



Coordination of the **Agricultural Research In the Mediterranean Area**

## DESCRIPTION OF NATIONAL Agri-Med RESEARCH SYSTEM

(Programmes and capacity)



SPAIN

### Funding scheme

Funding Organizations	Funding area	Budget € year 2008
■ INIA	R&D projects in agriculture and environment R&D centers	15.000.000
■ MICINN (Dirección General de Investigación y gestión del Plan Nacional de I+D+I)	Fundamental research; agriculture, livestock and food quality	33.000.000
■ 17 Governments of Autonomous Communities	Regional R&D projects in agriculture and environment	4.000.000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>52.000.000</b>

### Research capacity

Research Institutions considered in the report	Agri-med area annual budget (full cost in €)	Human resources in Agri-med area (total N. scientists)
■ INIA National Institute for Agricultural and food technology	Not available	Not available
■ Regional Public Research Centres: IRTA-Catalunya, IFAPA-Andalucía, CITA-Aragón, IMIDRA-Madrid, IMIDA-Murcia, ICIA-Canarias, Neiker, INIA	Not available	Not available
■ CSIC Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas	Not available	Not available
■ 21 Universities on agriculture, food & environment Sciences	Not available	Not available
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3.400</b>



## The agri\_Med research structure in the country

In the Spanish agricultural research system the main financing organizations are:

- DIRECTORATE GENERAL for Research and Management of the National R+D Plan. Ministry of Science and Innovation. The scheme of Fundamental not Orientated Research Projects there has a modality of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Quality Research. Funding by grants.
- INIA National Institute for Agricultural and Food Technology. Is an autonomous organization belonging to the Ministry of Science and Innovation. It is program owner of the Basic Research Scheme Orientated to Agricultural Resources and Technologies in Coordination with the Autonomous Communities (regions) and Complementary Actions. Funding by grants
- CDTI Centre for Industrial and Technological Development. Ministry of Science and Innovation. It supports the private sector in agricultural and food industrial research. Funding: particularly by loans, also by grants.
- Governments of Autonomous Communities.  
In the Regional Programmes many regional governments own agricultural research schemes that in some cases such as Andalusia and Catalonia have a significant volume.

The main managing organizations of research programmes/projects are:

- ✓ Directorate General for Research and Management of the National R+D Plan.
- ✓ INIA
- ✓ CDETI
- ✓ Carlos III Institute
- ✓ Regional governments.

Agricultural research in Spain is carried out largely by Regional Public Research Centres, INIA, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas (CSIC), Universities and Technological Centres.

INIA has the triple condition of funder, manager and actor of agricultural research.

## Priorities/Main research thematic area

1. Production and transformation improvement in the agro-food field
2. Obtaining and elaborating safe, healthy and quality agro-food products
3. Agro-food production in terms of environmentally conservation and sustainable management of the agricultural systems.

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