



ECOPA 2010 Report
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Red Española de Métodos Alternativos a la Experimentación Animal

The Spanish Network for Alternative Methods to Animal Experimentation

- Structure and functioning
- Strong points and interests
- Future plans



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**Meeting of Spanish Groups Interested in Alternative Methods
 Honors Presidency of HM the Queen of Spain
 October 21, 1997**

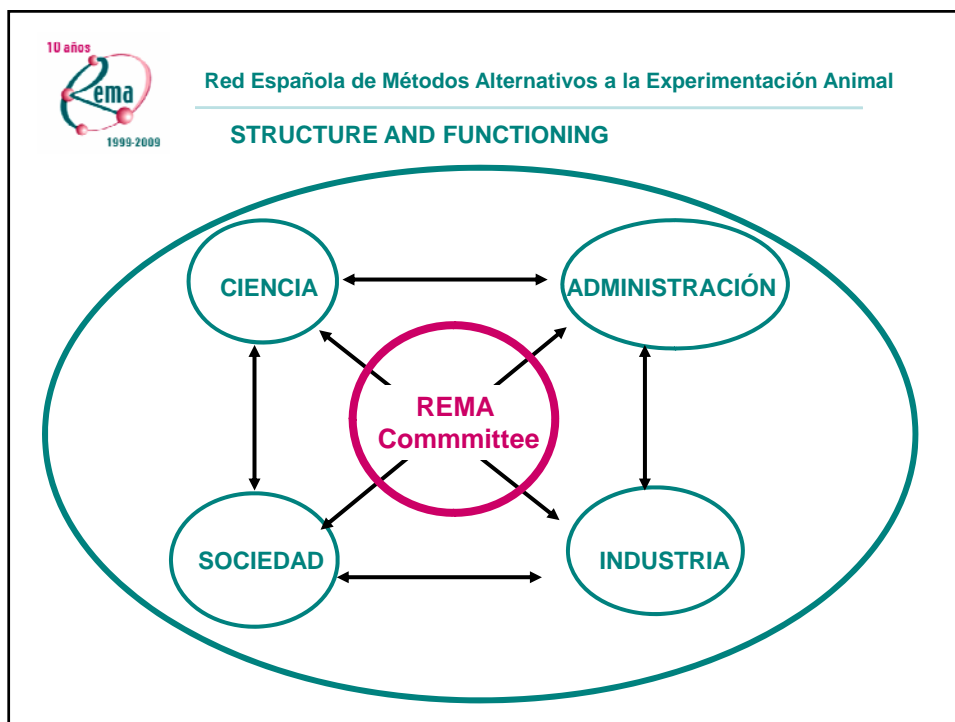
10 años
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1989-2009

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STRUCTURE AND FUNCTIONING



Jornada Científica para la **Constitución** y Puesta en Marcha de *REMA*
Presidencia de Honor de SM la Reina de España
 Madrid, December 1, 1999





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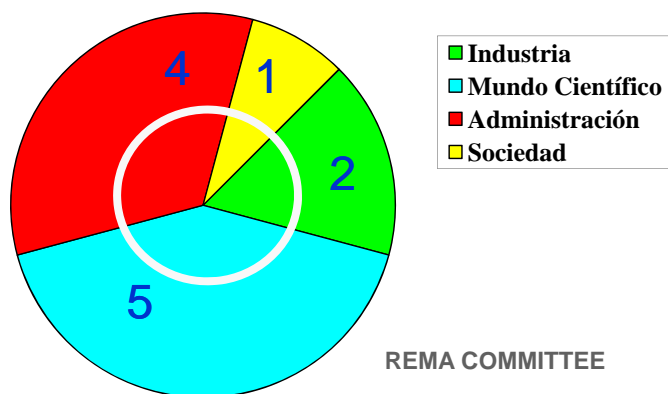


One meeting of the REMA Coordinating Committee



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Registered as an independent non profit Association under Spanish regulation

(Reg. number: 169901-Seccion1)

(VAT number: NIF G83486175)

Registered people:

148 persons (No fee paying)

Data base with affiliation and indication of reason of interest (No public list)

Web page and registration database managed by a voluntary

All activities managed by a very active Coordination Committee of 10 members

Funds and administration

No funds for REMA as an entity

Funds received for "activities" from government, industry, projects

No administrative staff (voluntary and using people in our working institutions)

For managing legal issues of funds, the treasure receive the support from a

Foundation in Valencia

Considering the possibility of transforming to a "Foundation"



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STRONG POINTS AND INTERESTS

REMA is an organization for the development of alternative methods:

- **Establishing connections among the four parts:**
 - Science (Academia)
 - Administration (Government-Regulators)
 - Industry
 - Society (Animal protection),
- **Participation in:**
 - specific institutions (research-universities-ethical committees)
 - National ,
 - European and
 - international forums, projects,
- **Activities to:**
 - promote,
 - inform,
 - educate,
 - apply and
 - influence in regulation

in the field of alternative methods



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- **Informative activities:**
 - Web page (www.remanet.net) [**Page range: 6**]
 - Email distribution to REMA registered people (**149**)
 - News in research, legislation, opinions-positions from other bodies
 - Main contribution in internet forums in Spanish: GTEMA , and "3ERRES" List Server (about **300 people**) (G. Repetto coordinator), link Europe-Latin America
- **Education activities:** courses in the organization of professionals involved in animal research services and **research ethical committees** (last Bilbao June 2010) and as pre-congress course (Barcelona July 2010), collaborating in courses in academic-research institutions
- **Advisory-lobby actions.** Advisory opinion to Spanish authorities and international bodies for animal and alternative related legislation. Observer member in **National Ethical Committee**.



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Scientific activities (since last ecopa meeting)

- IV REMA Workshop "Alternative Methods and the New European Legislation" **10 Years of REMA**. December 1, 2009. Madrid (>100 participants)
- May 2010. Bilbao. Course Alternative Methods (to people of Ethical Committees)
- **22 July 2010. REMA promoted a Workshop inside IUTOX-EUROTOX Congress in Barcelona and inputs to several activities**
- **July 19th, 2010. Int. Course managed by REMA. School of Pharmacy, University of Barcelona (Building B). Evaluation of drugs without animals.**
- 27-Oct 2010. Alicante Round Table on alternatives to animal experimentation in safety testing in drug development . University Pharmacy Congress
- General policy of collaborating with scientific societies in giving inputs and proposals for speakers in scientific congresses and pre-congress courses



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Scientific activities ...

IUTOX-EUROTOX example of giving inputs for scientific program in a scientific congress
(ecopa: give inputs in scientific congresses)



IUTOX 2010 BARCELONA The XII International Congress of Toxicology 19-23 July 2010

Global impact of 3'R's on regulatory processes: sharing experiences and future trends.

Organized by REMA (Spanish Platform on Alternatives) with the participation of experts from REMA, ECOPA, ECVAM, JACVAM, CAAT, BASF, Ferrer International

Chair: Argelia Castaño. (REMA President, I. S. Carlos III, Madrid).

Adela Lopez de Cerain (ECOPA President, Universidad de Navarra)

Hajime Kojima (JaCVAM)

Pilar Prieto (ECVAM)

Thomas Harptung (CAAT)

Domingo Gargallo (Ferrer International)

Robert Landsiedel (BASF Product Safety)

ECOPA represented by the President

Inputs-influences by REMA members in the scientific program and courses: (Imunotox., neurotox, developmental NT, regulatory-REACH, omics-drugs, in silico)



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Projects:

CONAM (Consensus networking on alternative methods within Europe) (2004-2006)

Proposed by ECOPA. The objective: build a solid network on 3R-alternatives. REMA had a very active participation in its design and its execution.

Spanish Complementary Action. REMA, 2006-2007. For dissemination activity

FORINVIOTOX (2007-2009). (REMA-SET-IVTIP) Aimed to identify the results (inventors) in FP6 projects, the needs of industry (users) and the technological companies offering methods (producers), analysis in a White Book and a **Forum**-market event.

START-UP: Scientific and Technological issues in 3Rs Alternatives Research in The process of drug development and Union Politics (2007-2009)

ECOPA. Scientific and technological issues in alternatives research in drug development , Organizing 1+3 Workshops to determine the state of the art of each of the 3Rs. First organized by REMA-Spain (Madrid)



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- FUTURE PLANS

We have many plans...
BUT
 I am going to tell you only one

Please, take attention ...



Rema-ecopa -2011

European consensus-platform for alternatives

PROPOSAL

REMA is offering the organization of

a next ecopa meeting 2011 (or 2012)
 (Madrid /Barcelona/?)

previous scientific workshop

academia-industry- interaction in developing in vitro methods

With critical point of views from social and regulatory organizations

scientific basis, quality, robustness, predictability, applicability, regulatory-social acceptability, commercial availability, use of massive data, molecular, in silico technologies

Include Market forum (in poster): [inventors /researchers offer] versus [need of users]
 (User = industry and regulators)

REMA Committee will guarantee an attractive scientific program and nice environment

Nicolas Fabre (Industry)
 Jorge Estevez (Academia)



They offer taking responsibility
 of the meeting organization

in coordination with REMA and ECOPA Boards