

## **The International Cancer Genome Consortium's (ICGC) work described in the journal *Nature*. The CNIO participates in the Consortium and hosted the last ICGC Workshop**

**Madrid, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010** - The work of the International Cancer Genome Consortium has now been recognized by the journal *Nature* in an article signed by all participating institutions.

The International Cancer Genome Consortium (ICGC) was launched to coordinate large-scale cancer genome studies in tumours from 50 different cancer types and/or subtypes that are of clinical and societal importance across the globe. Systematic studies of more than 25,000 cancer genomes at the genomic, epigenomic and transcriptomic levels will reveal the repertoire of oncogenic mutations, uncover traces of the mutagenic influences, define clinically relevant subtypes for prognosis and therapeutic management, and enable the development of new cancer therapies. Within the ICGC, a Spanish project incorporating the main Cancer Research Centres, including scientist at the CNIO, is focused on the analysis of Chronic Lymphocytic Leukaemia, the most frequent type of leukaemia. The CNIO has recently also organized the 3rd Annual Workshop of the ICGC (22nd-23rd March 2010) that has brought together 129 scientists and representatives from all countries participating in this project, which is considered to be the most ambitious project in cancer research.

For the full article, please see:

<http://www.icgc.org/icgc/cgp/64/530/826>

Group photo of the 3rd International Cancer Genome Consortium (ICGC) Workshop in Madrid – March 2010:

