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1970- *Graduated in Biological Sciences*. University of Salamanca. Spain.

1970- *Master in Microbiology*. University of Salamanca. Spain.

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1973-1977- *Postdoctoral*. Department of Virology. Baylor University, College of Medicine, Houston, Tx. USA.

1977-1981 *Associate Professor of Microbiology*. Departments of Microbiology. Universities of Salamanca, Leon, and Granada. Spain.

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**Main research interests:**

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