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# The Barcelona Supercomputing Center

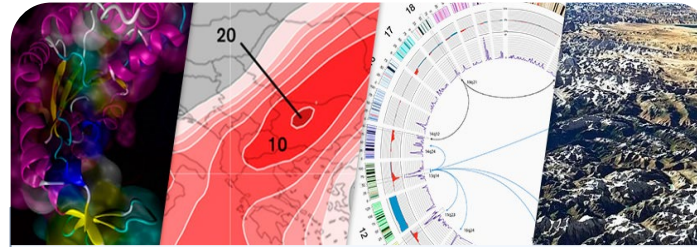
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## BSC-CNS objectives



Supercomputing services  
to Spanish and EU researchers



R&D in Computer, Life, Earth and  
Engineering Sciences



PhD programme, technology  
transfer, public engagement

**BSC-CNS is  
a consortium  
that includes**

**Spanish Government**

**60%**



**Catalan Government**

**30%**



**Univ. Politècnica de Catalunya (UPC)**

**10%**

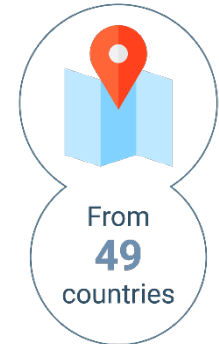
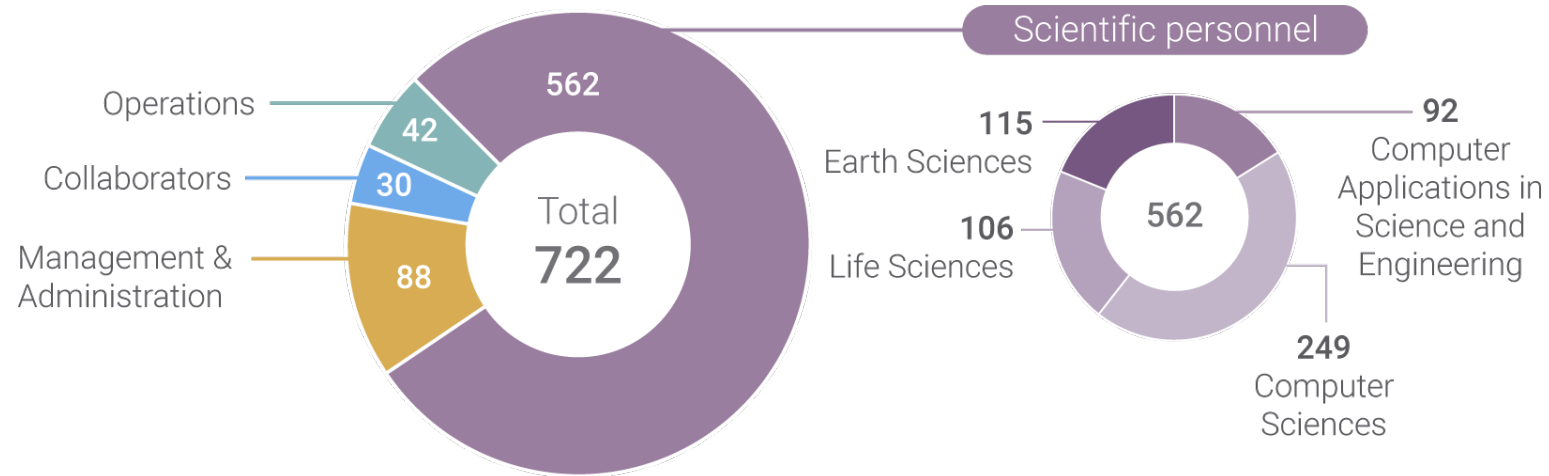


# People



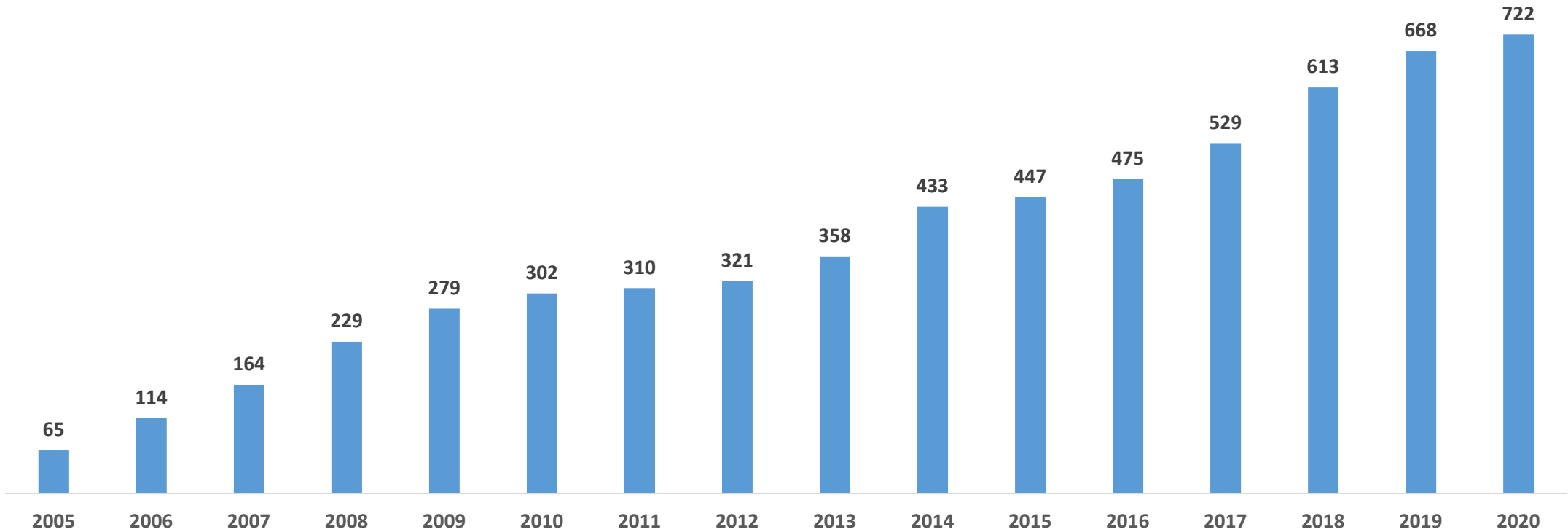
HR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

Data as August 31, 2020





# People evolution



BSC Staff evolution 2005 - 2020



# MareNostrum 4

Total peak performance: **13.9 Pflops**

General Purpose Cluster:	11.15 Pflops	(1-07-2017)
CTE1-P9+Volta:	1.57 Pflops	(1-03-2018)
CTE2-Arm V8:	0.65 Pflops	(12-2019)
CTE3-AMD:	0.52 Pflops	(12-2019)



## MareNostrum 1

2004 – 42.3 Tflops  
1<sup>st</sup> Europe / 4<sup>th</sup> World  
New technologies

## MareNostrum 2

2006 – 94.2 Tflops  
1<sup>st</sup> Europe / 5<sup>th</sup> World  
New technologies

## MareNostrum 3

2012 – 1.1 Pflops  
12<sup>th</sup> Europe / 36<sup>th</sup> World

## MareNostrum 4

2017 – 11.1 Pflops  
2<sup>nd</sup> Europe / 13<sup>th</sup> World  
New technologies



# Distributed supercomputing infrastructure

**26 members, including 5 Hosting Members**  
(Switzerland, France, Germany, Italy and Spain)

**110 PFlops/s** of peak performance on **7 world-class systems**

**>25.000 Mcore hours** for research awarded

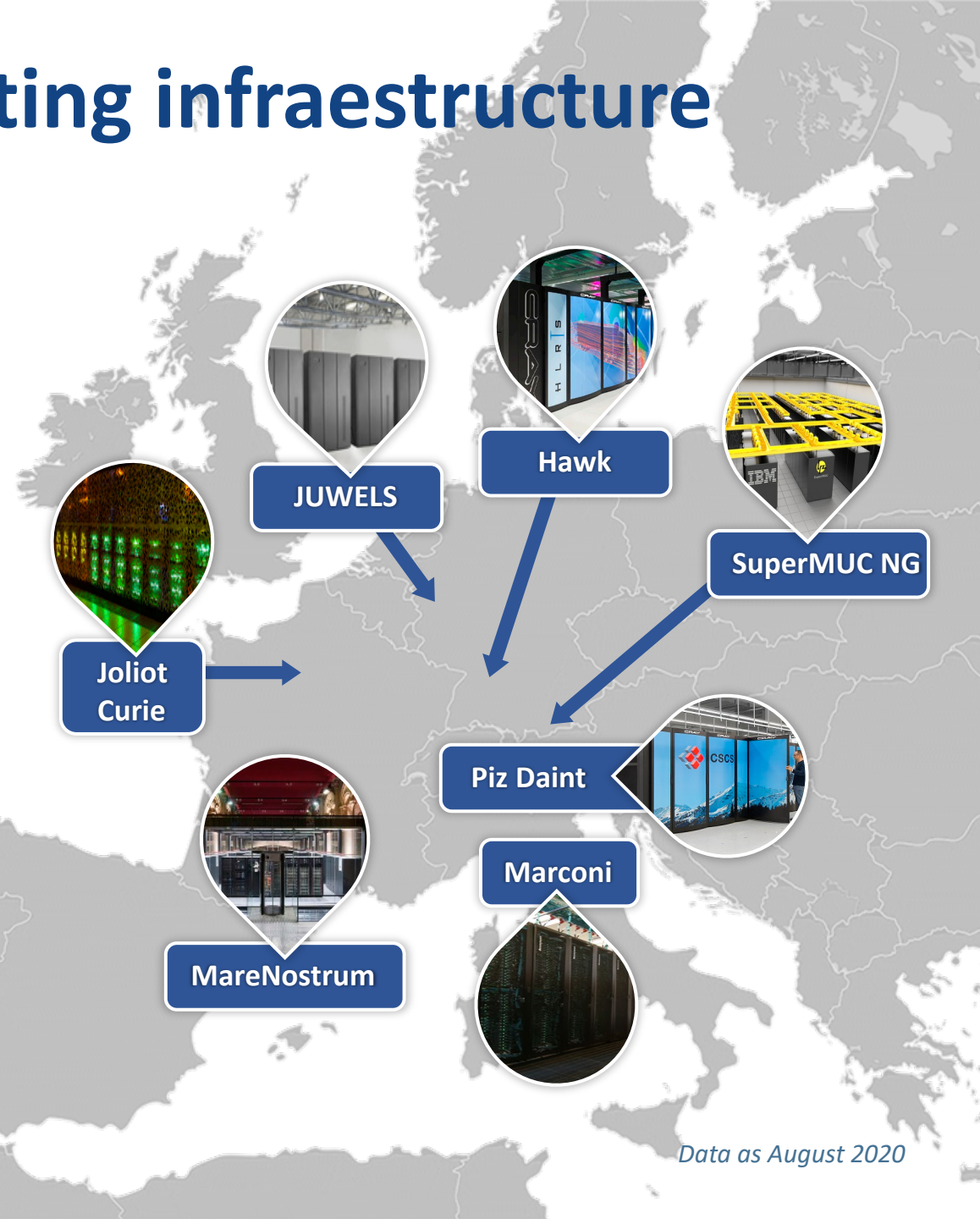
**779** scientific projects **enabled**

**>17.000** people trained

**>50** companies supported



Access [prace-ri.eu/hpc-access](https://prace-ri.eu/hpc-access)



# Spanish Supercomputing Network (RES)



RED ESPAÑOLA DE  
SUPERCOMPUTACIÓN



[www.res.es](http://www.res.es)



- Created 2006
- 12 institutions
- 13 supercomputers
- HPC resources for scientific community
- 12.000 Tflops
- +600 million CPU hours/year
- 3 calls/year
- Support team
- Data management services available
- +1.000 regular users
- +200 scientific papers annually
- Member of Unique Scientific and Technical Infrastructure network (ICTS).
- Coordinated by **BSC-CNS**



Updated: May 2020



# Mission of BSC Scientific Departments



## Computer Sciences

To influence the way machines are built, programmed and used: programming models, performance tools, Big Data, Artificial Intelligence , computer architecture, energy efficiency



## Earth Sciences

To develop and implement global and regional state-of-the-art models for short-term air quality forecast and long-term climate applications



## Life Sciences

To understand living organisms by means of theoretical and computational methods (molecular modeling, genomics, proteomics)



## CASE

To develop scientific and engineering software to efficiently exploit super-computing capabilities (biomedical, geophysics, atmospheric, energy, social and economic simulations)

# Collaborations with Global IT industry 2020





# Collaborations with Industry



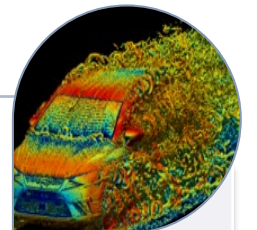
Research into advanced technologies for the exploration of hydrocarbons, subterranean and subsea reserve modelling and fluid flows



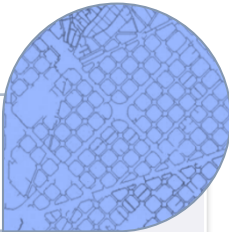
Research on wind farms optimization and wing energy production forecasts



Collaboration agreement for the development of advanced systems of deep learning with applications to banking services



Simulations to improve the understanding of the rotating wheels flow physics and its impact over the aerodynamic performance



Advanced statistical methods to the optimization of maintenance, energy usage, and control of the city's water treatment and supply processes.



Research on efficient data sensing, algorithms for analysis of industrial processes and visualization of large datasets of industrial data

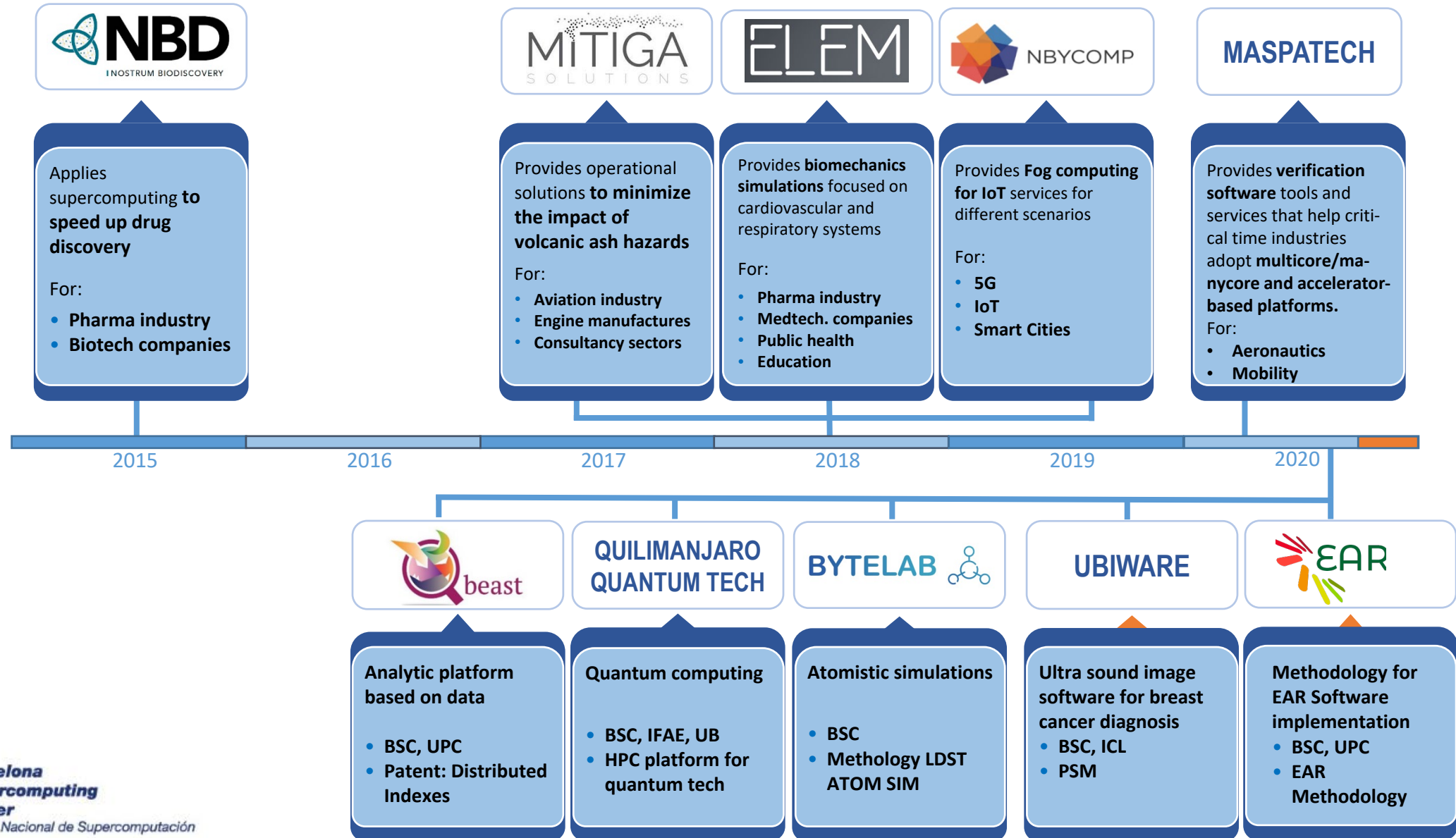


Artificial Intelligence and Big Data techniques to improve the quality of care and personalized diagnosis



BSC's dust storm forecast system licensed to be used to improve the safety of business flights.

# BSC's spin-offs





# BSC against COVID-19 Pandemic

Genomics and computational biophysics to design vaccines and drugs

Storage and computing capacity for the researchers fighting the coronavirus

ARTIFICIAL  
INTELLIGENCE,  
NATURAL LANGUAGE  
PROCESSING,  
BIG DATA,  
SIMULATIONS

Clinical data and images to create tools that help coronavirus diagnosis and treatment

AI, NLP and big data techniques to analyse the spread and social impact of the pandemic



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# MareNostrum 5. A European pre-exascale supercomputer

- **200 Petaflops** peak performance ( $200 \times 10^{15}$ )
- **Experimental platform** to create supercomputing technologies “made in Europe”
- **217 M€** of investment



## Hosting Consortium:

Spain Portugal Turkey Croatia







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# Thank you

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