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Present position: Tenured Scientist, Institute of History, at the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC), Madrid.

Training and Professional experience: *Graduate in Biology*, specialist in Botany, Phytochemistry and Palynology, from the Complutense University of Madrid (UCM) in 1989. Doctorate (PhD) in Biology in 1994. I spent two years of post-doctoral research at the Utrecht University (Holland) and at the Laboratoire de Palynologie-Cé pam (CNRS, Sophia-Antipolis, France) between 1996 and 1997. Between 1998 to the present I worked as an archaeobotanist at the Laboratorio de Arqueobotánica at the CSIC (Madrid).

Research experience: I have been involved in many research projects across Europe (France, Portugal, Greece, Poland, Spain, Italy, Russia, Gibraltar), Northern Africa (Morocco), Asia (Oman, Syria) and Central and South America (Guatemala, Mexico, Nicaragua, Brazil) working on aspects related to prehistoric plant use, anthropisation dynamics and the origin of agriculture. I have also carried out various palaeoecological projects focusing on climatic change and cultural response.

Areas of Expertise: *Palaeopalynology and Archaeopalynology* (pollen, spores, non-pollen palynomorphs) from different periods (Palaeolithic to Middle Ages) and different sedimentary contexts (lakes, peat bogs, archaeological sites, palaeosoils, etc.). *Prehistoric agriculture*, with particular emphasis on the origins and expansion of agriculture in the Mediterranean and Mesoamerica.

Publications: My publication record includes 20 books and monographies and ca. 500 papers (112 included in the ISI Web of Knowledge) and chapters both in national and international books and journals, and some 123 promotional and educational articles.

Selected contributions:

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