



EUROPEAN COMMISSION  
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Directorate F – Health and Food  
**Disease Prevention**

## **Annual Declaration of Interests<sup>1</sup> (DoI) form (v3)**

European Commission Initiative on Breast Cancer (ECIBC)

**Please answer each of the questions below.**

**If the answer to any of the questions is "Yes"<sup>2</sup>, please complete the corresponding fields, describing the circumstances, as appropriate.**

**If you do not submit a filled-in and signed DoI form, please consider that you cannot be involved in the current ECIBC activities.**

**If you do not disclose relevant activities of interest for the ECIBC, your role may be revised.**

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<sup>1</sup> According to European Commission's Decision C(2016) 3301 establishing horizontal rules on the creation and operation of Commission expert groups, Articles 2(4) and 11 each member of an expert group has to complete a DoI form

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<sup>2</sup> Answering "Yes" to the questions on this form does not automatically limit your participation in the ECIBC activities. Your answers will be reviewed to determine whether you have a conflict of interest (CoI) (i.e. any interest that may affect, or may reasonably be perceived to affect, an expert's objectivity and independence).

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Activities	Yes/No	Period (From - To)	Information	Details
<p><b>1. Do you have current investments<sup>3</sup> in a legal entity<sup>4</sup> with an interest related to breast cancer which either:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• has a value of more than 10.000 EUR, or</li> <li>• entitle you to a voting right of 5% or more?</li> </ul>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MM/YYYY – MM/YYYY	If yes, please provide information about where the investment is placed (Name, Country, Public/Private).	[Please describe the entity and your role.]
<p><b>2. Have you, within the last five years (January 2018 – December 2022), received remuneration from a legal entity with an interest related to breast cancer?</b></p> <p><b>A. Employment</b></p>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MM/YYYY – MM/YYYY	If yes, please specify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name, Place of the entity;</li> <li>• Type of the entity: public, private, etc.;</li> <li>• The received amounts for remunerated activities.</li> </ul>	[Please describe your role.]

<sup>3</sup> **Investments** refer to stocks, bonds, stock options, other securities as well as to commercial business interests (e.g., proprietorships, partnerships, joint ventures, board memberships, controlling interest in a company).

<sup>4</sup> **Legal entity** refers to any commercial business, industry association, consultancy, research institution or other enterprise whose funding is significantly derived from commercial sources. It also includes independent own commercial businesses, law offices, consultancies or similar.

Activities	Yes/No	Period (From - To)	Information	Details
<b>B. Consultancy, including advisory activities</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MM/YYYY – MM/YYYY	If yes, please specify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name, Place of the entity;</li> <li>• Type of the entity: public, private, etc.;</li> </ul> The received amounts for remunerated activities.	[Please describe your role.]

Activities	Yes/No	Period (From - To)	Information	Details
<p><b>3. Have you, within the past five years (January 2018 – December 2022), been involved in research related to breast cancer?</b></p> <p><b>A. Have you been an investigator in research studies on breast cancer?</b></p> <p><b>B. For the mentioned research studies, did you receive support<sup>5</sup>?</b></p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>01/2020 – 12/2022</p> <p>2019 – Present</p> <p>2021 – 2022</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Competitive Grant from the Spanish Ministry of Health Type: public.</li> <li>- Grant from the European Union’s Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme Type : public</li> <li>- The ProFound AI (Artificial Intelligence) Risk ResearchTrial. Trial financed by ICAD Inc. Type: Agreement with the industry</li> </ul>	<p>Principal Investigator of the Project: MyPeBS Project: Level of anxiety and satisfaction of women aged 40 to 69 years attending risk-based breast cancer screening strategy compared to the standard of care in Spain.</p> <p>Co-principal investigator of the Spanish Team of MyPeBS (My Personal Breast Screening) of the European initiative.</p> <p>Principal Investigator of the Spanish Team</p>

<sup>5</sup> **Support** refers to research support (i.e. grants, collaborations, sponsorships) as well as to non-monetary support (equipment, facilities) and other type of support (i.e. honoraria for being a speaker, holding a training).

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	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	01/2020 – 12/2022   2019 – Present   2021 – 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="1131 272 1563 496">- Competitive Grant from the Spanish Ministry of Health Type: public. Received amounts: Total amount 123.420€ (1st year 60.500/2nd &amp; 3th year 31.460€)</li> <li data-bbox="1131 549 1563 730">- Grant from the European Union’s Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme Type : public Received amounts: 74.520€</li> <li data-bbox="1131 783 1563 1045">- The ProFound AI (Artificial Intelligence) Risk ResearchTrial. Trial financed by ICAD Inc. Type: Agreement with the industry Received amounts: 88.500 €</li> </ul>	<p data-bbox="1585 272 2047 496">Principal Investigator of the Project: MyPeBS Project: Level of anxiety and satisfaction of women aged 40 to 69 years attending risk-based breast cancer screening strategy compared to the standard of care in Spain.</p> <p data-bbox="1585 549 2047 687">Co-principal investigator of the Spanish Team of MyPeBS (My Personal Breast Screening) of the European initiative.</p> <p data-bbox="1585 783 2047 852">Principal Investigator of the Spanish Team</p>

Activities	Yes/No	Period (From - To)	Information	Details
<b>2021 Do you have a membership in national or international organisations<sup>6</sup>, including committees, working groups, collaborative platforms, managing bodies or scientific advisory bodies with an interest in breast cancer?</b>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	01/2006 – Present	- Name: Department of Health. Generalitat de Catalunya. Type: public	Member of the Advisory Committee on Cancer Screening. The Catalan Cancer Plan Board. Function of expert: Chairman of the group. Function of body: Propose new guidelines for cancer screening programs, and assess the screening results. Link to website of body: N
<b>2022 Did you take part in other activities with interests related to breast cancer?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MM/YYYY – MM/YYYY	Please mention the activity.	Please describe the activity.
<b>2023 Do you have intellectual property rights (IPR)<sup>7</sup> related to breast cancer?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MM/YYYY – MM/YYYY	Please specify the title of the IPR.	Please describe the IPR.
<b>2024 Do any of your immediate family members<sup>8</sup> have direct interests related to breast cancer that could undermine your independence?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MM/YYYY – MM/YYYY	Please mention the interest.	Please describe the interest.

<sup>6</sup> **Organisation** refers to a governmental, international or non-profit organisation.

<sup>7</sup> **Intellectual property rights** refer to patents, trademarks, or copyrights (including pending applications) as well as proprietary know-how in a substance, technology or process.

<sup>8</sup> **Immediate family members** refer to family members and relatives (spouse, parents, children, brothers and sisters, irrespective of whether they live at the same address or not) or other persons under the care of the members of the household of the expert.

**Notes:**

If you declared any direct interests of your immediate family members, it is your responsibility to inform them about how data on their interests are collected and published<sup>9</sup> before you send the DoI form to the Joint Research Centre (JRC), European Commission.

After submission of this form, you need to inform the JRC in case of any new activity during the course of the year by sending a message as soon as possible to: [JRC-CANCER-POLICY-SUPPORT@ec.europa.eu](mailto:JRC-CANCER-POLICY-SUPPORT@ec.europa.eu).

- I hereby declare the information disclosed in this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.
- I agree my DoI form to be publicly available on the JRC Healthcare Quality website, during the European Commission Initiative on Breast Cancer subgroup membership<sup>10</sup>.
- I am informed that my personal data are stored, processed and published by the European Commission in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1725<sup>11</sup>.

**Name and Surname:** Xavier Castells

**Date:** 28/03/2023

**Signature:**

**Place:** Barcelona

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<sup>9</sup> Personal data processing including the Declaration of Interests

<https://ec.europa.eu/dpo-register/detail/DPR-EC-00656>

<sup>10</sup> Note: Technical measures are in place to ensure that search engines do not index the content from the DoI form.

<sup>11</sup> Protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32018R1725>