BORG CENTER
— Barcelona, Spain

The BORG Center, also known as Barcelona Osseointegration Research Group, is focused on research in oral implantology and its various clinical applications. The center was established in early 2005 when four specialists in oral implantology developed a common protocol with good results to demonstrate that in cases in which the diameter of the pillar is smaller than the diameter of the implant bone loss is ostensibly lower. This research, titled “Benefits of an Implant Platform Modification Technique to Reduce Crestal Bone Resorption,” was published in Implant Dentistry in 2006. Since then, they have lectured worldwide and have produced and collaborated on a number of publications. We enjoy our work and are eager to share it with you.

— Dr. Xavier Vela obtained his degree in dentistry and medicine from the University of Barcelona. He has a private practice in Barcelona dedicated to implantology and prosthetics. He is a co-founder of the BORG Center, conducts research and regularly publishes articles in leading international journals. He has lectured at prominent national and international symposiums.

— Dr. Xavier Rodríguez obtained his degree in dentistry and medicine from the University of Barcelona. He has a private practice in Barcelona. He is an associate professor at the European University of Madrid in Spain and is co-founder of the BORG Center.

— Dr. Victor Méndez obtained his degree in dentistry from the University of Santiago de Compostela. He has private practices in Madrid, Lleida and Barcelona. Since joining the BORG Center in 2008, he has lectured at prominent national and international symposiums.

Location
The BORG Center is located in Barcelona, a city with a rich cultural heritage and known for its Catalan culture and distinctive architecture, including several UNESCO World Heritage Sites. It is a popular tourist destination and boasts one of the best beaches in the world.

www.borgbcn.com

How to get there
From Barcelona Airport: The center is an 11-to 16-minute drive from the airport by taxi.
From Viladecans: Two buses depart from the train station every 20 minutes approximately, the VB1 and the VB2. Ask the bus driver to stop at the Ángel Arañó/Dos de Mayo bus stop. The center is located two streets down from the bus stop.
Where to stay
AC Hotel Gavà Mar, located by the sea in a quiet area close to the BORG Center but a little far from the center of Barcelona. www.marriott.com
Hilton Barcelona, located in Barcelona and 20 minutes from the center. www3.hilton.com
Majestic Hotel & Spa, located in the center of Barcelona, near shopping areas and about 25 minutes from the center. www.hotelmajestic.es
W Barcelona, located right on the beach, half an hour from the center. www.w-barcelona.com

Where to eat
Barceloneta, a neighborhood, is well known for its traditional tapas bars. One such place, Can Ramonet, located in one of the oldest buildings in Barcelona, has long been associated with good food and wine. www.grupramonet.com
An absolute must is one of the restaurants—why not all five—of Albert Adrià’s BCN 5.0. At least, check out Bodega 1900, a restaurant inspired by classic Spanish vermouth bars and the aperitif culture, all under the guiding hand of chef Adria. www.en.bcn50.org

What to see and do
Take a stroll down La Rambla, the world-famous boulevard stretching about 1.2 kilometers all the way to the Mediterranean Sea.
Wander through the Barri Gòtic (Gothic quarter), the center of the old city. Visit the Museu Nacional d’Art de Catalunya (Catalonia national art museum).
See Antoni Gaudí’s many masterpieces, seven of which are on the UNESCO World Heritage List, the most famous probably being the Sagrada Familia basilica and the beautiful Park Güell, demonstrating perfect harmony of nature and architecture. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, Palau de la Música Catalana is a concert hall exemplary of art nouveau architecture. Some of the most important craftsmen and artists of the time were involved in its creation.
Housed in five Catalan-Gothic palazzos dating from the 13th and 14th centuries, the Museu Picasso is a museum of the artist’s formative years.
El Paral·lel, a vibrant theater district, is your destination for all entertainment and music.
A walk up Montjuïc mountain offers spectacular views.
For a day trip, take an exhilarating hot-air balloon flight over Catalonia with panoramic views of the Pyrénées, Montserrat, Montseny and the Mediterranean Sea.

For more information visit: www.barcelonaturisme.com