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He has participated in various scientific transfer activities, including: "The Barcelona Mental Health Plan 2016-2022" (Barcelona City Council), "Health Plan 2012" (Department of Health, Government of Catalonia), "White Paper" in Mental Health of the European Federation of Medicine (FEAM, 2010) and the "Green Paper on mental health" (European Commission, 2005). Dr. Alonso is an international reference in research in the measurement of health-related quality of life (HRQL). International member of the Board of Directors of PROMIS Health Organization (PHO) (<http://www.promishealth.com/>): non-profit foundation founded in 2008 by a group of scientists funded by the NIH to develop and validate The PROMIS item banks, becoming an international society to bring the "voice of the patient" to the process of health care. Dr. Alonso is director of the scientific committee of BiblioPRO, a virtual library of PRO measuring instruments in Spanish (<http://www.bibliopro.org/>). He was a member of the IMIM Research Commission (2003-2007). Among other awards, in 2005 he received the Professional Excellence Award from the Council of Medical Schools of Catalonia.