

**University of Puerto Rico**  
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**HIV and Infectious Diseases Researchers**

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Paul	Bayman	pbayman@uprrp.edu	Río Piedras	Natural Sciences	A Phylogenetic Approach to Virulence in Aspergillus	National Institute of General Medical Sciences	Genetics, viral infections
Jose A.	Lasalde Dominicci	joseald@coqui.net	Río Piedras	Natural Sciences	Specialized neurosciences research program in neuroaids. Colaborativo con Dr. E. Kraiseburd, Investigador Principal.	National Center for Research and Resources	HIV/ Neuroscience
Blanca	Ortiz-Torres	blortiz@uprrp.edu	Río Piedras	Social Sciences	NIMH/M-RISP: Advancing Research in Puerto Rico	National Institute of Health	HIV, Behavioral or Social Studies
David	Perez-Jimenez	daperez@uprrp.edu	Río Piedras	Social Sciences	Piloting intervention for HIV prevention W/HIV discordant hetero coup.	National Institute of Health	HIV/ Behavioral or Social Studies
Nelson M.	Varas Diaz	nmvaras@uprrp.edu	Río Piedras	Social Sciences	AIDS Stigma among Health Professionals in Puerto Rico	National Institute of Health	HIV/ Behavioral or Social Studies
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Carmen	Albizu Garcia	calbizu@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Public Health	Needs Assessment for Drug Treatment and for HIV and Hepatitis B/C Prevention among Inmates of the PR Prison System	Puerto Rico Government	HIV Hepatitis/Medical Intervention Methods
Antonio	Algaze Beato	antonio.algaze@upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Functional and Structural Correlates of Neurocognitive Impairment in HIV	National Institute of Health	HIV/Neurocognitive Impairment
Jorge	Bertrán-Pasarell	jbertran@upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Phase II, randomized, double blind, placebo control study of two doses of WRAIR live attenuated tetravalent dengue vaccine formulations, administrated six months apart, to healthy adults and children	Us Army and Glaxo Smith Kline	Infectious Diseases or Agents/Clinical Trials
María	Castro Laboy	mariacastro@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Nursing	Measuring Stigma in People with HIV: Validation of the HIV Stigma Scale among a Puerto Rican Population	National Institute of Nursing Research	HIV/ Behavioral or Social Studies

Michael C.	Clatts	mclatts@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Public Health	Male IDUs in Vietnam: Ethno-Epidemiology of HIV Risk	National Institute of Health	HIV/ Male IDUSs
Clemente	Diaz	cdiaz@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Phase II, randomized, double blind, placebo control study of two doses of WRAIR live attenuated tetravalent dengue vaccine formulations, administered six months apart, to healthy adults and children	Us Army and Glaxo Smith Kline	Dengue vaccine/Clinical Trials
Ramona	Echevarría Santos	rechevarria@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Nursing	Occupation as Mediator of Quality of Life in Puerto Rican Adults with HIV/AIDS	National Institute of Nursing Research	HIV/ Behavioral or Social Studies
Ana M.	Espino Hernandez	ana.espino1@upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Characterization of T and B-cell epitopes of multiple antigenic peptides for a Fasciola / Schistosoma cross-reactive vaccine (MBRS-SCORE)	National Institute of Health	Immunology/Vaccine
Irma L.	Febo	febo.irma@fstrf.org	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Adolescent medicine trials unit for HIV/AIDS intervention	National Institute of Health	HIV/AIDS
Leyra	Figuroa Hernández	lyfiguroa@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Nursing	Genetic Determinants of Lipodystrophy in HIV-Positive Patients	National Institute of Nursing Research	HIV/Genetics
Dharma	Freytes Rivera	dharma.freytes@upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Nursing	Description of Skin Disease in HIV-Positive Persons	National Institute of Nursing Research	HIV/Dermatology
George V.	Hillyer	ghillyer@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	UPR-MHIRT in infectious disease and molecular biology	National Institute of Health	HIV/Pathology
Carlos	Luciano	cluciano@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	An open-label, extension safety and efficacy trial of pregabalin in subjects with neuropathic pain associated with HIV neuropathy (Pregablin A0081095)	Pfizer	HIV/Pharmacology
Idali	Martinez-Martinez	idali.martinez@upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Evaluation of a Dengue-2 DNA vaccine in monkeys	National Institute of Health	Dengue vaccine/Immunology
Loyda M.	Melendez Aponte	loyda.melendez@upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Under U54NS43011: Monocyte immunity and HIV-Induced dementia (SNRP/NIH NINDS).	National Institute of Health	HIV/Immunology
Ana Belka	Morales González	abmorales@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Nursing	Occupation as Mediator of Quality of Life in Puerto Rican Adults with HIV/AIDS	National Institute of Nursing Research	HIV/ Behavioral or Social Studies
Luz	Muñiz Santiago	luz.muniz1@upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Health Related Professions	Occupation as Mediator of Quality of Life in Puerto Rican Adults with HIV/AIDS	National Institute of Nursing Research	HIV/ Quality of life

Ana	Ortiz Martinez	ana.ortiz7@upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Public Health	Detection of HPV Infection in the Anogenital Area	Institutional_UPR	Viral Infections
Cynthia	Pérez-Cardona	cynthia.perez1@upr.edu.	Medical Sciences	Public Health	Epidemiology of Hepatitis C Infection in Puerto Rico (CRC)	National Institute of Health	Viral Infections
Marta	Rivero Mendez	marta.rivero1@upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Nursing	Functional Health Literacy, Adherence and Symptoms Management among HIV Infected People in Puerto Rico.	National Institute of Health	HIV/Health Care
Iraida E	Robledo Burgos	iraida.robledo@upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Identification and molecular characterization of beta-lactam resistance in selected multidrug resistant (MDR) bacterial clinical isolates in Puerto Rico: A pilot study	Merck	MDR Bacteria/ Clinical Trial
Zoe	Rodriguez	zrodriguez@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Pediatric HIV/AIDS Cohort Study (PHACS)	Private University	HIV/Pediatrics
Janet	Rodríguez Rodríguez	jrodriguez@coqui.net	Medical Sciences	Nursing	Adherence in Adolescents with HIV/AIDS in Puerto Rico	National Institute of Nursing Research	HIV/ Behavioral or Social Studies
José F.	Rodriguez-Orengo	jrodriguez@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Genetic Determinants of Lipodystrophy in HIV-positive Patients	National Institute of Health	HIV/Genetics
Josefina	Romaguera	jromaguera@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Immunogenicity and Safety of Quadrivalent HPV (Types 6, 11, 16, 18) I1 Virus-Like Particle (VLP) Vaccine in Consistency Lots for 16 to 23 Year Old Women with an Additional Immunogenicity Bridge to the Monovalent HIV-16 Vaccine Pilot Manufacturing Lot - The F.U.T.U.R.E. Study (Females United to Unilaterally Reduce Endo-Ectocervical Disease)	Merck	HPV/Pharmacology /Clinical Trial
Jorge L.	Santana-Bagur	jsantana@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	A Phase 2, Open-Label, Multicenter Study of the Safety of Ritonavir-Boosted GS-9137 (GS-9137/R) Administered in Combination with Other Antiretroviral Agents for the Treatment of HIV-1 Infected Subjects	Private Agency/Organization	HIV/Pharmacology/Clinical Trial
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Carlos A.	Sariol	csariol@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	A Tetravalent Dengue Vaccine Based on Alphavirus Replicons	National Institute of Health	Immunology/ Viral Infections
Adelfa	Serrano Brizuela	adelfa.serrano@upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Molecular mechanisms of multidrug resistance in rodent malaria ( Under SO6 NIGMS-SCORE)	National Institute of General Medical Sciences	Molecular biology/drug discovery
Esther A.	Torres Rodríguez	etorres@pol.net	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Seroprevalence of hepatitis C virus infection in the household, adult population of Puerto Rico.	National Institute of Health	Viral Infections
Valerie	Wojna	valerie.wojna1@upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Hispanic-Latino NeuroAids Longitudinal Cohort (CRC)	National Institute of Health	NeuroAids
Carmen D.	Zorrilla Maldonado	czorrilla@rcm.upr.edu	Medical Sciences	Medicine	Mentoring Institute for HIV and Mental Health Related Research of the University	National Institute of Health	HIV Clinical Studies (CTU)
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