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Doctor Diane Gosselin

She is President and Chief Executive Officer of CQDM (Consortium québécois sur la découverte du medicament) since November 2012. Scientific and accomplished leader, Dr Diane Gosselin has been passionately committed to the financing of innovative biomedical research for over 20 years.

Doctor Ángeles Rodríguez Peña

Dr Ángeles Rodríguez Peña has been heading the COST Committee of Senior Officials. She has been Special Advisor to the Secretary of State for Research and Innovation at the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness and was the Spanish representative of the COST Committee of Senior Officials (CSO) from July 2007 until her election as President. Now, she is back in Research Institute.

Professor Maria Beatriz Da Silva Lima

She is Member of the General Council of the Universidade de Lisboa, Sub-Director of the Faculty of Pharmacy of the Universidade de Lisboa and Professor of Pharmacology and Pharmacotoxicology and Head of Pharmacological Sciences at the university. She is also Coordinator of the Pharmacological Sciences Research Group at the University of Lisbon’s Research Institute for Medicines and Pharmaceutical Sciences (iMED.UL). Professor Da Silva Lima is also Chief Editor of the Regulatory Science Section of Frontiers and Member of the IMI Scientific Committee.
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