# **Curriculum vitae**

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## **Personal Information**

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#### **Education**

September 2002- June 2008 University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain/ Degree in Biology September 2002- June 2008 University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain/Degree in **Biochemistry** September 2007- June 2008 Universitá Politecnica delle Marche, Ancona, Italy/ Erasmus programme/ University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain/ International PhD August 2009- February 2014 in Cellular and Molecular Biology/ PhD advisor: Prof Dr María Pilar Lostao Crespo/ PhD defence Data: 7th February, 2014 September 2010- September 2011 University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain/ Master's degree in biomedical research **June-September 2013** Liverpool John Moores University, Liverpool, United

Kingdom/Erasmus internship programme

University Hospital Bern, Inselspital, Bern, Switzerland/

## **Employment History**

November 2008- February 2009 Commercial department/ Abyntek Biofarma S.L, Technological Park of Vizcaya, Spain August 2009- February 2014 Pre-doctoral research fellow/ Department of Nutrition, Food Science and Physiology, School of Pharmacy, University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain **March 2015- January 2019** Post-doctoral research fellow/ Institute of Biochemistry and Molecular Medicine, University of Bern, Switzerland/ February 2019-Post-doctoral research fellow/ Department for BioMedical Research (DBMR), Division of Nephrology and Hypertension.

## **Supervision of junior researchers**

July-August 2016- July-August 2017 Supervisor of summer internship by International

students/Student: Celia Gonzalez Blanco (2016), Ainhoa Goñi Salaverri (2017) and Joseph Agbaje

Olubukunmi (2017)

September 2018- March 2019 Co-supervisor master thesis entitled "Structure-

function studies of the human divalent metal transporter 1 (SLC11A2/DMT1)"/Student: Marina

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## **Teaching Activities**

September 2011- June 13 Teaching assistant of practical lessons in the department of Food

Sciences and Physiology of the School of Pharmacy of the University

of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain

**September 2017- Teaching assistant** of Professor Matthias Hediger in the Membrane

biochemistry in Health and Disease course of the Faculty of Medicine

of the University of Bern, Bern, Switzerland

#### Prizes, awards, fellowships

September 2007- June 08 Erasmus fellowship

**August 2009- August 11** Technologists training fellowship from the Government of

Navarra, Spain

**April 2010 Roberto Leone Prize** for the scientific contribution to the 23<sup>th</sup>

meeting of the European Intestinal Transport Group (EITG)

**September 2011- September 12 PhD fellowship** funded by Marcelino Botin Foundation

September 2012- September 13 PhD fellowship funded by Asociación de Amigos of the

University of Navarra

June-September 2013 Erasmus internship fellowship

**April 2013 Prize to the second best poster** presented in the 25<sup>st</sup> meeting

of the European Intestinal Transport Group (EITG)

March 2015- January 2019 Marie Curie Actions International Research Fellowship

Program

# **Publication list**

2012 Title: The facilitated glucose transporter GLUT12: What do we know and what

would we like to know?

Authors: Jonai Pujol-Gimenez, Jaione Barrenetxe, Pedro Gonzalez-Muniesa, Maria

Pilar Lostao

Source: J. Physiol. Biochem. 2012; 69 (2), 325-33.

PMID: 23385668

2014 Title: Expression of the Glucose Transporter GLUT12 in Alzheimer's Disease Patients

Authors: **Pujol-Gimenez J**, Martisova E, Perez-Mediavilla A, Lostao MP and Ramirez MJ.

Source: J.Alzheimers Dis. 2014; Doi:X4382H2G3163W276

PMID: 24820014

2014 Title: Could GLUT12 be a Potential Therapeutic Target in Cancer Treatment? A

Preliminary Report

Authors: **Pujol-Gimenez J**, Pérez de Heredia F, Idoate MA, Airley R, Lostao MP and Evans

Source: J Cancer. 2015 Jan 5;6(2):139-43. doi: 10.7150/jca.10429

PMID: 25561978

2014 Title: Functional characterization of the human facilitative glucose transporter 12 (GLUT12) by electrophysiological methods

Authors: Pujol-Gimenez J, Pérez A, Reyes A, Loo DD and Lostao MP

Source: Am J Physiol Cell Physiol. 2015 Jun 15;308(12):C1008-22. doi: 10.1152/ajpcell.00343.2014

PMID: 25855082

2015 Title: The Hydroxyl Side Chain of a Highly Conserved Serine Residue Is Required for Cation Selectivity and Substrate Transport in the Glial Glutamate Transporter GLT-1/SLC1A2

Authors: Simonin A, Montalbetti N, Gyimesi G, Pujol-Giménez J, Hediger MA

Source: J Biol Chem. 2015 Dec 18;290(51):30464-74. doi: 10.1074/jbc.M115.689836.

PMID: 26483543

2017 Title: A novel proton transfer mechanism in the SLC11 family of divalent metal ion transporters

Authors: Pujol-Giménez J, Hediger MA, Gyimesi G

Source: Sci Rep. 2017 Jul 28;7(1):6194. doi: 10.1038/s41598-017-06446-y.

PMID: 28754960

2018 Title: Reassessment of the Transport Mechanism of the Human Zinc Transporter SLC39A2.

Authors: Franz MC, **Pujol-Giménez J**, Montalbetti N, Fernandez-Tenorio M, DeGrado TR, Niggli E, Romero MF, Hediger MA

Published: Biochemistry. 2018 Jul 3;57(26):3976-3986. doi: 10.1021/acs.biochem.8b00511. Epub 2018 Jun 7.

PMID: **29791142** 

Title: Unraveling the structural elements of pH sensitivity and substrate binding in the human zinc transporter SLC39A2 (ZIP2).

Authors: Gyimesi G, Albano G, Fuster DG, Hediger MA, Pujol-Giménez J.

Source: J Biol Chem. 2019 May 17;294(20):8046-8063. doi: 10.1074/jbc.RA118.006113. Epub 2019 Mar 26.

PMID: **30914478** 

2019 Title: Recurrent SLC1A2 variants cause epilepsy via a dominant negative mechanism.

Authors: Stergachis AB, **Pujol-Giménez J**, Gyimesi G, Fuster D, Albano G, Troxler M, Picker J, Rosenberg PA, Bergin A, Peters J, El Achkar CM, Harini C, Manzi S, Rotenberg A, Hediger MA, Rodan LH.

Source: Ann Neurol. 2019 Jun;85(6):921-926. doi: 10.1002/ana.25477. Epub 2019 Apr 26.

PMID: 30937933