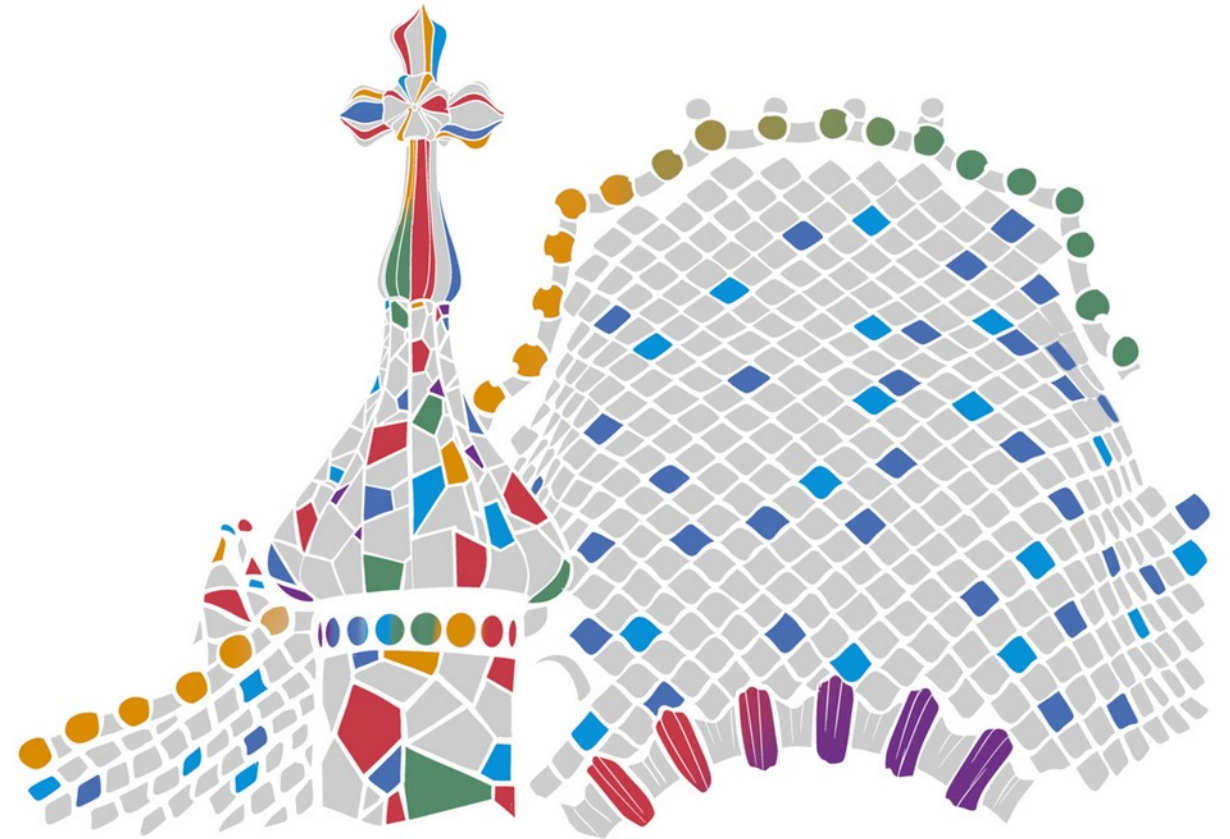




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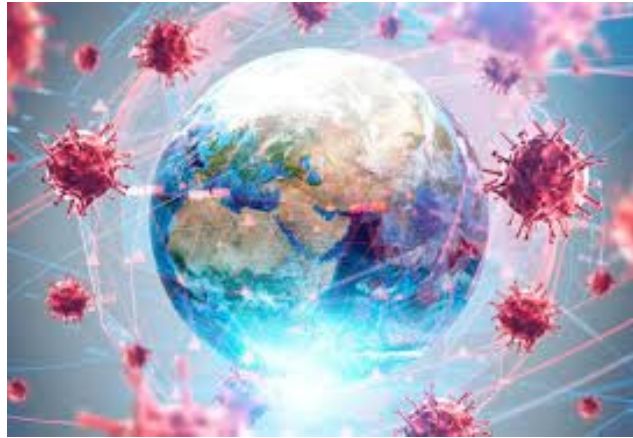


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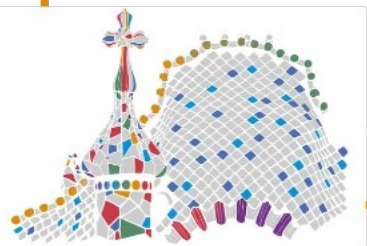
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The status quo

COVID 19 pandemics



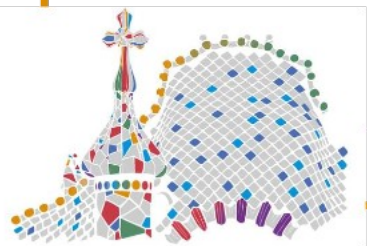
Ukrainian war



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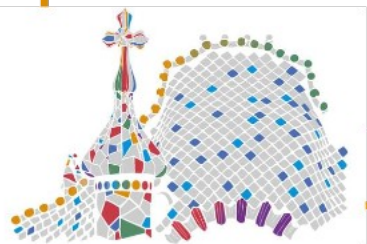
The problem

Decrease sponsorship and support budgets



Searching for solutions

Show me the money! DiCE grants at the horizon

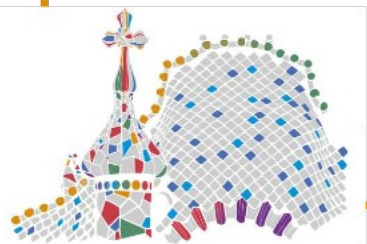


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Grant proposal

Assessment of colorectal cancer awareness in patients visiting a hospital/ clinic

- In this study we aim to determine the level of awareness of colorectal cancer and knowledge about colorectal cancer screening in Romanian population.
- Amount requested: **1700 euro**



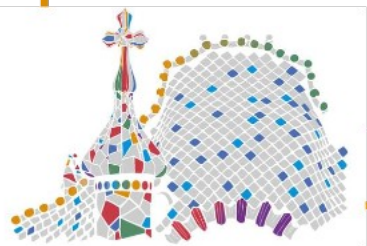
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Starting with high hopes

Conducting an observational clinical trials for a period of 3-4 months.

KPIs

- 6 private clinics and 6 general hospitals from different Romanian regions
- 10.000 printed survey (expected adherence 45-65%)

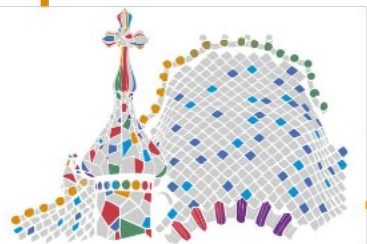


Facing the reality

Overcoming the beaurocratic barriers

Project real Gantt

- April – May: Developing the study design and validating the survey with a sociologist
- June: Submission of the study design to the Bioethics Commission for Medicines and Medical Devices for approval. But, hey, it`s vacation time!
- September: Negation issued by the Bioethics Commission for Medicines and Medical Devices
- October: : Submission of the study design to the Coltea Hospital Ethic Commission and Romar Clinics for approval.



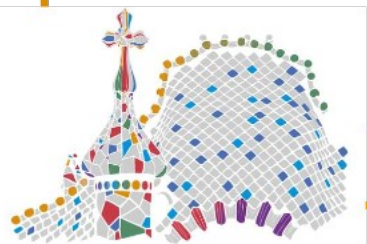
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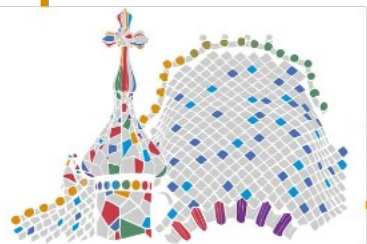
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- November: Romar Clinics did not approved the clinical trial deployment
- January - present: only 650 persons answered the survey. Submission of the study design to Medlife Clinics Ethic Commission for approval.

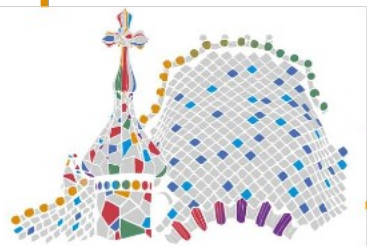


Take home ideas

- *Start with realistic expectations, unicorns are not real;*
- *Learn from your mistakes;*
- *Inform yourself about HTA legislation in your country;*
- *Identify reliable partners that will help you overcome the barriers.*
- **NEVER GIVE UP!**



Thank you!



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