

Ginés Morata

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Prof. Ginés Morata is an expert in Developmental Biology of the fruitfly *Drosophila*, specialty on which he has been working for over 40 years. Over the years he has been involved in several major scientific findings, including the discovery of compartments, the phenomenon of cell competition in *Drosophila*, the elucidation of the structure of the Hox gene complex, the establishment of genetic subdivisions of the *Drosophila* body, the discovery of mitogenic signalling by apoptotic cells etc. Many of his results have been published top scientific journals (*Nature, Cell, Science, EMBO J., PNAS*) and presented in numerous lectures in scientific meetings, universities and research institutions all over the world.

The work of Prof. Morata has been recognised with a number of prizes and distinctions, including the Spanish National Prize of Research in Biology 2002, the México Prize on Science and Technology 2004, the Prince of Asturias Prize in Science and Technology 2007 and his election as a Foreign Member of the Royal Society of London 2017