

CIC biomaGUNE receives about 200.000 euros for two R&D projects in the fight against Covid-19

The Basque Government's aid in the fight against Covid-19 finances R&D projects in fundamental research and industrial research

Donostia-San Sebastian. 24 July, 2020. The Centre for Cooperative Research in Biomaterials CIC biomaGUNE receives a direct grant of nearly 200,000 euros from the Basque Government for the development of two R&D projects to combat Covid-19.

CIC biomaGUNE, an international benchmark in research in the field of biomaterials, will immerse in the development of nanotechnology platforms for rapid antibody detection. "Having this information is important if you want to know if someone is potentially immune to the disease because they have already passed it and have developed defenses against the virus," the center says. This fundamental research project will receive a grant of 90,000 euros. On the other hand, the fundamental research project aimed at developing microarrays of antibodies and antigens as a platform for the diagnosis and epidemiological study of Covid-19, will receive 104,123.38 euros.

The Basque Government is allocating a total of one million six hundred thousand euro to R&D projects to combat Covid-19. These direct subsidies finance R&D projects of fundamental research and industrial research related in the fight against the coronavirus, as well as the mitigation and recovery of the socio-economic effects derived from the health emergency. In this [link](#) you can consult the list of beneficiary companies, agents and projects, as well as the distribution of the amount of the subsidies.

About CIC biomaGUNE

The Centre for Cooperative Research in Biomaterials, CIC biomaGUNE, member of the Basque Research and Technology Alliance (BRTA), conducts state-of-the-art research at the interface between Chemistry, Biology and Physics devoting particular attention to studying the properties of biological nanostructures on a molecular scale and their biomedical applications. It was recognised in 2018 as a "María de Maeztu" Unit of Excellence for meeting requirements of excellence, which are characterised by a high impact and level of competitiveness in its field of activity on the global scientific stage.