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Competición celular, apoptosis y cáncer Cell competition, apoptosis and cancer

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Education:

12.2007 PhD in Natural Sciences (Dr. rer. nat.), main focus on immunology Max Planck Institute of Immunobiology and Epigenetics, Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg, Faculty of Biology, Freiburg, Germany Advisors: Prof. Dr. Thomas Boehm and Dr. Conrad Bleul. **06.2003** 5-year Degree in Microbiology and Genetics Faculty of Sciences University of Lisbon, Lisbon, Portugal.

Current Position:

09.2015 present Principal Investigator – Lymphocyte Development and Leukemogenesis Instituto Gulbenkian de Ciência, Oeiras, Portugal.

Research Focus: The laboratory is focused on early T lymphocyte development, with a particular interest in cell competition and the consequences of its impairment, which include leukemogenesis. We use the mouse as a model organism and the studies are to integrate and be relevant for immunology, developmental biology, cell biology and cancer biology.

Previous Positions:

09.2008-08.2015 Post-Doctoral fellow University Hospital of Ulm, Ulm, Germany Cellular Immunology, German Cancer Research Center, Heidelberg, Germany Prof. Hans-Reimer Rodewald and Prof. Hans-Jörg Fehling.

01.2008-06.2008 Post-Doctoral fellow Max Planck Institute of Immunobiology and Epigenetics, Freiburg, Germany Prof. Thomas Boehm.

01.2004-12.2007 Ph.D. student Max Planck Institute of Immunobiology and Epigenetics, Freiburg, Germany Prof. Thomas Boehm and Dr. Conrad Bleul.

Fellowships and awards:

2013 Fritz and Ursula Melchers Postdoctoral Award Awarded by the German Society of Immunology (DGfI), referring to the work published in Martins et al, J Exp Med, 2012, since it challenged a 20-year-old dogma in immunology showing that the thymus contains cells with self-renewal capacity.

01.2008-06.2008 Postdoc fellowship from the Max-Planck Society, Germany.



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01.2004-12.2007 PhD Fellowship from the Portuguese National Research Council (FCT-Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia).

2003 Undergraduate Scholarship – PRODEP (Programa de estágios no Ensino Superior).

Membership of Scientific Societies:

Since 2013 Member of the German Society of Immunology (DGfI). Since 2013 Member of the Portuguese Society of Immunology (SPI).