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Doctor in Clinical, Forensic, and Health Psychology (2022) from the Complutense University of Madrid (UCM). Currently, I am an Adjunct Professor at the International University of Valencia (VIU), accredited by ANECA (Spanish accreditation) in July 2023. My research focuses on clinical and health psychology, addressing public and social health issues such as essential arterial hypertension and the psychopathological consequences of terrorist attacks. My main line of research is the study of trauma. My doctoral dissertation investigated dysfunctional depressive attitudes and their relationship with the psychopathological consequences in victims of terrorist attacks. This topic has been the core of most of my publications, whose findings have led to new dissertations and articles. Since 2009, I have participated in several publicly funded R&D&I research projects related to these areas at UCM. In 2018, I worked as a research psychologist in the Department of Personality, Assessment, and Clinical Psychology through a research support staff contract (PAI-I).

Since 2012, I have been an active member of the UCM research group on Intervention and Treatments in Clinical and Health Psychology, specifically in the research line on "psychopathological consequences of terrorist attacks and their treatment." My research experience includes presentations at national and international conferences, both oral and poster communications, and publications in high-impact journals such as *Psicothema* and *Frontiers in Psychology*. Regarding my academic background, I have completed various postgraduate programs, including a Master's in Clinical and Health Psychology (2012) and a Master's in General Health Psychology (2015). Additionally, I have obtained specialized diplomas in emergency care and victim assistance.

In my professional career, specifically in the field of trauma, since 2013, I have collaborated with the Office for the Assistance to Victims of Terrorism of the Spanish National Court (OAVTAN), providing psychological assistance and intervention for victims of terrorism. Since 2015, I have also collaborated with the Association of Victims of Terrorism, conducting workshops for adolescents in schools. Currently, I am part of a research team under an Article 83 contract between UCM and the Montreal Institute, studying the impact of trauma on severe mental illnesses (psychosis) in minors. This project was awarded the DOMUSVI Foundation Research Award in November 2024. Additionally, I lead a working group in another Article 83 contract between UCM and the Foundation of the Official College of Psychologists, focusing on the impact of stigma on adolescent mental health. I am a member of various national associations, such as the Official College of Psychology (COP) and the Spanish Society of Clinical and Health Psychology (SEPCYS). Since 2012, I have been a member of the International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP), where I have collaborated with Division 6 (Clinical and Community Psychology) as the website and journal editor. I currently hold the position of President-Elect. From 2018 to 2024, I coordinated and now lead the Task Force on Terrorism and Peace Building of IAAP, which develops international research on psychology's contributions to terrorism studies.

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