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Short curriculum vitae

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Current position

Head, Laboratory for Ecotoxicology Department of Environmentally Sustainable Development Spanish National Institute for Agricultural and Food Research and Technology (INIA)

With a training as Doctor in Veterinary Medicine, DVM, and a Ph.D. on Toxicology at the University of Madrid, Dr. Tarazona has since 1982 a permanent research position at the Spanish National Institute for Agricultural Research (INIA). Former Head of the Division of Environmental Toxicology, Dr. Tarazona is after the re-organisation of the Institute, the Head of the Laboratory for Ecotoxicology at the Department of Environmentally Sustainable Development. His scientific activity had been mostly focused on Aquatic Toxicology until 1994, when his interest covered the field of ecological hazard and risk assessment, including both, the aquatic and the terrestrial compartments. Dr Tarazona has participated in 18 research projects at the national and European levels being the project co-ordinator in 9 of them. He has published over 100 scientific papers on the development of new (eco)toxicity tests for aquatic and terrestrial organisms; use and validation of biomarkers, bioassays and other biological alternatives for field monitoring; combination of toxicity thresholds and exposure levels using mathematical models,..., and on the scientific basis of hazard identification and risk assessment of both, industrial chemicals and pesticides.

He is actively involved in regulatory aspects, participating in the hazard and risk assessment programmes for new-and-existing chemicals and pesticides within the European Union. He has directly participated as member of the Spanish delegation in the Classification & Labelling and Risk assessment Groups of the ECB, in the UNEP programme on POPs, several ECCO meetings, and several meetings organised by the EU, OECD, SETAC, industry and NGOs. Actually he is the scientific co-ordinator of the co-operation agreements established between the Spanish Ministry of the Environment and the INIA to give scientific advice and technical support in the regulation of chemical substances.

Involved in the scientific advisory board of the European Union since 1992; currently Dr Tarazona is second vice-president of the EUROPEAN SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE ON TOXICOLOGY, ECOTOXICOLOGY AND THE ENVIRONMENT, DG SANCO, European Commission, and has been external expert-consultant for the EU, the OECD, the WHO and the UN.

Member of the SETAC-Europe Council, President SICTA and Vice-president of AVEMA, he is also member of several international scientific associations.

Co-editor of the following books/monographs:

D.M. Pugh and J.V. Tarazona (editors) 1988 Regulation for Chemical Safety in Europe: Analysis, comment and criticism. Environment & Policy Series, Volume 15. Kluwer Academic Publishers. Dordrecht/Boston/London. 210 pp

Vega MM, Berthold A, Clausen H, Gingnagel P, Fresno A, Aycart S, Ramos C, Berggren E, and Tarazona JV (editors) (1999). Approaches for a hazard identification-classification system for the terrestrial environment. Proceedings of the International Worshop on hazard identification systems and the development of classification criteria for the terrestrial environment. European Chemical Bureau, Ispra, 203 pp

F. Fernandez, MV Pablos, J.V. Tarazona (editors). Globalización Medioambiental. Perspectivas Agrosanitarias y Urbanas. Servicio de Publicaciones del MAPA, Madrid, 809 pp

Associate editor of:

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