CONTRIBUTING TO SCIENCE INFORMED POLICY MAKING

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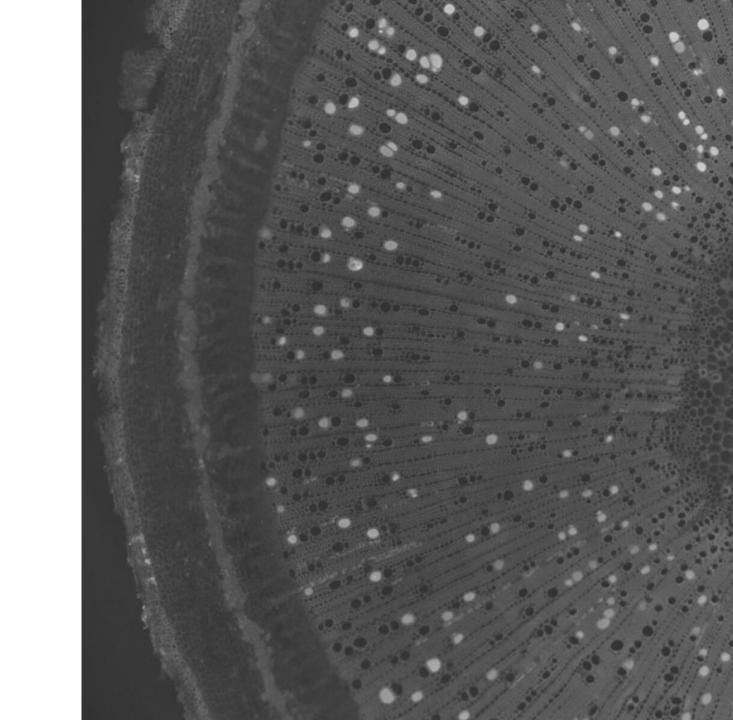
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Our Journey 2018-now

A civil society movement in Spain calling for a S&T Office at the Parliament

Support from the research and political community

Consensus at the core of the initiative



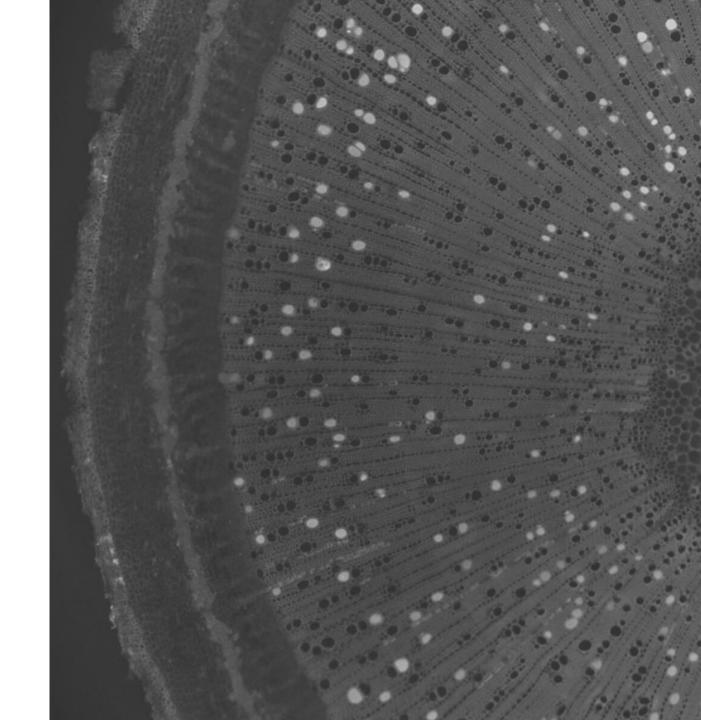


Our model

Agreement between the Congress of Deputies and the Spanish Foundation for Science and Technology

- 2 Scientific coordinators + 2 Clerks ath the Parliament
- 4 Science advisors
- 1 Communications officer

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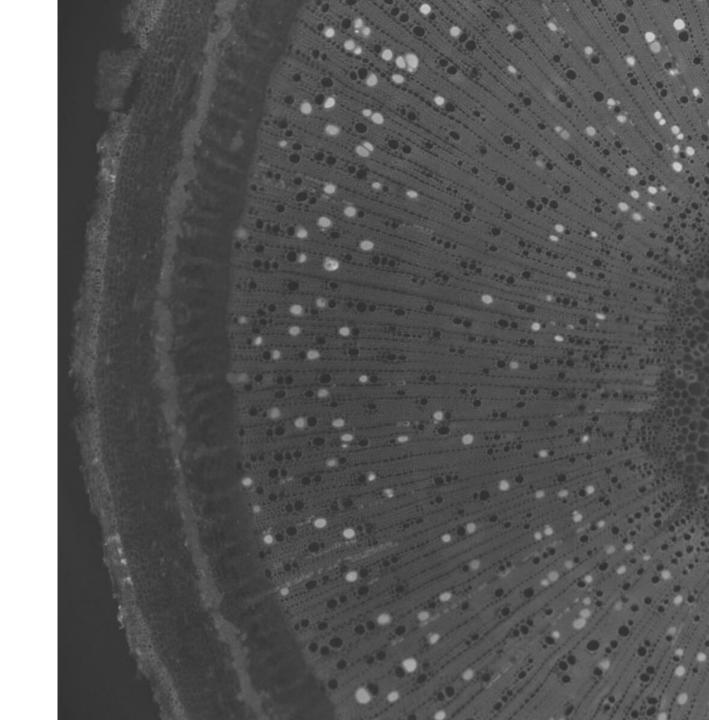


What's our role

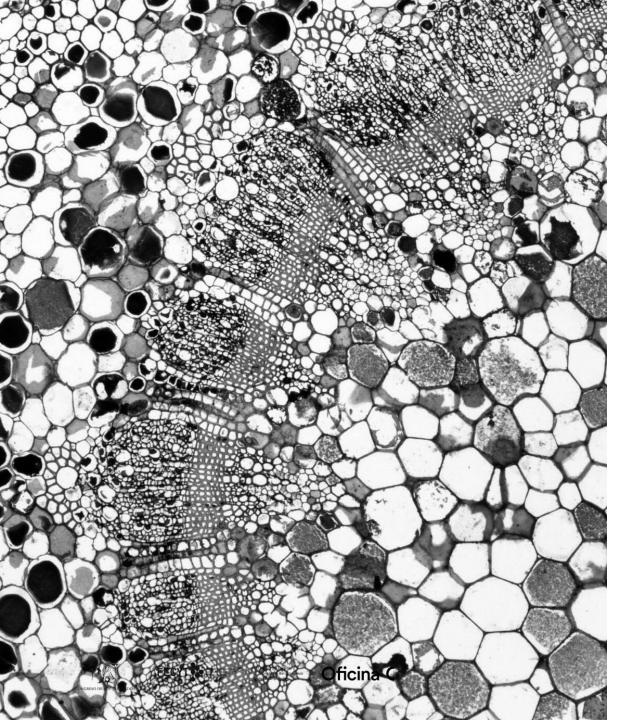
We offer scientific evidence to the Congress of Deputies on topics of their interest

We facilitate a **dialogue** between both communties

We are a **trusted source** for MPs (honest brokers)







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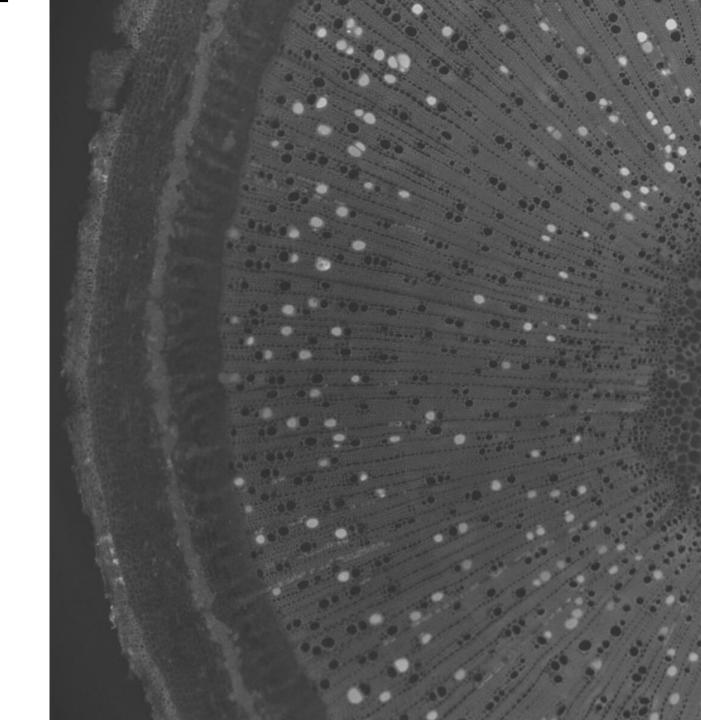






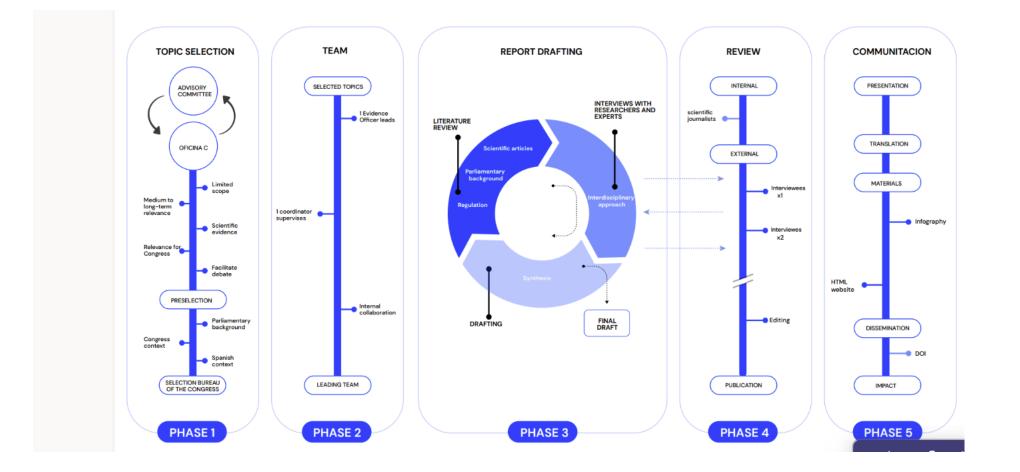
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Our membership is key for a dialogue with peers

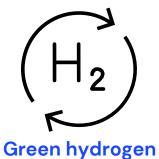




The C Method: how we work in our reports





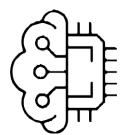




Artificial inteligence and health



Advances in cancer treatment



Cybersecurity

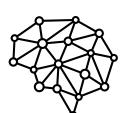






Forest fires

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Advances in neurosciences: ethical aspects

Advances in air quality

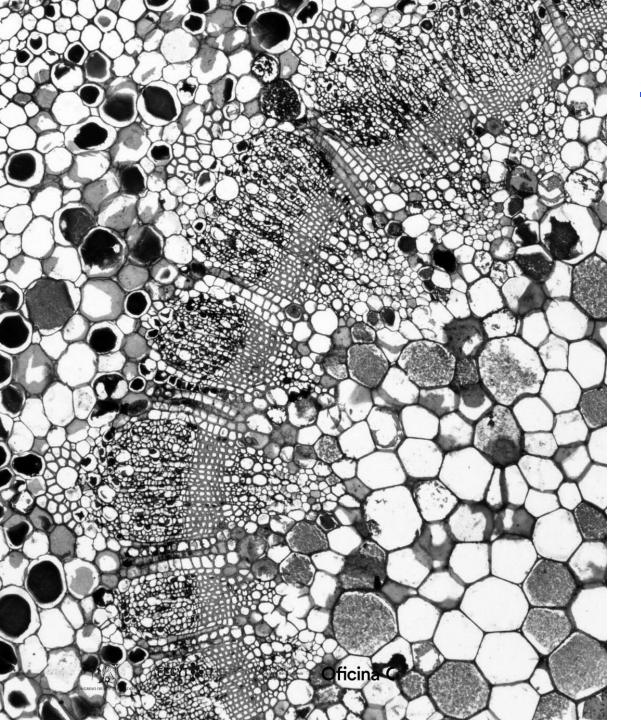


Advances in neurodegenerative illnesses

Disinformation in the digital era

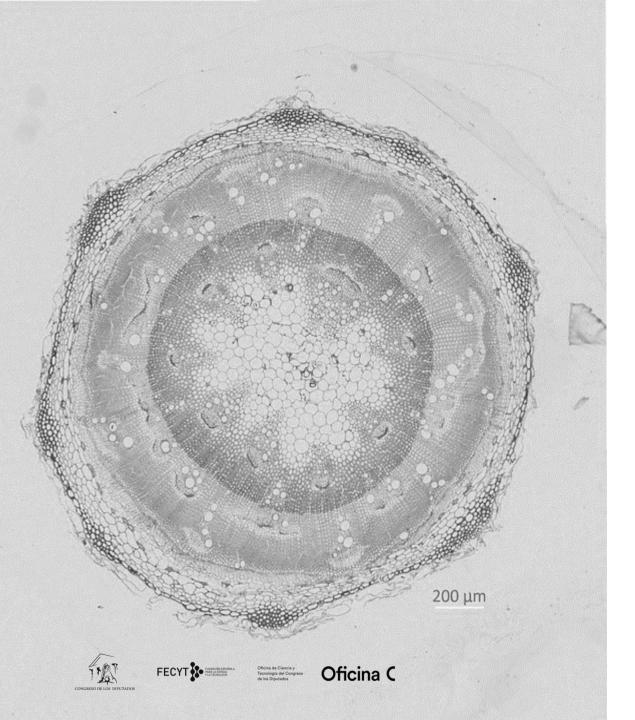
- Over 250 interviews to researchers
- More tan 2500 references
- English translation
- Graphical abstracts





DIALOGUE AND COMMUNICATION

- Our work is public
- Reports are presented at the Congress at public events with MPs and researchers
- Reports are discussed at private meetings with MPs and researchers moderated by Oficina C



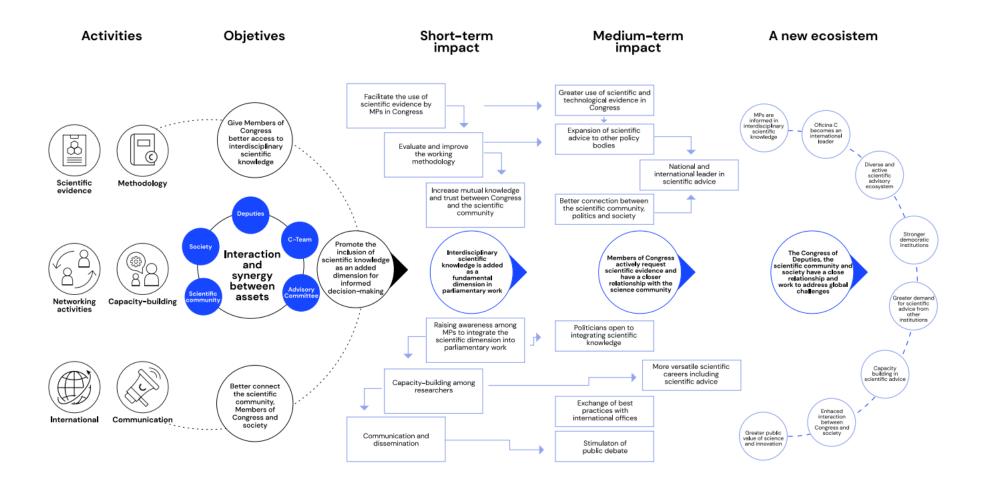
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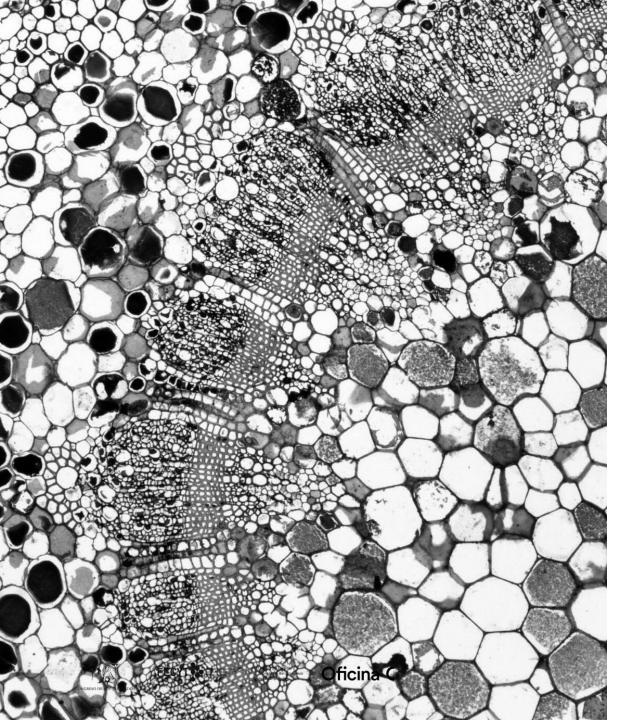
10 researchers spend 1–3 days at the Congress with **10 MPs**

Trust building and knowledge exchange

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- Long term: cultural change
- Quantitative impact
- Qualitative impact:
 - Monitoring parliamentary debates
 - What MPs tell us
 - Parliamentary debates
 - Prestige of the Parliament
- Focus group
- Interim evaluation

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