Upon the integration of CREAL within ISGlobal, **ISGlobal adopts the PRBB Code of Good Scientific Practice** with the following **Addendums**:

1. The **Ethics Committees for Clinical Research** (CEIC) will be Campus specific:

    a. CEIC PS Mar for studies lead by PI's based at Campus Mar
    b. Hospital Clínic CEIC for studies lead by PI's based at Campus Clínic

How to proceed when two (or more) PIs, from the two campuses, are involved in one project?

- If the project includes differentiated sub-studies or work packages led by a single PI of a given campus, the project will be sent to the corresponding ethics committee according to the general rule.
- If the two (or more) PIs are involved in the same study, the project will be sent to the ethics committee corresponding to the leading PI, and the other ethics committee will be inform about the study together with the ethical evaluation and outcome.

2. The **Ethical Committee for Animal Research** will be Campus specific:

    a. University of Barcelona Animal Experimentation Ethics Committee (CEEA-UB) for Campus Clínic
    b. PRBB Ethical Committee for Animal Research (CEEA-PRBB) for Campus Mar

3. The **Biosafety Committee** will be Campus specific:

    a. PRBB Biosafety Committee for Campus Mar
    b. CEK Biosafety Committee or designated officer for Campus Clínic

4. **Research projects** should be covered by the institution's general **insurance** or, when necessary (e.g., clinical trials), will be bound and insured by an external policy in accordance with current regulations. In this case, the designated insurance policy will be financed by the study.

5. **Research Misconduct**: The **Core Scientific Committee** (CSC) will be the committee **in charge of Research Integrity** that will promote awareness and internal implementation of the Code of Good Scientific Practice within ISGlobal and will respond to enquiries or arbitrate conflicts that may arise. Specifically, its functions regarding Research Integrity will be:

    o To monitor observance of the Code of Good Scientific Practice and compliance with its recommendations.

    o To participate in the PRBB Good Scientific Practices Working Group, through the designated representatives.

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o   To act as an arbitrating body in the case of uncertainties or conflicts that may arise in relation to research integrity – the decisions of the CSC will be binding for all persons who submit conflicts for arbitration.

In relation to its mentioned roles regarding research integrity, the CSC will guarantee at all times the diligence of its activities, the independence of its decision, the anonymity and confidentiality of personal information, the authority of the information generated, the impartiality of its deliberation, and the fairness of its resolutions, as well as the opportunity to appeal against those decisions. This role will be developed according to the Research Misconduct policy. (To be developed)

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ISGlobal endorses the Montreal Statement on Research Integrity in Cross-Boundary Research Collaborations and the Singapore Statement on Research Integrity.

RELATED DOCUMENTS:

- PRBB Code of Good Scientific Practice
- Research Misconduct policy (To be developed)
- Montreal Statement on Research Integrity in Cross-Boundary Research Collaborations
- Singapore Statement on Research Integrity

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