

Country	Mentor	Clinical/Basic	Research line	Group
Spain	Anna Wagner	Clinical Scientist	Clinical characterisation of patients with diabetes Pregestational diabetes. Intrauterine programming Technology and diabetes Intervention studies in diabetes (pharmacological and non-pharmacological) Patient-centered research Genetics and pathogenesis of type 1 diabetes	Institute of Biomedical and Health Research (iUIBS). Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria. Endocrinology Dept. Complejo Hospitalario Universitario Insular Materno-Infantil de Gran Canaria
Spain	Alberto Bartolome	Basic Scientist	Genetic basis of beta cell mass, focusing in pancreas development and compensatory mechanisms. Study of T2D genetic risk loci and characterization of their molecular mechanisms (Integration of GWAS, eQTL databases and “omics”).	Beta cell mass and pancreatic islet development Group. Department of Metabolic and Immune Diseases. Instituto de Investigaciones Biomedicas Sols-Morreale (IIBM)
Spain	Laura Marroqui	Basic Scientist	Research on pancreatic islet function and cell survival in type 1 diabetes: A) Investigating molecular differences between alpha and beta cells to protect beta cells and delay disease progression B) Targeting key signaling pathways to promote human beta-cell survival as an adjuvant therapy	Islet Biology Lab – Institute for Research, Development and Innovation in Health Biotechnology (IDiBE), Department of Physiology, Miguel Hernandez University (UMH) – CIBERDEM
Spain	Francisco J Ortega	Basic Scientist	Obesity and nutrition. Combining clinical and basic studies (endocrinology, biotechnology, cellular and molecular biology, statistics, and bioinformatics) for a better understanding of human physiology, the nature of adipose tissue, and the type of systemic dysfunction capable of triggering health problems related to obesity and aging.	Cellular and Translational Biology group (BioTrans). Section of Diabetes, Endocrinology and Nutrition (UDEN). Fundacio Institut d’Investigacio Biomedica de Girona Dr. Josep Trueta (IDIBGI)- Biomedical Research Institute of Girona
Spain	Izortze Santin	Basic Scientist	Molecular dissection of pancreatic beta cell destruction in T1D: A) role of long non-coding RNAs (lncRNAs) in type 1 diabetes. B) how viral infections interaction with susceptibility genes to activate inflammatory pathways within beta cells	Functional Genetics of Immune Disorders Lab (FunImmune). Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU) - Biobizkaia Health Research Institute
Italy	Lutgarda Bozzetto	Clinical Scientist	Extensive clinical and nutritional diabetes research experience	University of Naples 'Federico II', Dept. of Clinical Medicine and Surgery; AOU Federico II – U.O.C. Diabetologia
Italy	Raffaella Buzzetti	Clinical Scientist	Extensive experience in diabetes, endocrinology, genetics and international research leadership	Sapienza University of Rome – Dept. of Experimental Medicine; Policlinico Umberto I, Rome
Italy	Paolo Fiorina	Clinical Scientist	Internationally recognized expert in diabetes, T1D immunology, transplantation, clinical research; over 200 publications and major leadership roles	University of Milan – Chief of Endocrinology, Fatebenefratelli–Sacco–Melloni Hospitals; Director, International Center for T1D, Milan; Lecturer, Harvard Medical School
Italy	Edoardo Mannucci	Clinical Scientist	Extensive experience in clinical trials, diabetes guidelines, and international research leadership	University of Florence – Dept. of Biomedical, Experimental and Clinical Sciences; Careggi Teaching Hospital, Florence
Italy	Gianluca Perseghin	Clinical Scientist	Focus on metabolic diseases, insulin resistance, T2DM, MASLD; multidisciplinary training environment	University of Milano-Bicocca – Department of Medicine and Surgery; Policlinico di Monza
Sweeden	Niklas Mejhert	Basic Scientist	Human white adipocyte, in particular lipid and carbohydrate metabolism, energy storage capacity and immunometabolism.	Karolinska Institutet, Department of Medicine