
Excmo. Sr. D. JOSÉ ELGUERO BERTOLINI

Born in Madrid on December 25, 1934. Elected on January 26, 2000. Took up his position on May 26, 2004.
Speech of reception entitled: "Research methodology: the examples of Freud and Cajal". Medal number 8.

Brief curriculum

Graduate (Spanish Central University, 1957), PhD in Chemistry (University of Montpellier, 1961, and Complutense University, 1971). CNRS scientist (1959-1979). CSIC Senior Research scientist (1980-2005). Emeritus Research Professor at the Institute of Medicinal Chemistry of the CSIC (from 2005).

Schutzenberger prize from the *Société Chimique de France* (1968); Gold Medal of the *Real Sociedad Española de Química* (1984); Solvay Prize (1988); Santiago Ramón y Cajal Prize (1993); Miguel Catalán Prize from Comunidad de Madrid (2005); Corresponding Academician of the Academia de Artes y Ciencias de Barcelona (2006); Silver Medal of the CSIC (2006); *Lilly Foundation Distinguished Career Award* (2008); Honor Academician of the Real Academia Nacional de Farmacia (2009). Encomienda of the Civil Order of Alfonso X The Wise. Doctor Honoris Causa from the following Universities: Autónoma de Madrid, Castilla-La Mancha, Zaragoza, Alcalá de Henares (Pharmacy), Oviedo, Saint Petersburg, Marseille and Montpellier (Pharmacy). Patron of the "Residencia de Estudiantes" Foundation.

President of the CSIC (1983-1984); President of the Social Council of the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid (1986-1990); President of the Forum Chemistry and Society (2008-2010). Member of the International Advisory Boards of the University of Oviedo Campus and of the *Pôle Chimie Balard* of the University of Montpellier.

Author of 1600 publications, 40 books and book chapters, 100 popular science papers, interviews and lectures.

Elected President of the Spanish Royal Academy of Sciences in June 2015.