de la Terra. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

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**Keywords:** hydrological response, sediment transport, land-use, experimental basin, flood risk, Mallorca.

### Summary

The project has the main aim of study the hydrological response of the *torrent na Borges* (Mallorca) through the experimental research on runoff production under different types of land use, calculating flood frequency discharges, establishing flood risk areas, and computing the sediment yield of the basin. The drainage basin of the *torrent na Borges* (327 km<sup>2</sup>) will be used as experimental basin for the study of the main hydrological and geomorphological processes. The field and laboratory work will permit to achieve the following objectives:

- Analysis of the hydrological response of the basin. The purpose is to know the behaviour of different types of land use (irrigated lands, crops, abandoned fields, shrubs and wood) to rainfall and how each type contributes to runoff. Using rainfall frequency estimation and applying hydrological models and field data, will be calculated infiltration capacity, runoff and the final flood discharge.
- Establish the flood risk areas for different magnitude and frequency discharges. A hydraulic study will be carried out along the fluvial network and the different flood frequency discharge levels will be represented in a flood-risk mapping. The area existent of inundation is determined by taking each flooded river point in turn and using a Digital Terrain Model (DTM) to identify contiguous areas of its catchment that are lower or equal to the flood surface elevation.
- Compute sediment yield of the basin for different flood frequency. This objective will be achieved using sediment transport measurements during floods and total sediment transport equations.

**Referència:** REN2001-2865. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de recursos naturals.

**Títol:** *Anàlisis de la irregularidad pluviométrica a diferentes escalas temporales en la península ibérica y Baleares, y sus conexiones regionales.*

**Classificació UNESCO:** 2502.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de la Terra. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** GRIMALT GELABERT, Miquel.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Geografia Física).

**Inici:** 2001.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.5.

### **Summary**

The aim of the project is to improve our knowledge of rainfall irregularity and variability over the Spanish peninsula and Balearic Islands, from the daily to the centennial scale, paying special attention to the Peninsula-Balearic connexions.

With this objective, an instrumental daily (with 40 observatories, 1951-90) and monthly (with 50 observatories covering more than a century) database will be constructed together with an historial database (proxy-data) over Catalonia and the Balearic Islands.

The main goals of the proposal are: to assess the yearly, seasonally and monthly rainfall irregularity by means of temporal irregularity indices; to analyze the daily rainfall irregularity by means of temporal irregularity indices; to analyze the daily rainfall persistence and concentration; to assess the fractal distribution of precipitation; to define an index of variability, irregularity, persistence and fractality, and its regional distribution over the area of study, as well as to analyze the connexions patterns; to study the plurisecular evolution of rainfall irregularity, and to define future scenarios of precipitation over the Western mediterranean. The results obtained will improve our knowledge of the WeMO and the evolution of the probability of dry and rainy sequences, will fix rainfall anomalies hazards depending on the regions and will be used to determine rainfall variability trends. As a result, and from another point of view, the results could be applied to define rainfall hazards, soil degradation and hydrological policies.

**Referència:** BSO2001-3302-C02-02. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** P1. Projecte d'investigació no orientada.

**Títol:** *Gestión turística del patrimonio natural y cultural, y desarrollo local en espacios de interior en las Islas Baleares.*

**Acrònim:** Gestur-Patrimonio IB.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 540104.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de la Terra. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** BLÁZQUEZ SALOM, Macià.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Anàlisis Geogràfica Regional).

**Inici:** 2001.      **Fi:** 2004.

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Artigues Bonet, Antoni A.	TEU	0.5
Cors Iglesias, Martí	Aj. EU	1
Novo Malvárez, Margarita	As.	0.5

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.

### **Summary**

This research is aimed to analyse, from social sciences and especially from geographic perspective, the results of the tourism as local development factor. Also to determine the basis, potentialities and preventions of the management and setting in value of the heritage (cultural and natural), for tourist uses and activities in the inland areas of two autonomous communities: Balearic Islands and Catalonia. In Balearic Islands the tourism is an almost exclusive activity, while Catalonia presents a diversified economy with an outstanding role of the tourism. In both the tourist systems are in need of bigger competitiveness, for it reason, its inland districts and municipalities are being developed as new tourist sceneries, fact that agrees the necessity that these areas have of joining new activities for its revival. The study of two community –Catalonia and Balearic Islands- which is the basis of the application of a Coordinated Project with two Subprojects, which will allow to detect the results in every case of the processes that are studied, its similitudes and differences and its evaluation to formulate the development strategies more suitable.

**Referència:** Ministeri de Foment.

**Modalitat:** Ajudes a la investigació 2002 en l'àrea de transports.

**Títol:** *Construcción de un sistema experto para la planificación y gestión territorial de zonas aeroportuarias.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de la Terra. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigadora responsable:** SEGUÍ PONS, Joana Maria.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Geografia Humana).

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2004.

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Guaita Mas, Francesc	As.
Ramon Molinas, Jerònima	Tèc.
Martínez, Rosa	As.
Ramos, David	
Escalas, Félix	
Alcover, Bartomeu	

### **Summary**

The aim of the project is the design and development of an expert systems, built over a Geographic Information System, for planning and management airport zones. The system will be oriented:

- to know the geographic configuration of the airport zones and its influence.
- to support the tasks of planners and managers of airport zones.
- to improve the territorial integration of airport, minimizing negative impacts.

A territorial diagnostic of five spanish airport will be developed (Mardir ‘Barajas’, Barcelona ‘El Prat’, Palma ‘Son Sant Joan’, Málaga and Las Palmas ‘Gando’) including the influenced areas in contact with them. A Geographic Information System will be built with environmental, social, economic, and infrastructure variables of the airport zones. Many analytical processes will be applied over the GIS database in order to characterize the economic activity, environmental problems and social aspects of airport zones. Finally an expert system will be developed to edit and update information of the Database and to support analysis activities of planners and managers of airport zones.

**Referència:** BSO2003-01844. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *¿Hacia el sector ganadero sostenible? La ganadería en Mallorca en el tránsito del desarrollismo al postproductivismo.*

**Acrònim:** GSDP.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de la Terra. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** BINIMELIS SEBASTIÁN, Jaume.

**Categoría:** CEU (àrea de coneixement: Geografia Humana).

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2006.

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Salvà Tomàs, Pere A.	CU	1

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.

### **Summary**

The project studies the process of change of the sector cattle raiser of Majorca island. The integration in the European Union marked the traffic of the sector cattle raiser that had been headed from the sixties by the bovine subsector, subsector that had been guaranteed in a state of intensive exploitation and capitalized. Currently, thanks to impulse of the agrarian politics that bet on sustainable and extensive states and to the processes of endogenous rural change, the panorama of the sector cattle raiser is presided by a vaccine stockbreeding subsector in franca regression, the control of the extensive, ovine subsector, subsidized and of subsistence and the cattle raisers of new modalities emergency connected with the activities of leisure and recreation.

**Referència:** BSO2003-09472. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Estrategias de cooperación y desarrollo territorial sostenible en Baleares.*

**Acrònim:** ECDTB.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de la Terra. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** BRUNET ESTARELLAS, Pere Joan.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Geografia Humana).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2005.

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González Pérez, Jesús M.	TEU	0.5
Novo Malvárez, Margarita	As.	0.5
Almeida García, Fernando	As.	1

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.5.

### **Summary**

The aim of this project is identify and select best alternatives to promote strategies of spatial cooperation at local level paying special attention to rururban partnerships, because its relevance to sustentable, balanced and polycentric spatial development.

It will achieved in three phases. First identification and analysis of municipalities associations (registered, recognized or latent). Between them will be choosen these that are looking for polycentrism principle through parternarial planning of spatial development according to specificities and needs of every territory. Cases selected, in turn, must represent whole regional typologies of rural-urban spatial patterns recognized in ESDP document. In the second stage them will be studied to recognize all kind of cooperation ways in order to sustentable spatial development planning. For this territories a report will be made to answer to the follow questions: what is made in this territory, what it is used to, who mobilize it, which means is developped with, who is related to, who play a leading part in these relations and what kind are of results will be discussed jointly and a typology of situations at spanish level will be established. Finally, in third phase it will be analysed how are developed these partnership relations: wich are the most relevant requirements to induce its succes and the most important stranlings and possible choices of solution too. Research of cases and Benchmarking will be the most important methodologies used in this phase, paying special attention to study of local actors, mainly public administration. Evaluation and consensus of alternatives by means of Delphi Method, joint discussion of results in every subproject at national level also as presentation of recommendations end the research work.

The positive effects to achieve the main proposed not only are reduced to the attainment of a long term goal: sustentable spatial development. In a direct way will contribute to strengthen a new territorial culture and new ways of planning, more adequates to new criteria of eligibility in the context of the future european regional policy after 2006.

**Referència:** Conselleria de Turisme del Govern de les Illes Balears.

**Modalitat:** Ajuts per a la realització de projectes d'investigació en matèria turística.

**Títol:** *Vivendes turístiques vacacionals a Pollença. Diagnosi multifuncional (fase 1a).*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de la Terra. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** SEGUÍ LLINÀS, Miquel.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Anàlisi Geogràfica Regional).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2004.

## **Participacions a altres projectes**

**Referència:** REN2003-07906. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Recursos naturals.

**Títol:** *Sistemas de indicadores en la planificación sostenible del turismo: los recursos de agua en áreas turísticas litorales.*

**Acrònim:** AGUATUR.

**Investigadora responsable:** VERA REBOLLO, José Fernando.

**Centre:** Universitat d'Alacant.

**Investigador de la UIB:** Rullan Salamanca, Onofre.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Anàlisi Geogràfica Regional).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

**DEPARTAMENT DE CIÈNCIES HISTÒRIQUES  
I TEORIA DE LES ARTS**

**Referència:** BHA2001-0770. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** P1. Projecte d'investigació bàsica no orientada.

**Títol:** *La Comisión Provincial de Monumentos Históricos y Artísticos de Baleares (1844-1987).*

**Acrònim:** CPMB.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 550602.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Històriques i Teoria de les Arts. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador principal:** MORATA SOCIAS, Josep.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Història de l'Art).

**Inici:** 2001.      **Fi:** 2004.

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**Keywords:** art history, protection of historical and artistic heritage, Balearic Isles, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.

### **Summary**

The target of this project is to analyse the history of the Country Monuments Commission of the Balearic Isles, starting at the moment of its establishment in 1844 until the moment of its dissolution in 1987. Different changes in the objectives and composition of the Commission succeeded in its life but always remained as the institution responsible for the conservation and protection of the historical and artistic heritage in the region. This work intends to study the commission composition characteristics, the bureaucracy complexity and the economic difficulties. It will be made in order to explain the results that made possible the conservation of an important and relevant part of the heritage of the Balearic region; and in the other hand, to show the failures and to know the encountered difficulties.

**Referència:** BHA2002-03177. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa sectorial de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Diccionario de partidos políticos, organizaciones patronales y sindicales de las Islas Baleares en el siglo XX.*

**Acrònim:** DPPS.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Històriques i Teoria de les Arts. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** SERRA BUSQUETS, Sebastià.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Història Contemporània).

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2005.

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### Investigadors d'altres entitats

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.

### Summary

The basic objectives are the analysis of the strategies, the members and the behaviour of political organizations, employer's association and work unions all through the 20<sup>th</sup> century, namely in their most complex articulation.

The history of each of this organizations will be covered its fundation to its discrepancy or – if it applies – to the present time, if still in existence.

Their evolution and collaboration in key historical dates analysed. Therefore, paying a method to the following: the situation at the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the twenties, the pre-civil ward period, the sixties, the democratic transition and the Autonomous Communities system.

A part from paying a meta to socio-political aspects we will go in detail in two relevant socio-economic aspects much as the effects of mass tourism and the transition from emigration to immigration.

The systematic analysis of the political organizations, employer's associations and working unions will also deal with the economic development and socio-cultural changes in the society in Majorca, Minorca, Ibiza and Formentera.

When making the dictionary both qualitative and quantitative aspects will be balanced although strategies, specific guidelines and achievements will be given priority.

**Referència:** BHA2002-00352. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa sectorial de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Élites de poder y grupos sociales en la Mallorca Moderna.*

**Acrònim:** EDPGS.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Històriques i Teoria de les Arts. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** JUAN VIDAL, Josep.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Història Moderna).

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.

### **Summary**

The study of the power elites existing in Mallorca during de Modern Age proposes to comprise a collection of biographies of people connected with the exercise of power, including not only representatives of the high royal administration within the island kingdom but also members of the reigning administration. On the one part viceroys, captain generals, royal magistrates, commissioners, regents and Royal Court judges, and on the monarchy, circulated around the various kingdoms of the Crown of Aragon, the Crown of Castile and the Crown of Italy. It is interesting to reveal their family relationships, social interactions and the relation between their kinship, their economic interests and their aspirations to power.

The primary objectives will be, by means of the cross-referencing of documentary sources, to identify those people who occupied positions of great importance in the kingdom, determining their "cursus honorum", their economic relations, their heritage, their patronage and political customers as well as other mechanisms whereby the enjoyment of power was assured to them for a determined length of time in modern age Mallorca.

**Referència:** BHA2002-03783. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa sectorial de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *La acción de la Administración y de la Iglesia en el proceso de dotación de servicios públicos en España (1845-1930). Un análisis regional.*

**Acrònim:** SP.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Històriques i Teoria de les Arts. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigadora responsable:** MOLL BLANES, Isabel.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Història Contemporània).

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2005.

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Gallego Caminero, Gloria	TEU	1

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.

### **Summary**

The aim of the project points toward the analysis of public and private developments, in the provision of Social Welfare in rural Spain along 19th and early 20th centuries. In the context of theoretical proposals, like Sen's quality of life, and the changing role of local, and national governments, non-governmental organisations, and individual healers in mortality reduction. The empirical bases of the study are organised in order to collect as much information as possible, not only on public and private provision against misfortune, but on the provision on services regarding the possibility to guarantee citizenship right's of good health, and access to cultural improvements. The main idea consist on testing the existence of those services before the rise of Welfare State, and see if its responsibility was due to the Spanish government–local and national- or to private organisations like the Catholic Church. The project focuses a rural Mediterranean region with the lowest infant mortality rates among all the Spanish provinces, featuring also a quite important agrarian development. That means the possibility to test the relationship between mortality reduction and public policies, as well as between mortality reduction and economic development.

**Referència:** BHA2003-04785. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Sociedad y organización fiscal: los impuestos indirectos en el Reino de Mallorca (siglos XIV-XVI).*

**Acrònim:** SOFIS.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Històriques i Teoria de les Arts. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** CATEURA BENNÀSSER, Pau.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Història Medieval).

**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2006.

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Navarro Gómez, Ricardo	Aj. U	1
Tudela Villalonga, Luis	Tèc.	1
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.

### Summary

Indirect fiscal policy is the key of Majorcan's kingdom financial system. So it was understood in 1405, on consigning all the indirect taxation to the paying of interests national debt from the kingdom. Knowing why was so, it makes us to study its nature, qualities and measures and also politicians, economics and social involved elements.

- 1) The technical structure: a) indirect consumer taxes; b) indirect commercial taxes; c) the method of receipt and collection.
- 2) The legal structure: a) the applicable regulation and its development; b) a legal study of leasehold contracts.
- 3) The political, social and financial dimension: a) indirect taxes and the role of the Crown; b) municipalities' fiscal policy and the social repercussions; c) indirect taxes in the income structure of municipal treasuries.

**Referència:** HUM2004-00750/HIST. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional d'humanitats.

**Títol:** *Recursos y subsistencia en un medio insular mediterráneo. Las comunidades humanas baleàricas durante la prehistoria.*

**Acrònim:** ARQUIB.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Històriques i Teoria de les Arts. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** GUERRERO AYUSO, Víctor Manuel.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Prehistòria).

**Inici:** 2004.

**Fi:** 2007.

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Gornés Hachero, Josep Simó	As.	1
Garcia Rosselló, Jaume	B	1
Fornés Bisquerra, Joan	B	1
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 9.

### Summary

Island environments are known to be less variable ecologically as well as more fragile than the continental ones. This is more so in the case of a relatively small group of islands like the Balearics. The present project will try to study the management strategies for both biotic and non-biotic resources by the Balearic communities throughout prehistory (c.3000-123 BC). We know that each basic archaeological period, Chalcolithic (c. 2500-1900 BC), Bronze Age (c. 1900/1800-1000 BC) and Iron Age (c.1000/900 BC) had different subsistence models although the empirical basis that sustain the models currently in use are not strong enough. The available studies are still partial and geographically biased. Chalcolithic and Bronze Age do not have enough archaeological record for a deep and detailed scientific discussion while the Iron Age, even though is better documented the archaeological record is restricted to few sites (one in Menorca and two in Mallorca). The research group is currently conducting the archaeological excavation of five major sites: Son Gallard, Son Torrella, Clossos de Ca'n Gaià, and La Morisca, in Mallorca, and Biniparratxet, in Menorca. These sites cover the full chronological sequence between c. 3000 and 200/123 BC, which guarantees the possibility of a wide comparative cultural and diachronic study. The project's basic strategic objectives are: Reconstruction of the vegetal landscape during the chronological stages cited. Establish clear relationships between each social group and the changes recorded in the island's environment. Consider in each case how husbandry and agriculture operate. Study the exploitation of non-biotic resources in each phase, particularly imports of metal raw materials.

A complete study of the relationship between the islander and the sea in its two fundamental aspects: the exploration of marine resources (fishing and salt) and the sea as communication

and extra-insular exchange route among the islands of the archipelago and between the islands and the continent. Definition of the gene pool of the insular prehistoric communities.

## **Participacions a altres projectes**

**Referència:** BHA2002-03830. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa sectorial de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *La arquitectura fantástica en España. La creación espontánea, entre el surrealismo, el po y el art brut.*

**Investigadora responsable:** RAMÍREZ DOMÍNGUEZ, Juan Antonio.

**Centre:** Universitat Autònoma de Madrid.

**Investigador de la UIB:** Seguí Aznar, Miquel.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Història de l'Art).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

**DEPARTAMENT DE CIÈNCIES MATEMÀTIQUES I  
INFORMÀTICA**

**Referència:** TIC2002-02172. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Tecnologies de la informació i les comunicacions.

**Títol:** *Representación y tratamiento de imágenes: aplicación al análisis del movimiento en secuencias de video, imágenes en color y extracción de la información 3D.*

**Acrònim:** RTIMC3D.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica. Edifici Anselm Turmeda.

**Investigador responsable:** COLL VICENS, Bartomeu.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Matemàtica Aplicada).

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2005.

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Petro Balaguer, Ana Belén	Aj. EU	1

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.

### **Summary**

Based on the description of the images provided by the geometry of their topographic map, which we have studied in the current project, we seek for the optimization of the developed algorithms (meaningful information) and for the application of the general method to specific problems.

The main goals of the proposed project are:

1. Optimization of the set of features given by the level lines, for the simplification of the tree structure of the topographic map, both for grey level and color images. Potential applications are, on the one hand, the analysis of the motion for a set of shapes (mosaic reconstruction from a video sequence), and, on the other hand, for color images, the extraction of features applied to an e-commerce software product.
2. Concerning the 3D scene reconstruction problem, we have two goals: automatic camera calibration from images correspondences between pieces of level lines, and depth information extraction (3D sketch) from video sequences.
3. Software development and integration of the developed algorithms in a public, distribution free, software platform, already under construction. This will imporve the feedback between the theoretical research and the practical problems.

**Referència:** TIC2001-0931. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de tecnologies de la producció i les comunicacions.

**Títol:** *Análisis y síntesis del movimiento humano mediante técnicas de visión y animación por ordenador.*

**Acrònim:** ADAN.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 120318.

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### Summary

The aim of the proposed project is the design of an integrated system which would enable us to carry out multiple studies on human motion by computer. The system proposed is based on an existing model which allows for the modelization, analysis and simulation of human motion at different levels. Our fundamental aim is -in a reasonable amount of time and, if possible, in real time for some applications- to obtain a 3D model of the person or persons by means of a sequence of grey and/or colour images taken from different viewpoints. With this information we aim to carry out different tasks such as: realistic animation of a person, biomechanical study of sports or dance movements, recognition of a person (face and movements), integration of a virtual humanoid with real characters, interaction in a person and humanoid immersed environment, robot tracking of a person, etc. This project is the continuation of an existing system (TIC98-0302) in which the main current techniques are

brought together in order to carry out the processes of analysis and synthesis of human motion in a common environment.

**Referència:** TIN2004-07926. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de tecnologies informàtiques.

**Títol:** *Integración de escenarios virtuales con agentes inteligentes 3D.*

**Acrònim:** INEVAI3D.

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### Summary

The present project defines a global and unified framework with intelligent tri-dimensional agents for the actual systems and the future virtual environments. Nowadays electronic communication among persons includes from basic chats and GSM services to virtual immersive sceneries with great realism. The differences are obvious, and virtual immersive sceneries provide mechanisms for interacting virtual elements (avatars, information, passive objects) with the sceneries that participate virtually in a universe.

This is a very wide and ambitious field and it's necessary to define clearly which are the issues to develop in this project. The four important issues to develop can be summarized in: a) Unified Integration of Virtual Scenarios (Web, GSM, UMTS, chat, TV, 3D, etc.); b) Intelligent Humanoid simulation (Agents); c) Human Motion Analysis using force sensors; d) New Multimodal Interfaces and their application in domotic environments with 3D Agents.

Tic's impact on the domestic environment is very important and the diversity of intercommunication systems on the networks also. Multiple and heterogeneous communication systems and providers exist (IEEE 802.11x, GPRS, UMTS, Blue Tooth, Mobile IP, Ipv6). All virtual sceneries systems and electronic presence in general are interested in the interaction among remote actors that base their interaction's quality on the network characteristics. Due to this, it is a very important aim to guarantee an interaction's quality independently of the underlying communication systems and to provide a scalable, consistent and fault tolerant requirements' implementation.

Virtual environments own characteristics that allow the user to select their own point of view and to be represented with an avatar. Although a realistic representation of the virtual environment elements is important we consider avatars behaviour simulation as a very interesting field to develop. Intelligent agents will allow the person to interact in the immersive environment through geometric and behaviour models of the virtual elements of the defined world. Persistence and portability guarantee of these agents among the different virtual worlds must be accomplished. Computer interaction is through physical and logical devices; therefore a person human's motion analysis can modify the agents or the elements' behaviour of the virtual scene. Due to this, it is important to consider the inclusion of an avatar analysis and synthesis section using no-invasive techniques and others that allow force captures (haptics).

Through our experience in other projects (TIC2001-0931, TIC1998-0302-C02), we know that computer vision systems allow to capture the motion and to interpret the user's actions. The aim of this project is to advance one more step forward and to use the previous systems including kinetic models and haptic devices for enhancing the studied techniques. The necessity of a visual and physical immersion has to be a key point in the virtual collaborative environments. In previous projects, advanced issues on avatars had not been treated, but in this project have to be studied. In particular, a domotic application on realistic facial modelling would be a key issue to consider. User's expression captures and advanced facial representation of 3D agents that understand those expressions is a new interaction setting in virtual environments. An issue to be treated is the realistic modelling of the multilevel face (cranium, muscles and skin) for studying in example facial aging and to be able to model avatars with these characteristics.

Finally we should be aware that normally virtual or augmented reality systems are very specific and expensive therefore their spreading and their application fields are limited. We think that domotic is a very important field and with a great growing in a near future. The results' application of the previous sections in domotic environments would be achieved with virtual reality domestic systems and 3D agents. The person-home interaction will allow important synergies in both fields. Simultaneously we want to study new communication systems between men-machine, specially directed to disabled persons where their functional limitation can be supported through advanced domotic systems and specific intelligent interfaces.

As a conclusion, tools and software have to be adapted to the current standards and portability and compatibility properties should be achieved. Previous experiences showed us that using UML methodology for requirements specifying, analysis and process design is necessary in big projects where many physical and logical resources are managed.

**Referència:** DPI2001-2311-C03-02. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de disseny i producció industrial.

**Título:** Plataformas de experimentación en robótica submarina.

**Acrònim:** PERSUB.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 331913, 220990, 331102, 530603, 120304.

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## Summary

The current project is basically oriented towards the know-how transfer, as well as basic research aspects and to define the future technological transfer in the field of underwater robotics, as a natural result of the last year's research financed through the CICYT program. The main objectives can be summarised in two blocks:

1. The first block tackles the aspects related to scientific research and know-how transfer. Our proposal consists on putting at the disposal of the scientific community the underwater facilities funded by the CICYT, including the water pool and the underwater vehicles that have been developed by our university. All these resources would be available through Internet to any other university, research centre or private company working on artificial intelligence, automatic control, autonomous navigation, underwater robotics, etc. This part of the project involves research in the fields of artificial intelligence oriented towards autonomous navigation. This approach is based on advanced sensors such as computer vision or inertial navigation systems. Teleoperatio-based communication aspects through Internet will also be tackled.

2. Along with the objectives described above, the present underwater vehicles should be adapted to the requirements of these new objectives, allowing the development of the culture medium to allow the Spanish technology on this field to shortly be on the market.

**Referència:** TIC2001-0287. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de tecnologies de la informació i les comunicacions.

**Títol:** *Demostrador adaptativo reconfigurable de un WLAN para entornos interiores.*

**Acrònim:** DARWIN.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 332505.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica. Edifici Anselm Turmeda.

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**Keywords:** WLAN, UMTS, smart antennas, OFDM, MAC, DLC, handover, security.

### **Summary**

The primary goal of DARWIN is the definition, analysis, simulation and demonstration of a high performance adaptative WLAN (Wireless LAN) providing wireless access to packet switching networks (IP, ATM, UMTS,...). All the subsystems of an equalization, decoding approach, etc., will be jointly optimized. The system will not be optimized in advance but it will adapt itself as a function of the user needs and the changing characteristics of the environment. This is a step towards a software radio, which is presently too far in the future due to technological problems, and goes beyond the state-of-the-art of current mobile communication systems. The project will concentrate on following issues: physical (PHY) and medium access control (MAC) layers, data link control (DLC) protocols, mobility management and security aspects. Another goal of DARWIN will be to go deeply into the theoretical analysis of space-time signal processing schemes, both in base stations and mobile terminals, beamforming techniques for SDMA, coding/decoding schemes including turbo coding, turbo-TCM, space-time codes, multidimensional rotations, MAC protocols, etc. that could be applied to third and fourth generation mobile communications systems (3G/4G). The simulation platform will be based on the use of software tools to perform high-level simulations. Once debugged, these simulation programs will be translated to the VHDL language. Having the VHDL description of the system, an integrated design of programmable logic will be used to implement the system demonstrator. The DARWIN demonstrator will contain six subsystems, namely two mobile terminals (TM), two base stations (EB), ATM switch and control station. This architecture allows for the implementation of two radio cells and, therefore, allows for the evaluation of handover protocols. The radio links and, thus, the integration of physical (PHY), media access control (MAC), data link control (DLC) and network control sublayers with the DARWIN protocol stack, will be simulated using standard DSP, FPGA and/or ASIC boards controlled by using either PCs or a workstation.

**Referència:** TIC2001-1374-C03-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de tecnologies de la informació i les comunicacions.

**Títol:** *Análisis de las prestaciones de los entornos web.*

**Classificació UNESCO:** 120318.

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*Keywords:* performance analysis, workload characterisation, benchmarking, web environments.

### **Summary**

The growing of internet has led to the development of new services and applications, a e-commerce and multimedia application all of them characterised by a high degree of complexity, heterogeneity and interactivity. Web servers are faced to the increasing number of fast, secure, reliable and highly available service requirements. For giving an answer to these requirements, web servers' design and management should be based on a precise knowledge of their workload. However, workload characterisation requires the existence of real traces of request generated by the different Internet services. After the characterisation of the workload, different predictive performance evaluation techniques can be used. In this case we will use benchmarking and modelling. The Transaction Processing Performance Council (TPC) has defined the TPC-W, the first benchmark oriented to web environments (servers), that simulate e-commerce activities. The goal of the TPC benchmarks is to provide the industry with relevant and objective performance data. The benchmark results are very dependent on the workload, on the specific requirements, design and implementation of the application. So, the TPC-W should not replace an application specific benchmark if important decisions should be based on its measurements. This is the reason for developing a configurable and parametrized benchmark for evaluating the web server's performance when they are processing workloads different to those defined by the TPC-W, as for e-learning, e-work, e-mail, etc.

From the statistical workload characterisation it is intended to develop a workload generator to be used as input to a generic model of a web server. This model will be used in the study of alternative web and proxy architectures.

**Referència:** BFM2003-05308. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Funciones de agregación sobre cadenas acotadas. Normas triangulares discretas.*

*Aspectos teóricos y aplicaciones.*

**Acrònim:** FASCA.

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### Summary

In this project our general aim is the study of aggregation functions on bounded chains. In particular, our main interest is the study of triangular norms defined on countable bounded chains. From some results obtained in the finite case, we plan a characterization of families of aggregation functions defined on infinite countable bounded chains. An objective to be included also in this work is the study of multidimensionality of aggregation functions (associative or not), in particular for means and ordered means. On the other hand, given the great interest of the information aggregation topics, we deal with practical aspects in this framework as for instance the problem of data fusion with some kind of imprecision: fusion of fuzzy numbers, etc. In general, we face the problem of the adequate choice of aggregation operators in the construction of intelligent systems.

**Referència:** TIC2003-06293. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Tecnologies de la informació i les comunicacions.

**Títol:** *Modelado de prestaciones de sistemas de tiempo real.*

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### Summary

Designing real time systems needs to consider the non-functional requirements of temporal type, if possible since the first phases of the design. If not, the fulfilment of the requirements is just verified after the implementation. If they are not met, it is necessary to go back and reprogram and even redesign the system. This project intends to develop a tool allowing the prediction, since the first phases of the design what will be the temporal behaviour of the system and, in this way, reduce the risk of erroneous decisions taken during the design. Obviously, for doing this prediction, it is necessary to complement the design information with other concerning the temporal behaviour of the system, which will be included in the system as annotations. In order to experiment the design best annotation way, two notably different design approaches will be used: MASCOT and UML. The first one, originated for the design of hard real-time systems, is a method oriented to the data flow and based on activities interchanging information through interchange data areas. The second one, result of merging a set of diagrams proposed by several authors, allows the description of the different dimensions needed for the design of real-time systems of great size. From the annotated designs in these two methods, we intend to that the tool derives queuing network models able to be processed by simulation methods and, if possible, by analytical methods.

**Referència:** SEG2004-02229. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de seguretat.

**Títol:** *Repudio en el intercambio de valores equitativo con servicios TTP.*

**Acrònim:** RIVEST.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.

### **Summary**

The fundamental objective of the project is to design protocols for two cases of fair exchange of values: the electronic signature of contracts and the certified electronic mail. Each part has an element to exchange, but he doesn't want to give its element without having the guarantee that he will receive that of the other part (fairness). The participants should not be able to deny later their participation in the exchange: non repudiation services must be used. It is well known that the only valid solutions are those that count with the existence and possible involvement of a Trusted Third Party (TTP). In a second phase the exchange will be extended to multiple parts (multiple signatories of the same contract or multiple recipients of the certified mail). It is also confronted in this project the objective of defining specifications that allow to settle down standards. In the case of the signature of contracts the initial proposal will head to the use of XML, participating in discussion groups in the W3C. For the certified mail, the initial base will be the *de facto* standard S/MIME, being integrated in working groups of the IETF.

On the other hand, the juridical mark that the European Directive and the Spanish law on electronic commerce settle down, as well as the legislation in relation to electronic notifications, forces us to refocus the investigation being carried out in the technical environment. So, we want to stand out the novel character of the project. This way, the solutions that will be presented will have been revised from a technical analysis of juridical documentation. Also, the pertinent feedback in contrary sense will allow to carry out recommendations so that laws, orders and regulations settle down, more appropriate to the possibilities of the technique.

**Referència:** HUM2004-04992. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional d'humanitats.

**Títol:** *La recuperación y catalogación del patrimonio científico de las Islas Baleares.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica. Edifici Anselm Turmeda.

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**Referència:** PRIB2004-9250. Conselleria d'Economia, Hisenda i Innovació.

**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Les còpules des del punt de vista de la visió de la fusió de la informació. Construcció de noves famílies. Aspectes teòrics i aplicacions.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica. Edifici Anselm Turmeda.

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**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Notificaciones electrónicas (NOTIFEL).*

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**Referència:** TIC2001-1143-C03. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de tecnologies de la informació i de les comunicacions.

**Títol:** *Mejora de los procesos para la toma de decisiones en la gestión de proyectos de ingeniería del software.*

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**Modalitat:** Programa nacional d'I+D orientada.

**Título:** Estudio interdisciplinar de las responsabilidades de los proveedores de información en internet. Problemas de segunda generación: los límites de la neutralidad tecnológica.

**Acrònim:** RPII.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.64.

### Summary

The research project starts with the existence of a specific regulation of the liability of electronic intermediaries in the LSSICE (presently it is a Draft Law, however and without any doubts, it will be already Law at the moment of the beginning of this project). The purpose of this research project is not to analyse such system of liability, that has been already discussed enough, but to deal with the so-called “problems of second generation”. The limited liability of electronic intermediaries (mere conduit, caching and hosting) relies on its technological neutrality. The aim of this project is to mark the borders of such “technological neutrality” and to analyse the liabilities of all those services of the information society which are placed further than those borders.

The approach to the above issues, not only in its delimitation but also in its system, will be interdisciplinary. The detection and description of the “border” services of the information society (portals, vortals, electronic agents, search engines increasingly intelligents, directories, etc.) will be developed with the participation of experts in Computers and Telecommunications. The analysis of its legal system will be multilateral, as it could imply: a) criminal, civil and patrimonial liability of the Public Administration; b) application of special systems of liability (intellectual property rights, rights of the legal status of a person, data protection, consumer protection, industrial property rights and unfair competition, etc.); c) the existence of involvements referred to International Private Law, concerning competent jurisdiction as well as applicable law.

**Referència:** BJU2003-01998. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Aspectos jurídicos de los medios de pago en el comercio electrónico.*

**Acrònim:** EPIS.

**Centre:** Departament de Dret Privat. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigadora responsable:** MARTÍNEZ NADAL, Apol·lònia.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Dret Mercantil).

**Inici:** 2003. **Fi:** 2006.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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Ferrer Gomila, Josep Lluís	TU	0.5
Flaquer Riutort, Joan	TU	0.5
Pons Irarazábal, Fèlix	As.	1

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.

### **Summary**

The effective development of electronic commerce requires of sure and suit payment instruments. On one hand, it is necessary generate trust and security for persons of electronic commerce, specially in the phase of payment, because users are afraid of non authorised uses of their payment instruments. So it is necessary the study of juridical consequences of this non authorised uses of traditional payment instruments such as credit and debit cards, and it's also necessary the juridical analysis of technical systems established to give security to these traditional instruments in electronic commerce (mainly protocols SSL and SET).

On the other hand, it's necessary the existence of payment instruments adapted to the features and requirements of electronic commerce (because traditional instruments as payment cards can be sometimes unsuit). So, from a technical and commercial point of view, new payment instruments are offered: electronic money, micropayments and even electronic checks. These new instruments generate, from a juridical point of view, new questions (validity, juridical nature, rights and obligations of parts, liability, ...) that we will try to solve in this study.

In fact, the aim of this project is the study of juridical problems of payment instruments in electronic commerce, in order to resolve the possible doubts and uncertainties generated by the use of the different (traditional or new) instruments in this new context of electronic contracting. And the final objective is generate security, essential for the effective development of electronic commerce.

**Referència:** SEC2002-04384-C02-02. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programas nacionales de I+D orientada.

**Títol:** *El nuevo derecho concursal español.*

**Acrònim:** NDCE.

**Centre:** Departament de Dret Privat. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigador responsable:** ALCOVER GARAU, Guillem.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Dret Mercantil).

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

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Arbona Femenia, Miquel	As.	1
Oliver Barceló, Santiago	As.	1
Nadal Gómez, Irene	Aj. U	0.5
Conde Tejón, Antonio	Aj. U	1

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 6.5.

**Referència:** BJU2002-04544-C02-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Reforma del proceso penal español.*

**Acrònim:** REFPROCEN.

**Centre:** Departament de Dret Privat. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigadora responsable:** TAPIA FERNÁNDEZ, Isabel.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Dret Processal).

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.5.

## **DEPARTAMENT DE DRET PÚBLIC**

**Referència:** BJU2002-00559. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Derechos humanos, responsabilidad internacional y seguridad colectiva: intersección de sistemas.*

**Acrònim:** DHRISCIS.

**Centre:** Departament de Dret Públic. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigadora responsable:** HUESA VINAIXA, M. Rosario.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Dret Internacional Públic i Relacions Internacionals).

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2005.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.

### Summary

The project's aim is to identify the areas of coincidence, intersection or collision of the three international systems which come into play when there is a serious and massive violation of human rights or humanitarian international law. Those systems are: individual's international criminal responsibility, State's international responsibility and the coercive action under Chapter VII of the UN Charter. The aim of the project is to study and identify the problems implied by the coexistence of this three systems within the international legal framework, both from a legal and technical point of view; the analysis of malfunctions, its causes and consequences; the interference and interactions among systems and the raising of proper solutions, taking into account the safeguard of international security and the need to promote the concepts of Justice and Rule of Law at international level. The project plans to analyse the most recent developments in the three areas mentioned above and the existing points of coincidence. The most important objectives are the analysis of the problems which have arisen, the simultaneousness of State and individuals responsibility, the incidence of the competences of the UN Security Council over the mechanisms of effectiveness of State and individual responsibility, and the scope of institutional and non-institutional coercion and the existing restraints in order to protect human rights.

**Referència:** SEJ2004-07831/JURI. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de ciències socials, econòmiques i jurídiques.

**Títol:** *El impacto de la ampliación de la Unión Europea sobre la política común de extranjería.*

**Centre:** Departament de Dret Públic. Edifici Anselm Turmeda.

**Investigador responsable:** GARAU JUANEDA, Lluís.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Dret Internacional Privat).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2007.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.5.

## **DEPARTAMENT D'ECONOMIA APLICADA**

**Referència:** SEC2002-01512. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programes nacionals d'I+D orientada.

**Títol:** *Análisis de la fidelidad y de la estacionalidad como puntos críticos de la fase de post-estancamiento de los destinos turísticos maduros de sol y playa.*

**Acrònim:** AFEDM.

**Centre:** Departament d'Economia Aplicada. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigadora responsable:** JUANEDA SAMPOL, C. Nativitat.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Aplicada).

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2005.

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Sard Bauzà, Maria	TEU int.	1
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Alegre Marín, Joaquim	TU	1
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 8.33.

### **Summary**

Some of the mediterranean sun and sand tourist resorts, like the Balearic Islands, are often presented as cases of environmental and economic decline. Their history is linked to mass holiday resorts and to policies based on price competition. As a result of the appearance of a new type of consumer (more aware of environment issues, more sophisticated, and with a taste for more tailor-made products), these tourists resorts are considered to be in a post-stagnation phase, characterised by the progressive disappearance of their competitive advantages. We believe that the analysis of the weaknesses and strengths of the sun and sand model is a necessary first step to a guide for the design of public policies and business strategies to facilitate its survival. In this project, two key elements of the tourist demand are analysed: loyalty and demand seasonality. On one hand, loyalty to a particular holiday resort can be thought of as one of the basic elements of the success of any tourism model. On the other hand, seasonality imposes important limitations on the tourism structure, together with a high pressure on natural resources. Therefore, it is particularly important to find out which are the seasonal characteristics of tourism and to analyse the possibilities of enhancing tourism demand out of high season. A better understanding of the behaviour of new consumers should help the detection of new market segments which, in turn, will prove useful to the reorientation of the sun and sand model. Without any doubt, loyalty and demand seasonality are two crucial issues to the study of that behaviour. Even though the analysis proposed here is based on the particular case of the Balearic Islands, the lessons obtained from it will provide a useful tool for the future planning of the tourism policy of other Mediterranean tourist resorts.

**Referència:** SEC2002-02606. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programes nacionals d'I+D orientada.

**Títol:** *Microsimulación y análisis de las políticas públicas: redistribución e incentivos.*

**Acrònim:** INCRESIM.

**Centre:** Departament d'Economia Aplicada. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigador responsable:** SPADARO, Amedeo.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Aplicada).

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2005.

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### Summary

Since the 1970s there has been a growing concern in Western societies regarding the performance and the re-design of tax-benefit systems. At the same time the process of European integration activates by itself forces that lead to the harmonisation of country-specific taxation systems. The task of designing, governing and evaluating these processes requires specific data-sets and modelling tools. This proposal has two main objectives. The first one is to homogenize internationally the construction of tax-benefits models for EU countries including, in a robust way, agent's behaviour reactions previously estimated on household budget surveys. The second one is to evaluate, using the behavioural micro simulation models previously developed, fiscal and social policies in Spain and to compare it with others EU countries.

**Referència:** SEJ2004-06649/ECON. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de ciències socials, econòmiques i jurídiques.

**Títol:** *Historia económica del turismo de masas en España, 1940-2000: Las Islas Baleares y los contrastes mediterráneos.*

**Centre:** Departament d'Economia Aplicada. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigador responsable:** MANERA ERBINA, Carles.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Història i Institucions Econòmiques).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2007.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.5.

### Summary

The project has as its principal objective to analyze the evolution of mass tourism in southern Europe and in some concrete chronological coordinates (1940-2000), with special emphasis on a region that occupies in present day a preminent position in the global tourism economy: the Balearic Islands. Its contrasts with other regional economies –as in Andalucia, also determinant in tourism economy– and in other insular mediterranean economies –in particular, that of Sicily, Sardinia, and Malta– will permit to buy those that are the transits occurring in those economic spaces, that coincide completely with one of the european development axis –Western Europe, from the Tuscan-Ligurian coast to the southern Iberian peninsula, plus the islands that form part of the partnership of the IMEDOC (Islas del Mediterráneo Occidental)–, outline the stimulated touristic typology –cultural, sun and beach, mixed components– and evaluate the threats they currently present to follow its individual development process, in that the environmental externals have a gradual crucial weight. We have to indicate that, from an evolutionary perspective, until present day this kind of analysis realised in Spain does not exist in the scope of Economic History. That's why the project raises an added value more: the beginning of a new line of investigation in our country, that centers itself in an essential way in the intervention of the regional economic processes, without eluding comparative analysis of international character.

**Referència:** PRIB2004-10095. Conselleria d'Economia, Hisenda i Innovació.

**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Modelització a partir de dades d'alta freqüència, de la relació entre el Turisme i algunes variables mediambientals i econòmiques.*

**Centre:** Departament d'Economia Aplicada. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigador responsable:** SANSÓ ROSSELLÓ, Andreu.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Aplicada).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** PRIB2004-10142. Conselleria d'Economia, Hisenda i Innovació.

**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Competitividad de regiones turísticas, restricciones medioambientales y desarrollo sostenible. El caso de Baleares.*

**Centre:** Departament d'Economia Aplicada. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigador responsable:** REY-MAQUIEIRA PALMER, Javier.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Aplicada).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2007.

## **DEPARTAMENT D'ECONOMIA DE L'EMPRESA**

**Referència:** BEC2001-2552-C03-03. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Estructura organizativa y gobierno de la empresa española.*

**Classificació UNESCO:** 531103.

**Centre:** Departament d'Economia de l'Empresa. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigador responsable:** CRESPI CLADERA, Rafel.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Organització d'Empreses).

**Inici:** 2001.      **Fi:** 2004.

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Solà Belda, Carles	TU	1
Pascual Fuster, Bartomeu	TU	1
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Deyà Tortella, Bartomeu	TEU	1
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Rivas Yarza, Pedro Antonio	TEU	1
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 12.

*Keywords:* organizational design, property issues, financing, corporate governance, competitiveness.

### **Summary**

This research programme focuses on the study on the study of Spanish enterprises and it deals, from a microeconomic perspective, with different organizational factors that might favor their competitiveness. We combine empirical analysis with theoretical models already contrasted in economic analysis. The efficiency and competitiveness of our enterprises are conditioned, among other factors, by the organizational solutions which the enterprises themselves adopt for their internal configuration, the legal norms in use where the enterprises carry out their activity and, specially, the regulations related to the financial and labour markets. This complexity has been in the past the main reason for developing various lines of complementary research in these fields, which we intend to continue in this project and extend to the analysis of some related topics. Specifically, we propose to continue the analysis in depth of the consequences that different financial and corporate governance structures have on firm's efficiency, human resource management or the protection that legal norms offer to the creditors. Furthermore, we pretend to extend our analysis to include also topics such as the organization of R&D activities, or the implementation of organizational changes that allow the enterprise to better adapt to the important technological changes it has to face nowadays.

**Referència:** SEJ2004-07530/ECON. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de ciències socials, econòmiques i jurídiques.

**Título:** *Gobierno de la empresa: estructura de incentivos y eficiencia de mercados.*

**Acrònim:** GEEIEM.

**Centre:** Departament d'Economia de l'Empresa. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigador responsable:** CRESPI CLADERA, Rafel.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Financera i Comptabilitat).

**Inici:** 2004. **Fi:** 2007.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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Calveras Maristany, Aleix	TU	1
Deyà Tortella, Bartomeu	TU	1
Lozano Arnica, Gonzalo	TU	1
Massot Perelló, M. Magdalena	TU	1
Munar Muntaner, Esperança	CEU	1
Orfila Sintes, Francesca M.	Aj. EU	1
Pascual Fuster, Bartomeu	TU	1
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## **EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant: 11.**

## Summary

This research programme gathers an important number of researchers interested in the study and development of the competitiveness of Spanish enterprises, combining empirical analysis with a microeconomic perspective, and the application of theoretical models verified in the economic analysis. A considerable number of the researchers in the group has already an extensive experience in the research of different factors that determine the efficiency and competitiveness of the firm. Special emphasis has been given to the organisational solution the firm adopts for its internal structure (ownership structure, the role of boards, management of human resources, organisational and technological changes, R&D activities...) and also to the legal framework relevant to financial and labour issues (on one hand the relations with banks and on the other the influence of bankruptcy and company law). In the past, because of the complexity of the analysis the group has developed different complementary research lines, which this project plans to continue and extend, incorporating other related topics. In particular, we propose to deep further on the consequences that different financial and governance structures have on the efficiency of the firm, on the management of human resources and its relations to technological change and on protection given to creditors.

This project also pretends to extend the research to new areas like the analysis of growth and development facing family businesses, the role of non-profit organisations competing with listed companies, and the effects that multiple goals have on good governance. However, the main effort will be on studying in depth, both from a theoretical and an empirical point of

view, the principal interactions between the different factors already mentioned and their impact on the capacity of the firm to adapt to important technological changes and on the efficiency and competitiveness. In order to achieve this goal a new data set will be created with information from one thousand Spanish firms, that will be collected through personal interviews in the company.

## **Participació a altres projectes**

**Referència:** SEC2003-04438/ECO. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** *Sistemas contables de costes completos. Integración de costes medioambientales en los informes anuales de las empresas (InCoMIAE).*

**Investigador responsable:** LARRINAGA GONZÁLEZ, Carlos.

**Centro:** Universitat de Burgos.

**Investigador de la UIB:** Llull Gilet, Antoni.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Financera i Comptabilitat).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2006.

**DEPARTAMENT DE FILOLOGIA CATALANA I  
LINGÜÍSTICA GENERAL**

**Referència:** BFF2001-0362. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Análisis y edición del Bolletí del Diccionari de la Llengua Catalana (1901-1936)*.

**Acrònim:** BDLC.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 570503.

**Centre:** Departament de Filologia Catalana i Lingüística General. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** DOLS SALAS, Nicolau.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Filologia Catalana).

**Inici:** 2001.

**Fi:** 2004.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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*Keywords:* linguistics, lexicography, romance languages.

### **Summary**

First initiated by Antoni M. Alcover in 1901, the *Bolletí del Diccionari de la Llengua Catalana* was envisaged to circulate ideas between the editor and fieldworkers. The dictionary, finally published in 1962 as *Diccionari Català-Valencià-Balear* collected both vocabulary and aspects of folk culture from all over Catalan-speaking areas. Forms, meanings, sources, etymologies, pronunciation, sayings, dialects and cultural information intending to complete general understanding of words are included in this work. For its length (10 volumes with 9737 pages), conception and quality this dictionary is well known as one of the most outstanding works in romance lexicography. The *Bolletí del Diccionari de la Llengua Catalana* is especially interesting on two different grounds: (i) the information it provides on data collection and selection, and (ii) for the large amount of information it supplies on major trends in early century linguistics, mainly because of articles included for fieldworkers training and for theoretical discussion it can be worth taking into accounts that this first spanish journal on philology conveys a good number of contributions signed by foreign philologists like Bernard Schädel, Jean Joseph Saroïhandy, Wilhelm Meyer-Lübke, Alfred Morel-Fatio, among others. It is in this project to investigate methodological issues that led to the production of the *Diccionari Català-Valencià-Balear*, among with its theoretical foundations through a thorough analysis of the *Bolletí del Diccionari de la Llengua Catalana*. The aims and methodology that we propose below are expected to implement resources for the investigation of individuals involved either in fieldwork related to or the edition of the dictionary, as well as to increase knowledge of its sources (both archives and literary sources investigated during fieldwork). Another benefit of this project will be a critical edition of theoretical articles appeared in the journal under investigation. An important advantage point for researchers in this project is the fact that the Alcover-Moll legacy (including the whole of dictionary files and the correspondence generated by the *Bollettí*) has recently been placed in their university.

**DEPARTAMENT DE FILOLOGIA ESPANYOLA, MODERNA I  
LLATINA**

**Referència:** BFF2003-06288. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Estudio de la oratoria del padre Jerónimo de Florencia (1565-1633) y edición crítica de sus sermones y oraciones fúnebres.*

**Acrònim:** ESOJEFLOREDCRISER.

**Centre:** Departament de Filologia Espanyola, Moderna i Llatina. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** GARAU AMENGUAL, Jaume.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Literatura Espanyola).

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2006.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.

### Summary

The objective of this project is to undertake a study, cataloguing and critical edition of the previously unstudied sermons and funeral prayers of the Court preacher Jerónimo de Florencia (1565-1633). An important portion of this study will be dedicated to the analysis of the sermons found in Marial (1625), in panegyric sermons such as that delivered on the occasion of the beatification of Teresa de Jesús (1615) or his justly famous funeral prayers dedicated to García de Loaisa, Archbishop of Toledo (1599), to Queen María de Austria (1603), to Queen Margarita de Austria (1611), to King Felipe III (1621), to the Count of Lemos (1622) and to the Duke of Monteleón (1622). With the study of this singular and important body of work, i attempt to contribute to our understanding of sacred oratory during the reign of Felipe IV, from the perspective of a preacher very close to the seat of power.

**Referència:** BFF2001-0916. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Los textos como fuente de información pragmática: estudio de la gestualidad en la antigüedad romana.*

**Acrònim:** TFIPEGAR.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 5705.

**Centre:** Departament de Filologia Espanyola, Llatina i Moderna. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigadora responsable:** FORNÉS PALLICER, M. Antònia.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Filologia Llatina).

**Inici:** 2001.      **Fi:** 2004.

Membres de l'equip	Categoria	Dedicació (EDP)
Fornés Pallicer, M. Antònia	TU	0.5
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### Investigadors d'altres entitats

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 1.

*Keywords:* linguistics, latin, pragmatics, gesture.

### Summary

This project deals with pragmatic positioning and, specifically, with gesture. It intends to analyze as completely as possible, gesture in the Roman world. This research aims to establish a corpus when includes the descriptive literary and the iconographic fields, which are well differentiated. Taking these data as starting point, it will be possible to reveal the existence of gesture, to define it and to classify it.

**Referència:** BFF2003-04415. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Edición de materiales para el análisis de la autorrepresentación de la mujer en la poesía española (1939-1959).*

**Acrònim:** EMAPAUMU.

**Centre:** Departament de Filologia Espanyola, Moderna i Llatina. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigadora responsable:** PAYERAS GRAU, Maria.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Literatura Espanyola).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Payeras Grau, Maria	TU	0.5
Díaz de Castro, Francisco J.	CU	0.5
del Olmo Iturriarte, Almudena	TU	0.5

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 1.5.

#### **Summary**

The project consists of the search, selection, digitalization and edition of poems that affect the self-representation of woman published by authors who occurred to know and developed a significant part of their literary production throughout the period between 1939 and 1959, in order to make a rise of textual corpus corresponding and to allow the later analysis from any possible approach.

**Referència:** HUM2004-05036/FILO. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional d'humanitats.

**Títol:** *Corpus digitalizado de textos bíblicos en español antiguo.*

**Acrònim:** CORBA.

**Centre:** Departament de Fiolologia Espanyola, Moderna i Llatina. Edifici Ramon Lull.

**Investigador responsable:** ENRIQUE ARIAS, Andrés.

**Categoría:** TU int. (àrea de coneixement: Llengua Espanyola).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2007.

<b>Membres de l'equip</b>	<b>Categoría</b>	<b>Dedicació (EDP)</b>
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 2.

**Summary**

The objective of this project is recovering, preserving and disseminating a unique aspect of Spain's cultural heritage-its rich tradition of biblical translation-for interdisciplinary use by creating a corpus of biblical texts transcribed in a scientific and rigorous fashion so it can be also usable as a tool for linguistic and philological research. With these objectives in mind we will a) establish with accuracy the totality of the Old Spanish biblical texts transcribing with sound philological methodology unpublished texts and revising the existing transcriptions b) make available for scholars on Spanish historical linguistics a corpus of texts transcribed with reliable philological criteria and presented in a consistent form c) create an easily accessible computer application in the internet to make these digital texts available to scholars and the general public alike along with their Hebrew and Latin sources.

**Referència:** BFF2003-02586. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Edición de poéticas y de materiales para el estudio de la recepción de la poesía española entre 1939 y 2000.*

**Acrònim:** EPYMERPE.

**Centre:** Departament de Filologia Espanyola, Moderna i Llatina. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** DÍAZ DE CASTRO, Francisco J.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Literatura Espanyola).

**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2006.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Díaz de Castro, Francisco J.	CU	0.5
del Olmo Iturriarte, Almudena	TU	0.5
Payeras Grau, María	TU	0.5

#### **Investigadors d'altres entitats**

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Lanz Rivera, Juan José	Universitat del País Basc
Celma Valero, María del Pilar	Universitat de Valladolid
Iravedra Valea, Araceli	Universitat de Granada

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 1.5.

## Participacions a altres projectes

**Referència:** BFF2001-1593. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** *Principales aspectos de la entonación del discurso en español. Estudio experimental de las unidades prosódicas del discurso y sus funciones.*

**Investigadora responsable:** ELORDIETA ALCIBAR, Gorka.

**Centro:** Universitat del País Basc.

**Investigadora de la UIB:** Romera Ciria, Maria Magdalena.

**Categoría:** Aj. U (àrea de coneixement: Llengua Espanyola).

**EDP:** 1.

**Inici:** 2001.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** BFF2001-2988. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** *Creación de una base de datos de combinaciones léxicas en el inglés científico.*

**Investigadora responsable:** VERDAGUER CLAVERA, Isabel.

**Centro:** Universitat de Barcelona.

**Investigadora de la UIB:** Juan Garau, Maria.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Filologia Anglesa).

**EDP:** 0.5.

**Inici:** 2001.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** BFF2001-0820. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** *Los efectos de la movilidad (estancia en el país de lengua meta) en la competencia oral y escrita de los estudiantes de inglés universitarios: la variación en la adquisición y en el aprendizaje de la lengua inglesa a niveles avanzados.*

**Investigadora responsable:** TURELL JULIÀ, M. Teresa.

**Centro:** Universitat Pompeu Fabra.

**Investigadora de la UIB:** Juan Garau, Maria.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Filologia Anglesa).

**EDP:** 0.5.

**Inici:** 2001.            **Fi:** 2004.

## **DEPARTAMENT DE FILOSOFIA I TREBALL SOCIAL**

**Referència:** BFF2001-0377. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Ciencia reguladora y riesgos tecnológicos.*

**Acrònim:** CRRT.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 720599, 720703.

**Centre:** Departament de Filosofia i Treball Social. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** LUJÁN LÓPEZ, José Luis.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Lògica i Filosofia de la Ciència).

**Inici:** 2001. **Fi:** 2004.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 1.

*Keywords:* regulatory science, technological risks, uncertainty, methodology.

### **Summary**

This research project deals with a particular kind of scientific activity: regulatory science. In fact, the regulatory science that studies technological risks and is the knowledge ground for the public policies that regulate technological applications. The objectives of the project are the following ones:

1. to study regulatory science in opposition to research science, and in what measure the objectives of regulatory science influence this kind of scientific activity.
2. to study the conflicts among different values in regulatory science, e. g., epistemic values and values related to the protection of environment and of public health.
3. to analyze the different strategies that in fact scientists use to save the uncertainty in their recommendations to public decision makers.

The research project will be developed in three phases: general analysis of regulatory science; two case studies (health technology assessment and Genetically Modified Organisms risk-analysis), both in Spain; and a comparative analysis (with studies on regulatory science carried out in other countries).

**Referència:** BFF2002-04454-C10-02. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Uso del vocabulario genético y reduccionismo.*

**Acrònim:** USOGEN.

**Centre:** Departament de Filosofia i Treball Social. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigadora responsable:** AMBROGI ÀLVAREZ, Adelaida.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Lògica i Filosofia de la Ciència).

**Inici:** 2002. **Fi:** 2005.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Ambrogi Àlvarez, Adelaida	TU	0.5
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#### **Investigadors d'altres entitats**

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#### **Summary**

The aim of the present project is the study of the use of genetic vocabulary. We will center our study on the field of genetics of human diseases, and the focus will be the impact of the use of this vocabulary in the proper receptivity and understanding of the advances of human genetics. Starting from the acknowledgement that human genetic is a field of research with high priority, yet also of high social sensibility, we will try to identify critical issues associated to the use of key genetic concepts, in the technical literature, as well as in the print mass media.

**Referència:** BSO2003-06904-C03-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Identificación por MEG de patrones espaciales y temporales de activación de áreas cerebrales en la percepción visual compleja: hacia un modelo de la percepción estética. Aspectos evolutivos.*

**Acrònim:** IMPACT.

**Centre:** Departament de Filosofia i Treball Social. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** CELA CONDE, Camilo José.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Filosofia Moral).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Cela Conde, Camilo José	CU	0.5
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Riutort Serra, Bernat	TU	0.5
Valdivielso Navarro, Joaquim	Aj. EU	0.5

### Investigadors d'altres entitats

Castro Nogueira, Laureano	UNED
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 2.

### Summary

Differences in the pattern of activation of brain areas when performing cognitive tasks of complex visual perception will be identified. Those tasks will be activated by stimuli qualified by participants as either aesthetic or not-aesthetic. The project is a continuation of a previous one that established what an ‘aesthetic stimulus’ is, grounding it on the preferences shown by participants. Several essays of localisation were carried out. A pilot-study in just one participant, by means of magnetoencephalography, pointed out that the main difference in activation patterns refers to the appearance of a mesocortical path. This path was present in the stimuli qualified as ‘aesthetic’, and it was absent in those qualified as ‘non-aesthetic’. This project tries to confirm firstly the characteristics of such mesocortical path in a significant number of participants, as well as their evolutionary import. After, the project implies to perform factorial analyses introducing variables such as gender and previous training in either Art or History of Art. Finally, an evolutionary model of aesthetic perception and its brain correlates would be reached.

**Referència:** BFF2003-08156. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Antecedentes hispanos del método de la Janua Linguarum de Comenio.*

**Acrònim:** AMEJALINCOM.

**Centre:** Departament de Filosofia i Treball Social. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** TORRES MARÍ, Francesc.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Filosofia).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Torres Marí, Francesc	TU	1
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#### **Investigadors d'altres entitats**

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 1.5.

#### **Summary**

The aim is to investigate the sources of Comenius' *Janua Linguarum*, mainly the influence of the *Janua salmantina* and the connection between the reform of language and the social reform. We will study the influence of the utopian lulistic literature in the Renaissance and Barroc on the *Janua Linguarum*.

**Referència:** HUM2004-02295/FISO. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional d'humanitats.

**Títol:** *Ruptura de la tradición. Nihilismo y transformación del tiempo y de la memoria en la formación de la conciencia actual.*

**Acrònim:** RDLT.

**Centre:** Departament de Filosofia i Treball Social. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** AMENGUAL COLL, Gabriel.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Filosofia).

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2007.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Amengual Coll, Gabriel	CU	0.5
Vermal Beretta, Juan Luis	TU	0.5
Cabot Ramis, Mateu	TEU	1
Pascual Sastre, Sebastià M.	TEU	1

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.

### **Summary**

The project's objective is to shed light on the profound change in the formation of the conscience of our time resulting from the radical modification of its relation with tradition. The rupture of tradition occurs throughout the second modernity and becomes a foundational element of the conscience of our time that is apparent in its characterizations with adjectives preceded by post- or with expressions beginning with "end of" or "death of." "Rupture of Tradition" is thus meant to convey that tradition is not in effect, does not direct or orient, and is not transmitted.

This phenomenon is best expressed in nihilism and in W. Benjamin. In F. Nietzsche (1844-1900), nihilism takes the form of a breach of history which starts with Plato and the search for a new beginning with a return to the pre-Socratic origins of philosophy. M. Heidegger (1889-1976) revisits Nietzsche's nihilism in search of its essence with the objective of overcoming it. The work of W. Benjamin (1892-1940) clearly exposes a crisis of historic conscience, both by referring to the breach and the search for a new access to it, and by its new understanding of aesthetics and culture.

We intend, in studying these authors, to compare their analyses and to identify contact points in their approaches and their proposals: for instance, their focus on decisive issues of our conscience, such as the creation of identity and the foundation of values, the relation with the past, their criticism of historicism, hermeneutics and narrative, their concept of the future, etc.

**Referència:** SEJ2004-04197/CPOL. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de ciències socials, econòmiques i jurídiques.

**Títol:** *Globalización, legitimidad democrática y sostenibilidad: crisis del estado del bienestar, cambios en la sociedad del trabajo y consecuencias de la modernidad..*

**Acrònim:** GLDS.

**Centre:** Departament de Filosofia i Treball Social. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** RIUTORT SERRA, Bernat.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Filosofia moral).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2007.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Riutort Serra, Bernat	TU	1
Miquel Novajra, Alexandre	TU	0.5
Carbonero Gamundí, M. Antònia	TU	0.5
Valdivielso Navarro, Joaquim	Aj. EU	0.5

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 2.5.

### **Summary**

The GLDS proposal seeks to develop and address the categories since which precedent projects have driven the research: justice, social change, constraints of Welfare State and sustainability in advanced societies. In this new stage of the research we consider the problems generated by changes in *politics* and *policy* to democratic legitimization in the age of globalisation: global environmental change, the consequences of last modernity, mutation in labour society and welfare regimes, limitations of social citizenship, and deficits in economic and social scope of State faced to social and environmental sustainability challenges. The GLDS proposal keeps on the characteristic approach of the research team. On one hand, it combines the philosophical, epistemological and counter-factual dimensions with some conceptual contribution from social sciences -mainly sociology, anthropology, political science and economy. On the other, such theoretical analysis are applied to the specific reality of Balearic and Spanish societies as well similar issues posed by European integration and by current social and political restructuration in Ibero-American countries.

**Referència:** PRIB2004-10057. Conselleria d'Economia, Hisenda i Innovació.

**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Proyecto de localización de los orígenes de la cultura material en el Mioceno Superior africano.*

**Centre:** Departament de Filosofia i Treball Social. Edifici Ramon Llull.

**Investigador responsable:** CELA CONDE, Camilo José.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Filosofia Moral).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2006.

## **DEPARTAMENT DE FÍSICA**

**Referència:** BFM2002-03241. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Dinámica de nanoestructuras electrónicas y comunicación cuántica.*

**Acrònim:** DINECC.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigadora responsable:** CASAS AMETLLER, Montserrat.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física Atòmica, Molecular i Nuclear).

**Inici:** 2002. **Fi:** 2005.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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García, Martín Ezequiel	Investigador	1
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Garcias Gomila, Francesca	TU	1
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Valín Rodríguez, Manuel	B	1

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 8.

### **Summary**

The main purpose of this project is the study of dynamical processes in electronic nanostructures, their possible use to obtain quantum entangled states, the characterisation of the latter and their application in quantum communication. In particular we are interested in the following items:

- a. Electronic nanostructures: a1) Isolated quantum dots: spin-orbit interaction effects. Quantum entangled states. Dissociation of quantum artificial molecules. Laser induced ultrafast phase transitions. a2) Open systems in 1, 2 and 3 dimensions. Conductance properties. Propagation of excited states in quantum dot chains. Coherent control of wave packet propagation.
- b. Quantum entangled states: Mixedness and separability. Entanglement evolution and decoherence time.
- c. Bose-Einstein condensation (BEC): c1) Superconductivity as a BEC of particles and holes in exotic materials. Critical temperatures. C2) Dynamics of condensates of atoms.

**Referència:** MAT2002-00319. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programes nacionals d'I+D orientada.

**Títol:** *Desarrollo y caracterización de aleaciones con memoria de forma ferromagnéticas.*

**Acrònim:** ALMEMFER.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** CESARI ALIBERCH, Eduard.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física Aplicada).

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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### Investigadors d'altres entitats

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.5.

### Summary

Ferromagnetic shape memory alloys can show, in addition to the conventional functional properties arising from the thermoelastic martensitic transformation that they undergo, the so-called Magnetic Memory Effect (MME), consisting of the occurrence of deformation (up to 5% in alloys close to Ni<sub>2</sub>MnGa) under the action of magnetic field. The basic objectives of the project are to gain knowledge on the thermal stability of Ni-Mn-Ga and Co-Ni-Ga (close to Co<sub>2</sub>NiGa) alloys, to quantify the MME and to clarify the mechanisms responsible for it. The proposal is structured around two main activities: (1) Study of the thermal stability of the alloys, both in parent phase and in martensitic phase; these aspects are basic to the practical use of the alloys, but nevertheless unknown. Particular attention will be paid to the effects of precipitation at moderate temperatures (200-300°C) and the stabilisation of martensite, as well as to the relationship of both effects with the MME. (2) Study of the MME: quantification of the strain produced by a magnetic field as a function of the martensite structures; this aspect will be studied in single and polycrystalline specimens (including melt-spun ribbons). Moreover, to clarify the relationship between the MME and the reorientation of martensite variants and the stress induced martensitic transformation, the following issues will be analysed: (a) the critical stresses needed to reorientate the martensite variants under load; (b) the characteristic stresses and strains involved in the stress induced transformation; (c) the strain-temperature cycles obtained under constant load (thermomechanical cycling), which allow to characterise the shape memory effect besides of giving complementary information on the formation of preferential martensite variants (issues (b) and (c)). Quantitative knowledge on the generation of martensite variants and their mobility is essential to the discussion and validation of the models for the MME.

**Referència:** REN2002-03482/CLI. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programes nacionals d'I+D orientada.

**Títol:** *Estudio de la estructura y previsibilidad de los ciclones mediterráneos que producen situaciones de tiempo peligroso: aportación de Illes Balears al proyecto Medex de la OMM.*

**Acrònim:** MEDEXIB.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** RAMIS NOGUERA, Climent.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Terra).

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2005.

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Alonso Oroza, Sergio	CU	0.5
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.5.

### Summary

Recent studies have evidenced that, in the Mediterranean, there is a possible relation between hazardous weather phenomena (mainly heavy rain and strong winds) and cyclones. Such cyclonic disturbances would influence directly or indirectly on the development of the hazardous event. The aforementioned evidence favoured that, from an international front, a research program called MEDEX was presented to the WMO. The main objective of the MEDEX project is the study of the structure and predictability of the cyclones that produce hazardous weather which have high social impact. The SSC of the WWRP accepted the proposal highlighting its scientific and practical interest by the end of 2000. However, it is well known that the WMO does not provide economical support. The project we present, MEDEXIB, represents the contribution to the MEDEX from researchers located in the Balearic Islands. Although the objectives of the MEDEX are general for the Mediterranean area, the MEDEXIB will concentrate the attention on the western Mediterranean. The main objectives are: a) to produce a dynamical climatology of the cyclones in the Mediterranean in order to know its 3D structure and relate that climatology with the hazardous weather events, b) the study of the physical and dynamical factors that determine the formation, development and evolution of the cyclones that produce hazards, c) analyse the possibility to improve the skill of numerical forecasts by optimising physical parameterisations or improving initial conditions in the models. The benefits of the project are evident: improving the prediction of the cyclones that produce hazardous weather will consequently improve the prediction of the event itself and, then, the optimisation of the warnings to the population as well as to civil defence services and marine safety. For MEDEX information visit: <http://www.inm.es/MEDEX>.

**Referència:** BFM2001-0988. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Radiació gravitacional en sistemes relativistes axialment simètrics. Un estudi analítico-numerico.*

**Acrònim:** GRASS.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 221205.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** CAROT GINER, Jaume Jesús.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física Teòrica).

**Inici:** 2001.      **Fi:** 2004.

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*Keywords:* general relativity, gravitational radiation, axial symmetry.

### Summary

Within the framework of the theory of General Relativity, we propose to carry out a rigorous and thorough study of axially symmetric spacetimes (regular and singular cases); with special attention to the production, propagation and detection of gravitational radiation: wave pattern elucidation and theoretical studies on the detectability of those wave patterns by means of the interfometric detectors currently under construction. Also, we intend to develop numerical codes adapted to the particular geometry of the above systems, with an emphasis on the introduction of coordinates with a precise geometrical meaning which allow for an adequate treatment of the numerical divergences occurring in a neighbourhood of the axis, and such that allow to carry out simulations in situations of physical interest.

**Referència:** REN2002-00486/CLI. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programes nacionals d'I+D orientada.

**Títol:** *Estudio y parametrización de los intercambios de calor, humedad y momento en la capa estable.*

**Acrònim:** INTERCLE.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** CUXART RODAMILANS, Joan.

**Categoría:** INVESTIGADOR CONTRACTAT.

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2005.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 1.5.

### Summary

Under conditions of clear skies and weak winds, the dynamics of the Atmospheric Boundary Layer (ABL) are complex. The stable stratification favours a special phenomenology of coherent structures, partly determined by the physiography of the area of study and its surroundings. We can mention the presence of Internal Gravity Waves, Gravity currents (katabatic flows) and low-level jets. These phenomena perform transport by themselves and there is turbulent transport related to their instabilities, mainly of sporadic or intermittent character. Recent experimental studies indicate that an important part of the total exchange of matter and energy between the surface and the free atmosphere under very stable stratification is performed by coherent structures as mentioned.

This project intends to evaluate the effects of these structures through the study of the available data out of recent experimental campaigns (SABLES-98, CASES-99, data from the continuous CIBA database) and also by means of explicit simulation, using Large-Eddy Simulation models (LES). The validity of available parameterisations arises from the application of the similarity theory for the Stable ABL will be checked, and new proposals will be searched that account with the effects of the coherent structures mentioned above. LES will be used as a numerical laboratory to study idealised isolated phenomena and the turbulence associated to them. All the terms of the complete second-order turbulence equations will be explicitly computed. Any finding leading to modifications in the current available parameterisations will be tested in the frame of a ABL 1D-model, in order to elaborate new proposals for implementations in mesoscale, NWP or climate models. The current parameterisations do not explicitly account for any contribution of these phenomena. An immediate practical application will be the introduction of any finding in a operational 1D-model for fog forecasting of the Spanish Meteorological Institute.

**Referència:** TIC2002-01238. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Test multiparamétrico de circuitos microelectrónicos digitales y mixtos de altas prestaciones.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** SEGURA FUSTER, Jaume Agapit.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Tecnologia Electrònica).

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.

### Summary

Scaling advanced CMOS technology to the next generations improves performance, increases transistor density, and reduces power consumption. As a result of a constant device and interconnect scaling, current CMOS technology processes are in the 100nm range, and are referred to as nanometer technologies. One of the drawbacks of technology scaling is related to process parameter fluctuations. Parameter fluctuations in nanometer technologies come from poor control in critical dimensions and doping profiles, impacting geometric and electrical parameter distribution as the MOSFET transistor voltage ( $V_t$ ), the off-state current ( $I_{off}$ ), and the saturation current ( $I_{Dsat}$ ). Recent studies point that parameter fluctuation will have a significant impact on IC test and verification effectiveness in nanometer technologies. The objective of this research project is to analyze the impact of parameter variation on the IC behavior, and to include this source of circuit malfunction into the test flow through specific compact fault models. The main goal of the research plan is to develop a new test technique based on correlating multiple parametric test observables to predict circuit integrity. This is required since parameter variations limit the effectiveness of single-parameter non-logic based test methods due to the difficulty to establish golden reference values. We will investigate the merits of a multi-parameter based test strategy that correlates a number of circuit parameters (delay, leakage current, active energy, temperature variation, etc.), to distinguish between faulty and fault-free circuits. The project is built on the basis of technology transfer to industry and incorporates tasks oriented to develop CAD modules and also specific circuit monitors to capture the parametric observables considered. The development of circuit monitors is of high importance since automatic test equipment (ATE) has limited compatibility with non-logic parameters, thus limiting the implementation of the proposed technique in production environments.

**Referència:** REN2003-09435. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Recursos naturals.

**Títol:** *Salidas de modelos de mesoscala a alta resolución: verificación y uso en cartografía climática.*

**Acrònim:** VERIMESO/CLI.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** CUXART RODAMILANS, Joan.

**Categoría:** INVESTIGADOR CONTRACTAT.

**Inici:** 2003.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.

### Summary

Meteorological case-studies through high-resolution mesoscale modeling is common today. Every simulation generates a large amount of numerical information, that is usually under-exploited, whereas the results are used in graphical mode and evaluated in a subjective manner.

However, to employ this quantitative information for other uses, it must be verified against observations. This is a difficult subject at high-resolution, since the model often has much larger resolution than the available observational net. The same problem is undertaken when dealing with two or more models that have to be intercompared. Each model should be verified individually and the comparison should be made through objective indexes. In this project, the outputs of two high-resolution non-hydrostatic mesoscale models (Meso-NH and MM5) will be used as test cases for several verification methods. The chosen cases will be for weak synoptic pressure gradients, when the parameterizations of turbulence and surface processes are extremely important. We will concentrate on the object-oriented verification methods through the use of the 2D wavelet transform to identify structures and estimate errors parameters depending on the scale. The verification will be made against instrumental observational data and also using high-resolution satellite information (starting from 1 km) for irrandance and derived fields.

On the other hand, the high-resolution numerical fields will be used as initial guesses in multiple regression models for the making of high-resolution regional climatic cartography, together with the standard low-resolution climatological information, in order to generate more detailed spatial information for a given climatological state. As better verified fields become available, new cartography will be generated.

**Referència:** TIC2003-01075. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Tecnologies de la informació i les comunicacions.

**Títol:** *Desarrollo de nuevas estrategias de test para circuitos integrados CMOS RF.*

**Acrònim:** DET-CIRF.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** GARCIA MORENO, Eugeni.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Tecnologia Electrònica).

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 6.

### Summary

Wireless communications, either replacing wired solutions or creating new applications, have suffered a great expansion during last years. This development has been possible thanks to the digital signal processing advances allowed by the CMOS VLSI technology, though the RF stage of the today's transceivers uses other technologies (SiGe BiCMOS, GaAs). Next transceivers generation devoted to low-performance and low cost applications, such as WLAN or Bluetooth, would be manufactured in CMOS. It means that RF building blocks like LNA, VCO, mixers, PLL, or power amplifiers will be designed in this technology. For these CMOS RF circuits it will be necessary to develop new test strategies.

Functional test of these circuits is expensive in terms of time and test equipment, so the main goal of our project is to explore the possibilities of adopting strategies for parametric and structural test based on monitoring the supply current. To achieve this aim we have to determine previously the correlation between electrical performances (functional test) and the test observable chosen, the supply current. Given the difficulties to characterize the electrical performances of these blocks by using off chip measurement techniques, a different approach based on including some monitor blocks inside the chip in order to simplify the task is proposed. Finally it will be necessary to implement current sensors with the appropriate

sensitivity to not damper the fault coverage without impacting the performances of the circuit under test.

**Referència:** AYA2003-00123. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Astronomia i astrofísica.

**Títol:** *Oscilaciones en estructuras magnéticas de la corona solar.*

**Acrònim:** OSOCO.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** BALLESTER MORTES, Josep Lluís.

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**Inici:** 2003.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.

### Summary

The research Project we propose belongs to the research area known as Seismology of the Solar Corona. The main aim of coronal seismology is to use the oscillations detected in coronal structures as a tool to perform a diagnostic of the physical conditions of those structures and, in general, of the solar corona. Then, if we are able to obtain a deep knowledge about the oscillatory properties of accurate theoretical models of coronal structures, we can compare our predictions with observations, to establish a feed-back allowing to reach a perfect agreement between theory and observations. The main goal of the Project is to increase our knowledge about the oscillations of coronal magnetic structures, such as coronal loops, magnetic arcades and prominences, and its interpretation in terms of magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) waves. The Project is composed of a theoretical part, whose aim is to continue the study of the MHD modes of oscillations of coronal structure models, an observational part, whose aim is to obtain data about the oscillations of solar prominences using THEMIS, the third part deals with the analysis of observational data, coming from the data archives of SOHO and TRACE, with techniques implemented within our research group, and the last part is computational, with the aim of developing an already existing numerical code, in order to be used in more complex theoretical studies. The main objectives of the research Project are: (1) Theoretical study of the MHD modes of oscillation of sheared coronal magnetic arcades; (2) Theoretical study of the spatial and temporal damping of oscillations produced by non adiabatic MHD waves; (3) Theoretical study of the MHD modes of oscillation of multifibril prominences structures; (4) Data analysis of coronal loop oscillations by means of Empirical Mode Decomposition (EMD) and Complex Empirical Orthogonal Function (CEOOF); (5) Analysis of observational data about prominence oscillations obtained with THEMIS telescope; (6) Development of an MHD numerical code suitable to study the MHD modes of oscillation of coronal magnetic structures.

**Referència:** FPA2004-03666. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de física.

## **Título:** Fuentes de ondas gravitacionales.

**Acrònim:** FOG.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** BONA GARCIA, Carles.

**Categoría:** CU (área de coneixement: Física Teòrica).

**Inici:** 2004. **Fi:** 2007.

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Stela Fiol, Joan	TU	0.5
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## **EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant: 3.**

## Summary

We propose to develop a cross-disciplinary project, 'Sources of Gravitational Waves', aimed at developing an understanding of some of the most exotic phenomena believed to exist in the Universe: Black Holes, Neutron stars and Gravitational Waves.

Anticipated for over 30 years, a number of European (GEO600, VIRGO) American (LIGO) and Japanese (TAMA) Gravitational Waves Observatories are now for the first time taking data. This implies an extreme urgency for the scientific community to both study realistic sources of Gravitational Waves and predict the signals they will produce on the detectors. The project will address this priority issues

- By incorporating the most recent theoretical developments (constraint control, closeup boundary conditions, etc) in order to allow realistic simulations within the resolution and computer power limitations of present day computers.
  - By integrating in the team data analysis experts who are working to design algorithms based on such simulations.
  - By providing our group expertise and proven ability in training young researchers in this emergent field.

**Referència:** PRIB2004-10145. Conselleria d'Economia, Hisenda i Innovació.

**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Aplicación de nuevas tecnologías de computación numérica en paralelo a la resolución de problemas astrofísicos.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** OLIVER HERRERO, Ramón.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Astronomia i Astrofísica).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2007.

**Referència:** PRIB2004-9765. Conselleria d'Economia, Hisenda i Innovació.

**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Transportes y estados entrelazados en nanoestructuras.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** SERRA CRESPI, Llorenç.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física Atòmica, Molecular i Nuclear).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2007.

## **DEPARTAMENT D'INFERMERIA I FISIOTERÀPIA**

**Referència:** PI02-0925. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Títol:** *Cuidadores informales de salud del ámbito domiciliario: percepciones y estrategias de cuidado ligadas al género y a la generación.*

**Centre:** Departament d'Infermeria i Fisioteràpia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** BOVER BOVER, Andreu.

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**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2005.

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### **Summary**

The informal care giving that takes place in homes is very relevant from a quantitative and qualitative perspective for the population health maintenance and protection. Current socio-demographic and health care changes have generated an increase in the number of dependent people who require home care and a diminished availability of informal care givers. In a short or medium term, this situation can lead into a care provision crisis which would collapse the current health care system model. The main factors influencing the role of informal caregivers are gender and generation. Hence, an in-depth exploration about how these variables impact on informal care giving is needed to plan healthy public policies. These policies should establish a material and human resource network necessary to keep informal care giving as a source of health for our population. The objective of this study is to understand how informal care givers' gender and generation affect specific care strategies and the perceptions of the impact that such activity has over their personal and family well-being. The research design is qualitative. The participants are women and men who are family care givers in Mallorca island (n=66). The data collection will be done through individual interviews and focus groups, which will vary according to participants' gender and generation. The content of the interviews and focus groups will be transcribed and analysed with the software NUD.IST. The analysis rigour will be assured by triangulation of sources and methods.

**Referència:** Conselleria de Salut i Consum del Govern de les Illes Balears.

**Títol:** *Estudi del tabaquisme passiu en la Universitat de les Illes Balears.*

**Centre:** Departament d’Infermeria i Fisioteràpia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** PERICÀS BELTRAN, Jordi.

**Categoría:** CEU (àrea de coneixement: Infermeria).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2004.

## **Participacions a altres projectes**

**Referència:** PI040612. Xarxes Temàtiques d'Investigació Cooperativa. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Títol:** *Identificación y valoración de los registros de enfermería para población igual o mayor de 65 años en Atención Primaria y Sociosanitaria, en relación con las caídas, incontinencia urinaria y lesiones por presión.*

**Investigador responsable:** FUENTELSAZ GALLEGOS, Carmen.

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**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2007.

## **DEPARTAMENT DE PSICOLOGIA**

**Referència:** BSO2002-03807. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *El tratamiento del miedo a volar y la teoría de los sistemas dinámicos: hacia una mejor comprensión del cambio terapéutico.*

**Acrònim:** CAFFT3.

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** BORNAS AGUSTÍ, F. Xavier.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Personalitat, Avaluació i Tractament Psicològics).

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2005.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 2.5.

### Summary

We continue with this project the research line on fear of flying that we started six years ago and whose most important result is the computer-assisted exposure treatment, CAFFT – Computer Assisted Fear of Flying Treatment. The main novelty is that we incorporate some concepts and methods from the Dinamical Systems Theory, with the aim of improving our knowledge on three essential aspects related to fear of flying which still remain obscure: a) the dynamic characteristics of brain activity and heart rate of patients with fear of flying, b) the evolution of the system/patient along the treatment, that is, the process of therapeutic change, and c) the prediction of treatment outcome, starting from the knowledge of the system dynamics and, more specifically from his degree of chaoticity/flexibility. To achieve these goals we would perform a series of experimental studies with phobic patients. It is to note that, besides traditional analysis, the obtained data will be analysed through non-linear techniques, which are specially addressed to better understand dynamic systems. This knowledge could redound to an improved efficacy and usefulness of the CAFFT program and other treatments for this problem.

**Projecte:** BSO2001-0369. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Redes neuronales artificiales aplicadas al análisis transversal y longitudinal en el campo de las conductas adictivas.*

**Acrònim:** RNA-CA.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 006106.

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** PALMER POL, Alfons Lluís.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Metodologia de les Ciències del Comportament).

**Inici:** 2001.            **Fi:** 2004.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.

### **Summary**

The aim of this research is to apply Artificial Neural Networks (ANN) in the field of the addictive behaviors. Two different approaches will be applied: traverse and longitudinal. ANN is an information processing system based on biological neural networks. Parallel, distributed and adaptative systems characterize ANN. Traverse approach tries to identify bio-psychosocial risk factors associated with european young people drug use. Longitudinal approach tries to indentify bio-psychosocial risk factors associated whit drug addict relapse under treatment.

**Referència:** BSO2001-0693. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Evaluación psicofisiológica de la sensibilización central en el dolor crónico y su influencia sobre el procesamiento emocional y cognitivo.*

**Acrònim:** DOLOBRAIN.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 610601.

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** MONTOYA JIMÉNEZ, Pedro.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Psicobiología).

**Inici:** 2001.      **Fi:** 2004.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.

**Keywords:** somatosensory and visual evoked-potentials, hyperalgesia, stress, Wisconsin sorting card test, pain memory, emotions.

### Summary

The research project aims to examine how can affect the central sensitization, characteristic of chronic pain states, on the cognitive processing and its cerebral correlates. Basically, it will analyze the brain electrical activity in patients with fibromyalgia, rheumatoid arthritis and healthy volunteers during three experimental tasks: non nociceptive somatosensory information processing, Wisconsin sorting card test, and encoding/retrieval of pain-related information. Standardized protocols will be used for psychophysiological evaluation of somatosensory perception, voluntary attention, and pain memory, based on parameters of brain electric activity (evoked potentials and localization of brain electric source generators). In addition of establishing differences between chronic pain patients and healthy subjects on cognitive performance and brain functioning, the modulating role of continuous non-nociceptive somatosensory stimulation and stress on cognitive functioning of chronic pain patients will be also assessed.

**Referència:** SEJ2004-01332/PSIC. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de ciències socials, econòmiques i jurídiques.

**Títol:** *Evaluación del procesamiento de la información en el dolor crónico con resonancia magnética funcional.*

**Acrònim:** PAINBRAIN.

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Beatriu de Pinós.

**Investigador responsable:** MONTOYA JIMÉNEZ, Pedro.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Psicobiologia).

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2007.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 2.

### **Summary**

This research proposal is a continuation of our line of work initiated with the project BSO2001-0693. The major aim of this research is to analyze the brain activity in chronic pain patients using functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI). The underlying hypothesis is that chronic pain is characterized by plastic changes in the nervous system. Our experimental design pursues to demonstrate the existence of abnormal pattern in the brain processing of somatic information in chronic pain patients. In addition, we are interested on the influence of cognitive and affective factors on brain plastic changes. Three patients groups with similar sociodemographic, but different clinical characteristics will be examined: fibromyalgia, complex regional pain syndrome and rheumatoid arthritis. Brain activity will be recorded during nociceptive and non-nociceptive stimulation using fMRI. In addition, psychological characteristics of pain, neuropsychological functioning and pain thresholds will be examined.

**Referència:** BSO2002-04483-C03-03. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Influencia del trabajo emocional en la satisfacción de los clientes y en el desempeño de los empleados: un estudio experimental y longitudinal.*

**Acrònim:** ITESCDE.

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigadora responsable:** MANASSERO MAS, M. Antònia.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Psicologia Social).

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2005.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Manassero Mas, M. Antònia	CU	1
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Ramis Palmer, M. Carme	As.	0.5
Garcia Buades, M. Esther	TEU int.	0.5

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 2.5.

### Summary

Jobs with elevated demands of personal interaction in dealing with clients require emotional work from employees. Emotional works affects employees as well as clients satisfaction. This subproject will specifically analyse the influence of emotional work in the performance of employees and the quality of service perceived by clients. The effects of "survey feedback" on emotional work and its relationships with other variables (employee performance and burnout, perceived service quality) will also be explored.

In order to achieve this, an experimental and longitudinal field study has been designed in which supervisors, contact employees and clients of these establishments will participate. The sample consists of 120 tourist establishments (60 hotels and 60 restaurants) of the Valencian Community and the Balearic Islands. The information will be collected at two different moments in time.

At Time of measurement 1 (T1) emotional work and its relationship with burnout and employee performance, as well as with perceived service quality and clients satisfaction will be evaluated in this subproject. Following this measurement, companies will be divided randomly in three groups: in the first group companies will not receive any type of information (group control), in the second group supervisors will receive a report with the quality evaluations made by clients, in the third group, supervisors and employees receive the report with the quality evaluations made by clients and, additionally, training on how to use this information to help improve the quality perceived by clients (survey feedback technique). Four months later, at Time of measurement 2 (T2), emotional work, employee performance and burnout as well as perceived quality by clients will be re-evaluated.

**Referència:** BFF2003-00129. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Cognición y representación en los enfoques alternativos al simbólico en ciencias cognitivas.*

**Acrònim:** CREASEC.

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** GOMILA BENEJAM, Antoni.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Psicologia Bàsica).

**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2006.

<b>Membres de l'equip</b>	<b>Categoría</b>	<b>Dedicació (EDP)</b>
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Gomila Benejam, Antoni	TU	0.5
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 0.5.

#### **Summary**

In opposition to the classical approach in Cognitive Science, the computational-symbolic one, several alternative programmes- ecological realism, situated cognition, artificial life, connectionism- are converging in the so-called dynamical hypothesis, whose central idea is that cognition is to be understood as the outcome of a complex interaction among brain, body and environment ('embedded, embodied cognition'). According to this approach, the mind is a dynamical system, amenable to modelization by means of the formal theory of dynamic systems (non-linear differential equations, theory of chaos). The goal of this project is to assess this line in Cognitive Science as regards a) whether or not it is committed to a representational view of mind, and in what sense of 'representation'; b) whether it opens fruitful explanatory avenues to address traditional problems about the mind, and new psychological phenomena recently uncovered; c) a general evaluatory framework, independent of any particular approach, useful in comparing and preferring different explanatory proposals, and to set their range and limits; and d) whether or not it makes sense, and how, to integrate some of these approaches in hybrid models.

**Referència:** BSO2003-06904-C03-03. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Título:** Identificación por MEG de patrones espaciales y temporales de activación de áreas cerebrales en la percepción visual compleja: hacia un modelo de la percepción estética. Aspectos clínicos.

**Acrònim:** IMPACT.

Centre: Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** ROCA BENNÀSAR, Miquel A.

**Categoría:** TU (área de conocimiento: Psiquiatría).

**Inici:** 2003. **Fi:** 2006.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Roca Bennàsar, Miquel A.	TU	0.5
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 1.

## Summary

Differences in the pattern of activation of brain areas when performing cognitive tasks of complex visual perception will be identified. Those tasks will be activated by stimuli qualified by participants as either aesthetic or not-aesthetic. The project is a continuation of a previous one that established what an ‘aesthetic stimulus’, grounding it on the preferences shown by participants. Several essays of localisation were carried out. A pilot-study in just one participant, by means of magnetoencephalography, pointed out that the main difference in activation patterns refers to the appearance of a mesocortical path. This path was present in the stimuli qualified as ‘aesthetic’, and it was absent in those qualified as ‘non-aesthetic’. This project tries to confirm firstly the characteristics of such mesocortical path in a significant number of participants. After, the project implies to perform factorial analyses introducing variables such as gender and previous training in either Art or History of Art. Finally, a model of aesthetic perception and its brain correlates would be reached.

**Referència:** BSO2003-3885. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Título:** Madurez y envejecimiento en la flexibilidad cognitiva: parámetros electrofisiológicos y neuropsicológicos en la población normal.

**Acrònim:** MENTFLEX.

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** BARCELÓ GALINDO, Francesc.

**Categoría:** TU (área de coneixement: Psicobiologia).

**Inici:** 2003. **Fi:** 2006.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 1.5.

## Summary

Human ability for responding to a changing environment requires a mechanism of executive control capable of distributing cognitive resources flexibly as behaviourally relevant circumstances vary constantly in time. This control mechanism is very fragile and becomes altered even after minor brain injury, as well as in various mental disorders. Currently, there is a substantial interest in the brain mechanisms responsible for the executive control of attention and, in particular, for a key process called 'attentional set shifting'. Our research team has pioneered the study of attention set shifting using event-related potentials (ERP) by means of a novel task protocol, the Madrid Card Sorting Task (MCST), that allows us to examine the interaction between bottom-up and top-down processes in the executive control of attention (NeuroReport, 2002, 15: 1887-1892). With a mid-term aim of applying the MCST protocol to neuropsychological assessment, first it is necessary to standardise it by exploring the variability of its electrophysiological (latency, amplitude and topography of event-related potentials), and neuropsychological indexes (reaction times and errors) in the normal population.

Hence, the main objective of this research proposal is to standardise the electrophysiological and neuropsychological measures derived from the MCST protocol for its future use in the assessment of attentional deficits. This general objective can be broken down into four sub-objectives: (1) to carry out a detailed analysis of the neurocognitive operations involved in MCST performance by comparing it with another three control tasks; (2) to compare the MCST with other neuropsychological tests of 'executive function' in order to isolate their cognitive structure using a multivariate statistical approach; (3) to explore age-related changes in the efficiency of attentional set shifting and other executive functions; (4) to pinpoint electrophysiological markers of age-related changes in set shifting ability in normal subjects as a first step towards the future use of the MCST protocol with clinical purposes.

**Referència:** SEJ2004-01363/PSIC. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de ciències socials, econòmiques i jurídiques.

**Títol:** *Evaluación de la atención sostenida y el control atencional en el trastorno por déficit de atención con hiperactividad (TDAH): una aproximación conductual, neuropsicológica y electrofisiológica.*

**Acrònim:** EATDAH.

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonya.

**Investigador responsable:** SERVERA BARCELÓ, Mateu.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Personalitat, avaluació i tractament psicològics).

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2007.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Servera Barceló, Mateu	TU	1
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 1.5.

#### **Summary**

Our main objective is to determine the relationship between various tasks and measures of sustained and executive attention with various behavioral and clinical markers of the attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD), in order to better understand the type of attentional dysfunctions associated with this developmental disorder. A battery of attentional tasks will be administered to children diagnosed with different subtypes of ADHD in order to determine specific attentional deficits in relation to normal controls, as well as distinctive features across ADHD subtypes and in relation with other attentional disorders. Three Continuous Performance Tests (CPTs) and a modified version of the Wisconsin Card Sorting Test (WCST) will be used as measures of sustained attention and executive attention, respectively. The task battery will consist of a no-X CPT as a measure of inhibitory function; a AX-CPT as an index of vigilance; and two modified AX-CPT and WCST tasks to assess selective attention and executive control in a task switching paradigm. For each of these tasks we will obtain different types of indicators: behavioural (hits, omission/commission errors, and reaction times), neuropsychological (indicators of sensibility and response bias based on signal detection theory). The integration of evidence from this three-way interaction of factors (task x measure x deficit) is expected to provide solid grounds for theorising about the nature of the attentional dysfunctions observed in ADHD.

**Referència:** Ministeri de l'Interior.

**Modalitat:** Ajudes econòmiques per el desenvolupament de projectes d'investigació sobre drogodependències per a entitats públiques o privades sense fins de lucre.

**Títol:** *Identificación de factores de riesgo asociados al consumo de alcohol y sustancias psicoestimulantes en adolescentes mediante redes neuronales artificiales.*

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** PALMER POL, Alfons Lluís.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Metodologia de les Ciències del Comportament).

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2005.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría
Palmer Pol, Alfons Lluís	TU
Cajal Blasco, Berta	TU
Sesé Abad, Albert	TEU int.
Montaño Moreno, Juan José	Aj. U
Jiménez López, Rafael	Aj. EU
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**Nombre total d'investigadors de la UIB:** 6.

### **Summary**

It is to discover, being based on the explanatory theories on the consumption of drugs, what factors of risk they act on the consumption, as well as those that influence in the maintenance of the addiction and in their abandonment. With this objective we proceeded to the creation of a measure instrument that, under a focus cognitivo-conductual, integrate the preventive, clinical and therapeutic focuses. The analysis of the data obtained by means of the created questionnaire will be carried out by means of models of artificial neural networks due to its potentiality in the handling of relationships not lineal complex, in a scenario of multiplicity of variables potentially explanatory.

**Referència:** G03/184. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Modalitat:** Xarxes Temàtiques d'Investigació Cooperativa.

**Títol:** *Marcadores de vulnerabilidad genética y neurobiológica de trastornos psiquiátricos en las Islas Baleares.*

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** ROCA BENNÀSAR, Miquel À.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Psiquiatria).

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

<b>Membres de l'equip</b>	<b>Categoría</b>
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### **Summary**

Genotyping for the identification of genetic factors of susceptibility of mental disorders. Evaluations of the genetic-hereditary component of the psychiatric disorders under investigation. Identification of the genetic factors of susceptibility to psychiatric disorders.

**Referència:** BSO2003-06904-C03-02. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Identificación por MEG de patrones espaciales y temporales de activación de áreas cerebrales en la percepción visual compleja: hacia un modelo de la percepción estética. Aspectos cognitivos.*

**Acrònim:** IMPACT.

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigadora responsable:** MARTY BROQUET, Gisèle.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Psicologia Bàsica).

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2006.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Marty Broquet, Gisèle	CU	0.5
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Munar Roca, Enric	TU	0.5
Gomila Benejam, Antoni	TU	0.5
Escudero López, Juan Tomás	TEU	0.5
Burges Cruz, Lucrecia	Aj. EU	0.5
Nadal Roberts, Marcos	B	0.5

#### Investigadors d'altres entitats

Amo Usanos, Carlos	Universitat Complutense de Madrid
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Revert Vidal, Xavier	Govern Balear

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.5.

**Referència:** PRIB2004-10136. Conselleria d'Economia, Hisenda i Innovació.

**Modalitat:** Projectes de Recerca, Desenvolupament Tecnològic i Innovació.

**Títol:** *Detección del deterioro cognitivo leve en el envejecimiento normal y patológico.*

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** BARCELÓ GALINDO, Francesc.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Psicobiologia).

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2006.

## **DEPARTAMENT DE QUÍMICA**

**Referència:** BQU2002-02546. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Síntesis y caracterización de ligandos derivados de bases púricas, pirimidínicas y compuestos con propiedades farmacológicas. Estudio de su química de coordinación con cationes metálicos.*

**Acrònim:** SCLDBPPCPF.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** TERRON HOMAR, Àngel.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Química Inorgànica).

**Inici:** 2002.      **Fi:** 2005.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Terrón Homar, Àngel	TU	1
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Herrero Aisa, Luis Ángel	As.	0.5
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García Raso, Ángel	TU	1

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.83.

### **Summary**

The presence of purine and pyrimidine rings into chemical compounds is very interesting due to the possible interactions between themselves and the nitrogenated bases present in nucleic acids. Thus, many antiviral and antitumour agents show this type of heterocycles in their structure. On the other hand, the activity of a particular drug can be modulated by means of the presence of metal ions. These complexes could modify its pharmacokinetic properties, mechanism of action, selectivity or toxicity. In this context, our main purpose is the synthesis and structural characterisation of bispurines, bispyrimidines, modified antiviral molecules, lateral chain modified amino acids and the study of their coordination complexes with transition metal ions. In addition, the formation of metal complexes of related modified ligands with pharmacological properties will be studied.

**Referència:** PPQ2001-0474. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de processos i productes químics.

**Títol:** *Desarrollo del análisis por inyección en flujo multijeringa. Aplicación a la determinación de parámetros ambientales.*

**Acrònim:** MSFIA.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 230199.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** CERDÀ MARTÍN, Víctor.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Química Analítica).

**Inici:** 2001.      **Fi:** 2004.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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Gómez Benito de Valle, Enrique	As.	0.5
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Rumori, Paolo	B	1
Leal Quezada, Luz Olivia	B	1
Becerra Hernández, Eduardo	B	1
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### Investigadors d'altres entitats

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.5.

### Summary

In a former project AMB97-0537 we proposed a new analytical technique which we entitled MultiSyringe Flow Injection Analysis (MSFIA), having the advantages of other already existing flow techniques, like the high sample throughput of FIA, robustness and versatility of SIA, simplicity of MCFA, etc. The construction of the first prototype and its application to the development of analytical methods to the determination different environmental parameters allowed us to see some clear advantages of this new analytical technique. The aim of this project is to develop this methodology with the firm CRISON INSTRUMENTS, SA, which has already participated with us in former funded projects. In this way, the firm could take advantage of the project, both in the sense to increase the commercial interest of their product by widening their application fields, as well as introducing new analytical instrumentation with MSFIA methodology of interest to their customers.

Our purpose in this new project is to continue in the development of MSFIA, specially considering the following milestones: Development of a new prototype with better performances and which could be commercialized. To develop new kind of excitation sources and development of new analytical procedures, mainly for the determination of environmental parameters and specially for water quality control and monitoring.

**Referència:** CTQ2004-01201/BQU. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de ciències i tecnologies químiques.

**Títol:** *Desarrollo de métodos automáticos en flujo para la monitorización y control de biorreactores y depuradoras de aguas residuales.*

**Acrònim:** ANABIO.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** CERDÀ MARTÍN, Víctor.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Química Analítica).

**Inici:** 2004.

**Fi:** 2007.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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Forteza Coll, Rafael A.	TU	1
Leal Quezada, Luz Olivia	B	1
Horskotte, Burkhard	B	1
Pons Bonafé, Carme	B	1

### Investigadors d'altres entitats

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.

### Summary

The goal of the project is to develop flow automatic system of analysis in order to monitor and control two different kind of bioreactors: one use in the production of pharmaceutical products, and the other a biological wastewater plant. The flow techniques which will be mainly applied sequential injection analysis (SIA), and the multisyringe flow injection analysis (MSFIA). Both have the advantages of being very robust without the need of a frequent calibration, and they need only very small amounts of sample and reagent, sometimes very expensive in this kind of applications (enzymes).

SIA is a true multiparametric flow technique very well adapted to the purpose of the project, and MSFIA has the advantage of a higher sample throughput. With both techniques we will develop expert (intelligent) systems which will be able to allow the monitoring of the main parameters necessary to control the right operation of both bioreactors through the measuring of both physical and chemical parameters (organic and inorganic).

**Referència:** PPQ2001-0347. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de processos i productes químics.

**Títol:** *Contribución a la valorización de productos resultantes de la incineración de residuos sólidos urbanos.*

**Acrònim:** VALRSU.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 230199.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** FORTEZA COLL, Rafael A.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Química Analítica).

**Inici:** 2001.      **Fi:** 2004.

Membres de l'equip	Categoria	Dedicació (EDP)
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Cerdà Martín, Víctor	CU	0.5
Mas Torres, Francesca	Aj. U	0.5
Gómez Benito de Valle, Enrique	As.	0.5
Far Sánchez, María Micaela	B	1

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.

**Keywords:** incineration, municipal solid waste, ash, bottom ash, valorisation, leaching.

### Summary

The aim of the project is to study several problems related with the activity of municipal solid waste incinerator (MSWI) plants with energy production. At first, and as continuation of previous studies, we want to evaluate physical, chemical and geotechnical characteristics of MSWI bottom ash for use in highway applications. One important point of view must be the environmental impact: for this reason we would study the leaching of trace inorganic elements and organic contaminants including polychlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxines (PCDDs), polychlorinated dibenzo-p-furans (PCDFs), as well as potential precursors for these compounds under certain reaction conditions. The potential precursor are chlorinated benzenes (CBs), chlorinated phenols (CPs) and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). Also we would evaluate the efficiency of a stabilisation/solidification process of incinerator ashes with cement based on leaching results, using several leaching tests and as function of the proportion ash/cement/water. At last we would construct a quality monitor for water used in the plant of energy production (TIRME, Palma, Spain) to determine harmful specimen: pH, conductivity, acid conductivity, ammonium, hydrazine, heavy metals...).

**Referència:** BQU2001-0724-C02-02. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de processos i productes químics.

**Títol:** *Catalizadores enantioselectivos de base lantanida para síntesis orgánica.*

**Acrònim:** CASIOR.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** SAÁ RODRÍGUEZ, José Manuel.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Química Orgànica).

**Inici:** 2001.            **Fi:** 2004.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
Saá Rodríguez, José Manuel	CU	1
Vega Reynés, Manuel	B	1

**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 2.

### **Summary**

The CLAN ROMA Project (enantioselective, lanthanide-based catalysts for organic reactions in aqueous medium) aims at obtaining chiral catalysts capable of promoting enantioselective synthesis in aqueous media. The point of departure to this objective is the use of lanthanide triflates as the core of the catalyst, around which we plan to build appropriately designed chiral units. Lanthanide triflates are known to catalyze achiral organic reactions in aqueous media. The following stages have been planned accordingly: 1a) designing and synthesis of chiral, robust complexes having the somewhat schizophrenic ability of being stable to water and, at the same time, capable of promoting enantioselective organic reactions; To this end a number of variables will be modified in order to achieve the best material: metal and its counterion, the ligand and its denticity, the stoichiometry and the ionic or nonionic nature of the complexes; 1b) the analysis of reactivity and enantioselectivity will be examined upon a well-known Henry reaction (the condensation of a nitroalkane with an aldehyde). Iteration of stages 1a and 1b are expected to drive us to the best lead; 2) next stage will be the application to a number of common organic reactions known to be catalyzed by acids, in search for enantioselective catalysis in aqueous media.

**Referència:** CTQ2004-02375/BQU. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de ciències i tecnologies químiques.

**Títol:** *Lantánids en catàlisis enantioselectivas.*

**Acrònim:** LA CATENA.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** SAÁ RODRÍGUEZ, José Manuel.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Química Orgànica).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2007.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 2.

### **Summary**

The LA CATENA project (lanthanide complexes for enantioselective catalysis) aims at designing and synthesizing chiral catalysts for enantioselective catalysis both in conventional and non-conventional solvents (water, in particular). The socio-economical interest pursued by this project stands as reaching the gradual replacement of the old synthetic processes employed by the pharmaceutical and fine-chemicals industry for others which comply with the most stringent environmental rules of the XXI century chemical industry. The fundamentals of the plan lie on the principles of self-assembly and self-organisation as we try to reach the thermodynamically stable octahedral complexes of lanthanide (III) salts of the type  $M(L^*L)_3 X_3$  (since  $L^*L$  is a chiral bidentate ligand, the central metal atom will also be chiral) which, by virtue of their kinetical lability can interchange its ligands with external ones of appropriate denticity (the Nu of ad hoc-selected reactions). Thus, as a consequence of the intrinsic kinetic lability of lanthanide complexes, their hard central atom should act as a chiral Lewis acid capable of coordinating both Nu and E and promote enantioselective catalysis upon aldol condensation, nitroaldol condensation (and closely related), as well as Michael, Mannich and related reactions (we expect that turnover will be fast for these reactions). In addition we will study the capacity of Sm or Eu II complexes  $M(L^*L)_3 X_2$  to promote the enantioselective reductive coupling of C=O and C=NR moieties. Given their lability, their capacity to work in water requires reaching a compromise between kinetic lability and their hidrolizability. For this reason it will be necessary either search for lanthanide complexes  $M(L^*L)_3 X_3$  which employ higher denticity ligands, or move over to complexes of different metals such as In(III), Pb(II), etc, in trying to reach the goals of enantioselective catalysis in water.

**Referència:** BQU2002-04651. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Estudios relativos a especies supramoleculares de interés como materiales nanoestructurados y químicosensores.*

**Acrònim:** SUPRAMOL2002.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** COSTA TORRES, Antoni.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Química Orgànica).

**Inici:** 2002.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 8.

### Summary

Supramolecular chemistry has evolved from pure host-guest recognition to materials with functional properties. This research proposal is focused on three main topics that represent our own evolution from molecules to functional systems through a multidisciplinary approach. The first objective is focused on chemosensing in aqueous media using squaramide-based molecular receptors. Selectivity, solubility and signal amplification are practical problems that will be addressed. In this proposal we take advantage of a known entropy effect to develop a new line of modular self-assembled chemosensors for a variety of anions, incorporating fluorescence self-quenching squaramide units. The synthesis and characterization of nanosized supramolecular structures is a second objective. Among the different options, we selected metal-porphyrins combined with organic bases to self-assemble a variety of supramolecules with interesting properties as materials capable of electronic transfer. Self-assembly, will be characterized by a variety of spectrophotometric and calorimetric techniques. The comparison of experimental and theoretically calculated proton chemical shifts of free and complexed bases will be used to assess the stoichiometry of the complexes. High-level theoretical calculations are important tools when used at a predictive level. In a third objective we use "ab-initio" methods to characterize anion-Π interactions arising from perfluoraromatics and anions. The resulting host-guest binding force will be applied to the design of a new generation of artificial receptors based on perfluoraromatic compounds.

**Referència:** MAT2002-03603. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programes nacionals d'I+D orientada.

**Títol:** *Nanoestructuras en sólidos porosos periódicos.*

**Acrònim:** NANOPER.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** OTERO AREÁN, Carlos.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Química Inorgànica).

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.

### **Summary**

Periodic porous solids, such as zeolites, MCM-type mesoporous silica and other zeotypes, possess a system of internal channels and cavities which are periodically arranged in the nanometer scale and which can be used as a host to synthesize periodic nanostructures. Quantum confinement of charge carriers and regular layout confers to the superstructures thus formed potential application in optical and electronic devices, as well as in chemical sensors. The first objective of this project is the preparation of nanostructures formed by conducting polymers, semiconductors and luminescent materials hosted inside the periodic porous system of several solids; inclusion of chemical species which can act as specific sensors is also envisaged. The following objectives would be characterization of the materials obtained by using appropriate instrumental techniques and the study of the relevant physico-chemical properties for the potential usage in technological devices.

**Referència:** AGL2003-03889. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Recursos i tecnologies agroalimentàries.

**Título:** *Influencia de las variables de proceso en la obtención de fibra alimentaria. Enriquecimiento en fibra de productos cárnicos crudos curados.*

**Acrònim:** SEFI.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigadora responsable:** ROSELLÓ MATAS, Carme.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Enginyeria Química).

**Inici:** 2003. **Fi:** 2006.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.

## Summary

The ‘sobrassada de Mallorca’ is a traditional product made in the island of Mallorca and protected by a quality distinction (PGI) of European ambit. Actually, this product is in a clear expansion process. Sobrassada is a raw cured pork sausage, with a high fat content. Basically, the aim of this proposal is to find the appropriate methodology to elaborate a raw cured meat based product (sobrassada) enriched with high quality dietary fibre, maintaining the organoleptic properties as similar as possible to those from the original product.

To undertake this study is necessary to carry out an in depth analysis of the following aspects:

- Assessment of the optimal process conditions to obtain fibre supplements of high quality from different fruit and vegetable sources: influence of the raw material, pretreatments and the operation variables during the drying process. Selection of the more appropriate fibre supplements under objective quality parameters.
  - Study of the effects of the incorporation of fibre supplements on the physicochemical, microbiological and sensorial quality of the sobrassada: evaluation of the influence of the new formulation on the maturation process and, also, on the final characteristics of the product, evaluated under objective quality parameters.

The methodology, which is intended to develop on this project, could then be applied on the elaboration process of many other raw cured meat-based products typical of Spain.

**Referència:** BQU2003-02592. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Inactivación y modelado molecular de serin-enzimas. Beta-lactamasas de la clase D y elastasas.*

**Acrònim:** IMMELE.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** MUÑOZ IZQUIERDO, Francisco.

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**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2006.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.5.

### **Summary**

In the present investigation project we will study the kinetic mechanism of enzyme inhibition of some serine enzymes. We will carry out kinetics studies on the class D  $\beta$ -lactamases and PPE (Porcine Pancreatic Elastase) inhibition. The therapeutic problem posed by class D  $\beta$ -lactamases, a family of serine enzymes that hydrolyse  $\beta$ -lactam antibiotics following an acylation-deacylation mechanism, are increased by the very low level of sensibility of these enzymes to  $\beta$ -lactamase inhibitors. The PPE usually is taken as a model of the HLE (Human Leukocite Elastase), enzyme that plays an important role in destructive processes associated with chronic inflammatory diseases such as emphysema, rheumatoid arthritis...

In the first step, a kinetic study on the chemical reactivity of different potential inhibitors will be carried out. This study will be done by HPLC and UV-VIS and NMR spectroscopy. In a second step, by UV-VIS and Stopped Flow measurements, we will study the inhibition process. At the same time, theoretical calculations will be done in order to determine the chemical reactivity of the potential inhibitors and to model the oxyanion hole in class D  $\beta$ -lactamases, HLE and PPE. The hydrolysis, thiolysis and aminolysis of the potential inhibitors will be studied by semiempirical, ab initio and DFT calculations. The molecular modelling study will be done by molecular mechanics and molecular dynamic calculation. We will study the formation of Michaelis complex between the serine enzymes and the antibiotics in order to determine the interactions that stabilize it and the amine acids involved in this process.

**Referència:** BQU2003-01659. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Estudios sobre nucleación heterogénea en la litiasis renal oxalocálcica. Etiología y diagnóstico.*

**Acrònim:** NUHELIROC.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** GRASES FREIXEDAS, Felicià.

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**Inici:** 2003.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.

#### Summary

During the last decade a clear increment of the renal lithiasis incidence has been evidenced in all the countries, bigger so much increase as much as higher is the socio-economical level of the country. In fact one of the factors fewer studied and that probably notably influences in the development of calcium oxalate renal calculi (they are the most abundant) is the presence of heterogeneous nucleants, since the urine of any individual is permanently supersaturated in calcium oxalate. In fact, a notable increase of the number of calcium oxalate renal calculi from cavities, which formation is clearly induced by the presence of heterogeneous nucleants in the urine, has been detected. Thus, the purpose of the Project that is presented is the one of making a study in depth of the heterogeneous nucleation in the oxalocalcic renal lithiasis.

For it is sought to establish a 'in vitro' study of substances that can act as heterogeneous nucleants of calcium oxalate in urine and of all those factors that affect to the process (inducing or inhibiting it). It will be also performed a study of calcium oxalate monohydrate renal calculi from cavity for the identification of heterogeneous nucleants in the core of them, and also the identification and quantification of the presence of heterogeneous nucleants in the urine of stone formers of this calculi type. This study will contribute to a knowledge in depth of one of the key stages in the formation of this calculi type, of the one that without a doubt will be derived more effective prevention and treatment protocols.

**Referència:** TRA2004-02460/TMAR. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de medis de transport.

**Títol:** *Caracterización de zonas de refugio para buques siniestrados que transportan hidrocarburos: aplicación a las Islas Baleares.*

**Acrònim:** PUERTOS.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** BERGUEIRO LÓPEZ, José Ramón.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Enginyeria Química).

**Inici:** 2004.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.

### **Summary**

The aim of this project is to describe the characteristics of a shelter zone where a ship that transports hydrocarbons could be moved before an emergency. To know if a certain zone meets those characteristics there will be born in mind the type and the quantity of hydrocarbons transported and split to analyze the risks of fire and explosion and its influence on the surrounding environment. It will indicated the way of determining the possibility that the mixture of hydrocarbons burns if it is in the sinister tank or is spilt in the shelter zone, as well as the possibility that the hydrocarbons could spread, disperse or to be emulsified in the water. It will be indicated the procedures to follow for the confinement of the hydrocarbons spilt in the shelter zone, as well the possibility of recovery by means of skimmers shpis or by menas of adsorptive manaterials. It will be equally indicated the characteristics that the shelter zonce must have in order to transfer the hydrocarbons to another ship or to deposits in land, as it was realized with the tanker Aegean Sea. It will be indicated the way od determining, by means of simulation models, the path that the spilt of hydrocarbons would follow and the possible coastal zones that it would affect, taking into account the meteorological situation at the moment of the spillage and in the posterior hours. The characteristics of vulnerability, resilience and induced recovery that the shelter zone should fulfill will be also indicated. Finally and provided that the antipollution actions will never be effective in its entirety, there will be shown the systems and the logistics that must be applied for the recovery of the shelter zonce that has been contaminated by the hydrocarbons. The system will be applied in the environment of the points of exhaust of hydrocarbons of the Balearic Islands, under different meteorological situations.

**Referència:** CTQ2004-03256/BQU. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de ciències i tecnologies químiques.

**Títol:** *Desarrollo de sistemas automáticos inteligentes para la determinación de analitos de interés medioambiental.*

**Acrònim:** INTAN.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** ESTELA RIPOLL, Josep Manuel.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Química Analítica).

**Inici:** 2004.

**Fi:** 2007.

Membres de l'equip	Categoría	Dedicació (EDP)
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.

### Summary

The development of new advanced automatic systems of flow analysis is proposed in this project, exploiting principally the novel technique multisyringe flow injection analysis (MSFIA) with the following aims:

- a). Radioactive isotopes analysis in soil, air and waters
- b). Determination of environmental indicators and chemistry elements (including speciation) in different kind of waters (wastewaters, drinking waters, sea water, etc.)

On one hand the elimination or minimization of the manual operations required in the methodologies used nowadays are proposed and in other one, to improve the applicability of the analytical methods, as well as to implement new methods directed to resolving specific problematics.

The projected solutions are based on the simplification of the different stages of chemical analysis using fundamentally system with optrodes. In all cases the established systems will be provided with algorithms that allow taking decisions according to the sample characteristics. Thus, several aspects such as concentration levels, need of speciation, clean-up, changes of detection systems or combination with other flow analysis techniques will be taking into account. At the same time, we propose to improve the robustness of the established methodologies considering chemical and software aspects as well as the instrumental devices.

**Referència:** PTR1995-0583-OP. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Projecte d'estímul a la transferència de resultats d'investigació (PETRI).

**Títol:** *Desarrollo de un sensor para la cuantificación de ácidos húmicos en aguas salobres destinadas al consumo humano*

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** COSTA TORRES, Antoni.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Química Orgànica).

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2004.

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**Nombre total d'investigadors de la UIB:** 3.

**Referència:** 09A/2004-BPR. Conselleria d'Agricultura i Pesca del Govern de les Illes Balears.

**Modalitat:** Ajudes per a la investigació en matèria d'agricultura i pesca en l'àmbit de les Illes Balears.

**Títol:** *Obtenció d'extractes naturals de polifenols per aprofitament de residus. Vinificació del raïm autòcton prensal blanc.*

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigadora responsable:** LLOBERA BALLE, Antònia.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Química Orgànica).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2004.

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**Referència:** BFM2000-1108. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** P1. Projecte d'investigació bàsica no orientada.

**Títol:** *Cooperación y fenómenos no lineales en sistemas complejos extendidos.*

**Acrònim:** CONOCE.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 2299.

**Centre:** IMEDEA-Departament de Física.

**Investigador responsable:** SAN MIGUEL RUIBAL, Maximino.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2001.

**Fi:** 2004.

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**Nombre total d'investigadors de la UIB:** 7.

**Keywords:** nonlinear, cooperative phenomena, localized structures, excitability, chaos, spatio-temporal complexity, fluctuations, dynamical systems, feedback, biooscillators, advection, reaction-diffusion, nonlinear optics, semiconductor lasers, VCSELs.

### **Summary**

CONOCE is a nonlinear and cooperative research effort in the general interdisciplinary context of the new directions of statistical and nonlinear physics, with special reference to the behavior of spatially extended systems with external forcing and or non-local couplings. On the one hand the project intends to contribute to the development of methods, concepts and description of generic behavior in nonlinear physics in 6 aspects: fronts, growth phenomena and localized structures. Prediction in spatiotemporal chaos. Systems with feedback. Cooperative phenomena in networks with nonlocal coupling, fluctuations, and synchronization phenomena. On the other hand, it addresses the use of these methods and concepts in 5 exploratory lines of strategic research: mixing, transport and localized structures in fluids. Patterns in nonlinear optics, cooperative phenomena, synchronization and feedback in semiconductor lasers, biological oscillators in excitable media and competition, coordination and cooperation of agents. General phenomena considered in the different research lines of the project include excitability emergence of localized structures, synchronization and coherent response to fluctuations.

**Referència:** FIS2004-00953. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de física.

**Títol:** *Cooperación y fenómenos no lineales en sistemas complejos extendidos 2.*

**Acrònim:** CONOCE-2.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats.

**Investigador responsable:** SAN MIGUEL RUIBAL, Maximino.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2007.

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Colet Rafecas, Pere	Científic titular	1
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 16.

### Summary

CONOCE-2 is the continuation of a long standing cooperative research effort in the general interdisciplinary context of the new directions of Statistical and Nonlinear Physics, with special reference to the behavior of spatially extended systems and a new emphasis on the effects of interaction through complex networks. On the one hand the project includes fundamental studies (exploration) with contributions to the development of methods, concepts and description of generic behavior in 6 aspects: Dynamics of complex networks,

Synchronization phenomena, Dynamical systems of moderate dimensionality, Fluctuations and stochastic phenomena, Computational methods in Statistical Physics: Study of biomolecules, and Semianalytical methods in the study of extended systems. On the other hand, it addresses the use (exploitation) of these methods and concepts in specific aspects of 5 lines of strategic research: Transport and mixing in fluids: Active flows and Microfluidics, Patterns and image processing in nonlinear optical cavities, Nonlinear dynamics of semiconductor lasers: Mode locking and synchronization, Nonlinear Phenomena in Ecology and Physiology, and Dynamics of social systems: Agent based models. Some general phenomena considered in the different research lines of the project incluye: Interaction network formation, Chaotic phenomena, Synchronization, Domain formation, and Stochastic phenomena.

**Referència:** PI02-1309. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Títol:** *Infecciones neonatales por Enterobacter cloacae: papel de los mecanismos de permeabilidad en la resistencia a los agentes antimicrobianos.*

**Centre:** IMEDEA-Departament de Biologia.

**Investigador responsable:** HERVÁS PALAZÓN, Juan Antonio.

**Inici:** 2002.

**Fi:** 2005.

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**Nombre total d'investigadors de la UIB:** 2.

### **Summary**

Our group has recently characterized and described the neonatal infections that have occurred in the Balearics since 1977. We noted in the last years an important increase in the prevalence. Some of the clones that have described were highly virulent and resistant to multiple antimicrobial agents, and have persisted in our neonatal intensive care unit for years, in coincidence with the observations reported by other authors.

The increase in prevalence could be due to the well-known alternance along the years of the microorganisms causing these infections, and/or because the environmental *Enterobacter* flora have acquired or developed mechanisms that enhance their chance to gain the observed levels of multiresistance. One of these mechanisms that is not well characterized in this bacterial species depends on permeability (porins). This project will take advantage of the basic and clinical experience of our group to a) continue to characterize the clinical aspects of the neonatal infections, paying particular attention to the phenotypic and tenotypic analysis of *Enterobacter* clones in our neonatal intensive care units; and b) determine the mechanisms that this microorganism utilizes to cause antimicrobial resistant infections.

**Referència:** REN2001-0802-C02-01/MAR. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programes nacionals d'I+D orientada.

**Títol:** *Procesos de transporte, campos de velocidades y análisis de estructuras oceánicas mediante imágenes de satélite.*

**Acrònim:** IMAGEN.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 2510.07.

**Centre:** IMEDEA-Departament de Física.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 2.

**Keywords:** mesoscale structures, transport processes, teledetection, SST-SSH, SeaWiFS.

### **Summary**

The main objective of this proposal is the development of quantitative methods to analyse satellite images (colour, temperature and dynamic height) of the sea surface to allow the identification of the existing structures and the evaluation of velocity fields, and their use to quantify transport processes of water masses and substances of interest in marine ecosystems (nutrients, biomass, etc.). The methods will be based mainly in techniques of image multiresolution analysis, artificial intelligence (neural networks and genetic algorithms), dynamical systems theory, and computer models of ocean circulation which include ecosystem dynamics. The techniques will be applied in detail to the evaluation of fluxes in several zones of the Western Mediterranean and in the Canary Current area. The project, of multidisciplinary character, addresses aspects fully contained as priority objectives in the 'Marine Resources' item of the 'Programa Nacional de Recursos Naturales', namely the quantification of biogeochemical processes and fluxes in marine ecosystems, the development of predictive models, and the development of techniques to improve sea observation.

**Referència:** BFM2001-0341-C02-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Sincronització en sistemes físics y biològicos.*

**Acrònim:** SINFIBIO.

**Classificació UNESCO:** 220510.

**Centre:** IMEDEA-Departament de Física.

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Calvo Ibáñez, Óscar Alberto	TEU int.	0.5
Gomes da Silva, Iacyel	B	1
Matias Muriel, Manuel A.	Científic titular	0.5
Colet Rafecas, Pere	Científic titular	0.33
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### Summary

Synchronization processes, besides appearing in many natural phenomena, are very important both from the theoretical point of view as well as for the many technological applications. In the last years, attention has shifted from the classical studies of non-linear, limit cycle-type, oscillators to the synchronization in chaotic systems and that induced by noise and people have explored its use in encoding systems for communications. In this project we aim to study several aspects related to synchronization in some physical and biological systems. Our objectives in this vast field will focus on three main topics: (a) general studies, (b) semiconductor lasers, (c) biological systems. Concerning topic (a) we plan to contribute towards our understanding of synchronization whenever there is dispersion in the elements to be synchronized, as well as the influence of noise terms which, surprisingly, can trigger synchronization. In topic (b) we plan to study semiconductor lasers arrays with different couplings and the possible applications of chaotic synchronization for communications. Finally, in (c) biological systems, we will study the synchronization of intracellular calcium spikes, designing specific models and analyze them using Monte Carlo techniques, and the synchronization phenomena that are known to occur in large areas of brain during pain periods. In all the cases, we will be using analytical and numerical techniques as well as analogic simulations in electronic circuits.

**Referència:** FIS2004-05073-C04-03. Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de física.

## **Título:** Fenómenos emergentes en redes biológicas con interacciones complejas.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** TORAL GARCÉS, Raúl.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2004. **Fi:** 2007.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 4.5.

## Summary

Cooperative phenomena characterize the behaviour of many different complex systems, from low dimensional systems to complex graphs, from disordered systems to biological macromolecules; this has important theoretical implications, and a variety of possible practical applications, ranging from the domain of biomolecular engineering to that of traffic management. This project will be focused on four very related, and complementary, research lines:

- thermodynamics, kinetics and dynamics of protein folding, and its modification during evolution: a striking example of how macroscopic cooperativity can be encoded in an extremely complex system, to ensure its biological function;
  - characterization and modelling of dynamics on complex networks, with applications ranging from transport processes in communication, technological, social and biological networks, to the study of models of the evolution of biological networks;
  - equilibrium and off-equilibrium Physics for disordered condensed matter systems (structural and spin glasses, diluted systems and colossal magnetoresistance oxides). This is the context where most of the statistical, analytical and numerical Techniques for the study of complex behaviour are developed;
  - dynamical processes on low-dimensional complex systems and stochastical systems, which are ideal playgrounds to devise and test new indicators of complex behaviour, and are paradigmatic for many different real dynamical processes.

**Referència:** REN2001-0580/GLO. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** *Biodiversidad marina en ambientes costeros extremos: prospección faunística de las cuevas anquialinas de las Baleares, Canarias, y Levante Ibérico.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** JAUME LLABRÉS, Damià.

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**Inici:** 2001.      **Fi:** 2004.

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*Keywords:* coastal biodiversity, extreme environments, fauna, conservation.

### **Summary**

Anchialine habitats are flooded inland marine caves that lack any direct connection with the open sea. They are inhabited by remarkable animals, long term survivors of ancient lineages, which are threatened by changes in their fragile habitat. In recent years numerous new species, genera, families and even a new class of crustaceans have been described from anchialine caves, particularly on islands. This degree of novelty makes anchialine habitats uniquely important but it is the restricted distribution and isolation of such species often to a single cave system on a single island, which renders them so vulnerable. Unsustainable levels of development for tourism are threatening these coastal habitats. This proposal will collate and make available data on all Spanish anchialine sites and species. The information will be used 1): to answer topical scientific questions such as where did the ancestors of cave faunas live and how were their disjunct distribution patterns generated, 2): to increase our knowledge of the Spanish animal biodiversity, 3): to promote the inclusion of anchialine habitats in coastal management plans, by emphasizing to policy makers and conservationists the unique attributes of their endemic inhabitants.

**Referència:** REN2002-04035-C03-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programes nacionals d'I+D orientada.

**Títol:** *Criterios de calidad microbiológica en reutilización de aguas y biosólidos.*

**Centre:** IMEDEA-Departament de Biologia.

**Investigador responsable:** LALUCAT JO, Jordi.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Microbiologia).

**Inici:** 2002.      **Fi:** 2005.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.

### **Summary**

Water reuse and the right use or disposal of biosolids produced in wastewater treatments requires the determination of pathogens and surrogate indicators in order to asses the risk of reuse and disposal as well for designing simple procedures to asses the performance of the different treatments. To advance in this knowledge in our geographical area, the following studies will be performed. Determine the efficiency of removal of pathogens and indicators in tertiary treatments. Determine the efficiency of removal of pathogens and indicators in treatment of biosolids. Define the best model organisms to asses the performance of treatments. Obtain of data on occurrence and levels of pathogens and indicators in regenerated water and different biosolids obtained by sludge treatment and built a data basis to be used in future risk assessment studies. In order to ensure that we obtain reliable data, transfer of standardised methods will be done to the laboratories, which do not use them yet, and quality assurance schemes will be implemented. As well, the adaptation of some methodologies to this kind of samples will be done. Methods adapted will be: i) extraction of microorganisms from biosolids; ii) application of molecular methods for *Salmonella* ssp; iii) and determination of viability of *Cryptosporidium*.

**Referència:** EN2002-04044-C02-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** *Relació entre procesos físicos y biogeoquímicos asociados a sistemas hidrodinámicos de mesoescala en el mar de Alborán.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

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### **Summary**

The oceanic mesoscale (10-100 km) is the equivalent to the atmospheric storm scale. It is usually associated to frontal instabilities and generates highly energetic patterns of three-dimensional circulation. The central objective of this project is to extend our previous observations (Rodríguez et al., 2001) about the relation between the vertical velocity field and the size structure of the phytoplankton community. We predict that the validity of the empirical model can be extended up to cover the whole range of vertical velocity values which can be found in the region if the size range of analysed particles is extended to include cell aggregates and fecal pellets. On the other hand, the already demonstrated effect of the upward motion on large cells could be compensated by the downward intense transport along the isopycnals. The analysis of this phenomenon will be a core objective of the project. Finally, the knowledge of the vertical velocity fields and the size structure of phytoplankton associated to the northwestern Alborán front will permit us to carry out a first experimental balance about the effect of mesoscale vertical dynamics on the vertical flux of carbon in the ocean.

**Referència:** REN2001-1535/MAR. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** *Biodiversidad y funcionamiento de ecosistemas bentónicos mediterráneos dominados por macroalgas.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

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Sant Funk, Natalia		0.33
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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 1.82.

### **Summary**

The main goal of the project is to elucidate the role of algal diversity in the function of Mediterranean benthic communities dominated by macroalgae to evaluate the consequences of the loss of biodiversity that occurs in these ecosystems when affected by human activities. The experimental approach of the project involves in situ manipulation of the algal diversity of the Mediterranean community formed by infralitoral photophilic algae through the selective elimination of individual/groups of species. The project will evaluate the relative contribution of dominant and minor species of macroalgae and will identify key species for (1) the maintenance of algal diversity itself, (2) the primary productivity, (3) the biomass of the invertebrate fauna (epifauna) associated to the community, and (4) the maintenance of epifauna diversity. It is expected that project results will contribute significantly to the knowledge of the function of Mediterranean benthic ecosystems dominated by macroalgae through the elucidation of the role of macroalgal diversity in the maintenance of algal diversity and primary productivity, and the biomass and diversity of epifauna. Furthermore, the project will contribute to establish strong scientific criteria to evaluate the effects that human activities have on rocky-bottom Mediterranean benthic ecosystems and to support environmental policy and management plans that promote the sustainable use of these ecosystems by man.

**Referència:** REN2002-00701/MAR. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** Expansión de *Caulerpa prolifera*, *C. taxifolia* y *C. racemosa* en el Mediterráneo: dinámica clonal, producción y destino de la producción.

**Acrònim:** CAULEXPAN.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** MARBÀ BORDALBA, Núria.

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**Inici:** 2002.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 1.33.

### **Summary**

The macroalgae of the genus *Caulerpa* are clonal plants with sifonal structure that develop extensive meadows on sandy and muddy littoral bottoms. Caulerpales have been shown to act as invasive species when introduced across biogeographic ranges. This is particularly prominent in the Mediterranean, where two exotic *Caulerpa* species, *C. taxifolia* and *C. racemosa* have spread into areas formerly occupied by seagrasses. The paucity of available information on *Caulerpa* spp meadow dynamics prevents to define and implement efficient management policies to control its expansion. The aims of the project proposed are (1) to develop predictive models of spatial and temporal expansion of *C. prolifera*, *C. taxifolia*, and *C. racemosa* meadows in the Mediterranean Sea, based on clonal plant growth at frond (cm), clon (m) and meadow (Ha), and the habitat requirements of the species; (2) to quantify meadow, autotrophic and heterotrophic, production; and (3) to investigate the fate of plant production, and the changes enhanced by *Caulerpa* spp on the trophic structure of the community. The results obtained with the project will provide the necessary tools to effectively manage the expansion of *Caulerpa* species across the Spanish Mediterranean.

**Referència:** REN2002-04535-CO2-02. Ministeri de Ciencia i Tecnología.

**Títol:** *Influencia de la estructura y dinámica oceanográfica sobre poblaciones demersales en aguas de las Islas Baleares.*

**Acrònim:** IDEA.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** MORALES NIN, Beatriz.

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**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2005.

### **Summary**

The management of renewable marine resources based on the ecosystem is imposing a simplistic concept that relies on traditional population dynamics. This new focus establishes that the strategy of exploitation and conservation should take into account the functioning of the ecosystems, their natural variations and the factors that control these changes. The presented project is designed within this field and proposes to study the influence of abiotic (oceanographic structure and dynamics) and biotic (trophic resources) factors on the ecosystems and demersal resources, as well as the populational dynamics of two species subjected to exploitation on the shelf and slope of the western Mediterranean: the hake (*Merluccius merluccius*) and the red shrimp (*Aristeus antennatus*). The study will be developed off the island of Majorca, which is separated from the continental margins by large geographical, therefore it can be considered as an isolated demersal ecosystem, and shows large oceanographic spatio-temporal variability, both at the meso- and the macroscale level. Moreover, in this area, periodical movements of the local fishing fleet have been shown between two zones west and south of the Island, suggesting a seasonal variability for the resources, and databases on oceanographic and fisheries monitoring information are available from different research projects since the beginning of the 1990's. As a result, it is proposed: (i) to study, in these two zones with distinct oceanographic and environmental characteristics, the seasonal changes in the bottom communities and their exploited species, as well as their trophic resources; (ii) to study the interannual variability for the mortality and abundance of these resources. There are only a few previous studies in this line of research, which, moreover, have been limited in the two aspects that will be the basis of the current proposal: (i) a study of the seasonality, dealt with until now in a fragmentary way; (ii) the simultaneous sampling of the distinct compartments that form the marine ecosystems, from the water masses to the highest level of the trophic chain. Consequently, the project proposal deals with the first attempt at a multidisciplinary approach towards understanding the dynamics of the exploited demersal ecosystems in the Mediterranean Sea.

**Referència:** BSO2003-01960. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Modelos matemáticos aplicados al estudio de la demografía y dinámica de poblaciones de organismos amenazados: una aproximación poblacional y metapoblacional.*

**Acrònim:** POPMODEL.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

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### Summary

This project deals with the development of mathematical and statistical models to account of a precise diagnosis on the conservation status and threats affecting three threatened marine birds of the Mediterranean: the Balearic shearwater, Audouin's gull and European storm petrel. The Balearic shearwater is one of the few endemic species of the Iberian vertebrate fauna and has been recently classified as critically endangered in the up-to-date edition of the Red Book of the Birds of Spain. Audouin's gull concentrates on Spain more than 90% of total world population, while the storm petrel is one of the most unknown species in the whole region. Action Plans proposed by the Ministry of the Environment point out the need of monitoring field data to model several demographic parameters that are crucial to elaborate a reliable diagnose on the conservation status of such species. The study will analyse several topics such as demography, feeding and breeding ecology, effects of pollutants and modelling of extinction probabilities. Demographic parameters (adult and immature survival, recruitment, dispersal) will be analyzed by capture-recapture models, while ultrastructural models will allow us to estimate dispersal among local populations at metapopulation level. Probabilities of extinction will be assessed through Monte Carlo simulation of population trajectories, taking into account stochasticity both demographic and environmental. The study of foraging areas, diet and pollutants will allow us to model these probabilities of extinction under different theoretical scenarios of management carried out by Conservation Agencies.

**Referència:** BOS2003-05198-C02-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** Anàlisis intraespecífico de la diversidad genética de *Salinibacter ruber*.

**Acrònim:** GASA-ANIS.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** ROSELLÓ MORA, Ramon.

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**Inici:** 2003.

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### **Summary**

The goal of this project is to characterize the genome of *Salinibacter ruber*, an extremely halophilic prokaryote belonging to the *Bacteria* Domain. We will focus on three different aspects: (i) study of the genome sequence of the type strain, with special emphasis on the ecological and/or evolutionarily relevant genes, which expression will be studied; (ii) study of the intraespecific diversity of these genes in isolates of *S. ruber* of different origin; and (iii) analysis of the expression of these genes in environmental samples in which the presence of *S. ruber* has been described. To ensure the feasibility of the project we have currently around 80% of the genome sequence for the type strain, as well as a collection of 44 *S. ruber* strains isolated worldwide and detailed knowledge about the ecology of this bacterium.

This project is organized in two subprojects, tightly related to each other. The first subproject will focus on the type strain genome, using the available sequence for the characterization of genes that could have been transferred from *Archaea* (present in *Salinibacter* habitats) and/or genes relevant in hypersaline environments. Once found, these genes will be phylogenetically characterized (in collaboration with the researchers in the second subproject) and their expression studied in different growth conditions. Besides, we will complete and analyse the sequence for the genome zones containing these genes (by cloning *S. ruber* genome in BACs, picking of the clones containing these genes and sequencing of the selected BACs). In the second subproject all this information will be used to study the intraespecific diversity of the newly characterized genes in the strain collection analysing both their presence/absence and their expression in order to correlate these aspects with the origin of isolation. Finally, in this subproject frame, the expression of these genes in environmental samples will be studied in order to ascertain their role in the ecology of the system.

**Referència:** VEM2003-20565. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Acció estratègica contra vessaments marins.

**Títol:** Caracterización de la microbiota autóctona degradadora del fuel del Prestige y de su potencial de biorremediación.

**Acrònim:** DEFUEL.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** LALUCAT JO, Jordi.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Microbiologia).

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**Fi:** 2006.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 6.

### Summary

Bacteria play a predominant role in the degradation and mineralisation of hydrocarbon spills in marine ecosystems. The indigenous microbiota responds to an oil spill by increasing its biodegradation capacity and favouring the development of those populations able to metabolise hydrocarbons. The composition of microbial communities varies with relation to the hydrocarbon characteristics and the physico-chemical conditions of the environment. The succession of bacterial populations involved in hydrocarbon degradation is not well known due to methodological problems. Currently, the use of molecular techniques allows for the precise characterisation of the relevant microbial communities in marine ecosystems, as well as to characterise the genetic and metabolic potential of the populations degrading hydrocarbons in the recovery of contaminated areas. The main objectives of the proposed project are:

- Analysis using cultivation and molecular methods of the bacterial communities in contaminated and non contaminated zones in an area affected by the Prestige oil spill at the Galician coast: tidal zone, sediment and surface water. Identification of those populations which actively degrade hydrocarbons by using stable isotope probing (SIP).
- Study of the diversity of the key genes in the degradation of the crude oil constituents, both from the isolated microorganisms and directly from environmental samples after generation of metagenomic libraries.
- Bioremediation studies in micro- and macrocosms by stimulation of the indigenous microorganisms identified.

This project will allow us to determine which are the microorganisms present in polluted marine environments, which of them are involved in biodegradation, which metabolic genes

are implicated and which biodegradation strategy might be the most appropriate for these environments.

**Referència:** BOS2001-0610. Ministeri de Medi Ambient.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Consecuencias ecológicas y evolutivas de la ruptura de mutualismos planta-animal debido a la introducción de especies exóticas en ecosistemas insulares.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** TRAVESET VILAGINÉS, Anna.

**Categoría:** Investigadora científica del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2001.            **Fi:** 2004.

### **Summary**

The objective of the project is to study the effect that the introduction of exotic species of animals in insular ecosystems (in particular, in the Balearic Islands) has had on the distribution and abundance of plant species endemic to the islands or with a microareal distribution, and to know the evolutionary consequences (due to the possibly different selection pressures on plant traits, such as fruit or seed traits) of such introduction. The main goal of the project is to confirm the following hypotheses: (1) that the introduction of carnivores in the large islands, which has resulted in the extinction of the endemic lizard (*Podarcis lilfordi*), has had important consequences in the reproductive success of some plant species, both from an ecological - affecting their abundance and distribution- and from an evolutionary viewpoint. The study species are going to be: *Daphne rodriguezii*, a shrub endemic to Menorca island and currently considered in risk of extinction by the IUCN, and *Cneorum tricoccon*, a shrub with a restricted distribution to the western Mediterranean area with the densest populations in the Balearics, although in risk of extinction in some of these islands. For both species, matrix projection models will be generated, based on the size of individuals, which will allow to determine demographic parameters, their temporal variation and to project the populations through time in order to evaluate the risk of extinction.

**Referència:** 050/2002. Ministeri de Medi Ambient.

**Modalitat:** Ajudes a projectes d'investigació a la Xarxa de Parcs Nacionals.

**Títol:** *Impacto de los herbívoros exóticos en las comunidades vegetales del Parque Nacional de Cabrera: umbrales de degradación, análisis de riesgos y plan de gestión integrada.*

**Acrònim:** HERBIMPACT.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** TRAVESET VILAGINÉS, Anna.

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**Inici:** 2003.

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### **Summary**

Biological invasions caused by exotic species often have devastating effects on island flora and fauna. Island endemics are particularly sensitive to the effects of such invasions, since they seem to be more extinction prone. Invasions by rodents such as rats and rabbits are often mentioned among those showing the most devastating effects. Both species show high fecundities, are herbivores and (in the case of rats) seed predators. They also have indirect effects on the vegetation and fauna, through increased soil erosion, decreased soil fertility and increased risk of invasion by other exotic species.

The characteristics of small rodent populations make extremely difficult their complete eradication from islands other than isolated and very small islets. For this reason, optimal strategies for the mitigation of impacts caused by these species combine an evaluation of their impact on island ecosystems with an analysis of the efficacy and costs of eradication programs. HERBIMPACT will contribute to this objective providing the analysis of the impact of exotic rodent herbivores (rat and rabbit) on the vegetation dynamics in the Cabrera National Park. The results will be used to undertake a risk analysis under various management scenarios, focusing mainly on the risk of (1) erosion, soil degradation and seed-bank loss, (2) extinction of endemic and/or endangered species, and (3) establishment of invasive species. The results of the risk analysis will be used to generate adaptive management guidelines for the impact of exotic herbivores on the vegetation and to elaborate an early warning system for the degradation of vegetation and soil by said herbivores.

For this purpose, we will study the direct and indirect effects of local rat and rabbit populations on the vegetative biomass (cycle production-grazing-regrowth) and sexual reproduction (seed production, dispersal and seedling predation) of (a) dominant species in the various vegetation types and (b) a taxon of high conservation interest (*Medicago citrina*), endemic of eastern Spain and the Balearic islands with a total of 10 populations situated in small islands and islets (of which 3 are placed in Cabrera National Park).

We will pay special attention to establishing the relationships between both herbivore species and quantifying accurately the relationship between their population densities and their impact on the vegetation. For this purpose, we will combine field experiments (exclosures linked to experimental manipulations to measure seed predation and seedling predation), field observations (vegetation structure and plant survival at sites with various herbivore densities) and laboratory experiments with animals (diet choice and plants regrowth potential, impact of grazing on reproductive output). Field experiments will make

use of the existing variability in rat and rabbit density among the various islands and islets of the Cabrera archipelago.

Field observations and experimental results will be integrated by means of two types of vegetation models: (1) dynamic succession models and (2) state-transition models. Risk analysis will be based in the simulations with both types of models. Finally, the subsequent generation of indicators linked to adaptive management strategies will be based on DPSIR (driving force–pressure–state–impact–response) models.

**Referència:** REN2003-06962/GLO. Ministeri de Medi Ambient.

**Modalitat:** Recursos naturals.

**Títol:** *Efecto de las especies invasoras en las redes de polinización: ¿favorece la abundancia de especies super-generalistas la invasión de los ecosistemas insulares?*

**Acrònim:** INVASRED.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** SANTAMARÍA GALDÓN, Luis E.

**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2006.

### **Summary**

INVASRED focuses on the impact of invasive species on the pollination networks of native communities. We aim specifically at testing the following hypothesis: increased abundance of super-generalist pollinators in island ecosystems (as compared to continental ones) enhances the probability of establishment of invasive species, which in turn results in reduced establishment of native species. Detailed aspects of this hypothesis are: (1) decreased species richness of island ecosystems results in an increased abundance of super-generalists pollinator species, with broad feeding niches; (2) super-generalist pollinator species facilitate the establishment of invasive species; (3) presence of invasive plants results in lower pollination and establishment of native species, due to competition for pollinators.

In order to test these hypotheses, we will analyse pollinator networks in insular and continental, coastal communities that differ in their species richness (between island and continent) and in the presence of invasive species (nested within each locality, whether island or continent). We will also evaluate the efficiency of the pollinator communities studied in each pollinator network, on a selected subset of invasive (e.g. *Carpobrotus edulis*, *C. acinaciformis* and *Opuntia* spp.) and native species (e.g. those belonging to the genera *Anthyllis*, *Asphodelus*, *Asteriscus*, *Cistus*, *Lotus* and *Sonchus*) chosen to represent those most abundant and/or most important in each pollination network. This empirical work will be complemented by a theoretical analysis of the conditions under which range expansions can take place in a system with four actors (native plant, introduced plant, native pollinator and invasive pollinator), aimed at generating both improved screening methods for the identification of potentially invasive species and improved management methods for those which are already established.

**Referència:** 55/2002. Ministeri de Medi Ambient.

**Modalitat:** Ajudes a projectes d'investigació a la Xarxa de Parcs Nacionals.

**Títol:** *Regresión de praderas de Posidonia oceánica y calidad ambiental en el Parque Nacional del Archipiélago de Cabrera: causas, magnitud, distribución y posibles estrategias de remediación.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** MARBÀ BORDALBA, Núria.

**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2003.                   **Fi:** 2006.

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### **Summary**

*Posidonia oceanica* develops extensive meadows on the carbonate sediments of the Cabrera Archipelago National Park coast, forming a key ecosystem for biologic production and littoral biogeochemical processes. Recent studies demonstrate that *P. oceanica* meadows at Cabrera NP are declining, evidencing in turn some degree of environmental quality deterioration. The origin and magnitude (i.e. loss rate, spatio-temporal scale) of the decline detected, however, are unknown, preventing to define and implement efficient management polices to preserve *P. oceanica* meadows as its coastal functions. Meadow decline, moreover, is a non-linear process, accelerating, through cascade effects, after reaching a certain level of disturbance. There is the need, therefore, to detect seagrass decline at early stages of the process to be able to revert the decline process when seagrass loss is still not evident as loss of seagrass cover. Meadow recovery, in addition to depend on the growth and reproduction rate of the species, depends on the recovery time scale of environmental quality. Whereas water quality recovers within days/weeks, sediment quality requires decades to recover. Therefore, the time scale for meadow recovery might substantially decrease through strategies towards accelerating the recovery of sediment quality. Hence, the aim of the project submitted is to identify the origin(s), quantify the magnitude and characterize the distribution of meadow decline of *Posidonia oceanica* at the Cabrera Archipelago NP, to develop new approaches based on early warning indicators of decline, and to investigate possible amelioration strategies to stop the seagrass decline observed.

**Referència:** BTE2001-0589. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de recursos naturals.

**Títol:** *Análisis de la evolución y extinción de Myotragus balearicus bate 1909 (Artiodactyla: caprinae).*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** ALCOVER TOMÀS, Josep A.

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**Inici:** 2001.                   **Fi:** 2004.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 3.

*Keywords:* *Myotragus balearicus*, Illes Balears, colonització humana, *Hypnomys*

### **Summary**

The project aims to: 1) Studying unknown aspects of biology and *Myotragus balearicus* evolution. 2) Studying indigenous fauna contact with the first human colonizers. 3) Studying unknown aspects of biology and *Hypnomys morpheus* evolution. 4) Expanding the paleornithological fossil register, and 5) Studying the pre-human invertebrate selected groups fauna (*Mollusca*, *Diplopoda*).

**Referència:** REN2003-07787-C02-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de biodiversitat, ciències de la terra i canvi global.

**Títol:** *Desarrollo de una plataforma de observación oceánica móvil y autónoma.*

**Acrònim:** CORMORÁN.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

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**Inici:** 2003.                   **Fi:** 2006.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 6.

*Keywords:* autonomous vehicle, data assimilation, numerical models, marine observations.

### **Summary**

Marine coastal environment is an extremely complex system, which is characterized by strong interrelationships between its physics-chemical process and its biological population. Therefore, the coastal marine environment requires interdisciplinary studies, which implies the simultaneous physical-chemical and biological variables sampling. Traditionally, oceanographic ships have been the most important observation platforms where to carry out oceanographic-interdisciplinary studies. Because they are economically expensive, the methodology is unable to provide information with the space-temporary resolution required. The anchorages, which are the alternatives to the oceanographic ships in coastal areas, provide a temporary high resolution, but their spatial resolution is very limited. The Autonomous Underwater Vehicles (AUV's) and the Autonomous Surface Vehicles (ASV's) are recent alternatives to these platforms, which would provide a higher spatial and temporary resolution. Among these kind of platforms, only the first of them, AUV's, are able to be considered as a working ones. However, its use is not very widespread due to its high cost. This project proposes the development of a low cost oceanic observation platform, an hybrid between AUV's and ASV's, that is to say, a one which is able to be moved by sea surface and execute vertical immersion in order to get water column profiles according to a previously established plan.

**Referència:** REN2002-00450. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de recursos naturals.

**Título:** Estructuración, demografía y conservación de la comunidad de aves marinas en el mediterráneo occidental: comparación con otras comunidades.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** GONZÁLEZ FORERO, Manuela.

**Categoría:** INVESTIGADORA CONTRACTADA.

**Inici:** 2003. **Fi:** 2006.

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## **EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant: 2.**

**Keywords:** trophic ecology, stable isotopes, seabirds, population dynamics, conservation, mediterranean sea.

## Summary

The general aim of this project is to establish the factors that help to explain the distribution and abundance of sea birds in the western Mediterranean area, emphasizing the intra and interspecific competition for food, such as the fishing activities. In order to evaluate these effects, we will apply the stable isotope of nitrogen and carbon measuring technique. Secondly, we will study how these factors have influenced the demographic parameters of these populations.

**Referència:** REN2002-04165-CO3-O2. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** *Luz y nutrientes como recursos: respuestas del microplancton y génesis de la heterogeneidad espacial en el océano sur.*

**Acrònim:** ICEPOS.

**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos.

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**Inici:** 2000.      **Fi:** 2005.

### **Summary**

The main goal of the proposed coordinated project is to quantify, examine, model and validate the complex interactions, involving direct, indirect and feedback effects, that regulate the planktonic food web in the Southern Ocean with the aim of elucidating the causes underlying the low planktonic biomass and production despite the high nutrient availability there. In particular, the project will evaluate the feedback reactions induced through the role of ammonium, largely released by the large zooplankton swarms present in the Southern Ocean, on the resistance to UV stress by the planktonic community, and in particular its effects on the nitrogen incorporation rates, both ammonium and nitrate, and the subsequent development of phytoplankton blooms. The project will not only address the problem experimentally but will also consider the complex interactions in the context of the heterogeneous landscape, dominated by small parcels of water, that provides the scenario on which the complex interactions occur. This project will be conducted through two oceanographic cruises, on-board microcosms and mesocosm experiments and modeling exercises.

**Referència:** VEM2003-20081-C02-02.

**Títol:** *Evaluación del impacto de los vertidos del Prestige sobre el ecosistema de la plataforma y sus recursos pesqueros. Biología de los recursos.*

**Acrònim:** ECOPRESTIGE.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** MORALES NIN, Beatriz.

**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** TIC2002-04255-C04-03. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Programa nacional de tecnologías de la producción i les comunicacions.

**Títol:** *Láseres y amplificadores de cavidad vertical para comunicaciones ópticas y procesado óptico de señal.*

**Investigador responsable:** BALLE MONJO, Salvador.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** CTM2004-06842-CO3-02. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** *Remolinos oceánicos y deposición atmosférica: efectos biológicos y biogeoquímicos en aguas superficiales del océano Atlántico Este.*

**Investigadora responsable:** AGUSTÍ REQUENA, Susana.

**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2007.

**Referència:** VEM2003-20052. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Acció estratègica vessaments marins accidentals.

**Títol:** *Las aves marinas como bioindicadoras espacio-temporales de contaminación por el vertido del buque Prestige en el litoral gallego.*

**Investigador responsable:** ORO DE RIVAS, Daniel.

**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** VEM2003-20075-C02-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Acció estratègica vessaments marins accidentals.

**Títol:** *Biodegradación anaerobia de residuos de petróleo por bacterias sulfatorreductoras y biodiversidad en la eliminación microbiana de crudo en sedimentos marinos.*

**Investigador responsable:** ROSSELLÓ MORA, Ramon.

**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** VEM2003-20577-C14-08. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Acció estratègica vessaments marins accidentals.

**Títol:** OPSDAS. *Sistema de predicción oceánica con asimilación de datos en tiempo real.*

**Investigador responsable:** TINTORÉ SUBIRANA, Joaquim.

**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Modalitat:** Projecte Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Excavació i estudi dels materials exhumats a la Cova des Moro 8<sup>a</sup> fase.*

**Investigador responsable:** ALCOVER TOMÀS, Josep A.

**Categoría:** Investigador científic del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** CGL2004-04612/BTE. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Títol:** *Cronología y causas de las extinciones de vertebrados autóctonos en Canarias y Baleares: un análisis comparativo.*

**Investigador responsable:** ALCOVER TOMÀS, Josep A.

**Categoría:** Investigador científico del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2007.

**Referència:** CGL2004-04884-C02-01. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Plan Nacional de I+D.

**Títol:** *Determinantes de la invasibilidad de los ecosistemas. Papel de los mutualismos planta-animal.*

**Investigadora responsable:** TRAVESET VILAGINÉS, Anna.

**Categoría:** Investigadora científica del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2007.

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**Referència:** BFM2003-00771. Ministeri de Ciència i Tecnologia.

**Modalitat:** Promoció general del coneixement.

**Títol:** *Modelos algebraicos, gráficos y borrosos en biología molecular.*

**Acrònim:** ALBIOM.

**Centre:** Institut Universitari d'Investigacions en Ciències de la Salut (IUNICS).

**Investigador responsable:** ROSSELLÓ LLOMPART, Francesc A.

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**Inici:** 2003.

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**EDP del grup investigador de l'entitat sol·licitant:** 5.

### **Summary**

This project is within the field of computational biology, and its intention is to contribute to the development and application of new mathematical models in molecular biology in the three following areas:

- The development of new algebraic and discrete models of the three-dimensional structures of the molecules of RNA and proteins, and its application to the study of new notions of distances and similarities among them.
- The study of weighted graphs as models of biological systems; in particular, the development of new notions of clustering in weighted graphs and new realistic models of the dynamics of these graphs and their application to the modeling of biological systems.
- The development of a theory of fuzzy genomes as a simultaneous model of the incomplete knowledge and the homology of nucleic acid molecules and proteins.

**Referència:** PI04-2294. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Títol:** *Poliformismos de genes candidatos de riesgo cardiovascular en la respuesta a la dieta mediterránea. Estudio de modelos animales de las bases moleculares que relacionan el estrés oxidativo con el proceso aterogénico.*

**Centre:** Institut Universitari d'Investigacions en Ciències de la Salut (IUNICS).

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**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2007.

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### **Summary**

The aims of the project are:

1. To assess whether the possible beneficial effects of Mediterranean Diet on cardiovascular risk factors are modulated by polymorphisms of candidate genes. To determine the consequences of the supplementation with specific foods.
2. To determine the atherogenic effect and the oxidative stress induced by a cafeteria diet and the consequences of a dietary supplementation with foods that have a potential antioxidant effect.
3. To investigate the role of PON1 in the response to the oxidative stress induced by dietary factors and the obese status, and its regulation by Mediterranean Diet.
4. To establish a relationship between the diet and obesity-induced oxidative stress and the fibrinolytic process by studying the signal pathways leading to PAI-1 expression.
5. To determine the influence of the diet on the function of NADH/NADPH oxidase p22phox subunit in the respiratory chain (the main source of ROS production in endothelial cells). To make a comprehensive study of the molecular mechanisms implicated in p22phox function.
6. To establish a relationship between diet- and obesity-induced oxidative stress on endothelial function by studying the eNOS.

In order to reach these objectives, it has been devised an experimental design that includes studies both in high cardiovascular risk patients undergoing a diet intervention and studies in animal models of cafeteria diet induced-obesity (an oxidative stress generator) supplemented with specific foods.

**Referència:** PI04-2377. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Títol:** *Implicación del estrés oxidativo inducido por una dieta hiperlipídica en la alteración de la sensibilidad y la secreción de insulina. Diferencias entre géneros.*

**Centre:** Institut Universitari d'Investigacions en Ciències de la Salut (IUNICS).

**Investigadora responsable:** LLADÓ SAMPOL, Isabel.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2007.

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### **Summary**

The aim of this project is to analyze the molecular mechanisms inherent to the different incidence between genders of insulin resistance development and the dysfunction of pancreatic beta cells. Both events can be related to the intake of a high fat diet which is inductive of oxidative stress.

The basic goals of the project are the following:

1. To determine the oxidative stress status generated by feeding a high fat diet and the degree of insulin resistance induced in skeletal muscle.
2. To study the effects of high fat diet induced oxidative stress on pancreatic beta cell functionally.
3. To determine the expression and secretion of pro-inflammatory cytokines by adipose tissue in relation to the oxidative stress situation generated by the diet.
4. To analyze the effect of these pro-inflammatory cytokines on pancreatic beta cell functionally and the potential mechanisms of this effect.
5. To determine the effect of sex hormones on pancreatic beta cell functionally and insulin resistance parameters in skeletal muscle.

The achievement of these proposed goals involve the concurrent development of both in vitro and invivo studies. In vivo studies will use adult Wistar rats of both genders, which will be fed with an oxidative stress inducing high fat diet. In vitro studies will allow us to go further into the knowledge of the underlying molecular mechanisms using isolated cells and/or cell lines.

**Referència:** PI04-0196. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Títol:** Neuroquímica, farmacología y genética de la depresión. Regulación molecular y farmacológica de los alfa2A-adrenoceptores y repectores 5-HT2A en plaquetas de pacientes con depresión mayor.

**Centre:** Institut Universitari d'Investigacions en Ciències de la Salut (IUNICS).

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**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Farmacologia).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2007.

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### **Summary**

Major depression is associated with up-regulation of alpha2A-adrenoceptors and 5-HT receptors (coupled receptors to trimetic Galpha, beta, gamma proteins) in brain and blood platelets. Activation of these receptors induces receptor phosphorylation by specific G protein-coupled receptor kinases and other proteins (GRKs/beta-arrestins), which results in receptor desensitization and down-regulation. A defect in GRK could be an important mechanism in the regulation and expression of receptors (e.g. decreased receptor phosphorylation by a specific GRK in depression could induce functional receptor up-regulation). Therefore, abnormalities in GRKs could represent a specific defect contributing to the pathophysiology of major depression. In this project, it is hypothesized that major depression is associated with down-regulation of specific platelet GRKs. The aims are to assess the statusof platelet GRKs (mainly GRK2/3 regulated by Gbeta, gamma-subunits and GRK5/6 insensitive to Gbeta, gamma), associated regulatory proteins (b-arrestins 2/3, phosphatase PP-2A) and target receptors (a2A-adrenoceptors and 5-HT2A receptors) in patients with major depression. Also, to unravel whether the abnormalities in GRKs are related to the severity of major depression, to the densities of alpha2A-adrenoceptors and/or 5-HT2A receptors, and to investigate the effects of antidepressant drugs on GRKs, associated proteins and receptors in platelets. The methods to be used involve quantitative immunoblot analyses of the target proteins with specific antibodies. An important aim is to ascertain whether a defect of a specific platelet GRK is a marker of major depression.

**Referència:** PI04-1507. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Títol:** *Efectos de citoquinas proinflamatorias sobre células musculares y motoneuronas: implicaciones en la etiopatología de la pérdida de masa muscular en pacientes con EPOC.*

**Centre:** Institut Universitari d'Investigacions en Ciències de la Salut (IUNICS).

**Investigador responsable:** OLMOS BONAFÈ, Gabriel.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Biologia Cel·lular).

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2007.

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### **Summary**

Muscle wasting (cachexia) is a disease associated with several chronic disorders such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). Cachexia is clinically relevant as it negatively influences prognosis and quality of life of patients and increases the utilization of health care resources. Most of the molecular basis of cachexia are currently unknown, thus precluding the development of new therapeutic approaches. Cachexia is associated with increased plasma levels of tumor necrosis factor alpha (TNF- $\alpha$ , cachexine). This cytokine affects myoblasts and myotubes to induce loss of striated muscle tissue homeostasis, characterized by the atrophy/hypoplasia of myotubes. However, the effects of TNF- $\alpha$  on motoneurons are poorly studied. On the other hand, it has been reported that some cytokines have anti-cachexic effects reverting the effects of TNF- $\alpha$ , this suggests that the cytokine anti-cytokine approach might be a new therapeutic tool.

This project involves both basic and clinical research. Basic research is focused on the *in vitro* study of the molecular mechanisms of TNF- $\alpha$  on the viability of miotubes and spinal motoneurons, especially those related to apoptosis induction. The cytokine anti-cytokine approach will be explored using interferon gamma (IFN- $\gamma$ ), a cytokine with clinical applications, to revert the effects of TNF- $\alpha$ . Clinical research will explore in COPD patients the possible impairment of spinal neurons. Electromyography techniques will be performed on these COPD patients to assess the number of motor units as an estimation of the functional spinal motoneurons; results will be related to the body mass index and plasma levels of TNF- $\alpha$ .

**Referència:** PI04-1829. Fons d'Investigació Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Títol:** *Papel de las proteínas surfactantes en las infecciones respiratorias agudas y crónicas por Pseudomonas aeruginosa.*

**Centre:** Institut Universitari d'Investigacions en Ciències de la Salut (IUNICS).

**Investigador responsable:** ALBERTÍ SERRANO, Sebastià.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Microbiologia).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2007.

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### **Summary**

Surfactant proteins play a critical role in the defence and inflammatory response of the lung. However, the molecular mechanisms that allow to these proteins to achieve these functions are complex and remain partially unknown. To better understand these mechanisms, we propose a systematic and detailed study of the interactions between surfactant proteins, *P. Aeruginosa* clinical isolates and human alveolar type II epithelial cells. We will use *P. Aeruginosa* as model due to its prevalence as respiratory pathogen in immunocompromised patients, causing either acute and chronic infections. We will combine immunology, biochemistry, microbiology and cell biology techniques in order to study i) the interactions between this microorganisms (clinical isolates and laboratory type strains) and the surfactant proteins (purified proteins and from clinical samples), and ii) their biological effects in the opsonization and immunomodulation carried out by human alveolar type II epithelial cells. We believe that an extensive knowledge of the molecular and cell biology bases of these interactions, together with the functional analysis of their relevance as defence mechanisms, immunomodulators, and its plausible role in pathogenesis of acute and chronic respiratory infections caused by *P. Aeruginosa* should allow scientific community to develop more efficient treatments for the infections caused by this and other related pathogens.

**Referència:** PI030632. Fons d'Investigacion Sanitària. Ministeri de Sanitat i Consum.

**Títol:** *Mecanismos celulares y moleculares implicados en la degeneración de motoneuronas. Modulación por oxígeno.*

**Investigadora responsable:** LLADÓ VICH, Jerònima.

**Centre:** Institut Universitari d'Investigacions en Ciències de la Salut (IUNICS)-Hospital Universitari Son Dureta.

**Investigador de la UIB:** Olmos Bonafé, Gabriel.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Biologia Cel·lular).

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** Conselleria de Salut i Consum.

**Títol:** *Estudi de les bases moleculars de la perduada massa muscular.*

**Centre:** Institut Universitari d'Investigacions en Ciències de la Salut (IUNICS).

**Investigadora responsable:** LLADÓ VICH, Jerònima.

**Categoría:** INVESTIGADORA CONTRACTADA.

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2004.

## **ACCIONS INTEGRAGES**

**Referència:** HA2001-0015.

**Acció:** Hispanoalemania.

**Títol:** *Evaluación de los parámetros termodinámicos de interacciones metalosupramoleculares para la formación de ensamblajes cíclicos y poliméricos, estudio de sus propiedades funcionales.*

**Investigador responsable:** BALLESTER BALAGUER, Pau.

**Departament:** Química.

**Període:** 2002-2004.

**Referència:** HI2003-0213.

**Acció:** Hispanoitaliana.

**Títol:** *Limitations to CO<sub>2</sub> diffusion imposed by stomatal closure in response to soil drying in grapevines: ecophysiological and molecular aspects.*

**Investigador responsable:** FLEXAS SANS, Jaume.

**Departament:** Biologia.

**Període:** 2004-2005.

**Referència:** HP2003-0049.

**Acció:** Hispanoportuguesa.

**Títol:** *Diseño y construcción de sistemas automáticos en flujo versátiles para la determinación de parámetros ambientales. Aplicación a la caracterización de aguas.*

**Investigador responsable:** CERDÀ MARTÍN, Víctor.

**Departament:** Química.

**Període:** 2004-2005.

**Referència:** HU2003-0030.

**Acció:** Hispanoaustríaca.

**Títol:** *Performance engineering for applications with ambient intelligence.*

**Investigador responsable:** PUIGJANER TREPAT, Ramon.

**Departament:** Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica.

**Període:** 2004-2005.

**Referència:** HA2003-0077.

**Acció:** Hispanoalemania.

**Títol:** *Modelling complex systems as dynamical networks with non-linear units.*

**Investigador responsable:** MARTÍNEZ EGUILUZ, Víctor.

**Departament:** IMEDEA.

**Període:** 2004-2005.

**Referència:** HA2003-0146.

**Acció:** Hispano-alemania.

**Títol:** *Dynamical systems approach to ocean transport.*

**Investigador responsable:** HERNÁNDEZ GARCIA, Emilio.

**Departament:** IMEDEA.

**Període:** 2004-2005.

**Acció:** Hispano-lusa.

**Títol:** *Estructura clonal de poblaciones de macrófitos marinos.*

**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos M.

**Departament:** IMEDEA.

**Període:** 2004-2006.

**Referència:** HF2001-0147.

**Acció:** Hispano-francesa.

**Títol:** *Información pública y selección del hábitat reproductor en un ave longeva que ocupa un ambiente inestable: el caso de la gaviota de Audouin (*Larus audouinii*).*

**Investigador responsable:** ORO DE RIVAS, Daniel.

**Departament:** IMEDEA.

**Període:** 2002-2004.

**Acció:** Hispano-eslovena.

**Títol:** *Comparación de la diversidad microbiana en sedimentos costeros del Adriático Norte y de Baleares mediante técnicas moleculares-establecimiento de redes moleculares para controles ecológicos.*

**Investigador responsable:** ROSSELLÓ MORA, Ramon.

**Departament:** IMEDEA.

**Període:** 2004-2005.

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**Referència:** SAF2001-4859-E.

**Títol:** *Lípidos de la dieta como factores de riesgo para la salud. Mecanismo de acción.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** PALOU OLIVER, Andreu.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** SAF2002-11011-E.

**Títol:** *Red de excelencia europea en nutrigenómica.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** PALOU OLIVER, Andreu.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** REN2002-10539-E.

**Títol:** *III Congreso de la Asociación Española de Climatología.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de la Terra. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** GRIMALT GELABERT, Miquel.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Geografia Física).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** TIC2002-10743-E.

**Títol:** *An automatic human model animation environment for augmented reality interaction.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica. Edifici Anselm Turmeda.

**Investigador responsable:** PERALES LÓPEZ, Francisco José.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Ciències de la Computació i Intel·ligència Artificial).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** REN2001-5431-E.

**Títol:** *Towards sustainable water use on mediterranean islands: addressing conflicting demands and varying hidrological, social and economic conditions (MEDIS).*

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** ALONSO OROZA, Sergio.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Terra).

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** REN2002-10018-E/CLI.

**Títol:** *Red ibérica para la investigación y desarrollo de aplicaciones en base al modelo atmosférico MM5.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** ROMERO MARCH, Romualdo.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Terra).

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** REN2002-12052-E/CLI.

**Títol:** *Red ibérica para la investigación y desarrollo de aplicaciones en base al modelo atmosférico MM5 (fase 2).*

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** ROMERO MARCH, Romualdo.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Terra).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** TIC2001-4484-E.

**Títol:** *Optical chaos communication using laser-diodes transmitters.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** MIRASSO SANTOS, Claudio Rubén.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** TIC2002-10328-E.

**Títol:** *Occult, optical chaos communication using laser-diodes transmitters.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** MIRASSO SANTOS, Claudio Rubén.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** BFM2001-4180-E.

**Títol:** *Quantum images.*

**Centre:** IMEDEA-Departament de Física.

**Investigador responsable:** SAN MIGUEL RUIBAL, Maximino.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** BSO2002-12318-E.

**Títol:** *Red temática neurociencia cognitiva y envejecimiento: avances teóricos y aplicaciones*

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia. Edifici Guillem Cifre de Colonia.

**Investigador responsable:** BARCELÓ GALINDO, Francesc.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Psicobiologia).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** OTR2003-0098-B-C02.

**Títol:** *Plan de acción coordinado de las OTRIS de Baleares.*

**Centre:** Oficina de Suport a la Recerca.

**Investigadora responsable:** TURNES PALOMINO, Gemma.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Química Inorgànica).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** REN2000-3091-CE/MAR.  
**Títol:** *Management and monitoring of seagrass beds (M&MS).*  
**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).  
**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos.  
**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2001.           **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** REN2000-3116-CE/MAR.  
**Títol:** *Nutrients cycling and the trophic status of coastal ecosystems (EUROTROPH).*  
**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).  
**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos.  
**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2001.           **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** REN2002-10871-E/ANT.  
**Títol:** *Regulación de la producción, crecimiento y mortalidad del fitoplancton antártico por la interacción entre radiación ultravioleta y disponibilidad de amonio.*  
**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).  
**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos.  
**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2003.           **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** REN2002-12285-E MAR.  
**Títol:** *Preparación de propuesta de red de excelencia Eur-Oceans.*  
**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).  
**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos.  
**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2003.           **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** DIF2001-4379-E.  
**Títol:** *Difusión de resultados de un grupo de investigación de calidad: el campo de la biología de la conservación.*  
**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).  
**Investigador responsable:** ORO DE RIVAS, Daniel.  
**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2002.           **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** REN2002-12249-E.  
**Títol:** *Mediterranean ocean forecasting system: toward environmental predictions (MFSTEP).*  
**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).  
**Investigador responsable:** TINTORÉ SUBIRANA, Joaquim.  
**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2003.           **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** REN2002-11198-E.

**Títol:** *Apoyo al programa de intervención científica en I+D para la acción estratégica contra vertidos marinos.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** MORALES NIN, Beatriz.

**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** REN2002-10606-E/MAR.

**Títol:** *Mortalidad de fitoplancton en el mediterráneo occidental: participación en la campaña Pelagia 2003.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** AGUSTÍ REQUENA, Susana.

**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** BFM2002-12792-E.

**Títol:** *Leyes de escala y topología de redes funcionales cerebrales.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** MARTÍNEZ EGUILUZ, Víctor.

**Categoría:** INVESTIGADOR CONTRACTAT.

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** REN2002-10592-E.

**Títol:** *XV Reunión de la Sociedad Española de Fisiología Vegetal y VIII Congreso Hispano-luso.*

**Centre:** IMEDEA-Departament de Biologia.

**Investigador responsable:** MEDRANO GIL, Hipólito.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Fisiologia Vegetal).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** REN2002-10918-E/MAR.

**Títol:** *Projecte europeu ESEAS.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Responsable:** GOMIS BOSCH, Damià.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Terra).

**Inici:** 2002.            **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** REN2002-11169-E.

**Títol:** *Medición de ondas largas en la boca del puerto de Sant Antoni de Ibiza.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Responsable:** MONSERRAT TOMÀS, Sebastià.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Terra).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** REN2002-11018-E.

**Títol:** *Estudio integrado de las bases biológicas de la estimación de la edad con otolitos en dos especies de interés comercial, merluza (*Merluccius merluccius*) y bacalao (*Gadus morhua*).*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** MORALES NIN, Beatriz.

**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2002.                   **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** REN2002-107001-E/MAR.

**Títol:** *Influencia de la estructura y dinámica oceanográfica sobre poblaciones demersales en aguas de las islas Baleares.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** MORALES NIN, Beatriz.

**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2003.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** REN2002-10034-E.

**Títol:** *Conferencia electrónica sobre las obras de vida media del BIO Hespérides.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** MORALES NIN, Beatriz.

**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2003.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** TIC2001-4572-E.

**Títol:** *Comunicación óptica utilizando transmisores láser. Complemento a proyecto europeo OCCULT.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** COLET RAFECAS, Pere.

**Categoría:** Científic titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2001.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Eines de la comunicació per a la difusió dels resultats d'investigació.*

**Centre:** Vicerectorat d'Investigació i Política Científica.

**Investigador responsable:** MUÑOZ IZQUIERDO, Francisco.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Química Física).

**Inici:** 2003.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Detecció de toxicitat i capacitat mutagènica de productes químics relacionats amb bases púriques en Drosophila melanogaster.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia.

**Investigador responsable:** CASTRO OCÓN, José Aurelio.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Genètica).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Aplicació d'una tècnica de genotipació de l'estrés porcí al porc negre mallorquí selecte.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia.

**Investigador responsable:** CASTRO OCÓN, José Aurelio.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Genètica).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Constitució de la Xarxa Interdisciplinari d'Estudi de l'Evolució Insular (INSULAEVOL).*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia.

**Investigadora responsable:** RAMON JUANPERE, Misericòrdia.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Genètica).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Estudi de l'activitat citoquinina de distintes sèries de nous composts sintètics a plantes.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia.

**Investigadora responsable:** CABOT BIBILONI, Catalina.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Fisiologia Vegetal).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Patógenos e indicadores en fangos de depuradoras (MICROSLUDGE).*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia.

**Investigador responsable:** LALUCAT JO, Jordi.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Microbiologia).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Constitució del Grup de Biologia d'Espècies Invasores Marines.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia.

**Investigadora responsable:** DEUDERO COMPANY, Salut.

**Categoría:** Aj. U (àrea de coneixement: Zoologia).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Producció de biohidrògen a partir de residus orgànics.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia.

**Investigador responsable:** BENNÀSAR ROIG, Antoni.

**Categoría:** CEU (àrea de coneixement: Fisiologia Vegetal).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Adaptació de la tecnologia d'ADN a mostres forenses.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia.

**Investigador responsable:** PICORNELL RIGO, Antònia.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Genètica).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Creació d'una base de dades integrada per a la xarxa temàtica dedicada a l'estudi de la dieta mediterrània en la prevenció primària de les malalties.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut.

**Investigador responsable:** OLIVER OLIVER, Jordi.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Posada en marxa del disseny d'aliments funcionals a partir d'ametlla dirigits a malalts de porfiria.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut.

**Investigador responsable:** PONS BIESCAS, Antoni.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *XV Congreso Nacional de Historia del Arte.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Històriques i Teoria de les Arts.

**Investigador responsable:** CANTARELLAS CAMPS, Catalina.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Història de l'Art).

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Avaluació de la conflictivitat pares i fills adolescents en les famílies de la CAIB.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de l'Educació.

**Investigadora responsable:** FERRÀ COLL, Patrícia.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Teoria i Història de l'Educació).

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Difusió i explotació de la base de dades del patrimoni cultural de Mallorca.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de l'Educació.

**Investigador responsable:** COLOM CAÑELLAS, Antoni J.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Teoria i Història de l'Educació).

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Creació d'una xarxa d'investigació i intercanvi de materials i d'experiències de formació entre universitats.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de l'Educació.

**Investigador responsable:** SALINAS IBÁÑEZ, Jesús M.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Didàctica i Organització Escolar).

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Conversió dels curtmetratges d'animació per ordinador del Màster Maisca a 35 mm pel seu enviament a la Xarxa Internacional de Festivals de Cinema.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica.

**Investigador responsable:** MONTES DE OCA DURAN, Juan A.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Ciències de la Computació i Intel·ligència Artificial).

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Relació entre l'estructura web i l'activitat empresarial a les Illes Balears.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica.

**Investigador responsable:** VALVERDE GARCIA, Llorenç.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Ciències de la Computació i Intel·ligència Artificial).

**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Presentació de propostes de projecte europeu de treball col·laboratiu i usuaris mòbils.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica.

**Investigador responsable:** GALLI, Ricardo Adolfo.

**Categoría:** AS. ESTR. (àrea de coneixement: Ciències de la Computació i Intel·ligència Artificial).

**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Xarxa Audiovisual de les Illes Balears.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica.

**Investigador responsable:** BIBILONI COLL, Antoni.

**Categoría:** TEU. (àrea de coneixement: Ciències de la Computació i Intel·ligència Artificial).

**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Jornades Tècniques RedIRIS 2003.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica.

**Investigador responsable:** FONTANET NADAL, Gabriel.

**Categoría:** TEU. (àrea de coneixement: Ciències de la Computació i Intel·ligència Artificial).

**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *9Th International Conference on Reliable Software Technologies.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica.

**Investigador responsable:** LLAMOSÍ CASAS, Albert.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Ciències de la Computació i Intel·ligència Artificial).

**Inici:** 2004.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Net-Con'2004.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica.

**Investigador responsable:** PUIGJANER TREPAT, Ramon.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Arquitectura i Tecnologia d'Ordinadors).

**Inici:** 2004.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Third International Workshop AMDO 2004.*

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica.

**Investigador responsable:** GONZÁLEZ HIDALGO, Manuel.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Ciències de la Computació i Intel·ligència Artificial).

**Inici:** 2004.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Constitució d'una xarxa de recerca sobre modelització de dades turístiques d'alta freqüència.*

**Centre:** Departament d'Economia Aplicada.

**Investigador responsable:** SANSÓ ROSSELLÓ, Andreu.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Aplicada).

**Inici:** 2003.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Consolidació d'una xarxa sobre modelització de dades turístiques d'alta freqüència.*

**Centre:** Departament d'Economia Aplicada.

**Investigador responsable:** SANSÓ ROSSELLÓ, Andreu.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Aplicada).

**Inici:** 2004.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *XII Encuentro de Economía Pública.*

**Centre:** Departament d'Economia Aplicada.

**Investigador responsable:** SPADARO, Amedeo.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Aplicada).

**Inici:** 2004.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Noves tecnologies i món digital: aplicacions a la recerca del teatre i el cinema i la recuperació del patrimoni inmaterial (creació d'un grup de recerca interdisciplinari en Ciències de l'Espectacle).*

**Centre:** Departament de Filologia Espanyola, Moderna i Llatina.

**Investigadora responsable:** TRAPERO LLOBERA, Patrícia.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Literatura Espanyola).

**Inici:** 2004.

**Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Projecte per la consolidació de la xarxa de recerca en l'àrea d'anàlisi d'estructures de formigó i activitats de difusió de la xarxa a les Illes Balears.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física.

**Investigador responsable:** CLADERA BOHIGAS, Antoni.

**Categoría:** P. Col. (àrea de coneixement: Mecànica de Medis Continus i Teoria de les Estructures).

**Inici:** 2003.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Jornada tècnica i xarxa sobre el desenvolupament d'energies renovables i tècniques de millora de la eficiència energètica per a l'assoliment de sistemes energètics més sostenibles.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física.

**Investigador responsable:** MARTÍNEZ MOLL, Víctor.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Enginyeria Mecànica).

**Inici:** 2003.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Projecte d'aplicació de recerca realitzada i consolidació de xarxa.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física.

**Investigador responsable:** MARTÍNEZ MOLL, Víctor.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Enginyeria Mecànica).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Dynamics Days.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física.

**Investigador responsable:** PIRO PERUSÍN, Oreste.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física Teòrica).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *II Seminario de Neurociencia Cognitiva.*

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia.

**Investigador responsable:** MONTOYA JIMÉNEZ, Pedro.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Psicobiologia).

**Inici:** 2003.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Simposi d'Edició de Revistes Científiques de Ciències Socials i Humanitats.*

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia.

**Investigador responsable:** GARCIA MAS, Alexandre.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Psicologia Bàsica).

**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Neurociència Cognitiva i Enveliment: Avanços Tècnics i Aplicacions.*

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia.

**Investigador responsable:** BARCELÓ GALINDO, Francesc.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Psicobiologia).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Estudi sobre el perfil de les persones ateses a la Unitat de Salut mental de Son Pisà.*

**Centre:** Departament de Psicologia.

**Investigador responsable:** GOMILA BENEJAM, Antoni.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Psicologia Bàsica).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Gestión integrada de zonas costeras ante vertidos de hidrocarburos en el Mar Balear.*

**Centre:** Departament de Química.

**Investigador responsable:** BERGUEIRO LÓPEZ, José Ramón.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Enginyeria Química).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Valorització de productes resultants de la incineració de residus sòlids urbans.*

**Centre:** Departament de Química.

**Investigador responsable:** FORTEZA COLL, Rafael A.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Química Analítica).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *ESPA.*

**Centre:** Departament de Química.

**Investigador responsable:** MUÑOZ IZQUIERDO, Francisco.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Química Física).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Constitució d'un grup interdisciplinari per fer investigació de cèl·lules solars.*

**Centre:** Departament de Química.

**Investigador responsable:** FRONTERA BECCARÍA, Antoni.

**Categoría:** Investigador contractat.

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Aplicación de nuevas metodologías de análisis de imagen a la determinación de la edad de peces por extracción de anillos de crecimiento de los otolitos.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** TOMÁS OLAGUE, Javier.

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *De genes a ecosistemas: el uso de marcadores moleculares como técnica integradora de la fisiología, ecología y evolución de plantas.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigadora responsable:** TRAVESET VILAGINÉS, Anna.

**Categoría:** Investigadora científica del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Títol:** *Oportunidades de innovación en el sector turístico balear.*

**Investigador responsable:** JACOB ESCAURIAZA, Marta.

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Aplicación de nuevas metodologías de análisis de imagen a la determinación de la edad de peces por extracción de anillos de crecimiento de los otolitos.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** TOMÁS, Francisco Javier.

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Ajudes especials de recerca, desenvolupament tecnològic i innovació del Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Adquisición de un micro CTD y un navegador inercial.*

**Investigador responsable:** ÁLVAREZ DÍAZ, Alberto.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** REN2002-10565-E.

**Títol:** *BACO. Beach And COastal monitoring system.*  
**Investigador responsable:** TINTORÉ SUBIRANA, Joaquim.  
**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2003.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Títol:** *Red Temática CLIVAR: Climate Variability.*  
**Investigador responsable:** TINTORÉ SUBIRANA, Joaquim.  
**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2006.

**Referència:** Acció especial Govern Balear.  
**Títol:** *Aplicación de un vehículo subacuático de exploración para actividades de difusión.*  
**Investigador responsable:** VIZOSO, Guillermo.  
**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** REN2001-3982-E/MAR.  
**Títol:** *SOFT. Satellite-based Ocean ForecasTing project.*  
**Investigador responsable:** TINTORÉ SUBIRANA, Joaquim.  
**Categoría:** Professor d'investigació del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2001.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** REN-2002-10606E/MAR.  
**Títol:** *Mortalidad de fitoplancton en el Mediterráneo Occidental: participación en campañas PELAGIA 2003 y 2004.*  
**Investigadora responsable:** AGUSTÍ REQUENA, Susana.  
**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2003.                   **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** REN2002-12284-E.  
**Títol:** *Flujo de carbono en la región canaria: modificaciones campaña COCA-II.*  
**Investigadora responsable:** AGUSTÍ REQUENA, Susana.  
**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** REN2002-12659-E.  
**Títol:** *Estudio piloto de marcado individual de Merluza (*Merluccius Merluccius*) en el mar balear.*  
**Investigadora responsable:** MORALES NIN, Beatriz.  
**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.  
**Inici:** 2004.                   **Fi:** 2006.

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**Projecte:** Acció COST 267.

**Títol:** *Semiconductor devices for signal processing.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** BALLE MONJO, Salvador.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Projecte:** Acció COST 722.

**Títol:** *Short-range forecasting methods of fog, visibility and low clouds.*

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** CUXART RODAMILANS, Joan.

**Categoría:** INVESTIGADOR CONTRACTAT.

**Inici:** 2001.            **Fi:** 2006.

**Projecte:** Acció COST 858.

**Títol:** *Biotic and abiotic stress: grapevine defense mechanism and grape development.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** MEDRANO GIL, Hipólito.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Fisiologia Vegetal).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2009.

**Projecte:** Acció COST 858-00202.

**Títol:** *Water transports and aquaporins in grapevines.*

**Centre:** Departament de Biologia. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.

**Investigador responsable:** MEDRANO GIL, Hipólito.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Fisiologia Vegetal).

**Inici:** 2004.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Acció COST 102.

**Títol:** *Physics of risk.*

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** SAN MIGUEL RUIBAL, Maximino.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2003.            **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** IST-2000-26019.

**Títol:** *Quantum Imaging.*

**Acrònim:** QUANTIM.

**Investigador responsable:** SAN MIGUEL RUIBAL, Maximino.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2001.            **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** IST-2001-32802.

**Títol:** *The network of excellence for complex systems.*

**Acrònim:** EXYSTENCE.

**Modalitat:** Network of Excellence.

**Investigador responsable:** SAN MIGUEL RUIBAL, Maximino.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2002.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** RII3-CT-2003-506222.

**Modalitat:** Structuring the European Research Area Specific Programme.

**Títol:** *Integrated large infrastructures for astroparticle science (ILIAS)*.

**Centre:** Departament de Física. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigadora responsable:** SINTES OLIVES, Alícia Magdalena.

**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Física Teòrica).

**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2009.

**Títol:** *STOCHDYN: Stochastic Dynamics. Fundamentals and Applications*.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** SAN MIGUEL RUIBAL, Maximino.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Organisme:** European Science Foundation.

**Inici:** 2002.      **Fi:** 2007.

**Referència:** Projecte AECI.

**Títol:** *Desarrollo de métodos automáticos para la especiación de compuestos nitrogenados y fosforados. Aplicación al análisis de aguas residuales*.

**Centre:** Departament de Química. Edifici Mateu Orfila i Rotger.

**Investigador responsable:** CERDÀ MARTÍN, Víctor.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Química Analítica).

**Centre d'aplicació:** Laboratorio de Espectroscopia Molecular. Departament de Química. Facultad de Ciencias. Universidad de Los Andes. Núcleo de la Hechicera. Mérida. Venezuela.

**Referència:** Projecte AECI. Agència Espanyola de Cooperació Internacional.

**Modalitat:** Ajuts per a projectes conjunts d'investigació i accions complementàries en el marc del programa de cooperació interuniversitària entre Espanya i Tunísia.

**Títol:** *Benchmarking pour commerce electronique*.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Matemàtiques i Informàtica. Edifici Anselm Turmeda.

**Investigador responsable:** PUIGJANER TREPAT, Ramon.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Arquitectura i Tecnologia de Computadors).

**Centre d'aplicació:** Université de la Manouba-Tunis. Tunísia.

**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** Projecte AECI. Agència Espanyola de Cooperació Internacional.

**Modalitat:** Ajuts per a projectes conjunts d'investigació i accions complementàries en el marc del programa de cooperació interuniversitària entre Espanya i Marroc.

**Títol:** *Las articulaciones entre el turismo de sol y playa y el turismo cultural a través del estudio de los casos de Marruecos y Mallorca (repercusiones socio-económicas y socio-espaciales*.

**Centre:** Departament de Ciències de la Terra. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.  
**Investigador responsable:** SEGUÍ LLINÀS, Miquel.  
**Categoría:** TEU (àrea de coneixement: Anàlisi Geogràfica Regional).  
**Inici:** 2004.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** II-02-066 EC.  
**Títol:** *X-ray diffraction study of lamellar, and nonlamellar forming lipids with synthetic peptides of G-protein and Alpha2 Adrenergic-receptor sequences.*  
**Centre:** Departament de Biologia Fonamental i Ciències de la Salut. Edifici Guillem Colom Casasnovas.  
**Investigadora responsable:** BARCELÓ MAIRATA, Francesca M.  
**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Bioquímica i Biologia Molecular).  
**Organisme:** Deutches Electronen-Synchrotron.  
**Inici:** 2002.      **Fi:** 2005.

**Referència:** 213854-CP-3-2003-1-PT.  
**Títol:** *PHOENIX: European thematic network on health and social welfare policy.*  
**Centre:** Departament de Ciències Històriques i Teoria de les Arts. Edifici Ramon Llull.  
**Investigadora responsable:** MOLL BLANES, Isabel.  
**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Història Contemporània).  
**Organisme:** Unió Europea.  
**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Títol:** *Attività per la formazione di operatori del diritto in materia di accesso alla giustizia dei consumatori europei nelle controversie transnazionali e di rilevanza comunitaria.*  
**Centre:** Departament de Dret Privat. Edifici Anselm Turmeda.  
**Investigadora responsable:** TAPIA FERNÁNDEZ, Isabel.  
**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Dret Processal).  
**Organisme:** Unió Europea.  
**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Títol:** *Estudio comparativo de dos especies de Cneoraceae de distribución disyunta en España y Cuba.*  
**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats.  
**Investigadora responsable:** TRAVESET VILAGINÉS, Anna.  
**Categoría:** Investigadora científica del CSIC.  
**Organisme:** CSIC-CITMA.  
**Inici:** 2003.      **Fi:** 2004.

**Títol:** *Micro-level analysis of the European Social Agenda: combating poverty and social exclusion through changes in social and fiscal policy.*  
**Centre:** Departament d'Economia Aplicada. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.  
**Investigador responsable:** SPADARO, Amedeo.  
**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Aplicada).  
**Organisme:** Unió Europea (Targeted Socio-Economic Research Program, CT2001-0099).

**Inici:** 2001. **Fi:** 2004.

**Títol:** *Economics of Ageing in Europe (AGE)*.

**Centre:** Departament d'Economia Aplicada. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigador responsable:** SPADARO, Amedeo.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Aplicada).

**Organisme:** Unió Europea (RTN European Program, HPRN-CT-2002-00235).

**Inici:** 2002. **Fi:** 2005.

**Títol:** *Complex systems networks of excellence*.

**Centre:** Departament d'Economia Aplicada. Edifici Gaspar Melchor de Jovellanos.

**Investigador responsable:** SPADARO, Amedeo.

**Categoría:** TU (àrea de coneixement: Economia Aplicada).

**Organisme:** Unió Europea.

**Inici:** 2002. **Fi:** 2005.

**Projecte:** National Science Foundation-USA.

**Títol:** *Network Topology and the Dynamics of Complex Networks*.

**Investigador responsable:** MARTÍNEZ EGUILUZ, Víctor.

**Categoría:** INVESTIGADOR CONTRACTAT.

**Inici:** 2004. **Fi:** 2005.

**Projecte:** 2002AR0012. Cooperación CSIC-CONICET.

**Títol:** *Efectos constructivos del ruido en sistemas dinámicos y sistemas extendidos*.

**Investigador responsable:** SAN MIGUEL RUIBAL, Maximino.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Inici:** 2002. **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** Xarxa Temàtica de la Generalitat de Catalunya.

**Títol:** *Dinàmiques no lineals d'autoorganització espaciotemporal*.

**Centre:** Institut Mediterrani d'Estudis Avançats (IMEDEA).

**Investigador responsable:** SAN MIGUEL RUIBAL, Maximino.

**Categoría:** CU (àrea de coneixement: Física de la Matèria Condensada).

**Organisme:** Generalitat de Catalunya.

**Inici:** 2003. **Fi:** 2004.

**Referència:** SSP/STREP/01/0181.

**Títol:** *Risk analysis for Phytophthora ramorum, a recently recognised pathogen threat to Europe and the cause of Sudden Oak Death in the USA*.

**Acrònim:** RAPRA.

**Investigador responsable:** DESCALS CALLISEN, Enrique.

**Inici:** 2004. **Fi:** 2007.

**Projecte:** Projecte Intramural núm. 200430E014.

**Títol:** *Desarrollo de nuevas técnicas de detección temprana de estrés de angiospermas marinas: actividad meristemática.*

**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos M.

**Inici:** 2004.           **Fi:** 2006.

**Projecte:** 024A/2002. Investigació Parcs Nacionals.

**Títol:** *Investigaciones aplicadas a la conservación de una especie en peligro de extinción: la pardela balear en el Parque Nacional de Cabrera.*

**Investigador responsable:** ORO DE RIVAS, Daniel.

**Inici:** 2003.           **Fi:** 2005.

**Projecte:** Convocatòria de projectes de conservació de la biodiversitat.

**Títol:** *Determinació de la presència i estatus poblacional del cranc exòtic *Percnon gibbesi* (Crustacea, Decapoda, Grapsidae) al litoral de Mallorca.*

**Investigador responsable:** DEUDERO COMPANY, Salut.

**Inici:** 2003.           **Fi:** 2004.

**Projecte:** National Science Fundation, USA.

**Títol:** *Integrating the terrestrial and aquatic components of the global carbon budget.*

**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos M.

**Inici:** 2002.           **Fi:** 2004.

**Projecte:** Projectes d'I+D. Ministeri de Salut del Canadà.

**Títol:** *International double blind study for the identification of *Pseudomonas* species.*

**Investigador responsable:** LALUCAT JO, Jordi.

**Inici:** 2003.           **Fi:** 2006.

**Projecte:** FAO.

**Títol:** *A Pilot Study on Operational Units for *Coryphaena hippurus* fishery.*

**Investigadora responsable:** MORALES NIN, Beatriz.

**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2004.           **Fi:** 2005.

**Projecte:** PTR1995-0810-OP. Projecte PETRI.

**Títol:** *Aplicación de nuevas metodologías de análisis de imagen en el desarrollo de un programa comercial de la plataforma IPP para el estudio de otolitos: age and shape.*

**Investigadora responsable:** MORALES NIN, Beatriz.

**Categoría:** Científica titular del CSIC.

**Inici:** 2004.           **Fi:** 2006.

**Projecte:** Subvenció Govern Balear.

**Títol:** *Preparación del proyecto europeo integrado 'Thresholds'.*

**Investigador responsable:** DUARTE QUESADA, Carlos M.  
**Inici:** 2003.           **Fi:** 2005.

**Projecte:** 2272a. Small Ecological Project Grants. British Ecological Society.  
**Títol:** *Conservation of plant animal mutualisms in islands. Understanding the ecology of endemic lizards (*Podarcis lilfordi*) as a tool to conserve an endangered plant endemism (*Daphne rodriguezii*).*

**Investigador responsable:** SANTAMARIA GALDÓN, Luís Enrique.  
**Inici:** 2004.           **Fi:** 2005.

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Aj.: Ajudant/a  
Aj. EU: Ajudant/a d'Escola Universitària  
Aj. U: Ajudant/a d'Universitat  
AGR: Programa nacional d'investigació i desenvolupament agrari  
ALI: Programa nacional de tecnologia d'aliments  
AMB: Programa nacional d'I+D en medi ambient  
ANT: Programa nacional d'investigació a l'Antàrtida.  
As.: Associat/associada  
B: Becari/becària  
B (reinc.): Becari/becària postdoctoral de reincorporació  
BIO: Programa nacional de biotecnologia  
C: Col·laborador/a  
CEU: Catedràtic/a d'Escola Universitària  
CLI: Programa nacional d'I+D sobre el clima  
COL.: Professor/a col·laborador/a  
CSIC: Consell Superior d'Investigacions Científiques  
CU: Catedràtic/a d'Universitat  
EDP: Equivalent de dedicació plena  
EDP=1: dedicació única  
EDP=0.5: compartida a dos projectes  
EDP=0.33: compartida a tres projectes  
EJC: Equivalent de jornada completa  
FD: Fons FEDER  
FIS: Fons d'Investigació Sanitària  
HID: Programa nacional de recursos hídrics  
IMPIVA: Institut per a la Modernització dels Processos Industrials de València  
MAR: Programa nacional de ciència i tecnologia marines  
MAST: Marine Sciences and Technologies  
MAT: Programa nacional de materials  
MEC: Ministeri d'Educació i Ciència  
PB: Programa bàsic (Programa sectorial de promoció general del coneixement)  
PETRI: Projecte d'Estímul a la Transferència de Resultats d'Investigació  
P. Col.: Professor/a col·laborador/a  
PM: Programa de medicina  
PS: Programa sectorial  
P1: Projectes d'investigació bàsica no orientada  
P2: Projectes d'investigació bàsica orientada  
P3: Projectes d'investigació aplicada  
P4: Projectes d'I+D en cooperació  
RACE: Research and Technology Development in Advanced Communications Technologies  
SC: Programa sectorial d'I+D agrari i alimentari del MAPA  
SM: Projecte simplificat d'investigació en biomedicina  
Tèc.: Tècnic  
TEL: Programa nacional d'aplicacions i serveis telemàtics  
TEU: Titular d'Escola Universitària  
TIC: Programa nacional de tecnologies de la informació i de les comunicacions  
TU: Titular d'Universitat  
UE: Unió Europea  
UNESCO: United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization

Visitant: Professor/a visitant