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## Summary

I am a physician-scientist, Board Certified Clinical and Laboratory Geneticist by USA and European Boards. I hold a Genetics and Neuroscience Ful Professorship for the Catalan Government Scientific Council (ICREA).

I am the Director of the Neurometabolic Diseases Laboratory at IDIBELL Research Institute in Barcelona, Spain, since 2005. I serve as Medical Geneticist at the Neuromuscular and Rare Disorders Unit at the Bellvitge University Hospital, since 2008. I am passionate about improving the disease management of rare brain disorders through Genomic Medicine, from diagnostics and gene discovery to rational treatments, designed after integrative multiomics approaches. On top of genomics, we are applying epigenomics, scRNAseq, metabolomics/lipidomics and proteomics, both for diagnosis and for deciphering of molecular basis of disease for rational therapeutic design. We are developing our own algorithms for improving diagnostic yields and for integrating -omics data. My lab is pioneering Genomic Medicine in Spain, and I am recognized internationally as a key opinion leader in the inherited metabolic brain disorders and medical genomics fields.

I am leading a matrixed team of excellent bioinformaticians, molecular and cellular biologists, biochemists and clinicians since 2005. We have translated our work into four licensed patents on repurposed drugs, four orphan drug designations, and four phase II/ III clinical trials for rare leukodystrophies. We are also proud of having diagnosed over 500 families affected with rare neurological diseases using WES and WGS, attaining a diagnostic rate of 70% when incorporating functional validation of variants, which allowed the discovery of 12 novel syndromes and causative disease-gene associations. Our shared vision of integrating functional and clinical genomics is our recipe for delivering timely solutions to our rare disease families. On a more fundamental note, we are interested in deciphering the role of complex lipids and membrane integrity in aging and neurodegeneration.

It is my honor to serve at the scientific boards of the European Society of Human Genetics (ESHG), the American College of Medical Genetics (ClinGen Peroxisomal Working Group and Metabolic Working Group), and the Undiagnosed Disease Network International (UDNI, NIH USA, Functional Study Group). I am also honored to serve on the Editorial Boards of leading journals such as Neurobiology of Disease and Journal of Neuroscience Research. It is my pleasure to participate in the Scientific Boards of the patients' associations European Leukodystrophy Association (ELA-Spain) and the French Association for Friedreich Ataxia and Hereditary Spastic Paraplegias.

I hold an honorary position of Associate Professor in the Department of Neurology of Weill Cornell Medicine NYC, and I am frequently invited to lecture and chair sessions at international conferences (European Society of Human Genetics (ESHG), Gordon Research Conference, European Glia Meeting, FASEB, International Society of Neurochemistry Meetings). I am a regular consultant for the pharmaceutical industry on rare and neurodegenerative diseases.

I have received several international scientific recognitions, including the Young Investigator Award from the ESHG (2004), the Grifols Albus Award for a novel application of plasmapheresis to adrenoleukodystrophy (2019), and the prestigious Prize of the Society for the Study of Inborn Errors of Metabolism (SSIEM, London) in 2019 and 2020, for gene discovery and treatment of two novel brain diseases, HLD-18 leukodystrophy and SHMT2 deficiency respectively. My most relevant national awards include the prizes of the Royal House of Spain (Hesperia Foundation) (2011), Prize of the Pharmacists College of Seville (2014), and the XIV National Prize of the Physicians College of Córdoba (2016). My group's work is regularly featured in national and international press.

## Education

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| <b>07/19/1993</b> | <b>Medical Degree</b> , with honors. Full License as General Practitioner<br>Medical School of the Autònoma University of Barcelona, Spain  |
| <b>02/05/1998</b> | <b>PhD in Cellular and Molecular Biology</b> , summa cum laude<br>Applied Tumor Virology, German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ)<br>Ruprecht-Karls University of Heidelberg, Germany                  |
| <b>09/28/2001</b> | <b>French Board Certification in Medical Genetics (Medical Specialty)</b><br>Concours National de Praticien Hospitalier en Génétique Médicale,<br>Louis Pasteur Medical School, Strasbourg, France. |
| <b>09/01/2017</b> | <b>American Board Certification in Clinical Molecular Genetics and Genomics, ABMGG.</b><br><b>Fellow of the American College of Medical Genetics (FACMG)</b><br>NHGRI/ NIH, Bethesda MD, USA.       |
| <b>04/15/2019</b> | <b>European Board Certification as Clinical Laboratory Geneticist (ErCLG).</b>  |

## Languages

Bilingual in Catalan and Spanish.

Full Professional Proficiency in English, French, and German.

French, Diplôme Supérieur de Langue Française, Institut Français de Barcelone-Toulouse, June 1986.

German, Oberstufe, Goethe Institut, May 1994

English, TOEFL, September 2014.

## Positions

**>07/ 20/1993-01/ 07/1994**

**Attending Clinician in Family Medicine** (Médico Adjunto en Medicina de Familia)

Catalan Institutes of Health, Barcelona, Spain

**>08/ 1994-02/ 1998**

**Predoctoral fellow**, Applied Tumor Virology, DKFZ (**German Cancer Research Center, Heidelberg**, Germany). Lab Director: Jean Rommelaere, Professor of Virology. Human Capital & Mobility Fellowship, European Commission Fellowship

**>03/1998- 12/2003**

**Postdoctoral scientist**, Human Molecular Genetics Department, **IGBMC, Strasbourg**, France

Director: Jean Louis Mandel, Professor of Human Genetics.

**>05/1998- 09/2001**

**Resident in Clinical Genetics**, Strasbourg University Hospital, France

Director: Jean Louis Mandel, Professor of Human Genetics, Chair de Génétique du College de France

**>10/2001-12/2004**

**Attending Clinician in Medical Genetics** (Praticien Hospitalier en Génétique Médicale, Attaché), Department of Human Genetics, **Strasbourg University Hospital**, France

Director: Jean Louis Mandel, Professor of Human Genetics, Chair de Génétique du College de France

**>01/01/2004- 12/31/2004**

**Junior Group Leader**, Human Molecular Genetics Department, **IGBMC, Strasbourg**, France

Director: Jean Louis Mandel, Professor of Human Genetics.

**>01/01/2005-Present**

**Professor at ICREA**, Catalan National Research Council.

Director of the Neurometabolic Diseases Laboratory, IDIBELL, Barcelona, Spain.

[www.neurometabolic-lab.org](http://www.neurometabolic-lab.org)

**>11/01/2008-Present**

**Attending Clinician in Medical Genetics** (Adjunto en Genética Médica)

Hospital Duran i Reynals, Barcelona, Spain

Neuromuscular and Rare Disorders Unit, Neurology Division, Bellvitge University Hospital, Hospitalet de Llobregat, Barcelona, Spain.

**>09/01/2011-08/31/2012**

**Visiting Professor** at Neurology and Neurosciences Department), **Weill Cornell Medicine**, New York City, NY. Sabbatical stay  
Director: Flint Beal, Professor of Neurology

**>06/21/2013-Present**

**Adjunct Associate Professor** of Neuroscience at Brain and Mind Research Institute of **Weill Cornell Medicine**, New York City, NY.

**>12/01/2014-05/31/2015**

Visiting Professor at the Center for Mitochondrial and Epigenomic Medicine (CMEM), **Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP)**, University of Pennsylvania. Sabbatical stay  
Head of the Lab: Douglas Wallace / Marni Falk, Professors of Human Genetics

**>09/01/2015-06/30/2017**

**Fellow of the Clinical Molecular Genetics Program at NHGRI/NIH**, Bethesda, Maryland, USA  
Program Directors: Suzanne Hart, Maximillian Muenke

**>09/01/2018-Present**

Associate Professor for Clinical Genetics and Genomics, Pompeu Fabra University (UPF), Barcelona, Spain

**>07/01/2022**

**Sr Distinguished Scientist, Rare and Neurological Diseases Area**, SANOFI, Boston, USA

## Honors and Prizes

- 09/1992**      **Clinical Fellow. EC Fellowship "Erasmus student exchange program"**, for 6-month Surgery training at the Cardiac Surgery Department, Ruprecht-Karls University of Heidelberg, Germany.
- 01/1994**      **Predoctoral fellowship. EC PhD Fellowship "Human Capital and Mobility"** program of the European Commission.
- 03/1998**      **Postdoctoral fellowship EMBO**, resigned in favor of the "Training and Mobility of Researchers" fellowship.
- 03/1998**      **Postdoctoral fellowship**, "Training and Mobility of Researchers" program of the European Commission FP4 Program (contract N. FMBICT983163).
- 04/2000**      **Postdoctoral fellowship**, Foundation pour la Recherche Médicale (FRM).
- 06/2004**      **Prize "Young Investigator Award" of the European Society of Human Genetics**, at the 36th European Human Genetics Conference, Munich, Germany.
- 01/2005**      **ICREA Full Professorship**, to date.
- 05/2006**      **President of the Scientific Committee**, European Leukodystrophy Association-(ELA-Spain), Madrid Spain.

- 09/2010**      **Scientific Committee Board**, IDIBELL, 2010-2011
- 05/2011**      **Salvador de Madariaga Award from the Spanish Ministry of Education** for one sabbatical year stage at Weill Cornell Medical College, NYC, USA.
- 05/2011**      **Prize of the Hesperia Foundation**, Princes of Spain.
- 02/2013**      **Adjunct Research Associate Professor in Neurology and Neurosciences**, Brain and Mind Research Institute, Weill Cornell Medical College, NYC, USA, to date.
- 06/2014**      **National Prize of the Pharmaceutical College of Seville, Spain.**
- 09/2014**      **BAE Award from the Spanish National Institutes of Health (ISCiii)** for 6 months sabbatical stage at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, USA.
- 04/2016**      **XIV National Research Prize of the College of Physicians of Cordoba, Spain.** 1st Position with unanimity of the Jury.
- 12/2017**      **Member of the Undiagnosed Disease Program International (UDNI)**, NIH Bethesda USA.
- 03/2018**      **Member, Functional Study Group** at UDNI, Undiagnosed Disease Network International NIH, Bethesda, USA.
- 07/2019**      **Scientific Council Board, AFAF** (French Association Friedreich Ataxia); **CSC** (Knowing the Cerebellar Syndromes); **AS-L HSP** (Strumpell-Lorain Association, Hereditary Spastic Paraplegias).
- 09/2019**      **Metabolism Working Group, ClinGen consortium**, Bethesda Maryland. (Director Meredith Weaver, American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics, ACMGG) 2019-
- 05/2019**      **Scientific Committee Board Member, European Society of Human Genetics**, ESHG, Vienna, Austria (2019-2023).
- 09/2019**      **Late Breaking Award, Society for the Study of Inherited Errors of Metabolism** (SSIEM, London), at 2019 International Congress, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.
- 10/2019**      **Prize Albus Award, Grifols International**, Barcelona, Spain
- 11/2020**      **Late Breaking Award, Society for the Study of Inherited Errors of Metabolism** (SSIEM, London), at the 2020 International Virtual Congress.

#### Advisory Boards (for profit)

- 2014**      **Advisory Board**, MedDay Pharmaceuticals, Paris. Consulting as KOL for brain metabolism in white matter diseases including multiple sclerosis and the leukodystrophies.
- 2019-**      **Advisory Board**, SwanBio, Philadelphia USA. Consulting as KOL for preclinical models of leukodystrophies and motorneuron disorders.
- 2019**      **Advisory Board**, Bluebird Bio, Boston USA. Consulting as KOL for biomarkers and natural history of adrenoleukodystrophy.
- 2020**      **Advisory Board**, Inflectis Bioscience. Consulting as KOL for biomarkers and preclinical models of leukodystrophies.

## Membership of Research and Clinical Networks

- IMPACT Genomica: Spanish Research Network for Personalized Medicine, 2021**-Spanish National Institutes of Health (Lead by Angel Carracedo, La Coruña Spain).
- UDNI- Undiagnosed Rare Disease Network International, 2018**-National Institutes of Health, NIH (Lead by Dr William Gahl, NIH/NHGRI, Bethesda, MD USA) Functional Analysis Working Group
- URD-Cat Undiagnosed Rare Neurological Disease Program of Catalonia 2017-2019.** Coordinator of IDIBELL node.
- SGR Research Group of Excellence of the Catalan Government (AGAUR).** Group leader of unit GRC 085: Neurometabolic Diseases, since 2009.
- CIBERER National Biomedical Network on Rare Diseases,** from National Health Institute Carlos III Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation. Group leader of unit U759 since 2008.
- ANEP National Agency for Research Evaluation and Foresight** Advisory Committee of the Spanish Government for Evaluation of Research Grants; Biomedicine Study Section in 2010, 2012 and 2014.
- AGAUR Catalan Agency for Evaluation of Research** Advisory Committee of the Catalan Government for Evaluation of Research.
- ACSUCyL Agency for Quality of the University System of Castilla and Leon** Advisory Panel for Evaluation of Research Grants of the Castilian Government; Spain.
- SERGAS Health System of Galicia** Advisory Panel for Evaluation of Research Grants of the Government of Galicia; Spain.

## Membership of Scientific Societies

2001-	Spanish Association for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (SEBBM)	Member
2004-	European Society of Human Genetics (ESHG)	Member
2005-	Spanish Association for Human Genetics (AEGH)	Member
2017-	American College of Medical Genetics (ACMG)	Fellow

## Managerial Activities

### Organisation of International Congress and Workshops

1. Recent advances on diagnosis and therapeutics of Leukodystrophies. Invited Speakers: Profs Jaap Valk, Odile Boespflug-Tanguy, Patrick Aubourg, Nathalie Cartier. 1<sup>st</sup> ELA-España Symposium, in conjunction with the 23th Annual Meeting of the Spanish Society for Neuropediatrics. Alicante, Spain, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2007.
2. Novel therapeutic strategies for X-Adrenoleukodystrophy. Invited Speakers: Prof Patrick Aubourg, Dr Nathalie Cartier. Hospital Vall d'Hebron, Barcelona, 5<sup>th</sup> July 2007.

3. International Course on Diagnostic and Therapeutic Approaches for Leukodystrophies. Co-organised with Odile Boespflug-Tanguy and Salvador Martínez. Spanish Center of Reference for Patients with Rare Diseases. Burgos, Spain, 9-11<sup>th</sup> November 2010.
4. Symposium on Systematic Approaches to Glia. In collaboration with Hauke Werner (Göttingen, Germany), at the XII European Meeting on Glial cells in Health and Disease. Bilbao, Spain, 15-18<sup>th</sup> of July 2015.
5. Scientific Program of the European Society of Human Genetics, Berlin, Germany, June 6-8<sup>th</sup> 2020.
6. Scientific Program of the European Society of Human Genetics, Glasgow, UK, June 12-15<sup>th</sup> 2021.
7. Scientific Program of the European Society of Human Genetics, Vienna, Austria, June 13-17<sup>th</sup> 2022.

### Chairman at International Congress

1. Chairman at the Symposium "Targeted therapies for cancer and genetic disease". **40<sup>th</sup> European Society for Human Genetics (ESHG)**. Barcelona 1<sup>st</sup> of June 2008
2. Chairman at the Session "Therapeutics for Leukodystrophies". **2<sup>nd</sup> European Leukodystrophy Association (ELA) Research Foundation congress**. Luxembourg, 27<sup>th</sup> of June 2009
3. Chairman at the Session "Peroxisomal Disorders". **Open European Peroxisomal Meeting**, Dijon, France 4-5<sup>th</sup> of July 2012
4. Chairman and organizer at the Session: Biomarkers, Targets and Therapies for Leukodystrophies. **XI European Meeting on Glial Cells in Health and Disease**, Berlin 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2013-
5. Chairman and organizer at Sessions: C05 Elucidating the Function of Cardiac Genes; C11 Multiple Malformation Syndromes; C20 Neurogenetics, C28 Neurodevelopment. **European Society of Human Genetics ESHG 2020. Virtual Meeting**, June 6-9 2020.
6. Chairman and organizer at Sessions: Polygenic Risks and Me; Metabolic and Mitochondrial Symposium; Novel Therapeutics Symposium; **European Society of Human Genetics ESHG 2021. Virtual Meeting**, June 12-15<sup>th</sup>.
7. Chairman and organizer at Sessions: Multiomics for Diagnosis; Novel Therapeutics Symposium;
8. **European Society of Human Genetics ESHG 2022. Vienna**, June 13-17h
9. Chairman at CNS and Sensory Session  
**European Society of Gene and Cell Therapy 2022. Virtual Congress** October 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>

### Editorial Boards and Activities

- 2010-** Invited Co-Editor for Brain Pathology (Wiley Online Library). Minisymposium on X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy. Review series.
- 2013-** Editorial Board (Associate), Journal of Neuroscience Research (Wiley).
- 2017-** Editorial Board, Genética Médica, Medigene Press, Valencia. Spain.
- 2018-** Editorial Board, Neurobiology of Disease (Elsevier).

**2020- Invited Editor for Neurobiology of Disease.** Special Issue on Lipid Signaling in Neurodegeneration.

### Ad-hoc Reviewer

Journals: Nature Neuroscience, Nature Communications, Lancet Neurology, Acta Neuropathologica, American Journal of Human Genetics, Human Molecular Genetics, Brain, Journal of Neuroscience, Experimental Neurology, FASEB Journal, FEBS letters, Neurobiology of Disease, European Journal of Human Genetics, Neuroscience Letters, Molecular Genetics and Metabolism, Biochemical Biophysical Acta, Nucleic Acids Research, Proteomics, Journal of Neuroscience Research, PLoS One, PLoS Medicine, PLoS Genetics, Journal of Lipid Research.

Agencies: Spanish National Institutes for Health ISCIII, Spain; National Agency for Research Evaluation and Foresight (ANEP), Spain; Catalan Agency for Evaluation of Research (AGAUR), Spain; European Leukodystrophy Association (ELA), France; Association Française contre les Myopathies (AFM), France; Fondation pour la Recherche Médicale (FRM), France; Research Council of the University of Leuven, Belgium; The Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research, The Netherlands Princess Beatrix Funds; Weill Cornell Medicine, NYC, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore USA.

### Teaching and Mentoring Experience

Teaching is the bread and butter of an academic career. In Spain, like in France, the best scientists are freed of teaching obligations at the University, since it is considered that the teaching hours are in detriment of the very competitive research projects.

I wish to highlight the remarkable accomplishment of two of our PhD students, both women, who received the **Extraordinary Thesis prize of the University of Barcelona in 2013** (Dr López-Erauskin) **and 2015** (Dr Morató). We are particularly proud of the work of Dr Lopez-Erauskin, who is deciphering molecular pathogenesis of ALS in Don Cleveland's lab (USCS), and has recently published outstanding articles in Nature Neuroscience and Neuron (PMID:30344044; PMID:30643298). Dr Morató is studying mitochondrial metabolism involvement in anxiety and depression disorders and has currently a first manuscript as leading author under review. Both were extraordinarily productive students in our lab.

I also find remarkable that 9/10 PhD students chose to pursue a career in research and embarked on a postdoctoral fellowship abroad. Our lab is actively collaborating with a former PhD Student, Dr Devesh Pant, who is currently in Nazarko's lab in Georgia. The project deals with the zebrafish modelling of rare leukodystrophies of the ceramide synthesis pathway, which will prepare Dr Pant for an independent career.

I am also glad that of the growing interest that Genomic Medicine has sparked among the students and the clinicians. We have seen this at the classroom and in the multiplication of requests for PhD and postdocs positions, and the high interest on MD/PhD programs with high content on clinical genomics. I am currently mentoring the genomic medicine PhD projects of three bright neurologists and clinical biochemists who represent the next-generation of physicians-scientists.



### **Mentoring of Junior Faculty**

2009- Successful application of Dr Esther Dalfó for a “Miguel Servet Researcher” Contract (tenure-track position equivalent to Assistant Professor, granted by the Spanish National Institutes for Health). Currently Associate Professor at Universitat de Vic, Barcelona

2011- Successful application of Dr Stéphane Fourcade for a “Miguel Servet Researcher” Contract (tenure-track position equivalent to Assistant Professor, granted by the Spanish National Institutes for Health), after six years of postdoc in our lab. Currently Miguel Servet type II (CPII16/00016) at IDIBELL, Barcelona

### **Mentoring of Postdocs**

2007-2009-European Commission fellowship contract (associated to project) to Dr Montse Ruiz, who obtained in 2010 a permanent contract as Senior Research Fellow of the Spanish Research Network for Rare Diseases (CIBERER), up to date.

2008-2010-Sara Borrell fellowship to Dr Nathalie Launay, French postdoc who obtained in 2011 on a permanent contract as Senior Research Fellow of the Spanish Research Network for Rare Diseases (CIBERER), up to date.

2016-2022- Juan de la Cierva I and II fellowships obtained by Dr Edgard Verdura, postdoc who trained as PhD student in France.

### **Direction of Master Thesis (M Sc)**

2008: Jorge Galino Barrés, Master in Neurosciences, University of Barcelona

2008: Jone Lopez-Erauskin, Master in Neurosciences, University of Barcelona

2009: Laia Morató Fornaguera, Master in Neurosciences, University of Barcelona

2012: Pablo Ranea-Robles, Master in Neurosciences, University of Barcelona

2013: Sandra Franco Iborra, Master in Biomedicine, University Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona

2017: Sergio Ramos Sorigué, Master in Bioinformatics, Open University of Catalonia, Barcelona

2017: Arty Mistry, Master in Genetics and Molecular Biology, Saint George University London

2018: Laura Planas, Master in Neuroscience, Autonomous University of Barcelona

2018: Peio Aristu Zabalza, Master in Genetics and Genomics, University of Barcelona

2018: Paula del Pozo, Master in Biochemistry, Molecular Biology and Biomedicine, Autonomous University of Barcelona

2018: Laura Argelich, Master in Biochemistry, Molecular Biology and Biomedicine, Autonomous University of Barcelona

2019: Raquel Ramos, Master in Genetics and Genomics, University of Barcelona

2020: Noelia Carrión, Master in Neurosciences, University of Barcelona

### **Direction of Doctoral Thesis (PhD)**

2005: Carme Camps, PhD in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. University Autònoma de Barcelona “Biochemical and molecular dissection of the X-ALD mouse models”. Co-direction with Marisa Giròs, Institut de Bioquímica Clínica, Barcelona, Spain. 22 October 2005. Cum laude. Currently Associate Researcher at Jenny Taylor lab, Wellcome Centre Human Genetics, University of Oxford, UK.

2011: Jorge Galino, PhD in Biomedicine, University of Barcelona. “Impact of oxidative stress and mitochondrial dysfunction in the energetic homeostasis of adrenoleukodystrophy: therapeutic

implications". 31<sup>st</sup> May 2011. Excellent Cum laude. Currently Senior Researcher in Leitat Technological Center (Barcelona), after five years as post-doctoral researcher at David Bennett lab, University of Oxford, UK.

2013: Jone López-Erauskin, PhD in Biomedicine, University of Barcelona. "Mitochondrial dysfunction and oxidative stress in the physiopathogenesis of X-adrenoleukodystrophy: from molecular basis to therapy". Excellent Cum laude. 15<sup>th</sup> March 2013. **Extraordinary PhD Thesis Prize of the University of Barcelona 2013**. Currently at Don Cleveland lab, Ludwig Cancer Research, UCSD La Jolla CA, USA.

2015: Laia Morató Fornaguera, PhD in Biomedicine, University of Barcelona. "Molecular mechanisms underlying mitochondrial dysfunction in X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy: therapeutic potential of SIRT1/PGC-1a activation". 16<sup>th</sup> March 2015. European Thesis Quality Label. Excellent Cum laude. **Extraordinary PhD Thesis Prize of the University of Barcelona 2015**. Currently post-doctoral researcher at Carmen Sandi lab, EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland.

2015: Andrea Coppa, PhD in Biomedicine, University of Barcelona. "Modelling X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy in *C. Elegans* and beyond: a tale of fatty acids and oxidative stress" 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2015: Excellent Cum Laude. Co-direction with Dr Esther Dalfó. Currently Quality Assurance Manager at BeForPharma, Bari, Italy.

2015: Sanjib Guha, PhD in Biomedicine, University Pompeu Fabra. "A *C. elegans* model for X-linked Adrenoleukodystrophy: roles of pmp-4 fatty acid transporter in the nervous system", 21st December 2015: *Excellent cum Laude*. Co-direction with Dr Esther Dalfó. Currently post-doctoral research scholar at Pankaj Kapahi Lab, Buck Institute for Research on Aging, Novato, CA, USA.

2016: Patrizia Bianchi, PhD in Biomedicine, University of Barcelona: "Impairment of Mitochondrial Dynamics in X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy", 10<sup>th</sup> June 2016: Excellent Cum Laude. Co-direction with Dr Stéphane Fourcade. Currently post-doctoral researcher at Albert Quintana lab, Autonomous University of Barcelona.

2017: Pablo Ranea, PhD in Biomedicine, University of Barcelona: "NRF2 and RIP140 as new therapeutic targets for X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy (X-ALD): Control of redox/metabolic homeostasis ", 7th July 2017: Excellent Cum Laude. Co-direction with Dr Stéphane Fourcade. Currently post-doctoral researcher at Sander Houten Lab, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, USA.

2018: Janani Parameswaran, PhD in Biomedicine, University Pompeu Fabra: "Cross-talk between inflammation & mitochondria in X-ALD", 9<sup>th</sup> March 2018: Excellent Cum Laude. Currently post-doctoral researcher at Jie Jiang lab, Emory University, Atlanta, USA.

2018: Devesh Pant, PhD in Biomedicine, University Pompeu Fabra: "Identification of the sphingolipid desaturase DEGS1 as a novel gene for a leukodystrophy with therapeutic hope", 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018. Excellent Cum Laude. Currently post-doctoral researcher at Taras Nazarko lab, Georgia State University, USA.

2021: Leire Goicoechea, PhD in Biomedicine, University of Barcelona: "Regulation of lipid and redox metabolism in X-linked Adrenoleukodystrophy (X-ALD): therapeutic implications", 16th June 2021. Excellent Cum Laude. Currently post-doctoral researcher at Fernández-Checa lab, CSIC; Barcelona

2022: Agustí Rodríguez-Palmero, MD. PhD in Pediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynecology, University Autònoma of Barcelona: "Diagnostic of brain white matter disorders and novel gene discovery

through next-generation sequencing". 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Excellent Cum Laude. Currently Neuropediatrician consultant at Germans Trias Hospital of Badalona.

2022: Valentina Vélez-Santamaría, MD. PhD in Medicine, University of Barcelona. "Diagnosis of spastic paraplegias and ataxias through next-generation sequencing". 21<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Excellent Cum Laude. Currently Neurologist consultant at Hospital Universitario de Bellvitge, Barcelona

### **Doctoral Thesis (PhD) on progress**

>2018-PhD thesis start of Laura Planas-Serra, MSc on progress

>2020-PhD thesis start of Lorenzo Torreni MD, Clinical Biochemist, on progress

>2022-PhD thesis start of Ayelen Artuch, MSc, on progress

### **Graduate and Undergraduate Teaching**

2007- to date Master of Biomedicine Program. Translational research in rare diseases: leukodystrophies. University of Barcelona. Faculty of Medicine. 4 h/semester.

2008-2009 Master of Neurosciences Program. Animal models of diseases that affect myelin. Pathophysiology of leukodystrophies and therapeutic advances. University of Barcelona. Faculty of Biology. 4 h/ semester.

2013-to date Master of Biomedicine Program. Model organisms in Biomedical Research. University of Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona. 2h/ semester.

2018, 2019 Undergraduate, Clinical Genetics Course for Medicine and Biology Faculties at University Pompeu Fabra, Associate Professor for Barcelona. 30h/ year.

### **Outreach Activities**

>Crowdfunding campaigns for research on adrenoleukodystrophy (Arnau 97) in 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019, Taradell, Barcelona.

>Interviews in national press: La Razón (21 Oct 2006); Diario Médico (26 May 2006, 10 Mar 2010, 28 Feb 2013); Correo de Burgos (12 Nov 2010); La Vanguardia (3 Dec 2014 and 19 Jan 2016); Farmaco Salud (16 Aug 2016); Diario de Córdoba (22 Nov 2016); Diario ABC Catalunya (10 Jan 2019).

Extensive coverage on Covid genomics on Science publications, in Catalan and national TV (TV3, Tele5, La Sexta, Antena 3, Canarias7, Euskal Telebista); national radio (Cadena Ser, Onda Regional de Murcia along with major Spanish newspapers (El Periódico, La Vanguardia, Herald, La Voz de Galicia, Diario 16, 20 minutos, El Norte de Castilla).

International coverage in ForbesCentroamerica, Televisa Mexico among others (24 Sep 2020).

>National TV interviews: TV1 (22 Jun 2012); TV3 (26 Feb 2013).

Presentation of posters and children games for AFM-Téléthon outreach campaigns on rare diseases from 1999 till 2004, Strasbourg France.

>National Radio interviews: Onda Cero, Antena 3 (17 Dec 2009); Catalunya Radio (9 Dec 2009).

>Interviews in international press: Wired Science “Gene Therapy Halts fatal brain disease” (5 Nov 2009).

>Since 2006, yearly organization and participation in the Families-Scientists 2 day meetings of European Leukodystrophy Association-Spain (ELA-Spain).

> Presentation of posters and children games for AFM-Téléthon outreach campaigns on rare diseases from 1999 till 2004, Strasbourg France.

## Research Support

### **Active Research Support (as Principal Investigator)**

#### **Governmental Funding**

**1**-CIBERER Group leader of Unit U759: 2.100.000 € (2008-to date ) Program Project of the Spanish National Institutes of Health Carlos III on Rare Diseases Network.

**2**-AGAUR: Group Leader of Excellence Group of Catalan Research Council SGR 1206; 410.000 € since 2009

**3**-The Undiagnosed Rare Disease Program of Catalonia (URDCat). Genomics for Undiagnosed Neurological Diseases, Peris SLT002/16/00174. Consortium of 16 PIs, Coordinator: Luis Pérez-Jurado. PI 1.2 M € total, (2017-2020).

**4**-Precision Medicine for Adrenoleukodystrophy: Identification of Predictive Biomarkers and Neuroinflammation Pathomechanisms. Spanish National Institute for Health Carlos III. FIS PI17/00916; 372.000 € (2018-2020)

**5**-Inflammatory Lipid signaling in adrenoleukodystrophy: Multiomics integration for identification of biomarkers and novel therapeutic targets. CIBERER ACCI 2018: Spanish Network for Rare Diseases; 165.000 € (2019-2020)

**6**-Genomic Medicine for tackling hyperinflammation in the young and healthy Covid-19 patients-Easi-Genomics EU H2020 grant, 100.000 €. (2020-2021). Leading national Consortium of 8 members.

**7**-Genomic risk biomarkers in patients with infection of coronavirus SARS-COV- Spanish National Institutes for Health Carlos III. FIS PI20/02375, 605.999 € (2020-2021). Consortium of 35 members. Coordinators Pablo Lapunzina and Angel Carracedo.

**8**-The human gut microbiome as modifying factor of the variable disease severity of X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy. Spanish National Institutes for Health Carlos III. FIS: PI19/01008 186.000 € (2020-2023).

**9**- Genomic medicine for optimizing diagnosis of hereditary spastic paraplegias and ataxias: long-read genomes and functional genomics. Spanish National Institutes for Health Carlos III. FIS: PI20/00758: 205.700 € (2021-2023)

**10-** Deciphering variable disease expression in adrenoleukodystrophy: toward precision medicine through multiomics and brain organoids. Spanish National Institutes for Health Carlos III. FIS: PI20/00759: 304.315 € (2021-2023)

**11-** Multiomic medicine for understanding adrenomyeloneuropathy: randomized placebo-controlled phase IIb/III study for clinical and molecular study of dimethyl fumarate action. Spanish National Institutes for Health Carlos III. FIS: ICI21/00085: 898.700 € (2022-2025)

**12-** The human genetic and immunological determinants of the clinical manifestations of SARS-CoV-2 infection: Towards personalized medicine. HORIZON-HLTH-2021-Disease-04- Total of 6.7 M € (77.345 € for our group) (2022-2026)

**13-** Immunologic and Predictive Features of MIS-C. NIH-USA. Total of 3,3M € (173.753 for our group) (2022-2027)

**14-** Methylation repository of Spanish population and improvement of diagnostic of undiagnosed patients (Epi-ENoD)/ CIBERER Total of 60.200 € (2022-2026)

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**1-** Genomic Medicine for diagnosis and gene discovery in neurogenetic disorders; Hesperia Foundation (Royal House of Spain). 150.000 € (2015-2020)

**2-** Crowd-funding campaign Arnau'97 for identification of novel treatments and biomarkers for adrenoleukodystrophy (Barcelona, Spain). 58.000 € (2017-open)

**3-** Mechanism of action of High Dose Biotin in mouse and cellular models of adrenoleukodystrophy. MedDay Therapeutics (Paris, France). Research Contract. 380.198 € (2017-2020)

**4-** Effects of plasma exchange and albumin replacement in Adrenomyeloneuropathy: unicentric, single arm, proof of concept trial. Grifols Albus Award (Barcelona, Spain) 50.000 € (2020-2021)

**5-** Advanced Genomics and Lipidomics for the discovery of novel genetic causes of movement disorders. La Marató de TV3 (Barcelona, Spain), 399.000 € (2021-2024)

**6-** Gene therapy by AAV-9 delivery for adrenomyeloneuropathy: preclinical study. SwanBio Therapeutics (Philadelphia, USA). 252.000 € (2020-2022).

**7-** Multisystemic inflammatory syndrome associated with COVID-19 in children (MIS-C): genetic, epigenetic and immunopathogenic bases. La Marató de TV3 (Barcelona, Spain), 399.984 € (2021-2024)

**8-** Inhibitors of Elongase-1 for the treatment of adrenoleukodystrophy, 70.253 € (2022-2023), SANOFI USA

### **Completed Research Support (as Principal Investigator)**

**1-** Functional analysis and therapy for mouse models for adrenomyeloneuropathy (X-ALD/X-AMN). Association Française contre les Myopathies (AFM). 25.000 € (2003-2004).

- 2-Characterization and functional analysis of mouse models for X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy (X-ALD) Transcriptome analysis of X-ALD mouse models. European Leukodystrophy Association (ELA). 80.000 € (2003-2004).**
- 3-Insight into the molecular basis in X-adrenoleukodystrophy: Comparative genomics of the peroxisomal proteome and related fatty acid metabolic pathways. Association Française contre les Myopathies (AFM). 42.000€ (2003-2005).**
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- 5-X-linked Adrenoleukodystrophy (X-ALD): pathogenesis, animal model and therapy. STREP project LSHM-CT2004-502987 6th PCRD framework, European Union. I.P.: Dr. Aurora Pujol (Coordinator of Work Package 3, 7, 8). 354.000 € (2004-2007).**
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- 7-Fisiopatogénesis de la Adrenoleucodistrofia ligada al X. La diana terapéutica ABCD2.: Instituto de Salud Carlos III PI051118. 181.594€ (2005-2008).**
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- 9-Mitochondrial dysfunction and oxidative stress underlying X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy physiopathogenesis. European Leukodystrophy Association (ELA). 2008-040C4. 354.000 € (2008-2011)**
- 10- MYELINET: Myelin orphan diseases in health, COST Action BM0604 from the European Science Foundation (2007-2011).**
- 11-Role of oxidative stress and mitochondria in the physiopathogenesis of X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy. Design of rational pharmacological therapies. Spanish Institute for Health Carlos III. FIS: PI080991; 244.178€ (2008-2011).**
- 12-Novel Gene Therapy and Pharmacological approaches for adrenomyeloneuropathy. The Myelin Project/ Oliver's Army. 129.240€ (2010-2012).**
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- 14-Clinical Trial in adrenomyeloneuropathy: validation of biomarkers of oxidative stress and tolerance of the combination of antioxidants N-acetylcysteine, lipoic acid and vitamin E. Spanish Ministry for Health and Social Policy, Independent Clinical Investigation Grant EC10-137; 100.000€ (2011-2014).**
- 15-Clinical Trial in adrenomyeloneuropathy: validation of biomarkers of oxidative stress and tolerance of the combination of antioxidants N-acetylcysteine, lipoic acid and vitamin E. Hesperia Foundation (Royal House of Spain, Queen and King of Spain). 125.000€ (2011-2017)**

**16-** Impact of oxidant stress on mitochondrial biogenesis, energetic homeostasis and proteolysis and its regulation: therapeutic implications in adrenoleukodystrophy  
Spanish Institute for Health Carlos III. FIS: PI11/01043; 278.213 € (2012-2014).

**17-** Advanced chemical technologies and predictive experimental models leading to new treatments against rare diseases. EuroTransBio 7<sup>th</sup> Call European Commission ETB-2012-18; 320.250 € (2012-2015). Project Coordinator: Minoryx Therapeutics

**18-** Functional proteomics approach towards deciphering molecular pathology of adrenomyeloneuropathy  
Oliver's Army grant. London UK, 106.000 € (2013-2014),

**19-** Pharmacological strategies for myelin regeneration and axon protection in X-linked Adrenoleukodystrophy.  
WalkOnProject. Bilbao, Spain 198.000 € (2013-2014),

**20-** Phase II international, multicentric clinical trial with MD1003 for adrenomyeloneuropathy patients.  
MedDay Therapeutics Research Contract, Paris France. 97.000 € (2014-2017).

**21-** Systems Biomedicine for identification of novel genes and modeling cortical motorneuron diseases. Marató de TV3 Catalonia, Spain (345/C/2014) 398.000 € (2014-2018)

**22-** Bioenergetics regulation as therapeutic target for adrenoleukodystrophy: dissection of E2F1/RIP140 pathways and protection of the mitochondria in the murine model of X-ALD.  
Spanish Institute for Health Carlos III. FIS: PI14/00410; 304.315 € (2015-2017).

**23-** Epigenetic and environmental factors bracing cognitive impairment and late-onset depression in elderly and early stages of Alzheimer disease.  
Spanish Institute for Health Carlos III.; Total funding 605.000 € for a consortium of 10 research groups (2015-2018).

**24-** Efficacy of pioglitazone administered to patients with adrenomyeloneuropathy: a phase II, single-arm, multicentric trial.  
Spanish Institute for Health Carlos III. ICI14/00076; 157.300 € (2015-2019).

## **Clinical Trials**

I generated the preclinical data, designed, carried out and obtained the funding for the following phase II clinical trials for adrenoleukodystrophy:

**1-** Validation of oxidative stress biomarkers, efficacy and tolerance of the combination N-acetyl cysteine, alpha lipoic acid and vitamin E. Phase IIb  
Principal Investigator and Promotor: Aurora Pujol. Co-investigator: Carlos Casasnovas, Neurology Department, Bellvitge Hospital. 2012-2015  
Registered EUDRACT Number: 2010-024084-40. ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT01495260

**2-** Efficacy of pioglitazone administered to patients with adrenomyeloneuropathy: a phase II, single-arm, multicentric trial. Phase II/III  
Trial Coordinator: Aurora Pujol. Co-investigators: Carlos Casasnovas, Neurology Department, Bellvitge Hospital and Adolfo Lopez de Munain, Donostia Hospital, 2015-2018.

Registered EUDRACT Number: 2011-006113-34

**3-** MD1003 for adrenomyeloneuropathy: an international, multicentric clinical trial. Phase II/III

Sponsor: MedDay Pharmaceuticals, France.

Trial Coordinator: Patrick Aubourg, INSERM Paris

Principal Investigator: Aurora Pujol. Co-investigator: Carlos Casasnovas, Neurology Department, Bellvitge Hospital 2014-2016.

Registered EUDRACT Number: 2014-000698-38. ClinicalTrials.gov: NCT02961803

**4-** Effects of plasma exchange and albumin replacement in Adrenomyeloneuropathy: unicentric, single arm, proof of concept trial

Principal Investigator: Aurora Pujol. Co-investigator: Carlos Casasnovas, Neurology Department, Bellvitge Hospital 2020-2021.

Registered EUDRACT Number: 2019-004733-17. Sponsor Protocol Number: XAMNPEAP2019

**5-** Randomized placebo-controlled phase IIb/III study for clinical and molecular study of dimethyl fumarate action.

Principal Investigator: Aurora Pujol. Co-investigator: Carlos Casasnovas, Neurology Department, Bellvitge Hospital 2022-2025.

## Patents (Active)

- 1.** Combination of **N-acetylcysteine and lipoic acid** for the treatment of a disease with axonal damage and concomitant oxidative lesions  
Inventors: Aurora Pujol.  
Request number: P201030728  
Priority country and date: Spain, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010  
Extended to countries: US  
Entity owner: IDIBELL PCT ES11/070195/ Minoryx Therapeutics, In exploitation
- 2.** **Pioglitazone** for use in the treatment of adrenoleukodystrophy  
Inventors: Aurora Pujol.  
Request number: P8278EP00.  
Priority country and date: Spain, March 23<sup>th</sup>, 2012  
Extended to countries: US  
Licensed to Minoryx Therapeutics Inc, in exploitation
- 3.** Specific **mTOR inhibitors** in the treatment of X-linked Adrenoleukodystrophy.  
Inventors: Aurora Pujol, Erwin Knecht.  
Request number: EP14382353.2  
Priority country and date: Spain, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
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Entity owner: IDIBELL/ICREA/Principe Felipe Research Center, Spain  
Extended to countries: EU, US  
Licensed to SOMBiotech, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017
- 4.** Methods and compositions for the **Diagnosis and for the Treatment** of adrenoleukodystrophy  
Inventors: Aurora Pujol, Adolfo López de Munain, Manuel Portero, Reinald Pamplona.



Request number: EP15382366  
Priority country and date: Spain, July 14th, 2015  
Extended to countries: EU, US  
Entity owner: IDIBELL/ ICREA/ Biodonostia/ Universitat de Lleida  
Licensed to SOMBiotech, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017

- 5. NRF2 activation** for the prevention and/or treatment of axonal degeneration.  
Inventors: Aurora Pujol, Stephane Fourcade.  
Priority country and date: USA  
Extended to countries: US15/957,601.  
Entity owner: IDIBELL/ ICREA

## Orphan Drug Designations

- 1- Pioglitazone** for the treatment of adrenoleukodystrophy.  
European Medicines Agency EU/3/14/1245, on 19/02/2014
- 2- Temsirolimus** for the treatment of Adrenoleukodystrophy.  
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- 3- Dimethyl fumarate** for the treatment of Adrenoleukodystrophy  
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## Oral Presentations at International venues

### Talks at International Congress

1. **Late-onset phenotype of the X-ALD gene inactivation in mice: a mouse model for X-Adrenomyeloneuropathy.** 39<sup>th</sup> SSIMD, Prague, September 2001
2. **Mouse models of X-Linked adrenoleukodystrophy and phenotypic correction by transgenic overexpression of the ALDR gene: functional redundancy at the peroxisomal membrane?** 52<sup>nd</sup> ASHG. Baltimore, October 2002
3. **Functional redundancy between ABCD1 and ABCD2 transporters in the mouse:** 13<sup>th</sup> IEM. Brisbane. September 2003.
4. **Overlapping functions of ABCD1 and ABCD2 transporters: implications for therapy.** 53<sup>rd</sup> ASHG. Los Angeles, November 2003.
5. **Functional overlap between ABCD1 (ALD) and ABCD2 (ALDR) transporters: a therapeutic target for X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy.** 36<sup>th</sup> EHSG, Munich, June 2004. **Young Investigator Award.**
6. **Valproic acid stimulates ABCD2 gene expression: a novel potential therapy for X-adrenoleukodystrophy.** 38<sup>th</sup> EHSG, European Society for Human Genetics, Amsterdam, May 2006
7. **Neurodegeneration in X-ALD: dangerous liaisons between mitochondria and peroxisomes?** 17<sup>th</sup> ESN, European Society for Neurochemistry, Salamanca, Spain. May 2007
8. **Mitochondria-peroxisome cross-talk orchestrated through RIP140 and fatty acids.** XXXI Congress of the Spanish Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology. Bilbao, September 2008.
9. **Mouse models for X-adrenoleukodystrophy: opportunities for gene therapy.** Invited speaker. EPFL Gene Therapy Workshop. Lausanne June 2008.
10. **Valproic acid as a therapeutic strategy in X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy.** Invited speaker. Second AMN Day International Symposium. London March 2009.
11. **Therapeutic challenge in white matter disease.** Invited speaker. Chairman in the 2<sup>nd</sup> ELA Research Foundation Congress, Luxembourg, June 2009.
12. **Oxidative stress underlying neurodegeneration in X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy.** Invited speaker. Third AMN Day International Symposium. London, 9<sup>th</sup> May 2010.
13. **A cocktail of antioxidants halts axonal damage and disability in a mouse model of X-adrenoleukodystrophy.** Invited speaker. United Leukodystrophy Foundation Annual Conference. DeKalb, Chicago, 8-9<sup>th</sup> July 2010.
14. **Towards a therapeutic clinical trial for AMN.** Invited speaker. European Leukodystrophy Association, Paris, France, Colloque Familles/Chercheurs" 16-17 April 2011.
15. **Clinical trials with antioxidants in adrenoleukodystrophy.** Invited speaker. United Leukodystrophy Association, ULF Conference De Kalb, Chicago, USA, 11<sup>th</sup> of July 2011.
16. **Metabolic failure and oxidative stress intertwining due to fatty acid excess: rationale for a clinical trial for adrenoleukodystrophy,** Mérida, México, Cell Signaling Networks Conference, International Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, 22-26 October 2011
17. **Antioxidants halt axonal degeneration and disability in X- adrenoleukodystrophy (X-ALD) mouse model: towards a clinical trial,** Invited speaker. Porto, Portugal, VIII International



- Symposium of the Portuguese Society for Metabolic Disease (SPDM) Inborn Errors of Metabolism and Neurodegeneration, 3-4 November 2011
- 18. Mitochondria failure underlying axonal degeneration in adrenoleukodystrophy, a peroxisomal disease** . Invited speaker. Freiburg, Germany, 17th European Bioenergetics Conference, 15-20 September 2012
  - 19. Pioglitazone halts axonal degeneration in a mouse model of Adrenoleukodystrophy: Translation into Clinical Trials.** Invited speaker. Cancun, Mexico, Satellite Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> Biennial ISN-ASN (International Society for Neurochemistry-American Society for Neurochemistry). Myelin: From Basic to Translational Research. April 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> 2013.
  - 20. Pioglitazone prevents mitochondria dysfunction and halts axonal degeneration in a mouse model of X-adrenoleukodystrophy.** Oral Communication. Paris, France, European Human Genetics Conference 2013. June 8-11<sup>th</sup> 2013. Press release of the European Human Genetics Conference on 08 June 2013, Paris France
  - 21. Redox and Metabolic Dysfunction in Adrenoleukodystrophy: Translation into Clinical Trials.** Oral communication. XI European Meeting on Glial Cells in Health and Disease. Berlin Germany, July 2-6<sup>th</sup> 2013
  - 22. Mitochondria failure and rescue by pioglitazone: a clinical trial for adrenomyeloneuropathy.** Invited speaker. United Leukodystrophy Foundation annual meeting. De Kalb, Chicago USA, July 18-20<sup>th</sup> 2013
  - 23. Targeting oxidative stress and mitochondrial dysfunction to halt axonal degeneration.** Invited speaker. 2<sup>nd</sup> International Symposium on Multiple Sclerosis and Myelin Disorders. Leipzig, Germany, October 11-13<sup>th</sup> 2013
  - 24. Fighting oxidative stress and mitochondrial dysfunction halts axonal degeneration: the adrenoleukodystrophy case.** Invited Speaker. "The core of neuronal communication: axonal biology, degeneration and regeneration." International Summer School, University of Trento, Centre for Integrative Biology, September 30<sup>th</sup>-October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013
  - 25. Blocking oxidative stress as therapy for adrenoleukodystrophy.** Invited Speaker. "Advanced Therapies in Paediatric Endocrinology and Diabetology". Bambino Gesù Childrens Hospital. Rome 27-28 October 2014.
  - 26. Identification of drug targets in X-ALD: Translation to the clinics.** Invited Speaker. 3th European Leukodystrophy Association Scientific Congress. Paris, June 3-6<sup>th</sup>, 2015.
  - 27. Integrative-omics analysis uncovers lipid-mediated inflammation in adrenoleukodystrophy.** Invited Speaker. XII European Meeting on Glial Cells in Health and Disease (EuroGlia). Bilbao, Spain, July 15 – 18, 2015.
  - 28. Metabolomics and Oxidative Stress Biomarkers as Outcome Measures in X-ALD.** Invited Speaker. Emerging and Translational Biology of Leukodystrophies. Baltimore, US, May 12-14<sup>th</sup> 2016
  - 29. A CB2 Agonist Halts Axonal Degeneration in a Mouse Model of Adrenoleukodystrophy.** Invited Speaker. Gordon Research Conference. Myelin Meeting. Lucca, Italy, May 15<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> 2016.
  - 30. A combination of antioxidants as disease modifying treatment in adrenomyeloneuropathy: A phase II clinical trial**  
Invited Speaker. 3<sup>rd</sup> International Symposium on Multiple Sclerosis and Myelin Disorders. Berlin, Germany, October 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> 2016
  - 31. The Diagnosis and Novel Gene Identification for Inherited Brain White Matter Disorders in Spain**

- Speaker. Fifth International Conference on Rare and Undiagnosed Diseases. Karolinska Institute, Stockholm Sweden, August 30-31<sup>st</sup>, 2017
- 32. Concerted inflammatory and redox dyshomeostasis in adrenoleukodystrophy.**  
Invited Speaker. 2<sup>nd</sup> Symposium ELA-European Leukodystrophy Foundation. Luxembourg 4-5<sup>th</sup> December, 2017
- 33. Biallelic mutations of the dihydroceramide desaturase DEGS1 gene cause a novel hypomyelinating leukodystrophy with a therapeutic hope.**  
Late Breaking Talk, Plenary. European Society of Human Genetics, Milan, Italy, June 17-19<sup>th</sup> 2018.
- 34. Degs1, a novel gene causing leukodystrophy.**  
Undiagnosed Disease Network International Congress, Naples, Italy, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- 35. Biotin for adrenoleukodystrophy: How does it work?**  
Invited Speaker. 1<sup>st</sup> Vitamins for Neurodegeneration Symposium, Recordati Rare Diseases, Paris, France, June 26-29<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- 36. Precision Medicine for the Leukodystrophies: from diagnostics to therapy in one go.**  
Invited Speaker. 4<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Multiple Sclerosis and Myelin Disorders. Berlin, Germany, October 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> 2018.
- 37. DEGS1-Leukodystrophy, a novel disorder of sphingolipid metabolism impacts mitochondria dynamics.**  
Late Breaking Talk, Plenary. SSIEM Society for Inherited Errors of Metabolism, Rotterdam, The Netherlands, September 3<sup>th</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
PRIZE OF THE JURY to the BEST TALK
- 38. Biallelic Variants in SVBP cause centrosome defects and complex hereditary spastic paraplegia and intellectual disability**  
Invited Speaker. Eight International Conference on Rare and Undiagnosed Diseases, Nijmegen, Holland, February 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> 2020
- 39. The lipid transporter ABCD1 causing adrenoleukodystrophy orchestrates organelle cross-talk.**  
Invited Plenary Speaker. 8<sup>th</sup> FEBS Special Meeting: ABC Proteins – from Genetic Disease to Multidrug Resistance”. Innsbruck, Austria, March 1-7<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- 40. Personalized Medicine for adrenoleukodystrophy: identifying biomarkers through multiomics integration**  
Invited Plenary Speaker. United Leukodystrophy Foundation Symposium. Dekalb, Illinois, June 23<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Virtual Conference.
- 41. A novel brain and heart developmental syndrome caused by impairment of the mitochondrial one-carbon metabolism enzyme SHMT2**  
Late Breaking Talk, Plenary. SSIEM Society for Inherited Errors of Metabolism 2020, December 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020.  
PRIZE OF THE JURY to BEST TALK
- 42. Biallelic variants in PIK4A cause hypomyelinating leukodystrophy**  
9<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Rare and Undiagnosed Diseases, Mayo Clinic Rochester. April 10-12<sup>th</sup> 2021
- 43. Novel metabolic genes causing spastic paraplegias: the SHMT2 and PIA4KA cases**  
Invited Speaker 20<sup>th</sup> Tom Wahlig Symposium, Essen, Germany Nov 26, 2021

**44. Loss of function of the phosphoinositide kinase PI4KA causes hypomyelinating leukodystrophy**

14<sup>th</sup> International Congress of Inborn Errors of Metabolism. ICIEM 2021, Sydney November 21 – 24<sup>th</sup> 2021

**45. Novel players in ceramide metabolism: DEGS1 loss causes a novel leukodystrophy with therapeutic options.**

Invited Plenary Speaker. Gordon Research Conference. A Holistic Approach to Understanding Simple and Complex Sphingolipids. Il Cioco, Berga, Italy, March 27 – April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022

**Other Invited International presentations (Selection)**

- 1. Potential role of ABCD2/ALDR as therapeutic target for X-ALD treatment in the mouse model.** 1<sup>st</sup> Symposium on Therapy for X-linked adrenoleukodystrophy. Kennedy Krieger Institute, Baltimore, USA, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2003
- 2. Antioxidants halt axonal degeneration and bioenergetic failure in adrenoleukodystrophy,** Department of Neurology and Neurosciences, Weill Cornell Medical College, New York, USA. 7<sup>th</sup> of December 2010
- 3. The loss of Abcd1 impacts bioenergetic and redox homeostasis leading to axonal degeneration,** Department of Pharmacological Sciences, University of Kentucky, Lexington, USA, 9<sup>th</sup> of December 2010
- 4. Oxidative stress and metabolic failure intertwining underlying axonal degeneration in adrenoleukodystrophy: Novel therapeutic approaches,** Kennedy Krieger Institute, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA, 17<sup>th</sup> of November 2011
- 5. Intertwining of oxidant stress and bioenergetic failure in adrenoleukodystrophy: Therapeutic implications,** Burke Medical Research Institute, White Plains, New York, USA. 20<sup>th</sup> of March 2012
- 6. Oxidative stress and mitochondria dysfunction in X-adrenoleukodystrophy:** Biogen Inc, Boston, 1<sup>st</sup> of May 2012.
- 7. Mitochondrial dysfunction underlying axonal degeneration: therapeutic implications for X-ALD.** Massachusetts General Institute for Neurodegenerative diseases (MIND). Massachusetts General Hospital. Boston, USA, 2<sup>nd</sup> of May 2012.
- 8. Mitochondria dysfunction and bioenergetic failure underlying adrenoleukodystrophy: translation into clinical trials.** Grand Rounds of the Neurology Department, Weill Cornell Medical College, New York, USA, 5<sup>th</sup> of December 2012
- 9. Bioenergetics and Redox dyshomeostasis underlying axonal degeneration in Adrenoleukodystrophy: Translation into Clinical Trials** HJKRI- Hunter James Kelly Research Institute University at Buffalo, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013
- 10. Adrenoleukodystrophy: Pathology and Therapeutics** Darby Children's Research Institute, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013
- 11. Redox control of bioenergetics and proteostasis (and viceversa): the adrenoleukodystrophy case.** Center for Mitochondrial and Epigenomic Medicine. Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP), U Penn, Philadelphia, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015
- 12. Precision medicine for the Leukodystrophies: novel genes, mechanisms and therapies.**

Grand Rounds at the Personalized Medicine Department. Mayo Clinic, Minnesota, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**13. Design of rational pharmacological approaches for adrenoleukodystrophy**

Journées d'actualités physiopathologiques de Strasbourg, Faculté de Medecine, Strasbourg, France, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**14. Understanding and Treating Metabolic Leukodystrophies: From Bench to Bedside.**

Invited Speaker. Translational Sessions. Sanofi Framingham, Massachusetts, January 27th-28th, 2020

**15. Implementing Genomic Medicine for Neurological Disorders: Diagnosis, Gene Discovery and Therapy**

Grand Rounds at the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh of University of Pittsburg Medical Center. June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022