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Website history

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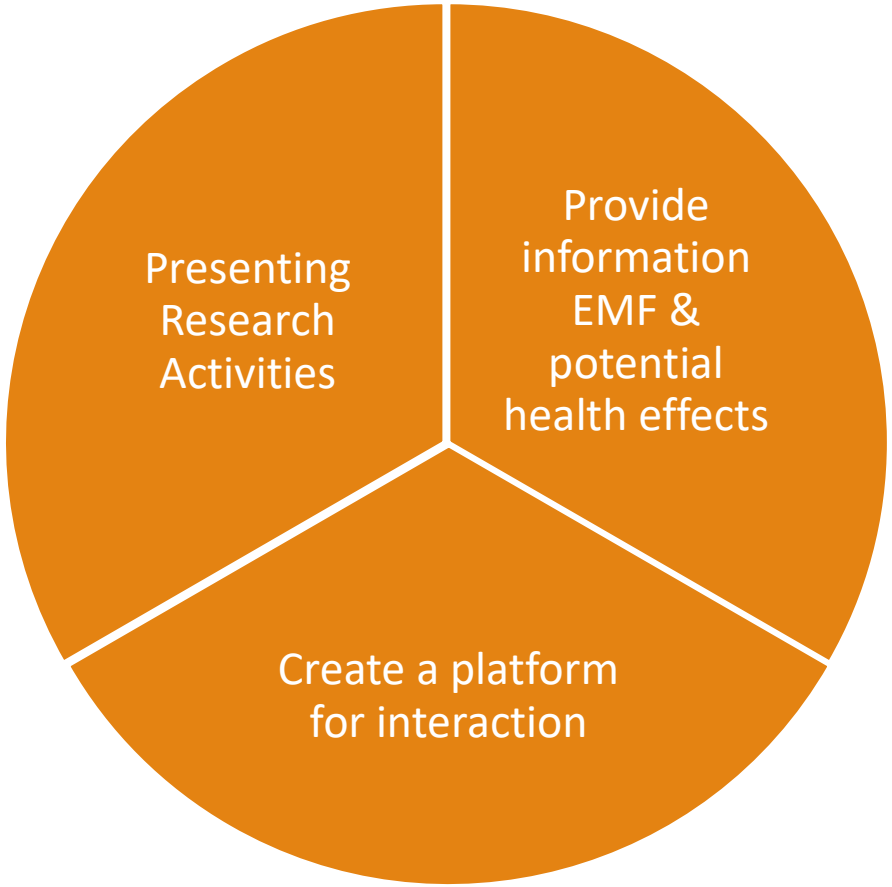
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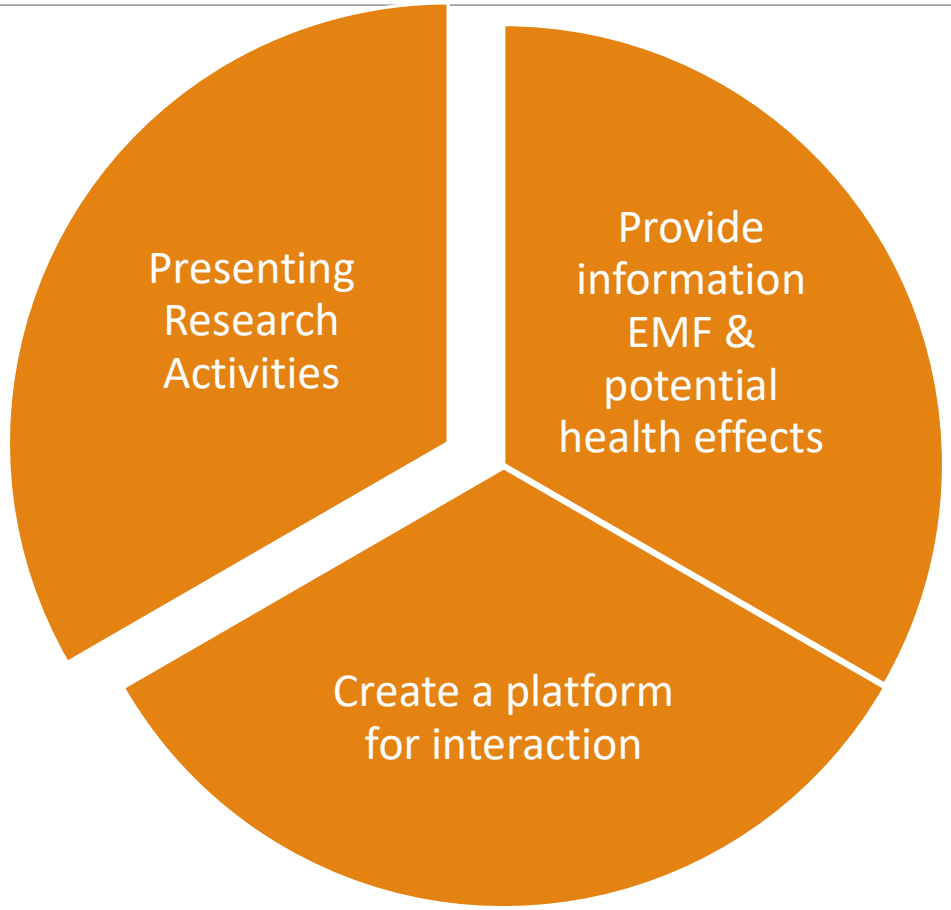
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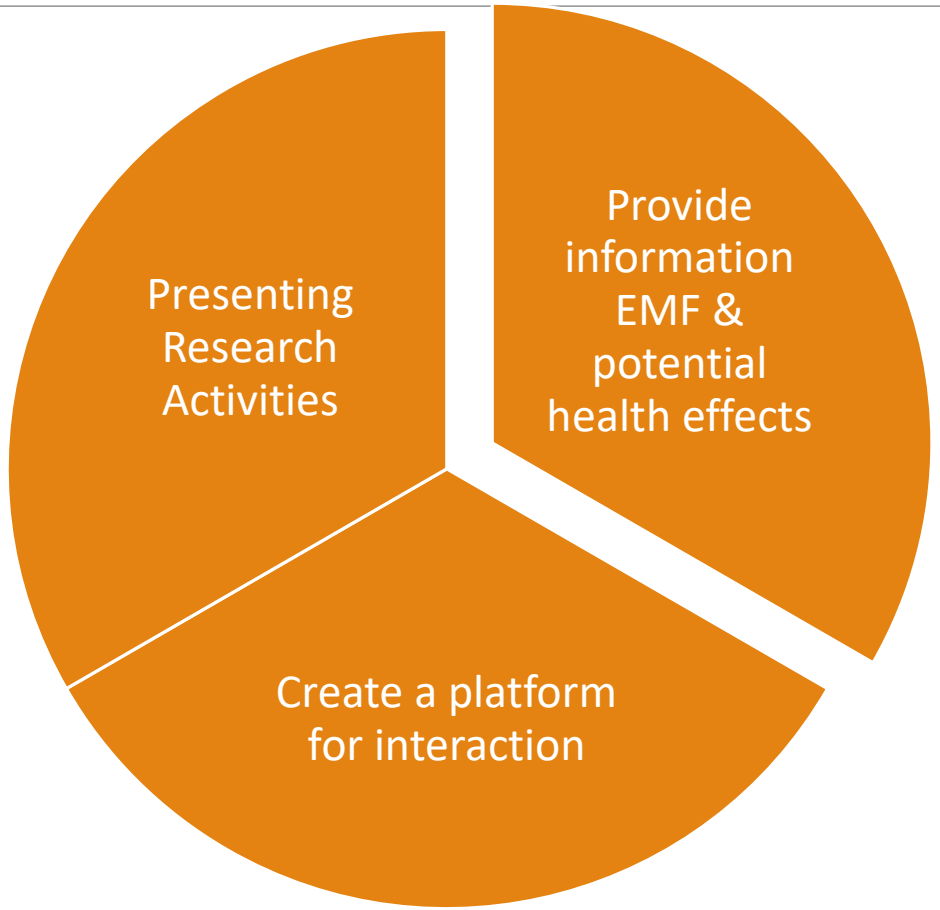
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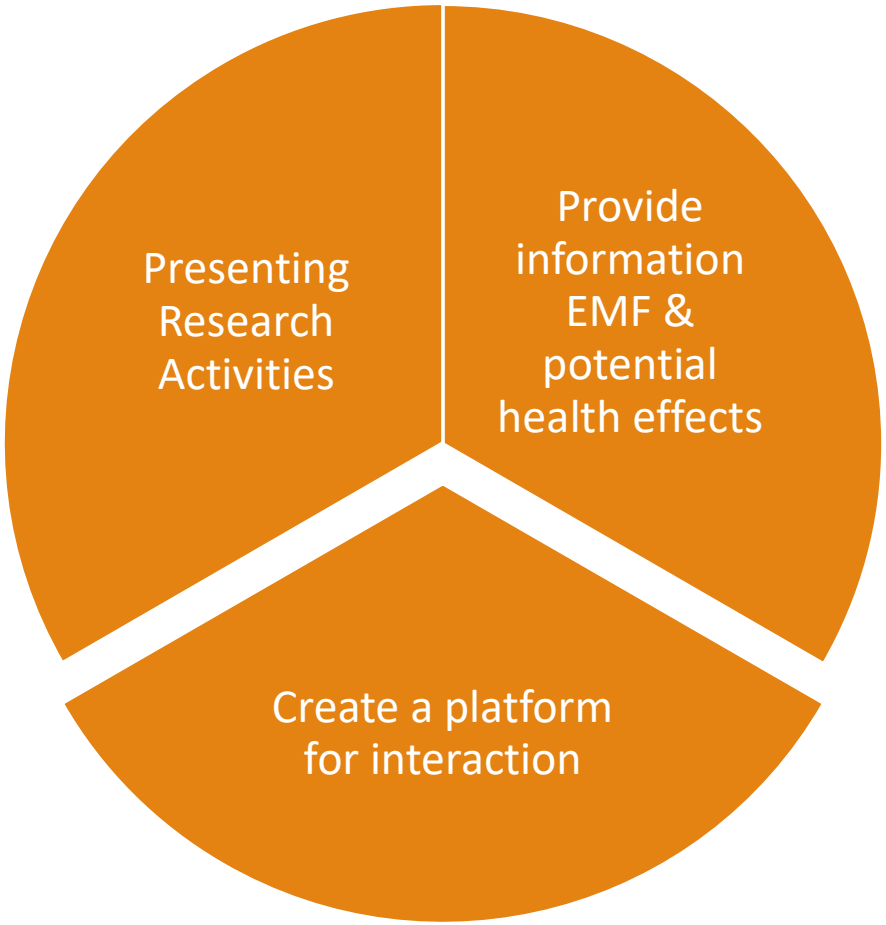
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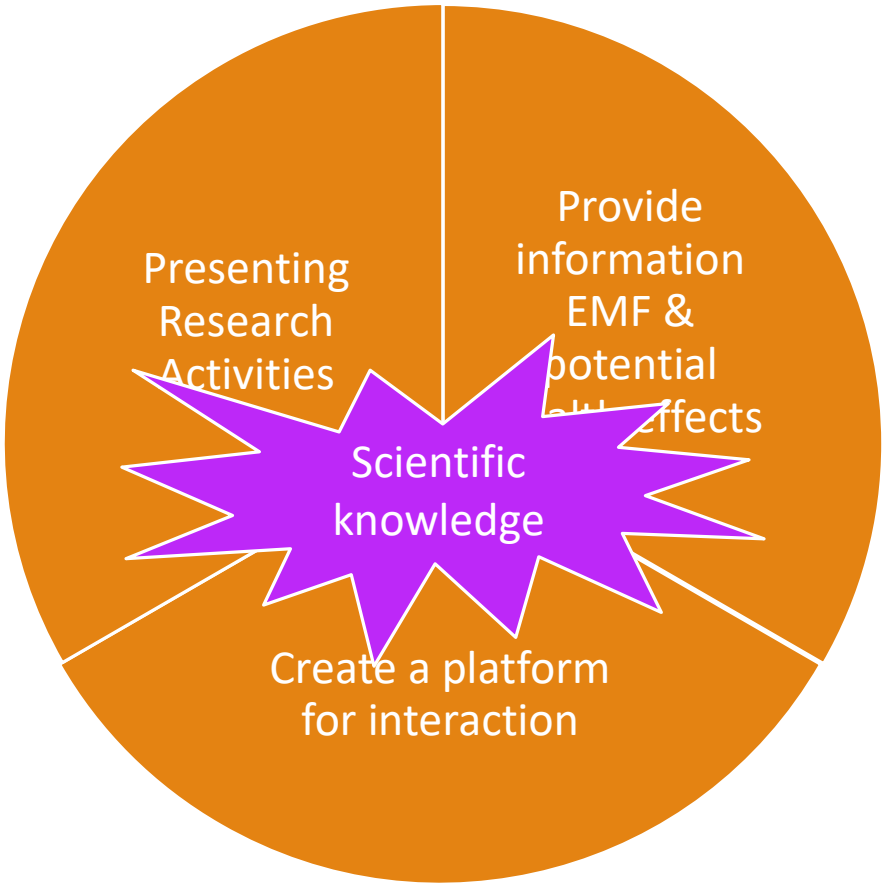
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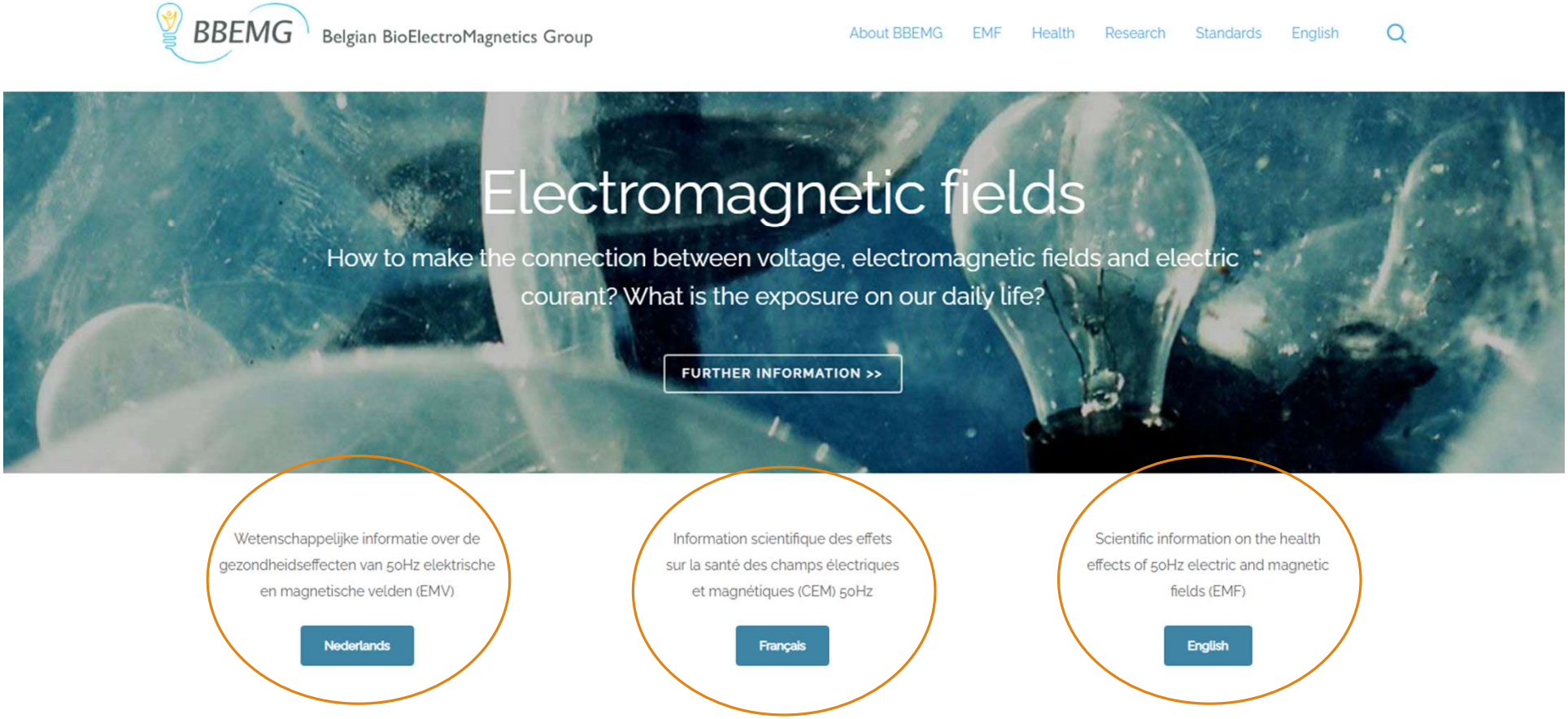

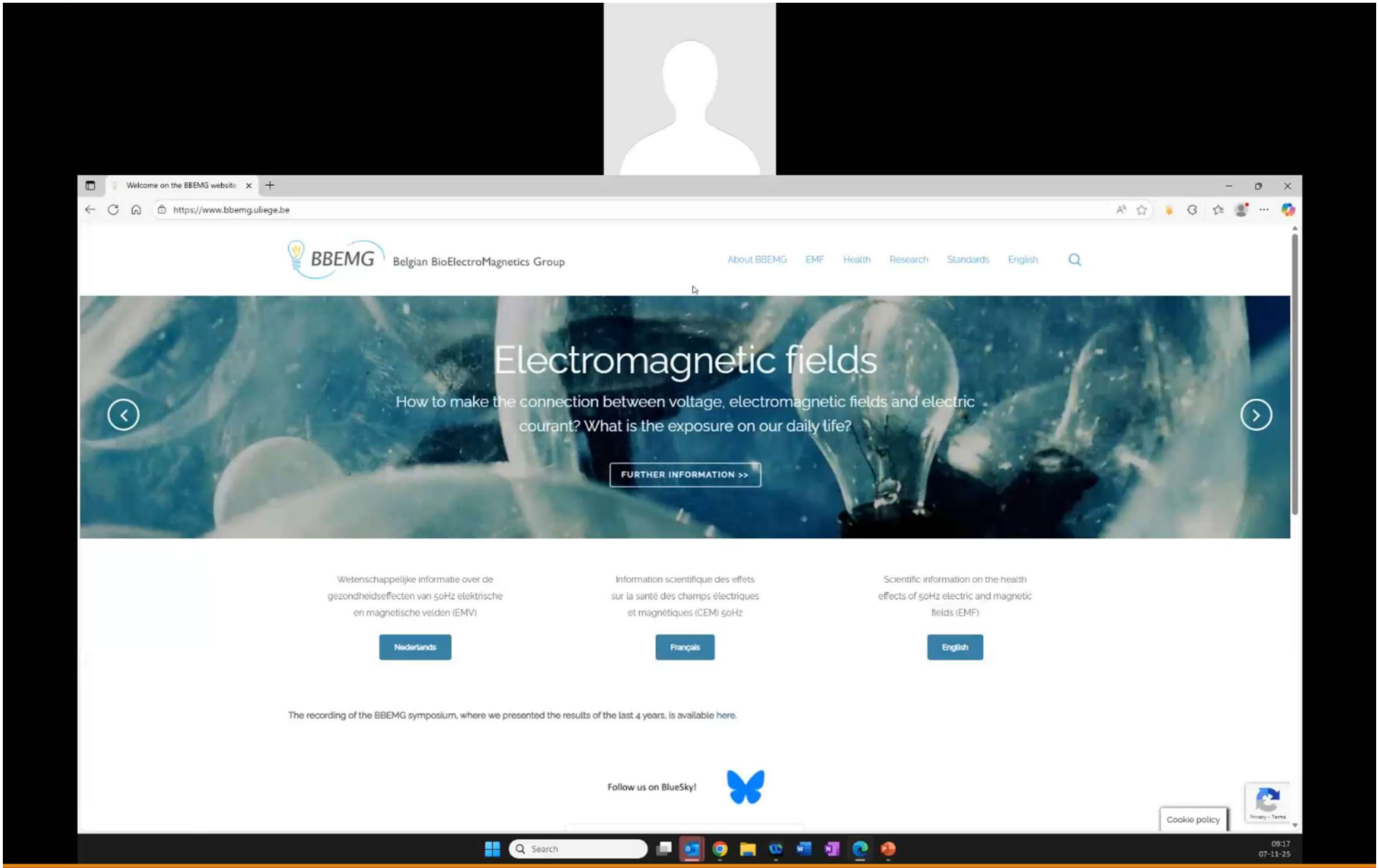
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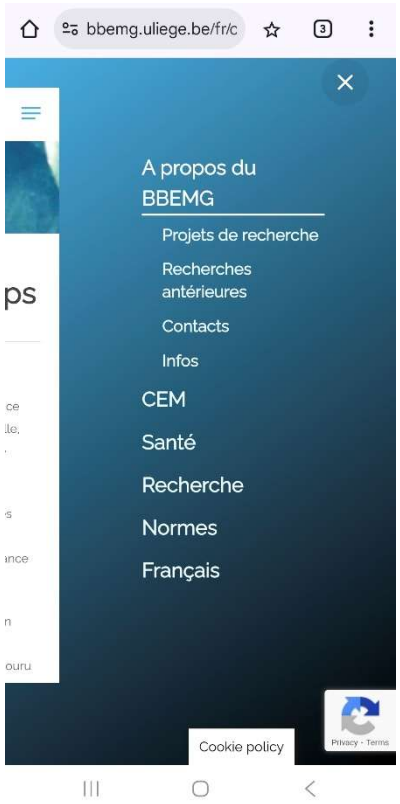

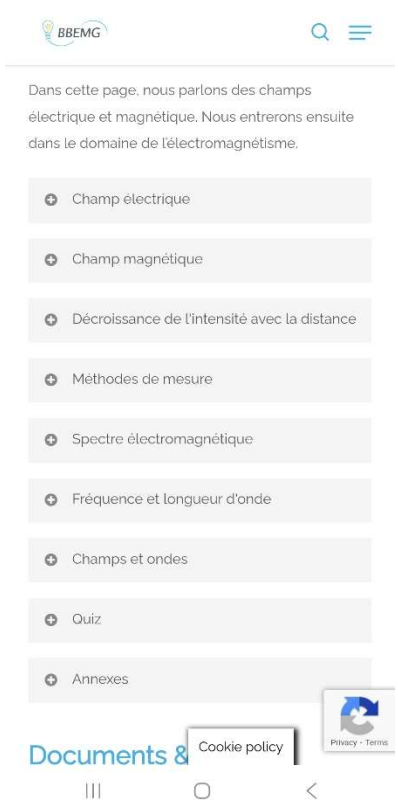

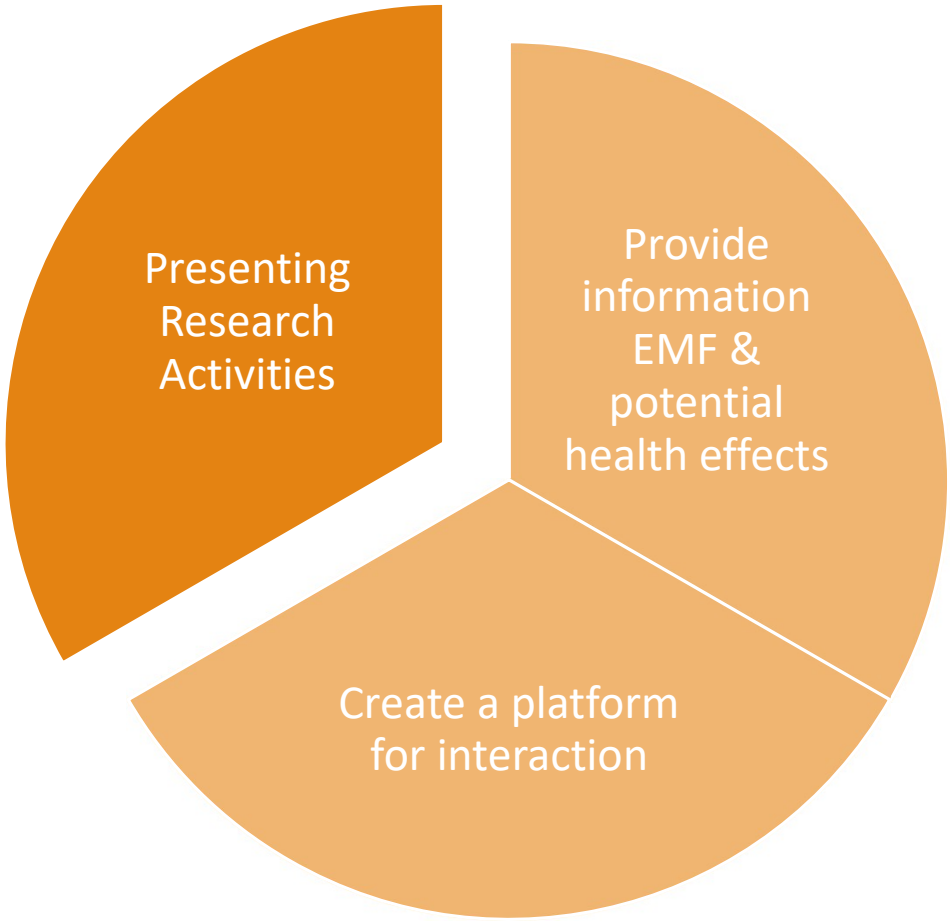
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Presenting research activities

Who are we? What do we do?

Literature review and risk perception
L. Braeckman
E. De Waegeneer
(UGent – Public Health)

Cumulative environmental nuisances and electrohypersensitivity
C. Bouland
A. Salmon
(ULB – Public Health)

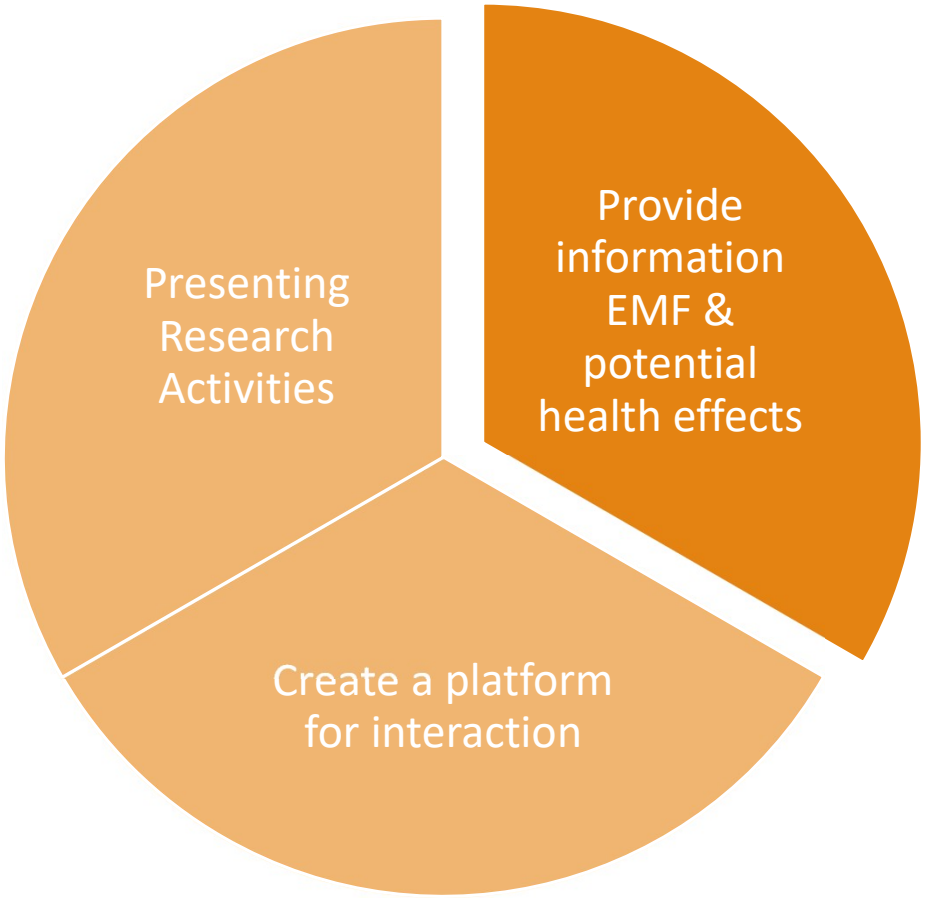
Meta-analysis: Potential carcinogenic effect of ELF-EMF
O. Bruyère
C. Brabant
(ULiège – Public Health)

Impact of ELF-EMF on crop production
Joos Latré
Sofie Landschoot,
Kevin Dewitte
(HoGent - UGent)

Gene expression after exposure
M. Hinsenkamp
JF. Collard
(ULB – LROT)

Cytogenetic biomonitoring of exposed employees
Perception of EMF effects in the farming community
E. De Clercq
M. Ledent
H. Nguyen
(Sciensano)

Exposure modelling (OHPL) & Technical support
C. Geuzaine
V. Beauvois
(ULiège – ACE)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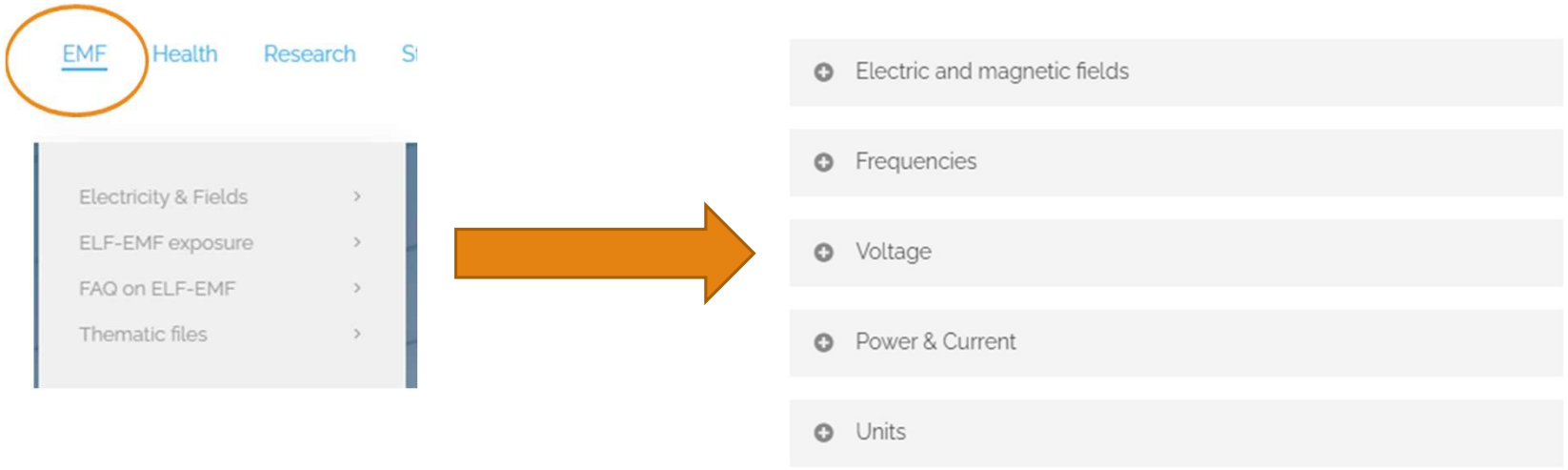
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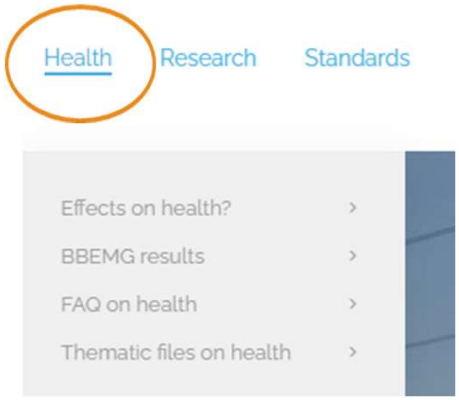
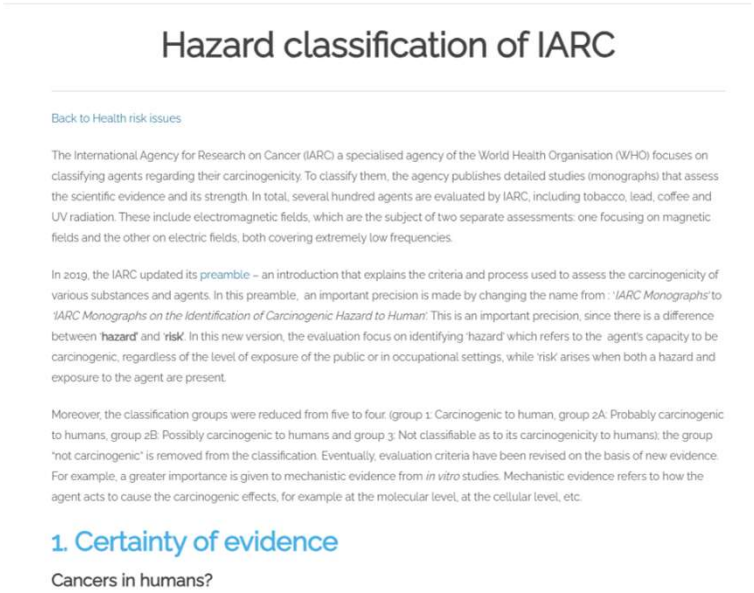
“Hazard classification”?





Hazard classification of IARC

Back to Health risk issues

The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) a specialised agency of the World Health Organisation (WHO) focuses on classifying agents regarding their carcinogenicity. To classify them, the agency publishes detailed studies (monographs) that assess the scientific evidence and its strength. In total, several hundred agents are evaluated by IARC, including tobacco, lead, coffee and UV radiation. These include electromagnetic fields, which are the subject of two separate assessments: one focusing on magnetic fields and the other on electric fields, both covering extremely low frequencies.

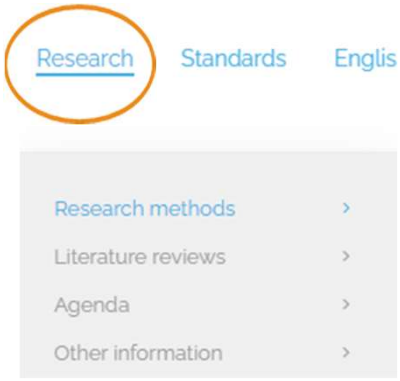
In 2019, the IARC updated its preamble – an introduction that explains the criteria and process used to assess the carcinogenicity of various substances and agents. In this preamble, an important precision is made by changing the name from : '*IARC Monographs*' to '*IARC Monographs on the Identification of Carcinogenic Hazard to Human*'. This is an important precision, since there is a difference between '**hazard**' and '**risk**'. In this new version, the evaluation focus on identifying 'hazard' which refers to the agent's capacity to be carcinogenic, regardless of the level of exposure of the public or in occupational settings, while 'risk' arises when both a hazard and exposure to the agent are present.

Moreover, the classification groups were reduced from five to four. (group 1: Carcinogenic to human, group 2A: Probably carcinogenic to humans, group 2B: Possibly carcinogenic to humans and group 3: Not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans); the group "not carcinogenic" is removed from the classification. Eventually, evaluation criteria have been revised on the basis of new evidence. For example, a greater importance is given to mechanistic evidence from *in vitro* studies. Mechanistic evidence refers to how the agent acts to cause the carcinogenic effects, for example at the molecular level, at the cellular level, etc.

1. Certainty of evidence

Cancers in humans?

“Epidemiological study” ?



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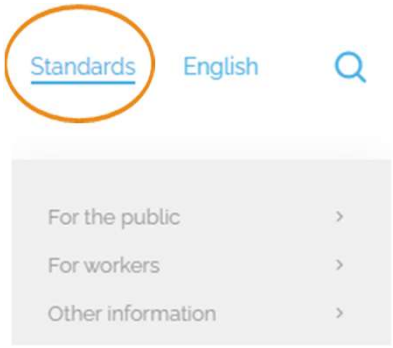

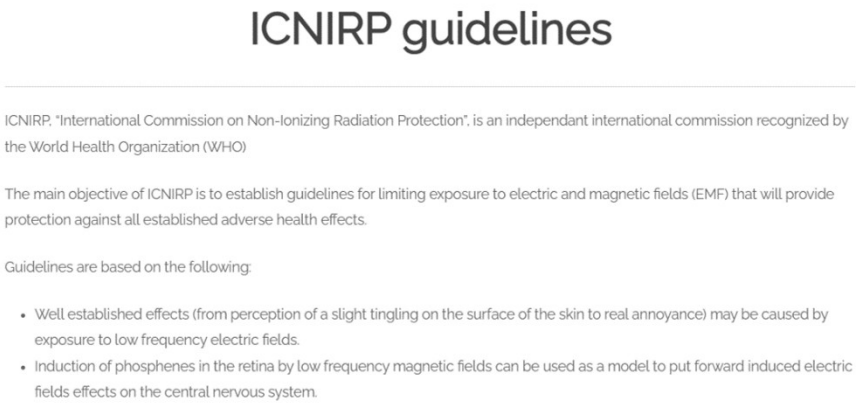

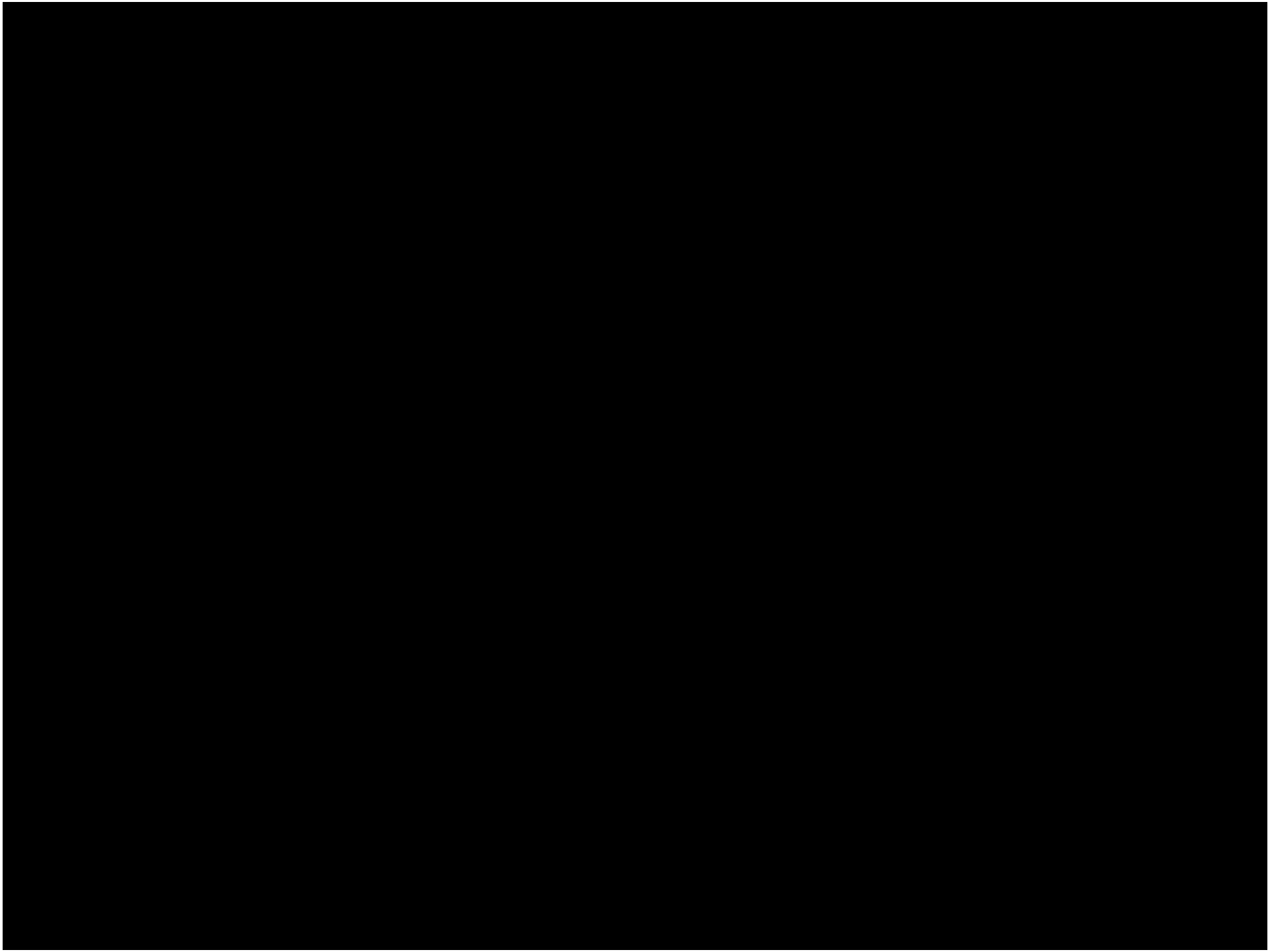

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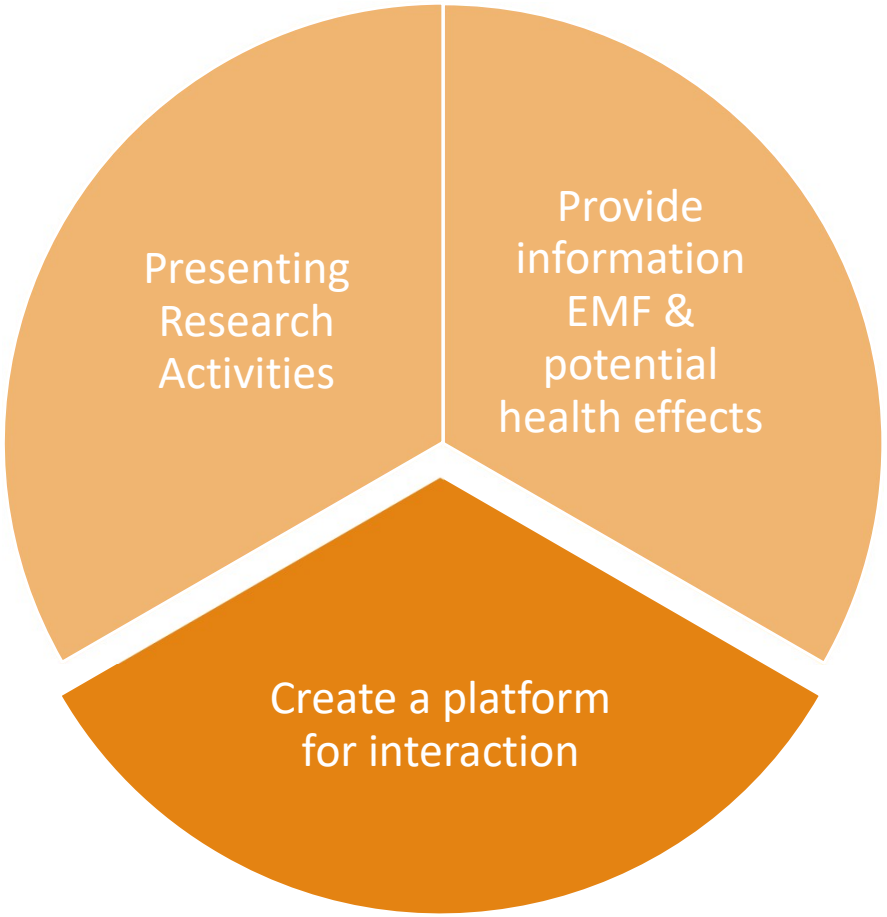
EDC12 should we add that they can also use the "search" button on the website ?
Eva De Clercq, 10/11/2025

Use our Search Console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Form:

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- ☐ Health effects of 50 Hz electric and magnetic fields
- ☐ BBEMG research activities
- ☐ Exposure measurement
- ☐ I'd like to talk about my electrosensitivity
- ☐ I'm having problems with the website

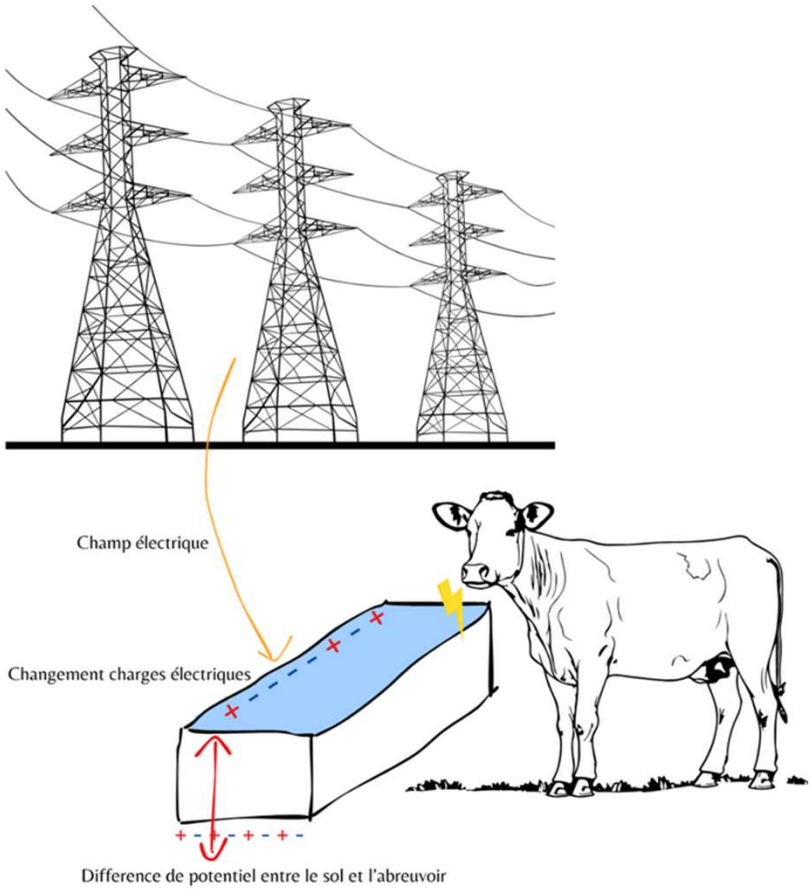
My question (mandatory)

Enter your question here

→ Answer + link to our website

FAQs, example

"I've noticed that my dairy cows drink less when they're in the meadow where there's a power line. They seem to be more nervous than usual. Is it caused by the power line?



FAQ creation process

- → Question
- → Meeting with relevant experts (BBEMG group)
- → Draft an answer in FAQ format
- → Approval by all involved experts
- → Publication on the website

Who create the content?

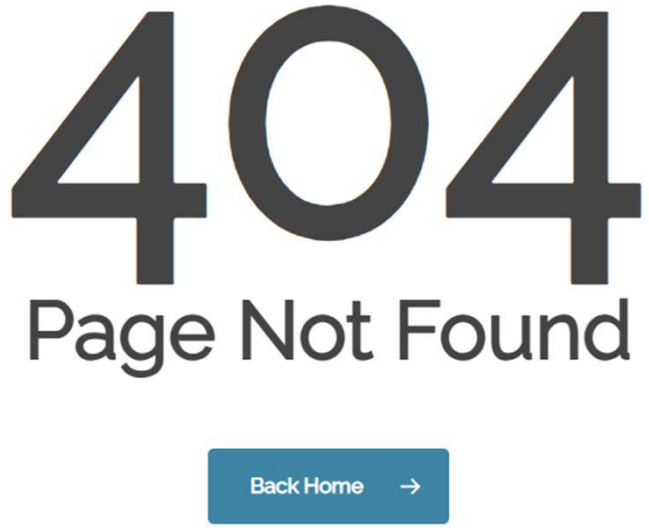
Team work

Thank you to the BBEMG group of scientists!

Challenges faced

- Update permanently the content, links, etc.
- Website failure

→ Room for improvement



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🚀 The BBEMG was at the BioEM conference in Rennes, France!

From 23 to 27 June, the BBEMG team from @sciensano.be presented posters at the largest conference on #EMF in the world.

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