



Annual Report 2024



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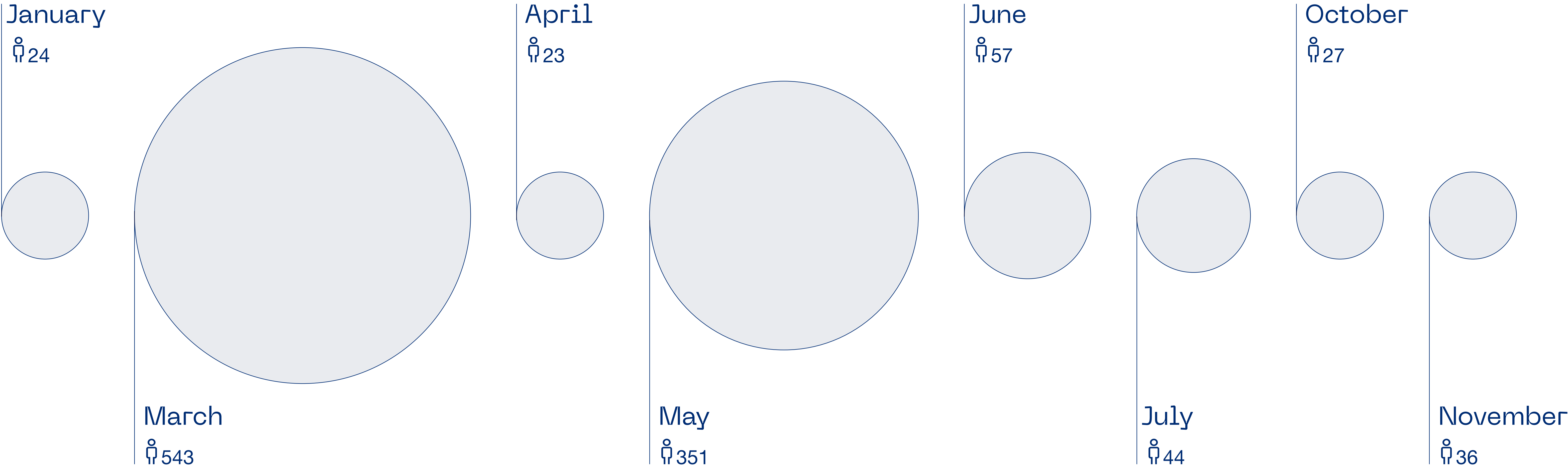
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DISCUSSION



The Foundation organizes lectures, seminars and webinars with the aim of deepening society’s understanding of ethical issues.

DISCUSSION

29 JANUARY

How does bioethics work?
Methodology, deliberation and citizenship

Round table discussion with Núria Terribas, Miquel Seguró, Tomas Domingo, Ester Busquets and Begoña Román



Presentation of the monograph “Argumenta Philosophica” published by Herder

6 & 7 MARCH

Make People Better

Film screening and discussion

19 MARCH

Me llamo Violeta (My name is Violet)

Film screening and discussion with the Acadèmia del Cinema Català (Academy of Catalan Cinema)

17 APRIL

Homes for the elderly in times of pandemic

Lecture by Montse Puig and Montse Roca in collaboration with Amics per a la UNESCO Barcelona

MAY

Workshops for teachers and students on end-of-life issues

Festival of Life at the End of Life Event

8 MAY

Let’s talk about death through books

Roundtable discussion with Espartac Peran, Soledad Romero, Cristina Llagostera and Pol Izquierdo



Life at the End of Life Festival Event

16 MAY

Make People Better

Film screening and discussion with Americana Film Fest

22 MAY

Let’s talk about Life at the end of life

Round table discussion with Jordi Amblàs, Victòria Camps, Cristina Vallès and Núria Terribas

Festival of Life at the End of Life Event

DISCUSSION

30 MAY

Tech Talks: “Data science & AI in healthcare”

Grifols IT department

3 JUNE

Talking about rare diseases with the FECAMM

Joint activity with FECAMM on its 20th anniversary

5 JUNE

Ethical values in education

Lecture by Francesc Torralba in partnership with Amics per a la Unesco Barcelona

10 JUNE

“Bioethics: Foundations, Applications and Future Challenges”

Book presentation

11 JULY

Rare diseases: a great challenge for bioethics

Josep Egozcue Conference

2 OCTOBER



Carmen Ayuso, Núria Terribas, Victòria Camps, Teresa Pàmpols, Ignacio Blanco and Núria Tarrats

Mental health from a sociological perspective

Film and discussion on “Bailar la locura” (Dancing Madness) with Josep Ramos and Marta Espar, organised in collaboration with Amics per a la UNESCO Barcelona

21 OCTOBER

“Ethics and proximity in cities that care”

Seminar held in collaboration with the Mémora Foundation

20 NOVEMBER

Homelessness and end of life

Lecture by Paola Contreras in partnership with Amics per a la Unesco Barcelona

12 DE DICIEMBRE

“Deliberation, Ethics, and Public Health”

Seminar in collaboration with SESPAS

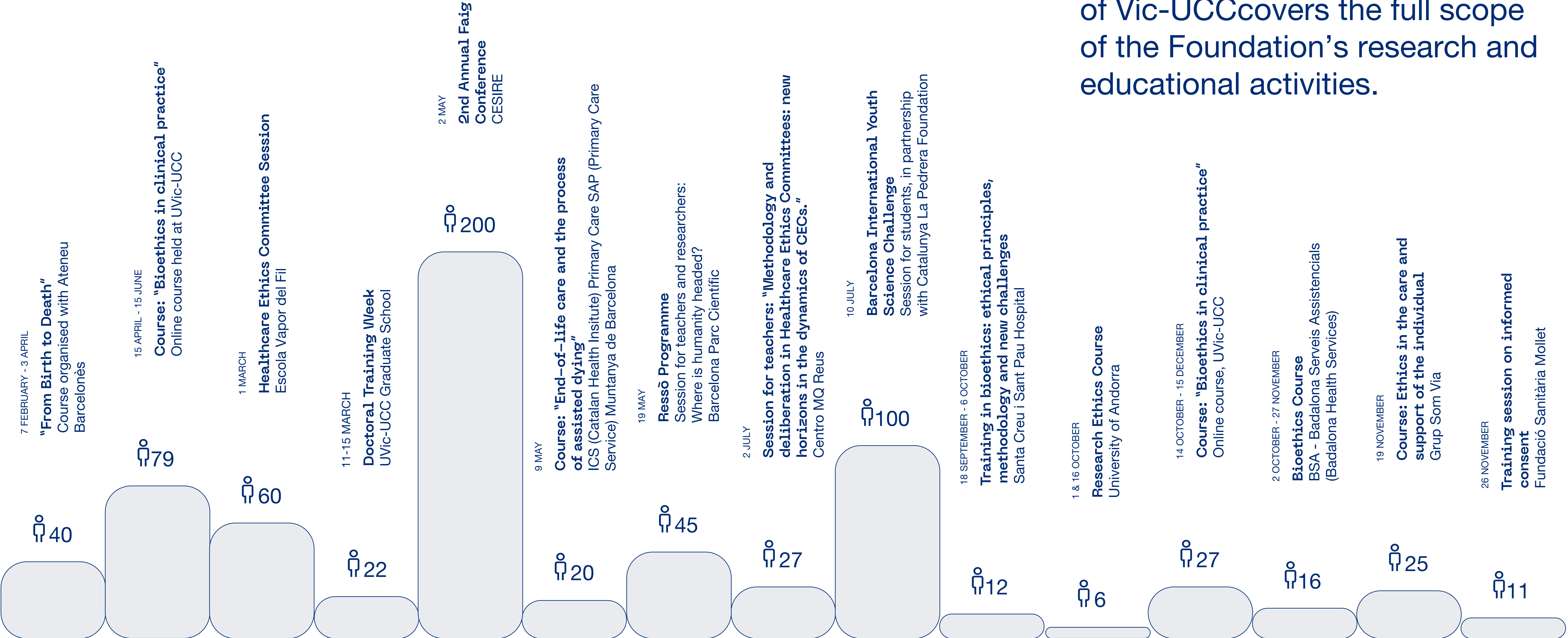


Diego Gracia and Núria Terribas

EDUCATION

Grífols Foundation UVic-UCC Chair of Bioethics

The Chair of Bioethics, directed by the Foundation at the University of Vic-UCC covers the full scope of the Foundation’s research and educational activities.



EDUCATION



Training session in schools during the Life at the end of Life Festival Event



Course From Birth to Death



Session with Grifols IT



Teaching session at the Barcelona Science Park

INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

The Foundation also participates in training programmes with other institutions, organising courses and delivering one-time educational sessions on bioethical issues.

March

1 MARCH
3rd Annual Congress of Nursing Managers of Catalonia
Round table discussion: Ethical dilemmas in artificial intelligence
ACDI, Catalan Association of Nursing Directors

22 MARCH
Session “Access to euthanasia: difficulties in mental health”
Sant Pere Claver

January

17 JANUARY
“Euthanasia: The right to choose one’s own death”
Fundació del Museu de la Maquinista Terrestre i Marítima (MACOSA)

April

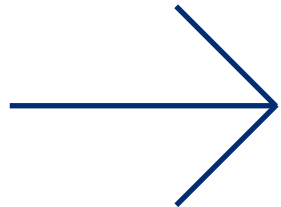
25 APRIL
Celebrating 10 years of the Andorra Bioethics Committee
Discussion on the documentary Artificial Immortality

May

FROM 27 TO 29 MAY
Course: “Organ and tissue donation and the transplantation process” (23rd edition) “The end of life: legal, ethical and clinical perspectives”
Vall d’Hebron University Hospital

June

5, 6 AND 7 MAY
32nd Annual Congress on Health and Law
Round table discussion: Issues that arise when applying Euthanasia Act: The perspective of the Commission of Guarantees and Evaluation



INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

July		September		October		November		December	
4 JULY 7th Annual Clínic Barcelona Summer School Shared decisions: values, preferences and realities		12-14 SEPTEMBER EACME Annual Conference The experience of euthanasia in Spain: figures and difficulties of application		8 OCTOBER 1st Annual Grup Mutuam Bioethics Conference Conference “Healthcare ethics, a fundamental pillar of Grup Mutuam”		13 NOVEMBER Master’s Degree in Reproductive Biology “Ethical and Legal Aspects of ART. The moral status of the human embryo” Dexeus Campus		3 DECEMBER “Issues posed by the application of the law regulating euthanasia: The perspective of the Commission of Guarantees and Evaluation of Catalonia” Cerce de Salut	
11 OCTOBER 25th Anniversary of the Hospital Vall d’Hebron EC		14 NOVEMBER 25th Anniversary of the Hospital General de Catalunya EC Conference: “Current issues and critical points in the euthanasia process”		20 NOVEMBER 2nd Annual Meeting of the DigitaliSSB Project Fundació ISocial		11 DECEMBER Session: “Access to euthanasia: challenges in mental health” Pere Claver Group		29 OCTOBER Guttmann Institute Technical Conferences Conference: “Bioethics and Neurorehabilitation”	

INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

CONSULTING FOR ETHICS COMMITTEES

Foundation director Núria Terribas participates as an active member and expert in bioethics within various clinical ethics committees across a number of health institutions in Catalonia: Althaia Care Network of Manresa, Hospital de l’Esperit Sant, and Grup Mutuam.

She is also vice-chair of the Bioethics Committee of Catalonia, of which she has been a member since 2009. She has served too as a member of the Committee for Research Integrity (CIR-CAT) since 2021, and on the Catalonia Commission on Guarantees and Evaluation of Assisted Dying, the organization that reviews requests for euthanasia in Catalonia.

Since 2023, also she has held a position on the Advisory Council of the Mechanism for the Evaluation of Torture for the Sindicatura de Greuges (Ombuds Office) of Catalonia.

COUNCIL OF FOUNDATIONS FOR SCIENCE

The Foundation is a member of the Spanish Foundation for Science and Technology (FECYT), which brings together Spanish foundations dedicated to science and

science-related issues.

OUR PARTNERS IN 2024:

- Catalan Academy of Cinema
- Americana Film Fest
- Amics de la Unesco Barcelona
- Centre for Specific Pedagogical Resources supporting Innovation and Educational Research (CESIRE)
- Col·lectiu Minerva
- Catalan Federation of Rare Diseases
- Fundació Catalunya-La Pedrera
- Fundació Dr. Torrent Farnell
- Fundació Mémora
- Parc Científic de Barcelona
- Spanish Society of Public Health and Healthcare (SESPAS)
- Rare Disease Platform
- Palliative Care Society of Catalonia and the Balearic Islands
- Cities that Care
- The Care Lab
- Universitat Oberta de Catalunya
- Universitat de Vic-Central de Catalunya.

INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS



EACME Annual Meeting



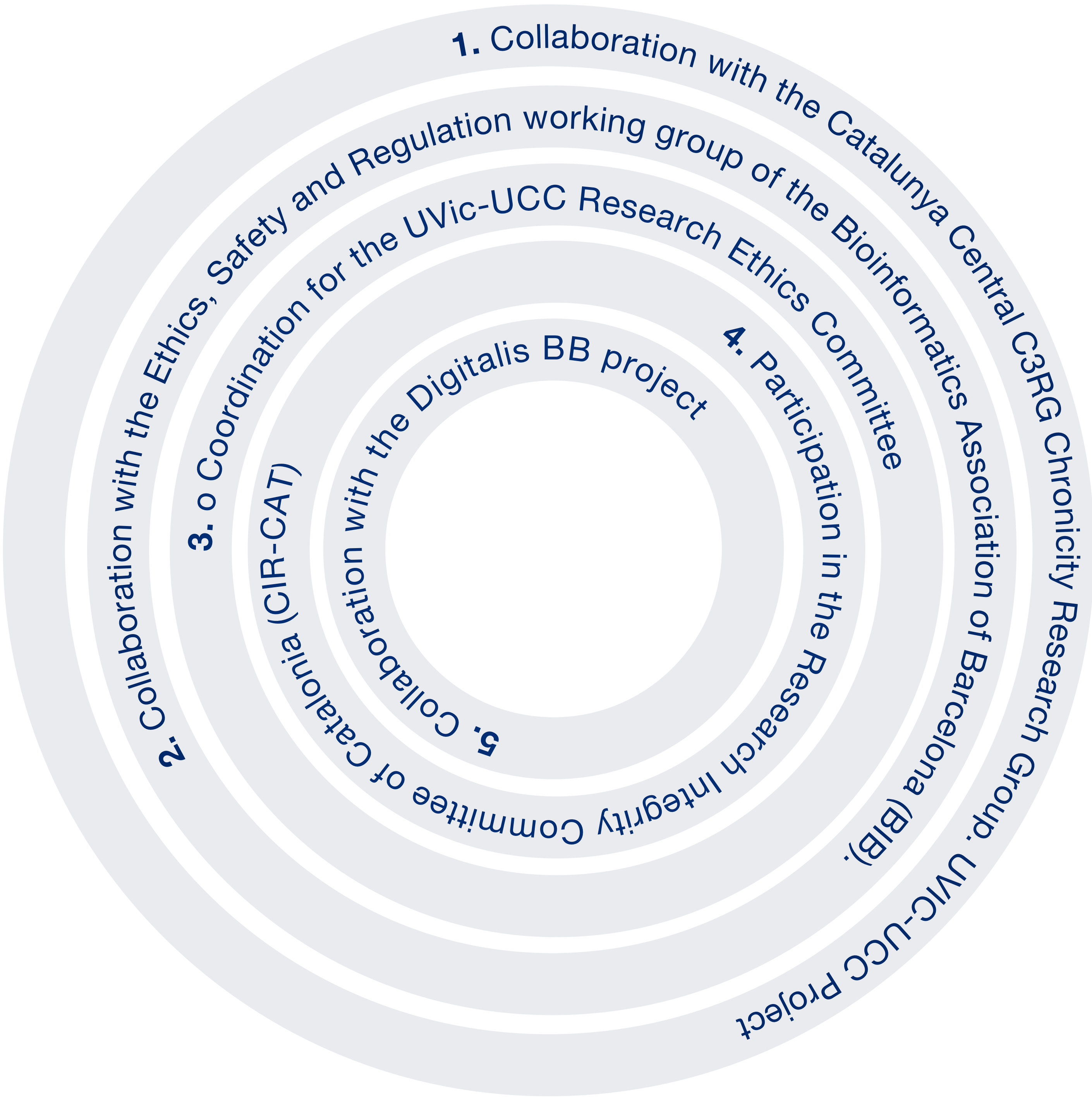
Bioethics Conference of the Mutuam group



Conference “Bioethics and neurorehabilitation”

RESEARCH

The Grífols Foundation Chair of Bioethics supports a number of research projects.



KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER
(PUBLICATIONS)

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AWARDS AND GRANTS

As part of its commitment to promoting the study and awareness of bioethics, in 2023 the Foundation awarded six research grants for projects within the field of bioethics, three prizes for senior secondary school projects, three prizes for educational centres and one award for an outstanding audio-visual project.



12 November

Awards and Grants Ceremony Lecture “Let’s talk about death, that way, we’ll be alive” with Espartac Peran.

AWARDS
AND GRANTS

26th Annual
Research Grant
Winners



“Ethical dilemmas and perinatal counselling in premature infants at the limit of viability”
Team led by Gonzalo Solís García, La Paz University Hospital, Madrid.



“An ethical and legal approach for processing migrant and refugee health data for public health purposes in the EU”
Francesca Tassinari of the University of the Basque Country.



“Strengthening a participant– and community–centred approach to vaccine clinical trials implemented in sub–Saharan Africa”
Aitana Juan de la Universitat Ramon Llull.



“Prevalence of ageism among healthcare professionals in a tertiary hospital: Developing and implementing interventions to reduce discrimination and improve attitudes toward older adults”
Team led by Laura Fernández of the Hospital Clínico Universitario de Valencia.



“Synthetic/Ethical DNA: an Anticipatory analysis in assisted reproductive technology”
Adrián Villalba, Anna Smajdor and Daniela Cutas of University of Granada.



“HALLAZGEN”
Team led by Guillermo Lazcoz of Instituto de Investigación Sanitaria Fundación Jiménez Díaz.

AWARDS
AND GRANTS

13th Annual awards
for research by
senior secondary
school students



1r

"Bioethics in the cases of saviour
siblings in Catalonia"
Cora Camacho

Vila de Gràcia Secondary School, Barcelona



2n

"Bioethics as a defensive
framework for addressing
emerging realities"
Fran Gómez

S'Agulla de Blanes Secondary School



3r

"Between genes and ethics: the
role of CRISPR in contemporary
society"
Aina de la Iglesia

Col·legi la Presentació d'Arenys de Mar

AWARDS
AND GRANTS

9th Annual
Audiovisual Award

Mother B
Gerard Gil, Anna Calderón and Gema
Arquero, Debut Films



Special mention

Local Moral Worlds
Farid Bin Masood of the Center of Biomedical
Ethics & Culture (CBEC) of Pakistan

AWARDS
AND GRANTS

11th Annual Ethics
and Science Awards

27 February

Ethics and Science
Awards Ceremony

1r

“Digital Apocalypse”
Vapor Fil Institute of Barcelona



2n

“The Blue Exchange”
Institut escola la Tordera de
Santa Maria de Palautordera



3r

“Recovery of perruqueta endive”
Escola La Parellada de Santa Oliva



PUBLICATIONS



Euthanasia: ethical, legal and administrative challenges under the LORE

Two years after the introduction of Organic Law 3/2021 regulating Euthanasia in Spain, this publication explores the ethical, legal and administrative challenges posed by its implementation. This publication reflects on the inherent difficulties of this law, examining the diverse regional contexts across the country and the challenges it poses for health professionals.



Plasma donation and altruism: a review of concepts

Amidst the ongoing review at the European level of regulations introducing “compensation” for donors, this issue examines the topic from the perspective of administrators, patients, donors, blood bank managers, and industry representatives.



The need for care: political, social and institutional challenges

We all need someone to take care of us at some point in our lives. However, concern for care on the part of institutions and public administrations is still in its infancy. Care remains confined to the private sphere, often invisible and undervalued.



Artificial intelligence, ethics and public health

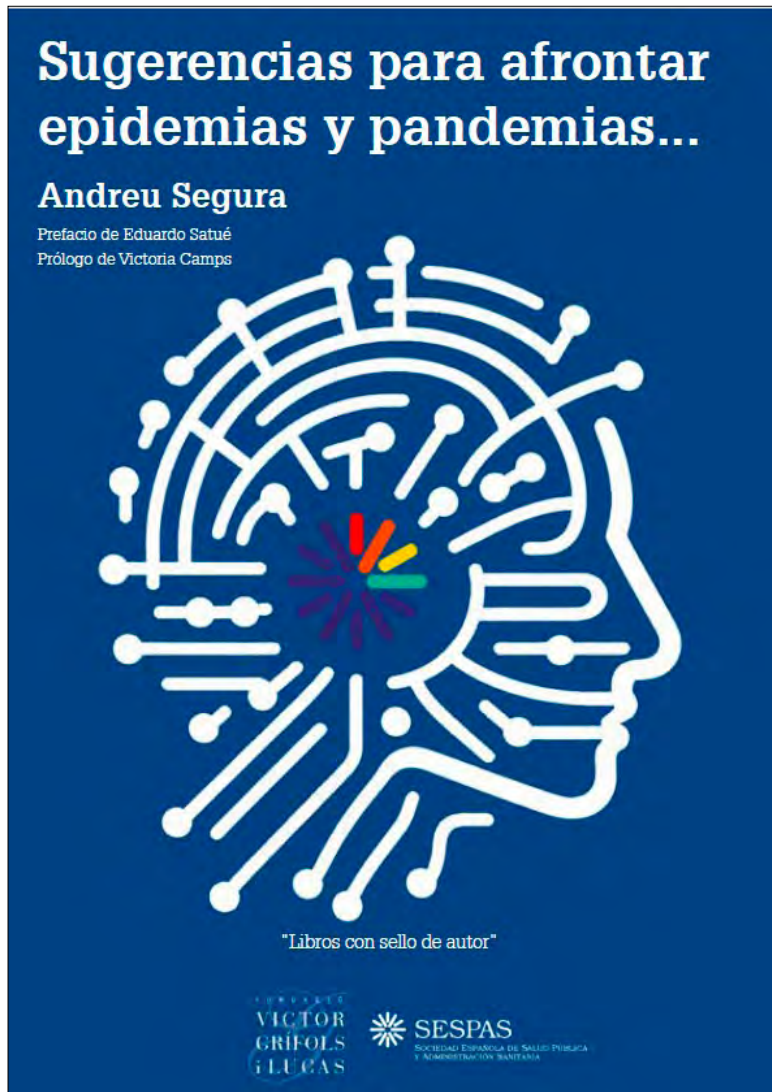
Mass digitization, enabled by tools based on artificial intelligence (AI), has significantly increased the amount of data related to health and disease. This includes information about individuals, human societies, their geographical environments, and the factors that potentially protect, promote, or pose risks to both individual and collective health.

PUBLICATIONS



What policies for what care?

In collaboration with the Colectivo Minerva, we have published a book based on our latest seminar on the Ethics of Care. In this seminar, Joan Tronto examines the question, “What is good care?” as a foundation for developing better policies in this field.



Approaches to managing epidemic and pandemic scenarios

Drawing from the experience of the COVID-19 pandemic and in view of the responses of the healthcare and political sectors, this book explores the need for a thoughtful and honest reflection on the events. Its author, Andreu Segura, advocates for a more mindful and transparent strategies to prevent and manage future epidemic situations, avoiding the missteps and inefficiencies.



Horizons in bioethics

Against current backdrop marked by scientific and technological development, a solid foundation in bioethics is crucial, serving as a guiding light toward a future where the sciences and humanities converge. This publication explores these topics, based on the presentations given at the 2nd International Bioethics Congress, held at the Universitat de Vic on 17 and 18 November, 2022.

SPEAKERS AND CONTRIBUTORS

In 2024 the Foundation had the privilege of welcoming a number of speakers, teachers and partners at its events and award ceremonies.

Salvador Alsius, Retired professor of journalism at Pompeu Fabra University.

Jordi Amblàs, Geriatrician. Director of Strategy for Integrated Care, Department of Health of Catalonia.

Iolanda Arbiol, Directora de la Fundació Dr. Torrent-Farnell.

Carmen Ayuso, Scientific director, Jiménez Díaz Foundation.



Josep-E. Baños, Vice-chancellor of UVic-Ucc and full professor of clinical pharmacology.

Jordi Balló, Professor of Audiovisual Communication at Pompeu Fabra University.

Joan Berenguer, President of the Advisory Council of the Mémora Foundation.

Luis Berenguer, Architect specialised in urban planning, former deputy director of the Institut Català del Sòl.

Ignacio Blanco, Clinical director, Laboratori Clínic de la Metropolitana Nord.

Ester Busquets, Professor of bioethics at UVic-UCC

Joaquim Calaf, Specialist in obstetrics and gynaecology.

Jordi Caïs, Associate Professor in Sociology at the University of Barcelona

Eva Calvés, Director of Fundación Topromi

Mar Canet, Director of Casa del Cine and co-founder of Americana Film Fest.

Irene Cambra, Bioethics coordinator at UVic-Ucc Faculty of Medicine.



Núria Codern, Victòria Camps, Núria Terribas and Iolanda Arbiol

Núria Codern, Research group in Diagnòstics i Intervencions Complexes en Salut de l’Ocupació i la Cure (Diagnostics and Complex Interventions in Health from Employment and Care).

Paola Contreras, Personnel and volunteering department manager at Arrels Fundació.

Valle Coronado, Professor of Medical Humanities. Francisco de Vitoria University. REAP (SESPAS).

Tomás Domingo, Professor of philosophy and ethics at the UNED

Marta Espar, Journalist and screenwriter.

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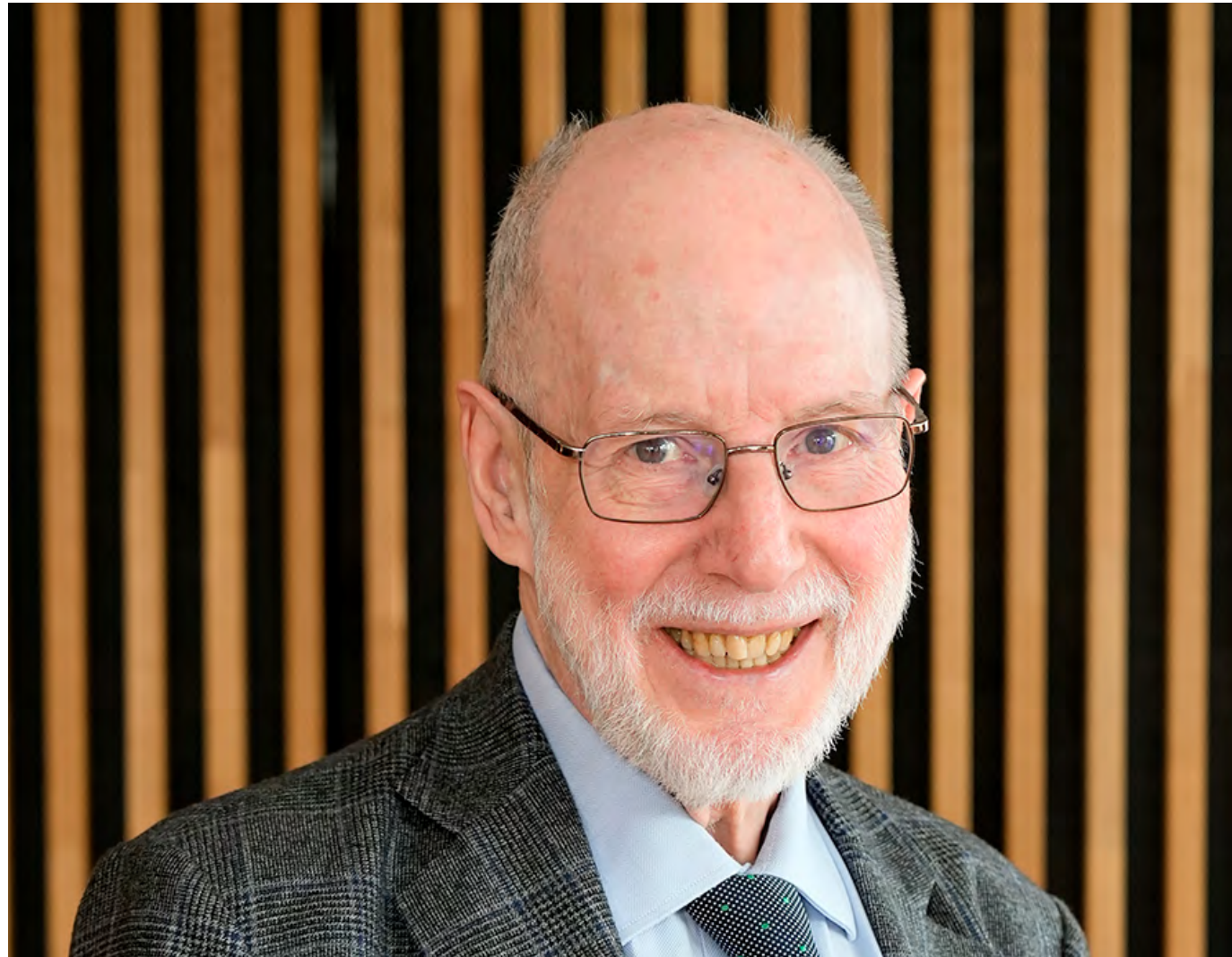
Javier de Frutos, Deputy director of Family, Education, Culture and Sports of the FEMP (Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces).

Francesc de Rillo, Project coordinator at the Mémora Foundation.

Jaume Funes, Psychologist, educator and journalist.



Javier García León, Epidemiologist. Honorary research assistant, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Seville. SEE (SESPAS).



Diego Gracia, Emeritus professor of History of Medicine at the Complutense University of Madrid. President of the HealthSciences Foundation.

Xavier Gómez-Batiste, Professor at the UVic-UCC Faculty of Medicine and president of the UVic Chair of Palliative Care.

Clara González, Expert in assisted human reproduction.

Pol Izquierdo, Journalist.

Albert Ledesma, Family physician and board-appointed commissioner for medical training at the Barcelona Medical Association.

Ana Isabel Lima, former Secretary of State for Social Services and professor and researcher at UCM.

María Teresa López de la Vieja, Emeritus professor of moral philosophy at the University of Salamanca.

Cristina Llagostera, Psychologist specialising in palliative care, psycho-oncology, and bereavement and loss counselling.

Cristina Montalvá, Director-general for equality and local policies at the Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces (FEMP).

Francisco Montero, Philosopher and nurse.

Màrius Morlans, Nephrologist, and president of the Bioethics Committee of Catalonia.

Mónica Ochagavía, Cordinator of the Palliative Care Unit of La Rioja. Rioja Health Foundation

Teresa Pàmpols, Member of the Ethics Committee of the Spanish Association of Human Genetics.

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Espartac Peran, Journalist.

José Joaquín Pérez, Director of the Mémora Foundation.

Mercè Pérez Salanova, Psychologist specialised in ageing.

Joan M. V. Pons, Member of the Bioethics Committee of Catalonia and the Public Health Society of Catalonia and the Balearic Islands (SSPCiB-SESPAS).

Àngel Puyol, Full professor of ethics, Autonomous University of Barcelona.

Josep Ramos, Psychiatrist and expert in health management.

Sergio Ramos, Philosopher and professor of bioethics, University of Barcelona.

Bernabé Robles, Neurologist and professor of bioethics and neurology at the University of Vic.

Begoña Román, Professor of bioethics at UVic-UCC.

Soledad Romero, Editor and writer.

Andreu Segura, Coordinator of the Ethics and Public Health Working Group, SESPAS.

Miquel Seguró, Director of the journal “Argumenta Philosophica”.

Núria Tarrats, Researcher at DEBRA Butterfly Skin Disease Organisation.

Francesc Torralba, PhD in philosophy and theology and professor at Ramon Llull University.

Cristina Vallès, President of Derecho a Morir Dignamente (Right to Die with Dignity), Catalonia.

Maiol Virgili, Co-director of “Bailar la locura” (Dancing Madness).

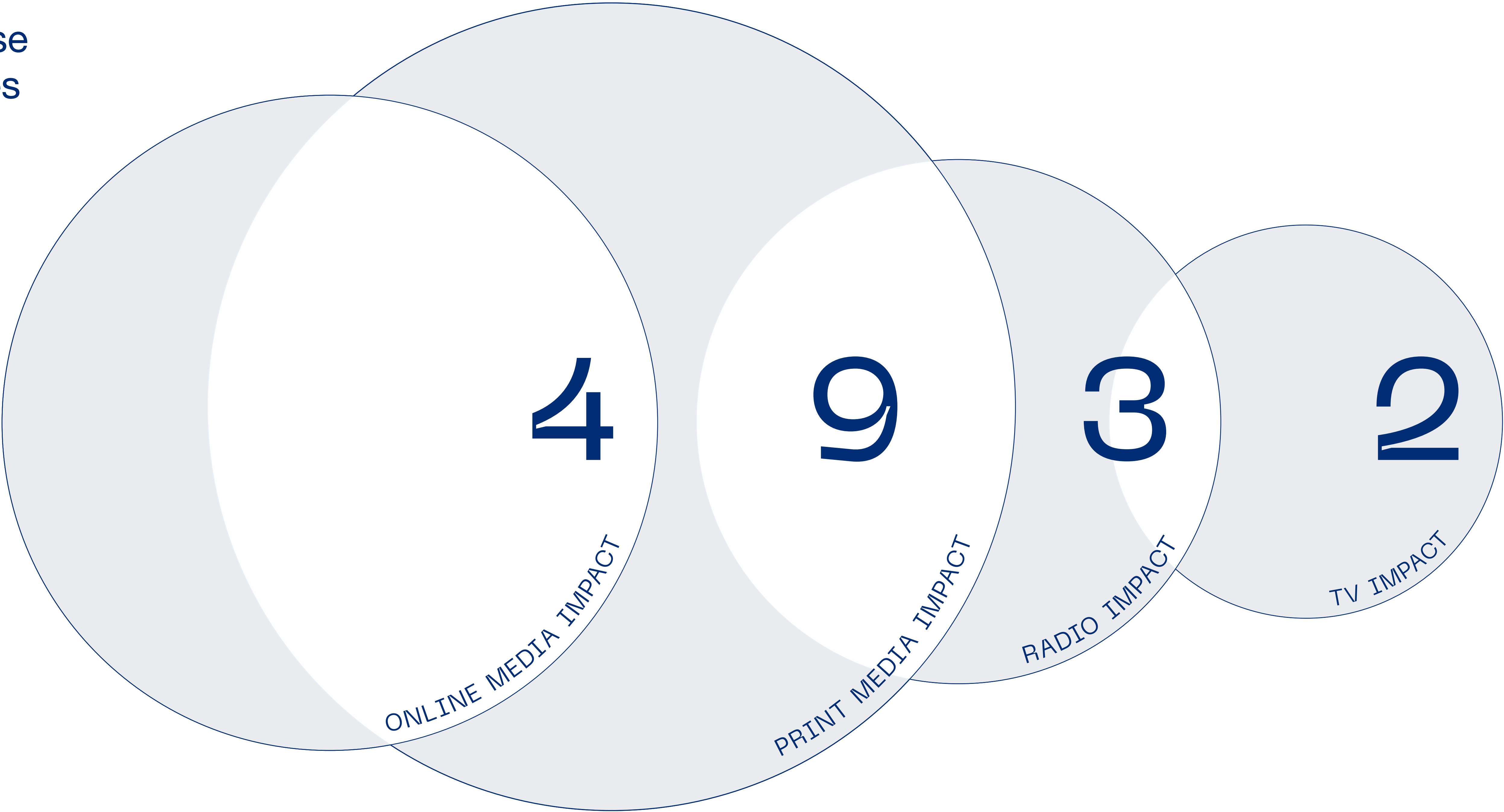


Speakers at the seminar “Ethics and proximity in the city that cares”

COMMUNICATION

PRESS

The Foundation uses a variety of channels to raise awareness of its initiatives in the field of bioethics.

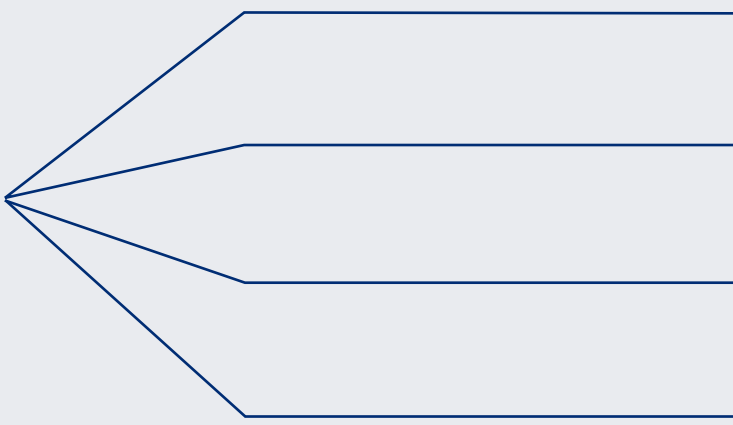


COMMUNICATION

WEBSITE

Monthly
website users

Most visited pages:



- What is bioethics?
- Tuskegee Case
- One year of the Euthanasia
- Law and Dilemmas or ethical problems

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Newsletter
subscribers

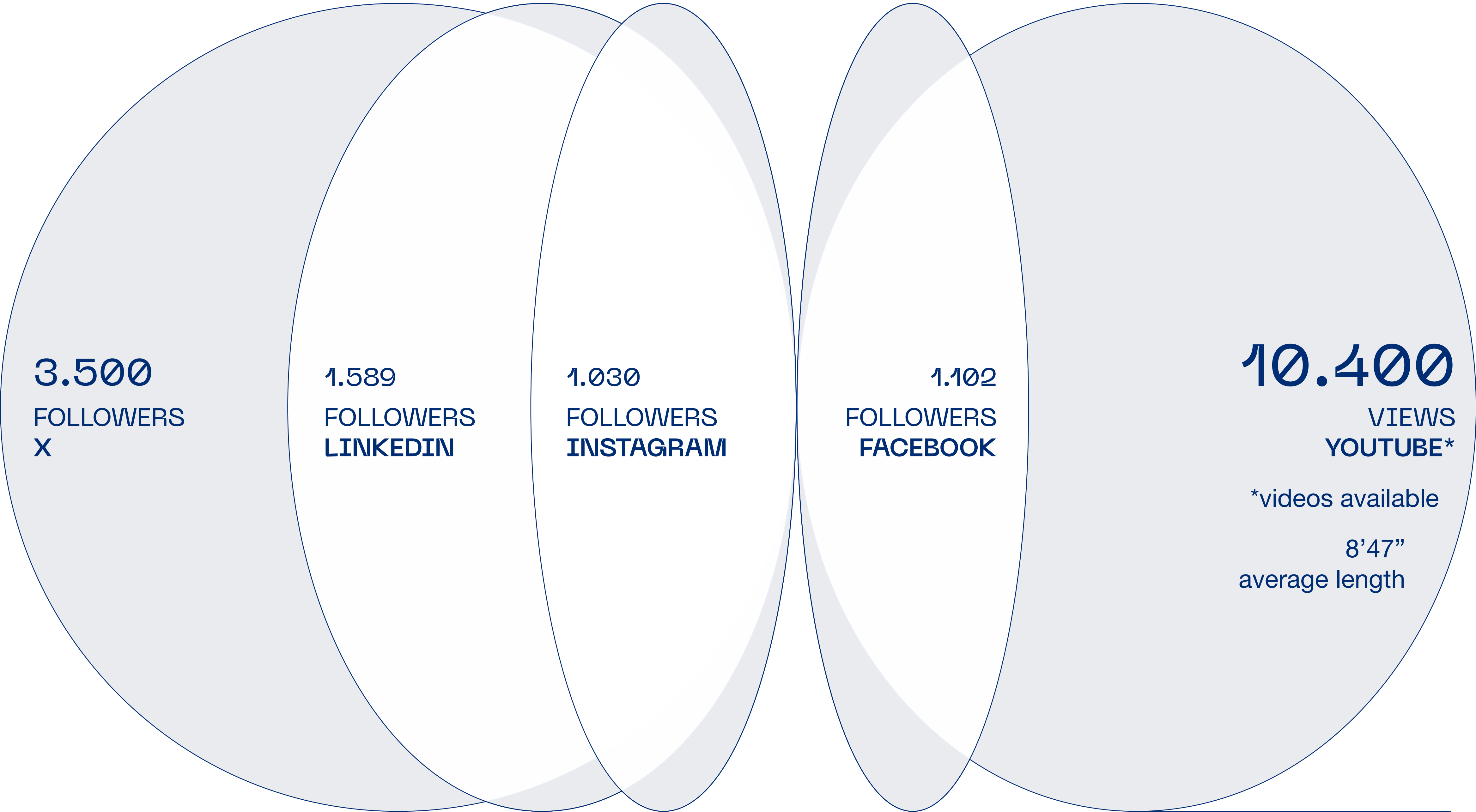
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Newsletters
published

30

COMMUNICATION

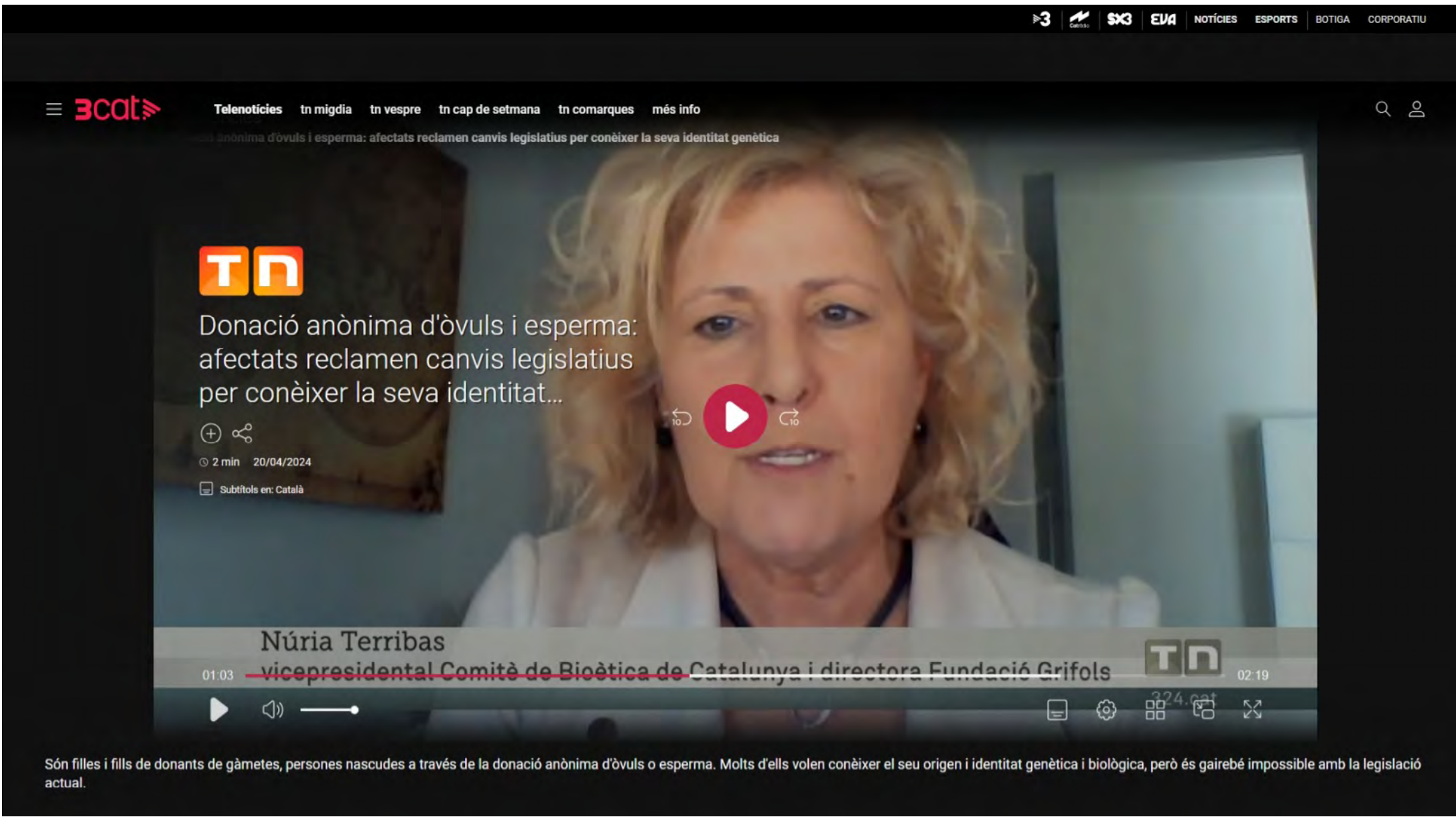
SOCIAL MEDIA



New videos on the
Foundation website: 1

PRESS FILE

The following is a selection of articles covering the Foundation, published in the press.



Núria Terribas: "La persona té dret a rebutjar un tractament mèdic, sigui el que sigui"

Vicepresidenta del Comitè de Bioètica de Catalunya i directora de la Fundació Víctor Grífols

Leer en castellano



Núria Terribas, jurista especialitzada en bioètica i biodret. RUTH MARIÓIT

JUSTÍCIA

Núria Terribas

VICEPRESIDENTA DEL COMITÈ DE BIOÈTICA DE CATALUNYA

LAIA GALIÀ

BARCELONA

La jurista Núria Terribas està especialitzada en bioètica. És directora de la Fundació Víctor Grífols i vicepresidenta del Comitè de Bioètica de Catalunya. S'encarrega de casos biomèdics i sanitaris que es veuen afectats pels valors personals o socials, com el que dilluns va motivar una condemna de la justícia europea a Espanya per una transfusió de sang a una dona testimoni de Jehovà que havia signat unes voluntats anticipades en què s'hi negava.

Què passa quan un pacient no vol rebre un tractament?

Si està escrit, s'ha de respectar encara que s'hi jugui la vida. Per sobre del criteri mèdic, perquè és la voluntat de la persona. En casos de final de vida, el TEDH també s'ha pronunciat dient que el dret a la vida és fonamental, però no està per sobre de la dignitat ni la voluntat.

Com es garanteix que es respecti la voluntat dels pacients?

Els documents de voluntats anticipades tenen sentit per això. El respecte a l'autonomia ha de passar per no imposar la moral o creença pròpia per sobre de la del pacient. Això encara costa molt, perquè molts professionals encara estan formats creient que la vida s'ha de salvar a tot preu i està per sobre de tot.

“Les persones tenen dret a rebutjar un tractament mèdic”

¿Es pot renunciar per escrit a qual-sevol tractament?

La llei d'autonomia del pacient diu que la persona té dret a rebutjar un tractament mèdic, sigui el que sigui. Molta gent té clar que arribat a cert deteriorament no vol que el marregin amb proves invasives i tractament.

¿I els metges com ho entomen?

Falta cultura de respecte al criteri del pacient. Hem avançat bastant els últims anys, però encara hi ha paternalisme mèdic. De vegades els costa acceptar que decideixin en contra del seu criteri.

Quan es declina un tractament, els metges solen insistir?

Es donen casos en què insisteixen, intenten persuadir la persona o la seva família. De vegades no té gaire sentit, i en diem *obstinació terapèutica*. Algunes vegades s'hi barregen altres coses. Per exemple, un pacient de càncer que ha provat diferents tractaments i han fallat, i encara el volen convèncer de provar un assaig clínic, quan potser el que hi ha és interès del metge o de l'hospital per reclutar pacients per a l'assaig.

En el cas de la sentència de dilluns, l'equip mèdic va demanar aval a un jutge abans de la transfusió. Què n'opina?

Consultar el jutge no deixa de ser una mesura defensiva. El metge ja sap què ha de fer, el jutge poc podrà aconsellar a nivell mèdic. Tampoc es tracta de coneixement mèdic, sinó de respectar una decisió del pacient que ha deixat per escrit.

RUTH MARIÓIT

3 Marzo, 2024

NÚRIA TERRIBAS SALA
Vicepresidenta del Comitè de Bioètica de Catalunya

Nascuda a Barcelona l'any 1964, llicenciada en Dret per la UB el 1987, especialitzada en bioètica des del 1992 i mare de tres filles, Núria Terribas Sala és entre d'altres directora de la Fundació Víctor Grífols i Lucas, de la Càtedra de Bioètica de la UVic-UCC i Vicepresidenta del Comitè de Bioètica de Catalunya.

«La mort és un tabú en la nostra societat actual»

Lluis Busquets i Grabulosa

Centres de Bioètica del món. L'any 1992 em va proposar d'incorporar-me amb ell a l'Institut Borja, doncs hi volia incorporar persones amb mentalitat jurídica, però alhora obertes a escoltar i a aportar, sense pretendre que la llei es mengi el debat ètic. Vaig aprendre i treballar al seu costat fins que va morir, fa gairebé 20 anys. El 1999 em va fer la confiança d'encarregar-me la direcció de l'IBJ, que vaig assumir fins al 2014.

Es podria dir que la bioètica posa el focus en els grans problemes del final de vida, de la gestació i part, del progrés de la salut (càncers i altres malalties, envelliment i deteriorament cognitiu, etc.) i del final de la malaltia amb la mort. I tot els problemes que comporta, des de l'aferrissament mèdic a l'eutanàsia?

Tancament, podríem dir que la bioètica és present en tots els moments del cicle vital, des del naixement fins al mort, passant per totes aquelles qüestions que tenen a veure amb la malaltia i el patiment en què el coneixement mèdic pot intervenir. Però cal dir que la bioètica s'ocupa també d'altres àmbits que tenen a veure amb la vida sobre el pla mèdic, com són les qüestions mediambientals i la sostenibilitat de la vida de l'home i les seves pècies en el nostre entorn. De fet, aquesta va ser una dels inquietats que va tenir la percepció de la bioètica clínic i mèdic. Faria molta falta la reflexió ètica en aquests temes, en el moment en què rebem.

Què passa quan el rebuig a un tractament no està per escrit? L'escrit és important quan la persona ja no està facultada. Si està plenament conscient, el més important és el que digui en el moment. Si la persona no havia fet cap document i està inconscient, però hi ha un familiar que diu que són testimonis de Jehovà, per exemple, això no serveix. Si no ho diu la persona, primària el criteri mèdic.

En quins altres casos passa per davant l'opinió del metge?

La llei diu que primer decideix el pacient, si està en condicions. Si no, el document de voluntats anticipades, i si no existeix es delega als familiars. El metge decidirà si no hi ha ningú, per exemple si no localitzen els familiars d'un ferit en un accident i necessita una intervenció urgent.

¿Hi ha altres límits quan decideixen terceres persones?

Quan la decisió la pren un pare respecte d'un menor. Amb nens sempre s'ha de prioritzar el bé del menor, fins i tot si el pare digués que són testimonis de Jehovà, que són els qui més fan servir les voluntats anticipades per evitar transfusions de sang. També pot passar amb adults que la decisió familiar entri en conflicte amb el bé de la persona. Quan es confronta dret a la vida amb decisió d'un tercer, s'ha de mirar bé i consultar el comitè ètic.

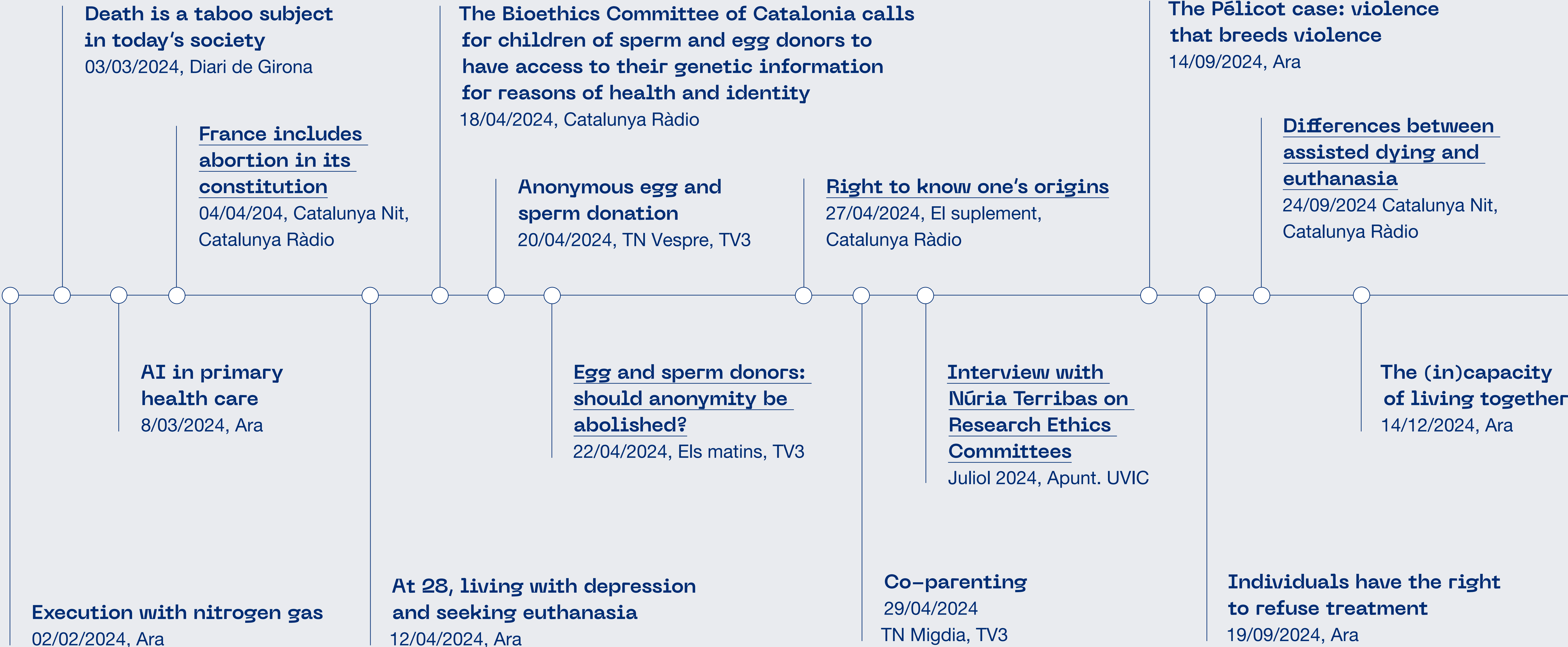
La bioètica, ramatèic, és una disciplina relativament nova.

Certament, parlem de poc més de 50 anys, des de que es van crear els primers centres de bioètica als Estats Units a la fi dels anys 60, com el Hastings Center o el Kennedy Institute, encara avui referents mundials de la bioètica. Cal



seua composició és plural i hi són representats diferents disciplines del coneixement (medicina, recerca biomèdica, ètica i filosofia, dret, antropologia, etc.), així com també col·legis professionals i altres col·lectius a fi de que hi hagi una certa representativitat de la societat. El CBC també dona resposta a peticions o consells que li puguin fer arribar entitats o institucions sobre problemàtiques ètiques concretes. A tot els que en són part ens dona un espai de diàleg molt ric i un aprenentatge constant.

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The financial figures for 2024 are available in the Foundation's balance sheet and profit and loss account.

BALANCE SHEET

Assets	2024	2023
Non-current assets		
Tangible assets	76.400	117.045
Treasury		
Banks and credits institutions, current accounts and sight deposits	84.274	56.844
Total Working Capital	160.674	173.889
Total Assets	160.674	173.889
Liabilities	2024	2023
Equity		
Endowment fund	12.020	12.020
Surplus from previous periods	44.455	40.518
Surplus for the period	4.913	3.939
Total Equity	61.389	56.477
Suppliers and Other Creditors		
Debts for the purchase or provision of services	55.158	85.127
Public bodies	28.518	24.728
	83.676	109.855
Others Liabilities Personal Current	15.609	7.557
Total short-term Creditors	99.285	117.412
Total Liabilities	160.674	173.889

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Expenses	2024	2023
Staff Expenses	280.217	253.831
Cash grants and other expenses	87.203	122.666
Other expenses		
External services	109.595	104.923
Taxes	80	305
Total expenses	477.095	481.725
Operating profit	4.913	3.939
Financial income from interest	-	-
Profit from ordinary activities	4.913	3.939
Positive surplus for period (profit)	4.913	3.939
Income	2024	2023
Foundation's income from activities		
Income from promotions, sponsors and joint projects	476.582	477.403
Provision of Services	5.426	8.261
Total operating income	482.008	485.664



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