

JORDI CAMÍ

Jordi Camí (Terrassa, 1952) MD, PhD, is Professor of Clinical Pharmacology at Pompeu Fabra University and Managing Director of the Barcelona Biomedical Research Park (PRBB) and the Pasqual Maragall Foundation.

Scientific Activity

His main research activity has been focused, during more than 20 years, in the field of neuroscience and, in particular in the clinical pharmacology of drug abuse. Nowadays he develops this activity in the scope of Bibliometry, Evaluation and Scientific Policy.

Jordi Camí is author of more than 150 publications and several monographs related to drug abuse. He is also the author of the “Code of Good Scientific Practices” adopted since 2001 by all scientists working at the PRB. He is the editor and founder of the Quark magazine (Science, Medicine, Communication and Culture).

He has been awarded with several prizes, among which, two stand out: the honorable mention of Queen Sofía’s Research Award in 1990 and the Narcís Monturiol medal to scientific and technological merits, awarded by the Catalan Government, in 2000.

Academic Activity

His academic activity has been developed between the Autonomous University of Barcelona and the Pompeu Fabra University, holding several positions in both universities. Between 1997 and 2000 he was responsible for the creation and development of the Health and Life Sciences Faculty studies at Pompeu Fabra University, including the degrees in Medicine and Human Biology, and an international PhD program in Biomedicine.

Science Management Activities

In 1981, he developed one of the first detoxification units for heroin addicts in Spain at the Hospital del Mar (Barcelona). In 1988, he founded the Spanish Society for drug addictions, being the first chairman.

Between 1985 and 2005, he ran the Municipal Institute for Medical Research (IMIM), where he promoted the authorization by the International Olympic Committee for the Antidoping Laboratory that became the official laboratory for the Olympic Games of Barcelona 1992.

Subsequently, he has contributed to the gestation of new research centers in Spain such as the Center for Genomic Regulation (CRG) and the Center of Regenerative Medicine in Barcelona (CMRB). He currently runs the Barcelona Biomedical Research Park (PRBB), which hosts six public biomedical research centers with more than 1,200 people.

Under his headship, the IMIM received the Narcís Monturiol plaque in 2003, and in 2006 the PRBB was awarded with the City of Barcelona Prize to the international projection of the city.

He is a member of the Advisory Health Council for the Ministry of Health and its Executive Commission. He is also member of the Spanish Bioethics Committee and, at the present, he is in charge of the Pasqual Maragall Foundation for Research for research on Alzheimer's disease.