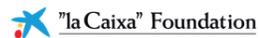


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The *Fundación Banco Santander* funds the *Banco Santander* Foundation – CNIO Fellowships for Young Researchers Trained in the UK/USA. These fellowships have the aim to support highly talented and motivated young scientists who have been trained in the UK or in the USA, and who wish to pursue their postdoctoral training at the CNIO. One young scientist, Jonathan Barroso-González from the University of Pittsburgh in Pennsylvania, was the recipient of a Santander Foundation-CNIO Fellowship in 2020. Additionally, thanks to the support of the *Fundación Banco Santander*, a group of 6 researchers will receive training on managerial and entrepreneurial skills in 2021, in collaboration with the IE Business School. *Banco Santander* Foundation also supports our CNIO Arte project.



The *Fundación Seve Ballesteros* is a private not-for-profit institution focused on securing, financing, and promoting research projects centred on brain tumours. *Fundación Seve Ballesteros* has been supporting the *Seve Ballesteros* Foundation-CNIO Brain Tumour Group, headed by Massimo Squatrito, since 2012. This Group focuses on identifying markers for brain tumours as its principal activity.



The *Fundación Jesús Serra-Catalana Occidente* continues to fund the Visiting Researchers' Programme that was established to support prestigious international professors for short stays at the CNIO. The recipients of the *Jesús Serra* Foundation's Visiting Researchers' Award in 2020 were Scott W. Lowe, Chair of the Cancer Biology and Genetics Program and the Geoffrey Beene Cancer Research Center at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York (USA), and Sonia Laín, Group Leader at the *Karolinska Institutet* in Stockholm (Sweden).



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