

WOMEN IN SCIENCE

shaping the future of research



MARÍA BLANCO

motivation & origins

“As a child, I always wondered how things worked, how water came out of the tap and where it went, how animals thought, what would happen if the sun went out... I understood that science was what gave answers to these questions and allowed us to delve deeper into them”

role models & mentorship

“My grandmother Amalia was an independent and self-sufficient woman, my mother Marisa taught me to be curious and be surprised about all the things that surround us, and my sister Cecilia, to have enthusiasm and perseverance for what we are passionate about.”

career path & gender equality

“More than a single event, my awakening was gradual. I started hearing about the Matilda effect, the few women who received the Nobel Prize, the biased authorship of papers... Now that I'm aware, I'm more alert, and although there's still much to improve, we're on the right track.”

research work & social impact

“My field of study is the development of nanomaterials for different applications, such as the fabrication of biosensors for disease diagnosis, drug delivery, or environmental monitoring. In the end, my goal is to contribute something to society and help move the world forward, this is the most exciting part.”

future vision & inspiration

“Don't limit yourself and dedicate your effort to what you love.”

bio data

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