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The post-pandemic global communication scenario is different from that prior to 2020. Traditional media are increasingly competing with social media content generators, and audiences have become accustomed to relentless information consumption. In this context, research institutions have the responsibility to nurture social demand with quality information. For the CNIO, which for years has emphasized the need to bring knowledge to society, the new situation is an opportunity to further expand outreach actions in the field of cancer research.

This is why the CNIO’s Communication Department had 2 key goals in 2022. The first and immediate one was to keep bringing the outcomes of CNIO researchers to the public, in the clearest and most attractive way. But the CNIO also began in 2022 to broaden its informative offer with more general-public oriented content, specifically on how research to prevent, diagnose and treat cancer is being carried out.

Several of the products generated by the CNIO Communications Department in 2022 fall into this line, such as the interviews with Elisabete Weiderpass, director of the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), who offered high quality information on cancer prevention; and with David Nogués-Bravo, macroecologist, on the impact of the global environmental crisis. Both interviews were covered by national and regional media.

Another novelty that multiplied CNIO’s visibility among the non-specialised public has been a collaboration with Radio Nacional de España. Twice a month María A. Blasco participates in the prime-time programme Las Mañanas, with a commentary on the latest issues in culture and science.

All the aforementioned actions build on the CNIO’s prestige, which has grown thanks to the dissemination of the excellent work of its research community. In 2022, some of the scientific publications that attracted most interest in the media were the study of a patient who has survived multiple tumours (C. Villarroya-Beltri, M. Malumbres, Science Advances); the identification of a mechanism that causes cirrhosis (A. Garrido, N. Djouder, Journal of Hepatology); and a stool analysis to detect pancreatic cancer (N. Malats, Gut).

The 2 international CNIO-CaixaResearch Frontiers Meetings dealt with topics of great public interest, such as aging and the relationship between cancer and diet, and they were indeed well received by the media.

The campaign launched by the CNIO on the occasion of World Cancer Day, La lotería que más te toca, was another milestone in 2022, as was the open event held at CaixaForum (Madrid) to celebrate World Cancer Research Day. During the latter, oncologists Luis-Paz Ares and Antonio Pérez explained to a non-specialised audience why cancer immunotherapy has become such a hot topic.

The IV Philosophy and Science Congress, organised with the Banco Sabadell Foundation, also contributed to the CNIO’s presence in media areas beyond science. Two national media devoted space in their printed edition to the congress.

The CNIO can also be a reference for the values that help to build a better society. CNIO’s deep commitment to equality and diversity is well known in the media, which not only report on the events of the CNIO Women in Science and Diversity Office, but also regularly seek out CNIO speakers to assess the situation of women in science and how to improve it.

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PRESS CLIPPINGS

1. El País, front page, November 3, 2022
2. El País, March 3, 2022
3. El País, November 26, 2022
4. El Mundo, March 9, 2022
5. ABC, November 3, 2022
6. La Voz de Galicia, November 3, 2022
7. ABC news agency, December 3, 2022
8. EFE news agency, June 15, 2022
9. Gaceta Médica, January 24, 2022
10. El Correo Gallego, February 3, 2022
11. Diario Menorca, April 4, 2022
12. EFE news agency, June 15, 2022
13. TeleMadrid, Cámara Real, February 2, 2022
14. TVE, Telecinco, January 27, 2022
15. Antena 3, España Políticas, February 3, 2022
16. TVE, Telediario, February 3, 2022
17. Ideal de Granada, February 4, 2022
CNIO MEDIA IMPACT

TOTAL 100%
€31,749,099

NATIONAL RADIO 39.1%
€7,142,901

NATIONAL NEWSPAPERS 34.4%
€6,287,944

NATIONAL TV 8.9%
€1,620,727

NATIONAL DIGITAL MEDIA 9.4%
€1,712,557

MAGAZINES 8.3%
€1,517,097
CNIO establishes “lottery” retail store to raise awareness of the importance of cancer research - In various information points across the city of Madrid, the CNIO’s World Cancer Day campaign delivered shocking messages like “It may affect your life”. In 2021, there were 276,239 ‘winners’; or “one out of 3 people are bound to ‘win’” to catch the attention of passers-by and publicise the work done by the CNIO to reduce these numbers. In an effort to raise awareness of the need for research funds, CNIO established its own lottery retailer to manage this most unfortunate lottery, making this campaign a performance. As summarised by Maria A. Blasco: “Cancer really is like a lottery. Only research can protect us from it.” February 3, 2022.

International Women’s Day, a tribute to the career of Dr Jane Goodall - On March 8, 2022, International Women’s Day, CNIO held a tribute to the career of Dr Jane Goodall. In addition to the projection of a video that Dr Goodall sent for the occasion, there was a round table moderated by the journalist Lula Gómez and involving Dr Rebeca Atencia (Director of the Jane Goodall Institute in the Republic of Congo), Federico Bogdanowicz (Director of the Jane Goodall Institute in Spain and Senegal) and Dr. Maria A. Blasco (Director of the CNIO). The act was closed by the British Ambassador Hugh Elliott. This event was organised by the CNIO WISE Diversity Office and the British Embassy in Spain. March 8, 2022.
More than 250 people conduct experiments at CNIO’s “Festival of Science” held during European Researchers’ Night 2022. During our 12th European Researchers’ Night (a European Union initiative to publicise the importance of scientific knowledge, held simultaneously in 350 European cities), once again in person after 2 years online, the participants performed DNA extraction, looked at tumour cells under a microscope, and visualised how the three-dimensional structure of proteins is decoded.

This event in Madrid is promoted by the Science, Universities and Innovation Department of the Regional Government of Madrid, and is coordinated by the Fundación para el Conocimiento madri+d. The project is funded by the European Union under the Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation Programme – Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions. At CNIO, the event is part of the Centre’s outreach strategy through the Dean’s Office, along with the CNIO Training Programme. September 30, 2022.

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World Cancer Research Day Event at CaixaForum Madrid. CNIO celebrated World Cancer Research Day by holding a seminar entitled “Immunotherapy: Achievements and Challenges in the Fight Against Cancer”. Oncologists Luis Paz-Ares and Antonio Pena-Martinez, along with CNIO Director Maria A. Blasco, other researchers and CNIO Friends, attended the event. The event was organised by the CNIO at CaixaForum (Madrid), with the support of “la Caixa” Foundation. September 24, 2022.