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Biography [Provide a brief summary of education, skills, experience as it relates to the guideline under development; maximum 200 words).]

After completing his Degree in Sports Sciences (1998-2002), FB Ortega did 2 separate Doctoral Theses at the University of Granada (Spain) and Karolinska Institute (Stockholm, Sweden) (2002-2008). He did his postdoc in Sweden, including 4 research stays at the University of South Carolina, USA (2008-2012). From 2012 to date, FB. Ortega is working as Associate Professor at the Faculty of Sport Sciences at the University of Granada, Spain, where he founded and is currently Co-Director of the PROFITH Research group (http://profith.ugr.es/).

He has published more than 330 scientific papers in the field of physical activity, fitness and health (See-<u>HERE</u>). His papers have got more than 20 000 citations and his h-index is more than 75 in <u>Google Scholar</u>. This places him within the top-10 most cited researchers at the University of Granada (See-<u>HERE</u>) and as number 4th Worldwide in the field of Physical Fitness (<u>ExpertScape</u>).

He was selected by a Regional Government in Spain to develop the "Guidelines for the Promotion of Physical Activity". Recently, he participated as author in the "ACSM-Guidelines for exercise testing and prescription 11th edition" (currently In-Press). He has extended experience in narrative reviews, systematic reviews, meta-analyses and evidence grading systems (https://to.ly/1zgFB).