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After completing training at Mayo, Dr. RUIZ-ARGÜELLES returned to Puebla, México, to join the medical institution founded by his grandfather in 1920, the Clínica RUIZ. He is currently the director of research of the Clínica RUIZ and the director general of the Centro de Hematología y Medicina Interna de Puebla. As a result of his research he has reached the highest level (III) in the Sistema Nacional de Investigadores (National System of Researchers) and appointed a member of the Academia Nacional de Medicina, the Academia Mexicana de Ciencias, a fellow of the American College of Physicians (ACP) and of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow. He has been president of the Mexican Society of Internal Medicine (1989), president of the Mexican Society of Hematology (1994-1995), Chair of Council of the International Society of Hematology (ISH, 2005-2009) and President of the ISH (2010-2012). In 2011 he was named Mayo Clinic Distinguished *Alumnus*, in 2013 he was elected Master of the ACP and in 2016 Governor of the Mexican Chapter of the ACP. Dr. RUIZ-ARGÜELLES has published over 390 papers in peer-reviewed journals, 78 letters to the editor and 356 abstracts; he is the editor of seven books, the editor of the *Revista de Hematología (México)* and a member of the editorial board of several journals both domestic (*Medicina Universitaria*, *Gaceta Médica de México*, *Medicina Interna de México*, *Revista Médica del IMSS*, *Revista de Investigación Clínica* and *De Medicinis*

Expertis) and foreign (*The Lancet Haematology-United Kingdom*, *International Journal of Hematology-Japan*, *Acta Haematologica –Switzerland*, *Hematology-United Kingdom*, *Biología & Clínica Hematológica-Spain*, *Revista de Oncología-Spain*, *HEMOS-Venezuela* and *Hematology / Oncology Stem Cell Therapy-Arabia*). The main areas of his research and patient care are bone marrow transplantation, treatment of hematological malignancies, coagulation and thrombosis.

In the area of bone marrow transplantation (BMT), working together with David GOMEZ-ALMAGUER, they have focused their efforts in making changes to the BMT procedures to render them affordable for persons living in developing countries; employing these changes, they have grafted over 1000 persons with both malignant and non-malignant diseases.