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Speaker's Bio

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Rafael Maldonado has been a Professor of Pharmacology at the Pompeu Fabra University in Barcelona, Spain since 2000. He graduated with a degree in medicine from the University of Cadiz, Spain, in 1985, before completing a PhD in neuropsychopharmacology at the same university, and a further PhD in molecular pharmacology from Paris Descartes University, France.

In 1990, Professor Maldonado began work as a postdoctoral fellow at The Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla, CA, USA, under the direction of Professor GF Koob, before returning to France in 1992 as a Scientific Researcher at the Laboratory of Molecular Pharmacology, INSERM U266, Paris.

Professor Maldonado's research interests are drug addiction, affective and cognitive disorders, and pain and eating disorders, with a particular focus on the development of novel behavioural models and treatments. He is a member of the French National Academy of Pharmacy, is the European Coordinator of an FP7 collaborative project (NeuroPain), and has also been an external advisor to the World Health Organization.