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The aim of the **Víctor Grífols i Lucas Foundation** is to promote the study and development of bioethics in relation to human health and the life sciences. The Board of Trustees of the Foundation has 14 members:

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Director General

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**Silvia Perabá**
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20 years

In 2018, the Foundation celebrated its 20th anniversary

Communication & Image
Commemorative logo.

Video 20 years of dedication to bioethics
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Activities

20 February.
Meeting of the Board of Trustees. The meeting was held at Grifols’ Sant Cugat facilities, where trustees had the opportunity to talk at length with the company’s chief executive officers.

5 November
Celebrating the Foundation’s 20th anniversary at La Pedrera. This year’s guest speaker was Pedro Alonso, director of the Malaria Programme of the World Health Organization. Following his lecture, the annual bioethics grants and prizes were presented.
20 years

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Awards Ceremony 2017/18
The Foundation organizes workshops, lectures and seminars with the aim of deepening society’s understanding of ethical issues. In addition, this year the Foundation has organized a cinema and bioethics season, using popular movies as the starting point to explore ethical dilemmas.
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Movie forum at Americana Film Fest

Ezekiel Emanuel, guest speaker at Josep Egozcue lectures

Seminar: “Ethics and health promotion”

Discussion day: “Thinking about motherhood”

Seminar: “Advertising and health”
Training and Education

Gríñols Foundation Chair of Bioethics at UVIC-UCC
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.

- **February**: Session: “Discussion and bioethical dialogue” at Althaia
- **April**: “Course: Ethics in research” at University of Andorra
- **May**: Workshop on “Informed consent” at Health Consortium of Terrassa
- **October**: “Course on Restricting Therapeutic Effort (RTE)” at Health Consortium of l’Anoia
- **November**: Panel discussion on 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights at University of Vic
- **December**: Training for medical interns at Hospital de l’Esperit Sant
- **102**: Online course “Introduction to bioethics in multidisciplinary clinical practice”
- **95**: Lecture by Joan Manuel del Pozo. *The values of bioethics*
- **18**: Course in methodology in CECs at Althaia
Panel discussion: 70th anniversary of Universal Declaration of Human Rights

Lecture by Joan Manuel del Pozo at Vic

Exhibition on Human Rights at Vic

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A number of research projects are supported by the Grífols Foundation Chair of Bioethics.

- Big data and the use of clinical data for research.
  - MINECO research project in partnership with the University of the Basque Country; in progress.

- Predictive diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease: the legal and ethical framework.
  - Ongoing research project, in partnership with Fundación ACE.

- Partnership with APORIA Research Group, University of Barcelona.

- Partnership with Chronic Illness Research Group, Cataluña Central C3RG.

- Partnership with working group on Ethics, Safety and Regulation of Bioinformatics Association of Barcelona (BIB).
Awards and Grants

As part of its commitment to promoting the study and awareness of bioethics, in 2018 the Foundation awarded six bioethics grants, three senior high school prizes, three prizes for educational establishments and a prize for audiovisual projects.

5 November

20th Research Grants

Obstacles in the management of the advance directive and advance decision planning document in medical emergency services
by the team led by Silvia Poveda

Reconciliation after medical errors: mediation as a tool to help victims
by Priscila Giraldo

Ethical reflections on the representation of human care in the cinema
by Monica Sumoy

The ethics of ignorance and the ethics of uncertainty. Elements to understand and prevent iatrogenics
by Andreu Segura

Implementing a process for planning advance directives in patients with severe mental disorder at a mental health centre
by the team led by Albert Granero

Ethical use of social media in the case of eating disorders
by Ana Mª González.

Prizes for research by senior high school students: 6th edition

Science and Bioethics in Fiction
Marta Vecino
Institut Ribera Baixa, El Prat del Llobregat

Informed consent in clinical trials with paediatric patients
Laia Pérez
IES Joan Boscà de Barcelona

Preimplantation genetic diagnosis
Maria Bretones
Col·legi Jesús Maria de Sant Andreu, Barcelona

20 December

Ethics and science prize: 5th edition

The Royal Philanthropic Vaccination Expedition
Col·legi Sant Gabriel, Viladecans

Shall We Change?
Escola Betània Patmos, Barcelona

The Tree of Children’s Rights
Escuela Les Pinediques, Taradell

Special mentions

Ethically Enabled
Centro San Juan de Dios, Valladolid

Humanizing Technology
Institut Quatre Cantons, Barcelona

The Environmental Storyteller
Institut Berenguer d’Entença de Vandellòs y de L’Hospitalet de l’Infant

2nd Audiovisual Prize

Morir antes de nacer [Death before birth]
de Nuria Jar

Special mention: Séptimo piso, morir a solas [Seventh floor: dying alone]
by Anna Monreal, Raúl Clemente and Xavi Herrero

Lecture by Manuel del Pozo:
The humanities and technology: complementary or incompatible?
Awards and Grants

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Pedro Alonso, speaker at the awards ceremony

Winners of grants, senior high school prize and audiovisual prize
Institutional Partnerships

Advisory roles on Clinical Ethics Committees
Núria Terribas, director of the Foundation, participates as an active member and expert in bioethics on the Bioethics Committee of Catalonia, the National Bioethics Committee of Andorra and clinical ethics committees of a number of health institutions in Catalonia: Althaia Care Network of Manresa, Hospital de l’Esperit Sant and Grupo Mutuam.
In 2018 she was appointed to the Government of Catalonia’s Advisory Committee on Health.

Council of Foundations for Science
The Foundation is a member of the Spanish Foundation for Science and Technology (FECYT) which brings together foundations in Spain that are dedicated to science and science-related issues.

College of Doctors of Barcelona (COMB)
The Foundation organizes a number of training activities as part of the COMB’s continuing professional development programme. In 2018, it held the following courses:

- **Caring for the chronically ill**
  - 19 and 21 February

- **Iatrogenesis and ethics**
  - 9 and 10 July

- **Course: “Bioethics: a new discipline or applied ethics?”**
  - 25 October to 29 November

Partnership institutions in 2018:
- Americana Film Fest
- Althaia, Xarxa Assistencial de Manresa, Col·legi Oficial de Metges de Barcelona, Centre Cívic Urgell, Diputació de Barcelona, Fundació Catalana per a la Recerca i la Innovació, Fundació Catalunya-La Pedrera, Fundació Hospital Esperit Sant, Internacional Solidarity for Human Rights (ISHR), Institut Català d’Oncologia (ICO), Obra Social “La Caixa”, Sociedad Española de Salud Pública y Administración Sanitaria (SESPAS), Universitat de Barcelona, Universitat Pompeu Fabra and Universitat de Vic-Central de Catalunya.
Publications

Comités de Ética y consultores clínicos: ¿complemento o alternativa en la ética asistencial? [Ethics committees and clinical advisors: complementary or alternative approaches to clinical ethics?]

This publication compares the two models of clinical ethics advice currently in use, and draws on experiences in Spain and internationally to analyse their compatibility. It includes special contributions from Joseph J. Fins and Juan Pablo Beca, who describe how the figure of clinical advisor in bioethics has been incorporated in the United States and Chile.

Prioridades y políticas sanitarias [Health priorities and health policies]

Health systems have to prioritize, and are under a moral and political obligation to decide which services and which patients will receive preferential treatment given the inevitable fact that resources are limited. This monograph considers how to establish these priorities, combining theory and philosophical analysis with specific experience of resource distribution.

Ethics and plasma donation: an overview

Publication analysing the paid and altruistic models of plasma donation. Offers ethical considerations and describes the models that exist in Catalonia and the United States. Draws on contributions from industry experts, blood bank professionals, doctors, donors and patients.

Re pensé r el cuerpo [Rethinking the body]

This publication reflects on different ways of understanding the body, from three different perspectives: the shift from the body as object to the body as subject; the body from the artistic perspective; and the insights of psychoanalysis.
The Foundation continued to emphasize the importance of communication activities to disseminate and raise awareness of its initiatives in bioethics.
The following is a selection of articles covering the Foundation, published in the media.
# Financial Information

**Balance sheet**  
December 31th 2018 and 2017

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<th>Assets</th>
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<td>Banks and credits institutions, current accounts and sight deposits</td>
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<td>Endowment fund</td>
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<td>Debts for the purchase or provision of services</td>
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<td>Public bodies</td>
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<td>93,429</td>
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The attached report constitutes an integral part of the Annual Accounts.
## Financial Information

### Profit and loss account

December 31th 2017 and 2016

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<td>Foundation’s income from activities</td>
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<td>Income from promotions, sponsors and joint projects</td>
<td>425,000</td>
<td>375,000</td>
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<td>Provision of Services</td>
<td>7,710</td>
<td>1,340</td>
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<td>Total operating income</td>
<td>432,710</td>
<td>376,340</td>
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| Operating losses                            |          | 31,552   |
| Losses from ordinary activities             | 31,552   |          |
| Negative surplus for period (loss)          | 31,552   |          |

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<td>212,493</td>
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<td>Cash grants and other expenses</td>
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<td>Other expenses</td>
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<td>Provision for Repayments</td>
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<td>External services</td>
<td>139,726</td>
<td>149,281</td>
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<td>Taxes</td>
<td>330</td>
<td>322</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total expenses</td>
<td>428,592</td>
<td>407,890</td>
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| Operating profit                             | 4,118    | 0        |
| Financial income from interest               | 16       | 2        |
| Profit from ordinary activities              | 4,102    | 0        |
| Positive surplus for period (profit)         | 4,102    | 0        |

The financial figures for 2018 can be consulted in the balance sheet and the profit and loss account.