

Join Us in Celebrating: Hispanic Heritage Month

Did You Know?

In 1951, Dr. Luis Ernesto Miramontes synthesized the first ever synthetic progesterone derivative --- norethindrone.

Luis was completing his undergraduate thesis research under Dr. Djerassi when he discovered the key to making synthetic progesterone. This was a GAME CHANGER.

Previously progesterone could only be injected in a healthcare setting as contraception. With this discovery, Dr. Miramontes derived a compound that could be orally administered AND had increased efficacy. Dr. Luis Miramontes went on to complete his PhD and continued to make astounding scientific contributions to humanity.

His starting material/ substrate was progesterone and it was extracted from a Mexican breed of Yams.

Luis was born in Nayarit, Mexico.

Stay Tuned for Next Week's Celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month!

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