



CONFESQ

**SPANISH NATIONAL COALITION OF
FIBROMYALGIA,
MYALGIC ENCEPHALOMYELITIS
/CFS**

**MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY
AND ELECTROHYPERSENSITIVITY**



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- FIBROMYALGIA
- CHRONIC FATIGUE SYNDROME/MYALGIC ENCEPHALOMYELITIS (ME)
- MULTIPLE CHEMICAL SENSITIVITY
- ELECTROHYPERSENSITIVITY

- ❖ **2004 - 2009:** Coordinator of Fibromyalgia and Chronic Fatigue Associations
- ❖ **2009 - 2017:** National Confederation of Fibromyalgia and Chronic Fatigue Syndrome
- ❖ **2018-present:** National Coalition of Fibromyalgia, FCS/ME, Multiple Chemical Sensitivity and Electrohypersensitivity
- ❖ **Member of:**
 - State COCEMFE (disable people)
 - Plataforma de Organizaciones de Pacientes (POP)
 - Pain Alliance European (PAE)
 - European Network Of Fibromyalgia Associations (ENFA)
 - Pain Euro-Mediterranean Coalition (PEC)

INTRODUCTION

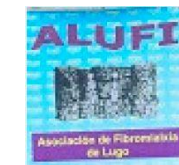
SPAIN REPRESENTATION



We represent 57 organizations:

- 17 Associations
- 5 Federations
- 10.000 patients associated

Agrupación de Asociaciones de Fibromialgia y Fatiga Crónica de Extremadura "Virgen de Guadalupe" (AGRAFIFEX)



ME+COVID19



SPAIN

Large and strict confinement

Present: de-escalated

Negative aspects

- Cancellation and delay of consultations with specialists and surgical interventions
- Stop in hospital treatments, physiotherapy and osteopathy, injections, walking...
- ME is not recognized as a risk subject



- **There has not been special measures for our group, because is not been considered a risk patients**

Positive aspects

Telephone medical consultations



EUROPEAN UNION



Parliamentary Committee on Petitions

(with the favorable vote of all the members of the different political groups that integrate it)

APPROVES



the resolution presented requesting additional European funding for ME/FCS research

Next step → Voting this resolution in the plenary session of the European Parliament

[\(LINK\)](#)

CONFESQ requested a meeting with MEP Jordi Cañas, Spanish spokesman for the liberal group in this petition

Target



Knowing what we can do to get that favorable vote



MEETING RESULTS

The meeting was very interesting and, as a result, we have proposed 3 courses of action



- National campaign with politicians of the Congress and the Senate and the MEPs, to get their favorable vote
- Proposal for joint actions to the European ME/FCS Association
- Contact with researchers in order to strengthen EUROMENE (or another network) and create a strong, coherent, coordinated, participatory research network.



THANK YOU VERY MUCH !

We are going to keep in touch next week

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