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Luis Serrano received his PhD in Cell Biology at the Centro de Biología Molecular of the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid in 1985. He spent 4 years in the laboratory of Professor A.R. Fersht, at the Medical Research Council, in the United Kingdom, where he focused his research on protein folding.

In 1993 he was appointed Head of Group at the European Laboratory of Molecular Biology, in Heidelberg, Germany, and focused his work on protein folding and design. In the following years at the EMBL, he was named Senior Principal Investigator and Head of the Structural & Computational Biology programme.

In 2006 he was named Head of programme at the Spanish National Cancer Research Centre (CNIO). At the end of 2006, he moved to Spain to direct the Systems Biology programme at the Centre for Genomic Regulation, where he also served as deputy director until his appointment as director on July 2011.

He is member of the Spanish Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, member of the European Molecular Biology Organization, and member of the Royal Spanish Academy of Sciences (Spain). In 2003 he received the Marie Curie Excellence Award, in 2009 he was awarded the City of Barcelona prize (science category); in 2018 he received the Francisco Cobos award and in 2025 he has been awarded with the Premio Rey Jaime I by the University of Valencia.

He has published more than 380 publications, won three ERC Advanced Grants and three ERC Proof of Concept grants. He is Professor of ICREA and has directed 20 PhD thesis. He was involved in the creation of one of the first Spanish Biotech Companies (Diverdrugs) in 1999. He is also co-founder of Cellzome, EnVivo, TRISKEL, Pulmobiotics and Orikine biotech companies. He has been Director and Founder of the association of European Institutes of Excellence EU-LIFE (<a href="https://eu-life.eu/">https://eu-life.eu/</a>) and of the association of Spanish institutes of excellence, Severo Ochoa and Maria de Maeztu.