

## SCIENTIFIC PRESS RELEASE

### A-TANGO: Data protection impact assessment (DPIA)

*A- TANGO, A BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH PROJECT FUNDED BY THE HORIZON 2020 PROGRAMME OF THE EUROPEAN UNION, USES THE METHODOLOGY AND TOOL FOR CONDUCTING DATA PROTECTION IMPACT ASSESSMENT (DPIA) DEVELOPED BY THE OBSERVATORY OF BIOETHICS AND LAW (OBD) AND THE DATA PROTECTION OFFICER (DPO) OF THE TIC SALUT FOUNDATION, GOVERNMENT OF CATALONIA.*

The biomedical research project ["NOVEL TREATMENT OF ACUTE ON CHRONIC LIVER FAILURE USING SYNERGISTIC ACTION OF G-CSF AND TAK-242" \(A-TANGO\)](#), funded by the European Union research programme Horizon 2020 and coordinated by [EF Clif](#), has carried out the mandatory data protection impact assessment (DPIA) stipulated by the General Data Protection Regulation using the [methodology and tool developed by an interdisciplinary team of the Observatory of Bioethics and Law \(OBD\), a research centre of the University of Barcelona, and the Office of the Data Protection Officer \(DPO\) of the TIC Salut Foundation, Government of Catalonia](#), coordinated by [Itziar de Lecuona](#).

The tool, available in open access in three languages -Spanish, Catalan and English-, responds to the specific needs of the health care system to evaluate the processing of personal data in research and innovation processes.

The DPIA allows the exercise of proactive responsibility and an adequate risk assessment in the processing of personal data, as established by the applicable data protection regulations. The DPIA developed by the [OBD](#) and the [TIC Salut Foundation](#) helps the data controller and the agents involved in the decision-making process with automated suggestions and allows a detailed analysis of the life cycle of the personal data involved. Likewise, the tool includes specific sections to evaluate the use of emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence.

Finally, the tool incorporates mechanisms to collect the result of the advice and assessment of the corresponding Data Protection Officer. [Teresa Miquel](#), lawyer and Data Protection Officer of EF Clif, provided assessment and reviewed the DPIA.

Both the methodology and the tool have been previously tested in the biomedical research projects [DECISION](#) and [MICROB PREDICT](#), funded by the Horizon 2020 programme of the European Union and also coordinated by EF Clif, in which the OBD leads the work packages on ethical, health and socioeconomic aspects.

More information about the DPIA: <http://www.bioeticayderecho.ub.edu/en/presentation-methodology-and-tool-conducting-data-protection-impact-assessment-dpia-health-care>

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