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Maribel Parra graduated in Chemistry in 1998 from the University Autonomous of Barcelona (UAB), and received her PhD from the University of Barcelona (UB) in 2003. In 2003, Dr. Parra joined the laboratory of Dr. Eric Verdin (Gladstone Institute of Virology and Immunology, UCSF) as a postdoctoral fellow. She made fundamental contributions in the field of class IIa HDACs. She elucidated the signal transduction mechanisms responsible for HDAC7 nucleo-cytoplasmic shuttling in response to T cell receptor (TCR) activation. After her postdoctoral training period, she decided to focus her initial research career as an independent investigator on studying the role of class IIa HDACs in the decisions occurring during hematopoiesis. In 2007, She joined for a brief stage the laboratory of Dr. Thomas Graf, coordinator of the Cancer and Differentiation Program at the Centre for Genomic Regulation (CRG). Since 2009, she leads the Cellular Differentiation Group at the Cancer Epigenetics and Biology Program (PEBC), where she currently studies the role of class IIa HDACs in the lineage commitment and differentiation of hematopoietic cells with a particular focus on B lymphocyte development.

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