



Annual Report **2019**



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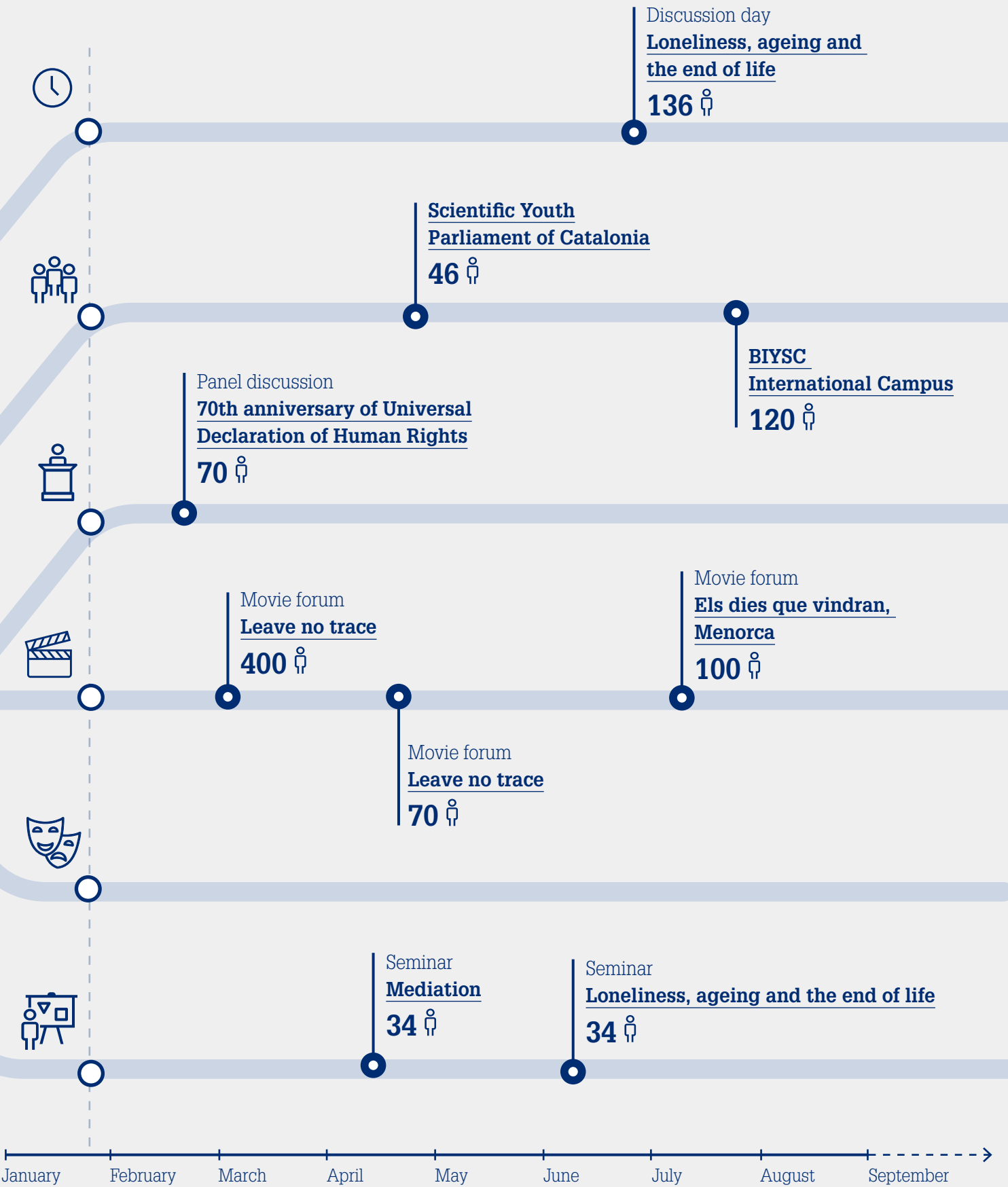
Project Assistant.





Discussion

The Foundation organizes workshops, lectures and seminars with the aim of deepening society's understanding of ethical issues..







Scientific Parliament



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Lecture: The mystery of the human brain

Discussion Day: Loneliness, ageing and the end of life



Conflict Mediation Seminar



Sexuality and functional diversity



Teaching and Learning

Grífols Foundation Chair of Bioethics at UVIC-UCC

The Chair of Bioethics, directed by the Foundation at the University of Vic - University of Central Catalonia, covers the full scope of the Foundation's research and educational activities.

January

International Bioethics Conference

This year, the Chair organized the 1st International Bioethics Conference, held in Vic and dedicated to the subject of teaching and learning in bioethics.

Satellite seminar with experts

Vic

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March - April

"Bioethics: a new discipline or applied ethics?"

Course, Girona

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May - July

Introduction to bioethics in multidisciplinary clinical practice

Online course

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October - November

"Bioethics: a new discipline or applied ethics?"

Course, Girona

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International Bioethics
Conference

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Course:
Uncertainty and
iatrogenesis

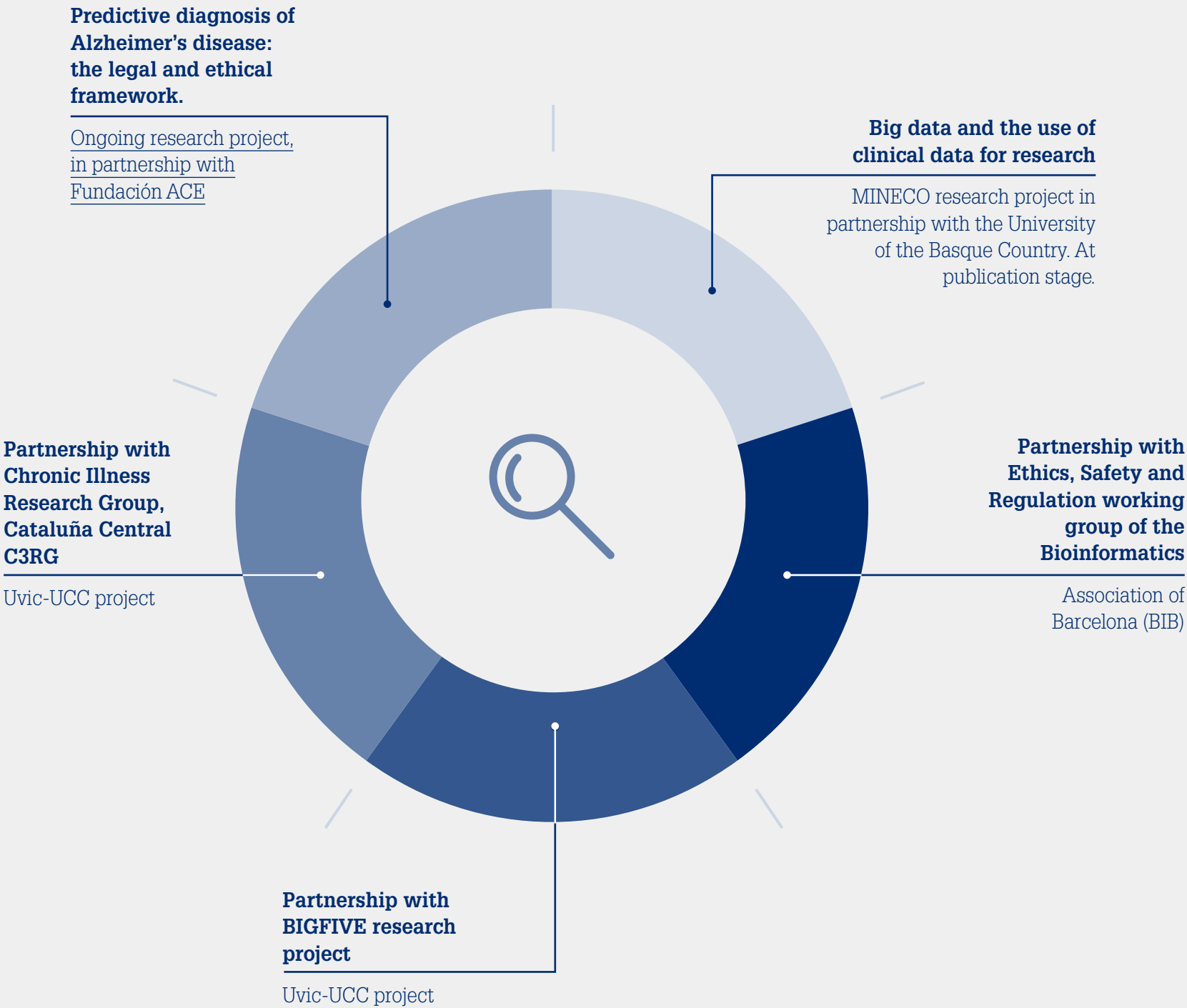


Fringe Seminar: Teaching
and learning in bioethics



Research

The Grífols Foundation Chair of Bioethics supports a number of research projects.



Awards and Grants

As part of its commitment to promoting the study and awareness of bioethics, in 2018 the Foundation awarded six bioethics grants, three senior high school prizes, three prizes for educational establishments and a prize for audiovisual projects.



21 de octubre

Presentation of bioethics grants, senior high school prizes and audiovisual prize.

Pluralismo y muerte: Desafíos éticos y actitudes de los profesionales en relación a la diversidad de criterios en la determinación de la muerte (Pluralism and death: ethical challenges and attitudes of professionals with respect to the diversity of criteria when determining death).

Team led by Gonzalo Díaz Cobacho and Alberto Molina Pérez, University of Granada.

Sensibilidad moral de estudiantes de enfermería de grado y posgrado (Moral sensitivity of undergraduate and postgraduate nursing students).

Team led by María F. Jiménez Herrera, Rovira i Virgili University.

La ética de las técnicas de remplazo mitocondrial para tratar la infertilidad (The ethics of mitochondrial replacement techniques to treat infertility).

César Palacios González, University of Oxford.



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Evaluación de la influencia de la implementación de programas de donación en asistolia controlada en los cuidados al final de la vida (Evaluating the influence of the implementation of donation programmes in controlled asystole in end of life care).

Alberto Sandiumenge Camps, Hospital Universitario Vall d'Hebron.

Pacientes agentes. Repensar la autonomía del paciente desde una perspectiva fiduciaria (Patients as agents: rethinking patient autonomy from a fiduciary perspective).

Jordi Mundó Blanch, University of Barcelona.

Las nuevas maternidades y paternidades, las "nuevas formas" de tener hijos y sus implicaciones éticas (New maternities and paternities: the 'new ways' of having children and their ethical implications).

M^a del Carmen Gete-Alonso y Calera and Judith Solé Resina, Autonomous University of Barcelona.

Prizes for research by senior high school students: 6th edition



Dignified Medicine, Dignified Death

Anna Carbó
Instituto Dertosa, Tortosa



The Legacy of Dr Víctor Frankenstein

Diana Gallardo y Mar Trinidad
Instituto Salvador Espriu de Barcelona



Cruelty to Animals

Paula Pou
Instituto de Celrà



Lecture by Carme Torras:

“Healthcare robotics: research, ethics and science fiction”

Audiovisual prize: 2nd edition

Bailar la locura (Dancing madness)

Marta Espar and Maiol Virgili

Ethics and science prize: 7th edition

The timetable for the 2019 prizes was changed to reflect the academic calendar. The deadline for submissions was November 2019, with the jury's decision being announced in February 2020.





Winners of grants, senior high school prizes and audiovisual prize



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Carme Torras, keynote speaker at the awards ceremony



Grant research jury



Bioethics Prizes and Grants Jury



Institutional partnerships

College of Doctors of Barcelona (COMB)

The Foundation organizes a number of training activities as part of the COMB's continuing professional development programme.

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18 and 25 March
Iatrogenesis and ethics

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1 and 3 July
Caring for the chronically ill

CUIMPB

The Foundation also collaborates with the Menéndez Pelayo International University Consortium Barcelona–Ernest Lluch Centre.

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8 July. Course
Uncertainty and iatrogenesis

COIB

And the Foundation continues its ongoing involvement in the seminar in the ethics of care, organized each year by the Official College of Nursing of Barcelona.

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28 January
Lecture by Ingunn Moser

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16 September
Lecture by Helen Kohlen

Advisory roles on Clinical Ethics Committees

Núria Terribas, director of the Foundation, participates as an active member and expert in bioethics on the Bioethics Committee of Catalonia, the National Bioethics Committee of Andorra and clinical ethics committees of a number of health institutions in Catalonia: Althaia Care Network of Manresa, Hospital de l'Esperit Sant and Grupo Mutuam.

In 2018 she was appointed to the Government of Catalonia's Advisory Committee on Health.

Council of Foundations for Science

The Foundation is a member of the Spanish Foundation for Science and Technology (FECYT) which brings together foundations in Spain that are dedicated to science and science-related issues.



Partnership organizations in 2019:

Academy of Catalan Cinema, Americana Film Fest, Barcelona Friends of UNESCO, Althaia Care Network of Manresa, Official College of Doctors of Barcelona, Official College of Nursing of Barcelona, Menorca Cinema Festival, Catalan Foundation for Research and Innovation, Fundació Catalunya-La Pedrera, Fundació Mémora, Catalan Oncology Institute (ICO), La Pockett, Obra Social "La Caixa", Catalan Society for Health Mediation (SCMS), Spanish Society for Public Health and Health Administration (SESPAS) and University of Vic-Central de Catalunya.



Publications



During the last two decades, the world of communication has undergone a radical transformation, which has also affected the health sector. This has had an impact not just on medical advertising but also – more widely – on all publicity that has an impact on health and lifestyles. This publication reflects on the main dilemmas raised by this new situation.



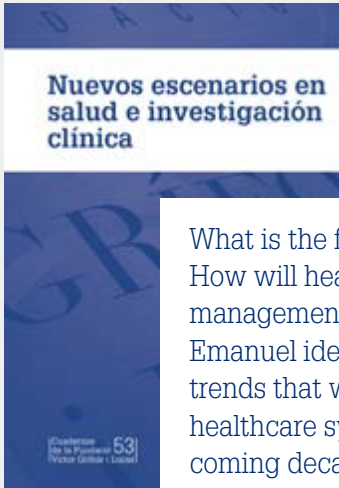
Motherhood has changed rapidly, raising new ethical problems. This publication reflects on the psychological, social, economic, political and employment issues that condition motherhood in today's society.



Conflicts with service users often arise during the provision of health services, and these may lead to complaints and even end up in the courts. Mediation can help prevent further harm for all parties. But this mediation must be ethical, and guided by values such as dialogue, impartiality and transparency.



Health promotion requires an explicit ethical commitment that charts a path between excessive paternalism, on the one hand, and the neglect of those who stand to benefit from community health promotion projects, on the other. This publication, the product of a seminar held jointly with SESPAS, addresses the ethical debate about how to combine these opposing values (freedom and paternalism) from a variety of perspectives.

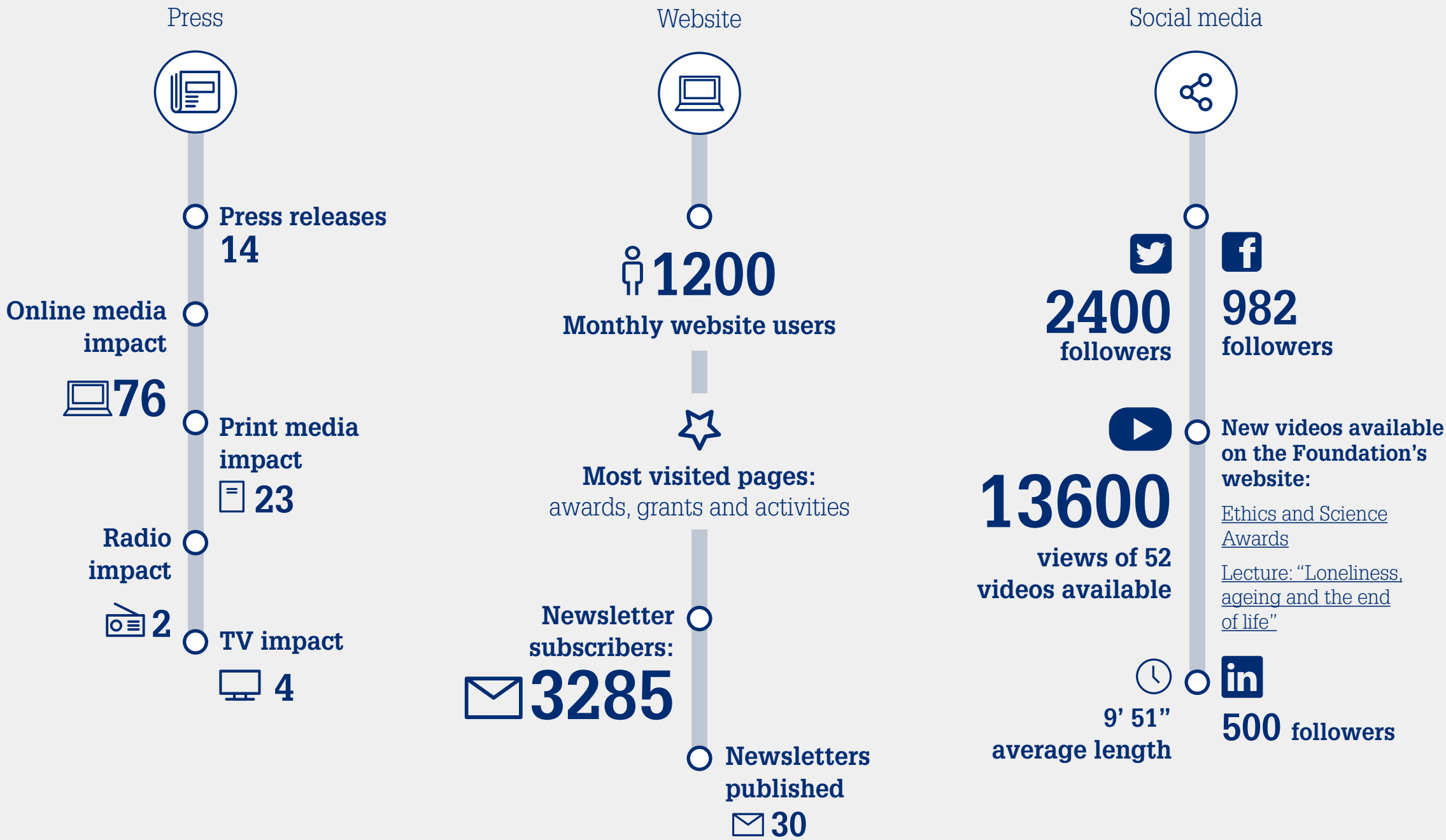


What is the future of healthcare? How will healthcare and health management change? Ezekiel J. Emanuel identifies six healthcare trends that will dominate our healthcare systems over the coming decade. His perspective is complemented by the contributions of scientists and health professionals, who identify the challenges currently faced by biomedical research.



Communication

The Foundation uses a variety of channels to raise awareness of its bioethics initiatives.



Financial information

The financial figures for 2019 can be consulted in the balance sheet and the profit and loss account.

Balance sheet

December 31th 2019 and 2018
(In euros)

Assets	2019	2018
Non-current assets		
Tangible assets	0	231
Working Capital		
Other Debtors	143.202	109.390
Periodifications	0	296
Treasury		
Cash	400	400
Banks and credits institutions, current accounts and sight deposits	9.034	40.812
Total Working Capital	152.636	150.898
Total Assets	152.636	151.130

Liabilities	2019	2018
Equity		
Endowment fund	12.020	12.020
Surplus from previous periods	23.042	18.940
Surplus for the period	4.457	4.102
Total Equity	39.519	35.062
Short-term Creditors		
Short-term Creditors	0	0
Total Short-term Creditors	0	0
Suppliers and Other Creditors		
Debts for the purchase or provision of services	81.454	85.769
Public bodies	22.096	21.951
Others Liabilities Personal Current	9.567	8.348
Total short-term Creditors	113.117	116.068
Total Liabilities	152.636	151.130

The attached report constitutes an integral part of the Annual Accounts.



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Profit and loss account

December 31th 2019 and 2018

Income	2019	2018
Foundation's income from activities		
Income from promotions, sponsors and joint projects	443.092	425.000
Provision of Services	4.144	7.710
Total operating income	447.236	432.710
Operating losses	-	-
Losses from ordinary activities	-	-
Negative surplus for period (loss)	-	-

Expenses	2019	2018
Staff Expenses	224.601	212.493
Cash grants and other expenses	49.290	75.812
Other expenses		
Provision for Repayments	231	231
External services	168.322	139.726
Taxes	332	330
Total expenses	442.776	428.592
Operating profit	4.460	4.118
Financial income from interest	3	16
Profit from ordinary activities	4.457	4.102
Positive surplus for period (profit)	4.457	4.102

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