

PERSONAL INFORMATION **Sol Ruiz**

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 1998- 2000 **Biotechnology Section Head**
Institute of Health Carlos III, Madrid (Spain)
- 2000- 2008 **Biotechnology, Head of Service**
Spanish Medicines Agency (Spain)
- January 2013-April 2013 **Instructor in Pharmaceutical Biotechnology**
European University of Madrid (UEM) (Spain)
- 2008- 2015 **Biotechnology and Advanced Therapies, Head of Sector**
Spanish Medicines Agency (Spain)
- 2015- Present **Head of Biologics, Biotechnology and Advanced Therapies**
Spanish Medicines Agency (Spain)

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- 1982- 1987 **BSc Science, Biology**
Universidad Complutense Madrid (UCM) (Spain)
- 1988- 1989 **MSc Biology**
Universidad Complutense Madrid (UCM) (Spain)
- 1991- 1994 **PhD Immunology**
Fundación Jiménez Díaz, Madrid (Spain)
- 1994- 1997 **PhD Immunology**
University of California Irvine (UCI) (United States)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Expertise** Biologics - Biotechnology - Biosimilars - Advanced Therapies - Transmissible spongiform encephalopathies
- Publications** Ruiz, M.S., F. Carbonell, C. Platas, A. Padilla (1990). An enzyme-linked antiglobulin test for assessing anti-D immunoglobulin preparations. *Biologicals* 18: 89-95.
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Projects

Memberships

Other Relevant Information

Chair of the Biologics Working Party (BWP) of the EMA (March 2014-present), vice-chair of the BWP (September 2007-March 2014)

Co-opted member of the Committee for Human Medicinal Products (CHMP) of the EMA (September 2007-present)

Spanish/CHMP representative at the CAT (Committee for Advanced Therapies) of the European Medicines Agency (EMA) (January 2009-present)