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AOC: Philosophy of mind, ethics, philosophy of science.

AOS: Philosophy of animal minds, animal ethics, philosophy of comparative psychology.

Employment:

Feb. 2024 – : Associate professor (*profesora permanente laboral*)

Dept. of Logic, History, and Philosophy of Science
UNED, Madrid

Sept. 2021 – Feb. 2024: Assistant professor (*profesora ayudante doctora*)

Dept. of Logic, History, and Philosophy of Science
UNED, Madrid

Sept. 2018 – Aug. 2021: Post-doctoral research fellow

Unit of Ethics and Human-Animal Studies
Messerli Research Institute, Vienna

Mar. 2018 – Aug. 2018: University assistant (post-doctoral)

Institute of Philosophy
University of Graz

Oct. 2016 – Feb. 2018: University assistant (post-doctoral)

Unit of Ethics and Human-Animal Studies
Messerli Research Institute, Vienna

Oct. 2015 – Mar. 2016: Pre-doctoral lecturer (part-time)

Unit of Ethics and Human-Animal Studies
Messerli Research Institute, Vienna

Dec. 2012 – Sept. 2016: Pre-doctoral research fellow

Dept. of Logic, History, and Philosophy of Science
UNED, Madrid

Academic background:

PhD in Philosophy. UNED, Madrid. 2016.

Dissertation title: “Morality and mindreading in nonhuman animals”

Advisors: Jesús Zamora Bonilla (UNED) and Mark Rowlands (University of Miami)

Awarded summa cum laude with international mention (July 1st 2016).

MA in Human Values and Global Ethics. King’s College London. 2012.

Advisor: Leif Wenar.

Awarded with distinction.

Five-year BA (*licenciatura*) in Philosophy. Complutense University of Madrid. 2011.

Awarded with 1st-class honours.

Publications:

Books:

Monsó, S. (2024): *Playing Possum: How Animals Understand Death* (updated and revised translation). Princeton University Press.

Monsó, S. (2021): *La zarigüeya de Schrödinger: Cómo viven y entienden la muerte los animales*. Madrid: Plaza y Valdés.

Translated into Italian (Ponte alle Grazie), Russian (Individuum Books), Chinese (Unread Sky), Dutch (Meulenhoff), and German (Insel). Forthcoming in Polish, Hungarian, Turkish, Greek, Persian, Czech, and Brazilian Portuguese.

Articles:

Delmore, T., Chang, S., Osuna-Mascaró, A. J., Rössler, T., Folkertsma, R., Auersperg, A. M. I., & Monsó, S. (forthcoming): ‘Nine ways to kill a tool: The concept of irreversible non-functionality in Goffin's cockatoos.’ *Interface Focus*.

Osuna-Mascaró, A. J., Rovegno, E., Monsó, S., Folkertsma, R., & Auersperg, A. M. I. (forthcoming): ‘Sensitivity to permanent non-functionality in Goffin’s cockatoos (*Cacatua goffiniana*).’ *Scientific Reports*.

Monsó, S. & Danón, L. (forthcoming): ‘Death-feigning, animal concepts, and the use of empirical case studies in animal cognition.’ *The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*. DOI: 10.1086/733889

Andrews, K., & Monsó, S. (2026). Does comparative cognition have a WEIRD problem? *Journal of Comparative Psychology*, 140(1), 4–10.

Monsó, S. & Saborido, C. (2026): ‘Animal medicine.’ *Philosophy of Science*, 93(2), 247–267.

Moore, R., Monsó, S., & Andrews, K. (2026): ‘The philosophy of comparative psychology.’ *Philosophy Compass*, e70129.

Melis, G. & Monsó, S. (2024): 'Are humans the only rational animals?' *The Philosophical Quarterly*, 74 (3), 844–864.

Monsó, S. (2022): 'How to tell if animals can understand death.' *Erkenntnis*, 87, 117–136.

Kuylen, M., Han, S., Harris, L., Huys, Q., Monsó, S., Pitman, A., Fleming, S., & David, A. (2022) 'Mortality Awareness: New Directions', *OMEGA – Journal of Death and Dying*. DOI: 10.1177/00302228221100640.

Monsó, S. & Osuna-Mascaró, A.J. (2021): 'Death is common, so is understanding it: The concept of death in other species.' *Synthese*, 199 (1), 2251–2275.

Monsó, S. & Wrage, B. (2021): 'Tactful animals: How the study of touch can inform the animal morality debate.' *Philosophical Psychology*, 34 (1), 1–27.

Benz-Schwarzburg, J., Monsó, S. & Huber, L. (2020): 'How dogs perceive humans and how humans should treat their pet dogs: Linking cognition with ethics.' *Frontiers in Psychology* 11, 584037.

Monsó, S. & Grimm, H. (2019): 'An alternative to the orthodoxy in animal ethics? Limits and merits of the Wittgensteinian critique of moral individualism.' *Animals*, 9 (12), 1057.

Pali-Schöll, I., Binder, R., Moens, Y., Polesny, F., & Monsó, S. (2019): 'Edible insects – defining knowledge gaps in biological and ethical considerations of entomophagy.' *Critical Reviews in Food Science and Nutrition*, 59 (17), 2760-2771.

Monsó, S., Benz-Schwarzburg, J., & Bremhorst, A. (2018): 'Animal morality: What it means and why it matters.' *The Journal of Ethics*, 22 (3–4), 283–310.

Monsó, S. (2017): 'Morality without mindreading.' *Mind & Language*, 32 (3), 338–57.

Monsó, S. (2015): 'Empathy and morality in behaviour readers.' *Biology & Philosophy*, 30 (5), 671-690.

Book chapters:

Monsó, S. & Hintze, S. (2023): 'For their own good? The unseen harms of disenfranchising farmed animals' in Abbate, C. E. & Bobier, C. (eds.): *New Omnivorism and Strict Veganism: Critical Perspectives*, pp. 201–218. Routledge.

Monsó, S. & Andrews, K. (2022): 'Animal moral psychologies' in Vargas, M. & Doris, J. (eds.): *The Oxford Handbook of Moral Psychology*, pp. 388–420. Oxford University Press.

Monsó, S., Aigner, A., & Grimm, H. (2021): 'Die traditionelle Tierethik und ihre Kritik: Der moralische Individualismus und die Grenzen und Vorzüge der Wittgenstein'schen Alternative' in Lintner, M. (ed.): *Mensch – Tier – Gott. Interdisziplinäre Annäherungen an eine christliche Tierethik*, pp: 59-84. Nomos.

Rowlands, M. & Monsó, S. (2017): 'Animals as reflexive thinkers: the aponoian paradigm' in Kalof, L. (ed.): *The Oxford Handbook of Animal Studies*, pp: 319-343. Oxford University Press.

Encyclopedia entries:

Gruen, L. & Monsó, S. (2024): Revision of the 'Moral status of animals' entry. *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*.

Andrews, K. & Monsó, S. (2021): Revised edition of the 'Animal cognition' entry. *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*.

Commentaries:

Monsó, S. (2026): 'Bonobos track but might not represent ignorance.' *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Animal Learning and Cognition*, 52 (1), 3–4.

Monsó, S. & Moore, R. (2024): 'Normative expectations in human and non-human animals.' *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, 19 (1), 51–52.

Monsó, S. & Osuna-Mascaró, A. (2020): 'Problems with basing insect ethics on individuals' welfare.' *Animal Sentience*, 29 (8).

Monsó, S. (2019): 'Humans are superior — by human standards.' *Animal Sentience*, 23 (17).

Monsó, S. (2016): 'The moral dimension of pre-reflective self-awareness.' *Animal Sentience* 2016.121.

Conference proceedings:

Monsó, S. (2021): 'Treating animals as the sort of thing they are: Commentary on Gary Varner's *Personhood, Ethics, and Animal Cognition*' in Schmidt-Petri, C. & Schefczyk, M. (eds.): *Utility, Progress, and Technology*, pp. 479–485. Karlsruhe: KIT Scientific.

Monsó, S. (2021): 'Is predation necessarily amoral?' in Siegetsleitner, A., Oberprantacher, A., Frick, M.-L. & Metschl, U. (eds.): *Crisis and Critique: Philosophical Analysis and Current Events*, pp. 367–384. Berlin: De Gruyter.

Benz-Schwarzburg, J., Andrews, K., Botero, M., Monsó, S., & Wrage, B. (2019): 'Can animals be moral? Assessing conceptual challenges and ethical implications' in Vinnari, E. & Vinnari, M. (eds.): *Sustainable Governance and Management of Food Systems: Ethical Perspectives*. Wageningen: Wageningen Academic Publishers.

Monsó, S. (2018): 'Why insect sentience might not matter very much' in Springer, S. & Grimm, H. (eds.): *Professionals in Food Chains: Ethics, Roles and Responsibilities*, pp: 375–380. Wageningen: Wageningen Academic Publishers.

Pali-Schöll, I., Monsó, S., Meinschmidt, P., Purschke, B., Hofstetter, G., Einhorn, L., Mothes-Luksch, N. Jensen-Jarolim, E., & Jäger, H. (2018): 'Edible insects in food and feed - far from being well characterized. Step 1: a look at allergenicity and ethical aspects' in Springer, S. & Grimm, H. (eds.): *Professionals in Food Chains: Ethics, Roles and Responsibilities*, pp: 520–525. Wageningen: Wageningen Academic Publishers.

Book reviews:

Monsó, S. (2026). David Peña-Guzmán, *When Animals Dream: The Hidden World of Animal Consciousness*. *Environmental Ethics*, 48(1), 121–122.

Monsó, S. (2019). Review of ‘Varieties of Empathy: Moral Psychology and Animal Ethics.’ *IJFAB: International Journal of Feminist Approaches to Bioethics*, 12 (2), 185–187.

Monsó, S. (2017). ‘To be rational, or not to be rational—that is the question. Review of Michael Tye’s *Tense Bees and Shell-Shocked Crabs: Are Animals Conscious?*’ *Metascience*, 26 (3), 487–491.

Outreach:

Monsó, S. (2026) ‘Science is based on assumptions. Philosophy can make sure they’re the right ones.’ *Science*, 393 (6814), eael0147.

Monsó, S. & Danón, L. ‘Death in mind’, *BJPS Short Reads*, March 19, 2026.

Monsó, S. ‘Elephant graveyards’, essay for Princeton University Press’ Ideas blog, June 25, 2025.

Monsó, S. ‘To truly understand non-human grief, we need to think like the animals’, *New Scientist*, November 13, 2024.

Monsó, S. ‘Five best: Books on the animal kingdom’ (2024), *Wall Street Journal*, October 18, 2024.

Monsó, S. ‘Animals’ understanding of death can teach us about our own’ (2024), *TIME*, October 18, 2024.

Monsó, S. ‘Playing Possum: How animals understand death’, blogpost for Imperfect Cognitions, October 16, 2024.

Monsó, S. ‘La matanza y la traición’ (2023), epilogue for the book *Ánima* by photojournalist Ruth Montiel Arias.

Monsó, S. Response to the query ‘Do any animals, other than us, have an awareness of their own mortality?’, *New Scientist*, 12/02/2022.

Monsó, S. ‘¿Qué piensan los animales de la muerte?: por qué el duelo no es exclusivo de los seres humanos’, *El Español*, 15/9/2021.

Monsó, S. ‘What animals think of death’, *Aeon*, 14/09/2021.

Osuna-Mascaró, A. & Monsó, S. ‘Los animales entienden la muerte más de lo que se pensaba’, *The Conversation*, 12/10/2020.

Andrews, K. & Monsó, S. ‘Rats are us,’ *Aeon*, 02/03/2020.

Monsó, S. ‘Tierische Intelligenzen,’ Springerin 1/2018, pp. 6–7.

Monsó, S. ‘¿Por qué se ríen los animales?’, *El Español*, 27/05/2016,

Teaching experience:

SS 2022 - : 'Filosofía de la Mente Animal,' Master in Theoretical and Practical Philosophy, UNED.

SS 2021 - : 'Filosofía de la Ciencia II,' BA in Philosophy, UNED.

SS 2021 - : 'Ciencia, Tecnología y Género,' Master in Theoretical and Practical Philosophy, UNED.

SS 2021 - : 'Mujeres en Ciencia y Tecnología,' Master in Gender Studies, UNED.

WS 2021 - 2024: 'Filosofía de la ciencia I,' BA in Philosophy, UNED.

WS 2021 - 2025: 'Filosofía de la ciencia,' Master in Theoretical and Practical Philosophy, UNED.

WS 2015 - 2020: 'Practical Course on Ethics and Human-Animal Studies,' Interdisciplinary Master on Human-Animal Interactions, Messerli Research Institute, Vienna.

SS 2017 / SS 2019 - 2021: 'Current debates in Applied Animal Ethics,' Interdisciplinary Master on Human-Animal Interactions, Messerli Research Institute, Vienna.

SS 2017 / SS 2019 - 2021: 'Philosophy Journal Club,' Interdisciplinary Master on Human-Animal Interactions, Messerli Research Institute, Vienna.

SS 2018: '*Animal Liberation* and Its Critics,' undergraduate pro-seminar, University of Graz.

SS 2018: 'The Human-Animal Divide,' undergraduate course, University of Graz.

Third-party funding:

'Ecological validity in comparative cognitive science' (EVACCS), ca. €64.000, funded by the Spanish Ministry for Science, Innovation, and Universities. Co-PI with Miguel Segundo-Ortín.

'Animals and the Concept of Death,' ca. €160,000, Lise Meitner project funded by the Austrian Science Fund (FWF).

'Morality in Animals: What It Means and Why It Matters,' ca. €400,000, Stand-Alone project funded by the FWF. Proposal co-authored with Judith Benz-Schwarzburg (PI).

Awards and scholarships:

Shortlisted for the German Non-Fiction Book of the Year award by the newspaper Bild der Wissenschaft.

Science Book of the Year 2026 awarded by the Austrian Ministry for Women, Science, and Innovation.

Juan de la Cierva post-doctoral two-year research scholarship awarded by the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness (2018) – Renounced because of incompatibilities with FWF Stand-Alone project.

Outstanding doctorate prize awarded by UNED (2017).

Research visit scholarship awarded by the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness for a three-month stay at the Messerli Research Institute (2016) – Renounced because of incompatibilities with pre-doctoral lectureship contract.

Research visit scholarship awarded by the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness for a three-month stay at University of Miami (2014).

FPI pre-doctoral scholarship awarded by the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness (2012-2016).

Cajamadrid scholarship for Erasmus students (2009-2010).

Academic excellence scholarship awarded by the Community of Madrid (2006-2007 and 2009-2010).

Presentations:

Invited (selection):

‘Juegos animales’, inaugural talk for the BA in Philosophy, University of La Laguna (September 2026).

‘Animal games and animal morality,’ keynote talk at workshop on Embodied Cognition and Comparative Psychology, University of Murcia (May 2026).

‘Do animals understand death’, ‘Animal games and animal morality’, Workshop on *Playing Possum*, Ruhr-University Bochum (December 2025).

‘Animal medicine’, IAST General Seminar, Toulouse (November 2025).

‘Animal medicine’, Cognition Across the Tree of Life workshop, Peking University (August 2025).

‘Animal medicine’, PhilSciCog seminar, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Paris (March 2025).

Participation in the roundtable ‘Animal Liberation Now: Looking back and looking forward as we near the 50th anniversary of Peter Singer's Animal Liberation,’ NYU, New York (November 2023).

‘Do animals understand death?’, philosophy colloquium, Wesleyan University, Connecticut (November 2023).

‘For their own good? The unseen harms of disenfranchising farmed animals,’ EVORISE workshop ‘A tale of two kingdoms’, Lisbon (October 2023).

‘Humanos y animales: De la diferencia a la semejanza,’ Ciclo Pensamiento Político, Málaga (May 2023).

‘¿Entienden la muerte los animales?,’ Foro de Análisis, Sevilla (March 2023).

‘Tactful animals: How the study of touch can inform the animal morality debate,’ Animal Morality Conference, Vienna (February 2023).

‘El concepto de la muerte en los animales: Implicaciones éticas,’ Seminario Cognición y Sociología de la Moral, UAM – Cuajimalpa, Mexico City (November 2022).

‘Sentido y prosocialidad en la vida de los animales,’ Sexto Coloquio Internacional de Ciencias Cognitivas, CINCCO, Cuernavaca (November 2022).

‘¿Entienden la muerte los animales?,’ Semana de las Humanidades, UAM – Cuajimalpa, Mexico City (November 2022).

‘Why death still harms animals who only half get it: Ethical implications of the minimal concept of death,’ Philosophy departmental colloquium, University of Warwick (October 2022).

‘Why death still harms animals who only half get it: Ethical implications of the minimal concept of death,’ Utrecht Lecture Series on Topics in Mind and Action, University of Utrecht (September 2022).

‘The concept of death in nonhuman animals,’ keynote talk at the Bioethics International Workshop held at the University of Granada (May 2022).

‘Playing possum: Animal thanatosis and the concept of death,’ online lecture for the Workshop on Animal Agency and Cognition, jointly hosted by Montreal’s Research Group on Environmental and Animal Ethics and Strasbourg’s Centre Européen d’Enseignement et de Recherche en Éthique (April 2022).

‘*Playing possum*: La tanatosis animal y el concepto de muerte,’ online lecture for the Seminario de la Red Iberoamericana de Filosofía de la Mente (February 2022).

‘¿Entienden la muerte los animales?,’ online lecture at the Second National Symposium on Animal Protection, Colombia (June 2021).

‘Animals and the concept of death,’ online lecture at the Death Salience Workshop, organised by UCL (June 2021).

‘Schrödinger’s possum: How animals experience and understand death,’ online lecture at LSE’s Conjectures and Refutations Seminar (May 2021).

‘Tactful animals: How the study of touch can inform the animal normativity debate,’ online contribution at the Evonorm Workshop Series (January 2021).

‘The concept of death and the ethics of killing animals,’ online guest lecture at an ASENT lab meeting, LSE (January 2021).

‘The concept of death and the ethics of killing animals,’ online guest lecture at the Society for the Study of Ethics and Animals 2020 Virtual Talk Series (November 2020).

‘¿Entienden la muerte los animales?’, online guest lecture at the Seminar on Concepts, Language, and Cognition, National University of Córdoba, Argentina (October 2020).

‘The concept of death and the ethics of killing animals,’ online guest lecture at BOKU, Vienna (July 2020).

‘The concept of death and the ethics of killing animals,’ keynote talk at the Vetsuisse Public Health Conference, held at the University of Bern (November 2019).

‘Prosociality and meaning in the lives of animals’ at the conference Animal Minds and Animal Ethics: Across Species, Across Disciplines, held at the University of Veterinary Medicine Vienna (September 2019).

‘Is predation necessarily amoral?’ at the Ethics and Ecology workshop, 42nd International Wittgenstein Symposium, Kirchberg-am-Wechsel (August 2019).

‘Why we should care whether animals are moral’ (with Judith Benz-Schwarzburg) at the Arbeitskreis Mensch-Tier-Beziehung, Messerli Research Institute in Vienna (May 2018).

‘Animals and the concept of death,’ keynote talk at the VII Research Workshop on Philosophy of Biology and Cognitive Science, Complutense University of Madrid (May 2018).

‘Why we should care whether animals are moral’ at the meeting of the Society for the Philosophy of Animal Minds, to be held at the Eastern APA meeting in Savannah, Georgia (January 2018) — Cancelled on short notice due to adverse weather conditions.

‘Animal intelligences’ at the event on Hypernormal Hybrids hosted by the World-Information Institute in Vienna (November 2017).

‘Morality without mindreading’ at the Arbeitskreis Mensch-Tier Beziehung, Messerli Research Institute, Vienna (January 2017).

Contributed:

‘How to make comparative cognition less WEIRD’, at the X SEFA meeting, University of Santiago de Compostela (December 2022).

‘Conceptual repair for comparative psychology,’ poster at the Third Joint Conference of the ESPP and the SPP, University of Milan (July 2022).

‘Playing possum: Animal thanatosis and the concept of death’ at the X SLMFCE meeting, University of Salamanca (November 2021).

‘How to make comparative cognition less WEIRD’ (with K. Andrews), online talk as part of the symposium on ‘Comparative cognition and the human-animal divide,’ held at the 28th Conference of the European Society for Philosophy and Psychology (August 2021).

‘How to tell if animals can understand death’ at the Ninth SEFA meeting, University of Valencia (November 2019).

Participation in the panel ‘Can animals be moral? Conceptual challenges and ethical implications’ at the 2019 EurSafe Congress, University of Tampere (September 2019).

‘Must animal lives be meaningless?’ at the ‘Meaning in Life and the Meaning of Life’ conference, University of Graz (June 2019).

Commentary on Gary Varner’s *Personhood, Ethics, and Animal Cognition*, at the ISUS meeting in Karlsruhe (July 2018).

‘Why insect sentience might not matter very much’ at the 2018 EurSafe Congress, Messerli Research Institute, Vienna (June 2018).

‘The ethical importance of being a moral subject’ (with Annika Huber) at the conference ‘Ethical Theories and the Animal Issue: Between Science and Philosophy,’ University of Milan (June 2016).

‘Minimal morality: caring without mindreading’ at the XVII edition of the *Taller d’Investigació en Filosofia*, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Jan. 2015).

‘Morality and mindreading’ at the Philosophy of Mind workshop, University of Miami (Nov. 2014).

‘Two fallacies in animal cognition’ at the ‘De-Intellectualizing the Mind’ workshop, UNED, Madrid (July 2014).

‘Moral emotions in behaviour readers’ at the IV Research Workshop on Philosophy of Biology and Cognitive Science, University of Granada (April 2014).

‘Moral emotions without a theory of mind’ at the III Graduate Seminar on Philosophical Research, UNED, Madrid (March 2014).

‘Does empathy require a theory of mind?’ at the SIFA graduate conference (University of Cagliari) (September 2013).

‘Does empathy require a theory of mind?’ at the SEFA graduate conference (Carlos III University, Madrid) (September 2013).

‘Does empathy require a theory of mind?’ poster presentation at the ‘What is Cognition?’ workshop, Ruhr-Universität, Bochum (June 2013).

‘Science, responsibility, and animal suffering’ at the Graduate Seminar on the Philosophy of Science, UNED, Madrid (November 2012).

Participation in research projects:

2026 - : “Ecological validity in comparative cognitive science (EVACCS)”
Spanish Ministry of Science, Innovation, and Universities project (PID2025-170173NA-I00)
Principal investigators: Susana Monsó and Miguel Segundo-Ortín

2023 - 2026: "Environmental practice and wild animal ethics in the context of climate crisis: a longtermist approach"
Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation project (PID2022-142980NB-I00)
Principal investigator: Oscar Horta

2022 - 2026: “Normatividad y enfoque mecanístico en la filosofía de las ciencias biológicas y biomédicas (NORMABIOMED)”

Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation project (PID2021-128835NB-I00)

Principal investigator: Cristian Saborido

2019 - 2021: “Animals and the concept of death”

Lise Meitner project, funded by the FWF (M2518-G32)

Principal investigator: Susana Monsó

2018 - 2022: “Morality in animals: What it means and why it matters”

Funded by the FWF (P31466-G32)

Principal investigator: Judith Benz-Schwarzburg

2017: “Socio-cognitive abilities of domestic pigs, their ethical implications and medical indicators of well-being”

Funded by the Messerli Foundation (FA37314006)

Principal investigator: Ludwig Huber

2014-2017: “Normative inferences and interferences in scientific research”

Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness Research Project (FFI2014-57258-P)

Principal investigators: Jesús Zamora-Bonilla, David Teira

2012-2014: “Inferentialism as social epistemology”

Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness Research Project (FFI2011-23267)

Principal investigator: Jesús Zamora-Bonilla

Service to the profession:

Co-founder of the Philosophy of Animal Minds and Behavior Association (PAMBA).

Team member of SWIP-Analytic Spain.

Owner and curator of the Animal Cognition & Ethics mailing list (320+ subscribers).

Coordinator of the METIS seminar (2023-2024).

Adjunct secretary of the Faculty of Philosophy, UNED (Jan. 2023 – Nov. 2023).

Secretary of the Dept. of Logic, History and Philosophy of Science, UNED (Nov. 2023 –).

Press coverage (selection):

Reden wir über den Tod — Interview for the German magazine ZEIT Verbrechen (20/04/2025)

Playing Possum by Susana Monsó review – do animals understand death? — Review of Playing Possum in The Guardian (01/01/2025)

Death becomes them — Review of Playing Possum in the Times Literary Supplement (20/12/2024)

The best books to give as gifts this Christmas — Mention in The Guardian (08/12/2024)

The best books of 2024 — Mention in The New Yorker (04/12/2024)

Books of the year 2024 — Mention in The New Statesman (13/11/2024)

Beasts and the Big Sleep — Review of Playing Possum in the Wall Street Journal (12/11/2024)

6 new books we recommend this week — Mention in The New York Times (31/10/2024)

What ants and orcas can teach us about death — Interview for The New York Times (29/10/2024)

What do animals understand about death? — Review of Playing Possum in The New Yorker (28/10/2024)

What do animals know about death? — Review of Playing Possum in The New York Times (23/10/2024)

How do animals understand death? — Interview for the American radio programme Science Friday (18/10/2024)

Do animals understand death? — Interview for the Boston Globe (10/10/2024)

‘Elephants show immense interest in corpses’: Susana Monsó, the philosopher examining what animals know about death — Interview for The Observer, Sunday supplement of The Guardian (06/10/2024)

Do animals know that they will die? — Mention in the American magazine The Atlantic (09/09/2024)

Mortal coils — Review of Playing Possum by Sy Montgomery for The American Scholar (03/09/2024)

How animals grieve — Interview for the 1A show on the American National Public Radio (26/06/2024)

Susana Monsó, filósofa: “Estudiar cómo viven los animales la muerte nos ayuda a naturalizar el duelo” — Interview for the Spanish newspaper El País (05/07/2023)

Do animals grieve? — Interview for the American podcast Unexplainable (Vox) (28/06/2023)

La muerte en el mundo animal — Interview for the Spanish national TV station La 2 (23/06/2023)

Susana Monsó: «Los perros y los gatos nos tienen totalmente domesticados» — Interview for the Spanish magazine XLSemanal (25/09/2022)

Animal minds and animal morality — Interview (with Kristin Andrews) for the American podcast Many Minds (28/04/2022)

Do animals understand what it means to die? — Interview for VICE magazine (02/02/2022)

‘Manche Tiere ahmen verwesende Leichen nach’ — Interview for the German newspaper Der Spiegel (30/10/2021)

¿Tienen moral los animales? — Interview for the Spanish press agency EFE (picked up by the Spanish newspapers El Mundo and Público, among others) (02/07/2019)

Organisation of academic events:

Inaugural Meeting of the Philosophy of Animal Minds and Behavior Association, Madrid, 2023

Conference ‘Animal Minds & Animal Ethics: Across Species, Across Disciplines,’ Vienna, 2019

EurSafe Congress ‘Professionals in Food Chains: Ethics, Roles and Responsibilities,’ Vienna, 2018 (Local organising committee)

V Research Workshop on Philosophy of Biology and the Cognitive Sciences, UNED, Madrid, 2015 (Local organising committee)

European Network for the Philosophy of the Social Sciences Meeting (ENPOSS), Madrid, 2014 (Local organising committee)

‘De-Intellectualising the Mind’ workshop, UNED, Madrid, 2014

Refereeing:

Journals:

Animal Behaviour, Animal Welfare, Australasian Journal of Philosophy, Behaviour, Biological Theory, Biology and Philosophy, British Journal for the Philosophy of Science, British Journal of Aesthetics, Crítica, Environmental Ethics, Ergo, Erkenntnis, Ethical Theory and Moral Practice, Ethics and the Environment, Ethology, Evolutionary Anthropology, Food Ethics, Inquiry, Interface Focus, Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics, Journal of Applied Philosophy, Journal of Consciousness Studies, Journal of Ethics, Journal of Value Inquiry, Mind & Language, Nature Communications, Phenomenology and the Cognitive Sciences, Philosophical Explorations, Philosophical Psychology, Philosophy of Science, Physiology & Behavior, Politics and Animals, Social Theory and Practice, Synthese, Theoria, Topoi, WIREs Cognitive Science

Presses:

Bloomsbury, Johns Hopkins Press, MIT Press, Oxford University Press, Routledge, Springer