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Beatriz Rico is a Professor of Developmental Neurobiology. She received her PhD in the University Autónoma of Madrid and she did her postdoctoral research in University of California at San Francisco. In 2004 she got a Ramon y Cajal position at the Institute of Neuroscience in Alicante (IN), Spain (CSIC-UMH), and then in 2005 she become an Assistant Professor at the CSIC in the IN. In 2014, she was recruited with a Professorship position at King's College London. Rico's lab is interested in understanding how genes are involved in the development of neuronal circuits. In the last years, her lab has highlighted the relevance of cortical GABAergic circuitries in the pathophysiology of developmental disorders. Her work was recognised by the European Molecular Biology Organisation with an EMBO YIP 2010 and she has been granted with an ERC Consolidator and ERC Advanced grants. Beatriz is a Wellcome Trust Investigator.