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- **Responsible Researcher:** SEPLAN Group. CEU Cardenal Herrera University.
Research Lines:

- **Plant Histology.**

- **Medicinal and Toxic Plants. Psicoactive plants**: use and abuse.

- **Global study from plant resources**: bioprospecting, plant biodiversity and plant conservation.
“....the most notable achievement is having promoted the constitution of my research group and I am honored to be Responsible Researcher. Proposal and obtaining projects and other scientific and academic activities would have been impossible without SEPLAN group, and the benefits that projects and activities have given us almost certainly would not have occurred”. Isabel Martínez-Solís.
What is SEPLAN?

SEPLAN is a multidisciplinary research group that comprises botanists, phytochemists, pharmacologists, specialists on human physiology, psychologists and specialists in the communication field.

This group is inter-institutional and international: CEU Cardenal Herrera University (Spain), University of Valencia (Spain), CEU San Pablo University (Spain) and University of Padua (Italy).

The group develops a multidisciplinary research line, whose main aim is comprehensive knowledge on plants that they can be used as medicine, food, energy sources, etc., or that they are a serious problem because they can produce a health problem, such as tobacco or narcotic and hallucinogenic plants and other toxic plants.


Researchers: A Ibars and I Martínez-Solís.

Aim and scope: The quantitative analysis of the flora from territories, as well as establishing phytogeographical divisions in terms of the presence of different taxa. Likewise, applied studies in which the knowledge of the floristic component of a region is of importance as rational use of medicinal plants that grow in plant communities. Thus the sustainable development is promoted.

2. Botanical Research.


Researchers: P Soriano and I Martínez-Solís.

Aim and scope: Studying the abundance of plants and their phenological stages, for setting agendas and timeframe for their use. Taxonomical, phenological, biological, and morphological characterization of medicinal species from other species which are likely to mislead.

3. Anatomical and histological research.

**Principal Researcher:** I Martínez-Solís. Faculty of Health Sciences. Biomedical Sciences Research Institute. CEU Cardenal Herrera University.

**Researchers:** A Ibars and P Soriano.

**Aim and scope:** Characterizing the active organs of plants and fungi morphologically and anatomically, for being able to implement subsequent identification and quality control. Study of the relationship between habitat and structure (structural adaptations). Application of anatomical and histological characteristics on taxonomical studies of botanical groups and plant species.


**Principal Researcher:** M Amparo Sanahuja.
Faculty of Health Sciences. Biomedical Sciences Research Institute. CEU Cardenal Herrera University.

**Researchers:** Outside researchers to SEPLAN group.

**Aim and scope:** Acute oral toxicity. Analgesic and anti-inflammatory activities. Pharmacological tests from plant extracts are used to determine the pharmacological properties of species, both toxicity and therapeutic properties. These data promote a rational bioprospecting that enables a sustainable development.

**Venue:** Faculty of Health Sciences. CEU Cardenal Herrera University.

M Amparo Sanahuja, PhD.
5. **Pharmacological testing: Cytotoxicity and antioxidation capability.**

**Principal Researchers:**
- **Nuria Acero.** Faculty of Pharmacy. CEU San Pablo University.
- **Francisco Bosch.** Faculty of Health Sciences. CEU Cardenal Herrera University.

**Researchers:** D Muñoz-Mingarro and F Boch.

**Aim and scope:** Study of cytotoxic ability over tumoral and no tumoral cell lines, using the MTT assay. If the extracts emerge as cytotoxic, their way of action (apoptosis activation way, effect over citoquines as TNF-a...) then is evaluated. Analysis of the antioxidation activity as scavenging agents, or the ability to inhibit some pro-oxidant enzymes.

**Venue:** Faculty of Pharmacy, CEU San Pablo University, and Faculty of Health Sciences, CEU Cardenal Herrera University.
6. Physiological Research

**Principal Researcher: Francisco Bosch.**
Faculty of Pharmacy. Biomedical Sciences Research Institute. CEU Cardenal Herrera University.

**Researchers:** Outside researchers to SEPLAN group.

**Aim and scope:** Study of the effect of plant substances on the human organism, especially the effect of abuse substances in the brain and in the individual behaviour of the person, and the effect of tobacco in respiratory system and other systems and organs.

**Venue:** Faculty of Health Sciences. CEU Cardenal Herrera University.

Francisco Bosch, PhD.
7. Phytochemical studies.

Principal Researchers:
- **Dolores Muñoz-Mingarro.** Faculty of Pharmacy. CEU San Pablo University.
- **Giuseppe Zagotto.** Faculty of Pharmacy. University of Padua.

Researchers: outside researchers to SEPLAN group.

Aim and scope: Phytochemical composition study from plant extracts, looking for active principles with pharmacological application. Chemical Analysis of abuse drugs samples, in order for researching their composition, for analyzing their quality and for detect other harmful substances used as drug cutting agents or adulterants.

Venue: Faculty of Pharmacy, CEU San Pablo University, and Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Padua.
7. Research on communication.

Principal Researcher:
Rosa Visiedo. Faculty of Humanities and Information Sciences. Biomedical Sciences Research Institute. CEU Cardenal Herrera University.

Researchers: E Marco.

Aim and scope: Research on communication strategies, outreach and awareness campaigns. Analysis of media coverage and online media.

Venue: Faculty of Humanities and Information Sciences. CEU Cardenal Herrera University. CEU Cardenal Herrera University.

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