

Competitive Projects: Procedure

This procedure will only be initiated if the research project comes belongs to one of the following scientific areas:

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 - a. Research with humans or human samples.
 - b. Research with animals.
 - c. Research with genetically modified organisms.
 - d. Data protection.
 - e. Research with biological agents.
 - f. Research with radioactive substances.

In such a case, the following procedure will be followed:

1. The project will be sent to the Ethics Committee Secretary, along with the Ethical Questions Form, by UPM's Lead Researcher.
2. This documentation will be sent to the members of the Ethics Committee who are experts in the scientific field, and to the Chairperson of the Committee, from the Secretary's office.
3. Receipt of the experts' report:
 - a) If the report is positive, it will be sent, along with all the documentation, to the other members of the Ethics Committee for consideration.
 - b) If the report is negative, the Lead Researcher will be asked to rectify or clarify the matters highlighted by the experts and the evaluation process will be re-initiated.
4. The final report will be drawn up by the Ethics Committee Secretary and sent to the entire Committee so that, if needed, it gives its opinion. In the event of discrepancies, the whole evaluation process may be re-initiated. This step may be taken at the same time as 3.a).
5. The final report is signed by the Chairperson and Ethics Committee Secretary.