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Alejandro is an experienced Research Scientist at the French National Institute for Agricultural Research (INRA), Maisons-Alfort, Paris, France. His research interests are infectious diseases, tick-induced allergy and host–tick–pathogen interactions. After graduation in Veterinary Medicine (2006), Alejandro worked for four years as research staff in a biotech company in Cuba developing anti-tick vaccines. In 2012, he obtained a scholarship in a highly competitive Marie Skłodowska-Curie application as Early Stage Researcher in Czech Republic as part of a project to study emerging tick-borne pathogens. He has two PhD degrees, one in tick biology from the University of Castilla-La Mancha, Spain (2014) and one in parasite epigenetics from the University of Lille 2, France (2016). Between 2013 and 2018 Alejandro published 74 papers related to vectors and transmitted pathogens. The scientific results of Alejandro have been recognized by the scientific community and in 2017 he was awarded the Odile Bain Memorial Prize for his outstanding contribution to parasitology.