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Dr. Jesus Banales (PhD, University of Navarra: 2006) scientific career has been focused on the study of the liver, and predominantly on biliary pathophysiology. After his continuous scientific training in National (University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain) and International (Servier Laboratories, Paris; University of Colorado, USA; and Mayo Clinic, USA) Institutions, he joined the Biodonostia Health Research Institute (Donostia University Hospital, San Sebastian, Spain) in 2012 as **Head of the Liver Diseases Group**, which contains several subgroups and 22 scientists on basic and clinical investigation. His research group is chiefly focused on studying the molecular mechanisms involved in liver pathophysiology (polycystic liver diseases, primary biliary cirrhosis, primary sclerosing cholangitis, non-alcoholic fatty liver disease, fibrosis, cirrhosis, hepatocellular carcinoma and cholangiocarcinoma), and looking for new therapeutic strategies.

He is also: (1) Miguel Servet Researcher (Spanish Carlos III Health Institute, ISCIII), (2) Principal Investigator of CIBERehd (ISCIII), (3) Principal Investigator of IKERBASQUE (Basque Foundation for Science), (4) Assistant Professor of Medicine at Mayo Clinic (USA), (5) Assistant Professor of Sciences at the University of Navarra (Spain) and (6) Assistant Professor of Sciences at the University of Area Andina (Colombia). He is Principal Investigator in active research projects funded by the Spanish Carlos III Health Institute, Basque Government, University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU), IKERBASQUE Foundation, CIBERehd, Zambon Pharma, Spanish Association Against Cancer (AECC) and European Association for the Study of the Liver (EASL). He is inventor of 3 international patents and has published 62 manuscripts in top international journals. He has supervised 7 PhD dissertations, 4 Master's projects, and he is currently supervising the doctoral dissertation of 8 PhD students. He has been invited lecturer in 40 international academic, scientific and medical Institutions.