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This newsletter is dedicated to Dr. Enrique Fernández-Caldas, PhD, Affiliate Professor of Medicine, Division of Allergy and Immunology, Department of Internal Medicine, University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine.



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Happy Memories!

Dr. Fernández-Caldas, PhD with co-worker, Walter Trudeau III, MS (deceased)



Left to right: Richard F. Lockey, MD; Enrique Fernández Caldas, PhD
1991 American Academy of Allergy & Immunology Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA
Poster: "Sensitization to house dust and storage mites in urban dwellers"



Fun times at the VA!

Left to right: Enrique Fernández -Caldas, PhD; Walter Trudeau III, MS (deceased); Dennis K. Ledford, MD; Roger W. Fox, MD; Ms. Peggy Hales; Jim Keller (Schering Pharmaceuticals), 1987



Left to Right: Mario Sanchez Borges, MD and Enrique Fernández-Caldas, PhD



Left to Right: Hugo Neffen, MD; Enrique Fernández -Caldas, PhD; Prof. Sami Bahna, MD; and Dr. Jose Seba, MD



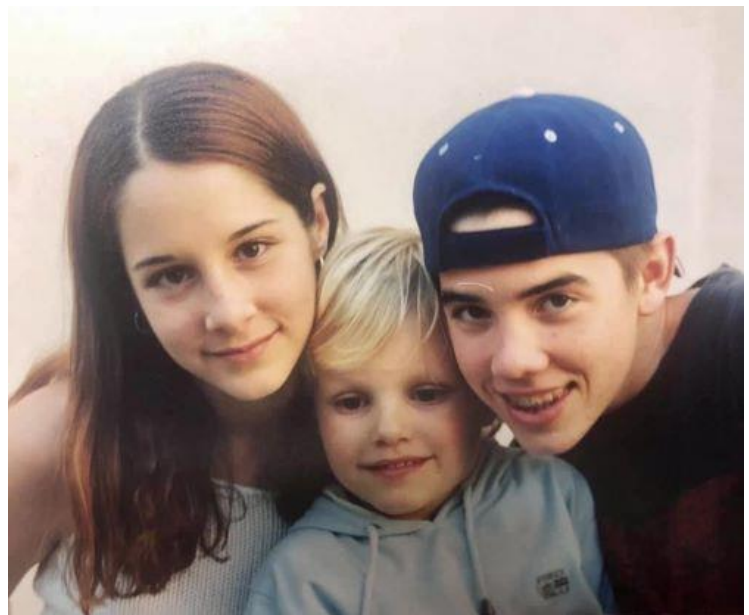
Young Enrique in the Spanish Military service, around 1983.



Ledit Arduso, MD presenting an Award of Honorary Member of the Argentinian Society of Allergy and Immunology to Dr. Fernández-Caldas at an Intersama meeting, Buenos Aires, 2008. Dr. Arduso spent several months in the Division of Allergy and Immunology, Department of Internal Medicine.



Enrique with his little ones, Tampa, 1987



*The Fernandez-Caldas children
Left to Right: Dácil, little Enrique, Ian
(deceased, RIP)*



Enrique with his 91-year old mother



*Enrique receiving an award from his father when he became a member of the Royal Academy of Medicine in Tenerife.
Enrique's father had a PhD in Chemistry and was an Academician, Professor, and Chairman of the Department of Soil Sciences, University of La Laguna, Spain*

Enrique with his daughter, Dácil



Spending quality time with the grandchildren!



About Dr. Enrique Fernández-Caldas, PhD:

Enrique Fernandez-Caldas, PhD, was born November 18, 1955 in Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Canary Islands, Spain. He is currently Scientific Director at the International Allergen Vaccine manufacturing company Inmunotek, based in Madrid, Spain. He is also Affiliate Professor of Medicine at the University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine, Tampa, Florida. He received his Pharmacy degree in 1981 from the Universidad of La Laguna, Canary Islands, Spain. He then completed his military training achieving the degree of Second Lieutenant. He received his PhD degree in 1986 at the same University in the Canary Islands, Department of Parasitology. The title of his PhD thesis was: "Morphological Identification of the Mite Fauna of Tenerife and Immunochemical Quantitation of their Allergens". In 1985, prior to finishing his PhD studies, he moved to the USA to the Allergic Diseases Research Laboratory at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester Minnesota, where he trained as a Research Fellow under the Direction of Drs. Charles E. Reed and John W. Yunginger. He worked in close collaboration with the late Mark Swanson. In the summer of 1986, Enrique was invited to give a talk at the University of South Florida, Division of Allergy and Immunology, about his ongoing and future research projects. After the talk, he was invited to Dr. Lockey's office, where he was offered a job. As stated in several occasions, this was one of the most important and happy days of his life. He married in 1986 and moved to Tampa in November 1986, where he started his academic career.

He has authored or co-authored over 200 indexed publications and more than 30 book chapters or monographs with colleagues. He has lectured on many occasions nationally and internationally. Professional honors include Member of the Royal National Academy of Pharmacy, Member of Canary Islands Academy of Medicine and recipient of the first Samuel C. Bukantz award.

Enrique has served on many journal editorial boards and has been honored for his research and contributions to medicine and the specialty. He has directed or codirected over 15 Doctoral theses. He successfully directed several research projects of the fellows and received various VA and NIH grants when he was in Tampa. His group was the first to identify and grow the dust mite, *Blomia tropicalis*, in the USA. His areas of expertise and research include mite and insect allergy; manufacturing and control of allergen extracts; allergen immunotherapy; and immunochemical quantitation of airborne allergens.

Enrique is currently divorced and the father of 3 children aged 34 (the late Ian Fernández-Caldas, R.I.P.), 33 (Dácil) and 23 (Enrique).

Enrique and the Division of Allergy and Immunology, Department of Internal Medicine, go back a long way! Great colleague and friend, like a brother. Congratulations to you, my friend, and miss you and wish you were still here in your role as an outstanding scientist in medicine, science, and the field of allergy and immunology. Thanks so much for all your outstanding scientific contributions. WE miss you and look forward to your next visit! Dick

With warm regards,

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