Brief Interview with Dr. Contreras Lydia M (Editor)

Current Synthetic and Systems Biology

1. How	many years	have vou	been	associated	with the	current	research?
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I have been an assistant professor for 3.5 years.

2. What is the research topic you are working on now?

We work on bacterial gene regulation/synthetic parts/ regulatory RNAs.

3. What are attributes for a quality article?

Interesting research question, well-carried out methods, insightful discussion, novelty, wide applicability.

4. Do you have any research funding (NIH or other national funding) now?

Yes.

5. When did you become an editor of OMICS Journal?

About a year ago.

6. Where can the journal find the maximum scope in terms of niche?

Among young scientists in the field of synthetic and systems biology.

7. What is the purpose of serving as an editor?

To promote interesting research in a given field.

8. Do you have any patents?

Yes.

9. Have you contributed any editorials or papers (any types) to OMICS Journals in the past two years?

Yes.

10. Do you plan to contribute any editorials or papers to OMICS Journals in the next year?

Unsure.

11. How would you define your experience with OMICS Group?

Ok. The papers that I have edited/reviewed that are then accepted have been disappointing as they appear to have little relevant to this field (at least by the way that they are presented) and it will be difficult to get the journal to resonate within a specific community in this way

- **12. Your opinion on conducting Editorial Board meetings at related Conferences?**Sure.
- **13. Would you recommend OMICS to your friends or colleagues?** Yes.
- 14. How do you differentiate Journal of Current Synthetic and Systems Biology with other journals in the field?

Just a new journal, it is still unsure where it is going.