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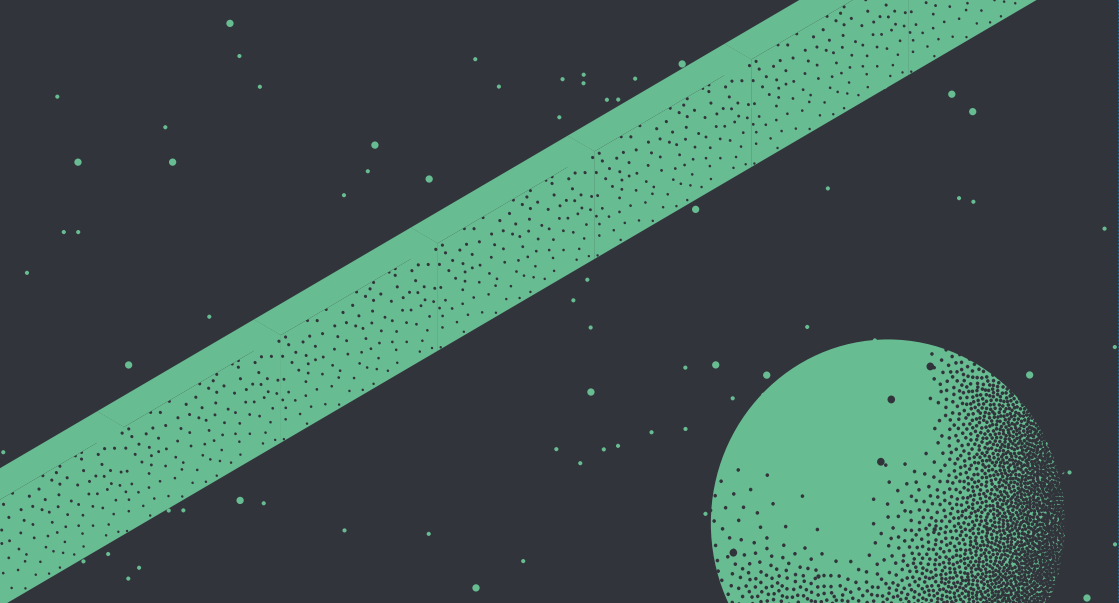
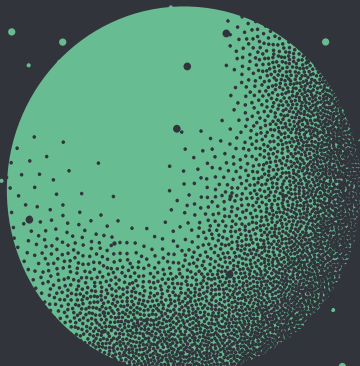
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# The path we walk together



**ICREA**

The need to know



## We walk this path with open minds and linked hands

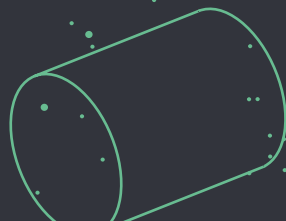


ICREA is an institution created by the Catalan government in 2001 to meet the specific needs of our research system.

ICREA's mission is to attract outstanding researchers from all over the world to increase the impact and global visibility of Catalan universities and research centres:

Science is a universal human enterprise, and each research system must find its own path to success.

ICREA has succeeded in bringing together one of the most influential research communities in the world.



## Freedom to explore



ICREA brings together a global community of more than 300 researchers and empowers them to strive for excellence, free from political pressures or external influences.

Throughout their careers, these researchers are regularly evaluated by an external, independent promotion committee.

# 303

ICREA Research Professors

## 144

in universities

## 128

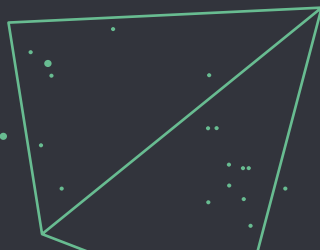
in CERCA centres

## 16

in CSIC centres

## 15

in other institutions

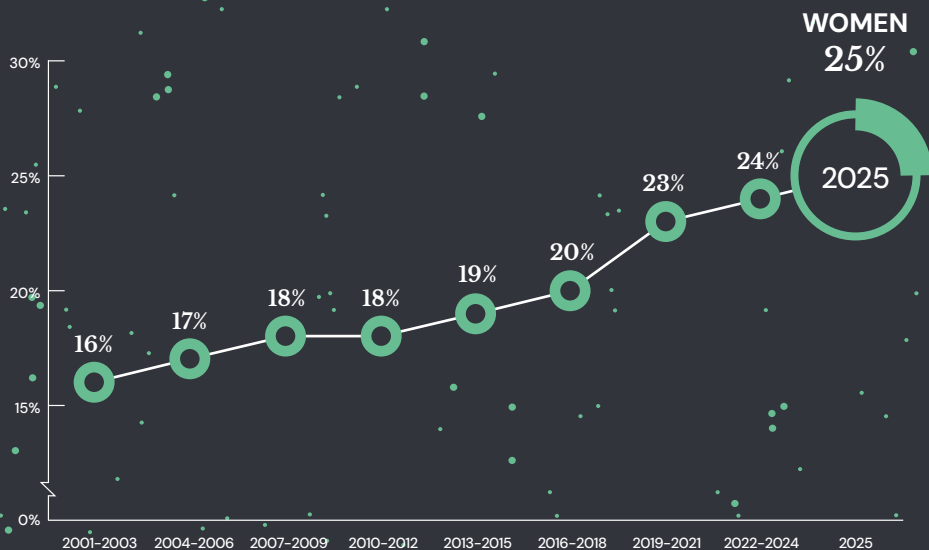


## Equality fosters progress



ICREA is an institution committed to diversity and inclusion, increasing opportunities for women in science and welcoming researchers from all backgrounds to foster a diverse, equitable and inclusive research system.

## Women at ICREA



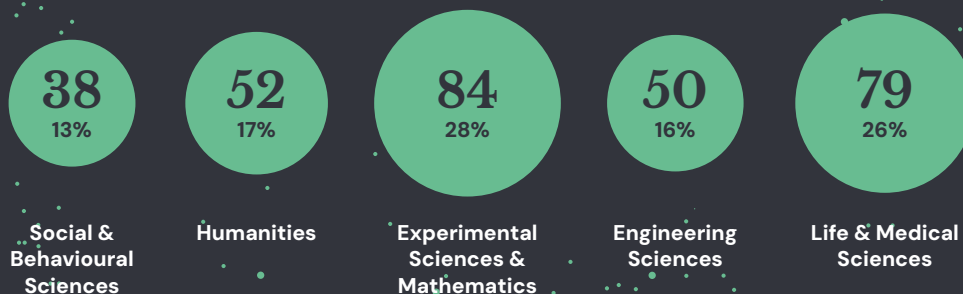
## Diversity and scope



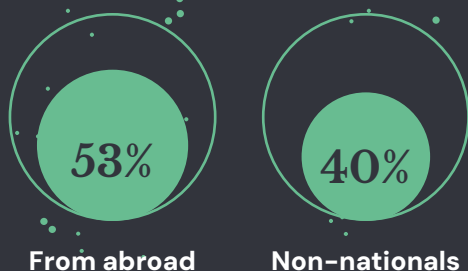
Every year, ICREA offers tenured positions to talented researchers from all over the world to come and work in Catalonia.

In fields ranging from philosophy to astrophysics, these positions have become benchmarks of global academic excellence.

## ICREAs in every field

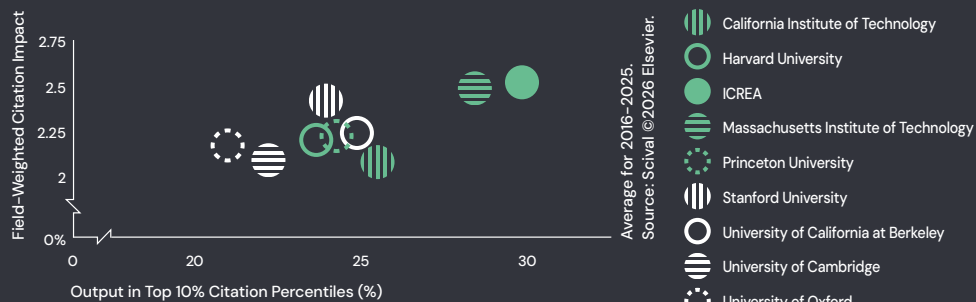


## Internationalisation



# Citations and impact

One third of publications by ICREA researchers rank in the top 10% of the most cited.



ICREA researchers are able to pursue their work at the host institutions that best match their research interests. Full respect for freedom of research allows ICREA scientists to push back the frontiers of knowledge and find new paths to progress.

ICREAs ranked among the top 1% most cited researchers worldwide by Clarivate



**Andreu Cabot**  
IREC



**Markus Donat**  
BSC-CNS



**Toni Gabaldón**  
BSC-CNS & IRB  
Barcelona



**Jason Hickel**  
UAB



**Josep Maria Llovet**  
FRCB-IDIBAPS



**Maurizio Mencuccini**  
CREAF

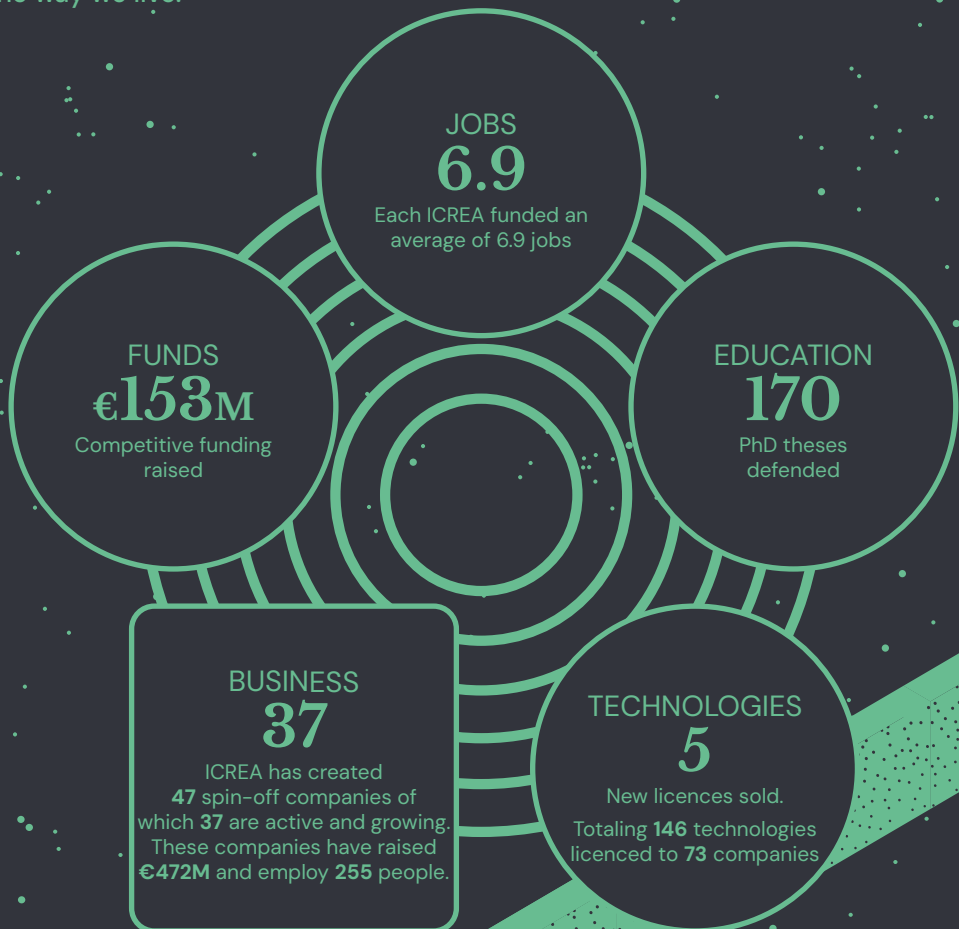


**Xavier Ros-Oton**  
UB

# Research that matters



There is no dividing line between pure and applied science; there is only science, which changes the way we understand ourselves and the universe – and transforms the way we live.



# Honours and awards

These are some of the ICREA Research Professors who received awards in 2025



**Antonio Acín**

Premio Rei Jaume I – 36a Edició  
– Investigació Bàsica



**Ricard Alert Zenón**

Premio Investigador Joven en  
Física Teórica de la Real Sociedad  
Española de Física –  
Fundación BBVA



**Verónica Benet**

Wegner Theoretical  
Innovation Prize



**Damián Blaşi**

Schmidt Sciences  
Polymath Award



**Jan Eeckhout**

Premio Rei Jaume I – 37a Edició  
– Economía



**María Escudero Escribano**

Premio Fundación Real Academia  
de Ciencias al Joven Talento  
Femenino en la categoría de  
Física, Química y Ciencias Afines



**Jose Garrido Ariza**

Premi Ciutat de Barcelona.  
Ciències Experimentals i  
Tecnologia: 2024



**Carl Hoefler**

Lakatos Award Expert  
Workshop 2025



**Manuel Irimia**

EMBO Member



**Kostas Kostarelos**

Premi Ciutat de Barcelona.  
Ciències Experimentals i  
Tecnologia: 2024



**Maciej Lewenstein**

The BEC Lifetime Achievement  
Award



**Núria López-Bigas**

Premio Rei Jaume I – 37a Edició  
– Investigación Biomédica.  
Premio Constantes y Vitales  
a la Trayectoria Científica en  
Investigación Biomédica



**Rachel Lowe**

Premi Ciutat de Barcelona.  
Ciències Ambientals i de la Terra:  
2024



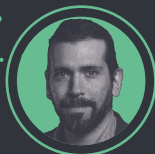
**Genoveva Martí**

'Distinción a una Trayectoria'  
by the Society for Women in  
(Analytic) Philosophy (Spain);  
SWIP(A)



**Victoria Reyes García**

Premi Rei Jaume I – 37a Edició  
– Protecció al Medio Ambiente



**Alejo Rodriguez Fraticelli**

EMBO Young Investigator



**Carme Rovira**

Membre electe de la Reial  
Acadèmia de Ciències i Arts de  
Barcelona – Secció de Química



**Xavier Ros Oton**

Premi Nacional de Recerca al  
Talent Jove 2024 ex aequo



**Laura Soucek**

Premi Ciutat de Barcelona.  
Ciències de la Vida: 2024



**Marcell Swart**

2025 Dalton Horizon Prize by the  
Royal Society of Chemistry



**Luis Serrano Pubul**

Premi Nacional de Innovació –  
Trayectoria Innovadora.

Premi Rei Jaume I – 36a Edició  
– Nuevas Tecnologías



**Leticia Tarruell**

The Junior BEC Award



**Xavier Trepal**

Premi Rei Jaume I – 36a Edició  
– Investigació Biomèdica

# ERC grants awarded

## Consolidator grants



**Vladimir Asriyan**  
CREI



**Rebekah Clements**  
UAB



**Gergely Neu**  
UPF

## Advanced grants



**Marco Armiero**  
UAB



**Jan Eeckhout**  
UPF



**Leo Wanner**  
BSC-CNS

## Synergy grants



**Esteve Corbera**  
UAB



**Frédéric Courbin**  
UB



**José Ramón Galán Mascarós**  
ICIQ



**Miguel Ángel González Ballester**  
UPF



**Licia Verde**  
UB

One in four ICREA Research Professors has an active ERC grant



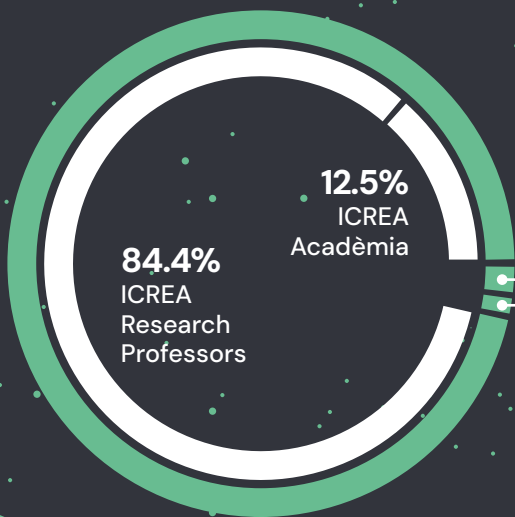
# Transparency



Our funding comes entirely from the Catalan government.

We are proud of our transparent track record of using these funds in a careful and considered way to ensure that resources are channelled into what matters most: outstanding science.

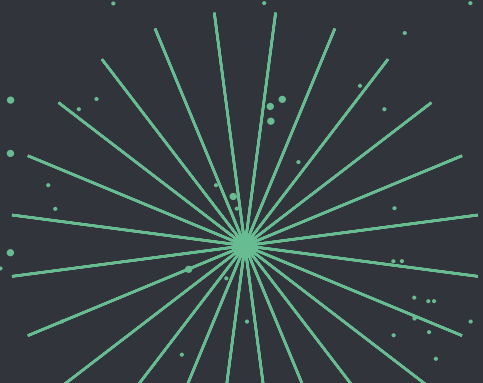
**96.9%**  
researchers



**1.9%**  
evaluation,  
selection and  
running costs

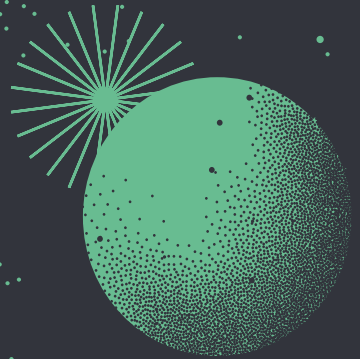
**1.2%**  
administration

**100%**  
Government of Catalonia





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