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Quality Policy

The Quality Policy is aligned with the HMRIB Strategic Plan to promote a culture of excellence, ethical conduct, and rigor in the scientific, organizational, and training areas for new generations of researchers.

The Quality Policy is aligned both with the Strategic Plan and with the performance of the Institution's various Units through annual scientific and activity objectives focused on the continuous improvement of processes.

Through its Quality Policy, the Institution establishes an unequivocal commitment to meet the requirements of our clients, with applicable legislation and any other subscribed requirements, to promote transparency and the publication of reports, as well as to preserve the confidentiality of the information and data we work with.

The institution has and subscribes to the Code of Good Scientific Practices, jointly defined by the centers located in the PRBB; it adheres to the application of the principles of the European Charter for Researchers & Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers; It has a Code of Conduct and a Scientific Integrity Committee and monitors the progress and quality of researchers' scientific output.

From an organizational perspective, there is an active policy for equal opportunities, diversity integration, and environmental sustainability. Furthermore, there is a proactive approach to worker health and safety.

Research support services are geared towards researchers' needs, offering technically competent structures aligned with translational research and sufficiently agile to adapt to technical and innovative changes.

As part of the Quality Policy, Management is committed to promoting a culture of quality and ethical commitment, including the support to the accreditation or certification of Institute structures as a tool for improving service performance and as a management element to enhance the efficiency of its processes.

The institution is committed to maintaining and seeking continuous improvement through the following areas involving ethics and good scientific and organizational practices. Likewise, the HMRIB obtains the opinion of stakeholders periodically to meet their needs and expectations.

Institutional accreditations and certifications

Having an integrated quality management system coordinated by the Quality Unit that allows resources to be optimized and system performance to be maximized. Maintaining accreditations and certifications as a means for improving and managing the efficiency of processes: as a Health Research Institute (ISCIII), as a CERCA Center, by the Asociación Española Contra el Cáncer Accreditation and by maintaining the adherence to the excellence in the human resources strategy HRS4R.

Services

Maintaining current-version certifications for the Biobank according to ISO9001 regulations, for the Transference and Translation Unit through certification in R+D+I management according to ISO56001, and accreditation of the technical competence of the laboratory of the Unit of Research in Integrated Pharmacology and Neuroscience according to ISO17025. Regarding good practices in clinical trials, maintaining the accreditation in Good Clinical Practices (GCP) for the phase I unit of the Clinical Research Unit MARtrials of the HMRIB.

Research

Ensure the compliance with good scientific practices, promoting knowledge of the Code of Good Scientific Practices defined by all PRBB centers, and monitoring it through the Research Integrity Committee (CIR).

Organization

There is an active policy for equal opportunities, integration of diversity, and environmental sustainability. Also, there is a preventive approach to the safety and health of workers. At a transversal level, HMRIB is committed to extend the application of Responsible Research and Innovation (RRI) widespread, deploying actions based on its six principles: governance, gender equality, ethics, open access, citizen participation, and scientific education.

The quality policy is communicated to all stakeholders through the HMRIB intranet and website.