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Female subject in her 30's is from Lleida in the northeast part of Spain. Subject is a language professor who speaks Catalan, Spanish, French, and English. The most distinguishing characteristic of this accent is the rhythm in the speech. Tongue placement and resonance are affected by the Castilian [ð] for [s]. Plosive consonant sounds take on a fricative quality especially [g] and [d]. The consonant [r] is trilled and vowels with r-coloring are tight and slightly pulled back. Vowel changes are not constant for this subject. But can be clearly heard on certain words. Note "different" takes on the tense front vowel sound [i]. [ʎ] Appears before the [s] words, eh-spain and eh-student.

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