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ICREA Research Professor at the Center for Genomic regulation (CRG), Barcelona, Spain

Academic and Professional career:

Since 2023 Co-coordinator of the Quantitative Cell Biology Program, CRG

2005-2022:

2011-2019 Member of the Scientific Council of the ERC (European Research Council)
2008-2012 Associated teaching Professor at the UPF (Universitat Pompeu Fabra) Barcelona, Spain
2006-2007 Acting Coordinator of the Cell and Developmental Biology Program, CRG
since 2005 ICREA Research Professor (Institució Catalana de Recerca i Estudis Avançats) and Senior Principal Investigator at the Centre de Regulació Genòmica, CRG, Barcelona, Spain

1992-2005:

2001-2005 Team Leader at the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL), Cell Biology and Biophysics program, Heidelberg, Germany.
1996 -2001 Staff Scientist at the European Molecular Biology Laboratory (EMBL), Cell Biology and Biophysics program, Heidelberg, Germany.
1992-1996 Postdoctoral researcher, Cell Biology and Biophysics Program, European Molecular Biology Laboratory, EMBL, Heidelberg, Germany

1989-1992

Postdoctoral researcher, Wellcome/CRC Institute, Cambridge, UK.

1989

PhD in Biology, Universidad Autónoma, Madrid, Spain

1987-1989

Teaching research assistant, Universidad Autónoma, Madrid, Spain

1981

Bachelor degree in Biology, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain

Fellowships:

1994-1996 Postdoctoral fellowship- Human Capital and Mobility program (EU)
1992-1994 Wellcome Trust traveling fellowship
1989-1990 FPI postdoctoral fellowship- Ministry of de Education and Science, Spain
1984-1986 PFPI predoctoral fellowship- Ministry of de Education and Science, Spain

Scientific productivity:

- Number of publications: 95
- Total citations: 10340
- H-Index: 49 (Google scholar)
- Citations: 10453 (2288 since 2019)
- Doctoral thesis director: 19 (completed), 3 (ongoing)

Honours, Awards and Memberships:

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| Since 2005 | EMBO member (European Molecular Biology Organization) |
| 2015 | Narcis Monturiol medal |
| 2013 | Invited to join AcademiaNet , a german based database of excellent women scientists (http://www.academianet.de/artikel/1187363). |
| 2012-2015 | Member of the Advisory board for Science, Technology and Innovation of the Ministry of Economy , Spain |
| 2005 | Investigador Científico del CSIC (Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas), Spain |
| 1999 | Científico Titular del CSIC (Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas), Spain |

Activities for the promotion of women in science

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| 2013-2023 | Chair of the Gender Balance Committee of the CRG (http://www.crg.eu/en/content/about-us/women-science) |
| 2016-2022 | FEBS/EMBO Women in Science Award Committee member |
| Since 2016 | Member of the governing body and the scientific committee of the program Ellas investigan of the foundation Mujeres por Africa (www.mujeorporafrica.es/) that provides opportunities for training and scientific cooperation to top women African scientists. |
| Since 2015 | Advisor for the gender equality panel of the IRB, Barcelona |
| 2015-2019 | Coordinator of the EU funded project LIBRA (http://www.eu-libra.eu) |
| 2013-2019 | Chair of the Gender Balance Working Group of the ERC (European research Council) |
| 2013 | Organizer of the ERC GBWG Workshop: On the way to the top: providing equal opportunities for men and women in science and technology |
| | Invited speaker at Gender summits (Washington 2013, Brussels 2015, 2016) |
| | Author of opinion articles: Nature 2013, El Pais 2017 (http://elpais.com/elpais/2017/02/09/ciencia/1486640970_178084.html) |

Scientific Committees:

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| 2023 | Member of the Direction Board of the CRG |
| 2011-2014 | Member of the EMBO Course and Workshops Committee |
| 2008-2010 | Member of the Advisory Editorial Board for EMBO Journal and EMBO reports by invitation from the EMBO council |
| 2007-2008: | Member of the HFSP Review Committee for postdoctoral Fellowships |

2007-2011 Co-chair of the CRG Graduate program

Competitive funding:

2023-2025: LaCaixa IMPULSE- grant CI23-10420
2023-2024: Generalitat de Catalunya -Plan Complementario de Biotecnología aplicada a la salud en el marco del Plan de Recuperación, Transformación y Resiliencia, ACPCCOL013
2022-2025: Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación, PID2021-128064NB-I00
2022-2024: Generalitat de Catalunya 2021 SGR 01221 G62426937
2019-2022: Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación, PGC2018-096976-B-I00
2017-2019: Generalitat de Catalunya AGAUR 2017 SGR 478
2016-2020: Coordinator of ITN DiviDe, European Commission (H2020), MSCA-ITN-2015
2016-2018: Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad, BFU2012-37163
2015-2019: Coordinator of LIBRA, European Commission (H2020), ID: 665937
2015-2017: Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad, BFU2014-61919-EXP
2013-2015: Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad, BFU2012-37163
2010-2012: Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación, BFU2009-10202
2009-2011: Generalitat de Catalunya ACC1Ó CIDEM-VALTEC08-2-0071
2009-2013: Generalitat de Catalunya AGAUR 2009 SGR 1089
2007-2009: Ministerio de Educación y Ciencia, BFU2006-04694
2006-2009: Ministerio de Educación y Ciencia, HF2006-0067
2006-2011: Ministerio de Educación y Ciencia, CSD2006-00023
2006-2009: Ministerio de Educación y Ciencia, BFU2005-24990-E
2004-2008: European Commission (RTN program), MRTN-CT-2004-512348
2004-2007: European Commission (STREP program), STREP 503568
2000-2004: Coordinator of the European Commission RTN1-1999-00107
1998-2001: European Commission (TMR program), ERB 4061 PL 97-0719

Others:

Director of 19 completed PhD thesis

Invited speaker at various research institutes and conferences in France, Germany, UK, USA, Portugal, Switzerland, Spain, Holland, Japan.

Referee of manuscripts for: Science; Nature; Nature Cell Biology; EMBO Journal; The Journal of Cell Biology; Oncogene; Experimental Cell Research; Trends in Cell Biology; Genes and Development; Molecular Biology of the Cell; BBA - Molecular Cell Research

Referee of projects presented to: Wellcome Trust, UK; The Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC), UK; Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG), German Research Foundation, Alemania; The Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO, the Dutch research council); Spanish ministry for research; Chile

Review panel member for: ETH, Zurich, Switzerland (2008) ; INSERM (Institut national de la santé et de la recherche médicale) (France)

Organizer of International Conferences: EMBO Conference on Centrosomes and Spindle Bodies, Barcelona (2011). CRG Symposium "Imaging Approaches to study Cytoskeleton

Dynamics”, Barcelona (2009). CRG Symposium “Mechanisms regulating cell growth and division”, Barcelona (2008). Conférence Jacques Monod-CNRS “Molecular machines in cell division”, Roscoff (2005). Conférence Jacques Monod-CNRS “The cell cycle and its checkpoints”, Roscoff (2002).

PUBLICATIONS

2023

Scrofani J., Ruhnaw F., Chew W., Normanno D., Nedelec F., Surrey T., **Vernos I.** Branched microtubule nucleation and dynein-mediated transport cooperate to organize RanGTP asters in *Xenopus laevis* egg extract (2023) **Mol Biol Cell**. doi: 10.1091/mbc.E23-10-0407. Epub 2023 Nov 22. PMID: 37991893

Garrido G., Aranguren A., Martínez-Jiménez F., Borràs E., Chiva C., Sabidó E., **Vernos I.** Novel insights into TPX2 mitotic functions through a BioID based approach. (in revision)

2022

Zadra I, Jimenez-Delgado S, Anglada-Girotto M, Segura-Morales C, Compton ZJ, Janke C, Serrano L, Ruprecht V, **Vernos I.** (2022) Chromosome segregation fidelity requires microtubule polyglutamylation by the cancer downregulated enzyme TLL11. **Nat Commun**. 2022 Nov 21;13(1):7147. doi: 10.1038/s41467-022-34909-y.

Laguillo-Diego A, Kiewisz R, Martí-Gómez C, Baum D, Müller-Reichert T, **Vernos I** (2022). MCRS1 modulates the heterogeneity of microtubule minus-end morphologies in mitotic spindles. **Mol Biol Cell**. 2022 Nov 9;mbcE22080306T. doi: 10.1091/mbc.E22-08-0306-T. Online ahead of print.

Timón Pérez K, Scrofani J, **Vernos I** (2022). NEDD1-S411 phosphorylation plays a critical function in the coordination of microtubule nucleation during mitosis. **Biol Open**. 2022 Nov 1;11(11):bio059474. doi: 10.1242/bio.059474. Epub 2022 Nov 17.

2021

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2020

Gungor S*, Oktay Y*, Hiz S*, Aranguren-Ibáñez A*, Kalafatçilar I, Yaramis A, Karaca E, Yis U, Sonmezler E, Ekinci B, Aslan M, Yilmaz E, Balaraju S, Szabo N, Laurie S, Beltran S, MacArthur DG, Hathazi D, Topf A, Roos A*, Lochmuller H*, **Vernos I*** and R. Horvath* (2020) Autosomal recessive variants in TUBGCP2 alter the γ -tubulin ring complex leading to neurodevelopmental disease. **iScience**, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.isci.2020.101948>

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2019

Moedas C, **Vernos I**, Kuster S, Nowotny H, Saltelli A, Mungiu-Pippidi A, Wouter Vasbinder J, Brooks DR, Cunningham P. (2019) Views from a continent in flux. **Nature.** May;569(7757):481-484. doi: 10.1038/d41586-019-01569-w.

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Rosas-Salvans M, Cavazza T, Espadas G, Sabido E, **Vernos I.** (2018) Proteomic Profiling of Microtubule Self-organization in M-phase. **Mol Cell Proteomics.** 10:1991-2004.

Eibes S, Gallisà-Suñé N, Rosas-Salvans M, Martínez-Delgado P, **Vernos I**, Roig J. (2018) Nek9 Phosphorylation Defines a New Role for TPX2 in Eg5-Dependent Centrosome Separation before Nuclear Envelope Breakdown. **Curr Biol.** 28(1):121-129.e4.

2017

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2016

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2012

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- **New and Views:** Petry S and Vale RD. A new cap for kinetochore fibre minus ends *Nature Cell Biology* 13,1389–1391(2011) doi:10.1038/ncb2387

- **'Research Highlights' in Nature Reviews Molecular Cell Biology:** Cytoskeleton: [A stabilizing influence for K-fibres.](#) Published online: 14 December 2011

2010

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2009

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