



**Maria Soler Nunez**  
Head, Group Operations  
Lonza Group Ltd

Maria Soler Nunez joined Lonza on 1 August 2022. She previously spent 12 years at Novartis in various leadership roles in manufacturing, most recently holding the position of Chief Quality Officer.

Maria has worked across geographical locations, leading teams and projects in different technology platforms, modalities and regulatory standards. She has also implemented sustainability programs focused on process improvement and cost reduction.

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## Career

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2022 –present	Head, Group Operations and Member of the Executive Committee, Lonza Group Ltd
2020 – 2022	Chief Quality Officer, Novartis
2018 – 2020	Head Global Manufacturing Functions, Novartis
2018	Head Packaging and Manufacturing, Science & Technology, Novartis
2016 – 2017	Head Manufacturing, Science & Technology, Novartis
2015 – 2016	Head Manufacturing, Science & Technology, Novartis Pharma
2012 – 2015	Head Pharma Compliance & Auditing, Novartis Pharma
1997 – 2016	Various regional and global leadership positions in Manufacturing and Quality at Novartis and Lilly

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## Education

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- European Quality System Manager Certification, European Organization for Quality
- Postgraduate degree in Design & Statistics for Medical Sciences, Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona (ES)
- PhD in Pharmacy in Genetics-Molecular Biology area, Universidad Complutense de Madrid (ES)
- Degree in Pharmacy Studies, Universidad Complutense de Madrid (ES)