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Diego A. Moreno has a B.Sc. and a Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Sciences (1982, 1990) from the *Universidad de Alcalá de Henares*, as well as a Master's in Biotechnology from the *Universidad Autónoma de Madrid* (1997). He is a Full Professor at the Department of Engineering and Material Sciences of the *Escuela Técnica Superior de Ingenieros Industriales* at the *Universidad Politécnica de Madrid* (UPM), which he joined in 1986. Prior to that, he had a Collaboration Scholarship and an Adjunct Lecturer position at the Department of Microbiology at the *Universidad de Alcalá de Henares*.

He has carried out pre-doctoral and post-doctoral internships at several important research centres, such as the Bioelectrochemical Laboratory of INIFTA (CONICET, La Plata, Argentina), the Department of Biological Sciences (City of London Polytechnic, UK), at the Department of Chemical Engineering (Leeds University, UK), as well as at the Basic Research Centre (CIBE) of Merck Sharp & Dohme de España, S.A. in Madrid.

His main Research Activity has been focused on the study of the interaction between microorganisms and materials, and more specifically, Biodeterioration and Biodegradation of materials. He has also carried out studies in Biorremediation of the Environment.

He has participated in 25 Research Projects, which have been financed with public funds from the CICYT, Comunidad de Madrid, as well as several companies from varied sectors such as Iberdrola, CAMPSA, Cadagua, and Canal de Isabel II. He headed as IP in 14 of these projects. The results of his research can be seen in 29 articles published in scientific journals with IF, and in 3 patents (one of them in the USA). He has also directed 5 doctoral dissertations.

He is currently the Director of UPM's Research Group on Bioengineering and Materials (BIO-MAT). Between 2005 and 2010, he was the President of the Specialized Group on Biodeterioration and Biodegradation of the Spanish Microbiology Society, of which he is presently a member of the Board of Directors. Likewise, he is a member of the Council of the International Biodeterioration and Biodegradation Society (IBBS), of which he organized the 13<sup>th</sup> Triennial Meeting in 2005.