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PROFILE

Fatima Bosch is a Pharmacist (1980) and PhD in Biochemistry (1985) by the University of Barcelona. She conducted post-doctoral studies at Vanderbilt University (1985), Case Western Reserve University (1988-1990), and NCI-Frederick Cancer Research and Development Center (1991). She is currently Full Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (1999) and Director of the Center of Animal Biotechnology and Gene Therapy (2003) at the Universitat Autònoma Barcelona. She has been granted the Rey Juan Carlos I (1985), Francisco Grande Covián (1998), Narcís Monturiol (2002), Sant Jordi Cross (2005), Alberto Sols (2006) and ICREA Academia (2013) awards. She has been Founding member of the European Society of Gene and Cell Therapy (1992), President of the Spanish Society of Gene and Cell Therapy (2007-2009) and Vice-President of the European Association for the Study of Diabetes (2009-2012), member of the Gene Doping Expert Group of the World Anti-Doping Agency (2013-present) and member of the CIBER de Diabetes y Enfermedades Metabólicas Asociadas (CIBERDEM) (2008-present).

Her research focuses on studying the pathophysiological causes of diabetes mellitus using transgenic animal models and developing gene therapy approaches to this disease by *in vivo* genetic manipulation of tissues using viral vectors. She has also applied her know-how on gene transfer technologies to the development of gene therapies for severe inherited metabolic disorders such as Mucopolysaccharidoses to counteract neurologic and somatic pathology.

RESEARCH

RESEARCH INTERESTS/ STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES/ MAIN RESEARCH LINES

Our main strategic objective is to develop new gene therapy approaches for highly prevalent and rare metabolic and neurodegenerative diseases, with the ultimate goal to improve the quality of life for subjects affected by these diseases. Our studies focus on the pathophysiological causes of diabetes mellitus and its comorbidities and also of severe genetic storage diseases, generating transgenic animal models and developing gene transfer-based therapeutics.

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