

SEM Council Members

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Council Role:

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Employer or Institute:

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Title:

Full Professor

Head of the Research Group MicroAqua: environmental
microbiology and water contamination by microbes

Main Areas of Study/Work:

Taxonomy and Epidemiology of bacteria of the genus
Aeromonas and *Arcobacter*. Faecal indicators and water
contamination.

Other Interests:

Member of the Council of the Group of Aquatic Microbiology of the Spanish Society for
Microbiology.

Three Main or Most Recent Publications:

A Levican, L Collado, C Aguilar, C Yustes, AL Diéguez, JL Romalde, MJ Figueras. 2012.
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shellfish. *Systematic and Applied Microbiology* 35:133-138

ML Figueras, A Levican, L Collado. 2012. Updated 16S rDNA-RFLP method for the
identification of all currently characterised *Arcobacter* spp. *BMC Microbiology* 12:292

L Collado, MJ Figueras. 2011. Taxonomy, epidemiology, and clinical relevance of the genus
Arcobacter. *Clinical Microbiology Reviews* 24:174-192

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