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Thursday, May 6, 2021 – Online Event

Junior Scientists Participation Fellowship – Olalla Vázquez



Olalla Vázquez obtained her PhD in Organic Chemistry (2010) under the supervision of Prof. Mascareñas and Prof. Vázquez at *Universidade de Santiago de Compostela*. Olalla worked on artificial transcription factors, and visited Prof. Verdine (2006) at *Harvard University* and Prof. Seitz (2008) at *Humboldt Universität zu Berlin*. Afterwards, she returned to Prof. Seitz and explored RNA-templated reactions for cancer therapy, as Marie Curie postdoctoral fellow (2010-2014). In 2014 she was appointed as Assistant Professor (W1) at *Philipps Universität Marburg* to manage the newborn Chemical Biology division.

In April 2020 Olalla successfully passed her tenured evaluation, and consequently, she was promoted to Associate Professor (W2) in January 2021. Her independent research focuses on the development of innovative optochemical tools combining organic chemistry and biological approaches. Olalla has received several awards and honours including European Young Chemist Award (2012), Fulbright-Cottrell Award (2016), Next Generation Optogenetics Award (2017), Best European Young Research in Chemical Biology (2020).

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