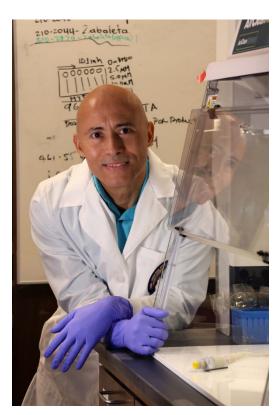
Dr. Jovanny Zabaleta Associate Professor

Education

University of Antioquia; Medellin, Colombia, SA	BS	1991	Major in Microbiology
University of Antioquia; Medellin, Colombia, SA	MS	1995	Immunology of human tuberculosis
Louisiana State University, Department of Genetics. New Orleans, LA	PhD	2008	Cancer Genetics



Dr. Zabaleta's current research focuses on the role of disparities in cancer diagnoses in minority populations, especially breast and colorectal cancers.

He has served as director of the LSU LCMC Health Cancer Center's Translational Genomics Core (TGC) for more than 10 years and has expanded his expertise in molecular and genomic techniques aiming to identify markers of disease aggressiveness. As a research associate, Dr. Zabaleta worked on cellular and molecular immune response to H. pylori infection and its association with prostate cancer.

As a trainer and mentor, Dr. Zabaleta has worked with more than 30 students at the undergraduate, graduate and post-graduated level, many of them from minority backgrounds, and have established long lasting collaborations with US and overseas institutions.

Membership in Professional Organizations:

2008 – Present	Member, Louisiana Cancer Research Consortium
2014 - Present	Member, American Gastroenterological Association
2010 - Present	Member, American Association for Cancer Research
2020 - Present	Standing Member NIH Cancer, Heart, and Sleep Epidemiology Study
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01/2023 - Present	Member, Scientific Review Committee AACR Immuno-oncology
	Research Grants
02-2023 - Present	Member, AACR Breast Cancer Research Grants Scientific Review
	Committee
2023	Full Member, Louisiana Cancer Research Center, New Orleans, LA
2022 – Present	Member, Colombian National Research Network in Cancer