



**Rita de Cássia Vieira Smith**

**Position:** Founder and president of the Support Group for TB Patients and Former Patients (GAEXPA) of the Rocinha favela, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

**Achievement:** She developed an innovative model of community involvement based on respect for the human rights of patients and communities affected by TB.

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**David Tunubalá**

**Position:** Coordinator of Prevention and Promotion of Indigenous Council of Guambía, Silvia. Cauca, Colombia.

**Achievement:** He has been the leader of the Tuberculosis Program in the Guambiano indigenous community and developed an innovative model for prevention and treatment supervision based on community support.

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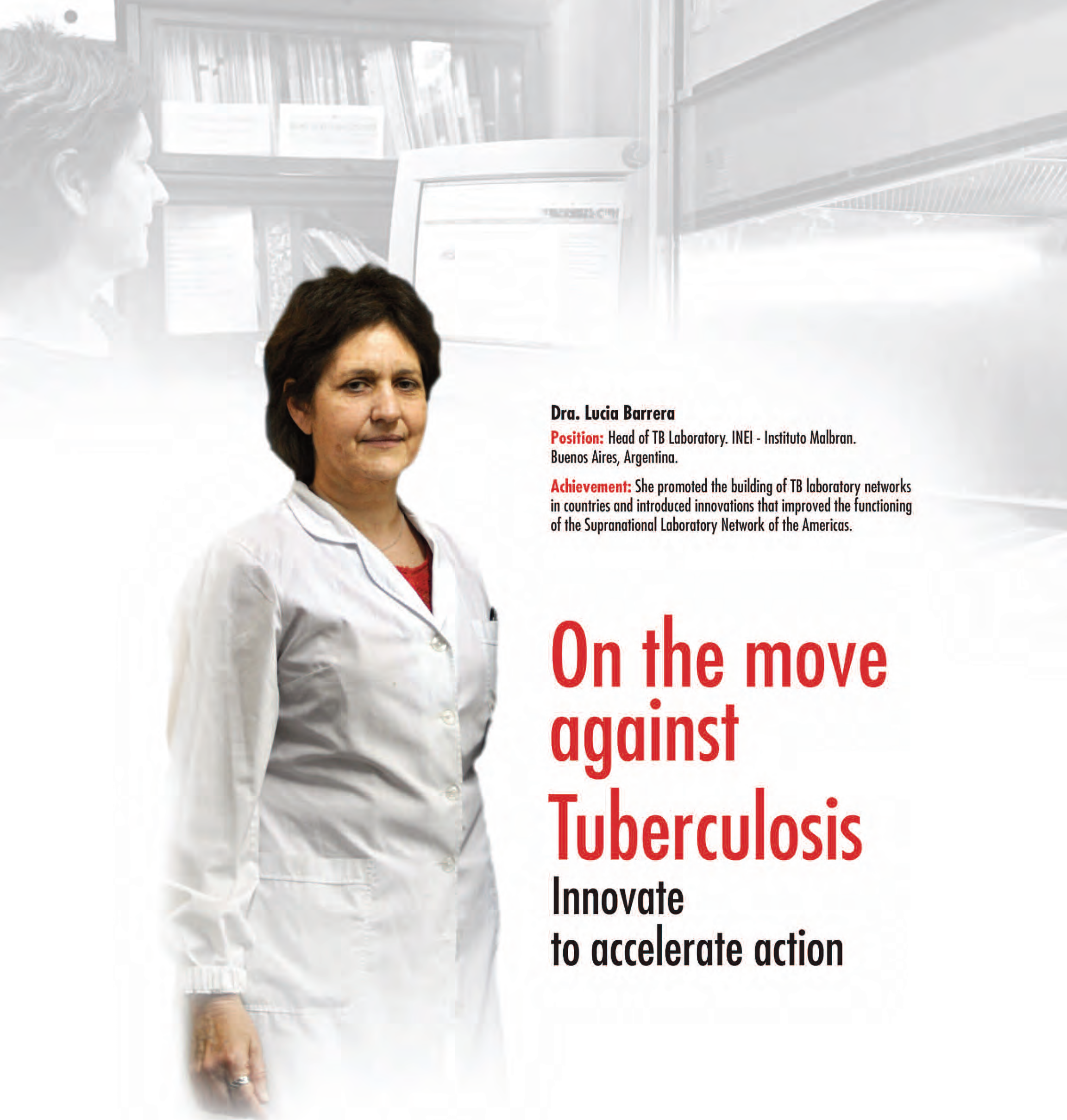
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**Dra. Lucia Barrera**

**Position:** Head of TB Laboratory. INEI - Instituto Malbran.  
Buenos Aires, Argentina.

**Achievement:** She promoted the building of TB laboratory networks in countries and introduced innovations that improved the functioning of the Supranational Laboratory Network of the Americas.

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